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In brief

Stumbo warns of Chinese tires

FRANKFORT — Attorney General Greg Stumbo issued a consumer warning related to potentially dangerous tires sold from 2002 to 2006 for light trucks, sports utility vehicles (SUVs), and vans. The tires were manufactured in China.

The distributor of the suspect tires, Foreign Tire Sales, Inc. (FTS), recently filed a Non-compliance Report with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA). The report warns that at least 270,000 tires nationwide are missing "gum strips," an important tire component needed to prevent tread separation. Up to 3,050 of the tires are believed to have been sold in Kentucky.

The identified tires are made by Hangzhou Zhongce Rubber Co. Ltd. (HZ) in China and distributed in the United States under the names Westlake, Compass and YKS. Other brands manufactured by HZ include Vesta, Goodride, Milestone, and Telluride.

"Protect yourself and your family," Attorney General Stumbo said. "I urge consumers to check all tires for any signs of tread separation."

The Attorney General's Consumer Protection Division advises consumers to check the sidewalls of tires for the brand name, size, model, and DOT number. If the DOT number contains "FTS" as part of the number, the tire may be subject to a future recall. Affected tires also will contain a tire size start-

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Board targets Dec. 1 for new super

by KATHY J. PRATER FEATURES EDITOR

MARTIN — It's not a process they intend to rush, as evidenced by the Floyd County Board of Education's announcement following a closed-door meeting, held Thursday evening at the Opportunities Unlimited School, that no action had been taken in regard to the school board's ongoing search for a

new superintendent. Nor, also, did the board make any announcement in regard to the naming of an interim superintendent.

Current superintendent Dr. Paul Fanning announced last month that he will be leaving the Floyd County district effective Sept. 1. Fanning has accepted another position with "another southern state" but is currently assisting the local board in launching a

search for his replacement.

Mike Oder, a consultant with the Kentucky School Boards Association, is also assisting in the search and was on hand at Thursday's meeting to outline the steps of the search process and to help the board develop a timeline in regard to conducting the search.

Oder informed the board members that "a KSBA screening committee will conduct a thorough paper and technol-

ogy search of potential candidates." Once that is complete, those candidates deemed to meet the Floyd board's criteria will be presented for interviews and discussion.

Locally, the Floyd board will appoint a committee to aid in the process. That committee will consist of one board member, appointed by the

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STORM DAMAGE

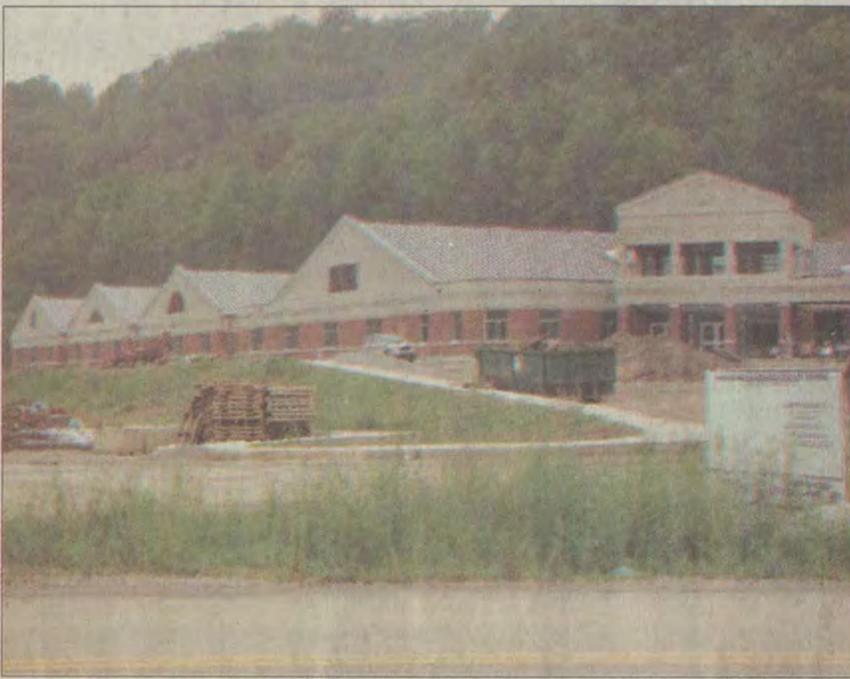


photo by Jessica Hale

Construction on the new Prestonsburg Elementary School is coming along at a steady pace, but as The Times reported several weeks ago, the school will obviously not be ready for the first day of school set for tomorrow. Students and teachers will make the move later this fall.

