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## Rebels fall in regional

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## Counties chosen for election audits

FRANKFORT — Six Kentucky counties were chosen in a random drawing this morning to undergo independent inquiries for any potential irregularities that may have occurred during the May 16th primary election. The counties are: Hickman, Mercer, Spencer, Montgomery, Nelson and Wmble.

The post-election audits, which are required by law, will be conducted by the Attorney General's Office. In each county, these routine inquiries will include checking election forms and interviewing county officials. The selection of these counties does not imply that irregularities are suspected. Time for completion of the audits cannot be predicted at this time.

In addition to the post election audit investigation, follow-up investigations are continuing regarding complaints to the Attorney General's election fraud hotline. A total of 508 election-related calls were received from 77 counties. The Kentucky Bureau of Investigation (KBI) is conducting inquiries into 73 complaints of possible election irregularities and 36 complaints have been referred to other state and local agencies for follow-up.

2 DAY FORECAST

**Today**  
Thunder showers  
High: 72 • Low: 53

**Tomorrow**  
Partly cloudy  
High: 77 • Low: 56

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# Police make arrest in rash of thefts

by TOM DOTY  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Abbott Creek residents are singing the praises of the Prestonsburg Police Department after they arrested a 59-year-old Prestonsburg woman, Gora Wicker, on Tuesday and charged her with felony counts of burglary and theft stemming from a January incident in which she allegedly stole cash and other valuables from an Abbott Creek residence.

The theft appears to be one of many that have plagued the residents of the area until they noticed their purloined items being sold on the eBay auction website. Seven cases, with five confined to Abbott Creek, are under investigation.

One victim reported that a variety of purloined items, from her husband's gun collection to his high school ring, has turned up at the online marketplace after disappearing from their home. She also reported that the suspect

arrested Tuesday was a friendly and inquisitive neighbor who knew the comings and goings of neighbors and appears to have targeted family vacations as a prime opportunity to pilfer their homes. The victim also noted that Prestonsburg police did a superlative job of investigating the case and were due the credit for already seeing that items have been returned to victims.

Assistant Police Chief Bryan Hall said that the investigation, which is ongoing, was conducted by Detective

Sergeant Steve Little and Detective Lieutenant Mike Conn, who put a lot of hours into the case. The investigation was initiated by the new drug task force that the city and county brought back this year and is headed by Hall and Assistant Chief Gerald Clark.

The department has collected over 1,000 items of evidence, with many of the pieces recovered found already packaged and set to be mailed to eBay

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## PASSING JUDGMENT



photo by Tom Doty

Judge John D. Caudill read the jury's verdict Wednesday, pronouncing James Hunt, 58, of Martin, guilty of his wife's murder. He informed the jury that they would need to return Thursday to render a sentence, which they did, imposing the death penalty.

# Jury advises death penalty for Hunt

by TOM DOTY  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The Floyd County jurors charged with determining the fate of James Hunt returned a sentence of death Thursday after four-and-one-half hours of deliberation.

Judge John D. Caudill excused the jurors and thanked them for their efforts, noting that it was a difficult case and they did a superb job of following court procedures and treating the matter with the utmost respect.

The recommendation came after the sentencing phase of the trial saw both sides call witnesses to speak about the impact of the Bettina Hunt's murder on their lives.

Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner went first and called two witnesses. Betty DeRossett spoke about her daughter. She noted that Bettina Hunt saw raising her medically frail grandchild as her top priority and a second chance. She said that Bettina Hunt felt she had failed her daughter, Veronica Harris, when she saw her become

addicted to drugs. Raising her granddaughter was a challenge she was devoted to, according to DeRossett. She observed that Bettina Hunt was with the child around the clock since its premature birth, which required a two-month hospital stay after the delivery.

Probation and Parole supervisor Bill Caudill testified and was asked to explain the parole eligibility that would accompany any sentence recommended by the jury. He reported that any sentence of 20-to-50 years would see him eligible for parole in 17.

Defense attorney Jason Gilbert called several witnesses, included James Hunt's ex-wife, brother and daughter. They all testified that James Hunt met Bettina Hunt before he left his first wife. They all said that James Hunt has changed since going to jail and that he hardly smiled any longer. Each also noted that Hunt was not the emotional type and that he was in poor health.

Closing arguments began with Turner, who passionately argued that the

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# Guilty plea handed down after emotional appeals from both sides

by TOM DOTY  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A Floyd County jury Wednesday found James Hunt, 56, of Martin, guilty of murdering his wife, Bettina Hunt, in her home on Nov. 30, 2004.

The verdict came after public defender Harolyn Howard made

a last-ditch effort to sow doubt in the minds of jurors by hinting at other possible suspects and questioning why there were varying accounts of how James Hunt got out of his car after wrecking it into Buck's Branch Creek shortly after the murder.

Howard used her closing remarks too hammer away at Bettina Hunt's daughter as a sus-

pect and insinuate that she was a possible culprit. She noted that the daughter was placed under a court order by her mother to stay away from her while she was taking care of her baby, which had been born prematurely. She also made mention that a harassing communications charge had

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# Pence refuses Fletcher's request he resign office

by JOE BIESK  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Gov. Ernie Fletcher, under indictment in a state hiring scandal, asked Lt. Gov. Steve Pence to resign Thursday after Pence announced he wouldn't run for re-election with the governor next year.

Pence said he had declined to step down.

"The lieutenant governor's office does not belong to me, nor to the governor. I temporarily occupy it," said Pence, a former U.S. attorney with a reputation as a corruption fighter. "The citizens elected me for four years to occupy that office, and my inclination is to serve my entire term."

Fletcher, vacationing in Florida,

released a written statement later Thursday, saying he invited Pence to be his running mate in 2003 to work as a team. He said Pence pledged to be a working lieutenant governor. By resigning as justice secretary, Pence is no longer fulfilling that commitment, the governor said.

"In addition, Steve has let it be known he now has his own separate agenda from this administration," Fletcher said. "He is entitled to that. However, any administration functions best when everyone works together. His own personal ambition creates a conflict with this administration, making it impossible for him to carry out his duties."

Fletcher said he called for

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photo by Kathy J. Prater

As early morning fishermen hoped for a bite, a flock of Canadian geese searched for breakfast near the docking area adjacent to the Jenny Wiley swimming pool. One family, consisting of two adult geese and several goslings, stayed close together as they eventually made their way into the nearby waters.

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# Obituaries

## Azel Caudill

Azel Caudill, age 83, of Albion, Michigan, passed away Tuesday, May 30, 2006, at Oaklawn Hospital in Marshall, Michigan.

She was born June 10, 1922, in Jacks Creek, the daughter of Elisha and Cindy (Cook) Johnson.

On June 26, 1936, she married Lafey Caudill in Drift; he preceded her in death on November 20, 1978.

Azel came to Michigan in 1951, worked at Lonergans, then 20 years at Corning Glass, retiring in 1974. She attended the Old Regular Baptist Church, and enjoyed gardening and Bingo.

She is survived by two sons, Jack (Ardie) Caudill, and Ron (Greta) Caudill, both of Albion; seven daughters, Emma (Lloyd) LaRoe of Albion, Betty (Charles) Neuffer of Warsaw, Indiana, Shelby (George) Newsome of Springport, Clotine Caudill and special friend Steve Southworth, Holean (Lynford) McCullough, Patty (Doug) Fausz, and Kelly (Mike) Hartwick, all of Albion; 29 grandchildren; 54 great grandchildren; 10 great great grandchildren; two daughters-in-law: Carol Sue Caudill and Martha Caudill; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by two sons, Donald and Ochal Caudill; and a daughter Lucille Lawe; two brothers; and seven sisters.

Visitation for family and friends, Thursday, June 1, from 2:00- 4:00 p.m., and 6:00-8:00 p.m., and Friday, June 2, from noon to 2:00 p.m., at the Albion Chapel of Tidd-Williams Funeral Chapels.

Funeral service will be Friday, June 2, at 2:00 p.m., at the Albion Chapel, with Rev. Estill Hamilton officiating.

Burial will be in Albion Memory Gardens Cemetery, Albion, Michigan.

Memorials can be made to American Cancer Society.

Arrangements Entrusted to the Albion Chapel of Tidd-Williams Funeral Chapels [www.director@tidd-williams.com](http://www.director@tidd-williams.com) (Paid obituary)



## Ronald Edward (Eddie) Collins

Ronald Edward (Eddie) Collins, 52, of Prestonsburg, died Tuesday, May 30, 2006, at Cabell Huntington Hospital, in Huntington, West Virginia. Born September 23, 1953,

in Prestonsburg, he was the son of Edward and Ollie Clay Collins of Prestonsburg. He was a retired sales manager for the automotive and welding and supply industry.

He is survived by his wife and companion, Betsy Davis Collins.

Other survivors include: A son: Ronald Edward (Pete) Collins II, of Lexington; three brothers: His twin, Donald Edward Collins (Carol), Larry Wendell Collins (Sue), and Jeffery Byron Collins, all of Prestonsburg; a sister: Linda Gail Gibson (Ken) of Prestonsburg; and nieces and nephews: Kimmie, Holly, Amber, Michael, Matt and Nick.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents: Dewey and Daisy Collins, and Henry and Mellie Clay.

Funeral services will be held Saturday June 3, at noon, at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home in Martin, with Bill Collins officiating.

Burial will be in the Lewis-Burchett Cemetery at Cow Creek in Prestonsburg, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)



## Gertrude Elliott

Gertrude Elliott, 69, of Prestonsburg, died Tuesday, May 30, 2006, at King's Daughters Medical Center, in Ashland.

Born May 30, 1937, in Prestonsburg, she was the daughter of Betty Reynolds Lee of Florida, and the late Jesse Craft. She was a homemaker.

She is survived by her husband, Linden Elliott.

Other survivors include: Five sons: Linden Elliott Jr., (Denise), of Radcliff, Gary Elliott (Gail) of Portland, Tennessee, Buster Elliott (Marlene) of Prestonsburg, Paul Elliott (Tammy) of Mentone, Indiana, and Matthew Elliott (Regina) of Rineyville; three daughters: Donna Yates (Tommy) of Allen, Christina Shepherd (Mike) of Prestonsburg, and Donna P. Slone (Lonnice) of Battle Ground, Indiana; two brothers: Fred Craft of North Carolina, and Charles Lee of Florida; three sisters: Sandy Beasley of Florida, Flora Jean Webb of East Point, and Donna Lee of Florida; 16 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

In addition to her father, she was preceded in death by a sis-

ter, Lucy Jo Chadwick.

Funeral services will be held Friday, June 2, at 11 a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home in Martin, with Bobby Carpenter officiating.

Burial will be in the Sellards-Jones Cemetery (Shortwood), in Allen, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral home

Active pallbearers: Matthew Elliott, Buster Elliott, Gary Elliott, Paul Elliott, Joshua Elliott, Charlie Yates, Michael Shepherd, Mark Sosebee, and Corby Elliott. (Paid obituary)



## Roy Hicks

Roy Hicks, age 81, of Langley, husband of Jean Patton Hicks, passed away, Tuesday, May 30, 2006, at Central Baptist Hospital, Lexington.

He was born December 13, 1924, in Maytown, the son of the late Henry Hicks and Mae Turner Hicks. He was a coal miner, an U.S. Army World War II veteran, a member of the DAV, Monroe Vanderpool Chapter 128, of Garrett, and a member of the UMWA.

Survivors include his wife, Jean; a son, Thomas Ray Hicks, of Salyersville; a daughter, Anita Martin, of Garrett; a brother, Henry "Buddy" Hicks Jr., of Ypsilanti, Michigan; and a granddaughter, Christy Hicks.

Preceding him in death were his parents; a brother, Hilden Hicks; and two sisters, Audra Marshall and Ada June Hicks.

Funeral services for Roy Hicks will be conducted Friday, June 2, at 1:00 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with Clergyman Bob Varney officiating.

Burial will follow in the Hicks Cemetery, in Langley, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)



## Carlos H. Higgins

Carlos H. Higgins, age 79, of Marengo, Ohio, died Monday morning, May 29, 2006, at Riverside Hospital, in Columbus, following a five-month illness.

He was born in Garrett, on March 28, 1927, the son of the late Harry Proctor and Grace Mae (Pennington) Higgins. He had lived in the Marengo area for 49 years, coming from Columbus.

He was retired from TWA as a Flight Information

Coordinator. He was a former member of Chester Lodge No. 238 F&AM, and had attended Kentucky Wesleyan College.

For 12 years he was active with the Boy Scouts Troop No. 47 in Marengo. He was a great family man, and dearly loved his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He enjoyed vegetable gardening, photography, writing (The Memoirs of Carlos Higgins) and his favorite pastime was talking with whomever would listen.

He is survived by his loving wife of 56 years, Earlie (Wicker) Higgins, and they were married on March 25, 1950, in Garrett; sons: Gareth W. (Sue) of Marion, Paul (Cindy) of Delaware, and David G. (Debbie) of Marengo; daughter, Carlene (Brad) Coffman of Marengo; eight grandchildren: Danielle (Keith) Oakley, Jennifer (Jeremy) Weiss, Andrea (Bill) Eusey, Amanda (Joe) Miller, Jessica, Lori, and Jordan Higgins, and Kendall Coffman; six great-grandchildren; brothers: Norman (Jane) Higgins of Ostrander, and Chester (Helen) Higgins of Columbus; and a sister, Dorothy Higgins of Marengo.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, Hubert Higgins, on June 1, 2005.

Funeral services were held Thursday, June 1, at 11 a.m., at the DeVore-Snyder Funeral Home, SR 3, at 61, Sunbury, with Pastor James Brantingham officiating.

Interment was in the Marengo Cemetery.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

Condolences may be expressed at [www.snyderfuneralhomes.com](http://www.snyderfuneralhomes.com). (Paid obituary)



**Myrtle Johnson Reynolds**

Myrtle Johnson Reynolds, 83, of Catlettsburg, died Monday, May 29, 2006, at St. Joseph Hospital Hospice Care

Center in Lexington.

Born March 19, 1923, in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late Ell and Sarah Ellen Thornsby Johnson. She was a homemaker, and a member of Oakland Avenue Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Homer Reynolds, in 2005.

Survivors include her son, Dr. Roy D. Reynolds and his wife, Judy, of Franklin; one daughter, Gwendolyn R. Webb of Lexington; one brother, Arthur Johnson of Litchfield; three grandchildren: Alan Reynolds of Bowling Green, Tasha Harlison of Nicholasville and Monica Webb of Lexington.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by a step daughter, Barbara Sue Reynolds.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m., Thursday, June 1, at the Steen Funeral Home-Marshall Steen Chapel, in Ashland, with Reverend Philip Duncan officiating.

Burial was in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, in Ivel, under the direction of Steen Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)



## Joe F. Wallen

Joe F. Wallen, 56, of 2614 N. State Road 13, Pierceton, Indiana, died Sunday, May 28, 2006, at his residence.

Born February 14, 1950, in Prestonsburg, he was the son of the late Joe "Baker" Wallen and Pheobe Gibson. He had lived in Indiana since he was 15 years of age. He has been at the current residence for seven years. He was a member of the Daughters and Sons of the American Legion.

Survivors include one son, Joe F. Wallen II of Goshen, Indiana; two daughters: Sarah M. Wallen of Muncie, Indiana, Tammy Jara Wallen of Texas; five brothers: Clifford Clevenger and Carl Clevenger, both of Indiana, and William Clevenger, James Clevenger, and John Clevenger, all of Kentucky; three sisters: Ruth Alt and Helen Freeman, both of Kentucky, and Debbie Amador of Texas; and four grandchildren.

Calling hours are 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Saturday, June 3, at McHatton-Sadler Funeral

Chapel, Warsaw, Indiana.

No services scheduled. To sign the guestbook or send condolences electronically, go to [mchattonsadlerfuneralchapel.com](http://mchattonsadlerfuneralchapel.com) (Paid obituary)



**Bill Woods Jr.**

Bill Woods Jr., age 82, of Allen, widow of Sophronia Jane Crisp Woods, owner of Woods Grocery, passed away Monday, May 29, 2006, in Our Lady of Bellefonte Hospital, in Ashland.

He was born August 15, 1923, in Allen, a son of the late Bill and Cora Mosley Woods.

Bill retired from Ky/Wv Gas Company, and owned and operated Woods Grocery for 52 years. He was a member of the Little Rosa Regular Baptist Church, in McDowell.

Survivors include two daughters: Yutanna Woods Lisle, of Palm City, Florida, and Cathy Woods Steffey (Tim), of Allen; six grandchildren: Sandra Lynn Rucks (Brian), William L. Meade, Steven J. Meade, Crystal Castle (Pete), Ginger Hall, and Tyler Hall; a step grandchild, Nikki Steffey; five great-grandchildren: Jordan Rucks, Kendall Rucks, Jackson D. Meade, Brandi Castle, and Laci Castle.

Funeral Services for Bill Woods Jr., will be conducted Friday, June 2, at 11:00 a.m., in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with Gordon Fitch, Bill Campbell, and Steve Pescosolido officiating.

Burial will follow in the Richmond Cemetery, in Prestonsburg, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Friends can call for visitation after 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

## J.D. Glenn Stanfield

April 28, 1986-May 1, 2006

J.D. Glen Stanfield, 20, of Commerce Twp., Mi., born to Lanna M. Howard and Glenn Stanfield, died suddenly in a motorcycle crash; loving fiance of Jamie Bissell, father of Kyla Jade, age 2, beloved brother of Raechale, and Uncle of MaKaela Pyle, adored grandson of Delbert (Janet) Stanfield of White Lake, Mary (Bill) Lopez, Joe (Dougie Fraley) Howard of Commerce Twp., formerly of Prestonsburg.

Also survived by many loving aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. Preceded in death by great-grandparents: Alex Howard and Ben and Savannah Fraley.

Services were at Elton Black and Son, Highland MI. on May 6, 2006.

Interment was in the Commerce Memorial Cemetery.

# Attorney for victims' families blasts Fletcher administration

by SAMIRA JAFARI  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

HARLAN — An attorney for mine families is demanding an apology from Gov. Ernie Fletcher and his administration for the "disrespectful and insensitive treatment of the widows and families" of the miners killed in a southeastern Kentucky mine.

Tony Oppogard in a letter Thursday blasted Fletcher, Secretary LaJuana Wilcher of the Environmental and Public Protection Cabinet and Natural Resources Commissioner Susan Bush for keeping the families and their representatives out of closed-door interviews of witnesses to the May 20 explosion and other employees of Kentucky Darby Mine No. 1 in Harlan County.

The families on Wednesday protested the private interviews, conducted by state and federal investigators. When they arrived at the interview site at a state technical college in Harlan, they found that the meeting room was blocked by two state troopers. The officers were not present Thursday.

"When the Commonwealth of Kentucky ordered the troop-

ers to stand guard over the proceedings, did you think that the grieving widows and family members were going to storm the interview room if their request to participate was not granted?" stated Oppogard, who is representing four of the five dead miners' families.

Mark York, a spokesman in Wilcher's office, said the troopers were there to guard witnesses from the media, not the families.

"We knew reporters would be there," York said after receiving the letter Thursday. "We had no information that the families would be there."

While the families expressed frustration that officers were present Wednesday, there was no confrontation. The widows, wearing black ribbons to commemorate the miners, calmly held up signs criticizing Fletcher.

Oppogard, in his letter, told Fletcher "you and your Administration owe an apology to each of the family members who attended yesterday's protest."

Miner advocate Kenny Johnson, who is representing the families with Oppogard,

was turned away from the interviews again Thursday morning.

Calls to Fletcher's office Thursday were not immediately returned.

The governor was also criticized by two Congressional Democrats who said his decision to keep the families' representatives out of the interviews "is deeply regrettable."

