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Talks ongoing during worker strike

The Associated Press

HARLAN — Hundreds of Appalachian Regional Healthcare workers in eastern Kentucky and West Virginia continued to strike Thursday as negotiators tried to hammer out a contract to settle an ongoing labor dispute.

Talks between the hospital system and the United Steelworkers union resumed on Thursday after stalling

Wednesday night.

Wednesday "wasn't very positive at all," said Roger McGinnis, the union president in Harlan. McGinnis said negotiations resumed in Lexington on Thursday. He said talks would likely last throughout the afternoon.

A spokeswoman for Appalachian Regional Healthcare could not be reached for comment, but a statement on the company's Web site said negotiations are continuing and the company

is "hopeful that a resolution can be reached to resolve the issues and to end the strike."

"ARH believes in the process of collective bargaining, and it is our sincere desire to give the process every opportunity for success," the statement said.

Of the hospital system's approximate 650 employees in Harlan, 440 walked off the job at 12:01 a.m. April 1 when the union's contract expired and

negotiations proved unsuccessful. Two arrests were made that first day, and a hospital supervisor was charged with wanton endangerment for allegedly striking a protester with her automobile while crossing the picket line on the second day.

In Cumberland, where ARH's Tri-City Medical Clinic is closed, union members who have set up a small pick-

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DONOVAN STAYING

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briefs

Cleanup, health walk planned

by JESSICA HALE
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The Middle Creek National Battlefield on Route 114 will be the location for two events scheduled to begin tomorrow morning.

Volunteers are needed for Park Day starting at 9 a.m. According to Frank Fitzpatrick, this day is used to spruce up national landmarks throughout the country. Volunteers are needed to pick up debris and help with cutting the grass. Volunteers with weed trimmers and lawn tractors are also welcome.

The second event is the Redbud Health Walk sponsored by David Appalachian Crafts, through the National Scenic Byways Program. The walk will begin at 10 a.m. and is also open to the public.

"This is a wonderful event because we have so many beautiful redbud trees at the battlefield," Fitzpatrick said.

T-shirts will be given away at each of the events.

AGAINST THE WALL



photo by Jessica Hale

Property owner Floyd Skeans voiced his opinion at Wednesday's public input meeting on the U.S. 23 barrier wall project. Skeans noted that not only would the wall cause more deadly accidents but it would also have a significant negative impact on economic development in the area.

Residents, businesses still trying to stop wall

by JESSICA HALE
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The signs are posted and work has already begun, but residents who live along the stretch of highway on U.S. 23 where a new barrier wall is being constructed are still trying to get their voices heard.

It's being called the U.S. 23

Safety Redevelopment Project, but many say that safety will become a larger issue once the wall is completed.

The wall was approved for construction after state highway officials noted that fatalities on the stretch of highway were far too numerous. Residents were notified only days before construction began and now they say that if they

had been given more time, they think they could have come up with a more feasible solution.

"We aren't necessarily required to come to the public," said Peggy Justice, deputy executive director of Highway District 12.

Several local and state officials were present at the second

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Nine more charged in coke probe

by RALPH B. DAVIS
MANAGING EDITOR

LONDON — An investigation into a cocaine ring based in Floyd County has widened to include nine more individuals in addition to two charged late last year.

A federal grand jury in London handed down a superseding indictment alleging two counts of conspiracy, 14 counts of distribution and four forfeiture counts March 22. That indictment remained under seal until last week.

Named in the indictment are the two original defendants, Pamela Justice and Darrell Triplett, who share a residence in Maytown, and nine others. The other defendants include Timothy Neal Howard, Roy Branham, Terry Branham, Stephen Randy Gearheart, Stevie Tackett, Loucilla Thornsberry (also known as Louvella Tackett), Johnny Michael Castle, Mica Patrick and Tina Mills.

All of the defendants except Mills are charged with conspiracy to distribute cocaine, and Justice, Triplett, and Roy and Terry Branham also face numerous distribution charges. Gearheart faces one distribution count.

Mills, an officer with First Guaranty Bank of Martin, does not face drug charges, but has been charged with helping Justice obtain a \$25,000

loan against Justice's and Triplett's home in an alleged attempt to disrupt a government seizure of the property.

Justice and Triplett are referred to in court documents as leaders of the conspiracy, which extended to Chicago, Virginia, West Virginia and Puerto Rico. Although the indictment alleges the conspiracy involved five kilograms (11 pounds) of cocaine, court records indicate as much as 20 kilograms may have been involved. The conspiracy is believed to have involved between \$450,000 and \$1 million in transactions.

According to an affidavit filed by Federal Bureau of Investigation Special Agent Donnie D. Kidd, the investigation began when Gearheart was arrested Sept. 17 after a traffic stop allegedly uncovered an ounce of cocaine in his vehicle. However, other court documents indicate that at least some of the defendants had been under surveillance since as early as January 2005.

Following his arrest, Kidd's affidavit says, Gearheart agreed to an interview with police and allegedly told them he was a regular cocaine user and had obtained the drug from Triplett.

On Sept. 18, Kentucky (See **COCAINE**, page seven)

2 DAY FORECAST

Today
Evening showers
High: 46 • Low: 23

Tomorrow
Morning showers
High: 42 • Low: 23

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Medical clue to Hatfield-McCoy feud found

by MARILYNN MARCHIONE
AP MEDICAL WRITER

The most infamous feud in American folklore, the long-running battle between the Hatfields and McCos, may be partly explained by a rare, inherited disease that can lead

to hair-trigger rage and violent outbursts.

Dozens of McCoy descendants apparently have the disease, which causes high blood pressure, racing hearts, severe headaches and too much adrenaline and other "fight or flight" stress hormones.

No one blames the whole feud on this, but doctors say it could help explain some of the clan's notorious behavior.

"This condition can certainly make anybody short-tempered, and if they are prone

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Gov. candidates' views divergent on gambling

by BRUCE SCHREINER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

INSIDE

Q&A with candidates on gambling.

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LOUISVILLE — Gubernatorial candidates' views about expanding gambling opportunities in Kentucky range from enthusiastic support to hostility — largely split along party lines.

Democrats generally agree that voters should get to decide whether to amend Kentucky's Constitution to allow casino gambling, though one casino foe, Otis Hensley Jr., says, "We live in Kentucky, not Las Vegas."

The Republicans are skeptical or

(See **GAMBLING**, page six)



This fine flowering dogwood adorned with colorful Easter eggs proudly announces the coming spring holiday. The eye-catching sight was noticed in an alleyway running off Graham Street, near The Times office.

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Q&A on casino gambling with governor candidates

The Associated Press

THE QUESTION:

AP: Do you support casino gambling in Kentucky? Would you advocate for or against a constitutional amendment that would legalize casino gambling?

ANSWERS: DEMOCRATS

Steve Beshear: I support allowing the people of Kentucky to vote on limited expanded gaming in Kentucky and will actively work for its passage. Each year, thousands of Kentuckians cross over our borders into other states and spend over \$1 billion of their entertainment dollars on gaming. Right now those Kentucky dollars are educat-

ing Indiana's children, creating jobs in Illinois and lowering health care costs for families in West Virginia. It is time to bring those Kentucky dollars back home and use them to educate our own children, create jobs for our people and lower health care costs for our own families.

Gatewood Galbraith: I don't frequent these establishments but have lots of friends who do. I believe that Kentucky can raise a great deal of money for its many needs if the people vote to allow it through a referendum and I would probably vote for it.

Other than a few freestanding facilities in appropriate locations 75 to 100 miles away, the casinos must be at the racetracks to protect the breeders and their industry. However, unlike my opponents who foresee only \$400 to \$500 million in tax revenue for Kentucky, with the rest of the proceeds going to outside gaming corporations, I believe that the commonwealth should own the franchise and give the tracks and their partners a management contract to run the operations to ensure their profitability and ability to present enriched purses for their horse owners. The profits should run to billions of dollars and that should go into our General Fund, to be spent to lift Kentucky from poverty and despair.

Steve Henry: It is important that Kentuckians have the right to vote on this issue. Constitutional amendments should never be left up to the discretion of government alone.

Gaming should be located in areas of the state where we can make the most impact on competing casinos.

Everyday Kentuckians visit casinos in neighboring states. We need to keep this money in Kentucky and use it to pay our teachers, and improve our education and health care systems.

Otis Hensley Jr.: We live in Kentucky, not Las Vegas. I am against casino gambling in Kentucky. I am the only Democratic candidate who says no to casino gambling because I believe that it will lead to Kentucky going wet and open the door to more drug and prostitution activity. We are a fine, church-going state and we do not need these additional problems.

Bruce Lunsford: It's pret-

ty clear that the people of Kentucky want a referendum on expanded gaming, and I'm in favor of letting the people vote and decide. However, I think it is important that the governor has influence on how tightly gaming is regulated in the state.

Kentucky cannot become a place where small communities are corrupted with the negative side of gaming. If a gaming vote passes, we need to write legislation with careful thought and consideration. It should only be allowed in communities on a selected basis, based on those communities' ability to handle the issues associated with it. We also need to make sure we educate our youth about the problems associated with gambling.

If we are thoughtful and smart, we can reap the benefits of gaming, while limiting the negatives. As governor, I'll work to ensure that any gaming initiative would be strictly regulated to make sure that it accomplishes the state's financial goals without adding more of a burden.

Jonathan Miller: I agree with 90 percent of Kentuckians that we should allow a vote on expansion of gaming as soon as possible. As governor, I will actively pursue that vote, but first I want to define where the money will go, how it will be used, and how we can use it to promote our signature horse racing industry.

I will listen to the people of the commonwealth to help develop that strategy, but there is no doubt we can use revenues in education, for pension funding and for health care coverage.

Because we will have a plan for how revenues will be used, my personal vote will be in favor. Casino gaming should primarily be located at racetracks, but I will ask people to decide how many locations they want and in what areas of the state. We will guard against proliferation of freestanding casinos.

Jody Richards: I support giving the voters of the commonwealth a chance to voice their opinion on expanded gaming in Kentucky. I personally support expanded gaming at Kentucky racetracks and a limited number of other locations.

REPUBLICANS

Ernie Fletcher: As I have consistently stated in the past, I will not advocate an amendment to expand casino gambling. Should the legislature choose to offer the issue to the voters, I would support allowing the voters to decide this issue. I would not vote for the amendment. Further, I do not believe it would have a significant positive economic impact on our state. I prefer to focus and spend energy on creating jobs we can be proud of, and that our children and grandchildren will be proud to hold.

Billy Harper: I am strongly opposed to expanded gambling and will lobby against a constitutional amendment to approve it and will veto any legislation passed by the legislature to enact it by statute. As a businessman, I've witnessed firsthand the powerful impact job creation and business growth has on communities. I've seen that evidence through my own companies and employees. We simply cannot base our future economy on the quicksand of hypothetical gambling revenues.

Anne Northup: While serving in the state House I voted against the lottery, and as I have said gaming would be a tough sell for me personally. This issue should be decided by the General Assembly.

Obituaries

Mertie Stumbo

Mertie Stumbo, 73, of Hi Hat, died Monday, April 2, 2007, at her residence.

Born October 12, 1933, in McDowell, she was the daughter of the late James Monroe and Nannie Blankenship Moore. She was a disabled nurse, and a member of Pilgrim's Rest Old Regular Baptist Church.

She is survived by her husband, Cecil Stumbo.

Other survivors include her sons: Mike Stumbo (wife, Karen) of Prestonsburg; Randy Stumbo (wife, Lynn) of Cynthiana; Ricky Stumbo (wife, Rhonda) of Price; and Mark Stumbo (wife, Earlene) of Crittenden; a daughter, Paula Lewis (husband, Jim) of Maysville, Georgia; a daughter-in-law, Glenda Sue Stumbo of Hi Hat; two brothers: Hershel Moore of Buckingham, and Ray Moore of Price;

two sisters: Hanna Lee Hamilton of Paintsville, and Ecie Moore of Hi Hat; and 15 grandchildren, and 21 great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a son, Jimmy Rondal (Dicky) Stumbo; seven brothers: Everett Silas Moore, Abel Moore, John Moore, Woosy Moore, Junior Moore, Ezra Moore, and Roe Donald Moore; and a sister, Catherine Moore.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, April 4, at Pilgrim's Rest Old Regular Baptist Church, in Price, with ministers of the Old Regular Baptist Church officiating.

Burial was in the Little Cemetery, in Price, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin.

Visitation was at the church. www.nelsonfrazierfuneralhome.com

(Paid obituary)

Gervie Stumbo To Celebrate 93rd Birthday



Gervie Stumbo of Paintsville, KY, formerly of Floyd County, will turn 93 years of age on April 8th, 2007. In celebration of her birthday, she has asked her family and friends to help honor her birthday by attending special services with her. The church, along with her family and friends, will have a special offering on Easter Sunday, where she has asked that there be no gifts, and to give the money in her honor to McDowell First Baptist Church, to be used for the youth ministries.

Gervie began her life on Turkey Creek, in the Garrett area, taking care of her younger siblings. She was a young bride and a young mother, raising her first two children, working, and then later in life, starting another family. She and her husband, Buck Stumbo, always had children in their home. Gervie recalls never having a home without children coming in and out the door. She and her husband were a stable fixture in McDowell and surrounding area for many years.

She tells many stories about the hundreds of children on both Right and Left Beaver areas of Floyd County. Those same children are now grown adults who spent many nights in her home or around her table sharing meals. Gervie will tell about making a shirt or skirt for a child, who might have been in need of something special, when their parents were unable to do so. She will recall giving a haircut or hairstyle to the child, or perhaps taking them on camping trips or about the baseball games. Her heart and soul was with every child who might need comforting, no matter what.

Although she now lives in Paintsville, her heart is still the same, and the door is still open. The children have continued through the years to come into her home. Now they are the children of Paintsville High School, who call her Granny, and look forward to her apple pie and other treats. This, she says, is what kept her young at heart. Today, as you drive down Main Street, you can see her sitting admiring her flower garden. Stop in and join her.

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Marriage Licenses

Jenelle Laine Smith, 36, of Drift, to Kennie Jake Artrip, 44, of Drift.
 Melissa Karen Joseph, 40, of Cynthiana, to Clyde Lee Harper, 42, of Cynthiana.
 Rita Gayle Cole, 42, of Martin, to Louis J. Prater, 41, of Martin.
 Ellen Regina Hall, 39, of Prestonsburg, to Charles Douglas Sexton, 49, of Prestonsburg.
 Courtney Lee Watson, 23, of David, to Jeremy Vincent Jordon, 22, of Falcon.
 Mandy Lou Roberts, 18, of Betsy Layne, to Patrick Garner Keathly, 18, of Betsy Layne.
 Britney Nichole Bradley, 16, of Stanville, to Christopher Stumbo, 20, of Eastern.
 Susan Mae Sapp, 48, of Findlay, Ohio, to Jon Robert McKinley, 39, of Findlay, Ohio.
 Kimberly Frances Tackett, 20, of Hi Hat, to Nathan Clyde Ousley, 22, of Langley.
 Keisha Dawn Ratliff, 22, of Blue River, to Donald Gene Collins, 44, of Blue River.

Civil Suits Filed

Jason Isaac vs. Mike Prater, et al, wages owed
 Chase Manhattan Bank vs. Lisa K. Hunt, debt
 Belinda Mann vs. Constance L. Vanhoose, motor vehicle accident
 James E. Scott vs. Robie L. Miller, motor vehicle accident
 Rodney Shepherd vs. Jamie L. Grindle, petition for health care insurance, minor child
 Ella M. Compton vs. Alisha K. Stanley, petition for health care insurance, minor child
 Sheilah J. Akers vs. Melissa Akers, petition for child support and health care insurance
 Angela Maynard vs. Douglas R. Maynard, petition for health care insurance, minor child
 Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. vs. Betty Leedy, et al, debt
 Brenda L. Conley vs. Ronald C. Conley, dissolution of marriage
 Ellisa T. Smith vs. Robert E. Smith, dissolution of marriage
 Rosa Fitch, et al vs. John M. Poe, motor vehicle accident
 Jennifer Martin vs. Roger Martin, dissolution of marriage, custody and support of minor child
 Gregory Swartz vs. Marissa M. Hall, petition for health care insurance, minor child
 Linda Gayheart vs. Ronald Gayheart, dissolution of marriage
 Belinda Jarrell vs. Darwin Jarrell, dissolution of marriage
 Crown Castle South LLC vs. Adams Real Estate Ltd., et al, injunction, access roads
 Danny Adams, et al vs. Eugene Elliott, motor vehicle accident
 Anna Stephens vs. Adam R. Layne, motor vehicle accident
 Phillip C. Keathly, et al vs. Gary L. Ray, et al, motor vehicle accident
Charges Filed
 Sherry Tuttle, 24, Hi Hat, harassment.

Jeremy D. Bryant, 18, Wheelwright, alcohol intoxication.
 Jordan C. Tackett, 22, Weeksbury, alcohol intoxication.
 Stephanie Lynn Howell, 34, Beaver, fourth-degree assault, wanton endangerment.
 Zack Ratliff, 29, Dwale, harassment.
 Kristy M. Arnett, 27, Hueysville, public intoxication.
 Jason Whitaker, 21, Prestonsburg, fourth-degree assault.
 Sheridan Matthew Lester, 20, Banner, possession marijuana, giving officer false name/address.
 Kevin Lester, 22, Pikeville, alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct.
 Stevie Ed. Caudill, 22, Wheelwright, public intoxication.
 Tonya R. Farmer, 32, Wheelwright, harassing communications.
 Vanessa Kay Horn, 24, Tomahawk, alcohol intoxication.
 William Turner Lauffer, 24, Paintsville, alcohol intoxication.
 Michael Conn, 23, Betsy Layne, fourth-degree assault.
 Homer L. Bowen, 42, Prestonsburg, reckless driving, operating motor vehicle under the influence, failure to produce insurance card, failure to maintain required insurance, carrying concealed deadly weapon, possession open alcohol beverage container in vehicle.
 Jimmy L. Perry Jr., 23, Wheelwright, second-degree drug possession, use/possession drug paraphernalia.
 Rachel Jervis, 30, Wayland, alcohol intoxication.

Inspections

Lakeview Mart, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Lack of accurate thermometers in all refrigeration and freezing units storing potentially hazardous foods, nonfood contact surfaces not properly designed, nonfood contact surfaces not properly constructed, nonfood contact surfaces not properly maintained, operators not providing and using chemical test kits where chemical sanitization methods are employed, toilet room doors not self closing, floors not constructed properly, floors not properly covered. Score: Food, 97, Retail, 95
 Jenny Wiley Marina Snack Bar, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Lack of accurate thermometers in all refrigeration and freezing units storing potentially hazardous foods, lack of numerically scaled thermometer for checking cooking and holding temperature of potentially hazardous food. Score: 99
 Double Kwik #2057, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Operators not providing chemical sanitization methods are

employed, a numerically scaled thermometer indicating thermometer not provided to enable frequent checks wash and rinse temperatures, sanitary towel or hand drying device not provided at lavatory or hand washing sink, light fixtures not shielded as required, lighting not provided as required, cleaning and maintenance equipment not properly stored, clean linen not properly stored. Score: Food, 95, Retail, 98
 McDowell Grade School, McDowell, regular school inspection. Violations noted: Several hot water faucets not operating properly in boys and girls restrooms, floor in moderate disrepair in girls' restroom located in intermediate building, floor tiles in several buildings disrepair. Score: 92
 B&B Mobile Home Park, Harold, regular inspection. Violations noted: Mobile home lots not properly numbered, park lacks sufficient number of individual garbage containers, park lacks sufficient lighting. Score: 94
 Opportunities Unlimited, Martin, regular inspection. Violations noted: Bathroom fixtures in disrepair, several restrooms showing signs of disrepair throughout school, floors, walls, and ceilings in disrepair in several areas throughout school, gym restroom is in very bad repair. Score: 92
 Smith's Grocery, Banner, regular inspection. Violations noted: Lack of numerically scaled thermometers for checking cooking and holding temperature of potentially hazardous food, nonfood contact surfaces not properly maintained, cloths used for wiping spills on food contact surfaces being used for other purposes, toilet room doors not self-closing. Score: 95
 C&R Grocery, Harold, regular inspection. Violations noted: Food not protected during preparation, improper storage of single service articles, sanitary towel or hand drying device not provided at lavatory or hand washing sink, floors not in good repair, attached equipment on walls and ceiling in disrepair. Score: 93
 Opportunities Unlimited, Martin, regular inspection. Violations noted: Non food contact surfaces not properly maintained, floors not in good repair, attached equipment not in good repair on walls and ceiling, cleaning and maintenance equipment not properly stored. Score: 96
Property Transfers
 Adam Wesley Boyd to Wade M. Boyd, property located at Little Mud Creek.
 Adam Westly Boyd to Amanda Lynne Boyd Henderson, property located at Little Mud Creek.
 Elizabeth Tackett Boyd to Amanda Lynne Boyd, property located at Little Mud Creek.
 Katie L. Boyd to Adam Westly Boyd and Amanda Lynne Boyd Henderson, prop-

erty located at Little Mud Creek.
 Wade M. Boyd to Adam Westly Boyd and Amanda Lynne Boyd Henderson, property located at Little Mud Creek.
 Fayette L. Branham to Glisa and Jeffrey Vance, property located at Burton Village Subdivision.
 Cortney Clevinger to Lisa and Timothy Malone, property located at Ferguson.
 Lindsey Clevinger to Lisa and Timothy Malone, property located at Ferguson.
 Diana Conley to Jennifer Newman, property located at Spewing Camp.
 Eugene Fannin to Allen and Shelia Rose, property located at Goble Roberts Subdivision.
 Shari Fannin to Allen and Shelia Rose, property located at Goble Roberts Subdivision.
 First Commonwealth Bank to Brian K. Nelson, property location undisclosed.
 Deedra Gearheart to Michael Ray Hunt, property located at Mare Creek.
 Stephen R. Gearheart to Michael Ray Hunt, property located at Mare Creek.
 Carol Goble to Randy and Tammy Keathly, property located at Daniels Creek.
 Carvel Goble to Carvel Goble, property location undisclosed.
 Greg Goble to Randy and Tammy Keathly, property located at Daniels Creek.
 Anita K. Gravitt to Jason and Lucinda Mullins, property located at Bypro.
 Wayne P. Gravitt to Jason and Lucinda Mullins, property located at Bypro.
 Julie Hall to Hayes Nicholas Hall, property location undisclosed.
 Mary Hall to Webb and Sons Enterprise LLC, property location undisclosed.
 Ned Hall to Webb and Sons Enterprise LLC, property location undisclosed.
 Martha B. Hart to Steve Haywood and Ricky Robinson, property located at Crestwood Subdivision.
 Joan Hayes to Cloteen Slone and Chi Coby Spears,

property located at RT. 80.
 Ron Hayes to Cloteen Slone and Chi Coby Spears, property located at RT. 80.
 Amanda Lynne Boyd Henderson to Adam Wesley Boyd, property located at Little Mud Creek.
 Amanda Lynne Boyd Henderson to Wade M. Boyd, property located at Little Mud Creek.
 Demarcum Lee Henderson to Adam Wesley Boyd, property located at Little Mud Creek.
 Demarcum Lee Henderson to Wade M. Boyd, property located at Little Mud Creek.