FOP downplays effects of casinos on crime in backing Beshear

by BRUCE SCHREINER ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — The head of the Kentucky Fraternal Order of Police said Thursday that fears of rising crime from legalized casino gambling have been exaggerated as his group endorsed Democrat Steve Beshear in the state's gubernatorial race.

The FOP, which represents about 9,300 members statewide, picked Beshear over Republican Gov. Ernie Fletcher, who is seeking a second term in the Nov. 6 election. Four years earlier, the group backed another Democrat, Ben

Chandler, who lost to Fletcher in the governor's race.

With its latest endorsement, the FOP's top official also weighed in on the contentious debate about casino gambling and its possible impact on crime.

State FOP President Martin Scott Jr. said that police chiefs in neighboring states have minimized the impact of casino gambling on crime in their communities.

"The fears that have been voiced have not borne fruit," Scott said in an interview.

Beshear supports putting a proposed constitutional amendment on Kentucky's ballot that

would legalize casino gambling. He said he supports limited casino gaming at some existing racetracks and at two to four freestanding facilities along Kentucky's border, and estimates the state would collect at least \$500 million in extra revenue each year.

Fletcher recently came out strongly against casino gambling, saying it would boost crime, wouldn't raise promised revenues and would divert spending from existing businesses. Before then, the governor said he was personally opposed to casino gambling but

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Cable theft prompts \$5K reward

by JESSICA HALE STAFF WRITER

HAROLD — Cable theft is on the rise and one local communications company is offering a reward for the arrest and conviction of the persons responsible for a recent theft in the Harold area.

According to Heath Wiley, director of marketing at Gearheart Communications, approximately 600 feet of cable belonging to Coalfields Telephone was stolen on July 26 near Primary Care in Harold. Coalfields Telephone has also reported three other thefts of cable lines in the last three months.

Wiley estimates the value of the stolen cable to be \$4,500, but the company is offering a \$5,000 reward for the arrest and conviction

of those responsible for the theft.

Wiley also asks that customers in the Coalfields service area remain vigilant and be on the lookout for suspicious activity. If anyone should be witness to a non-company vehicle parked near a telephone pole, unauthorized persons climbing telephone poles, or large amounts of cable material at unauthorized locations, they are asked to immediately report it them.

Suspicious activity may be reported to Gearheart Communications by calling (800) 635-7052, extension 6226, or by contacting the Kentucky State Police.

"Gearheart Communications takes your phone and cable services very seriously and will prosecute theft of these services to the fullest extent of the law," Wiley said.

Officials say state bridges are safe

by JESSICA HALE STAFF WRITER

FRANKFORT — News of the Minnesota bridge collapse has brought forth concern from people all over the country, but Kentucky state officials say due to the state's rigorous

inspection system, there's no reason for people traveling through the state to be alarmed.

"This is a time of great sorrow for the people of Minnesota," Gov. Ernie Fletcher said. "Our

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Job Corps center receives Cultural Diversity Recognition Award

PRESTONSBURG — Big Sandy Community and Technical College has launched a Cultural Diversity Recognition Award Program. In her introductory remarks, BSCTC Director of Cultural Diversity, Bernadette Tiapo, indicated that the award is "designed to recognize community organizations and individuals for their contributions in promoting diversity and global awareness in BSCTC and the surrounding community."

The 2007 award was presented to Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center on August 1, 2007 during the BSCTC All College Meeting. The nomination of the Job Corps Center was unanimously approved by the Award Selection Committee. In a statement from the Award Selection Committee read by Janie Beverley, the Job Corps Center was hailed for encouraging diversity and cultural pluralism in the Big Sandy area.

Dr. George Edwards, President of BSCTC, presented the award to the Center Director, Mrs. Deborah Burchell. Also representing the Job Corps Center at the ceremony were: Lisa Marie Moore, Business Community Liaison; Sandra Collins, Career Development Services Director; and LouAnne Bowen, Career Preparation Phase Supervisor.

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BSCTC President George Edwards presented the Cultural Diversity Recognition Award to Job Corps Center Director Deborah Burchell

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# Regional Obituaries

## FLOYD COUNTY

■ Julie A. Foley, 63, of Burket, Indiana, died Wednesday, August 1, at her residence. Funeral services were held Saturday, August 4, under the direction of King Memorial Home, Mentone, Indiana.

■ Rosic B. Hyden, 69, of Burket, Indiana, a Floyd County native, died Tuesday, July 31, at Lutheran Hospital of Indiana, Fort Wayne, Indiana. She is survived by her husband, Glen "Mutt" A. Hyden. Funeral services were held Friday, August 3, under the direction of King Memorial Home, Mentone, Indiana.