State officials said the interviews were closed to families, attorneys and reporters because they wanted witnesses to feel comfortable when discussing their experiences at the mine.

In a joint statement Thursday, U.S. Reps. George Miller, D-Calif., and Ben Chandler, D-Ky., said: "This shows once again the urgent need for federal legislation that sets clear and uniform rules for all investigations into mining tragedies. It is critical that those rules allow families' representatives to have access to all witness interviews and provide for public hearings."



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# For the Record

### Marriage Licenses

Samantha Renee Allen, 19, of Prestonsburg, to Anthony Paul Osborne, 19, of Martin.  
 Angel Louise Jones, 16, to Jesse Joe Adkins, 23, both of Martin.  
 Crystal Lynn Tussey, 26, of Prestonsburg, to David Howard, 30, of Paintsville.  
 Glenna R. Combs, 56, of Louisa, to Charles R. Owens, 59, of Hindman.  
 Amy M. Gilispie, 21, to Michael R. Fitzpatrick, 22, both of Pikeville.  
 Marlina Sue Spears, 27, to Jonathan Daniel Chapman, 26, both of Pikeville.

### Civil Suits Filed

Candice Akers vs. Daniel A. Akers; petition for child support and health care insurance.  
 Harold Johnson vs. Helen Johnson; petition for child support and health care insurance.  
 Brandi Lykens vs. Casey Brown; petition for child support and health care insurance.  
 Gina M. Nelson vs. Timothy L. Stanley; petition for child support and health care insurance.  
 Amanda Lee Hall vs. Cory Hall; petition for dissolution of marriage.  
 First Guaranty Bank vs. Marty Hamilton; seeking repayment for issuance of promissory note.  
 Kimberly Conway vs. Christopher Porter; petition for health care insurance.  
 Kimberly Conway vs. Jessica L. Porter; petition for health care insurance.

### Small Claims Filings

Erin Capital LLC vs. Robert E. Groves; to settle a debt.  
 CACV of Colorado LLC vs. Alvin Noble; to settle a credit card debt.  
 Brad Tackett vs. Jerry Flannery; for damages to an automobile.

### Charges Filed

Binkey L. Knight, 28, of Alvin, Texas; three counts of possession of marijuana, two counts of possession of a controlled substance, two counts of controlled substance not in its prescription container.  
 Juan Barco, 27, of Devine, Texas; public intoxication.  
 Bruce Little, 49, of Langley; alcohol intoxication.  
 Christopher Griffy, 26, of Ashcamp; alcohol intoxication.  
 Wilma Lee, 51, of Shelbyana; falsely reporting an incident.  
 Chad Nicholas Wallen, 24, of Prestonsburg; criminal trespassing.  
 Dorothy McGinnis, 35, of Kermit, W.Va.; public intoxication.  
 Randall Akers, 30, of Teaberry; drinking an alcoholic beverage in public.  
 Mark Hayes, 41, of Banner; criminal trespassing.  
 Toni Lynn Cantrell, 46, of Martin; disorderly conduct, alcohol intoxication, resisting arrest, endangering the welfare of a minor.  
 Carolyn Sue Keathley, 37, of Grethel; alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct, drinking an alcoholic beverage in public.

Debra Lynn Fugate, 46, of prestonsburg; alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct, criminal littering.  
 Rodney Johnson, 26, of Virgie; public intoxication, giving a false name to an officer.  
 Kenny Lee Akers, 42, of Harold; alcohol intoxication, drinking an alcoholic beverage in public, disorderly conduct.  
 Danny Johnson, 40, of Galveston; alcohol intoxication.  
 Renda G. Hamilton, 43, of Betsy Layne; alcohol intoxication.

### Property Transfers

Lorene and Robie Akers to Loria M. Akers, property located at Jane Brown Branch.  
 Cam Mining LLC to Appalachian Land Company, property location undisclosed.  
 Anna and Bobby Castle to Matthew Slone, property located at Wayland.  
 Betty Conn to Ashley and Ray Slone, property located at Pitts Fork.  
 Phyllis Gamel to David and Shirley Gerth, property located at Middle Creek.  
 Angela and Robin Holbrook to Christopher and Cynthia Eplin, property located at Pinhook Branch.  
 Low Income Housing Coalition to Jerry and Magdalene Moore, property location undisclosed.

Earlene Matthews to Brandona and Melisa Sparkman, property located near Price.  
 Gloria Newman to Denver Slone, property located at Clear Creek.  
 Mary Emma OUSley to David Randall Ousley, property location undisclosed.  
 Edward and Maxie Patrick to Malinda Hamilton and Bernice Trimble, property located at Tram.  
 Jackie and Phyllis Rice to David and Shirley Gerth, property located at Middle Creek.  
 Brenda and Lamar Tackett to Sadie Hamilton, property location undisclosed.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

June 2, 2006

The public is hereby notified pursuant to KRS 160.603 that the Floyd County Board of Education, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, proposes to levy a utility gross receipts license tax as permitted by KRS 160.613.

The Board of Education will conduct a hearing at a special meeting at May Valley Elementary School on June 15, 2006, at 6:30 p.m., for the purpose of hearing comments and complaints from the public regarding the proposed levy, and explaining the reasons for such proposal.

PAUL W. FANNING  
 Superintendent & Secretary  
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## Mine employees questioned about safety while families protest

by SAMIRA JAFARI  
 ASSOCIATED PRESS

HARLAN — Investigators questioned employees at a southeastern Kentucky mine where five miners were killed in an explosion about safety Wednesday while family members of the dead miners protested outside.  
 The questions on centered on whether the seals used to keep out combustible gases were built properly, miner James Roark said.  
 The seals are major part of the investigation of Kentucky Darby Mine No. 1 since investigators believe that the May 20 blast was a methane-fueled explosion.  
 "All I could tell them is we built them the best we know how," said Roark, who three months ago helped build one of the three seals damaged in the blast.  
 Outside the interview room, more than a dozen widows and other relatives wore black ribbons commemorating the fallen miners held signs criticizing Gov. Ernie Fletcher and protesting the closed-door interviews.  
 "Company reps in, family reps out, WHY!?" and "Governor, what's there to hide?" the signs read.  
 State officials rejected a request earlier this week that representatives for families have access to the interviews

and be able ask questions of the witnesses. Natural Resources Commissioner Susan Bush said Tuesday that the state needed accurate information quickly and wanted witnesses to be as comfortable and forthcoming as possible.  
 The panel questioned 10 Darby employees Wednesday. The interviews of 26 subpoenaed employees were to continue through Friday.  
 Roark said he felt pressured by some of the investigators questions, saying, "I can't give them answers I don't have."  
 Meanwhile state and federal mine safety officials accompanied a representative from the United Mine Workers of America into the mine, a day after they said they were waiting for the underground environment to be safe.  
 Max Kennedy, the UMW official, was designated a miners representative by MSHA after at least two Darby miners requested a representative in the investigation, according to UMWA International President Cecil E. Roberts.  
 "Although the Darby mine is a nonunion mine, these miners have asked us to participate on their behalf so that the UMWAs experience in safety and accident investigations can be brought to bear in this inquiry, as it has been in other."  
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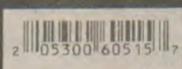
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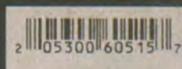
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# Viewpoint

Worth Repeating ...

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

— Albert Einstein

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— Guest View —

## Editorial roundup

The Jackson (Tenn.) Sun, on the rising gas prices:

As motorists, both locally and statewide, continue to feel the pinch of rising gas prices, Tennessee has a chance to become a leader in the production of alternative fuels and reduce our nation's dependency on oil. Sen. Lamar Alexander has shown an interest in promoting clean energy, and we encourage his efforts.

Alexander recently led a round-table discussion on biodiesel — a hybrid fuel consisting of regular petroleum diesel and organic crops like soybeans. He rightly pointed out that Tennessee is poised to become a major biodiesel hub.

Tennessee enjoys many natural advantages when it comes to biodiesel. Soybeans are our third-leading agricultural commodity. Tennessee also enjoys access to many major interstates. And Tennessee is centrally located.

Currently, there are 50 locations in Tennessee where biodiesel can be purchased. So why hasn't biodiesel consumption become more widespread? One major reason is that even with 50 sale locations, there are only two production plants in Tennessee.

Promoting biodiesel in Tennessee will take a joint effort. Alexander can do his part by actively promoting the fuel, and by encouraging his colleagues in the Senate and in the House to offer greater subsidies to farmers to increase soybean production. For their part, state lawmakers should begin looking for ways to divert more money toward alternative fuel research.

Another alternative fuel that also deserves support from lawmakers and consumers alike is E85 — a combination of ethanol and gasoline.

Investing in alternative fuels like biodiesel and ethanol won't save consumers a lot of money, at least in the beginning. What it will do is reduce our dependence on oil. And it will be better for the environment in the long term.

Americans have the technology to produce alternative fuels. It's past time we got serious about using it.

The Press and Sun-Bulletin, Binghamton, N.Y., on Enron:

All Americans owe a salute to the jury in Houston that held the chief executives of the disgraced Enron corporation accountable for the damage to so many lives caused when that corrupted company imploded.

And if their verdict serves as a warning to other executives and leads to genuine reforms in corporate behavior and oversight, future generations of Americans will owe the jury a debt of gratitude as well.

The eight women and four men deliberated for five days and then pronounced Kenneth L. Lay guilty on six counts of fraud and conspiracy and four counts of bank fraud and Jeffrey K. Skilling guilty on 18 counts of fraud and conspiracy and one count of insider trading (he was acquitted on nine counts of insider trading). The jury saw through the sham in which the pair attempted to have it both ways — extravagantly paid top executives who had no idea what was going on in their company.

The verdicts will be appealed, of course, but if justice is consistent they will be upheld and the two men will be off to prison for what could be the rest of their lives. How much of their ill-gotten wealth can be recovered from wherever they've hidden it is unknown, but it would be nice if some of it could be returned to the thousands of Enron workers whose jobs and pensions were wiped out.

Enron's collapse in October 2001 followed what another former executive, Sherron Watkins, described as "an elaborate accounting hoax." She alerted Lay to that in an Aug. 15 memo when Skilling resigned as Chief Executive Officer, but five days later, Lay was quoted in Business Week as saying, "There are absolutely no problems that had anything to do with Jeff's departure. There are no accounting issues, no trading issues, no reserve issues, no previously unknown problem issues. The company is probably in the strongest and best shape that it has ever been in."

Five years later, he took the witness stand and tried to blame the media, staff accountants and others for the Enron debacle. Everyone but himself.

The jury knew better. They put the burden of responsibility right where it belongs.

The U.S. Justice Department prosecutors also rate a salute for their efforts in this case. Sean M. Berkowitz, director of the Enron Task Force, was right on the mark when he said the jurors "sent an unmistakable message to boardrooms across the country that you can't lie to shareholders, you can't put yourself in front of your employees' interests, and no matter how rich and powerful you are you have to play by the rules."

And we can only hope that the message has been received in other corporate offices and boardrooms and business schools — and in the power corridors of Washington, which for too long has been far too cozy with Big Business, primarily because of its campaign contributions.

Capitalism is a good thing, a mighty engine of economic prosperity, but unfettered capitalism is not — and America has known that since the very beginning. It has had to struggle with Robber Barons and rogue industrialists and corruption of politics and policy-making. Periodically, the nation needs to restore the balance between the corporate good and the common good. ...

MEANWHILE, AT A RETIREMENT HOME FOR GANGSTERS...



— Guest Column —

## June is National Homeownership Month

by THOMAS C. DORR  
RURAL DEVELOPMENT UNDER SECRETARY

On May 24, President Bush issued a proclamation designating the month of June, 2006 as Homeownership Month. The proclamation underscores the Administration's commitment to providing more Americans with safe, affordable homes.

USDA Rural Development is proud to play a significant role in that effort. In his proclamation the President noted that nearly 70 percent of all Americans now enjoy the satisfaction of owning their own homes. Additionally, since 2002, when the President announced a goal of helping 5.5 million members of minority groups become homeowners by the end of the decade, the rate of minority homeownership has climbed above 50 percent. Owning a home is the one best way to create financial stability and economic wellbeing. It helps promote stable, happy families, a sense of "place" and we're proud that Rural Development has assisted almost 250,000 Americans achieve their homeownership dream since the start of the Bush Administration.

Each one of those quarter-million homeowners has an individual story to tell. In Georgia, a Hispanic mother and her four year old child moved

out of a shelter for battered women and into a beautiful three bedroom two bath home in a rural community. In Kansas, a husband, wife and two children ages 3 and 5 moved out of a converted school bus and into a modern home. A Kentucky woman, after closing on her home with Rural Development's help said "I never dreamed I could own my own home. It feels good to say it's all mine. The house is everything I wanted. The night I moved in, I just wanted to cry because I was so happy."

We make homeownership dreams a reality. We've been doing it every day since our agency was established over 70 years ago and to do it we offer a variety of quality programs.

In 1935, when we started, the challenge was the Depression. Today, the challenge is finding innovative ways to place families in the housing they need with payments they can afford. We're doing it creatively, with a program that "guarantees" loans made by financial institutions and with programs requiring no down payments, subsidized mortgage interest rates of as little as 1 percent depending on income levels.

And since 1961, we're doing it with popular programs like "Self Help Housing" where groups of 10 to 12 families, under the direction of non-profit organizations that receive funding through Rural Development, have been working together to build their own homes. It usually takes a family at least a year from the start of the process, because they have to do at least 65 percent of the work themselves and no participating family can move into a home until all of the homes are finished. When they're

done, their labor becomes their "sweat equity". This year, the program passed an important milestone: The total number of loans made through the Self Help program topped 40,000, and the total dollar amount of mortgages made under the program topped \$2 billion. Over the 35 years the program has been in existence, the equivalent of a medium-sized rural community has been constructed by families working together to build their own homes.

We're also proud to be of assistance to the victims of the hurricanes that devastated the gulf coast in 2005. We placed about 10,000 hurricane evacuees in Rural Development financed housing, helped FEMA answer about 73,000 calls for assistance, and now we're helping in the rebuilding effort with nearly \$1.5 billion in loans, guarantees and grants. Recently we announced a program to help qualified Rural Development funded homeowners who are behind on their mortgage payments because of last year's hurricanes.

From 2001 to the present, the Bush Administration, through Rural Development alone, has invested over \$23 billion in America's housing stock. That includes about \$2 billion so far this year. We're helping Americans in all walks of life achieve their dream of homeownership, and we'd like to help you, too. Our motto for homeownership month is "Own your future". To find out more about our home loan programs, call your local Rural Development office. We have locations in all 50 states and Puerto Rico. At USDA Rural Development, we're committed to the future of rural communities.

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# At the Movies: 'The Break-Up'

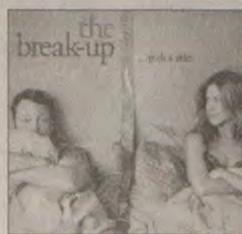
by CHRISTY LEMIRE  
AP MOVIE CRITIC

The problems with "The Break-Up" have less to do with the break-up than with the initial hook-up.

Vince Vaughn and Jennifer Aniston — who've hooked up in real life, for those of you who haven't gone through a grocery-store checkout line lately — each have more than enough presence and comic timing to sustain the movie. But together their characters are so vastly different, it's hard to believe they'd be compatible long enough to sustain a two-year relationship and share a Chicago condo.

As Gary Grobowski, the fast-talking tour guide on a double-decker bus, he's an infinitely fun guy. The protracted riffs from Vaughn, who shares a story-by credit, are some of the film's strongest parts; once again, he's functioning as the figure we've come to know and love from "Swingers" and "Old School" and "Wedding Crashers" on cue. But he's also incorrigibly selfish with his nonstop "SportsCenter" and video games.

Meanwhile, Aniston's Brooke Meyers comes off as a shrill nag. A stylish and sophisticated art gallery manager, she's constantly trying to drag him to the ballet. And it's



"The Break-Up," a Universal Pictures release, is rated PG-13 for sexual content, some nudity and language. Running time: 105 minutes.

Two stars out of four.

not that she wants him to do the dishes, but rather she wants him to want to do the dishes. (To which he responds, "Why would I want to do the dishes?" It's a legitimate question.)

So when they break up, which happens pretty early in this self-professed "anti-romantic comedy," it doesn't seem tragic. It just makes sense.

But where do you go for the next hour and a half?

From there, director Peyton Reed and first-time screenwriters Jeremy Garelick and Jay Lavender have pretty much remade "The War of the Roses," only they've watered it down. Once Brooke dumps Gary after a painfully awkward family dinner party, neither is willing to leave the apartment, and each tries to drive the other out.

But their game of one-upmanship, in which she throws his clothes into the

hallway to the tune of Alanis Morissette's blaring "You Oughta Know" and he invites strippers over for poker, cigars and lap dances with his buddies, never sinks to the level of vitriolic meanness that Kathleen Turner and Michael Douglas achieved. You always have the sense that they're merely toying with each other, and that at any moment they could take it all back and kiss and make up.

Peyton Reed, who also directed "Bring It On" and the obnoxiously over-the-top "Down With Love," shows comparative restraint here at a time when perhaps he should have just gone for it.

Thankfully there are some people in "The Break-Up" who do just that. They are the members of the weirdly eclectic, wildly talented supporting cast.

Vincent D'Onofrio breathes life into what could have been a forgettable, cardboard char-

acter as one of Gary's brothers, who share the Chicago tour-bus business. Then again, he's good in everything, and with his jerky, nervous delivery, you never know what to expect — but you know you want to watch and find out.

Judy Davis, meanwhile, is dazzling as Marilyn Dean, the owner of the gallery where Brooke works: an arrogant, brittle, capricious diva with a thing for much younger men who refers to herself in the third person as "M.D."

And of course there's long-time Vaughn pal Jon Favreau, once again playing his best friend, a South Side bar owner. But here their roles from "Swingers" are reversed: Favreau is the know-it-all giving ridiculous advice and Vaughn is the one who's lovelorn and confused. It's a refreshing take on some familiar territory, and by now they have so much chemistry, it's easy to believe that they're great friends and regular guys.

Along those lines, it is sort of awesome that Vaughn is willing to rip off his polyester shirt and storm out of the bowling alley when Brooke and the rest of his friends kick him off the couples team on league night. He's not exactly Brad Pitt in "Fight Club." And you've got to love that about him.

## Rental Central

by TOM DOTY  
STAFF WRITER

Video distributors didn't challenge theaters this week with a thin line up of releases that didn't challenge the strongest box office weekend of the summer.

"Freedom Land" — Samuel L. Jackson and Julianne Moore star in this adaptation of Richard Price's novel about racial tensions and how they interfere with the search for a kidnapped boy. Jackson is the cop who must decide if Moore, well cast as a deadbeat mom, is telling the truth about her missing son. A fine supporting cast includes Eddie Falco ("The Sopranos"), William Forsythe and Ron Eldard.

"Date Movie" — The second and final major release this week is a vulgar attempt to lampoon lame Hollywood romance dramas. It succeeds more than it fails, though this film is cut from the same "short attention span" mode as the "Scary Movie" franchise. The jokes are scattershot but some of them are sue to tickle you as they spoof "The Wedding Planner," "Meet the Parents" and "My Big Fat Greek Wedding." Allyson Hannigan ("American Pie") stars as a young lady who falls for an English guy with a very unfortunate name which I can't repeat here. Everything goes wrong for these two as they begin courting and must ultimately face the parents. Look for another sly turn from

Fred Willard and lots of "Animal House"-style humor. "Cemetery Gates" — Brainless horror yarn that sports decent special effects and a creaky plot. Two scientists capture a Tasmanian Devil and decide to tinker with its DNA. What results is a monster version of the critter which proceeds to put the bite on some teens who are partying at a remote cemetery after it is freed from the lab by eco-terrorists. Reggie Bannister (the gutiar strumming hippie from the "Phantasm" movies) stars.