Chalmer Howard to May Johnson Properties LLC and May-Johnson Properties LLC, property located at Upper Third Street.
 Kathryn A. Howard to May Johnson Properties LLC and May-Johnson Properties LLC, property located at Upper Third Street.
 William S. Kendrick Master Commissioner to Brian K. Nelson, property location undisclosed.
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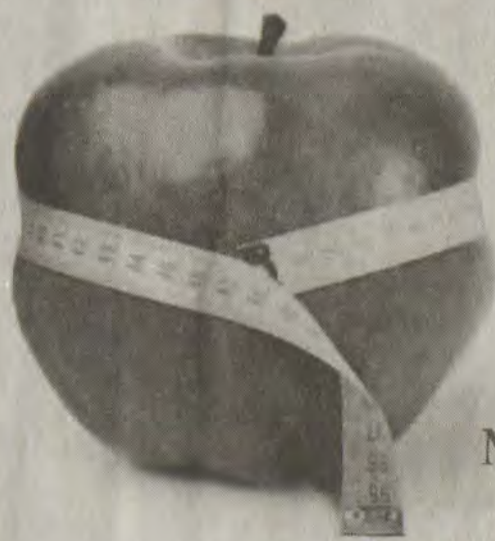
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WHEN: April 10, 2007—6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

WHERE: Prestonsburg High School Cafeteria
 Prestonsburg, Kentucky

AGENDA

- I. Explanation of Process by Superintendent.....6:00 p.m. - 6:05 p.m.
- II. Individual Opening Comments from Candidates 6:05 p.m. - 6:20 p.m.
- III. Social Time with Audience6:20 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
- IV. Q & A Session.....7:00 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.
- V. Closing Remarks by Candidates7:45 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
- VI. Closing Remarks by Superintendent8:00 p.m. - Adjourn

The audience may submit written questions of a general professional nature that could be answered by any of the candidates. Written questions will be placed in a container and drawn by the superintendent for reading to the candidates. Candidates will have two (2) minutes to respond to each question.

Paul W. Fanning
 Superintendent

Viewpoint

Worth Repeating ...

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

— Albert Einstein

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— Guest View —

Editorial roundup

The Orlando (Fla.) Sentinel, on the Bush administration and the Mideast:

After an on-again, off-again approach throughout much of his presidency, George W. Bush finally seems to be giving the Mideast peace process the sustained, high-level attention it deserves. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice has met with leaders in the region four times in the past four months.

It makes sense for Rice to keep talking with Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas even after his Fatah faction formed a coalition government this month with Hamas, which refuses to recognize Israel or renounce terrorism. Otherwise, the United States would weaken Palestinian moderates and lose any possible influence with the new government.

But it would be irresponsible and immoral for the United States to resume direct aid to the new government until both its partners accept Israel and reject terrorism.

Seasoned observers of the Mideast peace process know better than to count on breakthroughs. Even so, some recent developments suggest the window of opportunity could be opening a crack for easing the enmity between Israel and its neighbors. ...

For U.S. credibility throughout the Mideast, it's essential for the Bush administration to remain engaged in the peace process. And history says breakthroughs are unlikely without U.S. involvement.

The Star-Ledger, Newark, N.J., on conflicts of interest in the FDA:

The federal Food and Drug Administration has taken a small first step toward making sure that when it seeks expert advice about a new drug, those opinions come from experts who do not have thick financial ties to the drug's maker or its competition.

The FDA is proposing that scientists with any combination of drug company stocks, fees, grants or other income totaling more than \$50,000 not be allowed on the committees that advise the FDA about drug safety and effectiveness. Those with thinner financial ties may be allowed in on the discussions but would not vote when the committee compiles its recommendations. ...

Setting a money limit is not enough. The FDA has for some years required experts to disclose their industry ties, but the FDA handed out so many waivers that it rendered the disclosure requirements impotent. Unless the FDA gets stingy with waivers and exemptions, the new rules will not mean much.

The drug companies seek out certain scientists for the same reason that the FDA does: They are the best in their field. It may be that the government needs to put some of those experts on retainers that leave them conflict-free at least for a period of time to give objective advice when an important new class of drugs emerges, for instance.

Having failed to tackle the problem of conflicts head-on until now, the FDA has a long way to go when it comes to making sure its expert advice comes without strings.

The Democrat and Chronicle, Rochester, N.Y., on the firing of U.S. attorneys:

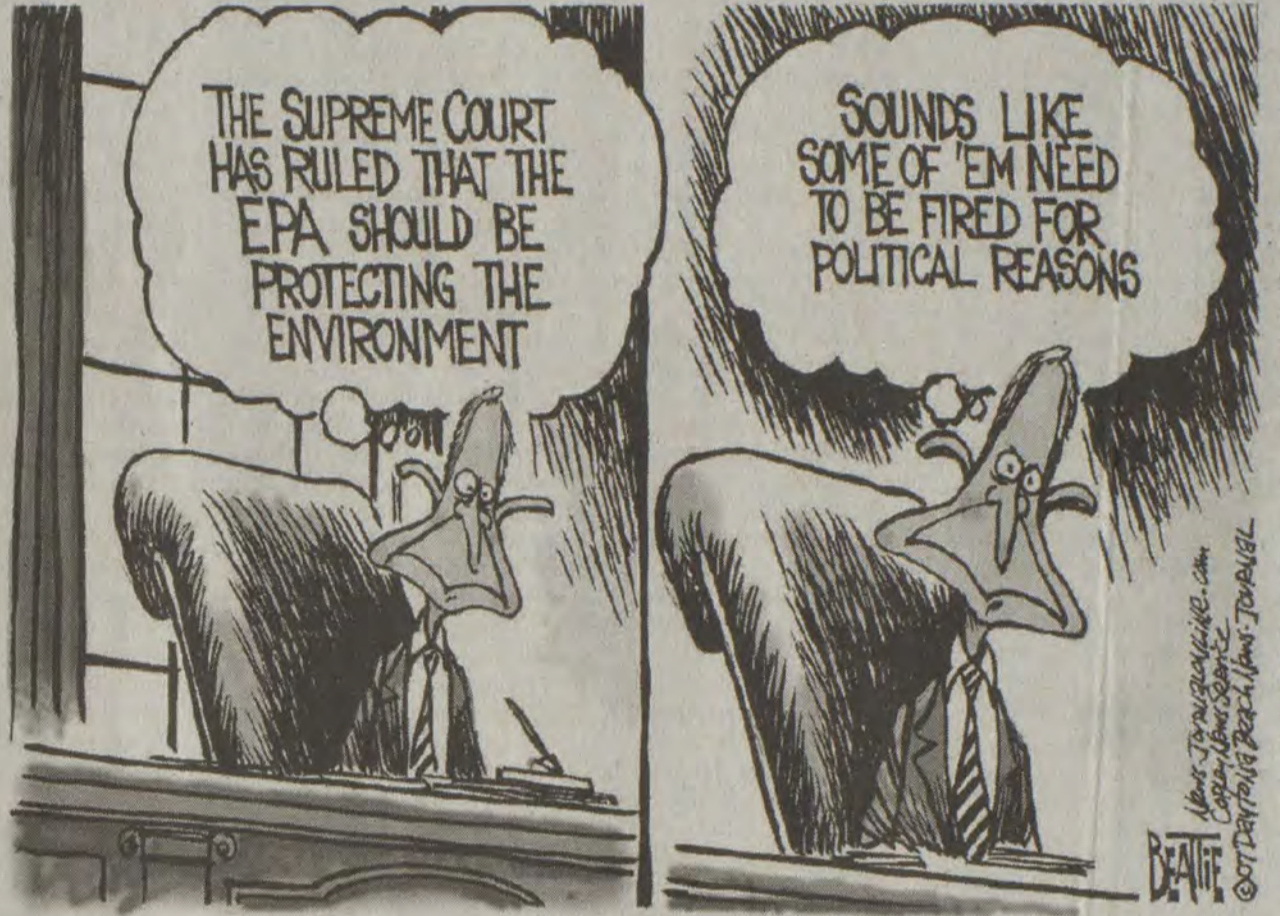
It hasn't been that long ago that attempts to hide the truth about what essentially was a clumsy burglary brought down the Nixon presidency. President Bush seems oblivious to that history.

He should revisit his resistance to allowing key advisers to testify before Congress about the firings of eight United States attorneys.

If Bush has nothing to hide, then why is he only willing to allow Karl Rove, his chief political consultant; Harriet Miers, his former White House counsel; and two others to meet privately and off the record with members of Congress investigating the firings?

Democrats rebuffed Bush off the bat, and understandably so. Under Bush's terms, there is no way of ensuring that what's said in private is truthful. Transcripts would be prohibited. New York Sen. Chuck Schumer, who was tapped by fellow Democrats to help them gain political leverage, is clearly partisan. But that doesn't mean there's no validity to his contentions. "It would be almost meaningless to say that they (Bush advisers) would be under some kind of legal sanction," Schumer said of private, no-oath meetings. ...

Rather than invoking executive privilege, which by the way didn't help President Nixon, Bush should do two things: First, send Gonzales back to Texas and name a replacement. Then notify the Senate Judiciary Committee that Rove, Miers and whomever else the panel needs to talk to on the record are at its disposal.



— Guest Column —

Our patience on Iraq should be exhausted

by SHELDON RICHMAN

President Bush started the fifth year of his war in Iraq by pleading with the American people for patience. Give the escalation ("surge") a chance to work, he said. He sees signs of success already, but the Democrats in Congress are showing their impatience, with the House attaching a 2008 withdrawal deadline to the war appropriations bill and the Senate set to consider the same legislation.

In the discussion over whether the recent increase in troops will achieve the stated objective, the big picture is getting lost. Even most war critics in Congress seem to not fully see it. They routinely criticize the Bush administration for its incompetent execution of the war, but by doing so they have dropped the more important ball: regardless of how the war is being run, the invasion was illegal, unconstitutional, and contrary to the interests of the American people.

Americans are overwhelmingly unhappy with the war, but how would they feel if it seemed to be going well? The administration, it seems, believes that they would support it if they thought "America was winning." That's why they and their cheerleaders emphasize anything that looks like a glimmer of progress and denigrate

the bringers of bad news. We've seen this tactic many times before.

But even if the war were "going well" it would be morally and politically objectionable. It must be viewed as one piece of an imperial program that has placed U.S. military bases in 130 countries, according to Chalmers Johnson, author of *Nemesis: The Last Days of the American Republic*. The wars in Iraq and Afghanistan mean more permanent bases. Hundreds of thousands of American military personnel are stationed all around the globe. House Republicans denounced the withdrawal deadline by arguing that it would endanger the U.S. troops in Iraq, Afghanistan, and "around the world." About the only concern one hears expressed about this is that the military is stretched too thin to fight another war, perhaps against Iran.

When are ordinary Americans going to realize they are financiers and fodder for a worldwide empire? When will they demand an explanation from those who call themselves our leaders. We're told the network of far-flung interests is for our own security, but as Johnson and others have shown, global military and political intervention makes enemies for the country, invites terrorism ("blowback"), and hence endangers Americans at home and abroad. How many examples do we need? September 11 should have been enough for even the dullest of observers. It's time to end the scam: our alleged protectors are in fact the greatest threat to our liberty today. Even the U.S. government admits

that the war in Iraq is creating terrorists.

The morally bankrupt administration has nothing left to do but beg for more time and engage in rank demagoguery. After the House passed the withdrawal deadline, Vice President Dick Cheney, who talks to Americans as though we are morons, said those who voted yes are "not supporting" the troops. They're undermining them." Such posturing is the last refuge of a scoundrel.

Cheney would have us believe that the way to support the troops is to insert them into a brutal war far from home, bashing down doors, searching civilians, and even firing on them and killing them. In his Orwellian world "support" means not letting anyone say what everyone knows: that the troops have been put in the untenable position of an occupying army. They are not fighting for "our freedom"; they are doing the bidding of politicians bent on shoring up a crumbling empire.

They are not fighting for the Iraqis' freedom either. Is anyone surprised that public-opinion polls show that Iraqis believe things have gotten worse for them since the fall of Saddam Hussein?

Once again, foreign intervention has given America a black eye. When will we learn?

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Rodriguez and Tarantino grind out 'Grindhouse,' an epic homage to '70s schlock

by **CHRISTY LEMIRE**
AP MOVIE CRITIC

If you've got a taste for blood and three hours to kill, "Grindhouse" is for you.

It's an epic homage to '70s B-movie kitsch from longtime friends Robert Rodriguez and Quentin Tarantino, who each wrote and directed an entire feature-length film and asked buddies to pitch in with fake trailers in between. (The one from "Hostel" director Eli Roth is especially inspired. Dude is twisted, let's just say that.)

The name comes from the fact that theaters would grind out double and triple features of blaxploitation flicks, badly dubbed kung fu movies, salacious sex romps — the kind of giddy schlock Rodriguez and Tarantino grew up loving and since have made a career of copying.

Whether or not you prefer this particular flavor of cheese, and many film geeks do, it's worth seeing simply because there's nothing else like it. It's not just a movie, it's an event, one that demands your attention and perseverance. You can't get up to go to the bathroom or grab a soda in between features. You wouldn't want to anyway — much of the allure comes from the details, the



filler, the scratched-up promos with their dated graphics and warbly sound.

If nothing else, "Grindhouse" transports you to another place and time. Rodriguez and Tarantino have yet to create a truly original film, but they're masters of recreating genres. And while they've plowed this ground countless times before between the "El Mariachi" trilogy, "Pulp Fiction" and the "Kill Bill" movies, "Grindhouse" represents the formidable strength of their combined knowledge and abilities.

The movie comes on like absolute gangbusters with the Rodriguez segment, "Planet Terror," about a plague that spreads through a small Texas town, turning people into pus-riddled, blood-spewing, zombie-like predators.

Marley Shelton and Josh Brolin (whose rugged looks

"Grindhouse," a Dimension Films release, is rated R for strong graphic bloody violence and gore, pervasive language, some sexuality, nudity and drug use. Running time: 191 minutes.

Three stars out of four.

are perfect for the era) play husband-and-wife doctors trying to stave off the infection at a hospital, while barely bothering to save their marriage. Meanwhile, a group of vigilantes tries to take back the town, led by Freddy Rodriguez as a gunslinger known as El Wray, and Rose McGowan as a go-go dancer named Cherry Darling (of course), who loses a leg and gets a machine gun in its place.

(McGowan's dramatically sexy features are ideal here; she's a girl who knows she's gorgeous but has enough of a sense of humor to play with her own image.)

"Planet Terror" is a total blast — funny, gloriously gory and over the top. The intentionally trashed footage and supposedly missing reels add to the authentic charm — as if we truly are watching a movie that has barely survived being

trucked from town to town and unspooled over and over.

Then comes Tarantino's contribution, "Death Proof." And it's so typically verbose of him, it nearly kills all the momentum that had built over the previous two hours.

Kurt Russell simmers menacingly as a grizzled drifter named Stuntman Mike, who likes to stalk women with his muscle car. (Russell, the veteran of such John Carpenter films as "Escape From New York" and "The Thing," also exudes just the right vibe.) Among his targets are McGowan (again), Rosario Dawson, Tracie Thoms, Mary Elizabeth Winstead and real-life stuntwoman Zoe Bell, who is truly a specimen to behold.

First his potential victims talk. And talk, and talk. What Tarantino's trying to do is lull us in — place us in a comfort zone with these women through the rhythms of their discussions about sex and romance — just to yank us out of it with the film's climactic and truly dazzling car chase, which is a marvel of staging and timing.

Until then, it ends up feeling just plain boring.

"Grindhouse" is still a must-see. Just to say you survived it.

Rental Central

by **TOM DOTY**
TIMES COLUMNIST

April got off to a chilling start this week with two thrillers jockeying for video shelf space alongside one comedy and one very long drama.

■ "Karla" - This little-seen thriller should do well on home video and offers a different side of actress Laura Prepon, who is best known as the female lead on "That '70s Show." Here she is cast as one half of a dangerous pair of newlyweds who go on a killing frenzy and kidnap and murder three teenage girls.

This is less a horror movie than a docudrama that forces you to spend plenty of time with this twisted duo. Amazingly, this is a true story, which makes the action all the more compelling.

■ "The Good Shepherd" - You would think that the origin of the Central Intelligence Agency would make for compelling viewing, but any chance of that is flummoxed here owing to an overlong running time and snail like pacing. Matt Damon tries hard as CIA builder Edward Wilson, but the material lacks any sense of pacing. Director and costar Robert De Niro fails to deliver here despite an A-List cast which includes Angelina Jolie, Alec Baldwin and Joe (Where's he been?) Pesci.

■ "Black Christmas" - There seems to be a pointless remake of a 1970s hit just about every week and this is no exception. Glen Morgan ("Final Destination") delivers a gory update of Bob Clark's yuletide chiller but there's nothing new here. In fact Morgan jettisons the best idea from the original film by revealing too much about the killer. If you haven't seen the first one, then you might be better served by renting it to check out how a killer tears through the ranks of sisters at a sorority house during the titular holiday. This one originated the idea that the killer is making threatening phone calls from inside the house and rates as one of the best chillers of the drive-in decade. Morgan does offer some inventive deaths, but they are more of an ode to 1980s-style slasher films. The cast is full of women that the audience watched growing up on television and includes

Lacey Chabert ("Party of Five") and Michelle Trachtenberg ("Buffy").

■ "Volver" - This week's critical darling is the latest comedy/drama from Pedro Almodovar ("Tie Me Up, Tie Me Down"). Two sisters begin to feel an unearthly presence in their lives after their aunt dies. They begin to wonder if she was not as eccentric as they thought when she behaved like their mother, also deceased, was in regular contact with her when they sense mom's presence again. Almodovar stal-

warts Penelope Cruz and Carmen Maura star.

Next week looks like a slow one, though viewers might want to check out "Bobby," which focuses on Robert Kennedy's assassination and its effect on various people around him on that fateful day.

This week saw the passing of genre great Bob Clark. He was killed, along with his son, on Wednesday when an allegedly drunk driver crashed into his vehicle after it veered into Clark's lane along a stretch



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Gambling

flatly opposed to such a move. Paducah businessman Billy Harper, one of three Republicans in the governor's race, said he would lobby against such a constitutional amendment and would veto legislation seeking to legalize casino gambling.

"We simply cannot base our future economy on the quicksand of hypothetical gambling revenues," he said.

The Associated Press asked the candidates their views on casino gambling, and whether they would actively support or oppose a constitutional amendment to legalize the activity.

For years, Kentucky racetracks have lobbied for the right to offer expanded gambling, saying they need it to stay competitive with out-of-state tracks whose purses are supplemented by casino revenues. But proposals seeking to allow expanding gambling have made no headway in Kentucky's General Assembly.

A statewide poll published in late February by The Courier-Journal showed a

majority of Kentuckians favor casino gambling at the state's racetracks. The newspaper's Bluegrass Poll found that 52 percent of Kentuckians favor casinos at the tracks, 38 percent oppose them and 10 percent were undecided.