■ Anzie Hamilton Martin, 87, of Langley, died Wednesday, August 1, at the Prestonsburg Health Care Center, in Prestonsburg. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, August 4, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

■ Rosa Sammons McGuire, 95, of Prestonsburg, died Thursday, August 2, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were held Saturday, August 4, under the direction of Carter Funeral Home.

■ Bradley Evan Shope, 37, of Garrett, died Saturday, July 28. Funeral services were held Wednesday, August 1, at the Rock Fork Bible Church, in Garrett. Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

■ Rita Wallace Slone, 52, of Pedro, Ohio, formerly of Garrett, died Wednesday, August 1, at her residence. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, August 4, under the direction of King Memorial Home, Mentone, Indiana.

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■ Bessie Spears, 82, of Springfield, Ohio, a Floyd County native, died Saturday, July 28, at Ohio Masonic Home in Springfield. Funeral services were held Tuesday, July 31, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

■ Linda Lou Standley, 64, of Prestonsburg, died Wednesday, August 1, at the VA Medical Center, in Huntington, West Virginia. She is survived by her husband, Monty D. Standley. Funeral services were held Saturday, August 4, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

## PIKE COUNTY

■ Luna Bevins, 81, of Hatfield, a Pike County native, died Monday, July 30, at her home. Funeral services were held Friday, August 3, under the direction of R.E. Rogers Funeral Home.

■ Janice Copley, 78, of Elkhorn City, formerly of Huntington, West Virginia, died Wednesday, July 25, at Pikeville Medical Center. She is survived by her husband, Delbert Copley. Funeral services were held Saturday, July 28, under the direction of Chapman's Mortuary, Inc., Huntington, West Virginia.

■ Violet June Day, 55, of Shelbiana, died Wednesday, July 25, at Pikeville Medical Center. She is survived by her husband, Larry Gene Day. Funeral services were held Saturday, July 28, under the direction of Thacker Funeral Home.

■ Harold Dotson, 75, of Freeburn, died Thursday, Aug. 2, at Trinity Healthcare, Logan, West Virginia. Funeral services were held Saturday, August 4, under the direction of R. E. Rogers Funeral Home.

■ Herman D. Estep, 37, of Phelps, died Wednesday, August 1. Arrangements, under the direction of R.E. Jones and Son Funeral Home.

■ Willard "Bill" Fuller, 78, of Feds Creek, died Thursday, July 26, at VA Medical Center, Huntington, West Virginia. He is survived by his wife, Patricia Fuller. Funeral services were held Monday, July 30, under the direction of R.S. Jones & Son Funeral Home.

■ Opal Thacker Harmon, 69, of River Hurricane, died Thursday, July 26, at her residence. Funeral services were held Sunday, July 29, under the direction of Community Funeral Home.

■ Elizabeth Myrc Harrison, newborn daughter of Mark and Linda Donette Harrison of Pikeville was born at Pikeville Medical Center on Friday, July 27, and died Friday, July 27. Funeral services were held Sunday, July 29 under the direction of Thacker Funeral Home.

■ Steve Lee Justice, 82, of Hurricane Road, died Monday, July 30, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Friday, August 3, under the direction of J.W. Call Funeral Home.

■ Phillip Douglas King, 72, of Robinson Creek, died Monday, July 30, at Pikeville Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Bernice Cole King. Funeral services were held Friday, August 3, under the direction of Lucas and Son Funeral Home.

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■ Ralph Moore, 70, of Virgie, died Friday, July 27, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Betty Adams Moore. Funeral services were held Sunday, July 29, under the direction of Roberts Funeral Home.

■ Hazel Irene Scarbro Patrick, 80, of Pikeville, formerly of Van, West Virginia, died Tuesday, July 31, at Mt. View Health Care Center. Funeral services were held Friday, August 3, under the direction of Armstrong Funeral Home, Whitesville, West Virginia.

■ Robert Bane "Hooker" Phillips, 73, of Barbourville, died Sunday, July 29, at his home. He is survived by his wife, Marsha Parsons Phillips. Services were held Tuesday, July 31, at 1 p.m. in the Barbourville East Baptist Church. Arrangements were under the direction of J.W. Call Funeral Home.

■ Boney Pinion, 74, of Red Creek, died Sunday, July 29, at Pikeville Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Polly Pinion. Funeral services were held Wednesday, August 1, under the direction of Thacker Funeral Home.

■ Chester Preston, 77, of Pikeville, died Saturday, July 28, in Lexington. He is survived by his wife, Robel Hix Preston. A private funeral was held on Monday, July 30, in Johnson Memorial Park, Pikeville. Arrangements were under the direction of Pruitt Funeral Homes, Lexington.