"Tomie: The Beginning" — Japanese horror film that charts the obsession of a small town with a mysterious young woman. When several townspeople realize she may be a

witch they connive to kill her. Once the act is completed, however, their problems really begin as Tomie comes back with a vengeance in this supernatural tale that was woven from a Manga (or Japanese comic book).

Next week the gloves are off with Harrison Ford squaring off against extortionists in "Firewall" and Kate Beckinsale in the vampire vs. werewolves sequel "Underworld: Rvolution."

## Stumbo warns gas pill marketers to cease sales

FRANKFORT — Attorney General Greg Stumbo today issued cease and desist warning letters to Kentucky distributors of Bioperformance, a so called "gas pill" which marketers claim improves fuel efficiency when added to the gasoline tank. The letter warns distributors that further efforts to distribute the pills in Kentucky may subject them to possible civil and criminal liability for theft and violation of

the state pyramid sales act. Last week a Texas judge granted a temporary restraining order against Bioperformance, Inc. and its principals, Lowell Mims and Gustavo Romero, ordering them to halt all sales efforts based on evidence that the marketers' claims are false and misleading in violation of the Texas consumer protection laws. The Texas Attorney General's Office is prosecut-

ing the case against the company. The gas pill product is marketed as a "non-toxic" fuel additive that improves gasoline efficiency, saving consumers up to 25 percent on their gasoline bills.

The Texas investigation determined, however, that those claims were all false and misleading. According to Expert Affidavits filed with

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## Death

jury recommend death. He argued that Hunt planned the murder, which was evidenced by the homemade silencer that he left at the scene of the crime and contained DNA evidence that linked it to him.

Turner also noted Hunt's demeanor in court and said that it was obvious he had no remorse for anything except being caught. He referred to the 911 tape when he remind-

ed the jury of how grisly the murder was, saying, "Today people have testified begging for his life. He slaughtered her like an animal in her own home. All the evidence showed premeditation. It was cold and calculated. He even brought extra bullets. He made her beg for her life, he listened to her plead and put a bullet in the back of her head when she was done."

By the time Turner completed his remarks, Hunt had turned his head away from the proceedings and three jurors were in tears.

Gilbert spoke next and announced that despite Turner's claims there was never a chance that Hunt would get away with the crime which was assured when he crashed into the creek while fleeing the murder scene. He

attempted to alleviate the aggravating burglary charges, which made the case eligible for the death penalty, by noting this would have been just as unfortunate a crime had it happened in Bettina Hunt's driveway. He went on to ignore the silencer and described the crime as a spontaneous event, noting that Hunt went from being a 56-year-old law-abiding citizen to

a murderer in the span of one hour upon learning that his wife was seeking a divorce. He also said that the stress of other events led to James Hunt's rampage which included the sick child, the impending divorce and the troubles with Harris. He finished by saying there had been a tremendous amount of suffering already but the jury could control how much more pain

was visited on the families of the couple with their sentence.

Upon hearing the sentence Hunt, yet again, displayed no emotion, though his co-counsel, Harolyn Howard, and family members who turned out in support openly wept.

James Hunt will be formally sentenced on July 14 and was remanded to the custody of the Pike County Detention Center.

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## Guilty

been brought against her daughter's boyfriend by Bettina Hunt.

Howard also attempted to subvert the evidence by insisting that a hair on the Juicy-Juice bottle, found at the scene and converted into a crude silencer, contained James Hunt's DNA, but a hair on the bottle was not his. Howard tried to steer the jury away from the physical evidence by pointing them towards items that were never recovered, such as James Hunt's cell phone and some "important papers" he told one person were in his car.

Howard also hit on the bul-

lets used in the shooting, saying that were normally used in competitive shooting, which was a sport that Hunt did not pursue. She finished by attempting to exploit a three-minute time gap between James Hunt showing up at Bettina Hunt's home and her call to 911, which provided an audio recording of the murder.

Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner had a field day with Howard's observations, pointing out that were he in her position he, too, would try to point the jury away from the evidence because it was so good that it only needed an

application of common sense to convict James Hunt. He pointed out that the evidence collected proved that Hunt was at the home before the murder and wrecked in a creek 100 yards away shortly after Bettina Hunt was killed. He said that the juice bottle had Hunt's blood and DNA all over it and that Hunt had five bullets, the same type that killed Bettina Hunt, in his pocket when he was arrested that night as well as a spent shell casing in his car which a ballistics expert testified was from the same gun that killed Bettina Hunt. He went on to note that the spent casing

would have been evidence enough to convict Hunt and remained their best piece of evidence.

Turner once again went over the timeline of events which preceded the murder and reiterated that James Hunt called Bettina Hunt several times that day and learned she was seeking a divorce from him around 6:30 p.m. He then noted that she was on the phone with her sister-in-law when she said that James was at the door and she needed to get rid of him. Turner reminded the jury that Bettina Hunt was dead three minutes later and that it was

ridiculous for the defense to exaggerate the three-minute gap before the 911 call because it boiled down to them having a conversation through a door, with Bettina Hunt likely telling him to go home.

Turner also attacked the theory that someone else could have done the shooting.

"It wasn't Veronica [Harris], a crazed competitive shooter or the one-armed man who killed Bettina Hunt," Turner said. He stressed the point, saying that a third per-

son would have had to have shown shown up in the three minutes during which James Hunt came to the door and 911 was called and then shot Bettina Hunt before planting all manner of evidence implicating James Hunt, which included her blood on his clothes and the spent cartridge in his car.

Turner closed by noting that the jurors could consult the evidence if they had any questions about the testimony and urged the jury to play the 911 tape again.

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## Pence

Pence's resignation because "I sincerely believe it to be in the best interest of Kentucky."

Pence wouldn't say if the hiring investigation had weighed in his decision, but he said Wednesday: "I believe it's held the commonwealth back more than anything on things that could have been done."

"The conversation I had with the governor is a private one and I won't get into all the details of that," Pence said. "But I did tell him that I did not have any plans at this point

to run for governor or any other office. But I have to face the reality that circumstances may change."

Fletcher, Kentucky's first Republican governor since 1971, is facing misdemeanor charges alleging he broke state law by rewarding political supporters with state jobs after he took office in 2003. Last summer, he issued a blanket pardon for anyone in his administration who might face charges in the probe — except himself.

Pence, a former prosecutor known for tenaciously targeting government corruption, has declined to discuss the pardons.

This isn't the first time Fletcher has called for a resignation and was snubbed. In September, Fletcher asked for the resignation of Kentucky Republican Party Chairman Darrell Brock. Brock and party leaders ignored the request.

Fletcher won the 2003 governor's race over Democrat

Ben Chandler in part on a guarantee to eliminate "waste, fraud and abuse" from state government. But for the past year his administration has been grappling with a Franklin County special grand jury investigation into allegations that political supporters were illegally being handed protected state jobs.

Since the panel began its work last June, the grand jury has returned 29 indictments in the case — 14 of which remain sealed.

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## Pills

the lawsuit, the amount of energy (as measured in BTUs) contained in the fuel with the additive is actually less than the fuel without the additive. Moreover, an automotive fuel expert retained by the Texas Attorney General determined that the additive will have no effect on gasoline and will not result in any increase in fuel economy in either gasoline or diesel powered engines. The lawsuit alleges, and a Texas judge has also preliminarily found, that the compensation plan for the product is an illegal pyramid sales scheme that violates Texas law. Texas' statute and Kentucky's statute on pyramid sales are substantially similar.

The Ex Parte Restraining Order was

entered May 16 and prohibits the Defendants from continuing to market Bioperformance by representing expressly or implicitly that the products will reduce the emissions of gasoline or diesel powered vehicles; improve gasoline efficiency or fuel economy of gasoline or diesel powered vehicles; or are safe and non-toxic. The order also requires Bioperformance to remove misleading information from its website regarding the alleged fuel economy benefits and safety of its products. Local distributors are required to be made aware of the terms of the order by the Defendants and that they are required to comply with its terms.

"During these times of high gasoline

prices, many consumers are lured by the promise of a 'silver bullet' solution like these gas pills," said Stumbo. "The Texas investigation has determined Bioperformance's claims to be nothing more than 'snake oil' peddled to consumers trying to ease the pain caused by these high gasoline prices."

Attorney General Stumbo's investigation into sales of the gasoline pills in Kentucky will continue. The Attorney General's Office will coordinate its efforts with the Texas Attorney General as the litigation in Texas continues. A hearing on the Texas Motion for Temporary Injunction is scheduled for May 30.

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## Hearings

ers," Roberts said in a statement.

The UMWA was also designated as a miners representative at the nonunion Sago mine in West Virginia earlier this year.

Four of the five families of fallen miners in Kentucky are being represented by attorney Tony Opeppard, former general counsel for the state Office of Mine Safety and Licensing, and Kenny Johnson, former deputy commissioner of the state Department of Mines and Minerals.

Opeppard and Johnson tried to walk into the interviews held at a state technical college in Harlan, but they

were calmly turned away by Stumbo and Mike Haines, general counsel for Mine Safety and Licensing. A pair of state police officers guarded the room all day.

"If they've not got anything to hide, why don't they let us in to listen?" said Tilda Thomas, whose husband, Paris Thomas Jr., was among those killed.

Some family members, like Melissa Lee, widow of Jimmy Lee, said the state's reasoning was insensitive to their loss.

"I don't care about their stress," she cried, holding a sign, reading "Give us answers too."

"How about our stress? I

have no pity for their witnesses."

The families said they were frustrated that mine employees were allowed to have attorneys accompany them into the interviews, but that their representatives were barred.

MSHA planned to begin its own interviews of Darby employees later this week or this weekend, said agency spokesman Dirk Fillpot.

Opeppard said he and Johnson would ask MSHA to conduct those interviews in a public setting.

Amon "Cotton" Brock was also killed in the blast, but his family did not attend the protest.

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The families quietly attended a briefing by Chuck Wolfe, spokesman for the Environmental and Public Protection Cabinet.

"It was known there would be deep feelings about this," Wolfe said, adding that the state wanted to "encourage witnesses to be as candid as possible."

Wolfe stressed that the witnesses were interviewed privately and that Darby operators were not present during the discussions.

"The objective is to get a complete as possible picture of how the mine operated," he said.

# Mine operator fined for 2005 fatal roof fall

LOUISVILLE — An eastern Kentucky mine operator was fined \$360,000 on Wednesday by a federal agency for a roof fall that killed two miners in August.

The U.S. Mine Safety and Health Administration fined Stillhouse Mining LLC for six violations at its No. 1 mine in Harlan County. Each of the violations carried a \$60,000 fine, the maximum allowed under each federal violation.

A roof fall in the mine on Aug. 3 killed Russell L. Cole, 39, of Partridge, and Brandon Wilder, 23, who lived in Letcher County.

The fines were announced about 10 days after an explosion in another Harlan County mine in Holmes Mill killed five miners.

The roof fall occurred when a section of mine roof 20 feet wide and 20 feet long collapsed without warning. The collapse occurred three miles from the entrance to the mine. Cole and Wilder were part of a crew of about eight men who were performing retreat mining.

The Stillhouse mine was cited for three violations of failing to follow an approved roof control plan, and one violation each of failing to adequately support a roof; failing to immediately correct or post alerts regarding a hazardous condition; and failing to provide adequate training to a miner.

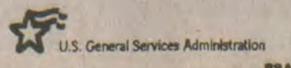
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## U8 baseball touney scheduled for Paintsville

The fourth annual Future Stars of Baseball, 8 and Under Coach Pitch Classic will take place in Paintsville June 23-25. The tournament will be round robin format. Entry fee is only \$25 and all players and coaches will receive a tournament t-shirt. Baseballs will be provided. For more information, call Lance Daniels at 606/791-7062 or 606-297-5514. Email Daniels at lanced@foothills.net.

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# Lady Blackcats slip past Belfry



Prestonsburg's Brittany Collins looked to put the bat on the ball during Tuesday's region tournament game against Pikeville.

photo by Jamie Howell

## Win puts P'burg in regional semifinals

by JAMIE HOWELL  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

LICK CREEK — After falling to Allen Central as a favorite in the 58th District Tournament, one could only guess which Prestonsburg Lady Blackcat team would show up for the 15th Region Tournament opener against Belfry. Fortunately for Prestonsburg, the team that showed up was the team that dominated the 58th District regular season. The Lady Blackcats would be forced to battle back from as much as a seven run deficit in knocking off the Lady Pirates 17-14.

Prestonsburg got on the board first in their first at bat, scoring three times to take an early 3-0 lead.

Darcey Hicks two run single scored Brittany Collins and Alicia Mayfield in the P-burg first. Belfry evened the game at 3-3 in the bottom of the first before taking a 5-3 lead in the second.

Prestonsburg went quietly in both the second and third inning as Belfry would take a two run lead into the fourth inning.

Lakole Ousley led off the fourth inning for Prestonsburg and was hit by a pitch. After another Lay Blackcat reached on an error, Slone followed walk. Lindsey Fields came to the plate looking to get Prestonsburg back in the game and the freshman would come through in a big way. Fields

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## Hard work does pay off

by RICK BENTLEY  
TIMES COLUMNIST

MOUTHCARD — Read what Shelby Valley's Greg Napier had to say about Elizabeth Baird-Salyers of Pikeville after his team beat hers 3-0 to win the 15th Region softball championship.

"As happy as I am for my team, part of me hurts inside because I have a friend going to the house tonight with a loss. She's upset, and I'm upset for her."

Read what Salyers said about Napier as tears ran down her cheeks moments later.

"If I can't go (to the state tournament), I'm thrilled for him. He works hard, his girls work hard, and they deserve it."



Rick Bentley

Such was the case Friday night after the Lady Kats beat the Lady Panthers to win the championship of all things softball in the 15th. The record should show it was the second title in a row for Shelby Valley and the third in school history.

The record should also show two more things that I find simply amazing. Consider:

■ Since the KHSAA began sponsoring championships in fast-pitch softball 12 years ago, Pikeville has been in the regional finals 11 times. Its only misstep came last year, when it was eliminated in the district.

■ In 1999, Prestonsburg beat Pikeville to win the regional title. Since then, all seven championship games have been contested between two Pike County

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photos by Jamie Howell

Allen Central senior Nick Music led off of base during Monday's 15th Region Tournament game against Belfry.

## In 10: Sheldon Clark ousts AC

Rebels end season in region semis

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

BUCKLEYS CREEK — Neither Allen Central nor Sheldon Clark wanted to leave the Pike County Central High baseball field on the losing end when the two teams met up Tuesday night in the 15th Region Tournament semifinals. The Rebels, champs out of the 58th District, took an early lead over Sheldon Clark and looked to have the upperhand. The Cardinals, however, reloaded. Sheldon Clark forced the game into extra innings knotted at 5-5. Allen

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Senior Tyler Turner (2) pitched and recorded the win for Allen Central in its opening round shutout effort versus Belfry. Also pictured is Allen Central senior first baseman Ramon Spurlock.

## Ladycats set to start summer play

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

BETSY LAYNE — Veteran Betsy Layne High girls' basketball coach Cassandra Akers realizes the importance of a busy summer hoops schedule. During the upcoming summer, Betsy Layne will play a host of teams from throughout much of the state.

The Ladycats will begin play in the Rowan County High School team camp Monday and continue playing through Tuesday.

Betsy Layne will participate

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## Dawahares/KHS AA Hall of Fame Class of 2007 announced

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — Twelve former high school coaches, athletes, officials and/or administrators make up the 20th class to be inducted into the Dawahares/KHSAA Hall of Fame. The class will first be recognized at the annual Dawahares/KHSAA Hall of Fame golf outing scheduled for Thursday, June 22 at the Marriott Griffin Gate Resort in Lexington.

The class of 2007 will be

(See CLASS, page three)

## Paintsville pitching leads to 6-1 win over Cats

by JAMIE HOWELL  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

BUCKLEYS CREEK — The Prestonsburg Blackcats spent the better part of the 2006 season playing in spurts. One game it seemed as if the Blackcat offense had finally exploded, only to see that same offense go silent the next night out. Josh Rodebaugh took the mound for Prestonsburg in its 15th Region Tournament opener at Pike County Central High School against a talented Paintsville Tiger squad and

pitched well, allowing only three runs over the first three innings. The problem for Prestonsburg was not on the defensive side of the field. The Blackcat offense would produce only five hits and one run as Paintsville prevailed 6-1.

Prestonsburg scored their only run of the game in the first inning. Senior Nick McGuire's base hit got the inning rolling and after stealing second, McGuire would score on Josh Rodebaugh's grounder that got

(See BLACKCATS, page two)



photo by Jamie Howell

Prestonsburg first baseman Nathaniel Stephens eyed third base after rounding second during the 15th Region Tournament opening round game against Paintsville.

## Cards capture region title

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

BUCKLEYS CREEK — The Sheldon Clark High School baseball program now has its regional title. On the verge of rising to the top of the 15th Region for several years now, Sheldon Clark broke through Wednesday night. The Cards faced a three-run deficit in their last at-bat, but plated five runs and beat rival Paintsville 7-5 in the region championship game.

Paintsville entered the top half of the seventh inning leading 5-2. Daniel Pugh took to the mound for the Tigers in relief of starter

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Rebels

Central starter Scott Little went the first nine innings for the Rebels. Due to the rule stating a player is only allowed to pitch a maximum of nine innings in one game, Little was forced to come off of the mound after the ninth inning. Sheldon Clark got one run off of reliever Josh Prater in the top half of the 10th inning and won 6-5.

Sheldon Clark eliminated Allen Central from the 15th Region Tournament for a second straight year.

Josh Maynard delivered the game-winning hit for Sheldon Clark on a 10th inning single.

Braxton Lafferty and Kenneth Todd combined to pitch the Cardinals past Allen Central.

"I really don't know what to say," Allen Central Coach Ken Johnson commented following Tuesday's game. "This is probably one of the greatest games in the history of the tournament. I hate that we had to be on the losing side of it. For two years now, Sheldon

Clark has knocked us out of the tournament after a 10-inning game. We didn't want to give up and they didn't want to give up. Both teams fought hard until the last out was made. We had several chances to win the game, and we just couldn't get it done. Sheldon Clark played great."

In his no-decision outing, Little struck out 11 and allowed just six hits. The Allen Central starter also walked six batters.

Justin Jacobs paced Allen Central's offensive effort, going 4-for-5 with a home run, a double and two singles. Jacobs drove in a game-high two runs for the Rebels.

Nick Music, Brock Kidd, Josh McKinney and Ramon Spurlock each had one hit for the Rebels.

Allen Central put together a brilliant season. The Rebels finished the campaign 23-11, boasting the third-best record among 15th Region teams.

"My heart goes out to my seniors," Johnson added.

"They've had tremendous careers, and are, in my opinion, the best baseball class to come from AC in a very long time. They're good kids too and they play with heart and soul. That's the best part. We have nothing to regret about our season. We know that we left everything we had to offer out on that field. We've accomplished some terrific feats - 23 wins (a school record), back-to-back district championships and a conference championship. I know we had a good enough team to win the region championship

as well, but when the game was over, we had given it everything and more, and for us, it just wasn't enough."

The future looks bright for the Allen Central High School baseball program. This year's team featured an excellent mix of senior and underclassmen talent.

"We will have a good class coming in as freshman for next season," Johnson confided. "If they work hard in the off-season, who knows, we could compete for a district and region championship again next season."

Allen Central 8, Belfry 0: In the opening round of the 15th Region Tournament at Pike County Central, Allen Central blanked Belfry and earned a spot in the semifinals.