Lindsey Gentry, 53, of nearby Bullitt County said he knows a lot of Kentuckians who frequent riverboat casinos docked along the Indiana and Illinois side of the Ohio River. Gentry, who visits a floating casino at least once a month, said it's time Kentucky gets its share of casino revenue.

"Why give the money to everybody else," said Gentry, taking a break from studying the horses during a recent outing to Churchill Downs to wager on simulcast races at other tracks.

Most Democratic candidates see casino gambling as a potentially lucrative new revenue source that could help take care of Kentucky's social and education problems.

"Everyday Kentuckians visit casinos in neighboring states," said former Lt. Gov. Steve Henry, a Louisville physician who is among seven Democrats running for governor. "We need to keep this money in Kentucky and use it to pay our teachers, and improve our education and health care systems."

Another Democratic hopeful, former Lt. Gov. Steve Beshear, said he would be an outspoken advocate for a constitutional amendment allowing expanded gambling on a limited basis. Beshear, a Lexington attorney, has

emphasized expanding gambling as a key to funding many of his proposals.

The Rev. Nancy Jo Kemper, executive director of the Kentucky Council of Churches, said supporters of casino gambling have overstated the potential financial impact.

"The economic boon is not there," she said. "These people are pulling figures out of thin air."

Kemper said the candidates need to talk about how they would pay for initiatives to improve Kentucky without expanded gambling.

"They better be thinking about ... fair and just ways for us to generate the revenue that we need to move this state forward," she said. "You cannot rely on 'Lady Luck.' Nobody

ever gambled their way to progress."

Even supporters said there should be limits to casino gambling.

State Treasurer Jonathan Miller, a Democratic candidate, said casinos should be primarily at racetracks but he would assess public sentiment in deciding how many casinos would be opened and where.

"We will guard against proliferation of freestanding casinos," he said.

Louisville businessman Bruce Lunsford, another Democratic hopeful, said casinos should be allowed on a "selected basis" and strictly regulated to make sure they achieve financial goals without causing burdens.

"Kentucky cannot become a place where small communi-

ties are corrupted with the negative side of gaming," he said, adding that Kentucky's youth should be educated about gambling problems.

"If we are thoughtful and smart, we can reap the benefits of gaming, while limiting the negatives," he added.

House Speaker Jody Richards of Bowling Green, another Democratic hopeful, said he supports expanded gambling at Kentucky racetracks and a limited number of other locations.

To maximize Kentucky's share of potential revenue, Democratic candidate Gatewood Galbraith said the state should own the casinos and let the racetracks and its partners manage the operations.

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Feud

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because of their personality, it can add fuel to the fire," said Dr. Revi Mathew, a Vanderbilt University endocrinologist treating one of the family members.

The Hatfields and McCoys have a storied and deadly history dating to Civil War times. Their generations of fighting over land, timber rights and even a pig are the subject of dozens of books, songs and countless jokes. Unfortunately for Appalachia, the feud is one of its greatest sources of fame.

Several genetic experts have known about the disease plaguing some of the McCoys for decades, but kept it secret. The Associated Press learned of it after several family members revealed their history to Vanderbilt doctors, who are trying to find more McCoy relatives to warn them of the risk.

One doctor who had researched the family for decades called them the "McC kindred" in a 1998 medical journal article tracing the disease through four generations.

"He said something about us never being able to get insurance" if the full family name was used, said Rita Reynolds, a Bristol, Tenn., woman with the disease. She says she is a McCoy descendant and has documents from the doctor showing his work on her family.

She is speaking up now so distant relatives might realize their risk and get help before the condition proves fatal, as it did to many of her ancestors.

Back then, "we didn't even know this existed," she said. "They just up and died."

Von Hippel-Lindau disease, which afflicts many family members, can cause tumors in the eyes, ears, pancreas, kidney, brain and spine. Roughly three-fourths of the affected McCoys have pheochromocytomas — tumors of the adrenal gland.

The small, bubbly-looking orange adrenal gland sits atop each kidney and makes adrenaline and substances called catecholamines. Too much can cause high blood pressure, pounding headaches, heart palpitations, facial flushing, nausea and vomiting. There is no cure for the disease, but removing the tumors before they turn cancerous can improve survival.

Affected family members have long been known to be combative, even with their kin.

Cocaine

State Police Det. James Hunter was conducting surveillance on Justice's and Triplett's residence and observed the two leave in a pickup truck towing a camper. Hunter followed the pair to the Jenny Wiley State Resort Park campground, where they parked the camper and left.

On Sept. 21, officers observed Justice and Triplett arrive at the campground and enter the camper. A few minutes later, Triplett was seen tossing a garbage bag into a nearby garbage can. Police later retrieved the bag and found its contents to include clear plastic wrappers with markings believed to be con-

Reynolds recalled her grandfather, "Smallwood" McCoy.

"When he would come to visit, everyone would run and hide. They acted like they were scared to death of him. He had a really bad temper," she said.

Her adopted daughter, another McCoy descendant, 11-year-old Winnter Reynolds, just had an adrenal tumor removed at Vanderbilt Children's Hospital. Teachers thought the girl had ADHD — attention deficit hyperactivity disorder. Now, Winnter says, "my parents are thinking it may be the tumor" that caused the behavior. "I've been feeling great since they took it out."

Her adoptive father, James Reynolds, said of the McCoys: "It don't take much to set them off. They've got a pretty good temper."

"Before the surgery, Winnter, when we would discipline her, she'd squeeze her fists together and get real angry and start hollering back at us, screaming and crying," he said.

As for the older McCoys, "they just started dropping dead of the tumors," he said. "They didn't know what it was. A name wasn't really put on the disease until 1968. That's when one of my brothers-in-law had to have surgery, to have some tumors removed in his brain. They started to notice tumors occurring in each of the family members."

Dr. Nuzhet Atuk at the University of Virginia in Charlottesville and geneticists at the University of Pennsylvania studied the family for more than 30 years, Rita Reynolds said.

"They went back on the genealogy and all of that stuff," she said. "They called it madness disease. They said that it had to be coming from the VHL. Our family would just

go off, even on the doctors."

Now 85 and retired, Atuk said he could not talk about his work because of medical confidentiality.

Rita Reynolds had two adrenal tumors removed a few years ago. Her mother and three brothers also had them. So do McCoy descendants in Oregon, Michigan and Indiana, she said.

"When you have these tumors, you're easy to get upset," said Rita's mother, Goldie Hankins, 76, of Big Rock, Va., near the Kentucky-West Virginia border. "When people get on your nerves, you just can't take it. You get angry because your blood pressure was so high."

Still, many are dubious that this condition had much of a role in the bitter feud with the Hatfields, which played out in the hill country of eastern Kentucky and West Virginia for decades.

Some say the feud dates to Civil War days, when some members of the families took opposite sides. It grew into disputes over timber rights and land in the 1870s, and gained more notoriety in 1878, when Randolph or "Old Randal" McCoy accused a Hatfield of stealing one of his pigs. The hostilities left at least a dozen dead.

"The McCoy temperament is legendary. Whether or not we can blame it on genes, I don't know," said Randy McCoy, 43, of Durham, N.C., one of the organizers of the annual Hatfield-McCoy reunion. "There are a lot of underpinnings that are probably a more legitimate source of conflict."

"There was a lot of intermarrying" that could have played havoc with the gene pool, he conceded.

Another relative, Bo McCoy, of Waverly, Ohio, said

he had never heard talk of the disease although he has been diagnosed with a different adrenal gland problem — Cushing's syndrome.

Even Reo Hatfield, who drafted the "truce" the two families famously signed in 2003 to officially end hostilities, doubted the role of the McCoys' disease in the feud.

"I would be shocked" if doctors blamed it on illness, he said.

Altina Waller, a professor of history at the University of Connecticut and author of a book about the feud, agreed.

"Medical folks like to find these kinds of explanations. Like the Salem witchcraft

thing. That book came out about how that was caused by wheat that was grown that had this parasite or mold or fungus or something that caused everybody in Salem to go nuts," she said.

"How does it explain the other dozen or so feuds that I've looked at in other places?" she asked, citing disputes over coal and other issues. "The rage and violence as such was not confined to McCoys."

She acknowledges that an argument could be made for seeing the McCoys as the more aggressive of the clans.

"One of the reasons the McCoys don't like me as much in the Tug Valley as the

Hatfields do is that I seem to suggest that Randal McCoy, the patriarch of the family, was sort of irrational and flamboyant and did jump to, into wanting violence more than, say, Anderson Hatfield," Waller said.

These days, the "feud" has taken a far more civil tone and all but disappeared, members of both families say. The last time it surfaced was in January 2003. McCoy descendants sued Hatfield descendants over visitation rights to a small cemetery on an Appalachian hillside in eastern Kentucky. It holds the remains of six McCoys, some allegedly killed by the Hatfields.

Strike

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et line outside the facility said they remained hopeful for progress in the labor talks.

"We want it back open. ... We don't want the people to be abandoned," said Sue Hall, an X-ray technologist at the clinic.

Hospital negotiations with the union began in late January and apparently broke down

when an agreement could not be reached over employee benefits, including pensions, starting standard rates for new hires, sick time, disability and holiday pay.

The United Steelworkers represents about 60 percent of ARH's 4,600 employees in eastern Kentucky and southern West Virginia.

Wall

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sistent with packaging used to wrap kilogram packages of cocaine, as well as four other similar wrappers in the garbage can.

On Nov. 4, Triplett and Justice were stopped for speeding by a state trooper in Franklin County. A search of the vehicle uncovered two kilograms of cocaine inside a duffle bag in the rear of the vehicle. Triplett and Justice were arrested, and Justice later allegedly told officers that she and Triplett were returning from buying the cocaine in Chicago at a cost of \$45,000. She reportedly told police that the two had made approximately 10 previous trips to

Chicago for the same purpose.

During the course of the investigation, authorities have seized \$68,255 in cash, \$5,129.59 in a certificate of deposit, \$11,001.04 in a savings account, land valued at \$151,000 belonging to Justice and Triplett, 15 vehicles, 14 guns and six computers from Justice, Triplett, Howard, and Roy and Terry Branham.

All 11 defendants in the case have pleaded not guilty. A jury trial has been tentatively set for June 5 in London.

U.S. District Judge Danny C. Reeves is presiding over the case. Assistant U.S. Attorney Stephen Craig Smith is leading the prosecution.

area, but the barrier wall will decrease the value of land and make it harder for businesses to relocate there.

Tourism Director Freddy James also noted the economic impact the wall will bring. James says that after the wall goes up, it will be very easy for travelers to go straight through Prestonsburg without even knowing it.

"We want to promote U.S. 23," said James. "We want to grow."

All economic impact aside, the main concern of residents is the cost of life they fear the wall will bring. Left turns will no longer be available to residents, which they say is depriving them of a safe entrance to their homes.

State Rep. Hubert Collins agreed that the experimental pavement placed on the highway several years ago has failed and this is where most of the problems have originat-

ed, but also noted that he does not know what the answer to the problem is.

Residents say they have made repeated attempts to contact Gov. Ernie Fletcher, but have been unsuccessful. Ultimately, the governor would be the only official who could put a stop to the project.

Gov. Fletcher was honored by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration on March 28 at the annual Lifesavers Conference in Chicago for his "leadership and commitment to saving lives and reducing injuries on Kentucky roadways," according to a press release issued by the Transportation Cabinet.

All discussions at the meeting are expected to be brought before Transportation Cabinet officials, but residents agree that it is going to be hard to stop the process that has already begun.

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FLOYD COUNTY Around Our Schools



Local Cub Scouts had the opportunity to learn about law enforcement this past January with the aid of local police officers.



Duff Elementary Cub Scouts present their principal, Liz Allen, with a donation to their school's Family Resource Center.



May Valley Elementary Cub Scouts were excited about the money they collected to help their school's Family Resource Center.

Local Cub Scouts busy learning

Cub Scout Pack 813 has enjoyed a busy but exciting winter. As a community service project, the Scouts collected "loose" change for a month, and then donated it equally to their schools - May Valley Elementary and Duff Elementary - Family Resource Centers. At their January pack meeting, Officer Mark Wallace and Officer Jeff Jacobs from the Kentucky Vehicle Enforcement presented a program on safety, and each Scout and their siblings completed a child ID protection kit. They also were treated to a thorough tour of a vehicle enforcement vehicle, complete with sirens!!

TECHNOLOGY SHOWCASE



photo by Kathy J. Prater

Students from Prestonsburg Elementary School were eager to talk about the on-site news program that is viewed each morning at their school. Participating students tape the program each afternoon and the following morning, it is viewed by their schoolmates via in-house televising.



photo by Kathy J. Prater

Prestonsburg High School STLP (Student Technology Leadership Program) participants spent a busy evening at the Wilkinson-Stumbo Convention Center last Wednesday sharing information with the public about the latest in technological trends. Solomon Kilburn serves as sponsor of the program at PHS.

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Adams Middle School principal Jack Goodman tried his hand at getting around on this "personal transportation device" on display at the technology showcase.

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Blackcats struggle to produce runs

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG — The Prestonsburg High School baseball team has found scoring runs to be a chore each of the last two weeks. Playing on the road Monday at Paintsville, Prestonsburg managed just one run versus the host Tigers. Paintsville junior Shane Grimm struck out 14 of the 20 batters he faced as Paintsville downed Prestonsburg 7-1 at Charlie Adkins Field. In six innings, Grimm afforded the Blackcats just two hits and one walk. Prestonsburg didn't get any runs against the Paintsville starter. Cory Humphrey pitched the last

inning for Paintsville, giving up the only Blackcat run.

The Tigers went ahead early and never trailed in the non-district game.

Travis Ison had a two-run home run and Daniel Pugh delivered a pair of triples for host Paintsville. Pugh drove in two runs for the Tigers. Kyle Sublett went 2-for-3 for Paintsville, tagging two singles.

Dane Sizemore drove in Prestonsburg's only run in the seventh inning when he delivered a two-out single that scored teammate Josh Rodebaugh.

Rodebaugh, Allan Craynon, Billy Robinson, Cory Tincher and Ryan Johnson each had a single for the Blackcats.

Rodebaugh took the loss for Prestonsburg. The Prestonsburg junior pitched the first three innings, allowing five hits and four earned runs while striking out three batters. Chris Schoolcraft pitched two innings for the Blackcats, striking out two and not allowing any hits or runs. Tincher pitched one inning, giving up two hits and three earned runs.

Prestonsburg dropped its fourth straight game Wednesday, falling to co-host Perry County Central in the Queen City Classic. The Perry County team dismantled Prestonsburg in five innings, prevailing 13-2. The Blackcats were back in

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photo by Jamie Howell
Junior Josh Rodebaugh, pictured playing third base during a recent game, scored Prestonsburg's only run in the road loss to Paintsville.

Good Friday, everyone

by RICK BENTLEY
TIMES COLUMNIST

Today, of course, is Good Friday, which is an odd name for the day considering what we're celebrating. In essence, today is the day we observe the natural-body death of our Savior, or at least the Savior of those of us of the Christian faith.

Today is also a day off for many of us, which would make it, for, say, Billy Watson, *Good Friday*.

Either way, it's a day of celebration. And while we're going to spend the rest of this space talking about sports, I believe it's appropriate to wish everyone a safe, happy Easter week-

end. May you be able to find yourself in church on Sunday morning, when Christians everywhere will be celebrating the resurrection of our Savior.

Now that's something worth celebrating.

With March finally behind us and no press conferences scheduled for Lexington anytime soon, today provides us a perfect opportunity to clean out our post-season notebooks.

I've written in the past about my affinity for this past Monday, the day baseball season begins during the day and a new college basketball champion is crowned that night.

Does it get any better than that?

Last Monday was a good one. The Reds got out of the gates quickly thanks to a pair of Adam Dunn home runs and some solid pitching by Aaron Harang, and then the Florida Gators rolled past The Ohio State University for another title that night.

Hard to be disappointed in all that.

The Greg Oden who arrived on Monday night is exactly the one we've been looking for all season. He was *scary*

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HS SOFTBALL



file photos
South Floyd (0-3) and Prestonsburg (3-1) entered this week on separate ends of the Floyd County Conference/58th District standings. Brittany Collins (below), back from an injury, has helped lead the Lady Blackcats. South Floyd is scheduled to visit Prestonsburg April 18.

Lady Raiders fall to Pike Central

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

MINNIE — The South Floyd High School softball team dropped its third straight game in as many outings Thursday, March 29. In a home game, South Floyd fell to Pike County Central. The Lady Hawks defeated the Lady Raiders 18-2 in five innings.

Pike County Central scored fours in the opening inning and four more in the fourth frame. The Lady Hawks finished strong, scoring 10 runs in the fifth inning. South Floyd got its only runs in the top half of the fifth inning.

"We played well in the field and at bat except for the mental errors throwing the ball," said South Floyd Coach John Little. "We just hesitated after the catch and missed some outs because of that and it kept us on the field longer than we should have been. Those are young mistakes that are going to work themselves out and we will be a good team time tournament comes around."

Branda Hamby and Lindsey Dye each went 2-for-3 for the Lady Raiders. Trista Damron and Angel Crisp were each

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Bobcats split doubleheader

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

WILLIAMSON, W.Va. — After getting into the win column on Saturday with an 11-10 win over June Buchanan, Betsy Layne split a doubleheader with host Williamson, W.Va., Monday. Host Williamson took the first game 14-9, winning after putting together a rally. Betsy Layne claimed the second game in very convincing fashion, beating the Wolfpack 15-4. More on each game follows.

Williamson, W.Va. 14, Betsy Layne 9: Max Mounts had three hits and drove in a run as Williamson beat Betsy Layne. Mounts also earned the win on the mound for the Wolfpack, entering the game in relief in the third inning and pitching five innings. En route to the win, Mounts struck out four and walked just one.

Michael Davidson, Eric

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Schedule set for Tiger Baseball Classic

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PAINTSVILLE — The schedule for the 3rd Annual Paintsville Tiger Baseball Classic has been finalized and released. This year's Tiger Baseball Classic will include teams from three different states and be played over three days. All games of the Classic will be played at Charlie Adkins Field. Ticket prices are set at \$3 for adults and \$2 for students. Defending 58th District champ Allen Central will join host Paintsville as the only participating 15th Region teams. Paintsville finished runner-up to 57th District rival Sheldon Clark in last season's 15th Region Tournament.

Other in-state teams set to play in the Tiger Baseball Classic are Perry County Central, Letcher County Central, Louisville Butler

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UK Barnstorming Tour headed to Allen Central

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

EASTERN — The UK Barnstorming Tour, featuring University of Kentucky seniors Lukasz Obrzut, Shery Thomas and Bobby Perry will visit Allen Central High School on Friday, April 13. In addition to seeing the UK seniors in action, fans will have the opportunity to meet and mingle with the Wildcats. A Wildcat Meet & Greet will be

held from 5:30-6:30 p.m. at ACHS. An exhibition game featuring the UK seniors and former alumni will follow the Meet & Greet. One former Wildcat scheduled to play with the current UK seniors is Jeff Shepherd.

Tickets are \$10 for the game and \$10 for the Wildcat Meet & Greet. Tickets will go on sale today at Allen Central High School, Prestonsburg Foodland and all locations of First Commonwealth Bank.

Tickets will be \$12 at the door.

The event is being sponsored by the Allen Central High School JROTC and band. All proceeds from the event go to the ACHS JROTC and band.



Bobby Perry will be one of three University of Kentucky senior men's basketball players in Floyd County in one week when UK Barnstorming Tour visits Allen Central High School.

photo courtesy of UK Athletics

Clinics slated for StoneCrest

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PRESTONSBURG — Clinics for both women and juniors will be held at StoneCrest Golf Course beginning next week. Junior clinics will start on Saturday, April 14 and continue for a five-week period every Saturday at 11 a.m. The final session is scheduled for May 12. The clinics will last one hour each session. Cost is \$50 for the five-week period.

Women's clinics will take

place on Mondays. The first women's clinic is slated for April 16. The women's class will get underway at 5 p.m. and last for one hour each, running over a five-week period that will conclude May 14. The cost of the women's five-week session is also \$50.

Both clinics will cover the different phases of the game, including chipping, iron play, wood play and putting. PGA Professional Rick Frye, with over 25 years of experience teaching the game, will conduct the women's clinics. Class size is limited to the first six signees. If

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Bentley

good.
 ■ Yes, by the way, that was former Pikeville College point guard Donnie Jones hopping off the Florida bench on a regular basis on Monday.