■ Jamie Denise Smith, 31, of Sidney, died Tuesday, July 31, in Jefferson City, Missouri. Remains will be cremated and buried at the Edmiston Family Cemetery, Sidney. Arrangements are under direction of Rogers Funeral Home.

■ Janie L. Tackett, 60, of Hollier, died Wednesday, August 1, at Mountain View Health Care Center. She is survived by her husband, Harold Ray Tackett. Funeral services were held Sunday, August 5, under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

■ Audrey Trout, 79, of Sidney, died Wednesday, August 1, at her residence. Funeral services were held Friday, August 3, under the direction of R.E. Rogers Funeral Home.

## MAGOFFIN COUNTY

■ Rosa Francis Allen, 87, of Salyersville, died Thursday, July 19, at the Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center, in Paintsville. Arrangements were under the direction of Magoffin County Funeral Home.

■ Warnie Arnett Jr., 78, of Salyersville, died Tuesday, July 24, at the Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center, in Paintsville. He is survived by his wife, Louise Patton Arnett. Funeral services were held Friday, July 27, under the direction of Salyersville Funeral Home.

■ Rex D. Hall, 72, of Ashland, a Magoffin County native, died Sunday, July 29, in King's Daughters Medical

Center. Funeral services were held Wednesday, Aug. 1, under the direction of Lazear Funeral Home, in Ashland.

## JOHNSON COUNTY

■ Pricie Lou Baldwin, 86, a Johnson County native, died Saturday, July 28, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were held Monday, July 30, under the direction of the Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

■ Fairel Evans, 85, of Flatgap, died Wednesday, August 1, in Mountain Manor Nursing Home. Funeral services were held Friday, August 3, under the direction of Preston Funeral Home.

■ John Wayne Fairchild, 66, of Van Lear, died Sunday, July 29, in Pikeville Medical

Center. Funeral were held Wednesday, August 1, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

■ Ivory Faye Holbrook, 67, of Flatgap, died Sunday, July 29, in the University of Kentucky Medical Center, in Lexington. She is survived by her husband, Clayton Holbrook. Funeral services were held Tuesday, July 31, under the direction of Preston Funeral Home.

■ Darlene LeMaster McKenzie, 57, of Staffordsville, died Thursday, July 26, at her residence. She is survived by her husband, Jerry K. McKenzie. Funeral services were held Sunday, July 29, under the direction of the

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## Obituaries

### Frank Donald Price

Frank Donald Price, 69, of Harold, died Friday, August 3, 2007, at the Salyersville Health Care, in Salyersville.

Born March 7, 1938, in Pike County, he was the son of Frank and Juanita Weddington Price. He was a veteran of the Army and retired mechanic for Price Tractor Sales.

In addition to his parents, survivors include six sons: Donald Price of Woodstock, Alabama, Billy Wayne Price of Sidney, Ohio, Thomas Price of Columbus, Georgia, Sonny Price, Michael Price and David Price, all of Anchorage, Alaska; two daughters: Juanita Sue Price of Dayton, Ohio and Rosie Price of Alaska; two brothers: Gary Ronald Price of Harold, and James C. Price of Springfield, Ohio; a sister, Lanona Sue Stumbo of Pataskala, Ohio; and 11 grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by two brothers: Kenneth Price and Bobby Gene Price.

Funeral services will be held Sunday, August 5, at 2 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Nathan Lafferty officiating.

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

Visitation is at the funeral home.

www.nelsonfrazierfuneralhome.com

(Paid obituary)

## Attention Coalfield & IMC Customers

*Gearheart Communications dealing with cable theft*

**\$5,000 reward for information, conviction**

On July 26th, 2007 over 600 feet of cable line belonging to the Coalfields Telephone Company was stolen at Rt. 979 near Primary Care at Harold, Kentucky. Hundreds of customer's of the Harold community felt the effect of the theft, which is a primary source for most phone and cable outages. Coalfields Telephone and Inter Mountain Cable have also reported three additional thefts of our cable lines in the past three months, all in the Harold service area.

Coalfields Telephone and Inter Mountain Cables primary goal is to give all our customers quality service at an affordable price. We are asking everyone in the Harold and surrounding communities in all service areas to remain vigilant and report activities that may look suspicious (Non-company vehicle near telephone pole, unauthorized person(s) climbing or large amounts of cable material at unauthorized locations.)