Tyler Turner went the first five innings for Allen Central, allowing just one hit and striking out seven batters. He helped his cause with one hit and an RBI.

Brock Kidd and Josh Prater each had two hits for the Rebels. Justin Jacobs, Ramon Spurlock and Alex Hammonds added one hit each. Prater and Hammonds drove in two runs

apiece for the Rebels.

"We knew Belfry would be tough going in," Allen Central Coach Kenneth Johnson commented. "We weren't going to hold anything back. We talked it over and decided that Tyler would be the best choice to go with. We knew if he only threw five innings we could come back with him in the championship. Pitching and defense is our core and we knew we had to bring that part of our game."

Scott Little came on in relief of Turner and pitched the last two innings for the Rebels.

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three-run double would give Prestonsburg a 6-5 lead heading into the bottom of the fourth.

Belfry would take advantage of Prestonsburg fielding miscues to score nine runs in the bottom of the fourth to take a 14-6 lead after four innings.

After a quiet fifth inning, Prestonsburg would storm back in the top of the sixth. Belfry pitching fell apart in the sixth as

the Lady Pirates would walk seven P'burg batters which would eventually lead to 11 Prestonsburg runs in the inning. Brittany Collins and Amber Whitaker came through with run scoring hits in the sixth as Prestonsburg took a 17-14 lead.

Junior Elizabeth Chaffin pitched the final three innings and retired the Lady Pirates in order in both the sixth and seventh innings to pick up the win.

Prestonsburg advanced to the semifinals on Tuesday to take on the Pikeville Lady Panthers. Pikeville would prove too much for Prestonsburg as the Lady Panthers came away with a 17-0 win and advanced to the championship game against Shelby Valley.

In the opening round, Shelby Valley eliminated 58th District champ Allen Central 18-0.

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



Liz Dingus, Allen Central Softball



Scott Little, Allen Central Baseball

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Blackcats

through the hole. Paintsville got that run back and added another in their first at-bat. Andrew Brown's single followed by a walk to Kevin Williams gave the Tigers two base runners.

Back-to-back hits from Shane Grimm and J.D. VanHoose scored Brown and Williams, giving the Tigers a

2-1 lead that would prove to be enough on this night.

Prestonsburg would have only one base runner over the next two innings as freshman Seth Setser's double would be the only Blackcat hit in the second and third innings. Paintsville added another run in the bottom of the third. Humphrey led off with a sin-

gle and scored on Andrew Brown's double to give the Tigers a 3-1 lead after three. Prestonsburg would go quietly in the top of the fourth and Paintsville would put the game out of reach in their half of the inning, scoring three more runs to take a 6-1 lead.

Three straight hits form Daniel Pugh, Humphrey and

Brown led to the three runs in the inning. Prestonsburg's last chance to get back in the game came in the top of the fifth. Nathaniel Stephens led off the inning with a basehit. Two straight outs ultimately spoiled the Blackcats' hopes as Paintsville would come away with the win to advance to the semifinals on Tuesday.

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Cards

Shane Grimm. The Cardinals got to Pugh early on. The Paintsville junior ended up allowed five runs on one hit and three walks on his way to being stuck with the loss.

Senior Brandon May provided one of the biggest hits for Sheldon Clark in the last inning when he connected on a two-run double.

Sheldon Clark, which finished runner-up to Paintsville in the 57th District, entered the regional championship without the services of its top-three pitchers. Each of

the top three Sheldon Clark hurlers were ineligible to pitch. Veteran Sheldon Clark head coach Mike Hall called upon Brady Horn to pitch for the Cardinals. Horn pitched 5.3 innings for the Cards, giving up five runs on five innings. Shawn Johnson came on in relief of Horn and didn't allow any hits or baserunners.

Sheldon Clark came across with seven runs on six hits.

Paintsville scored its five runs on five hits.

At Lick Creek, Shelby Valley claimed the 15th Region fast-pitch softball title on the homefield of Pike County rival East Ridge.

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SHELDON CLARK'S ROAD TO THE TITLE

- May 22.....Lawrence County.....8-6 (W) (57th District Tournament)
- May 23.....Johnson Central.....5-3 (W) (57th District Tournament)
- May 25.....Paintsville .....9-10 (L) (57th District Tournament)
- May 29.....Pikeville.....3-2 (W) (15th Region Tournament at Pike Co. Central)
- May 30.....Allen Central .....6-5 (W) (10 innings) (15th Region Tournament at Pike Co. Central)
- May 31.....Paintsville.....7-5 (W) (15th Region Tournament at Pike Co. Central)

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schools.

"From the beginning, we've taken this girls' sport seriously in Pike County," said Napier. "Pikeville was the first. (Then coach now principal) Jon Stratton realized early on that pitching was the key."

Napier then listed the four people he's learned the most from. To no surprise, three of them have coached his closest rival - Stratton, Bill Baird and Elizabeth.

To narrow it down more precisely, the three schools in the 59th District, these two and East Ridge, have been ahead of the field. Only three of the 12 regional titles have gone to someone other than these three or one of their feeders.

"Domination," said Salyers. "It's just been domination."

"Elizabeth does a great job at Pikeville, and has for a long time," said Napier. "And the Morgans (husband-and-wife team Terry and Jill) up at East Ridge are terrific too. They're well coached, always prepared. We've never made it our goal to win the district, but it's a great accomplishment."

Another reason for the domination, to borrow

Elizabeth's term, is pitching. I would offer that no district in the state can compete with the aces of these three staffs. On Wednesday, Cortney Bentley got the win - the record-setting 132nd of her career - by throwing a complete-game two-hitter, striking out three along the way.

She was equaled in many ways by Natalie Gooch, who went seven innings, striking out eight while walking none and allowing only three hits.

Meanwhile, East Ridge boasts of Jodi Yates, who last year pitched her team to within one strike of a regional title before Shelby Valley catcher Gina Hall blistered a double into the gap and her team into the Sweet 16.

(Sidebar: Please don't discount Hall's role in the back-to-back titles for the Lady Bat Cats. With her team scoring five runs in the two championship games, she has driven in four of them. And she's only a junior.)

The three, all seniors, are simply sensational on the mound. All have college coaches begging for their services. Bentley has signed with Pikeville College; Yates soon

will. Gooch has politely declined Robert Staggs' overtures, choosing instead to head to the University of Kentucky.

One thing is sure: All three are sensational, all three will be sorely missed by their own coaches, and all coaches throughout the region will be glad to see all of them in the stands when they play next year.

"The three of them have just dedicated themselves to being great," said Salyers. "They've invested a lot of time; this is what they've chosen to do, and it has paid off for all of them."

"There's no district in the state like this," Napier added. "It's a battle every time out. These three have been special every step of the way, and they will be missed."

Not by Salyers, she said. No way. She's seen all of Cortney Bentley she can stand and said so through a smile as she wiped away the tears.

"I love her to death," said the coach. "but I'll be glad to never face her again."

I'm sure the feeling is shared by all three coaches about all three pitchers: We love you, we thank you for all you've done, but thank God that's over.

Last year, Shelby Valley beat East Ridge at Pikeville for the title. This year, Shelby Valley beat Pikeville at East Ridge.

So one question remains: Which staff will beat the other to making the motion for Shelby Valley to host next year, East Ridge or Pikeville?

It's been an amazing run for these three. And it couldn't happen to nicer people.

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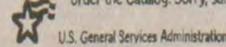


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# Maynard signs with Pikeville College

TIMES STAFF REPORT

**BELFRY** — The numbers Matt Maynard posted during his senior season at Belfry are simply amazing.

Consider these stats: For the entire season, Maynard averaged a first down every time he carried the football. No. 7 rolled up 1,269 yards on 126 rushes (10.1 yards per carry) for the 11-3 Pirates, and his 24 rushing touchdowns were only a drop in the bucket — he picked up a ridiculous 35

touchdowns this season.

And for good measure, he had 41 tackles and picked up seven interceptions from his cornerback position.

All of that makes it pretty easy to see why Pikeville College football coach Mac Bryan was all smiles as Maynard signed a scholarship agreement with the school.

"This is a young man who will be able to help us down the road," Bryan said. "We like what we've seen out of Matt and enjoyed getting to know him. We're

thrilled he was still available and are excited to welcome him to our campus."

Maynard isn't quite through representing Belfry High School yet. He will run in the state track and field meet this weekend.

"Matt has the speed to play on that level, and wish him nothing but the best," said Philip Haywood, longtime Belfry High coach. "He was a very good player for us and we're proud of him today."



Matt Maynard is trading in his Belfry High Red & White for Pikeville College Black & Orange.

# UK set to host NCAA Regional

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

**LEXINGTON** — Having already learned it would host an NCAA Baseball Tournament Regional, the Kentucky baseball team learned the three teams that would play at Cliff Hagan Stadium when the 2006 tournament field was announced Monday.

The Wildcats are seeded first in the four-team, double-elimination tournament and will take on Mid-American Conference Champion Ball State, the No. 4 seed, in the first round.

College of Charleston is the No. 2 seed after winning the Southern Conference Tournament and Big East champion Notre Dame is the No. 3 seed. The tournament is scheduled to get underway today.

"We feel like we have a very tough draw," Kentucky head coach John Cohen said. "Ball State won the conference tournament in the MAC, which I feel is a very underrated league. They have a pitcher in (Ben) Snyder who is the kind of guy we see on Friday nights in the SEC."

"Then you have Notre

Dame, which had a huge winning streak during the year, and College of Charleston. Both of those clubs have been in the top 20 this season and are very good. There are just four really good teams that will be playing this weekend, but we're looking forward to going out there and competing."

The NCAA Tournament bid is the first for UK since 1993 and just the fifth in school history. The Wildcats best tournament run came in 1988 when the team reached the regional final and was one win shy of advancing to the College World Series.

"There have been a lot of firsts for us at Kentucky this year and you can add this to the list," Cohen said. "But our players and our staff are not satisfied to just be in the tournament. We're very hungry and we believe we have a lot left to play for."

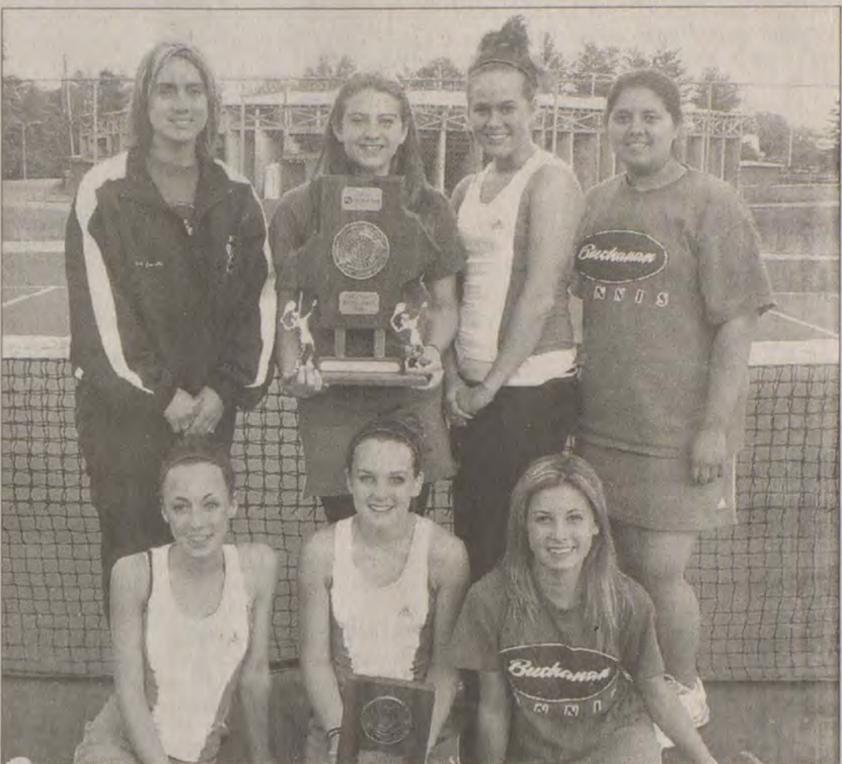
Kentucky is one of eight Southeastern Conference schools to earn a regional, including four that earned a No. 1 seed. Alabama, which shared the conference regular-season championship with UK, led the group by garnering a No. 4 national seed.

Georgia also earned a coveted top eight slot by being seeded seventh nationally.

Ole Miss joined UK as the other two No. 1 regional seeds. Also earning bids from the league were Arkansas, Vanderbilt, South Carolina and Mississippi State. The Bulldogs got in despite not making the SEC Tournament while LSU, which did make the tournament, was left out for the first time since 1988.

"I think this really shows the depth and quality of baseball in the SEC," Cohen said. "When you talk about a team in Mississippi State that went 12-17 in the conference makes the NCAA Tournament, that's saying something. I think having played against that type of competition week in and week out is going to pay off for us going forward."

**IF YOU WANNA GO:** Regional ticket packages are already on sale for \$60 for reserved seating and \$42 for general admission. Single-game tickets, if available, go on sale Thursday for \$10 for reserved seating and \$7 for general admission. Tickets are available through the UK Ticket Office by calling 859/257-1818.



**CHAMPIONSHIP FORM:** The June Buchanan School girls' tennis team captured this year's 14th Region championship. Pictured are Coach Anna Jacobs, Morgan Davis, Rachel Frazier, Kari Bishnoi, (sitting) Lauren Lucas, Alex Sizemore and Hayley Kincaid. JBS has won the regional tennis title for two straight seasons. At left, Hayley Kincaid and Morgan Davis claimed the 14th Region girls' doubles championship.

# Strieby, Cohen honored nationally

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

**LEXINGTON** — Kentucky's Ryan Strieby and John Cohen, already honored as the top player and coach in the Southeastern Conference, racked up more honors on Monday from the College Baseball Foundation, which released its National Coaches of the Year and All-America team.

Strieby, a junior, led the SEC during the regular season in RBIs (75), on-base percentage (.474), slugging percentage (.718) and doubles (21), while ranking third in home

runs (20) and batting .340 to earn SEC Player of the Year honors. He is the first Wildcat to win the award and also garnered first-team All-SEC honors at first base, the first UK player to be named to the first team since 1997.

It is the first time a UK player has been named an All-American since catcher John Wilson was in 1999.

Cohen was one of four coaches honored by the foundation, joining Rice's Wayne Graham, Hawaii's Mike Trapasso and Virginia's Brian O'Connor. He led UK (42-15) from worst-to-first in the

Southeastern Conference, it marked the first time in school history that a Kentucky baseball coach has been named league coach of the year.

Personally, it was his third conference coach of the year honor, having taken home Southland Conference honors in 1998 and 2001. The Cat's are headed to their first NCAA appearance since 1993.

Strieby is also a semifinalist for the Brooks Wallace Award, which is awarded to the nation's top player by the College Baseball Foundation on July 3.



Allen Central players got instructions from head coach Kenneth Johnson during their regional tournament first round game versus Belfry.

## Class

inducted in ceremonies scheduled for Saturday, April 14, 2007 at the Lexington Center. The induction of the latest 12 inductees will bring the number of individuals honors to 343.

The 2007 Class includes

Shaun Alexander, Phil Coomes, Tim Couch, Dermonti Dawson, Homer Goins, Dan Haley, M.E. Ligon, Ralph Richardson, Irene Moore-Strong, Donna Wolfe and Orville "Bud" Williams.

Two other individuals have previously been voted into the Hall of Fame but declined induction at that time. Kelly Coleman (1989) and John Reynolds (1994) have yet to accept the honor. They or their representatives would be



**NUMBER ONE:** Prestonsburg High School track and field athletes Ashley Moore (pictured), Seth Moore (not pictured) and Dave Shaffer (not pictured) are in Lexington for the state track and field meet. Ashley Moore set a school record in the discus throw with a first-place effort of 78.3 feet. Seth Moore (110 meter hurdles) and Shaffer (discus) also had first-place finishes in the regional meet.

## 15TH REGION RECORDS

BASEBALL	
Team	Record
Sheldon Clark	27-11
Pikeville	25-10
Allen Central	23-11
Belfry	21-12
Paintsville	20-14
Johnson Central	18-17
Pike Co. Central	14-19
Lawrence County	14-19
Phelps	13-7
Prestonsburg	13-15
Magoffin County	12-11
East Ridge	11-23
Betsy Layne	8-19
Shelby Valley	8-20
South Floyd	2-16

FAST-PITCH SOFTBALL	
Team	Record
Pikeville	28-8
Shelby Valley	25-11
Johnson Central	19-8
East Ridge	18-15
Magoffin County	17-8
Lawrence County	17-17
Paintsville	13-10
Belfry	13-17
Sheldon Clark	10-21
Prestonsburg	9-12
Phelps	9-14
Allen Central	7-11
Betsy Layne	6-16
Pike Co. Central	5-15
South Floyd	5-16

## Summer

Continued from p1

in the State High School AAU Tournament in Lexington June 9-11. The Ladycats will attend a team camp at Georgetown College June 13-17 and end summer play at the Pike Central High team camp.

Rachel Hamilton, who missed last season with a torn ACL, has been released and has rejoined the team. Kaitlin Lawson, who suffered a torn ACL in an all-important Floyd County Conference/58th District game against Allen Central on Feb. 4 will not be

released until summer basketball is over.

"We do expect Kaitlin to be released in time for conditioning in the fall," Akers confided.

Betsy Layne will enter the 2006-07 season looking to return to the 15th Region Tournament.

The Ladycats captured the 15th Region title in 2005. After being hit hard by graduation, Betsy Layne ended the 2005-06 season 7-18.

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# Kahne dethrones Johnson in Coca-Cola 600

by JENNA FRYER  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CONCORD, N.C. — Most drivers would be thrilled with a second-place finish in one of the biggest races of the year.

Jimmie Johnson isn't one of them. Johnson had his total domination of Lowe's Motor Speedway snapped Sunday night when Kasey Kahne blew past him with 29 laps to go to win the Coca-Cola 600. It ended Johnson's run of three consecutive 600 victories, and five straight overall.

"As I was chasing Kasey at the end, and I couldn't catch him ... looking at the streak and looking at the 600-mile race, to win three of them, I've been very fortunate to do that," Johnson said. "It's a weird race, a long race, and I'm very proud of the stats that I've had — and slightly disappointed that it's come to an end."

Since Johnson began his run of

seven wins in 10 races dating to 2003, the rest of the field has been desperate to dethrone him. The fans wanted it, too, and implored their favorite drivers to beat him with pleas and T-shirts that begged for "Anybody But Jimmie" to win the 600.

Kahne was the only one up for the challenge.

"That's all I ever wanted here, was a car that could race with Jimmie at the end," Kahne said. "You know every time you get to the end of a race at Charlotte, Jimmie Johnson is the guy to beat."

"We finally made it to that point and had a car that could race him and we were able to win."

It was Kahne's third victory of the season — all in the same Charger — and the first win for a Dodge at this track since Richard Petty in 1977.

Johnson, winner of last week's All-Star Challenge, finished second. He was well over 2 seconds behind Kahne, who stopped his car at the fin-

ish line to grab the checkered flag and celebrate with his team.

Carl Edwards, Mark Martin and Matt Kenseth finished third through fifth for Roush Racing, followed by Jeff Burton, then Greg Biffle and Jamie McMurray in the other two Roush Fords. Denny Hamlin and Reed Sorenson rounded out the top 10, while Dale Earnhardt Jr. finished 11th.

Defending series champion Tony Stewart wrecked early in the race and was taken to the hospital for evaluation. He was seen and released, and a team spokesman said he broke the tip of his right shoulder blade.

Stewart — who slipped to fourth in the standings, 209 points behind Johnson — also was taken to the hospital because of a bruised shoulder following a wreck Saturday night in the Busch Series race.