Donnie Jones

The normally stoic Jones was much more active on championship night, leading me to believe he was the assistant in charge of scouting Ohio State. Jones tagged along with Billy Donovan on Wednesday to his old stomping grounds for a fund raiser at Marshall University, where the two met two years after Jones left Pikeville for Huntington. I'd be stunned if he isn't named the new coach of the Herd within the next week. Jones, that is. Donovan has other suitors stalking him right now.
 ■ If we can go back really deep into March, I'd like to tip

my cap to whoever came up with two ideas for regional tournament week.
 This year marked anniversaries for two of the 15th Region's most famous teams, the 1982 Virgie Eagles and the 1957 Pikeville Panthers. And on Friday night during the boys' semifinals, both teams were brought to the Expo Center floor and recognized for their achievements.
 I wish more of the players could have been there, but I was happy to see the ones who came. I was particularly glad to see my old friend Bobby Osborne, who coached those Virgie Eagles 25 winters ago. If anything, Bob looked better and more healthy than he did during his prime.
 Of course, there's a lot less pressure on the golf course than when coaching a bunch of teenagers in front of a world-record crowd, huh Bob?
 The other idea I liked was the banners that were hanging from the rafters. The idea was to have one for every school who ever played in the 15th Region, and we liked it. In

fact, the only one I noticed missing was Cumberland High School, which was the school later known as Elkhorn City.
 Yes, several banners held misspellings, but that can be fixed. The idea was a good one. While celebrating the 2007 championships, let's not forget those who came before us.
 I'll guarantee I wasn't the only one looking for my old school in the rafters. I was, however, about the only one who could find his school hanging front and center, right at midcourt.
 Just as it should be, I believe.
 ■ Monday afternoon's drive home was fun, getting to hear the interplay between Marty Brennaman and his son Thom in their first game as partners in the Reds radio booth. Marty is second to none in my estimation, and while some don't care for the younger Brennaman, I do.
 You could tell there was some excitement in the booth during their pregame chatter as they discussed the possibilities of the 2007 Reds. It was good to hear.
 I don't care as much for the third wheel, Jeff Brantley, and let's just say I believe the Old Left-Hander's better days are behind him too. But on nights the booth becomes a family affair, it'll be good times to be a Reds fan.
 ■ College basketball fans, it'll be eight whole months before we have to hear Billy Packer again. Let us rejoice.
 ■ And how about Dana Altman's about-face this week? I realize Stan Heath isn't exactly John Wooden, but those in charge of the Arkansas program have totally butchered this situation.
 First they spent three days searching for a phone number for their top choice (Seriously? Three days?), only to be rejected. Then they hired the former Marshall coach only to have him recant one day later.
 I'd laugh and say they deserve it for inflicting Nolan Richardson on us for so long, but I'm waiting on our flagship university to hire someone now, and just like Earl Hickey, I believe in karma, so let's just let it go.

Raiders

1-for-2 for South Floyd. Dye and Damron had one RBI apiece for the Lady Raiders (0-3).
 Dye and Damron split pitching duties for South Floyd. Dye struck out three hitters and Damron fanned two batters.
 South Floyd's next game is scheduled for April 10 at home against Allen Central.
 The Lady Rebels are 1-2 through their first three games.

Allen Central defeated Sheldon Clark 5-3 in its season-opener on March 26. Pike County central beat Allen Central 19-1 on March 27. Magoffin County topped Allen Central 14-4 in six innings last Friday. Allen Central is the defending 58th District champion. The Lady Rebels (1-2) were hosting Cordia Thursday evening. The game ended too late to make this edition.

Prestonsburg (3-1) currently sports the best record of any Floyd County softball team. The Lady Blackcats were busy entertaining Shelby Valley Thursday evening. Betsy Layne was 0-2 after the first week of the season. The Ladycats were on the road Thursday evening at East Ridge. The Betsy Layne-East Ridge game also ended too late to make this edition.

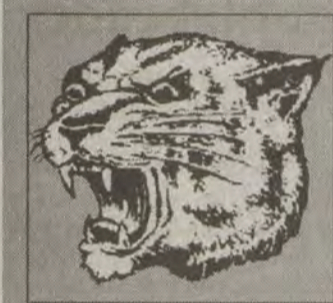
Donovan staying at Florida

by MARK LONG
 ASSOCIATED PRESS

GAINESVILLE, Fla. — Coach Billy Donovan will stay at Florida, spurning a chance to return to Kentucky and take over the tradition-rich program, a person familiar with Donovan's decision said Thursday.
 The person spoke on condition of anonymity because the decision had yet to be announced.
 Donovan, who met with Gators athletic director Jeremy Foley earlier Thursday, planned to announce his decision a news conference later in the evening.
 Donovan acknowledged interest in the Kentucky job this week, but also said he intended to stay in Gainesville and continue building the program that won consecutive national championships.
 The Gators became the first team to win back-to-back titles since Duke in 1992. But following Monday night's 84-75 victory against Ohio State, Donovan's future had become the biggest question mark surrounding Florida.
 Donovan acknowledged interest in the

Kentucky job this week, and had been the obvious leading candidate to replace Tubby Smith. Donovan worked five years as an assistant with the Wildcats.
 But he spent the last 11 years in Gainesville, putting down roots with his wife and four children.
 Donovan has two years remaining on his current contract worth \$1.7 million annually; but was expected to sign a long-term extension. He has not yet agreed to a new deal with Florida.
 Kentucky received permission to talk to Donovan about its coaching vacancy, a person familiar with the search process said earlier Thursday.
 Foley left a voice mail with Kentucky AD Mitch Barnhart on Wednesday night, giving Barnhart the OK to talk with Donovan, said the person who spoke on condition of anonymity because of the sensitivity of the matter. It was unclear if Barnhart spoke to Donovan.
 Associated Press Writer Jeffrey McMurray in Lexington, contributed to this report.

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



Brittany Colins, Prestonsburg Softball



Travis Hamilton, Betsy Layne Baseball

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MSU soccer team hosting free clinic

TIMES STAFF REPORT
 MOREHEAD — The Morehead State University soccer program will hold a free clinic for children ages 5-12 prior to its spring match with Eastern Kentucky University on

April 20 at 5 p.m. EDT in Jayne Stadium. The free clinic will run from 5-6:30 p.m. and participants will be instructed in all areas of soccer by the MSU coaching staff and players. Participants are then encouraged to stay and watch as the Eagles play EKU at 8 p.m. in Jayne Stadium.
 Children attending the clinic are asked to bring athletic wear and furnish their own water or liquids.
 For more information, contact Assistant Soccer Coach Kristal Menard at 606/207-5125.

ELITE DANCERS



ABOVE: Kristany Setser (left) and Megan Towles (right) claimed the dance couples division title at the 2007 EDA National Dance Championships held at Myrtle Beach, S.C.

Dance Etc. students prevail at EDA Nationals

TIMES STAFF REPORT
 PRESTONSBURG — Dance Etc. Elite students competed in the 12th Annual EDA Nationals March 30-April 1 at the Alabama Theatre in Myrtle Beach, S.C. In the Dance Couples division, the Dance Etc. duo of Kristany Setser and Megan Towles claimed the top award, winning the event which featured opposing entrants from various states. In addition, Setser won a solo dance competition as part of the event.
 The Dance Etc. Elite squad won the Youth Pom division title. In the Youth Prep Pom division, Dance Etc. Elite claimed a first runner-up finish. Continuing a strong tradition, Dance Etc. Elite claimed first-place in the Junior All Star Pom division. The Dance Etc. Elite Jr. All Star Jazz squad also won the Best Costumes specialty award.
 Dance, Etc. Studio of Dance has been serving dancers and their families in Eastern Kentucky for over 12 years. Dance Etc. prides itself on professional dance instruction in a pos-

itive and fun learning environment.
 Dance Etc. offers classes in Pre-Ballet, Ballet, Pointe, Tap and Jazz for those ages three and older. Owner/Instructor Jody Shepherd has a B.S. Degree in Dance from Radford University in Virginia and over a dozen years of teaching experience.
 Dance Etc. students have performance opportunities including the studio's annual Nutcracker and spring recital, both held at the Mountain Arts Center. Each year, the studio presents six soldout performances of the Nutcracker, including four matinees for local schools and two evening performances and two soldout performances of the spring recital, which has a different theme each year.
 Dance Etc. is home to the nationally-acclaimed Dance Etc. Elite All Star Dance Teams. These groups are made up of dancers chosen by invitation out of their weekly dance classes to travel and compete with the award-winning teams.
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Bobcats

McCormick and Bobby Hurley each had two hits for Williamson. Hurley drove in three runs and McCormick and Zack Staten each delivered two RBIs for the Wolfpack.
 Travis Hamilton, Bryce Adkins and Justin Trimble each had three hits for Betsy Layne. Hamilton had an inside-the-park homerun for the Bobcats. Brennan Case, Brandon Mulkey and Brandon Tackett each had a single in the road contest. Samuel Keathley absorbed the loss for visiting Betsy Layne.
 Betsy Layne 15, Williamson,

W.Va. 4: Betsy Layne won the nightcap in four innings. The Bobcats scored six runs in the first inning, sprinting out to an early lead. The Bobcats scored four runs in the fourth inning and five more in the fifth frame.
 Heath Tackett pitched and claimed the win for Betsy Layne.
 Travis Hamilton belted a three-run home run and a double for victorious Betsy Layne. Brennan Case connected on three hits for the Frank Martin-coached Bobcats.
 With the win over Williamson, Betsy Layne improved to 2-6.

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BOBCAT BASEBALL 2007 SEASON... SO FAR
- March 26 at Paintsville, 1-16 (L) (5 innings)
 - March 27 at East Ridge, 8-13 (L)
 - March 29 at Phelps, 0-5 (L)
 - March 30 Belfry, 0-9 (L)
 - March 30 Belfry, 6-7 (L)
 - March 31 June Buchanan, 11-10 (W)
 - April 2 at Williamson, 9-14 (L)
 - April 2 at Williamson, 15-4 (W)

Classic

and Morgan County. Ironton, Ohio and Oak Ridge, Tenn. make up the rest of the tournament field. The schedule for the 3rd Annual Paintsville Tiger Baseball Classic is as follows: Thursday, April 12 — Ironton, Ohio-Paintsville, 6

p.m.; Louisville Butler-Perry County Central, 8:30 p.m. Friday, April 13 — Letcher County Central-Louisville Butler, 3 p.m.; Letcher County Central-Allen Central, 6 p.m.; Paintsville-Oak Ridge, Tenn., 8:30 p.m. Saturday, April 14 —

Louisville Butler-Allen Central, 10 a.m.; Ironton, Ohio-Louisville Butler, 12:30 p.m.; Ironton, Ohio-Oak Ridge, Tenn., 3 p.m.; Morgan County-Oak Ridge, Tenn., 5:30 p.m.; Morgan County-Paintsville, 8 p.m.

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there is demand, another class will be added. Frye will also conduct the junior class. Wes Jenkins, Frye's Assistant Professional at StoneCrest

Golf Course, will help with the junior clinic. Class size for the junior clinic will be limited to the first 12 signees. The age division for the junior clinic is

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 eight and older.
 For more information on either of the upcoming clinics, call the StoneCrest Golf Course shop at 886-1006.

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action Thursday in the Queen City Classic against Leslie County. Results from the Prestonsburg-Leslie County game were unavailable at press time.
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BLACKCAT BASEBALL 2007 SEASON... SO FAR
- March 26 at Johnson Central, 1-11 (L)
 - March 27 at Phelps, 13-4 (W)

- March 29 at East Ridge, 8-10 (L)
- March 30 Pike County Central, 1-13 (L) (6 innings)
- April 2 at Paintsville, 1-7 (L)
- April 4 Perry County Central, 2-13 (L) (Queen City Classic at Hazard)

O'Reilly NARA BoB Series opener postponed one week

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON – With local weather forecasts predicting lows near the teens for the upcoming weekend, O'Reilly NARA Battle of the Bluegrass Series officials, in conjunction with Florence Speedway, have pushed back the 2007 season-opening weekend at Florence Speedway one week to Friday and Saturday, April 13-14.

The highly-anticipated season opener set for the King Family's Florence Speedway will be Friday, April 13 as the O'Reilly NARA Battle of the Bluegrass Series invades the Union 1/2-mile, high-banked clay

oval for the Spring 50 Tune-Up. A complete racing program is planned with Time Trials, Qualifying Heats, B-Mains, and the 30-lap A-Main paying \$3000 to win. Ticket prices for this event are only \$15 for general admission and just \$28 for the pits. Pit gates are slated to open at 4 p.m. with the main gates opening at 5. Qualifying will hit the track promptly at 7 p.m. with racing beginning at 8 p.m.

The purse for Friday night's Spring 50 Tune-Up is as follows: 1. \$3,000; 2. \$1,500; 3. \$1,000; 4. \$800; 5. \$750; 6. \$700; 7. \$650; 8. \$600; 9. \$550; 10. \$500; 11. \$450; 12. \$400; 13. \$350; 14. \$350; 15. \$325; 16. \$325; 17. \$300; 18. \$300; 19. \$300; 20. \$300;

21. \$300; 22. \$300.

On Saturday, April 14, the nation's most competitive regional racing series is back at Florence for the 31st Annual Spring 50. Another complete program for the O'Reilly NARA Battle of the Bluegrass Series is on tap with Time Trials, Qualifying Heats, B-Mains, and a 50-lap A-Main paying \$5,000-to-win. General Admission seating for Saturday night is only \$17 while a pit pass is just \$30. The pit gates will once again open at 4 p.m. with the general admission gates opening at 5. The on-track action will start a half-hour earlier on Saturday with qualifying at 6:30 p.m. and racing at 7:30.

The purse for the 31st Annual Spring 50 is as follows: 1. \$5,000; 2. \$3,000; 3. \$2,000; 4. \$1,500; 5. \$1,000; 6. \$800; 7. \$750; 8. \$700; 9. \$650; 10. \$600; 11. \$550; 12. \$500; 13. \$450; 14. \$450; 15. \$425; 16. \$425; 17. \$400; 18. \$400; 19. \$350; 20. \$350; 21. \$300; 22. \$300.

Last year, the back-to-back, season-opening events for the O'Reilly NARA Battle of the Bluegrass Series presented by Arizona Sport Shirts at the Florence Speedway drew an outstanding field of cars and a full house in the grandstands. The 2006 Spring 50 Tune-Up saw 58 entries sign into the pits with Martinsville, IN's Don O'Neal besting Dan Schlieper and

Brian Birkhofer to pick up the win. "The Real Deal" backed that up on Saturday night by cashing the \$5000 first-place paycheck in the 30th Annual Spring 50 over Dan Schlieper and early race leader Roger Williams. Schlieper, Scott Bloomquist, Darrell Lanigan, Steve Casebolt and the late Jack Boggs among others are all previous winners of the Spring 50.

Florence Speedway is a 1/2-mile, high-banked clay oval located on US 42 just south of Union. The office phone number for Florence Speedway is 859/493-0034 and the track phone number on race day is 859/485-7591. For more information, go online to www.florencespeedway.com.

NARA BoB Open Wheel Modified Series readies for '07 season

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON – The NARA Battle of the Bluegrass Open Wheel Modified Series has announced its official schedule for the upcoming 2007

season. Following a year that featured a dramatic race for the championship between five drivers, the Series will compete in 12 events at eight different tracks in 2007. The 2007 season will include a pair of stops at Johnson County track 201 Speedway.

The BoB Open Wheeler Series will launch its 2007 campaign with the Spring Shootout at the Richmond Raceway on Saturday, April 21. Last year in the same event, Tommy Bailey was able to best 38 of the regions best Modifieds for his second \$1,500 win of the season.

The Series will make its return to David and Anita Ferrell's Bluegrass Speedway on May 21 for the 7th Annual Mod Squad Bash, paying the

winner \$1,500. In the 2006 event, Don Adams took home his first win of the season in the Lightning Chassis House Car.

A busy month of June will feature five events, each paying \$1,500 to the winner. The month kicks off with the series' first of two events at the 201 Speedway in Sitka, June 2, followed by the Series' debut at the Tazewell Speedway on June 9, which will mark the first time the series has ventured into the Volunteer State.

After a week off, the Series will return to the King Family's Florence Speedway June 23 after a one-year absence. The last time the Series competed at the famed Union high-banks, Billy Vaughan bested a field of 52 cars for the winner's prize.

The month will then close with a doubleheader weekend, featuring races at Larry Yantz's Ponderosa Speedway and Harold Hargrove's Lake Cumberland Speedway on June 29-30, respectively. Joey Kramer will undoubtedly be the favorite at

Ponderosa, sweeping both events at Larry Yantz's palace of speed in 2006 on the way to his second Series championship, while Kelly Warren was able to score a victory in the weekend nightcap at the Lake Cumberland Speedway to catapult himself into contention.

The Series will then join up with the O'Reilly NARA Battle of the Bluegrass DirtCar Series for a weekend of racing at the Richmond Raceway on July 27, in the 20th Annual Butterball Woodridge Memorial Weekend. The Series will be in action on Friday night, July 27, for a \$1,500-to-win event.

The 7th Annual Bluegrass Rumble will take place at the Bluegrass Speedway, Aug. 11, paying the winner \$1,500. After winning the event in 2006, Kramer took over the points lead for the first time all season, a lead he would not relinquish.

September's run to the championship will kickoff with a \$1,500-to-win race at the 201 Speedway, Sept.

1, an event also featuring the O'Reilly NARA Battle of the Bluegrass DirtCar Series. The two series will also share the bill in their next stop at the Richmond Raceway, competing in the 1st Annual Fall Championships, which will pay \$1,500 to the winner of the NARA Battle of the Bluegrass Modified Series race. The 2006 edition of the race saw a wild finish when Victor Lee inherited the lead from an ailing Kramer in the waning laps.

The Series will conclude its 2007 tour with return to the Soggy Bottom Speedway for the first time in two years in The Battle of the Bottom on Sept. 29. A special purse for this event will be announced at a later date.

For more information on the NARA Battle of the Bluegrass Open Wheel Modified Series, go online to www.battleofthebluegrass.com/bomb or call the Series Office via phone at 859/433-5707.

NASCAR Nextel Cup Driver Standings

1. Jeff Gordon, 966
2. Jeff Burton, 938
3. Jimmie Johnson, 906
4. Matt Kenseth, 836
5. Kyle Busch, 804
6. Denny Hamlin, 776
7. Clint Bowyer, 751
8. Tony Stewart, 726
9. Carl Edwards, 710
10. Kevin Harvick, 687
11. Dale Earnhardt, Jr., 677
12. Jamie McMurray, 650
13. David Stremme, 645
14. Elliott Sadler, 639
15. Mark Martin, 629
16. Juan Pablo Montoya, 625
17. Kurt Busch, 624
18. J J Yeley, 616
19. David Ragan, 589
- (tie). Ryan Newman, 589

DOWN IN GEORGIA: Kinzer finishes 12th at Toccoa Speedway

TIMES STAFF REPORT

TOCCOA, Ga. – Brandon Kinzer and his No. 18 Dirt Late Model raceteam invaded the Toccoa Speedway Saturday for a \$5,000-to-win Advance Auto Parts Thunder Series event. After finishing ninth in his B-Main, Kinzer received a series provisional, allowing him to transfer on to the A-Main. After the dust had

settled at the Peachtree State oval on Saturday, the Allen native had passed several cars throughout the running of the feature event, finishing 12th. The feature event was made up of 24 drivers. The complete finishing order was as follows: 1. Ricky Weeks (Rutherfordton, Tenn.); 2. Dennis Franklin (Gaffney, S.C.); 3. Jack Pennington (Winston, Ga.); 4. Tommy Kerr (Maryville,



Brandon Kinzer

Tenn.); 5. Doug English (Rayburn, Ga.); 6. Randy Weaver (Crossville, Tenn.); 7. Anthony White (Clinton, Tenn.); 8. Jake Knowles (Tyrone, Ga.); 9. Joel Rice (Cashiers, N.C.); 10. Dusty Carver (Englewood, Tenn.); 11. Rick Rogers (Knoxville, Tenn.); 12. Brandon Kinzer (Allen, Tenn.); 13. Jimmy Feltman (Westminster, S.C.); 14. Mike Weeks (Friendsville, Tenn.); 15. Casey Roberts - Toccoa,

Ga.); 16. Tommy Bailey (Corbin); 17. Bruce Taylor (Toccoa, Ga.); 18. Randy Nichols (Clayton, Ga.); 19. Jeff Madden (Cashiers, N.C.); 20. Greg Knight (Cumming, Ga.); 21. Russell Thomas (Morganton, Ga.); 22. Brent Dixon (Elberton, Ga.); 23. Kayne Hickman (Soddy Daisy, Tenn.); 24. David Smith (Inman, S.C.).

State archery champions crowned

TIMES STAFF REPORT

FRANKFORT – Meade County High School student Courtney Campbell and Pulaski County High School junior Chad Leigh each won state championships in their divisions during Kentucky's 2007 National Archery in the Schools tournament held Monday.

Approximately 1,600 elementary through high school students from Kentucky participated in the fifth annual archery tournament. The top finishers will compete against students from 21 states in the national archery tournament set for June 9 in Louisville.

Campbell, a junior, took top honors with a score of 292 out of a possible 300. Archers took 30 shots during the competition, with a bull's eye worth

10 points. Campbell also won first place and \$1,250 toward college expenses during a scholarship shoot-off, which pitted the top archers of the tournament against each other.

Leigh, an Olympic archery hopeful, won the state championship in the boy's division following a shoot-off with Trigg County High School sophomore Grady Cofield. Leigh and Cofield tied with scores of 294 at the end of the tournament. The two competed one-on-one in a shoot-off to determine the state champion. Cofield beat Leigh during the scholarship shoot-off, with several rounds needed during a highly competitive event to determine the winner.

The top male and female finishers in the middle school division included Perry Enlow of Henderson South Middle School and Amber Abate of

Trigg County Middle School. In the elementary school division, Laurel Regan of Henderson South Middle School finished first among the girls while Taylor Knott of Payneville Elementary School in Meade County won first place among the boys.

Among the schools, top finishers include Henderson County High School, Henderson South Middle School and Trigg County Intermediate School (elementary school division).

To see photos from the tournament and view the complete list of winners and their scores, visit the website of the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources at fw.ky.gov. The National Archery in the Schools program has since spread throughout the United States and into several foreign countries since its inception in Kentucky.fw.ky.gov



Adams Middle School students Zack Taulbee and Patricia Hughes captured first-place trophies in this year's district archery competition.

Lipless crankbaits a standby for early spring bass anglers

by STEVE VANTREESE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

GILBERTSVILLE – Maybe bass bite them to stop all that racket.

Whatever the attraction – or annoyance – bass can hardly ignore the noisy class of lipless crankbaits typified by the Rat-L-Trap. The present pre-spawn period, when fish of the largemouth persuasion are moving into progressively shallower water and growing more active as the water warms, is a time when this sort of vibrating, chattering lure can produce near magical results.

The lipless crankbaits, as descriptive name portrays, lack the diving bill or lip that forces them deeper upon retrieve. They generally have the profile of a small baitfish but are flat sided, with a narrow but flat back with a line tie and split ring on the slim flat just aft of the "head."

Most lipless crankbaits are made with hollow sound chambers filled

with steel BBs, shot or bearings that rattle as the lure is drawn through the water and vibrates side to side.

Much of the market falls to the original Rat-L-Trap, but there are several similar lures that also prove effective, the Cordell Super Spot, Rapala Rattl'n Rap, Strike King Diamond Shad, Yo-Zuri Rattl'n Vibe and Berkley Frenzy Rattl'r among them.

"They work all year, but early spring is when they do best – maybe because more people throw them now," said Jeff Evans of Benton. "They're good right now because of the depth the fish are in. The lipless baits are best when fish are in 1 to 6 feet of water."

Evans, a tackle dealer at his Fisherman's Headquarters at Draffenville, is a persistent tournament bass angler on his home waters of Kentucky Lake and Lake Barkley, but he also has followed tournament circuits to waters in several states. He finds that lipless crankbaits rule during the spring warm-up all over.

"You see so many people catching fish on Rat-L-Traps and other lipless baits this time of year because they're good on shallow bass – and because they're such easy lures to fish," Evans said. "You can just throw them out in shallow water and wind them back in and you can catch fish."

The lipless crankbaits as a class

have earned the title of "idiot lure" because little thought and experienced skill in manipulation is necessary to catch fish on them. Then again, most skilled and greatly experienced bass anglers use them, too, because they work so well.

There are fine points to using Rat-L-Traps and similar lures that often produce better results for the alert and adaptable.

"Because they have no lip, the Rat-L-Trap and others like it don't dig with the retrieve, so you have to control the depth that it runs yourself," Evans said. "It will run a little deeper by slowing the retrieve some, and if you want it to run shallower than normal, you have to hold your rod tip high."

"A half-ounce bait is by far the most popular, but if you're fishing back in the bays where it's really shallow, a quarter-ounce size is good," he said.

When in doubt, Evans allows the bass to indicate how they prefer Rat-L-Traps and other lipless rattlers presented.

"You can use the basic steady retrieve and catch some fish, but I'm always trying variations to see if there's something better," Evans said. "I'll stop the bait, let it drop and restart the retrieve pretty often. The drop or the movement when it starts up again will bring a lot of bites. I

think a lot of times bass are just following the bait – and when it stops and falls, it's right in their face and they hit it by reflex," he said.

"Something else I'll do is to be cranking a Rat-L-Trap, then I'll just rip the rod back, sweeping the bait along, and that sudden move increas-

es the vibration and changes the way it sounds," he said. "That will trigger some strikes."

"I'll just keep fooling with the retrieves and try different things and see what works best for any given day," Evans said. "I try to let the fish tell me how they want it."



STAYING ACTIVE: The Pro-Fitness Multi-sports weightlifting team is a regular at area and many statewide competitions.

COLLEGE GOLF: LWC teams win tourney, regular-season titles

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PRESTONSBURG – The Lindsey Wilson College men's golf team captured its fifth straight Mid-South Conference regular season title on Tuesday with their win of the MSC Spring Tournament at StoneCrest Golf Course.

The Blue Raiders – who have shared the regular season championship in 2006 and won the title the other four seasons – shot a two-day team total 600 (297-303) over the 7,011-yard, par 72, course.

University of the Cumberland's

(Ky.) finished second with a two-day total of 608 (304-304) and Campbellsville (Ky.) University finished third with a 621 (313-308). Georgetown (Ky.) College's 630 (323-307), Cumberland (Tenn.) University's 648 (330-318) and West Virginia Tech's 694 (358-336) rounds out the six-team field.

Lindsey Wilson sophomore Abraham Gali led the Blue Raiders with a third place finish following his two-day total of 147 (76-71).

Senior Zach Wilson finished fourth with a 148 (74-74) and freshman Travis Radford tied for sixth

with a 152 (76-76).

Sophomore Carlos Navarro (74-82) and senior Kyle Andreas (73-83) tied for 11th with a 156. Sophomore Zach Charbonneau tied for 19th with a 162 (80-82).

Georgetown's Chris Hawkens won the event with a three-under par 141 (71-70).

The Lindsey Wilson College women's golf team wrapped up the Mid-South Conference regular season title on Tuesday with their win of the MSC Spring Tournament at StoneCrest Golf Course.

The LWC women shot a two-day

team total 636 (323-313) over the 6,110-yard, par 72, course.

The MSC crown is the third straight regular-season title for the LWC women's team.

Campbellsville (Ky.) University finished second with a team-total of 694 (349-345). Georgetown (Ky.) College's 718 (369-349) and University of the Cumberland's (Ky.) 843 (438-405) rounds out the top four.

Lindsey Wilson freshman Krista Burton was the tournament's medalist with a two-day total of 146 (73-73).

The win is Burton's fourth in as many tournaments.

Junior Beth Cooper finished second with a 160 (86-74) and freshman Cheslee Elkins finished third with a 161 (79-82). Junior Lindsay Roberts finished fifth with a 165 (86-79) playing as an individual.

All four LWC women's golfers named to the six-person all-tournament team.

Junior Jessica Robertson's 171 (87-84) was good enough for seventh and sophomore Aline Decker finished tied for eighth with a 172 (85-87).

BROOM TIME: Pikeville College wraps up historic four-game sweep

TIMES STAFF REPORT

CHARLESTON, W.Va. – For the first time since entering the Mid-South Conference in 2001, the Pikeville College baseball team came away with a sweep in a four-game conference series.

The Bears took games one and two from the West Virginia University's Institute of Technology at Appalachian Power Park 6-4 and 8-4 last Friday. The rain washed out Saturday's games, but the Bears picked up right where they left off on Sunday, winning 4-2 and 5-1.

The weekend sweep pushed the Bears above .500 for the first time all season (16-15-1) and put them in a three-way tie for second place in the MSC (7-5), mere percentage points out of first place.

Pikeville got on the board in the first inning of game one, as senior Adam Collins (Paintsville) collected a one-out hit then scored on an RBI-single by junior John Williamson.

Tech tied the score on junior starter Jordan Compton in the bottom of the second on sacrifice fly, but the Bears, after down in order four straight innings, came alive in the top of the sixth, scoring five unearned runs.

That was enough for Compton, who allowed two runs in the sixth

before giving way to freshman reliever A.J. Elliott. Elliott allowed a run in the seventh on a sac fly, which cut the Bears' lead to 6-4, but the southpaw struck out the final batter to secure the win.

Compton (4-0) picked up the win by going six innings, striking out six and giving up three earned runs. Elliott finished the seventh for his second save of the season.

Collins led the Bears with two runs scored, while Williamson pitched in two RBI.

In the nightcap the Bears again struck first blood, as Collins once more picked up a one-out hit and again scored on an RBI single by Williamson.

Likewise, Tech again tied the score on junior starter Matt DeBlauw in the top of the second.

But the Bears took the lead in the top of the third when senior Donald Tardy (Ellenwood, Ga.) opened the inning with a single then came around to score on an error.

The Bears would add two more in the top of the fifth on a two-run homer by Collins, his first of the season, which gave Pikeville a 4-1 advantage.

Tech would get a dinger of its own from first baseman Jeremy McCoy in the bottom of the fifth, which made it

a 4-2 ballgame.

Pikeville added a run in the top of the sixth to make it 5-2.

The Golden Bears would add two more in the top of the sixth to chase DeBlauw, but freshman reliever Ben Wigger shut down Tech over the final 1-1/3 innings to help the Bears hold on for the win.

Collins again paced the Bears' attack, having a career day by going 3-4 with a home run and a triple, scoring three runs, driving in three and missing the cycle by a double. Tardy also had a pair of hits and two runs scored in the win.

DeBlauw improved to 5-3, going 5-2/3, giving up four earned runs while striking out four. Wigger picked up his second save of the season with his 1-1/3 innings of shutout ball.

The rains may have washed out the two combatants on Saturday, but Pikeville picked up right where it left off when the games resumed on Sunday, though this time it took some time for the Bears' sticks to get going.

Tech started game three hot, scoring two runs in the bottom of the first to take a quick 2-0 lead.

Starter Adam Severt had the Bears' bats baffled, only giving up two hits over the first five innings. Still, Pikeville senior right-hander Rene Alicea did likewise, preventing

a runner from getting past second base after the first inning.

Finally, the Bears came out of their hibernation in the top of the sixth, scoring four runs on five hits, making it a 4-2 ballgame.

Pitching with a lead, Alicea comfortably shut down the Golden Bears in the sixth and seventh then gave way to Wigger in the eighth.

The freshman rightly retired the first four batters he faced, but with one out and nobody on and the Bears nursing a 4-2 lead, Wigger was struck by the wild bug, walking the next three batters.

With the bases loaded and one man out, the Bears went to the pen and to the lefty Elliott. The freshman struck out his first hitter for the second out of the inning, and on a 2-2 pitch induced a line drive up the middle that shot into the waiting glove of second baseman Nathan Free for the final out.

Tardy paced the Bears offense in game three, going 2-4 with a double, a run scored, and a stolen base. Williamson and freshman first baseman Maverick Barnhill also had a pair of hits each.

Alicea (2-2) picked up the victory, his first in conference play, going seven innings and striking out five, while giving up two earned runs. Elliott's shutdown performance

earned him in second save in three days and his third overall on the season.

Not just satisfied with the series win, the Bears wanted a sweep, and once again came out with guns blazing in the top of the first in game four.

Tardy led things off with a single, moved up on a sacrifice bunt, and then stole third. Sophomore Ryan Bartolon then walked and stole second to put runners on second and third with one out.

Though Tech would get one unearned run in the bottom of the first off senior starter Tony Preston, the two runs would prove to be enough, as the crafty southpaw would not allow another runner to get further than second base for the remainder of the game.

Pikeville, meanwhile would add runs in the third, sixth, and seventh to pad the lead to 5-1 for Preston, who retired eight of his last 10 batters en route to the victory.

Tardy led the way for Pikeville with three runs scored, but it was Preston who was the star. The senior improved to 3-3 on the season and lowered his team-best ERA to 3.24 by going the distance and giving up a mere two hits, while striking out seven.

Preston named MSC Pitcher of the Week

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE – After wrapping up his team's first sweep of a Mid-South Conference series, a Pikeville College pitcher has earned a tip of the cap from the league.

Tony Preston, who won Sunday's finale of the series with West Virginia Tech 5-1 to push his team above .500 for the season, was



Tony Preston

named Pitcher of the Week by the MSC.

Preston, a 6-3 senior lefthander from Louisville, dominated the Golden Bears with a complete-game performance. Over the 7.0 innings, he allowed only two hits and one unearned run. In the win, he struck out seven and walked only two.

"Tony was just what his nickname implies – money," said Coach Don

Asby. "He was as good as I've seen him over the last two seasons, and we're very proud of him picking up this honor. It is well deserved and says a lot about his performance, because I'm sure there were a lot of other pitchers in the league who had great games too."

The win raised Preston to 3-3 on the season with a team-best 3.24 ERA. In 41.2 innings, he is averaging more than a strikeout per inning with 43. In addition, he has given up only 32 hits ad 23 runs, 15 of which have been earned.

Alive Loyd College baseball program hits losing skid

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIPPA PASSES – The Alice Lloyd College Baseball Eagles resumed play last week, traveling to Williamsburg to play the University of the Cumberland. They had 13 hits, but only three runs in an 18-3 loss. Lamar Williams and Kyle Potter had three hits each and C.J. Lynn and Adam Adkins had two hits apiece for the Eagles. Travis Slusher was the losing pitcher as ALC suffered the setback.

The Eagles traveled to Chattanooga, Tenn. last Thursday to play Tennessee Temple. Both games of the doubleheader went into extra innings with the Eagles losing 6-5 in nine innings and 7-6 in eight innings. Williams, Lynn, Kevin Slone and Trenton VanHoose had two hits each in the first game. VanHoose and Carlos Armenteros had home runs in the game. Williams was the losing pitcher. In the second game, Williams and Ronnie Johnson had two hits each. Williams also had two RBIs.

Kevin Davidson was the losing pitcher.

The Eagles hosted Brescia University in a three-game KIAC Conference series on Friday and Saturday. In the single game on Friday, Brescia came away with a 9-8 win in 10 innings. Williams, Slone, VanHoose, and Lynn had two hits each for the Scott Cornett-coached Alice Lloyd team. Tyler Turner had a hit and three RBIs. Matthew Toney also had a hit and two RBIs. Timmy Taylor was the losing pitcher.

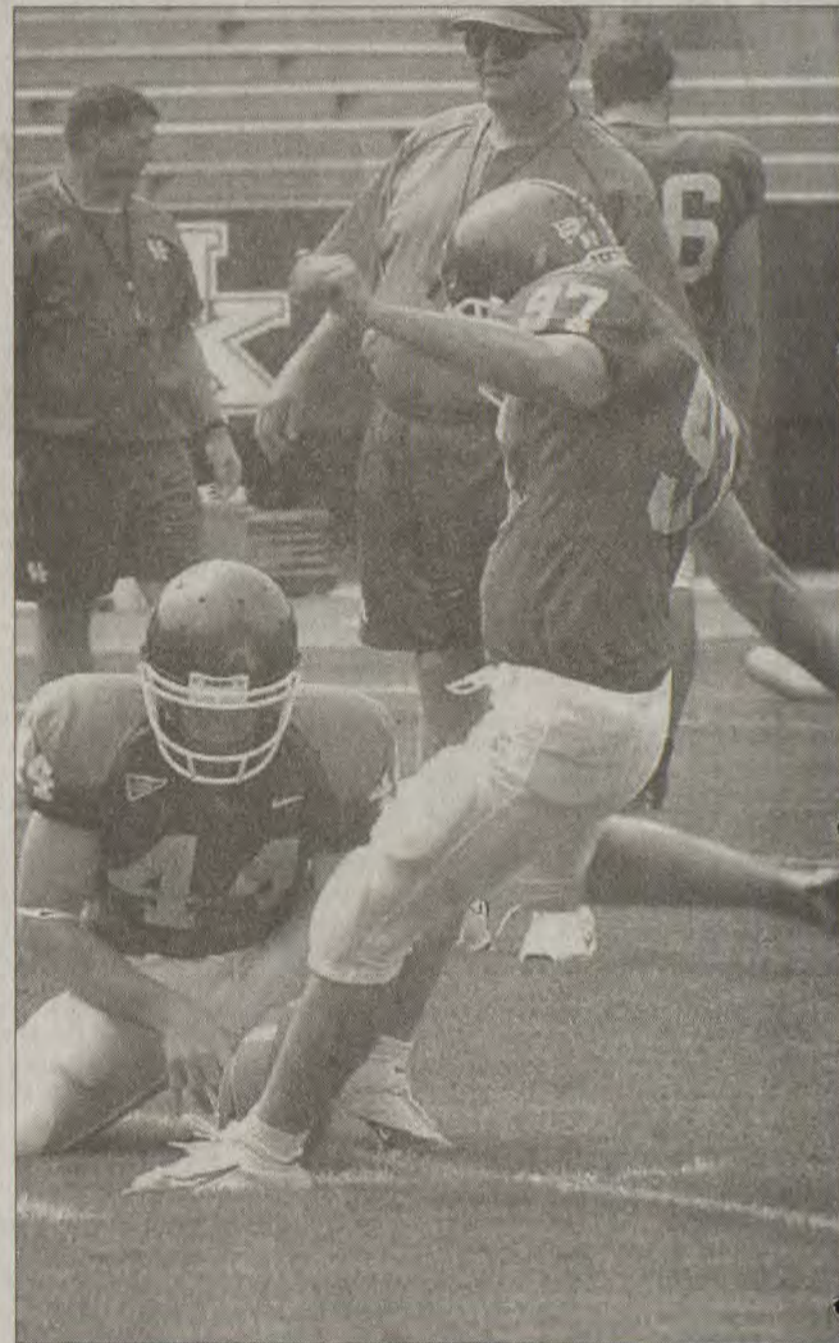
In the doubleheader on Saturday, Brescia won the first game, 11-3. Armenteros had a hit and two RBIs and Turner had a hit and an RBI. Slusher was the losing pitcher. The Eagles fought back to win the second game 10-5. Kevin Davidson was the winning pitcher. The Eagles had 13 hits to go along with the 10 runs. Adkins had three hits and an RBI. Johnson had two hits and two RBIs. Slone had two hits and an RBI. Turner had an RBI to go along with his two

hits.

Softball: The ALC Lady Eagles lost a hard fought doubleheader to Berea last week, falling 8-4 and 6-5. In the first game, the Lady Eagles had 10 hits. Alison Gannaway led ALC with a double and four RBIs. Kendra Ratliff and Jessica Music each had two singles. Krista Hardy, Taran Cody, Misty Wells, Lauren Combs and Elisabeth Hartley each had singles in the game.

In the second game, the Lady Eagles were trailing by one run with the bases loaded and two outs in the last inning. The game ended on an exceptional play by one of the Berea infielders. Gannaway and Hardy each had three hits. Becky Thomas had a double. Wells and Ratliff also had singles in the game.

Golf: The ALC men's golf team won at Berea last week. Catlin Lester and Zach Meadows led the way for the Eagles, shooting a 73 and 75, respectively.



PRACTICE TIME: Hazard High School graduate JJ Housley put down a kick during a recent University of Kentucky spring football practice.

Huffman earns win in Morehead State's blowout

TIMES STAFF REPORT

MOREHEAD – The Morehead State University Baseball Eagles tied a school record by banging out 26 hits in a 24-5 win over Alice Lloyd College Tuesday afternoon at Allen Field. Senior second baseman Chris McCaslin also tied a school record with five runs scored.

After Alice Lloyd struck for two unearned runs in the top of the first inning, MSU scored 11 unanswered runs, including eight in the bottom of the first inning, two in the second and one in the third. ALC cut the lead to 11-5 with a three-run fourth inning, but MSU countered with five runs in the bottom of the fourth, one in the fifth and seven in the sixth to round out the scoring.

McCaslin had five hits in six at bats for

the MSU Eagles. Nick Bobrowski had four hits with two runs scored and three runs batted in. Justin Johnson had two hits, including a three-run home run, and a total of four RBI. Drew Lee had three hits and scored four runs. Twelve different MSU players had base hits and twelve scored runs.

Starter Chase Huffman (1-2), a freshman who graduated from Pikeville High School last spring and the first of five MSU pitchers, got the win. Jeremy Shepherd and Trenton Vanhose each drove in two runs for Alice Lloyd. ALC starter Kyle Potter (0-2) was chased in the first inning and took the loss.

Morehead State broke a 10-game losing streak and now stands 5-21 on the season. Alice Lloyd dropped to 6-20.

MSU will play host to Tennessee Tech for an Ohio Valley Conference series today and Saturday. Friday's doubleheader and Saturday's single game are both scheduled for 1 p.m. EDT.



SOFTBALL AT THE NEXT LEVEL: The Alice Lloyd College softball team is made up of players from several Eastern Kentucky counties, including Floyd.

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THROUGH MY EYES

Don't know what you got 'til it's gone

by Kathy J. Prater
Features Editor

I hate to repeat a subject but my dear little Cammie is still on my mind. All was going well last week and the kids and I actually got to pick her up and bring her home on Friday evening.



Kathy Prater
Lifestyles editor

It was great to get her back home and see her checking to make sure her food and water bowls were still in the same place and to have her resting nearby. Only problem was, she would only rest if someone rested with her. That meant that I spent nearly all of my weekend either napping beside her or reading or watching tv as she lay nearby.