"He's going to be sore — it's the same spot he hit last time," team president J.D. Gibbs said. "There

isn't much you can do about it. He needs rest and needs to take care of it, ice it, wrap it up real well."

It looked as if pole-sitter Scott Riggs, Kahne's teammate, was going to make a run at his first career victory until a series of mistakes during his pit stop with 40 laps to go took him out of contention.

Riggs was the leader when he pitted, but didn't come to a clean stop, stalled his Dodge when he tried to pull away, and as his crew pushed him out the jack and fuel can left his assigned area — drawing a stop-and-go penalty that took him out of contention. He ended up 13th, after leading eight times for 90 laps.

Riggs was 17th on the restart, with Edwards, Johnson and Kahne leading the field with 33 laps to go.

Kahne grabbed the lead moments later, his seventh time out front in NASCAR's longest race of the season. He led a race-high 158 of the 400 laps in a race that begins in the

day, ends in the night and leaves most drivers mentally and physically exhausted.

"Kasey's car was pretty awesome," Edwards said. "I couldn't keep up with him when he went by us, so I'm pretty happy with third place."

Tempers flared late in the race when Casey Mears lost control of his Dodge, bounced off the wall and into Kyle Busch while the two were running second and fourth. Mears suffered slight damage, but Busch's night was ruined.

As NASCAR officials tried to coax Busch back toward the garage, he angrily tried to break free so he could get at Mears as he passed by. He only managed a feeble, left-handed toss of a safety device that failed to hit Mears.

"Just a very frustrating moment for me," Busch said. "I had a really great race car that I thought could have won the race."

# Yates team stumbling, no end in sight

by JENNA FRYER  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CONCORD, N.C. — Dale Jarrett could have been home cooking steaks before the halfway mark of the Coca-Cola 600. A wreck on the first lap of the race ended his night before he even settled into the driver's seat.

Elliott Sadler, his teammate, wasn't much luckier. He was stuck at the track, nursing an ill-handling car to a 30th-place finish.

It was yet another disappointing night for Robert Yates Racing, which appears to be in a downward spiral with no end in sight.

Consider:

■ Jarrett is leaving the company at the end of the season to drive a Toyota next year, and sponsor UPS could follow him.

■ Sadler, despite repeated denials, can't shake rumors he is trying to leave, too. Even worse, the most attention he

got last week was not for something racing-related, but a stage-diving stunt that sent him tumbling to the pavement on live television.

■ Crew chief Slugger Labbe currently is serving a four-race suspension for making an illegal modification to Jarrett's car in Richmond.

■ General manager Eddie D'Hondt was fired last week as car owners Robert and Doug Yates decided they needed to be more hands-on with the team.

Robert and Doug Yates insist talk of their demise is premature, pointing out that Jarrett and Sadler are 16th and 17th in the standings — still close enough to rally their way into the Chase for the championship. But in almost the same breath, Robert Yates acknowledges the race track is the last place he's wanted to be lately.

"I really haven't looked forward to going to the race track recently," he said. "I'm looking

for fun and hopefully in my future I'm planning to have fun, and I just hope it's at the race track."

From the outside looking in, it seems that Yates has a long way to go before things are enjoyable again.

Since its 1989 debut, RYR has won 57 races and had 419 top-10 finishes in 919 starts. Jarrett won two Daytona 500s and a championship in 1999 for Yates, and the team has had at least one driver in the top 10 in the point standings in 10 out of 17 years.

But the team has been slipping since 2001, when its six-year streak of placing a driver in the top five of the final standings ended. Jarrett has not made the final top 10 since 2002, and Sadler only did it in 2004.

If something doesn't change soon, both drivers are in serious danger of missing out on the Chase again this year.

"We're all working really, really hard and trying to make

progress," Sadler said. "We've stumbled a couple times here in the last few weeks and haven't run as good as we'd like, so we're making changes and race teams do that."

"I love driving for Robert Yates because he's not afraid to make changes. I don't think there's a lot of chaos going on from the inside, I think we're just switching some people around and putting them in different positions and trying to make the organization a little bit better."

Robert and Doug Yates acknowledge they are victims of their own early success, and perhaps haven't moved their company along at the same pace as the competition.

Their driver development program is fairly new, leaving them with no in-house option to replace Jarrett in their flagship No. 88 Ford. They once had Kasey Kahne in their pipeline, and he's got three victories this season driving for

someone else.

And their cars aren't exactly blowing away the competition these days. Sadler hasn't won in 59 races, and Jarrett's victory last October in Talladega ended a 98-race drought.

Jarrett has complained the team doesn't have enough engineers to keep them on the cutting edge of technology.

"That's something we've got to step up," he said. "But it's not like they're a dime a dozen. We're trying to find the right people. We've got a lot of good people, we just need that little extra direction an engineer brings."

But that's a bizarre area to be lacking, considering Doug Yates comes from an engineering background.

"In the engine shop, we're basically pretty much engineering-driven," Doug Yates said of the department he heads. "But in the race shop, we had a lot of success doing it

the old-school way, and I think those days are gone. We all know that, but we haven't been able to transition from the old to the new. That's been part of our problem."

Robert and Doug Yates know they need to get up to speed quickly. It's going to be hard enough to find a top-name driver to replace Jarrett, and they've got to find a way to make Sadler happy, or risk having him opt out of his contract.

"We have a contract, but I always work on attraction rather than contraction," Robert Yates said. "As much as I talk about myself not wanting to be there, I wouldn't expect anybody to want to be there."

"We've got to be attractive for anybody who wants to come. Some people who have called and their biggest question is probably the same as ours — 'How well are we going to run?' And that's what we're working very hard on."

# Stock car tracks court families with new diversions.

by DANIEL LOVERING  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

JENNERSTOWN, Pa. — As stock car engines howl in the background, Dave Wheeler raises a small air cannon to his shoulder and sends a bundled T-shirt tumbling through the air toward the stands at his racetrack.

Screaming fans, many of them children, jump to their feet and reach skyward in hopes of catching the souvenir. Nearby, other kids get their faces painted, crawl around a playground or wait in line for snow cones.

It's opening night at Jennerstown Speedway, and the diversions are many for a segment of fans that racetrack owners and stock car enthusiasts say is vital to the future of their sport — families.

With stock car racing's recent boom in popularity, small racetracks are sprucing up their facilities to attract parents and children in ever-larger numbers.

"We're just trying to get it all family, family, family," said Wheeler, a 53-year-old former stock car driver who bought the track four years ago. "Everybody wants to sell racing. We're selling entertainment."

To appeal to more than just die-hard race fans, Jennerstown Speedway and other short tracks — asphalt circuits up to a half-mile long — have done away with seedy attractions of yesteryear, such as short skirt contests.

Instead, they try to offer more wholesome entertainment and activities, including an intermission in which kids scramble to collect pennies scattered across the track or visit the pit area to scoop lollipops off a race car.

Some have built fresh facilities, with clean bathrooms and concession stands and ample space for parking. Furry mascots and clowns mingle with spectators amid the aroma of rubber and oil.

And keeping ticket prices affordable — \$8 for adults at Jennerstown — is crucial to filling the stands, said Wheeler, who also owns a national chain of automotive stores.

The efforts have paid off. Attendance at the speedway tripled last year, reaching an average of about 1,500 people for Saturday evening races, Wheeler said.

"I attribute that quite frankly to what we're doing, what seems to be happening nationwide," he said.

Wheeler said his and other small tracks have benefited from the rise of NASCAR, which has a huge national audience. Andrew Giangola, a NASCAR spokesman, said the trend toward families is evident at tracks of all sizes. He also said NASCAR's fan base is 40 percent women.

"I think a lot of this is independent entrepreneurs listening to their customer base," he said. "These tracks are in competition for the entertainment dollar."

He said the sport appeals to families because cars are one of the things kids play with, and "kids tend to be attracted by the colors and the sights and the sounds and the speeds."

Tony Stewart, the reigning Nextel Cup champion, also recognizes the value of catering to fans. He offers pre-race entertainment at Eldora Speedway, the half-mile dirt track he bought in Rossburg, Ohio, in late 2004.

"Obviously, we do have a different angle that other short tracks don't because of who we are with NASCAR," he said last month. "Hopefully, what we are doing is opening the eyes of corporate America to the value of short-track racing."

James J. Miley, whose family owns two racetracks in western Pennsylvania, said it is difficult to entice family spectators to return to stock car races regularly.

"That means ... we better be a fan-friendly, family-friendly

facility because people don't come every week, and they do have a lot of entertainment choices," he said, pointing out that his Motordrome Speedway in Carnegie installed a playground last year.

"We try to have something going on that interests kids every evening, whether it's Ronald McDonald coming to visit, fireworks, giveaways," he said.

Humpy Wheeler, manager of Lowe's Speedway in Concord, N.C., said the new amenities at short tracks are helpful for children who "might like racing for five or six minutes, then their mind wanders elsewhere."

"Parents, they've got a built-in baby sitter," he said. "It's smart business."

At Lernerville Speedway in Sarver, competitors roll out school buses painted with cartoons and race them for an audience of mostly kids twice a year, according to the track's manager, Gary Risch Jr.

"That's the future of this deal, to get families, new families," he said. "It brings you fans for years to come. It's a clean family atmosphere."

Larry Cothren, editor of Stock Car Racing magazine, said the tremendous growth of the sport over the past decade has come at the expense of small tracks.

But in Pennsylvania, a racing hotbed that has more tracks — many of them dirt — than any other state, some speedways are marketing themselves to nearby residents and seeing an upswing in local sponsorships as a result.

The Jennerstown track earns \$1 million to \$2 million annually, thanks partly to a jump in local sponsorships, said Wheeler, who added that the track tries simply to break even.

At a recent race, 12-year-old Whitney Galantine of Friedens said she liked the racetrack's food and playground, not to mention the fast

cars.

"I love it, it's fun," said Galantine, whose forehead was painted with colorful swirls. "The race cars get trophies and

it makes (the drivers) so happy."

Her 45-year-old father, Gene Galantine, said he is a longtime race fan and that it

has become cheaper in recent years to bring his family with him to the races.

"I get to do what I like to do, and they do too," he said.

# NARA BoB Modified Series headed to 201 Speedway

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — The NARA Battle of the Bluegrass Open Wheel Modified Series will make its first appearance of the year at the 201 Speedway Saturday. It will be the fourth event of the season for Kentucky's premier Open Wheel Modified series as Tommy Bailey currently sits atop the points standings.

A complete show for the NARA Battle of the Bluegrass Open Wheel Modified Series will be on tap at the Mike Osborne-promoted facility. Hot laps will be immediately followed by Racing Optics Time Trials, Heat Races, B-

Mains, and the A-Main paying \$1,500 to win and \$125 to start. The purse for this event is as follows: 1. \$1,500; 2. 700; 3. 500; 4. 400; 5. 350; 6. 300; 7. 275; 8. 250; 9. 225; 10. 200; 11. 180; 12. 160; 13. 150; 14. 140; 15. 130; 16. 125; 17. 125; 18. 125; 19. 125; 20. 125; 21. 125; 22. 125.

In the first three NARA Battle of the Bluegrass Open Wheel Modified Series events held in 2006 Tommy Bailey has two victories, notching wins in the first two events of the season at Lake Cumberland and Richmond. Last weekend at Bluegrass, Don Adams rolled into victory lane for the first time this season. Over 75

different drivers have competed with the Series already in 2006 with Tommy Bailey leading the championship standings with Jimmy Payne in second. A logjam for third finds defending Series Champion Joey Kramer holding off Kelly Warren and Don Adams.

Storied 201 Speedway is 3/8-mile high-banked clay oval located 5.5 miles north of US 23 on SR 201, just north of Sitka. The track phone number on race day is 606/265-3201.

For more information on the NARA Battle of the Bluegrass Open Wheel Modified Series, log on to [www.battleofthebluegrass.com](http://www.battleofthebluegrass.com) or call the Series office at 859/433-5707.

Willard Speedway  
Race Results from  
Saturday, May 27

Outlaw Race Cars  
Late Models

36K- Keith Bills (GMPP 604 Crate)  
25-Terry Hicks  
36-Eslea Bills  
W4- Ronnie Whitt  
3- Ritchie Edwards  
2- Joe Ramey  
1080-Carl Dillow  
27-Larry Whiseman  
1-Todd Lewis  
6H-Tom Hall  
05D-Jeff Davis  
23- Chris Holley  
22- Bryan Mays  
95-Jesse Skaggs  
Bluegrass Preservation Society Hard Charger Award:  
Carl Dillow

AMRA RWT

1K-Kenny Riddle  
0-Mark Dickson  
1H-Doug Henry  
39-Todd Robinson  
13K-Doug Browning  
20-Jason Perry  
T5-Teddy Tucker  
00-David Bodkins  
23-Lenie Kershansky  
Hc1-Kenny Johnson  
21-Matt Lux  
150-TimRoll  
6B-Joey Back  
3s-Benny Henkle  
22-Bobby Tackett  
2T-jack Tackett  
77- Dave Defibengh  
41-Joe Cox  
RWT not eligible for Hard Charger Award.

Poske's Performance  
Bombers

L2-Brian Lawson  
14-Jack Dunn  
31-Tim Curmutte  
12-Johnny Cantebury  
5D-Paul day Jr.  
47-Eric Dennison  
44-Arthur Nelson  
22D-John Daniels  
11B- Brian Banks  
14-Marshall Nelson

Draughn Racing Supply/  
Sunoco Fuel Mini Mods-  
Stocks  
8- Marty Hall-mod  
11-Charlie Ratcliff mod  
32-Jimmy Adams-stock  
5-Amy Lawson-mod  
22-Jerry McKinney-mod  
15K-Brian Kelly-stock  
63T-Shirley Tackett-stock  
300Z-Greg Sparks-stock  
36-Josh Justice-stock

# The Rocket is coming to Lexington

## SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

HOUSTON — The Houston Astros announced today that the club has signed pitcher Roger Clemens to a minor league contract. Clemens is scheduled to make three minor league starts prior to making his Astros debut. It is the club's intent to make his first start for the Lexington Legends against the Lake County Captains on Tuesday, June 6.

"We are thrilled that our fans are going to get a chance to see one of the greatest players in baseball history

pitching right here in our ballpark," said Alan Stein, President and CEO of the Lexington Legends. "With his son Koby in Lexington, we knew this was a possibility if Roger signed with Houston. We are thrilled to get to see 'the Rocket' in a Legends jersey."

Koby Clemens, Roger's oldest son, began the season playing third base for the Legends until dislocating his left pinky in late April. He is expected to be activated from the disabled list in time for Tuesday's game.

"It's going to be a special night for us but it will really be special for

Roger because he'll get to play with his son, Koby," said Legends General Manager Kevin Kulp. "And it could be the only time that he has a chance to do that," Kulp added.

Clemens is 341-172 with a 3.12 ERA in 672 career games and his 341 wins rank ninth all-time. Clemens is also the winner of an unprecedented seven Cy Young Awards. Clemens will become the first player with Major League experience to play for the Legends.

The game now becomes the hottest ticket in town with Roger Clemens

slated to start for the Legends. "Our box office phones have been ringing off the hook," said Legends General Manager Kevin Kulp. "Fans started lining up to buy tickets literally just minutes after the announcement came from Houston," Kulp added.

Clemens becomes the first former Major Leaguer to suit up for the Legends. "He'll also become the ninth former Legend to play in the Major Leagues, that is if Clemens makes it back to Houston," Stein said jokingly.

Clemens' one-year contract is val-

ued at \$322,000. His start in Lexington is scheduled to be followed by a start at the Double A Corpus Christi Hooks (Corpus Christi, Texas) on June 11, and a third minor league start at the Triple A Round Rock Express (Round Rock, Texas) on June 16.

Clemens is tentatively scheduled to make his first start for Houston on June 22 at Minute Maid Park versus the Minnesota Twins. His one-year Major League contract will be valued at \$22,000,022 with the final two numbers matching his jersey number.

## MLB: Reds 3, Cubs 2

by ANDREW SELIGMAN  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHICAGO — Eric Milton took a shutout into the eighth inning, and the Cincinnati Reds beat the Chicago Cubs 3-2 Wednesday night to avoid a three-game sweep.

Ken Griffey Jr. had two hits, including a home run off Carlos Zambrano (3-3) leading off the sixth, and drove in two runs as the Reds won for the second time in seven games. Ryan Freel had two hits and scored a run for Cincinnati.

Milton (3-2) allowed a single to Juan Pierre leading off the first but retired the next 17 batters before Pierre singled up the middle with two outs in the sixth.

He ran into trouble in the eighth when Matt Murton led off with a double to the wall in center field, and Jacque Jones then lined a two-run homer to center to pull the Cubs within 3-2. It was Jones' ninth homer and his second in as many games.

After Ronny Cedeno singled to shortstop, pinch-hitter Freddie Bynum bunted into a force-out. Milton left after allowing a single to shortstop Neifi Perez that put runners on first and second with two outs. Todd Coffey relieved and struck out Michael Barrett to end the inning. He pitched a

perfect ninth for his second save.

In his third start since returning from arthroscopic knee surgery, Milton allowed two runs and six hits, winning for the first time since beating the Cubs on April 13.

Zambrano — 0-1 with a 7.59 ERA in his previous four starts against Cincinnati — left after allowing two runs in the sixth inning when he appeared to lose his composure.

First, Griffey pulled a 1-2 pitch out to right for the game's first run.

Zambrano appeared upset after Scott Hatteberg chopped a single off first baseman Todd Walker's glove, putting runners on first and third with one out. After a visit to the mound by Barrett and pitching coach Larry Rothschild, Zambrano hit Edwin Encarnacion to load the bases. Then he had trouble picking up Jason LaRue's grounder, allowing Austin Kearns to score from third, before throwing to first for the second out.

After striking out Milton, Zambrano smacked a cooler in the dugout.

For the Cubs it was a rough end to a month in which they went 7-22.

The lone bright spot was Zambrano, who was 3-0 and allowed seven runs in his first five starts in May. In the two

no-decisions, he shut out San Diego for seven innings on May 5 and carried a no-hitter into the seventh inning against Atlanta on Friday.

The Cubs started May with a 2-1 win over Pittsburgh, then dropped eight straight and 12 of 13.

Notes: Cubs 1B Derrek Lee took an important step in his recovery from two fractured bones just above his wrist joint when the cast on his right arm was removed Wednesday. Trainer Mark O'Neal said Lee will not resume baseball activities until he has regained full range of motion, which will take 10 days to two weeks. Lee was injured in a collision at first base with Los Angeles' Rafael Furcal on April 19. ... RHP Greg Maddux apparently was fine after experiencing stiffness in his back and legs following a 61-minute rain delay Tuesday. Maddux pitched 5 2-3 innings and got the win in an 8-3 victory over the Reds. ... The Reds optioned LHP Brian Shackelford to Triple-A Louisville on Wednesday to make room for newly acquired RHP Esteban Yan. The Reds acquired the 30-year-old Yan — who had a 6.85 ERA in 13 games — and an undisclosed amount of cash from the Los Angeles Angels for minor league pitcher Kyle Edens on Tuesday.



Prestonsburg batter Lindsey Fields made contact on a Pikeville offering. The Lady Blackcats couldn't manufacture any runs in the season-ending loss.

photo by  
Jamie Howell

## Bow fishing the Ohio on Kentucky Afield Television

### SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

FRANKFORT — Arrows will be flying this weekend on Kentucky Afield television as Host Tim Farmer takes viewers for an exciting evening of bow fishing on the Ohio River.

Owensboro anglers Matt Wadlington and Jonathon Hollowell crank up the lights on their boat as they ply the waters north of Hancock County searching for buffalo, carp and catfish. For viewers interested in learning how to bow fish, the Owensboro anglers will provide valuable tips on techniques and

equipment.