Sounds like a blissful weekend, doesn't it? And in some ways, it was. Rarely do I ever let a weekend go by doing so little, but every time I got up to attend to

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DINNER DIVA

The KISS Principle for side dishes

by Leanne Ely

I read an article the other day talking about how we spend all of our cooking time on the main course or entrée; so much so, that we "neglect" doing anything special with the side dishes. The author insinuated that cooking vegetables by either "just steaming" them or serving a big green salad on the side constitutes "culinary neglect." The article went on to provide an argument on why we should spend equal time cooking our vegetables, utilizing side dish recipes, preparations, sauces and the whole nine yards.

I couldn't disagree with this more. Sometimes, just getting a salad on the table in addition to the entrée is in and of itself, a feat to be proud of at my house!

Listen, I don't know about you, but I don't have the luxury of an hour to prepare dinner. I need it to be fast, easy and nutritious. So

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Leanne Ely



photo by Kathy J. Prater

This happy crew turned out to all be winners in the Reading Fair once the judging was over and completed. Byron Hammond, left, won second place for his "Curious George Goes to the Doctor" entry; while Lauren and Lindsey Nelson were awarded the first place prize in the Family Projects category for their project on the book "Caps for Sale" by Esphyr Slobodkin. Betty Porter, great-grandmother of the trio, was happy to share the festive day at school with the children.



photo by Kathy J. Prater

Abby James used her daddy's favorite childhood book, pictured here a little worse for wear, for inspiration in the crafting of her Reading Fair project on "The Gingerbread Man." Abby also handmade the very edible gingerbread house shown in the photo.



Photo by Kathy J. Prater

Audrey Griffith and mom, Beth, worked together on Audrey's contribution to the Reading Fair. Their inspiration came from the book "No Jumping on the Bed" by Tedd Arnold (an activity that Audrey said she "sometimes" engages in herself).



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Hannah Rose Hamilton was happy to talk about her Reading Fair project based on the book "Cinderella" by Charles Perrault as mom, Elizabeth, and baby sister, Halle, joined her for lunch and the special day of fun at WCS last week.

Reading Fair a hit with students and families

by Kathy J. Prater
FEATURES EDITOR

Tumbling, curiosity seeking monkeys, superheroes, princesses, gingerbread men, ill-fated oceanliners and lions, witches and wardrobes were only a small glimpse into the wide world of reading adventure displayed last week in the Wesley Christian School gymnasium. Students and their families were treated to a special day of fun as a reward for the many hours of work that they had invested into the projects on display at the school's recent Reading Fair.

"This is the first year we have had a Reading Fair," said school principal Janie Tinscher. "In previous years, we

have had science fairs but this year we thought we'd do something a little different."

And different it was as students eagerly talked about and displayed for all the many projects they had worked on alone, and with their families. Students K thru 8th grade selected favorite books and then set about creatively retelling the stories via posterboard and a variety of art supplies and household items.

From a pair of teeny-tiny pink pajamas to stuffed monkeys and fairy tale carriages, students incorporated paint, glitter, glue and more to express their love of favorite books and stories.

"At first, when she chose Cinderella, I didn't know what in the

world we were going to do to make it come alive," said Elizabeth Hamilton, mother of Hannah, who won second place in the "family projects" category. "But once we got started, ideas just kept coming and the more we worked, the more fun we had."

In addition to the special display of their work at the Reading Fair, students also treated their families to a special Easter chapel service, a grandparents luncheon and a Book Fair before heading out for the day to begin their Easter break from studies.

"I wasn't exactly sure how the Reading Fair was going to go over," Tinscher said. "But apparently everyone had a lot of fun and the students all really enjoyed working on their

projects...I guess we'll try it again next year."

Winners of the Reading Fair were as follows:

Family Projects - Lauren and Lindsey Nelson, 1st place; Hannah Hamilton, 2nd place; Jack Lakin, 3rd place.

K-4 thru 1st grade - Anna James, 1st place; Byron Hammond and Abigail Estep (TIE), 2nd place; Meredith Wells, 3rd place.

2nd thru 5th grade - Tess Lakin, 1st place; Abby James, 2nd place; Olivia Davis, 3rd place.

6th thru 8th grade - Catherine Tinscher, 1st place; Kristen Fitch, 2nd place; Vanessa Sloan and Kelsey Hall (TIE), 3rd place.

Saving it for good

by Marla Cilley

Why do we save our good stuff for a special occasion? Make memories now with your pretty things so your children will know they are special to you!

1. Good china

2. Nice glasses
3. Linen table cloths.
4. Pretty underwear/night gowns
5. Good purses
6. New towels
7. Special bottles of bubble bath and soap
8. Cloth napkins
9. Candles
10. Good silverware
11. Fancy tea pots or silver tea services
12. Cute stationery and notepads

We all have some of these things stashed in our cabinets, linen closets and our dresser drawers. They are just

sitting there unloved and collecting dust. We got them for wedding presents or our parents handed them down to us. You may have purchased them for yourself. They are all waiting to be unpacked and used to bless us or our families.

Let me tell you why I think they are unloved and why we don't use them. We have put them in a place that we can't easily get to them. They are in a box in the garage, On a shelf in the basement, stuck so far back under your cabinets, that it would take two hours to pull them out or they are on the very top shelf and you need a ladder to get

to them. Then if you do get them out, they are filthy dirty and need to be washed. We don't have time to enjoy our pretty things, so we hide them away. That way, we don't have to see them and feel guilty about not using them or, perhaps, we simply really don't love them at all.

If we will get rid of the clutter that is in our kitchen, our linen closets and our china cabinets, we will have more room for the things that we love. When we take the time to get them clean, they will be ready to use. There is another benefit, also. When we set a formal

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Family Medicine

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Chronic whiplash often improves with osteopathic manipulation

sufficient tension to hold the head in a position to see the road. When your car suddenly decelerates as it strikes another object or accelerates when it's struck from the rear by another vehicle, your neck is put under tremendous strain.

While your body — supported by the car seat, seatbelt, shoulder harness, feet and arms — slows nearly as fast as the car, the heavy head continues forward or backward, depending upon the forces in the wreck. The head doesn't stop until it has reached or exceeded the normal limits of the neck's mobility. Further, this immense strain occurs so fast that the muscles don't have sufficient time to react. They and the ligaments of the neck get injured and become the source of pain in a whiplash injury.

The initial severe pain of whiplash typically subsides enough to allow return to normal activities in two to eight weeks. However, as your son

has found out, the acute phase of whiplash is often followed by a period of several months of chronic discomfort. This may include neck ache and headache, as well as soreness and muscle tightness in the upper back.

In this chronic phase of whiplash, tests like X-rays and MRIs often are unable to find a clearly identifiable abnormality that causes pain. I find, however, that my patients with chronic whiplash complaints typically have signs of abnormal motion of the muscles and bones in the neck and back. This abnormality is subtle. Osteopathic physicians, chiropractors and physical therapists are trained to diagnose these types of muscle injuries through physical exam.

Identifying the problem is the first step to resolving it. Physical therapy and osteopathic manipulative treatment usually promote healing. Antiinflammatory medications and muscle relaxants can also help the

injured tissues heal. It takes time to heal the damage that has been done, and healed tissue is not the same as "never injured" tissue. Most people are well within a year but can still tell in subtle ways that their neck isn't the same as it was before their injury. Perhaps your son would benefit from an examination by an osteopathic physician.

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Question: About a year ago my son was in a bad car accident but has fully recovered from his broken bones and deep cuts. He lost a lot of blood. However, he still has pain because of the whiplash he experienced. What can be done to help him?

Answer: Although it may not have been as apparent as the broken bones and lacerations that your son experienced, whiplash can cause ligament and muscle damage. This damage can extend from the neck muscles and supporting ligaments to the arteries

that supply blood to the brain. Regardless of the extent of underlying damage, whiplash injuries can cause long-lasting discomfort.

Before I get to the heart of your question, let's look at upper body anatomy and its consequences. The head — a relatively heavy object — is secured to the end of a flexible support that we call the neck. Unfortunately, this flexibility comes at a price. The muscles and ligaments that move and support the neck are easily injured in auto accidents.

As you drive down the highway, your neck muscles are only under

For further information, please contact the center at 478-5550.

■ Brian H. Akers, Center Coordinator.

Clark Elementary

■ Dairy Queen coupon cards for sale - \$10 each. Contact any Clark student or call Family Resource Center for information.

■ F.I.T. Club meets each Tuesday and Wednesday after school, 3:15-4:15 p.m. (Fitness activities for 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students.) Focus on physical exercise and nutrition.

**Fridays are "School Spirit" days! (All year long!) Wear Clark colors (green and gold) or Clark t-shirts. Students, staff, parents - show your support for CES!

■ Nurse services: Floyd County Health Department nurses will be in the Resource Center on selected dates. Now taking appointments for 6th grade exams, WIC, and well-child exams for birth-18 years. Flu shots may also be scheduled. Call 886-0815 for an appointment.

■ Lost and Found located in Resource Center.

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

Duff Elementary

■ FRC is also in need of clothing, sizes 3T thru adult, for emergency clothing use and burnouts. If you have clothing to donate, please call the FRC.

■ 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.

May Valley Elementary

■ May 10, 11 - Kindergarten registration. Requirements: physical, original immunization certificate, eye exam, birth certificate, social security card. May begin registration process without having all items completed but items need to be complete before student's entry into school. Call 285-0883 to schedule a registration

appointment if the above dates are not convenient.

■ 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

■ April 12 - "Give Yourself a Break Day," 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Mountain Arts Center. All parents invited!

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

■ Parent lending library available to all parents for video/book check-outs. A variety of topics are available.

■ Family Resource Center is open weekdays, 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Center is located upstairs in the old high school building, on the McDowell Elementary School campus. For further information, call Clara Johnson, director, at 377-2678. The McDowell FRC provides services to all MES students and their families, regardless of income.

Mountain Christian Academy

■ Now accepting applications for enrollment for Preschool-8th grade for the 2007 fall semester. Tuition assistance and bus transportation is available. For more information or a tour of the school, call 285-5141 or 285-5142.

■ 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, regard-

less of income.

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

South Floyd Youth Services Center

■ Parents needing assistance with daycare may contact Mable Hall for information, or the "A Step Ahead" daycare center, at 452-1100.

■ SFMS parents with concerns about your child's grades, visit the STI Home! site at <http://iod.ssts.com> and click on the STI program. Select state, county, school, child's pin number and password. You may view your child's attendance record, class average, schedule, grades, and discipline referrals. Questions? Call 452-9607.

■ Floyd County substance abuse counselor will be on the South Floyd campus half a day on Mondays and for a full day on Fridays. If you need to contact the counselor, please call the Youth Service Center.

■ Call center for: list of visiting speakers and presentations to be held throughout year; to make appointments to attend Parent Volunteer Training sessions; or for information in regard to Adult Education programs.

■ 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.

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

■ For more information call 452-9600 or 452-9607, ext. 243 or 153.

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Elementary/Mud Creek Family Resource & Youth Service Center

■ Lost & Found located in Family Resource Center.

■ The Mud Creek FRYSC is located on the right, by the school gymnasium. Services are offered to all families, regardless of income. For more information, call Anita Tackett, center coordinator at 587-2233.

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

■ Monthly meetings: "Nutrition/Plan Healthy" - second Tuesday of each month, 10 a.m., in library; "OES Homemakers" - second Tuesday of each month, 11 a.m., in library.

■ Lost & Found located in the Family Resource Center. Items not claimed within 3 weeks become the property of the FRC.

■ The FRC accepts donations of children's clothing, shoes, belts, book bags, etc. May be used but need to be in good condition. Donated items will be appreciated and utilized by OES students.

■ The Family Resource Center is located in the central building of W.D. Osborne Elementary. Those wishing more information about the center are welcome to visit, or call. Ask for Cissy (center coordinator). Center telephone and fax: (606) 452-4553.

Wesley Christian School

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

■ For more information about Wesley Christian School, call 874-8328.

BSCTC Adult Education & GED

■ Mondays: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. - McDowell FRC, Martin Comm. Ctr., Auxier Learning Ctr., and BSCTC; 1-4:30 p.m. - Layne House, BSCTC; 4:30-9 p.m., Auxier Learning Ctr.

■ Tuesdays: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. - Mud Creek Clinic, BSCTC; 1-4:30 p.m. - Dixie Apts., Betsy Layne FRYSC, BSCTC; 6-8 p.m. - Auxier Learning Ctr.

■ Wednesdays: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. - Martin Comm. Ctr.; Auxier Learning Ctr.; BSCTC; 1-4:30 p.m. - David Craft Center, BSCTC; 6-9 p.m. - BSCTC.

■ Thursdays: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. - BSCTC, Mud Creek Clinic, Weeksbury Comm. Ctr.; 1-4:30 p.m. - BSCTC, Betsy Layne YSC., Weeksbury Comm. Ctr.; 4:30-9 p.m. - Martin Comm. Ctr.

■ Adult Education teachers are: Ron Johnson, Stephania Conn, Lynn Hall, Nancy Bormes, Vanessa Adkins and Susan Stephens.

■ Program manager: Kay Hale Ross (886-7334).

School Happenings

Floyd County Schools 2007-2008 Kindergarten registration packets are available at local schools. Parents and guardians are invited to visit their schools and pick up a packet.

Adams Middle School Youth Services Center

■ Exercise class for adults now in session. Classes conducted by Floyd County Health Dept. staff. Those interested may contact the center for more information.

■ The Youth Services Center is open each weekday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Coordinator is Michelle Keathley. Center telephone is 886-1297. Please call for information on center programs and services.

Allen Central High School

■ Center hours: 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Mon. thru Fri. Sharon Collins, coordinator. Telephone 358-3048. Center provides services for all families regardless of income.

Allen Central Middle School

■ Career Decisions and Job Development videos available in YSC lending library.

■ The ACMS Youth Service Center offers services to all families, regardless of income. For more information, call Marilyn Bailey, center coordinator, at 358-0134.

Allen Elementary and Family Resource Youth Service Center

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

Betsy Layne Elementary

■ Lost and Found items will be located in the center. Items not claimed within two weeks will become FRYSC property.

■ Center hours are 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., Mon. thru Fri. Center offers services to all families, regardless of income.

■ The Betsy Layne Elementary Family Resource Youth Service Center is located in the 7th and 8th grade wing. 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.

Diva

instead of preparing elaborate side dishes, I go the fast and easy route. A thrown together salad from ready-to-go salad greens from the grocery store and some simple steamed broccoli make me feel like I've done my nutritional best. When you think about it, both verdant veggies help balance out the day by giving you two servings of veggies instead of just the one. At my house, dinner is all about catching up on the veggies...we don't do real well with veggie eating the rest of the day.

The thing I hate about articles like the one I just mentioned is that they make people feel guilty for not cooking "enough." As if you're not doing enough by "just steaming" your vegetables! That's nonsense. Besides, have you ever tried "just steamed"

broccoli with a little dollop of mayo on the top? (low-fat of course!). This is how we eat it in my house and it's delicious. Before you turn your nose up at it, try it! My high school sweetheart's mother made broccoli this way and it actually taught me to eat broccoli and love it!

And that would be my advice to y'all: if you aren't getting veggies on the table each night because you "don't have time" to fix them, don't abandon the produce ship! Just make them simpler—steam them, make a salad, buy them frozen and heat them up. Whatever you do, don't chide yourself for "culinary neglect" if you don't have the time for fancy footwork with your veggies!

Remember the KISS principle: keep it simple, sweetie! That's what

SIDE dishes are all about—simple, nutritious and all about EASY!

Here is a non-recipe recipe for a great side dish that definitely seems like fancy footwork, but absolutely is not. I have measurements for those of you who like them, but I never measure for this because it is a thrown together side dish that is REALLY easy. I make this when I already have the oven on, otherwise I wouldn't bother! Try it, you'll LOVE it!

Leanne's Baked Cauliflower

Serves 4

1 head cauliflower steamed
1 tablespoon (thereabouts) butter
1 tablespoon (thereabouts) Dijon

mustard

1 cup (thereabouts) lowfat shredded cheddar cheese

Preheat oven to 375 degrees.

Place steamed cauliflower in an 8 x 8 baking dish. Rub butter over the top, rub the mustard over the top, sprinkle cheese on the top. Place cauliflower in the oven for about 10 minutes or until cheese is hot and bubbly.

For more help putting dinner on your table check out Leanne's website www.SavingDinner.com or her Saving Dinner Book series published by Ballantine and her New York Times Best Selling book *Body Clutter*, published by Fireside. Copyright 2007; Leanne Ely. Used by permission in this publication.

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Extension Notes

Time to think about termites

Ray Tackett

FLOYD COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE

Springtime, with its warmer temperatures and more abundant rainfall, is typically when many winged termites emerge inside homes and other structures. Termites swarm from the colony to disperse, fall to the ground, find mates, and start new colonies in the soil.

From now through May, you might see swarms of winged termites, called swarmers, inside your home, signaling an infestation that can cause extensive and costly damage. Since swarmers are attracted to light, you often see them, or their shed wings, around windows, doors and light fixtures.

We also see winged ants in the springtime. By examining the insect you can learn whether it's a termite or an ant. Termites have straight antennae; ants have elbowed antennae. Also, termites have uniform waists; ants have constricted waists between body regions. Termites have two pair of wings of equal size. Ants also have two pair of wings, but the forewings are longer than the hind wings.

Other signs of a termite infestation are pencil-thin mud "tubes" on inside and outside surfaces such as foundation walls, piers, sills and floor joists. Termites make these mud tunnels to travel between underground colonies and your home. Another sign of an infestation is damaged wood hollowed out along the grain with dried bits of mud or soil lining the feeding galleries.

Termite feeding, and resulting damage, can remain undetected in exposed wood because the outer surface usually is left intact.

You can reduce the risk of a termite attack by following these suggestions:

- Store wood off of the ground.
- Keep moisture from accumulating near the foundation.
- Reduce humidity in crawl spaces.
- Store firewood, lumber or other wood debris away from the foundation.
- Don't store wood in the crawl space.
- Sparingly use decorative wood chips and mulch.
- Consider having your home treated by a professional pest control firm.

Many infestations result from direct contact between structural wood and the soil, which gives termites access to food, moisture, shelter and provides a hidden entry into your home. Make sure to have at least six inches between the ground level and wood siding, porch steps, latticework, door or window frames, posts and similar wooden elements. Contrary to popular belief, pressure-treated wood isn't immune to infestation because termites will enter through cut ends or cracks and build tunnels over the surface to susceptible wood above.

Since termites are attracted to moisture, they are more likely to enter a structure when soil next to the foundation consistently is moist. So, divert water away from the foundation with properly functioning gutters, downspouts, and splash blocks. Repair leaking faucets, water pipes and air conditioning units. Adjust the soil grade next to the foundation so that surface water drains away from the building, and adjust lawn sprinklers and irrigation systems to minimize water pooling near the foundation.

Reduce humidity in crawl spaces by providing adequate ventilation. Don't allow shrubbery and other vegetation to grow over vents; it will inhibit cross-ventilation. You can reduce crawl space moisture by installing four to six milliliter polyethylene sheeting over about 75 percent of the soil surface.

Firewood, lumber and other wood debris stored against the foundation or in crawl spaces, attract termites and provide a food source. This practice also gives termites a hidden entry into the home and allows them to bypass any existing termiticide soil barrier.

Cellulose-containing materials including mulch and wood chips attract termites. Use these materials sparingly, especially when you have other conditions conducive to termite problems. Never allow mulch to touch wood siding, door frames or window frames. Consider using crushed stone or pea gravel instead. These materials are less attractive to termites and can reduce other pests such as millipedes, pillbugs, earwings and crickets.

The best way to prevent termite infestations is to have your home treated by a professional pest control firm.

There are two general categories of termite treatment, liquids and baits. Liquid treatments are intended to provide an effective, long-lasting chemical barrier, which termites cannot breach, around and beneath your home. Termite baits are installed in plastic stations below the ground in the yard and occasionally indoors. Foraging termites consume the bait and share it with their nest-mates, resulting in a gradual decline in termite numbers.

What should you look for when choosing a pest control firm? The firm should be licensed by the Kentucky Department of Agriculture. Membership in the Kentucky Pest Control Association and/or National Pest Control Association suggests the company is an established firm with access to the technical and training information necessary to correctly do the job. Consider calling at least two to three companies and asking for references.

Avoid pest control firms that pressure you into immediately signing a contract with "specials" or scare tactics.

Termiticides are extensively tested for adverse effects. Based on current research, registered termiticides present no significant hazard to humans, pets or the environment when applied according to label directions. Source: Mike Potter

For more information on termites and other pests, contact the Ray Tackett at your Floyd County Cooperative Extension Service at 886-2668.

Birth



New Arrival

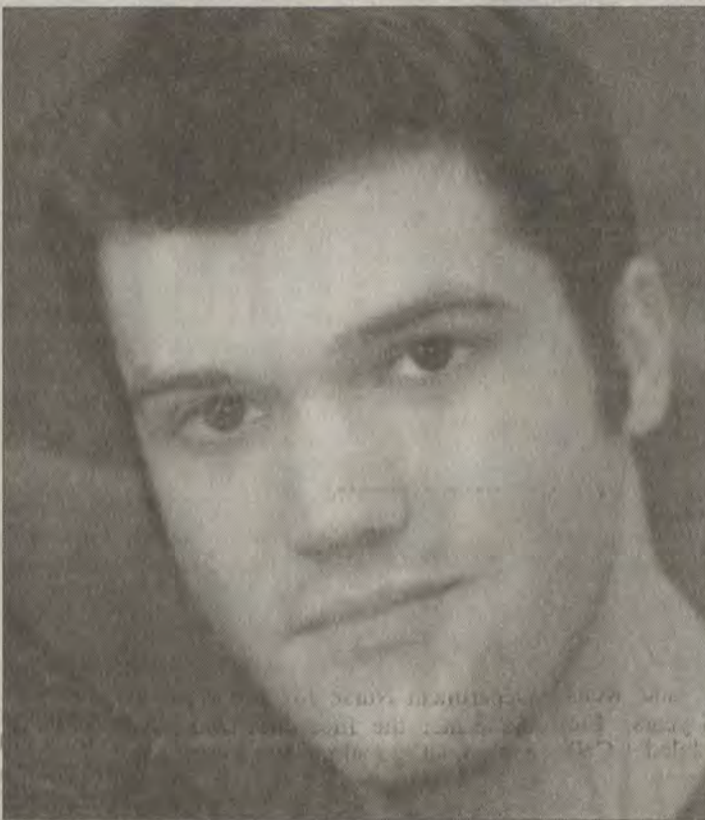
Dennis and LeAnn (Francis) Prater, of Salyersville, are pleased to announce the birth of their first child, a daughter, Emorie Paige Prater. Emorie was born on December 16, 2006, at 10:12 p.m. She weighed 5 lbs., 15 oz., and was 20 and one-half inches long. Her maternal grandparents are Frankie and Peggy Francis, of Garrett. Her paternal grandparents are Bobby and Paulette Prater, of Salyersville. She is the great-granddaughter of Nello and Gladys Francis and Tessie Campbell, of Garrett, and Emogene Howard, of Salyersville.

Need pet pics ASAP!

Critter lovers take notice! Our Critter Corner pics file has become dangerously near empty. Please, send your pet's favorite photo ASAP to: features@floydcountytimes.com, or to The Floyd County Times, P.O. Box 390, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, Attn: Kathy Prater, or just swing by and drop a couple off the next time you're in town! Along with photos, please leave pet's name, owner's name, place of residence and "fun facts" about your pet's favorite habits/activities. We're eager to share, so send those photos in ASAP!

BSCTC Easter Egg Hunt, April 7

Big Sandy Community and Technical College (BSCTC) will host an Easter Egg Hunt, on Saturday, April 7, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., in the Student Center Atrium on the Prestonsburg campus. This event is sponsored by the Student Activities, SGA, Phi Theta Kappa, CARE, Respiratory Care, KANS, and Criminal Justice Clubs. For more information contact Vera Joiner at 886-3863, ext. 64798 or e-mail to: vera.joiner@kctcs.edu



Jon Satrom (Tony) and Katie Mitchell (Maria) will be featured in JWT's Production of West Side Story.

Stage Talk

by Martin Childers

(Martin Childers is Executive Director of the Jenny Wiley Theatre at Prestonsburg. His column about theatre happenings and back stage activities appears weekly.)

One of the great Broadway shows of all time is coming to our stage this summer. West Side Story is a favorite everywhere, and many of the songs are so familiar as to provoke a few sing-alongs in the audience.

"Tonight," "I Feel Pretty," "Something's Coming," "Maria,"

"Somewhere," and "America" are just some of the most popular hits from this show, which first opened in New York in 1957.

The story of rival street gangs, loosely based on "Romeo and Juliet," went on to become an Academy Award winning movie in 1961, starring Natalie Wood, Rita Moreno and Russ Tamblyn, among others.

We have our own great cast assembled, including Jon Satrom as Tony and Katie Mitchell as Maria.

Katie hails from Bowling Green, Kentucky, and this is her second season at Jenny Wiley Theatre. Fans may remember her from roles last year in Nunsense, as Sister Mary Leo, and Footloose, as Urleen. She is a senior at Western Kentucky University pursuing a Performing Arts degree with a Musical

Theater emphasis.

Jon Satrom is making his Jenny Wiley debut this summer, and brings a wealth of experience and musical talent. A graduate of New York University with a degree in Vocal Performance/Music Theater, he spent the past year touring the country in IntraMusic Theatrical's production of Discover Theater. On that tour, Jon played Prince Charming in Cinderella and King Louie in The Jungle Book. His other professional credits include Rolf, in The Sound of Music, Peter in Plain and Fancy and Bert Healy in Annie.

West Side Story opens Friday, July 13, and runs in rotation with our other great musical shows through August 17. The schedule and other information are available at our web site (jwtheatre.com) where you can also find some early bird ticket specials.

Fly Lady

table, we can teach our children proper table manners. Many times we eat with our fingers, when we have sandwiches and pizza. Our children have no clue which fork to use first or how to use a butter knife or even how to cut meat. If we are going to help our children feel comfortable in these types of situations, they need practice. This is a good time to let them practice, setting the table and using their

best table manners. This has become a lost art. They will need this one day, when a boss asks them over for dinner or at their own wedding.

As for the other items you have stashed in dresser drawers, don't wait till your family buries you in them; then is too late for you to feel sexy wearing them. Get them out and wear those pretty undies. You will be so surprised at how good you will feel, and no one will know. This goes for those

night gowns you have stashed away, too. You know, the ones you have gotten for all those Valentine Days.

If you are not going to use them, then you might as well give them to someone that will. If you never liked them, then release them and have no guilt about it. Give them away, someone will love them and you will be blessed by your gift.

Make every day a celebration, by treating your family

like they are company! This is what FLYing is all about. Loving yourself enough to use your pretty things now while you can.

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Fun-filled day of activity as EKSC observes National Astronomy Day, April 14

Join the East Kentucky Science Center as they celebrate National Astronomy Day on Saturday April 14, 2007. Astronomy Magazine, Meade Instruments, and the East Kentucky Astronomical Society will also be joining the Science Center for a truly "out of this world" day.

Events start at the Science Center at 11:00 a.m. and end at 5:00p.m. Visitors will have the chance to build their own rockets and compare the sizes of planets. Other events will include planetarium shows, stargazing lessons, planet walks, and solar viewing. One lucky attendee will win a Meade ETX 90 telescope donated by Meade Instruments.

At 8:00 p.m. the East Kentucky Science Center will join the East Kentucky Astronomical Society at the Stonecrest Golf Course in Prestonsburg to view stars through the Science Centers telescopes and enjoy the beauty of the night sky, weather permitting.

While you're enjoying the events of National Astronomy Day be sure to visit our Exhibits: Earthworks - Virtual Explorations of the Ohio Valley and "Beakmans World On Tour."

For more information about National Astronomy Day call 606-889-0303 or visit us on the web at www.wedoscience.org

Eyes

chores and such, Cammie was right behind me. And once she was up, she'd have to chase a cat or get busy letting our little chihuahua know that she was back in the house and fighting for her share of attention once again. At one point, she even jumped up on the couch to stare out the window and bark at a neighbor's dog who was boldly sniffing around her territory. And that's not mentioning the two times she jumped off the front porch or tried to wander off around the fence into some brush.

In short, it was a lot easier just being lazy with her than it was trying to keep her from hurting herself.

All that activity did little to speed along her healing, especially since she was wearing one of those safety cones around her head and unable to easily navigate where she was going. Once, right after my daughter tried to clean some dried blood from her belly with a wet gauze pad, she bolted, ran into a living room end table (which completely toppled over) and took off down

the hallway. I figured that couldn't be good.

I think I called poor Dr. Rudy about three times over the weekend with worries about her. Finally, after 11 p.m. on Sunday evening, he told me to bring her in the next morning. Once there, the good vet decided to keep her for "a few days."

I miss her terribly, but I know that she is much better off with Rudy keeping check on her condition as well as keeping her contained a bit more than we are able to at

home.

I've been going home to a house that is much neater when I enter the door and a porch that is staying free of "stick" debris - things that would have made me really happy a week ago but now make me sad instead.

I guess it's like "they" always say, you don't miss what you got until it's gone.

And that's sure the way I feel about our Cammie.

I'm praying for a speedy recovery, little girl.

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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, J102: 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, Com 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.; Nathan 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.

Endicott 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.

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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.

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

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Grethel Baptist, State Rt. 3379, (Brainham'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 Craze, 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.

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

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

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

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

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

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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 Vamey, Minister.

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

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

Lighthouse Baptist, 2194 KY Rt. 1428, Prestonsburg: Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Donald Crisp, Minister. home phone 285-3385

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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.

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

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

CATHOLIC

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

CHRISTIAN

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

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

Devotional Spotlight



Attention Church Organizations, send in a picture of your church, pastor, or youth leaders.

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CHURCH OF GOD

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

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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.

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

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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.

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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 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 6 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 Isaacs, Minister.

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

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

PRESBYTERIAN

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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.

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

Rising Sun Ministries, 78 Court Street, Allen, Ky.: Sunday, 10:30 a.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. Pastor: D.P. Curry.

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 91' Mustang LX, low miles, sunroof, 4 cyl. Red with black interior. \$750 call 886-1955 or 205-5531

FOR SALE OR TRADE
 82 Volkswagon Rabbit Convertible. 874-2421 or 259-1844.

FOR SALE
 TRX 450 R 2005 for sale or trade, lots of extras, lots of mototwork.

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.

Job Listings

JOB OPENING
 Help wanted! \$40,000-\$60,000 yearly! Demo, insurance, 401k, paid vacations. Great opportunity. Must submit to drug testing and background screening. Call 789-5301, ask for Jenny.

HOUSEKEEPERS NEEDED Full and part time housekeepers needed. Must work weekends. Must have experience. Come by Microtel Inn and apply.

HELP WANTED
 Care givers needed Call 886-1623, Between 10:00am-5:00pm. Ask for Diane

JOB OPENING
 Truck dispatcher located at Betsy Lane. Good pay, retirement, insurance plan, paid vacations. Must have 1 year experience. 478-9501. Ask for Chris.

JOB OPENING
 Experienced tower climber/ Radio installer needed. Must have valid drivers license. Eastern KY location. Benefits package. Please call (606)-886-3181. For more information, or fax a copy of your resume to (606)- 886-8335. Please do not call unless you have experience in these fields.

JOB OPENING
 Security guards needed for the Pike county and Floyd County area. Please apply at S.W.A.T. Security at 805-633-3798, sign on bonus.

JOB OPENING
 Eleven people needed to start work immediately in permanent full time positions. Paid vacations and advancements available. A large 91 year old company has expanded into the Painstville, KY area. No experience necessary will train those that qualify. \$295 per week to start as per written agreement. Call Monday April 9th only 9am to 5pm. 606-788-7334.

JOB OPENINGS
 C & S Vaults, manufacture of steel burial vaults is seeking a driver for the Inez warehouse. Applicants must have a class B CDL license. Ability to perform physical labor. Must be dependable. Drivers load, unload, and deliver steel grave vaults through out regions in Kentucky, Tennessee, and Ohio, Virginia, and West Virginia. Must be comfortable dealing with customers. Benefits available after 90 days. Full time positions. Please fill out an application and sign up for an interview at C & S Vaults Industrial Dr. Inez, Ky 41224

JOB OPENINGS
 We are seeking a full time driver at our Manton, KY location, to operate company vehicles to transport prod-

ucts to and from specified destinations. This position is responsible for operating company equipment at the job site under the direction of the blaster in charge, performing duties of load/plant crew or shot service crew and or assisting the plant manager. Must possess a current Class A CDL with Hazmat and tanker endorsements and 1 year driving experience. Please forward your response information to 152 Manton Rd, Martin, KY 41649; or Fax: 606-285-5171 or email humanresources@austinpowers.com

HELP WANTED
 Wright Lumber Company is taking applications for the position of truck driver. Must be energetic, neat in appearance and willing to work. Apply in person at the Martin location. No phone calls please.

WANTED:
 Someone to do odd jobs and likes animals call 886-6704.

JOB OPENING
 Otter Creek Correctional Center is currently accepting applications for Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner and Family Practitioner. Must be licensed in the state of KY. Interested applicants may apply in person at 327 Correctional Road, Wheelwright, KY 41669, online at www.correction-scorp.com or you may fax your resume to 606-452-9703. Otter Creek Correctional Center is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

JOB OPENING
 Contract Highwall Mining LLC - (Frankie Justice - Greg Henzman) is now accepting applications for a certified electrician, foreman and other mining positions in Knott and Floyd County. Full time positions available. Excellent pay and benefits including health and dental insurance. Please call our office at 606-437-4603 for an application.

JOB OPENING
 Pro Hair of Pikeville (K-Mart shopping center) and Pro Hair of Prestonsburg (Walmart shopping center) is now taking applications from licensed cosmetologist! Great pay! Hourly plus commissions. Bonus plus vacation pay. Call Prestonsburg Salon 886-1460 or Pikeville Salon 432-0375 or come by for an application.

JOB OPENING
 Immediate opening

for the following full-time positions with a new manufacturing plant located in Wurtland, KY. Experienced Welders/Fabricator, able to work from blueprints and pass welding test. Mining Electrician experience with repairing underground mining equipment.. Machinist experience in line boring. Competitive pay, insurance and 401(k). To apply send cover letter and resume to: Appalachian Fuels, HWM Shop-Attn: Office Manager, 1033 Port Road, Wurtland, KY 41144-0742.

JOB OPENING
 Renos Roadhouse in Prestonsburg is now hiring for all positions. Shifts- Day and Night. Apply in person only.

MISC

HELP WANTED
 Looking for someone to do plumbing work, some carpentry work. General handy man. Call Russell Wallen at 874-2512 or come by Hill Street at Dwale.

JOB OPENING
On call in home assistance caring for the elderly. Call Joyce at 606-889-8529. Also, accepting applications for caregivers.

Services

LAWN CARE
 If Lawn Care and tree trimming needed throughout Summer months. Please call Rondell at 606-358-2117 morning or evening.

MERCHANDISE

Kays Wallpaper
 205 Depot Rd. Painstville, KY.
 -Quality wall covering all under \$10.00. New hours M-F 3-6. Sat 12-4. Call 789-4127. You may call after 10am for service other than regular hours

FOR SALE
 Feed for sale and flea market items for sale. Call 452-9651. Located near Wheelwright off 122 on Buckingham.

Animal

PUPPIES FOR SALE AKC Bloodhound puppies, first shots, wormed. Call 606-652-4986.

FOR SALE TO A GOOD HOME

Neutered male Doberman Mix. Great watch dog but is also very affectionate to owners. \$50.00. CALL 424-1707. Also **FREE TO A GOOD HOME..** A Neutered male cat, gray s tiger stripes. Excellent mousetr! 424-1701. Leave MSG.

Yard Sale

YARD SALE
 April 6-8 (Fri-Sun) 9a-4p at 65 Honeycutt Dr. Near Tech 21; Prestonsburg.

YARD SALE
 Due to downsizing, items collected from home plus antiques from previously owned antique shop. Antique furniture, carnival glass, numerous household items. Located at 408 LakeSide Dr. Jenkins, KY.

YARD SALE
 April 10th and 11th. Children and adults clothing. Toys, household items, stereo, karaoke machine. Located 2.2 miles up Rt. 404 turn right up Sam Hale Branch. First house on right 886-2685.

YARD SALE
 Women and men clothing, baby clothing, prom dresses, sizes 10,13,14,16 2XL. Comforter set, movies and misc. items. April 3, 4, 5 and 6th. Rt. 404 David across from the David for Fire department. C. Nelson Dr.

YARD SALE
 Thursday April 7th and Tuesday April 10 9-5 at Bucks Branch and Spurlock- Watch for signs! Household items, some plus size cloths, lots of stuff.

Misc.

ITEMS FOR SALE
 Shot Gum, 1925 asking \$500, free fire wood cut! Apartment size refrigerator for sale. \$100. Colonial rug for

sale, \$20. Call 285-3704

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FOR SALE
 3 Lawn Mowers, 2 new, 1 slightly used. Call 886-6378

FOR SALE
 Glass Antique show case and other antique items available. Call 259-8411 or 874-2421

LOT FOR RENT
 Located at Old Allen Road. \$200 per month. City sewer available. 874-2421 and 259-1844.

Want to buy

WANTED TO BUY
 Interested in buying land or home from Hindman to Martin or McDowell area. 606-634-2960

REAL ESTATE

FOR SALE
 Gas well interest for sale. Owners desire to sell their 20% interest in 2 gas wells at Viper, Ky. If seriously interested call 478-1002

House

HOUSES FOR SALE BY OWNER
 Located in Prestonsburg,

walking distance to school. 1 house, brick, fenced in back yard. 2-3 rooms. Other one is 3 BR 2 bath with siding. Located next door to each other. Asking \$173,700 Call 886-1813 or 886-0769

HOUSE FOR SALE 3.5 acres 3 BR 2 bath, attached 2 car garage with work shop or 1/2 acre lot for sale. Prestonsburg, meadows branch area. Call 889-0149.

HOUSE FOR SALE 4 BR Brick house apx 1500 sq. ft. 2 baths, living room, family room, kitchen, utility room, large deck, double carport on nice corner lot. Hardwood floors in living room, kitchen, family room and one bedroom. New carpet in 3 bedrooms. Also has Gas log fire place, electric heat pump. Located 2 miles up Abbott Rd. on Frasure Hill Dr. Prestonsburg, KY. 606-886-6778. Shown by appointment. www.sharphome.com

PRICE REDUCED NOW! SELL NOW! Two houses!!! One is 4 BR, living room, dining room, kitchen, bath. The other house is 2 BR, living, big kitchen, bath, built over garage work shop and laundry room, 2 outside storage building. Natural gas, paved parking, chain link

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Land Agent/Eng Tech

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fenced yard. 7/10 acre lot. Very livable move in condition. All for a very reasonable price of \$42,000. Land contracts. Salyers Branch, Hueysville area. Call 606-358-9346

HOUSE FOR SALE 3 BR 2 bath house completely remodeled inside and out. South River view lane. Prestonsburg. 886-8991.

HOUSE FOR SALE Newly constructed house for sale located at Abbott Creek. Vaulted living room ceiling, 3 BR, bonus room, fireplace, with cherry hardwood floors and cabinets with spacious attached garage. Located 4 miles from us 23. Panoramic view located in new subdivisions. Seller willing to help with closing costs! Call 606-285-0051. Prestonsburg. 886-evenings 606-377-6042

HOUSE FOR SALE 4 BR Brick house apx 1500 sq. ft. 2 baths, living room, family room, kitchen, utility room, large deck, double carport on nice corner lot. Hardwood floors in living room, kitchen, family room and one bedroom. New carpet in 3 bedrooms. Also has Gas log fire place, electric heat pump. Located 2 miles up Abbott Rd. on Frasure Hill Dr. Prestonsburg, KY. 606-886-6778. Shown by appointment. www.sharphome.com

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HOUSE FOR SALE 388 Hammond Rd Prestonsburg 4 BR 3 full bath, jacuzzi tub in master bedroom. All kitchen appliances, security system, family room has hardwood floors with gas fire place. All new paint. 1 car garage, large deck over looking 1/2 acre flat fenced yard. 2 min. to RT. 23. 5 min to downtown Prestonsburg. Recently appraised at \$156,000. Priced for quick sale

FOR RENT
 Beauty shop equip with 3 stations and tanning bed. Would consider renting for commercial use other than beauty shop. Rt. 122 1 mile South of Martin across from Garth Technical School. Must have references. 285-9112.

FOR SALE
 Property for sale between Prestonsburg and Painstville. Also, double wide for rent. \$500 plus deposit. Call 606-

Storage Units for rent
 10x10 \$40.00
 10x20 \$60.00
 10x30 \$80.00
 Located on 1428 Old Allen Rd.
 Call 874-4511.

HOME FOR SALE
 2 1/2 Miles on Abbott, at 111 Creekside. Maple Cabinetry, carpet, 2 BR, fireplace. Recently remodeled. Call 886-0893.

House for sale
 Very well build home with heritage. Corner lot across from old Allen Grade School. 4 BR, LR, DR, LR built in kitchen, Utility room, family room. Lots of closets and storage space. Carpet covered hardwood floors. Full sized unfurnished basement and new roof. Shown by appointment. Interested buyers only. 606-874-9520 606-874-917

789-6721 or 792-792-6721. No pets.

LEGALS

FOR SALE

Baby farm for sale possible commercial site 6.50 acres with house and out-building approximately 3/4- 1 acre building site out of floor plain. Location: Just above Mtn. Arts Center on Mountain Parkway. Contact Franklin Fitzpatrick at 886-3533 after 6pm. Interested parties only.

FARM FOR SALE

Floyd county 75 acres more or less, rt. 1100 off US 23 East Point Upper Little Paint. Lum Derossett Branch. Call 606-325-4430 or 606-325-2809. Level- Sloping and timber.

RENTALS

APARTMENT

APT FOR RENT
Upstairs, nice, clean studio apartment. Electric heat and air. \$350 per month. Deposit required. Call 886-6208.