Farmer also joins Shelby County hunter Craig Woosley as they show viewers that there's more than one way to take a frog. Rather than giggering at night, Farmer and Woosley hunt during the day with their .22-caliber rifles to take advantage of Kentucky's bullfrog season.

Kentucky Afield is a production of the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources. It is the longest continuously-running outdoor television show in the nation. Kentucky Afield airs

Saturday at 8:30 p.m. Eastern time/7:30 p.m. Central time on KET affiliates. The airtime for the Sunday repeat of the show is 4 p.m. Eastern/3 p.m. Central.

Kentucky Afield also airs Saturday at 10 a.m. on Insight Cable 5 in Northern Kentucky.

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## Wright trying to learn Bengals offense

by JOE KAY  
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CINCINNATI — The offense lined up near the goal line. Anthony Wright took the snap, looked left and saw receiver Chad Johnson, wearing his bright orange shorts, waiting for the ball.

Quick pass. Smooth catch. Scatback move. Touchdown.

Yes, running the Cincinnati Bengals' offense can be incredibly simple at times. It's the other times that Wright is focused on.

Brought in to back up Carson Palmer and perhaps fill in for him during the early part of the season, Wright is still trying to get the feel of running one of the NFL's most high-powered offenses at full throttle.

"We're installing things every day, so I still have those things running through my mind," Wright said Wednesday, soaked with sweat after a midday workout. "Sometimes things get compounded on each other. But so far, I'm doing pretty good with it. I seem to be coming on pretty well."

So does the guy he's potentially replacing.

While Wright and Doug Johnson ran the offense

Wednesday during a voluntary workout in jerseys, shorts and helmets, a solitary figure jogged around the perimeter of the field and then went through his own routine nearby.

Palmer, who had his left knee surgically rebuilt in January, wore a long-sleeve gray shirt and shorts, but no brace on the knee as he jumped over pads as part of his rehabilitation. He also threw passes during a couple of low-intensity drills with receivers.

"I'm just happy to be able to do what I'm doing," Palmer said. "It's nice to be on the field and jump into a couple of drills once in a while. I definitely get that itch (to play), but I've got to stay patient and wait for my turn."

His rehabilitation has gone well so far, but there's no telling whether he'll be ready for the season opener Sept. 10 at Kansas City. If he's not, Wright — who wears jersey No. 2 — is in line to be No. 1 on the depth chart.

The free agent from Baltimore signed a one-year deal on April 21 and started a cram course in learning the playbook. Palmer spends most of his day rehabilitating the knee, so Wright and Johnson — who signed a one-year deal on Feb. 7 — have to learn the

offense with the help of the coaches.

"They look great," Palmer said, after watching them work out Wednesday. "You can't tell the difference. It doesn't look like we have a couple of new guys that are missing (reads), dropping snaps, missing wide-open guys."

The rub will come during training camp, when Palmer hopes to be able to practice without limitation. He'll need to get a lot of work with the starting offense because he missed so much time while rehabilitating the knee.

Wright and Johnson also will need a lot of work to learn the fine points of the offense in case they have to run it. Wright knew he was getting into an uncertain situation when he signed with Cincinnati.

"The situation I'm in right now is kind of different," he said.

Still, it's a step up. The eighth-year veteran was a backup in Baltimore's run-oriented offense at the end of last season. He was excited to get the chance to come to Cincinnati and throw to Johnson and T.J. Houshmandzadeh, one of the NFL's top receiver tandems, in an offense that likes to air it out.

## Wortman named MSU assistant

### TIMES STAFF REPORT

MOREHEAD — Barry Wortman, an individual with experience as a successful high school coach and as a NCAA Division I assistant, has been named a men's assistant basketball coach at Morehead State University, Head Coach Donnie Tyndall announced today.

Wortman has spent the last eight seasons as the head coach at LaVergne High School, LaVergne, Tenn. There, he built a program that went from winning only three games to becoming a consistent 20-game winner. His teams won two district tournament championships in a tough Class AAA district, and he was named district and area coach of the year in 2003-04.

"We are very fortunate to have Barry Wortman join our staff," Tyndall said. "I have gotten to know Barry very well over the last four years,

and I know that he has a true passion for the game of basketball and for working with young men.

"In my opinion, Barry was one of the best high school coaches in the state of Tennessee. His teams were always well-prepared and played with a tremendous amount of energy and toughness which resulted in great records year in and year out."

Prior to his tenure at LaVergne, Wortman served as head coach at three other Tennessee high schools, Lincoln County, Hickman County and Shelbyville Central. At Hickman County, he won a Class AA state championship and was a two-time state coach of the year.

"I'm thrilled and excited to be a part of the basketball staff at Morehead State University," Wortman said. "The opportunity to work for Coach Tyndall, who I respect both personally and professionally,

means a great deal to me and my family. I look forward to getting started and to becoming a part of the community."

"Barry also has Division I experience, having been an assistant coach at Tennessee State for Ron Abernathy. Having spent time in the Ohio Valley Conference, he understands the competitiveness of the league and what it takes to win at this level.

"I'm very excited about the addition of Barry to our staff, not only because he is an outstanding basketball coach, but also because he is a character guy who our players will look up to. The community will love getting to know him and his family."

Wortman and his wife, Kristie, have a son, Austin, and a daughter, Bliss.

He earned a bachelor's degree from Middle Tennessee in 1989 and a master degree from Tennessee State in 1991.



The Johns Creek Bassmaster fishing club walked away with good results following its most recent tournament.

## Johns Creek Bassmaster club holds third tourney

### TIMES STAFF REPORT

MOREHEAD — The Johns Creek Bassmaster fishing club held its third tournament of the 2006 season on Sunday from 6:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on Cave Run Lake in Morehead. The club had 10 boats compete in the event.

The morning started with a warm air temperature in the 60s. Cave Run Lake was very clear with 10-foot plus visibility. The morning started out well, considering the tournament was being held on

Memorial Day Weekend. However, shortly after the sun came out, so did the pleasure and sail boats, making it very difficult to fish. At one time, one of the participating fisherman observed over 40 boats coming down the lake. Cave Run Lake has a slot limit of under 13 inches and over 16 inches. Most everyone caught fish, but only three over 16 inches was weighed. The top finishers were as follows:

1. Kevin Rose and George Vanover (5 bass) 4.72 lbs. (Big Fish 2.95 lbs.)

2. Jamie Cure and Dee Compton (5 bass) 3.97 lbs.

3. Dennis and Wanda Osborne (5 bass) 2.71 lbs.

4. Rick Stafford (1 bass) 2.32 lbs.

5. Jack Collins and Chris Collins (5 bass) 2.13 lbs.

6. Chester Kirk and Shawn Smith (3 bass) 1.50 lbs.

7. Donald Collins and Jimmy Kirk (2 bass) 1.13 lbs.

8. Kelly Allen (2 bass) 1.05 lbs.

9. Chris Fritzpatrick (1 bass) 39 lbs.

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**In Victory Assembly of God, West Prestonsburg;** Sunday School, 10:00; Worship Service, 11:00 & 6:30; Wednesday Evening, 6:30; Gary Stanley, Pastor.

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

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

**BAPTIST**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Endicot Freewill Baptist, Buffalo;** Sun. School, 10 a.m.; Church every Sun. Morning 11:15 a.m.; Wed. evening Bible Study & Prayer Meeting, 7:00 p.m.; Third Sun. evening Service, 6 p.m.; First Sat. evening Service, 7 p.m. Hobert Meek, Pastor, welcomes everyone.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**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.

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

**Jacks Creek Baptist, Bevinville;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Pastor Roger Truisty.

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

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

**Lancer Baptist Church; 71 Cooley St., Prestonsburg,** Sunday School, 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m., Evening 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.; Merie Little, Minister.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Rock Fork Regular Baptist, Garrett;** Worship Service, 9:30 a.m.; Jerry Manns, Pastor; Willie Crace Jr., Assistant Pastor.

**Salt Lick United Baptist, Salt Lick, Huesville;** Worship Service, 2nd & 4th Sunday, 10:30 a.m.; Pastor, Allen Chaffins, phone 946-2123.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**CATHOLIC**

**St. Martha, Water Gap;** Mass: Sunday, 11:15 a.m.; Saturday, 5 p.m.; Sunday; Father Robert Dammron, 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.; Sterm 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, 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Richard Kelly and Nelson Kidder, Ministers.

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

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

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

## Return to your Bible

Yet the Lord longs to be gracious to you; He rises to show you compassion. For the Lord is a God of justice. Blessed are all who wait for Him!

Isaiah 30:18



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

**Martin Church of Christ, Martin;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m. Gary Mitchell, Minister.

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

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

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

**CHURCH OF GOD**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Emma United Methodist, Emma;** Sunday School 10 a.m., Sunday Worship Service 11 a.m.; Pastor David Proffitt.

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

**Horn Chapel Methodist, Auxier Road, Auxier;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday Morning Service, 11 a.m.; Mid-week Service, 7 p.m.; Sunday Evening Service held on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month at 6 p.m.; Larry J. Penix, Minister.

**Graceway United Methodist, Rt. 80, Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.;** Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday Night, 7 p.m.; Roy Harlow, Minister.

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

**Wayland United Methodist, Rt. 7, Wayland;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Jack Howard, Pastor.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Goodloe Pentecostal, Rt. 850, David;** Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Malcom Slone, Minister.

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

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

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**PRESBYTERIAN**

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

**First Presbyterian, North Lake Drive;** Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. Rev. Mike Chamberlin, interim pastor.

**SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST**

**Seventh-Day Adventist, 5 miles West on Mountain Parkway;** Church Service, 9:15; Sabbath School, 10:45; John Baker, Pastor, 358-9263; Church, 886-3459, leave message. Everyone welcome!

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**The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints;** Relief Society/Preisthood/Primary, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Sacrament Mtg., 11:20 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m. Church Meeting House address, Hwy. 80, Martin, KY 41649; Meeting House telephone number: 285-3133; Ken Carriere, Bishop.

**OTHER**

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

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

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

**Faith Deliverance Tabernacle, West Prestonsburg;** Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Don Shepherd, Minister.

**Faith Revelation Ministry, 1/4 mile above Worldwide Equipment;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Randy Hagans, Minister.

**Faith Worship Center, US 460, Paintsville;** Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Thursday, 6 p.m.; Buddy and Maude Frye, Minister.

**Full Gospel Community, (formerly of Martin) moved to Old Allen;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Sunday evening, 6:30 p.m.; Wed., 6:30 p.m.; Lavonne Lafferty, Minister.

**Lighthouse Temple, Main St. and Hall St.;** Worship Service, 12 p.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday/Friday, 7 p.m.; Roy Cosby, Minister.

**Living Water Ministries Full Gospel Church, Rt. 3, just before Thunder Ridge;** Wednesday, 7:00 p.m., Sunday Evening, 6:00 p.m. Pastor: Curt Howard.

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**Old Time Holiness, 2 miles up Arkansas Creek, Martin;** Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; John W. Patton, Minister.

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**Zion Deliverance, Wayland;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. Prayer Line, 358-2001; Darlene W. Arnette, Pastor

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**International Pentecostal Holiness Church, 10974 N. Main St., Martin;** Rev. Ellis J. Stevens, Senior Pastor.

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### THROUGH MY EYES

## That silver lining

In looking over last Friday's edition, it appears that I managed to get a tad bit wordy - guess I might ought to keep that soapbox out of view for a while. Sure do hope, though, that my ramblings-on didn't play into our Postscript and Dinner Diva columns not making the jump to page two. At any rate, we're running both of those columns again this week - in their entirety.



Kathy Prater  
Lifestyles editor

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Got to stay home and play hooky some this past week. Cleaned a little, cooked a little, planted flowers and tuned in for some Oprah at 4 p.m. most days. It wasn't West Virginia, but it was almost heaven just the same.

I do believe that I could get used to the contented hausfrau life rather quickly...

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### POSTSCRIPT

## A hare-raisin' tale

Big-dog Ben, who is not only a handsome beast, but also a gentle soul, came through the brush the other day with a furry critter hanging limp in his mouth. He was obviously proud of himself, his bushy tale curled regally over his back.



Pam Shingler  
contributing writer

My first fear was that the furry critter was a neighbor's cat. (Ahem, Ben's half-brother Bubba had some problems in that

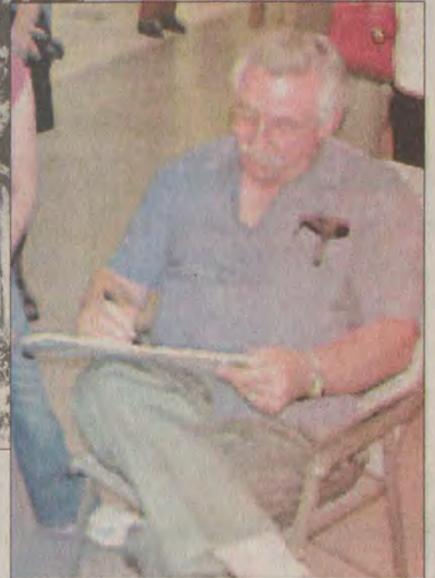
area some years ago.) I yelled at Ben, as any conscientious master would. His proud tail drooped and he took off around the house. I did not pursue him because if I found him I would have to deal with the critter, and I was not ready to do that. When he reappeared some minutes later, his mouth was empty. He had apparently deposited the catch, to be paraded out at a later time.

Later, as I was leaving the house, I saw that it was, indeed, a rabbit and not a cat. Ben had left it

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Right: The artwork of William Salyers, pictured, and wife Sally, will be on display at the Mountain Arts Center throughout the month of June. Above: Ink drawing by William Salyers.



## William and Sally Salyers on exhibit at MAC

On display June 1 thru June 30

William Salyers and Sally Jean Huffman-Salyers will be the featured artists for June 2006 at the Mountain Arts Center. The dynamic husband and wife artist duo are natives of Eastern Kentucky. Sally was born in Carter County. New to the art world, she has already won numerous awards in various states for her flowers, Appalachian landscapes, and seascapes paintings. A self-taught artist, she paints with oil and acrylics and is well known for her use of brilliant colors.

Sally entered into the arts only nine years ago. "I have always loved

Still life, nature scene paintings and ink drawings of familiar East Ky. landscapes highlight exhibit

beautiful art, but never painted. After I married William, he encouraged me to paint and the journey began." In Sally's debut art competition, she was awarded first place. This inspired her to keep reaching for new heights in the art arena. She has painted about two hundred paintings since her first show and paints every day for at least two hours.

William was born in Lawrence County and is a direct descendant of

the Cherokee Indians. He has received many awards and honors for his ink drawings depicting the Appalachian countryside. William received his art education from the Washington School of Art in New York. His art is in various collections all over the Eastern United States.

Salyers has a unique style of drawing. In addition to using a pen, he makes his own foliage brushes. "I draw from the nostalgia of my

Appalachian childhood here in Eastern Kentucky," he said. He credits his wife for encouraging him to return to drawing after an extended absence. William has been in countless art shows and fairs, performed demonstration drawings and was once invited to an international show in Paris, France. In addition to the Mountain Arts Center, William and Sally are represented by the Ashland Area Art Gallery, and the Van Lear Historical Society Art Gallery.

"We are very excited to have a show at the Mountain Arts Center. It is well-known throughout a five state area for its Appalachian artists and musicians," the Salyers' said.



## Young Leaders

The Floyd County Chamber of Commerce has established a Youth Leadership Class whereby students are exposed to interactive activities designed to enhance leadership qualities. The pictured students were selected from the 2006 10th grade class at Allen Central High School. Left to right: Zachary Hamilton, Cindi Samons, Sara Johnson, Steffany Bailey, and Clinton Turner.

### THE DINNER DIVA

## Top 10 tips

by LEANNE ELY

Have you noticed that many of these new supposed "helpful" diet foods constantly being introduced to the unsuspecting public end up causing you "issues" (like the embarrassing problem of Olestera and "anal leakage," for example)? It seems to me that the old adage of eating a little more naturally (and a little less) while increasing calorie expenditure is never wrong. There are however, some tricks to getting there!

I've had a few emails asking me what I did to lose my own Body Clutter from people who saw me 50+ pounds ago and who have seen me now—from a tight size 18 to a nicely fitting size 10. And because I love the number 10 so much (especially because that's what size my jeans are these days), I'm going to give

you a top 10 list of hints from a woman who admits she's over 40, had two children back to back (okay, so they're teenagers now) and LOVES to eat (I write cookbooks for a living for heaven's sake!).

Here you go—the Top Ten Ways This Middle Aged Woman Got Her Groove Thing Back, starting with number 10—

10) Reality Check #1. Oprah always says, "This I know for sure," and then goes on to say something profound but simple that clicked within her. Here is my "this I know for sure": Eating in the car, eating over the sink and eating standing in front of the fridge, really does count. You can't fool your digestive system and consequently your thighs. Everything that goes in your mouth counts!

9) Reality Check #2. Write it down. Yeah, yeah...I know what you're thinking! "I already know what I'm eating." You THINK you do, but when you write it down, there comes a moment (for most) when you find out some of the food you've been eating has been

the result of an unconscious decision. You actually ate and you didn't know it! Writing it down makes every bite accountable because it's in black and white on paper and looking back at you! That'll make you think twice before scarfing down a Little Debbie in the car.

8) The Potion of Portion. When you apply portion control to healthy eating, that's when the magic begins. Regardless of how healthy something is, if you're eating too much of it, you're not going to lose the weight! You must be absolutely aware of how much you're eating. For example, a deck of cards is the right size for a portion of protein. An ounce of cheese looks like a pair of dice, and so on. Keeping portion size in mind will keep it OFF your behind!

7) Waist Not, Want Not. When I go out to dinner, they almost always bring me way more food than I need. I ask for a doggie bag immediately when it's

(See DIVA, page two)





## Family Medicine

**Martha A. Simpson, D.O., M.B.A.**  
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of Family Medicine

**Q** My child was recently diagnosed with kidney problems due to a strep throat. I was surprised by this as I never took her to the doctor for a sore throat, though she did have one. It went away on its own. Now she has these kidney problems. Can you explain what is going on and what I should expect.

**A** From your description it sounds like your daughter has a condition — called post-streptococcal glomerulonephritis — that produces acute kidney failure

following a strep infection. In addition to the strep throat that your daughter had, there are several different types of strep infections that can also cause this disorder. Two of these, which manifest themselves primarily as skin problems, are scarlet fever and impetigo.

In post-streptococcal glomerulonephritis, immune complexes produced by your body's reaction to the strep infection become trapped in structures in the kidney called glomeruli. These look like tiny balls of yarn and are composed of small blood vessels that filter the blood to form urine. When the immune com-

plexes get caught up in the glomeruli, they become inflamed and are less efficient in their filtering and excreting functions.

While post-streptococcal glomerulonephritis can occur in people of any age, it is most common in children between 6 and 7. It usually develops 10 to 14 days after the initial infection with the streptococcus bacteria. This disorder is now relatively uncommon in developed countries due to the widespread use of antibiotics to treat the original strep infection. Today it is seen most often in cases like your daughter's, where a strep infection is undiagnosed and, therefore, untreated.

When a person with post-strep glomerulonephritis is first seen in the family physician's office, there are typically some telltale "presenting symptoms." These include dark or bloody urine, decreased urine output and swelling. The swelling is usual-

ly of the face or eyes. Sometimes there is joint pain and stiffness as well. On physical exam the physician may also find high blood pressure. Usually lab tests on blood and urine samples are sufficient to make the diagnosis. In some cases, a biopsy of the kidney may be needed if the diagnosis is in question.