APT FOR RENT
Now Renting Park place Apartments. Rent starting at: 1BR - \$280, 2BR - \$304. All electric HUD accepted. Call 886-0039
Equal Housing Opportunity

APT FOR RENT
New 1 BR apt. Appliances furnished, all utilities included. \$520 per month, 1 car parking. 889-1999

FOR RENT
Furnished apartment, real clean, quiet near Jenny Wiley lake. Suitable for 2 people. NO drugs. Call 886-3941.

FOR RENT
Branham Heights Apartments - Now accepting applications for 1 and 2 BR apts. Rent based on 30% of income. Appliances furnished. very nice, central heat and air, water, garbage and sewer included. Please contact the manager 606-452-4777.
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Furnished 1 bed room Apt. Central heat & air. Rent starting at \$375. month, + \$300. deposit water included. Located near HRMC. 606-889-9717.

Houses

HOUSE FOR RENT
Beautiful 2 story home with white columns for rent at Ivel, KY.
3 BR for. \$750 includes water and garbage bill plus utilities. Owner pays water and garbage bill. No HUD, NO pets. Quiet neighborhood. Large yard. References required. Central Heat and Air. Dish washer/washer dryer stove and refrigerator furnished. Office with Computer link. Call 437-6507 or 434-9008.

HOUSE FOR RENT
2 BR house at Riverside drive. \$550 per month plus utilities and deposit. Call 886-0124 after 5pm.

Mobile Homes

FOR RENT
Nice 3 BR MH for rent in Prestonsburg. 874-0875 or 226-3207.

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE Permit No. 836-0334

Increment Nos. 9, 11, 17 and 18
In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Miller Bros. Coal, LLC, P.O. Box 990, Allen, Kentucky 41601, has applied for Phase I bond release on permit number 836-0334, Increment Nos. 9, 11, 17 and 18, which was last issued on 12/22/06. The application covers an area of approximately 858.68 acres, located 2.9 miles northeast of Hueysville, in Floyd County. The permit area is approximately 1.5 mile northwest from Route 2029's junction with KY Route 7, and located in Salyers Branch and Raccoon Branch of Saltlick Creek, and Mudlick Branch and Shepherd Branch of Brush Creek. The latitude is 37°30'45". The longitude is 82° 53' 57". The bond now in effect for Increment No. 9 is a surety type bond in the amount of \$ 8 8 , 2 0 0 . 0 0 . Approximately 60 percent of the original bond amount of \$88,200.00 is included in the application for release.

The bond now in effect for Increment No. 11 is a surety type bond in the amount of \$ 5 6 , 8 0 0 . 0 0 . Approximately 60 percent of the original bond amount of \$56,800.00 is included in the application for release.

The bond now in effect for Increment No. 17 is a surety type bond in the amount of \$ 6 5 , 4 0 0 . 0 0 . Approximately 60 percent of the original bond amount of \$65,400.00 is included in the application for release.

The bond now in effect for Increment No. 18 is a surety type bond in the amount of \$ 5 2 , 2 0 0 . 0 0 . Approximately 60 percent of the original bond amount of \$52,200.00 is included in the application for release.

Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by June 11, 2007. A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for June 12, 2007, at 9:00 a.m., or soon thereafter as may

be heard, at the Department for Natural Resources Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. The hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by June 12, 2007.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Karen Crum, P.O. Box 1148, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, has filed an application with the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet to place a small dirt fill, and place a permanent bridge crossing over Middlecreek. The site is approximately 4.50 miles west of Prestonsburg, in Floyd County, Kentucky. Comments or objections concerning this application should be directed to: Kentucky Division of Water, Water Resources Branch, 14 Reilly Road, Frankfort Office Park, Frankfort, KY 40601. Phone (502) 564-3410.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-0329, Amendment No. 3

In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Wolverine Resources, Inc., P.O. Box 77, Ivel, Kentucky 41642 has applied for an amendment to an existing surface and auger coal mining and reclamation operation located near David of Floyd County. The amendment will add 149.12 acres of surface disturbance making a total area of 196.59 acres within the amended permit boundary. The proposed operation is approximately 0.19 miles northwest from KY Route 404's junction with Rough and Tough Creek County Road and is located within Rough and Tough Creek and Buckeye Branch of the Left Fork of Middle Creek, and Mill Branch of Middle Creek. The proposed amendment is located on the Ilyton, David, and Martin USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle maps. The surface area to be disturbed by the amendment is owned by Roger Lee Shepherd, Denver Shepherd, Kenneth Bradford, Eunice Shepherd, Philip E. Allen, Christine Bradford, et.al., and Marvin

Music, Jr. The operation will use the area method of surface mining. The amendment application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources' Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Mine Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. This is the final advertisement of the application. All comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be received within 30 days of today's date.

Proclamation OF THE 2007 FLOYD COUNTY PRIDE SPRING CLEANUP By Robert D. Marshall

Judge/Executive County of Floyd Commonwealth of Kentucky To All To Whom These Presents Shall Come: WHEREAS, The PRIDE initiative encourages residents of southern and eastern Kentucky to take personal responsibility for keeping the region's environment clean; and WHEREAS, residents have worked hard with PRIDE since 1997 to achieve a "decade of difference" making the region a cleaner, healthier, more prosperous place to live, and raise families; and WHEREAS, the annual PRIDE Spring Cleanup is an opportunity for residents to build on this momentum and

demonstrate personal responsibility by volunteering to pick up trash in their communities and by taking advantage of free trash disposal services; and WHEREAS, Floyd County is participating in the PRIDE Spring Cleanup by organizing cleanup events and recruiting volunteers (, as well as all concerned; and WHEREAS, the residents of Floyd County are encouraged to participate in the PRIDE Spring Cleanup; BE IT RESOLVED, I Robert D. Marshall, Floyd County Judge/Executive of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, do hereby proclaim that the 2007 Floyd County PRIDE Spring Cleanup will be held April 9-28. I call attention to the 10th anniversary of the PRIDE initiative and encourage all citizens of Floyd County to get involved in helping to keep our community clean. Given under my hand this 22nd day of

March 2007. ROBERT D. MARSHALL The Honorable Robert D. Marshall Judge-Executive Floyd County

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Floyd County Solid Waste Regular Meeting to be held Monday April 9th at 10:30 AM in the Old Courthouse 2nd Floor.



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PSA

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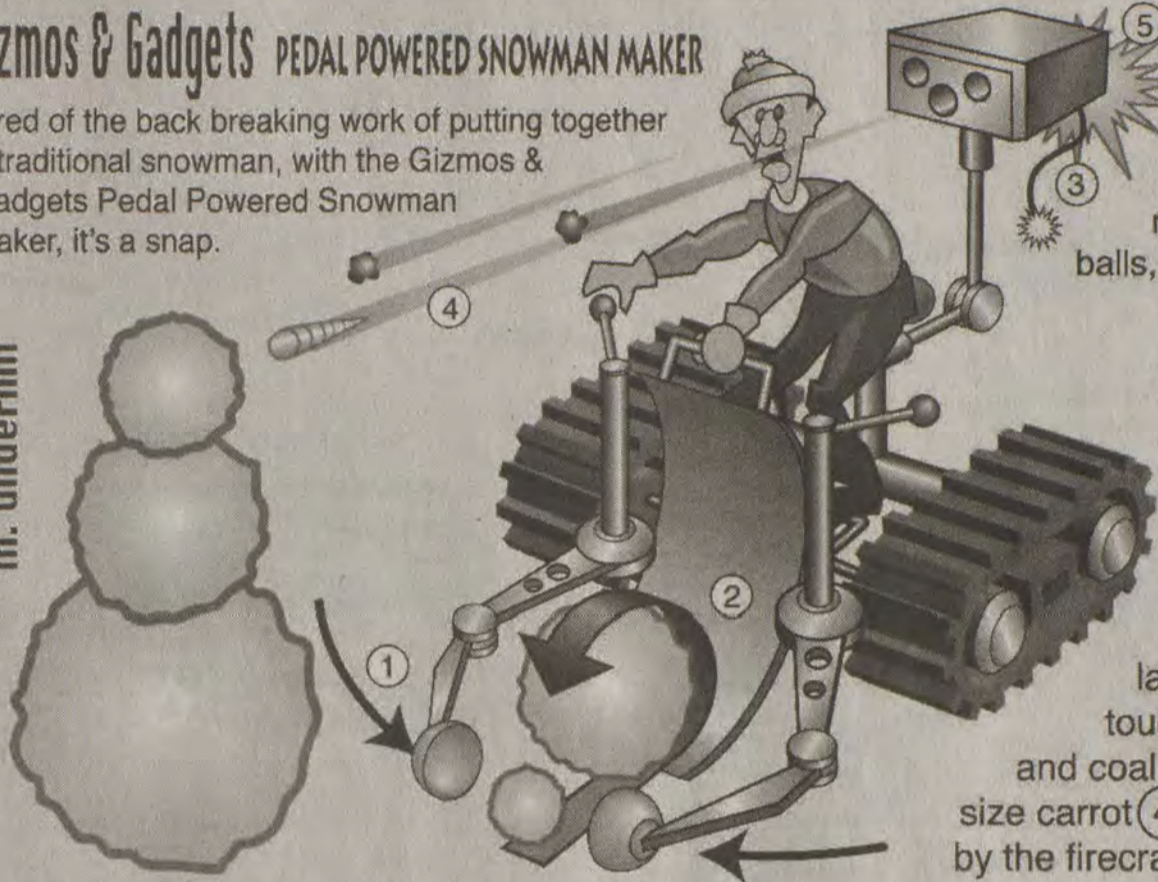
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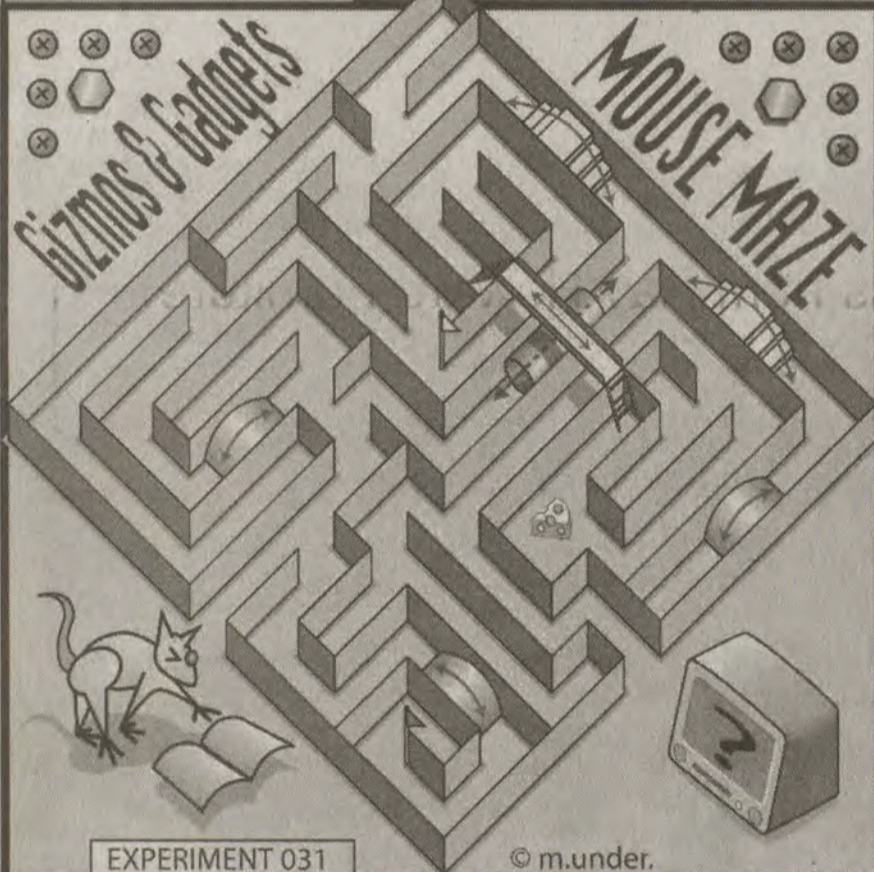
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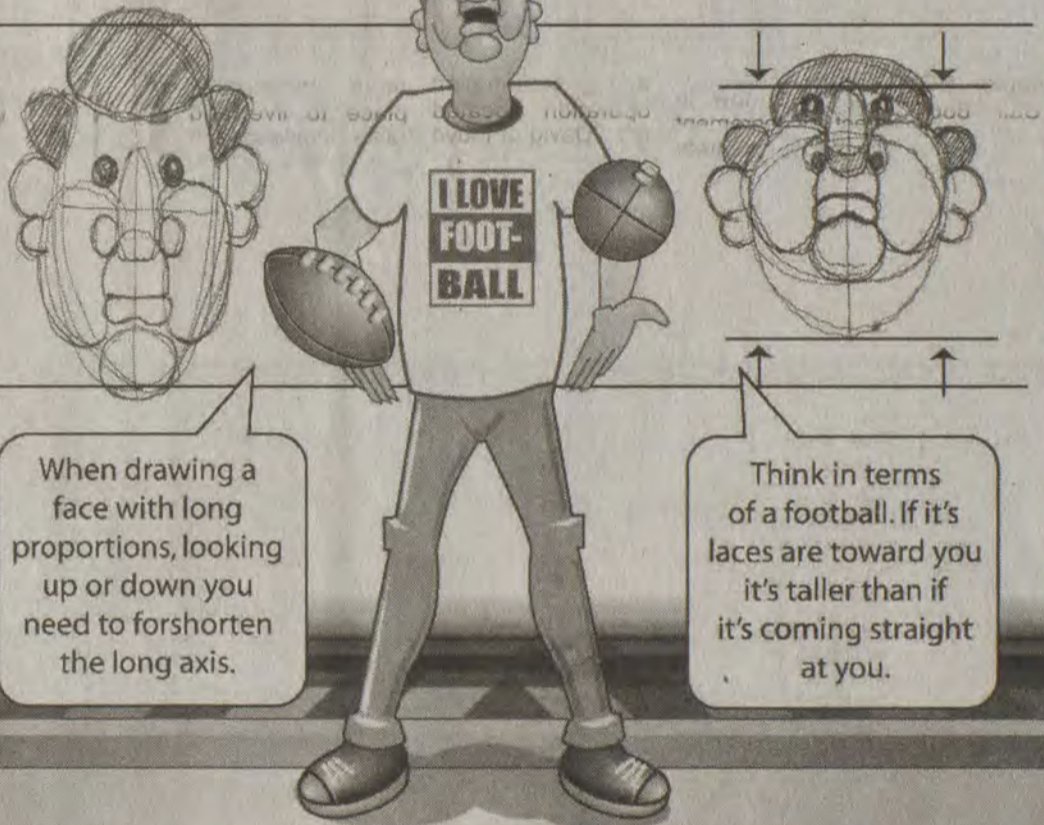
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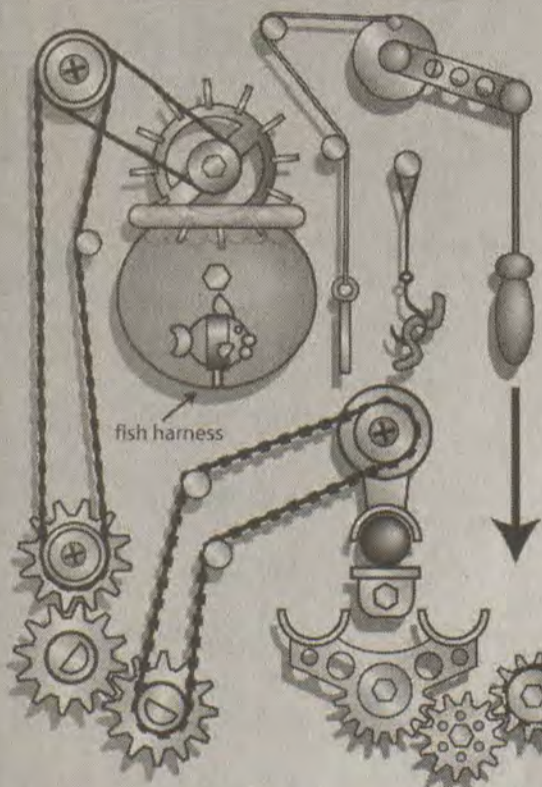
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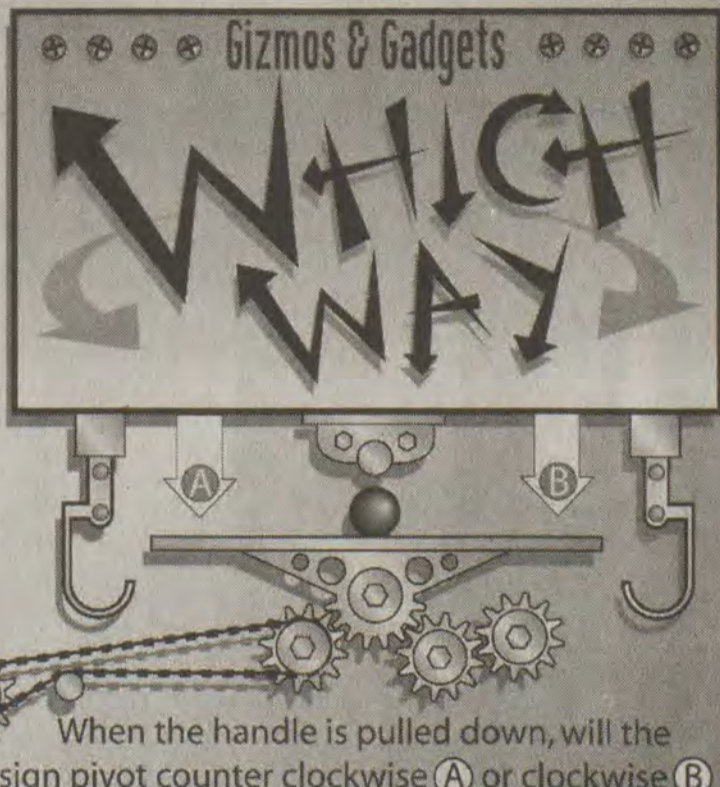


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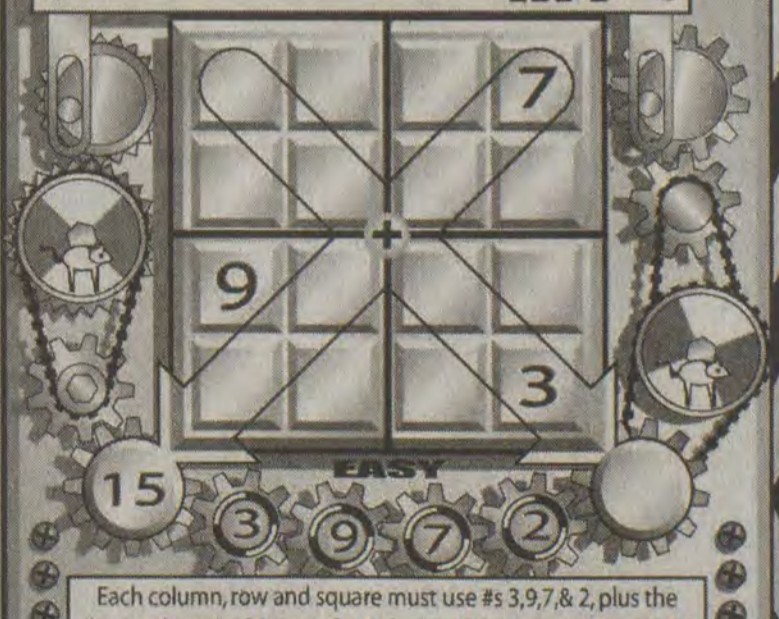


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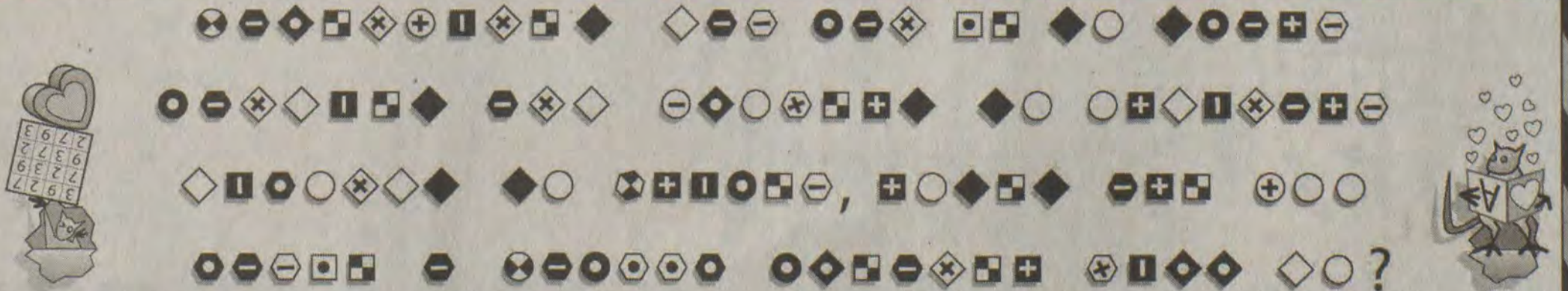


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