There is no specific treatment for this condition. The symptoms such as high blood pressure and swelling are treated with appropriate medications. Occasionally, antibiotics are given if it is felt that bacteria are still present. In children, like your daughter, it is usually a self-limiting disorder and resolves completely in four to six weeks.

When post-streptococcal glomerulonephritis occurs in adults, especially those with other underlying health problems, it can be much more serious. In some cases it can lead to heart failure and permanent kidney

failure. That's why I think it's important for adults to seek medical care when they get a sore throat to be sure it isn't strep. Remember, you never "outgrow" strep throat.

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## School Happenings

### 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.

■ July 19 - "Back to School Health Fair," Allen Central High School campus, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Free physicals, screenings, school supplies, etc., for all Floyd County students.

■ Applications for Camp Smarty Art and Science Day Camp are currently available for students grades 3-9, in the AMS Youth Services Center office.

■ 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 is open each day from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., or later by appointment. For more information about the center, call Marilyn Bailey, assistant coordinator, at 358-0134.

### Allen Elementary and Family Resource Youth Service Center

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

### Betsy Layne Elementary

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

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

### Clark Elementary

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

■ The Clark Elementary Family Resource Center provides services for all families regardless of income. We are located in the Adams Middle School building. Call 886-2487 for questions.

### 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

■ 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 10-14 - Neva Francis, Our Lady of the Way Hospital, will present a program on nutrition and how to prepare healthy snacks.

• 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 19 - "Back to School Health Fair," Allen Central High School.

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

• GED classes offered in the Family Resource Center office, on Mondays, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., and 1-3:30 p.m.

• Floyd County Health Department Nurse Joy Moore, is at the center each Monday to administer immunizations, T.B. skin tests, well-child exams, WIC, prenatal and 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 non-denominational 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 income.

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

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

### South Floyd Youth Services Center

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

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

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

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

■ The center has a one-stop career station satellite that is available to the

community as well as students.

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

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

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

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

■ GED classes, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., at Mud Creek Clinic. Classes are free.

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

## Eyes

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Obstacles. They are always there. Seems like I keep trying to convince myself that one day, one fine day, I will wake up and the pathways ahead of me will all be completely clear. No obstacles, no stumbling blocks, not even a single, small pebble.

I know that I am wrong - obstacles will be there, I am sure, until the very end. We just have to keep jumping, dodging and looking for creative ways around them.

Here, a little offering from (again!) reader Gailanne Upton in regard to obstacles: "In ancient times

long past, a mighty king had a large boulder placed upon a roadway. Then, he hid himself in the brush alongside the road and waited to see if any of his subjects would remove the huge rock. Some of his wealthiest merchants and courtiers came by and simply walked around the obstacle. Many loudly laid blame upon the king for not keeping the roadways clear, but none did anything about getting the stone out of the way.

Eventually, a poor peasant came along, carrying a load of vegetables. Upon approaching the boulder, the peasant laid down his burden and tried to move the stone to the side of the road. After much pushing and

straining, he finally succeeded. Once he had removed the obstacle, the peasant went back to pick up his load of vegetables and so be on his way.

As he bent to pick up his load, he noticed a purse lying in the road where the boulder had been. The purse contained many gold coins and a note from the king indicating that the gold was for the person who removed the boulder from the roadway.

Moral of this story: The peasant had learned what many of us never do - that every obstacle presents an opportunity to improve our condition.

Something to think about, huh?

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## Diva

served and make sure I get the food halved into the container and sometimes, I'll put even more in my little bag. The old adage, "out of sight, out of mind" applies big time.

6) The No Bag Rule. I've made a rule for myself and that is to NEVER eat out of any bag anything was purchased in. On the off chance that I would actually have potato chips in my pantry (it happens occasionally), I will transfer some of those chips into small, zipper topped snack size bags and only two of them. That will take care of my need to eat crunchy, salty food without sending me to the confessional to own up to a chip binge.

5) Plate Proportions. I make sure my plate is 1/3 salad, 1/3 veggies (at least two different non-starchy kinds) and about 5 ounces lean protein (doesn't quite make up a third of the plate, but you get the idea, I'm sure). This visual helps me anywhere—at home, in a restaurant and at a buffet.

4) Don't Slack on Snacks. Your mom told you not to snack between meals but, I'm going to tell you to do just that very thing. When you're watching your portions, you are going to get hungrier, but not to worry! Food is always just a little way away. Having snacks means never having to say, "I'm hungry." It's a good thing, as long as they're healthy and yes, portion controlled.

3) Thirst is First. One thing that was absolutely essential to my weight loss was the consumption of a lot of water. I constantly have a water bottle with me and I am now to the point that if I don't drink enough water, I get really thirsty. Water helps slake not just thirst, though; it helps to calm a rambunctious appetite, as well.

2) Smaller Sizes. If I found a pair of pants I liked, I would buy those pants and buy them in one size smaller. I would hang that pair on the back of my bathroom door and look at them

everyday. I would tell myself I would be in them in X amount of time as I laced up my running shoes. I kept those pants in my head, too, as I ran. Made a huge difference in how much cardio got accomplished!

1) Use White Out. In other words, get the white out of your food. White flour, white sugar, both spell disaster. There are much healthier alternatives, like whole wheat flour and xylitol (www.xylitol.org) out there!

That's it—pretty basic, you're probably saying. But put these principles into action and they'll change your life (and your pants size). I'm living proof!

For more help putting dinner on your table check out Leanne's website, [www.SavingDinner.com](http://www.SavingDinner.com) or her "Saving Dinner" book series, published by Ballantine, and her new book "Body Clutter" Copyright 2006; Leanne Ely. Used by permission in this publication.

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## Postscript

beside the driveway, as if to make sure I saw it, without being too boastful.

I left it since I still wasn't ready to deal with a dead rabbit.

How exactly would I deal with it?

One option was to pick it up by the leg and throw it over the hill, but I knew the dogs would retrieve it. Another option was to bag it and put it in the garbage, but I think I read somewhere that you're not supposed to do that. The third option was to bury it, but then I didn't want to exert the energy to dig a hole deep enough that

the dogs wouldn't try to dig the deceased back up.

So I ignored the rabbit.

Later that day I noted that the carcass was gone. Maybe another animal, a hungry one, unlike mine, had retrieved it and made a meal of it.

But, no, the next day, here came Ben around the house with the by now decomposing body in his mouth. Daisy was at his heels. She appeared to have a piece of the critter in her mouth, as well, probably a drumstick. The pair of them trotted purpose-

fully to the back of the yard and sat down with their grub. I could hear bones crunching from the porch, a couple hundred feet away.

And I just let the beast in them fulfill itself. I suppose they ate all of the rabbit; I just as purposefully avoided the area.

Sometimes, I think we treat our pets too much like people. We forget that they are animals first and pets second. I think it might be a good thing to let them catch their own rabbit occasionally and then eat it.

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## Present tense, past perfect

It was no doubt some clever senior citizen somewhere who first noted that nostalgia is like a grammar lesson. "Present tense, past perfect."

After pondering the idea, I'm inclined to think that's true. While the present for folks like us is indeed a bit tense (Did I or did I not take my medication?), the idea of the past being perfect probably depends more on our imagination than on how it really was. But that's okay, because the real beauty of nostalgia in the first place is the fact that memory can smooth out the rough edges.

I've long maintained that the perfection of the past mostly results from the fact, that we had our youth. And, the further, we delve, the more likely we'll realize that youth is about all we had. We certainly had no tangible goods of our own, and no money to purchase any. Most importantly, however, is the fact that in our youth—especially if we were a kid growing up in eastern Kentucky; except of course, assigned chores around the house—most of us had no real responsibilities. We were, for the most part, 100 percent dependable upon somebody else.

### POISON OAK

And, even through our teen years, our biggest worries likely centered around pimples or blue jeans. Why shouldn't our past be considered perfect?

Although the subject of "the days of our youth" has been cussed and discussed for as long as poets have been making rhyme, and writers of prose have been putting pen to paper; I think that one of the biggest surprises—to me at least—is how quickly it all happened.

I don't mean to wax philosophical here, but back when country music was country music, Roy Clark sang a song about "yesterday when I was young."

Now that we're not, it really does seem just like yesterday that we were.

I used to visit my papaw, Liss Baldridge, sit on his front porch down on Hammond Creek in far eastern Johnson County, and listen to him talk about things he did as a boy 50, or so, years earlier. I enjoyed his tales, and even though they were full of vivid details—the exact color of the mule, the names of the boys with him, even down to the exact time of day—I think I doubted that he could remember that far back.

Oops! Now that I've reached—or perhaps even sur-

passed—the age he was then, I'm more than satisfied that he definitely could remember that far back, because to him, he was only remembering as far back as yesterday.



Clyde Pack

Anyway, I've pretty much concluded that when it comes to nostalgia, the further back we remember, the more perfect the past becomes.

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Don't know how perfect it's been for Wilma Jean, but the past 43 years sure have been perfect for me. Happy anniversary, Hon.



Crystal Collins Ripkoski

## Floyd resident releases gospel single; available for special singing engagements

Salyersville native, and Floyd County resident, Crystal Collins Ripkoski, was recently signed with the Eddie Crook recording company in Nashville, Tennessee, as a gospel music singer. This accomplishment follows the recording of a ten song album, in September, 2005, at Dave Razez's "Franklin Audio Images" studio, located in Salyersville.

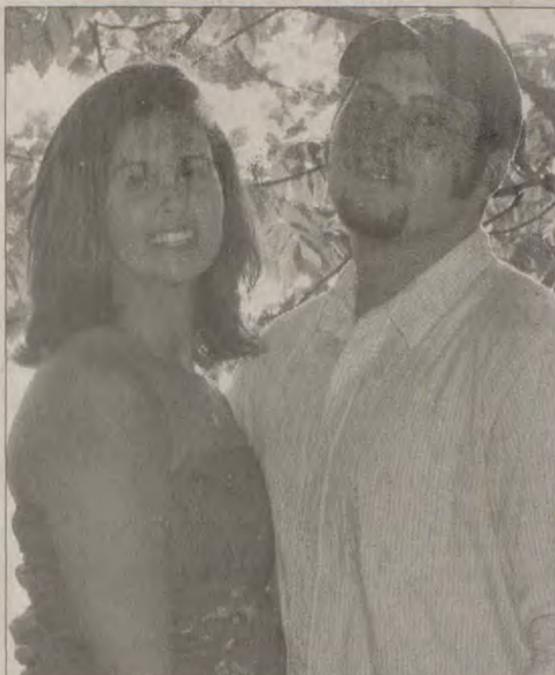
Crystal, who has been singing gospel music since the age of nine, defines her music style and upcoming single, "He Picked Me Up," as "praise and worship with a Southern sound." Crystal's single, soon to be released nationally and already released to local stations WRLV, Salyersville, and WMDJ, Martin, will be played under her stage name, Crystal Collins.

Crystal is currently available for appearances at local churches, revivals, and other special singing engagements, as well as local radio interviews. She may be contacted at 606-478-7302 and more information about Crystal may be found on the Eddie Crook website.

Crystal says that "if God will open a door for me, with faith, I will walk right through it." "Prayer is the key and God will give the desires of the heart...I just want to bless others through my music and give God the glory," she said.

Crystal is the wife of Sgt. Maj. Glen Ripkoski, director, JROTC, Betsy Layne High School. She and her husband reside at Betsy Layne with their two-year-old son. Crystal is a member of the New Bethel Assembly of God, Salyersville.

## Weddings



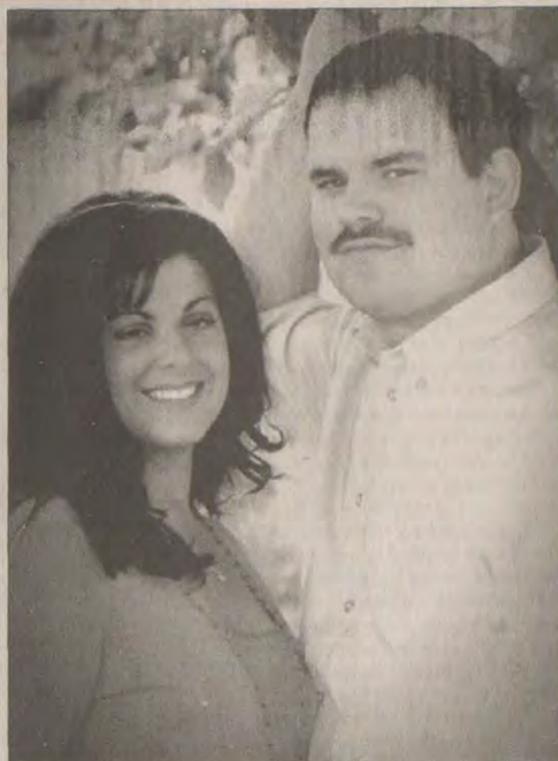
### Gillispie-Fitzpatrick

Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Gillispie, of Canada, are pleased to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Amy Marie, to Michael Robert Fitzpatrick, the son of Mike and Patty Fitzpatrick, of Garrett.

Amy is the granddaughter of Marie Stanley and the late Eugene Stanley, of Canada, and Goldie Gillispie and the late John D. Gillispie, of Pikeville. She is a 2002 graduate of Belfry High School and currently attends Alice Lloyd College.

Michael is the grandson of Tessie Campbell and the late Bob Campbell, of Garrett, and Eva Gibson and the late Russell Gibson, of Langley. He is a 2002 graduate of Allen Central High School, and will graduate from Alice Lloyd College in the fall with a bachelors degree in social science and associates degrees in history and sociology.

The wedding will take place at 5:30 p.m., on Saturday, June 3, 2006, at the Coal Run Church of Christ. The gracious custom of an open church wedding will be observed.



### Smith-Tackett

Randall and Palestine Smith, of Dema, and John B. and Linda C. Tackett, of Pikeville, take great pleasure in announcing the forthcoming marriage of their children, Alison Leigh Smith and John Russell Tackett.

Alison is the maternal granddaughter of the late Murph and Herma Martin, formerly of Dema. She is the paternal granddaughter of the late Morg and Louise Smith, of Larkslane. Rusty is the maternal grandson of Oliver and Eilenn Cobb, of Proctorville, Ohio. He is the paternal grandson of Esta Tackett, of Pikeville, and the late Juble Tackett.

Alison and Rusty are both accountants employed by John B. Tackett, PSC, CPA's, in Pikeville.

The couple will wed on Saturday, June 3, 2006, at two o'clock in the afternoon, at the First Baptist Church, in Pikeville. They will reside at Stanville.

## Jenny Wiley Chapter AARP elects, installs officers

Jenny Wiley Chapter No. 3528, AARP elected and installed officers at the meeting held on Friday, May 19, at the First Presbyterian Church, Prestonsburg.

Officers selected to serve the chapter include James E. Goble, president; Jane Back vice-president; Garnett S. Fairchild, treasurer; and Elizabeth B. Castle,

Secretary; Jane Bond presided at the installation.

Jane Bond also addressed the chapter, discussing the AARP Walking Program, which is being organized.

Rev. Mike Chamberlain will be the guest of the Chapter at the meeting to be held Friday, June 16, at 6 p.m. He will

address the problem of identity theft.

Present for the meeting were Wayne Johnson, Roberta Sloan, Garnett Fairchild, Jane Bond, Connelly and Lou McCray, Royce and Nola Mayo, Jane Back, Burieta Gearhart, James E. Goble, Robin Slone, and Mildred Horn.

## Birthdays



### Look who's 2!

Chloe Elizabeth Collins celebrated her second birthday on April 19, 2006. Chloe is the daughter of Billy Edward Collins and Mary Collins. She is the granddaughter of Bil and Brenda Collins and Johnnie and Patty Moore. Chloe has one brother, Isaiah Drew Collins.

## Science center holding summer camps

Are you looking for something fun and educational for your child to do this summer? Well, look no further. The East Kentucky Science Center's summer camps are just around the corner. Campers can go on a wild safari to locate some of KY's creatures that you could find in your very own back yard or even become a detective analyzing crime scene's with CSI—Prestonsburg, crime scene investigation. So as summer heats up lots of cool things will be going on at the East Kentucky Science Center.

long distances to see exotic creatures, they are all around you. In this session 3rd and 4th grade campers will spend four days exploring the Zoo around them every day. Campers will cozy up to creepy, crawly and feathered friends from their own back yard as they discover KY's animals from mild to wild. Campers will be investigating the critters that live in soil, water, on the ground and fly through the air. In the EKSC Planetarium campers will also view the menagerie of animal constellations that populate the night sky!

Critter Safari July 11-14  
Grades 2-3 Registration  
Deadline: June 30  
You don't have to travel

Harry Potter  
A Stone with Astonishing  
Powers July 18-21  
Registration Deadline: July

## Family reunion?

Share your family news. If your family is having a reunion, the

Times will publish a picture, along with basic information, about the happy gathering. Stop by the Times office, located on 263 South Central Avenue (across from Ray Howard Furniture), or send info. to PO Box 390, Prestonsburg, KY 41653; or email to: features@floydcountytimes.com



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# Rejuvenate THE ROUTINE, Live Healthier

FAMILY FEATURES

**H**as the monotony of long summer days settled into your home? Kick the summer doldrums by incorporating heart-healthy snacks into your family's eating plan. The American Heart Association helps make this simple and easy.

Get the kids involved! Turn off the TV and video games and start by creating your grocery list together. The American Heart Association's free, online grocery list builder at [heartcheckmark.org](http://heartcheckmark.org) is a fun way you and your kids can use the computer to browse through more than 800 certified heart-healthy products. Click on your favorite foods and create a shopping list that you can print and take with you to the store. Nutritious grocery shopping just got faster!

Then, at the store, have the kids look for the American Heart Association's red heart with a white check mark on food packages. It's a familiar symbol that helps you quickly and *confidently* select foods that meet the Association's criteria for heart-healthy levels of fat and cholesterol for healthy people over age 2. While you're shopping, pick up the ingredients for Peachsicles. With such an easy preparation, this snack is a delicious and nutritious treat the whole family will enjoy making and, of course, tasting.

In addition to snacking healthier, make physical activity a part of your family's daily routine. Inactivity is a major reason for the rising obesity rates among U.S. children, causing an increase in conditions that usually don't develop until adulthood such as high blood pressure, elevated cholesterol and type 2 diabetes.

You can help children live healthier by following these simple tips from the American Heart Association:

- Set a good example by practicing your own heart-healthy habits such as playing with your kids and eating sensibly. Keep your eyes on serving size!
- Limit television, movies, videos and computer games to less than two hours a day and substitute the rest of leisure time with physical activity.
- Give your children some household chores that require physical exertion such as mowing lawns, sweeping floors and taking out the garbage.
- Take advantage of your city's recreation opportunities — from soccer leagues to fun runs. Check out the various camps or organizations that sponsor outdoor activities like camping, hiking trips and swimming.

To learn more about reducing the risk of heart disease and stroke through good nutrition, visit [americanheart.org](http://americanheart.org) or call 1-800-AHA-USA1 for your free copy of the "Shop Smart with Heart" brochure.



**American  
Heart  
Association**

Products displaying the heart-check mark meet American Heart Association food criteria for saturated fat and cholesterol for healthy people over age 2.

[www.heartcheckmark.org](http://www.heartcheckmark.org)



Making healthy food choices is a habit that will last a lifetime.

**Shop smart.  
Live well.  
Look for the  
heart-check mark!**

The heart-check mark from the American Heart Association takes the guesswork out of heart-healthy grocery shopping. The simple icon on a food package is your assurance that a single serving is certified to:

- Be low in fat (3 grams or less),
- Be low in saturated fat (1 gram or less),
- Be low in cholesterol (20 milligrams or less),
- Have a sodium value of 480 milligrams or less for individual foods, and
- Contain at least 10 percent of the Daily Value of one or more of these naturally occurring nutrients: protein, vitamin A, vitamin C, calcium, iron or dietary fiber.

**Additionally:**

- Seafood, game meat, meat and poultry, as well as whole grain products, main dishes and meals must meet additional nutritional requirements.

## Peachsicles

Cool your taste buds with this simple, tasty treat from the American Heart Association's magazine cookbook "Healthy Recipes Kids Love."

Serves: 6 — 1 per serving

- 1 8.25-ounce can light sliced peaches in fruit juice, drained
- 1 cup fat-free or low-fat plain yogurt
- 1/4 cup frozen orange juice concentrate, thawed (about 2 ounces)
- 2 teaspoons honey
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract

Cut the peaches into bite-size pieces. Put 3 pieces in each of 4 paper or plastic 5-ounce juice cups. Transfer the remaining peaches to a small bowl.

Stir remaining ingredients into the bowl with peaches. Pour into juice cups.

Insert a wooden Popsicle or craft stick into the center of each cup. Cover cups with plastic wrap or aluminum foil, allowing the sticks to poke through the covering. Put the cups stick-side up on a level surface in the freezer. Freeze 3 hours, or until solid.

To serve, peel or cut the paper or plastic from the frozen pops.

**Nutrients per serving:** 71 calories, 0g total fat (0g saturated, 0g polyunsaturated, 0g monounsaturated), 15g carbohydrates, 13g sugars, 0g fiber, 1mg cholesterol, 3g protein, 37mg sodium

**Dietary Exchanges:** 1 fruit

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### AUTOMOTIVE

#### 110-Agriculture

**FOR SALE:**  
7ft New Holland mower condition, shed kept, ready to work. 874-0024 after 5pm

#### 120-Boats

**BOAT FOR SALE**  
93' spectrum 191/2 fish and ski cyl. in board GPS, fish finder, stereo. All covers can be fully enclosed for camping on low hours, runs perfect. \$4,000 or trade bass boat. days 438-1884 evenings 785-9763.

#### 130 - Cars

**CAR FOR SALE**  
2002 buick lasabor for sale 15,250 miles all power, silver color, asking \$13,500 private sale. 606-874-2238.

#### HICKS AUTO SALES

**David Road**  
01 CHEVY VENTURA- Power sliding door 78,000 mi \$5595  
99 Explorer, Leather, Moonroof 80,000 Miles 4,995  
97 ESCORT- 70,000 mi loaded \$2850. 886-2842 886-3451.

#### FOR SALE

996 Oldsmobile cut-ass supreme has all the extras with 4 new tires 122,000 miles, one owner very good condition price \$3,000. OBO. one owner very good condition price \$3,000. OBO. or 063671506

#### 500.00!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

**POLICE IMPOUNDS**  
990 honda accord 900. For listings call 00-439-3998 ext 919.

#### 150-MISC

**CASH FOR OLD BATTERIES**  
Qty 1-99 \$2.00+100 \$2.50 each THE BATTERY TERMINAL INC. 1800-796-6797.

#### DR SALE

303 suzuki GSXR 30. \$2,800. 2004 sport track 400 GX \$3,500 478-5173.

#### 160-Motorcycles

**FOR SALE**  
006 Honda forman S. Brand new condition \$5,500

#### FOR SALE

106 Honda CRF 50. and new condition .000 call 606-205-39.

#### FOR SALE

03 Harley Davison

VROD 2600 miles. Sliver, with chrome and lots of extras. \$14,000. Call 606-205-5139.

#### FOR SALE

2005 Honda Rancher-AT Barley ridden. Brand new condition \$5,000. Call 606-205-5139.

#### 170-Parts

**FOR SALE**  
For parts-1996 Dodge Neon 2 door driver side wrecked. Call 285-9563

#### FOR SALE

Used mining belt structure. Contact Shirley Reed Belcher PO Box 69 Drift KY 41619.

#### 180-Trucks

#### FOR SALE

96 s-10 4 wheel drive. Runs good. Asking \$3,500 call 452-2640.

#### FOR SALE

1989 Toyota pickup truck 2 wheel drive, standard. Call 886-9297

#### 190 Vans

**VAN FOR SALE**  
99 Dodge van perfect for catering or flowers. Call 5872577

### EMPLOYMENT

*When responding to Employment ads that have reference numbers, please indicate that entire reference number on the outside of your envelope. Reference numbers are used to help us direct your letter to the correct individual.*

#### 210-Job Listing

**MEADE CONSTRUCTION** electrical contractors, commercial & residential, we have scissor lift aerial lifts for pole lights, and wear house lighting. A certified electrician on hand. Leave Msg if no answer at Mead construction 606-478-5565.

#### JOB OPENING

Now hiring, caring individuals to work with people with developmental disabilities in the floyd co. area. Candidates must possess good communication and writing skills. Must be able to pass criminal background check and drug screen. Must have valid drivers licenses. Competitive pay, holiday bonus and paid vacation. Must be able to work flexible shifts. Please call 606-946-2078 or 886-8600 for more info.

#### MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIST NEEDED

Fast paced medical facility needs medical technologist. Must be able to work independently. Day shift 8-5 M-F. Serious inquires only. Fax resumes to 433-1335 or call 437-0260.

#### HELP WANTED

100 workers needed assemble crafts, wood items. To \$480/wk. Materials provided. Free information pkg 24 hr. 801-428-4649.

#### SALES HELP

**MORTGAGE PROTECTION** Leads, Leads! 40,00 Plus 1800-366-1375 ext. 6260.

#### REDI-MART-LACKEY

now hiring, apply within.  
**COST CUTTERS** Located inside of walmart in Pikeville now seeking full/part time employees. Benefits ava. apply within or call 478-2905

#### WORKERS NEEDED

Heavy equipment steam cleaning company needs employees. Must have valid drivers license and up to date surface mining papers. Call Mon thru Fri, 9:00am to 5:00pm 606-886-1759. If no answer leave message.

#### WASTEWANTED TREATMENT PLANT

operations needed. Class 2 extended. Aiation plant. benefits ava. wages negotiable. Wheelwright utility company A. yates. 606-452-4266.

#### Need excavating work done?

Dozers, Baco, Skidsters, Dumptruck, and low boy, excavators. Call anytime leave message if no answer. Mead construction Company 606-478-5565.

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Is currently seeking to fill the position of Crew

#### Cheif/Transitman

with outside and underground card. We have an excellent benefit package with health, vision, ect. Call 606-886-6986 or mail to 3073 KY Rt. 321 Prestonsburg, KY, 41653.

#### JOB OPENING

Caudill Seed is now accepting resumes for an office position. This job includes data processing, taking orders from customers, handling outstanding telephone skills, and other office duties. If interested please send resume to po box 553 Allen, KY 41601..

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is currently seeking to fill the position of Rodman (outside experience is a plus) with a surface miner card (necessary). We have an excellent benefits package with health, vacation, etc. Call 606-886-1221 or applications may be picked up at the Prestonsburg office or resumes may be faxed to 606-886-6986 or mailed to 3073 KY RT 32 Prestonsburg, KY 41653.

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Full time truck driver Brock Mcvey (prestonburg) 401K plus insurance. Must pass

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#### drug test. Call 886-6801

#### MERCHANDISE

#### 410-Animals

**DOBERMAN PUPS FOR SALE** 3 AKC registered puppies for sale born 4-18-06, tails docked, dew claws removed. Father blue in color mother black and tan. Parents on premises. 606-377-1010. Asking \$300

#### AKK REGISTERED LAB

Female - gold-9 months old. Moved, need to sell. asking \$200. 606-437-4274.

#### 440-Electronics

**COMPUTER FOR SALE** Computer with 17 inch flat panell LCD monitor, 2.7 GHZ, 40 GB, 256MB Ram. DVD/CD/DRW Drive, speakers. Asking \$350.00 886-6351

#### 460- Yard Sale

**YARD SALE** Sat 9-3 1000 mays branch road. (1 mile from pizza hut)

#### YARD SALE

Huge 5 family yard sale clothes baby size to womens size 20. Antiques, furniture, bassinet and other baby items, toys, encyclopedias, shelves and much more. Priced cheap. June 2 and 3 9am to 3 pm on 2029 off rt 7 at saltlick of hveysville. Phone 358-4427 after 9pm. Cancel if rains.

#### YARD SALE

1 mile north of prestonsburg across from drains unlimited. Fri+Sat June 2,3 watch for signs.

#### YARD SALE

Big yard sale June 1, 2,3. 1 mile up turkey creek. Follow signs. Household items, kids clothing, womens clothing. 9am-? Amy questions call Wanda Brown 285-9212.

#### YARD SALE

June 1,2,3 1.5 miles up abbott creek appliances, tools, barbies from the 80's, toys, clothing, video tapes.

#### YARD SALE

**HUGE YARD SALE!** Inside cash at hand in highlands plaza. starts 8am/

#### YARD SALE

Multi family yard sale Friday June 2 weather permitting 5 miles west of garrett on new rt. 80 across from Dizzy tire in rock fork area.

#### GARAGE SALE

836 riverside DR. Blue house near Toyota. June 2-3

#### YARD SALE

Garage sale June 2-5th brick house down from jenny wiley spill way across from bait shop.

#### YARD SALE

Big 3 family yard sale Saturday June 3 at slick rock of cow-creek. Frist white house on left. Firs sell of Summer lots of nice itmes including tools, womens, mens children, baby clothing and more from 8-? for more information call 285-9569

#### YARD SALE

In basement 11/2 mile on abbott cr. June 1-4. Dvd, Cd's, women, men, boys clothing. Home interi-or, chair-dinett set with 6 chairs, baby things, and much more.

#### YARD SALE

Saturday June 3 8:30-3, 1.3 miles up abbot creek. High chair very good baby and adult cloths, paperbacks, ect.

#### YARD SALE

4 family uard sale June 1,2,3 at the end of first st. at allen beside of citizens national bank. Rain or shine. .

#### CAR PORT SALE

June 1-4 3 miles from save a lot at martin rt 1210 top of hill at stevens branch rain or shine. Children, adult, plus size garden tab, entertainment center, doors.

#### 480-MISC

#### BICENTENNIAL BOOK

Looking to buy year book the years of 1975-1976 for betsy layne schools. Call 276-940-2856.

#### PROM DRESS FOR SALE

Size 14 size 16. \$10 each, call after 6:00pm 886-3326.

#### WEDDING DRESS FOR SALE:

Size 12, pearl and sequins intricate design on bodice and train. Must see to appreciate beauty. For more information, after 5:00 call 886-0048 and leave message.

### REAL ESTATE

#### 530-HOUSES

**HOUSE FOR SALE** Newly remodeled 2/3 BD room convinet to town. Out of city limits. \$75,000 Lancer area. 886-1955.

#### HOUSE FOR SALE

2br 1 ba living room call 297-9505 located in Caudill Ky.

#### HOME FOR SALE

In Auxier located on a dead end street across from Ralphis tires. Approx. 1350 sq. ft. 3 BR, 13/4 BA, lr, family, room/kitchen combo, large utility room, carport, city water, fenced in back yard. Heating/a.c. and hot water less than 5 yrs old. Covered front and back porches. Large outbuilding. Nice lot. Great neighborhood. Close to park and churches. \$89,500. Call 886-2292 for appointment.

#### HOUSE FOR SALE

Located at Lyon 5 BR

#### 640 - Land/Lots

650 - Mobile Homes  
730 - Lawn & Garden  
735 - Legal  
740 - Masonry  
745 - Miscellaneous  
750 - Mobile Home Movers  
755 - Office  
760 - Plumbing  
765 - Professionals  
770 - Repair/Service

#### HOUSE FOR SALE

house for sale on rt 122 5 miles from Martin. 3 br 1 ba brick home. Full basement. 4 car garage, on level lot. call 932-3274.

#### HOUSE FOR SALE

3 BR home fenced in yard 27,000 OBO. Wheelright call 452-9298.

#### HOUSE FOR SALE

Spacious 4 BR, 2BA, Numerous updates, ready to move into! Private area! Must see Great Location! Call after 4pm for appointment 606-889-9122.

#### FOR SALE

4 BR, 2 1/2 BA brick tudor 2 story home. Just off US 23 @ cardinal estates. Lots of new updates, hardwood flooring, fireplace, and more. Call Ellen @ Century 21 American Realty. 886-9100.

#### BUILDINGS FOR

#### 640- Land/Lots

**LEASE** On rt 1101 at drift KY. 3 offices 5 BA 4,000 ft. of furnished open space & plenty of parking and storage. 606-437-6022.

#### LAND FOR SALE

Prime location located on US 23. 12 acres next to Prestonsburg Shopping Center. 886-3023.

#### 570- Mobile Homes

#### MH FOR SALE

Older 3 bd room mh for sale, must be moved. call 874-2802.

### RENTALS

#### 610Apartments

#### APT FOR RENT

1 BR apt. Utilities paid. W/D provided. No pets. \$425 month. \$175 deposit. Call 226-0999 Winchester Apartments.

#### FOR RENT

1 BDRM APT for rent on MT. park way all utilities paid. 450 MO. call 886-6061.

#### D A L E W O O D TOWNHOUSES

1 BR with garage, oak floors, oak cabinets. Nice 886-0893, or 422-4028

#### QUICKSILVER TOWNHOUSES

Now has 1 br small and large apts for rent. Extra nice. Deposit required. No pets. Call 606-434-6516 or 606-447-2192 or 606-226-1925.

**LEGALS**

**COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. II CASE No. 97-CI-00246**  
**Rosemary Compton, et al. Plaintiffs**  
**Vs.**  
**Freda Mullins Akers, et al. Defendants**  
**NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE**

BY VIRTUE OF Judgment and Order of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 11th of March 2003, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 8th day of June, 2006, at the hour of 9:30 a.m., the following described surface property, located and lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

Tract No. I:  
 Beginning on an elm on west bank of Beaver Creek a corner to Adam Sizemore tract; also corner to E.S. Frazier tract; thence up the meanders of Beaver Creek with the lines of E. S. Frazier tract S 630 E 176 feet to an elm on bank of Beaver Creek;

thence S 22 00 W 561 feet to a stake thence S 0 30 W 366 feet to a stake; thence S 4 35 E 120 feet to a stake in the mouth of Slick Rock drain; thence up same with lines of Morgan Turner's heirs, S 82 00 W 362 feet to a stake; thence S 83 00 W 95 feet to a stake; thence S 82 15 W 178 feet to a stake; thence N 72 00 W 133 feet to a stake; thence N 86 15 W 110 feet to a stake; thence N 80 00 W 182 feet to a stake; thence N 85 00 W 45.2 feet to a stake; thence N 86 00 W 165 feet to 3 hickories and 2 black oaks on ridge between Beaver Creek and Doty Branch of same; thence down meanders of same with lines of Albert Moore N 24 00 W 121 feet to a stake; thence N 9 00 W 54 feet to a stake; thence N 5 00 E 191 feet to a stake to a stake; thence N 1525 E 121 feet to a stake, thence N 12 30 W 173 feet to a stake; thence N 4 00 E 141 feet to a stake; thence N 15 25 E 121 feet to a stake corner to Adam Sizemore tract; thence down point with his lines N 84 40 E 120 feet to a stake; thence N 74 50 E 175 feet to a stake; thence N 82 05 E 102 feet to a stake; thence N 75 30 E 133 feet to an 8 inch black oak; thence 80 00 E 176 feet to a stake; thence N 67 00 E 231 feet to a hickory and elm; thence N 70 30 E 628 feet to the beginning.

Containing thirty-one (31) acres.  
**SECOND TRACT:**  
 Beginning on a stake of a corner of lot where Jane Hopkins now lives from which a black walnut corner no. 1 of Catherine Halbert Tract bears S 42 30 W 416 feet thence with lines of Ed Sizemore, S 7430 W 141 feet to a stake; thence N 62 25 W 108 feet to a stake at corner of garden; thence N 19 05 E 101.5 feet to a stake corner to Adam Sizemore Lot No. 2; thence with his line S

70 E 220 feet to an apple tree; thence S 7 30 W 115 feet to the beginning.  
 Containing 0.62 acres.

**EXCEPTION:**  
 There is excepted herefrom that certain property as conveyed by Minnie Stumbo to William L. Stumbo by deed dated August 4, 1979, and of record at Deed Book 241, Page 156; and one acre as set forth in the judgment of the Floyd Circuit Court, Div. II, entered on March 11, 2003, and more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at the point in the edge of a driveway leading from Kentucky Hwy. 122; thence running North 04 degrees 12 feet 36 inches West 179.00 feet a stake; thence running North 85 degrees 47 feet 24 inches East 131.90 feet to a stake; thence running North 85 degrees 47 feet 24 inches East 189.10 to a point in the center of Left Beaver Creek; thence running with the center of Left Beaver Creek (in an upstream direction) to a point opposite the point of beginning; thence running North 85 degrees 47 feet 24 inches East 78.62 feet to a stake; thence running North 85 degrees 47 feet 24 inches East 92.35 feet to the point of beginning. This exception also includes the existing driveway which shall serve this excepted one acre and the balance of the property herein to be sold. This one acre exception is shown on the map at Exhibit "A".

Otherwise being the same property conveyed to Jane Hopkins by Commissioner's Deed dated June 22, 1920, and of record at Deed Book 96, Page 493, in the office of the Floyd County Clerk, which property was inherited by Minnie Stumbo pursuant to affidavit of descent dated July 1, 1969, and of record at Deed Book 199, Page 275. Reference is also made to the Will of Minnie Hopkins Stumbo of record at Will Book F, Page 415 and to a deed from Wyatt Stumbo to Freda Mullins Akers of record at Deed Book 414, Page 89, and to the Will of Howard Stumbo of record at Will Book T, Page 149, in the office of the Floyd County Clerk. The parties to this action are the children or grandchildren of Minnie Hopkins Stumbo.

**TERMS OF SALE:**  
 (a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff,

shall either pay cash or 10% of purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days.

(b) The successful bidder shall be required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum from the date of sale until paid, having the force and effect of a Judgment.

(c) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office, and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record thereof, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 2410 or KRS 426.530.  
 (d) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all Floyd County, Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2006, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County, Kentucky, real estate taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds.  
 (e) If the success-

ful bidder is a party to this action, he/she shall be given credit on the balance of the purchase price to the extent of his/her ownership interest in the above described real property, subject to payment of sufficient funds to satisfy the costs of sale and for the Master Commissioner.

Any announcements made on date of sale take precedence over printed matter contained herein.

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 Master Commissioner  
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**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application No. 836-5487**  
 In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.055, 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 mining operation, located 3.8 miles southeast of McDowell, in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 3.1 surface acres, and will underlie 901.0 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 904.1 acres.

The proposed operation is approximately 0.7 mile east from KY 1929's junction with Neds Fork

Road, and located in Neds Fork. The proposed operation is located on the McDowell U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by The Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC, and Knott Floyd Land Company, Inc.

The operation will underlie land owned by the Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC, Knott Floyd Land Company, Inc.,

Henry Keathley, JRM Coal Co., Ray & Mary Hall, Purvis Hamilton, Chester Newsome, Blaine Slone, Eugene Slone, Joseph Mining Company, Arnold Turner, Warris & Jerry Alley, Pricey Newsome Heirs, Lizzie Newsome, Joe Akers, Charlie Bentley Heirs, Thomas Hamilton, Mazie Hamilton, Richard Newman, Preston Slone, Larry Slone, Elzie Hall,

Flora K. Preston, Phil Hall, and Interstate Natural Gas Company. The operator will affect an area within 100 feet of public road Neds Fork County Road, but no closer than 0' of Neds Fork County Road. The operation will not involve relocation or temporary closure of the public road. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for

Natural Resources, Division of Mine Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

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