*If you witness any of the above infractions in the Coalfields Telephone and Inter Mountain Cable service area please contact the Gearheart Communications at 1 (606) 479-6790. A \$5,000 reward will be given for the arrest and conviction of individual(s) responsible for you being without service. Gearheart Communications takes your services seriously and will prosecute the theft of your services to the fullest extent of the law.*



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## Our Yesterdays

The Floyd County Times reported in its March 19, 1937, issue that 3,269 students are now enrolled at the University of Kentucky.

### In Memory of Bill & Daisy McCoy on their 75th Anniversary



July 29th made 75 years of marriage for Bill and Daisy McCoy. Married in 1932, they were blessed with 9 children and shared a wonderful life together until the Lord called them home. Happy anniversary mom and dad. We miss you both.

Sadly missed by the family.

You never know what you might be missing, if you are not reading "Our Yesterdays," printed each Wednesday in The Times.

# Kentucky participating in rail system security project

by JOE BIESK  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — From a hub within a glitzy building downtown, Kentucky authorities can now pinpoint in real-time exactly what lethal substances are traveling through the state by rail and where.

The technology is part of a public-private pilot project that CSX Transportation is trying out in three states, including New York and New Jersey, to try to streamline information and get it into the right hands during an emergency.

Officials sitting in a large

operations room in Frankfort can track any trains on the CSX system, what they're carrying, where they are and where they're going. Kentucky's "Intelligence Fusion Center" is staffed non-stop and involves various law enforcement agencies including the state police, FBI and the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives.

Kentucky Homeland Security Director Alecia Webb-Edgington said in emergency situations — such as hazardous chemical spills — getting swifter access to such

information helps authorities on the ground.

"We'll know exactly what's involved," Webb-Edgington said.

Earlier this year a CSX train derailed just south of Louisville in Bullitt County, igniting massive fires in the area that burned for days. More than a dozen families were forced out of their homes for a month or more after the derailment.

Webb-Edgington said the system could help response teams if similar accidents happened in the future.

"Our intelligence analysts

will have access to information that we have never had before in real time," she said.

The company operates in 23 states and has a freight rail network of about 21,000 miles.

Skip Elliott, a CSX executive, said the company picked Kentucky as a participant because it was a midwestern state with a lot of train traffic passing through. New York and New Jersey, Elliott said, were states where much of the shipments either originated or ended.

"What we were looking for in this pilot project was a little

diversification," Elliott said.

Now authorities sitting at a computer screen can see a map of CSX's rail cars on the display in front of them. With the click of a computer mouse, users can sort the information and determine exactly what cargo is being carried on a particular freight train. Those carrying hazardous material that could be homeland security threats, are highlighted on the screen.

Tom Murta, CSX's director of infrastructure protection, said for instance that Wednesday afternoon the company had more than 1,000

trains running in the state. Of those, there were two trains in Kentucky hauling butane and propane — two chemicals that could be targeted as a homeland security threat, Murta said.

Webb-Edgington also said that having manifests ahead of time could alert authorities if they need to take extra precautions.

"We can lean forward a bit if we see that necessary," Webb-Edgington said.

## Board

board chair, Jeff Stumbo; two district teachers, elected by their peers; one principal, elected by the principals of the district; one parent, to be elected by the presidents of the individual schools parent-teacher organizations; and one district classified employee, elected by their co-workers.

In districts with minority populations of 8 percent or more, as determined by

school enrollment figures, committee membership must also include one minority parent. This guideline, however, does not apply to the Floyd County school district.

Currently, the board's tentative plans include developing a recruitment brochure as well as an advertisement that will be posted for the next two months. Following that 60-day period, the KSBA

screening committee will begin work on culling potential candidates for examination by the Floyd board.

Board members said at Thursday's meeting that they would like to have a new district superintendent hired by Dec. 1.

"We at KSBA will be working hard to meet your criteria and help you find that new superintendent for your district,"

Oder informed the board.

In other business, the board voted to approve the hiring of 10 special needs paraprofessionals to work in district schools with those children requiring special services. The positions had earlier been cut from the district budget but the board voted to reconsider that budget cut at the request of Ruth Blackburn, director of that department.

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## Bridges

thoughts and prayers are with all of those who were involved in this tragedy. Clearly, such a tragedy calls on us to be sure Kentucky's bridges are safe."

According to a press release issued by the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, the Transportation Cabinet employs a rigorous bridge inspection program to ensure public safety. However, Governor Ernie Fletcher has

directed the Cabinet to scrutinize inspection report data to determine if any additional inspections or safety precautions should be implemented following the Minnesota bridge tragedy.

Transportation Secretary Bill Nighbert reports that Kentucky inspectors are trained and qualified and meet the highest federal standards.

"Our inspectors meet all fed-

eral requirements and follow the best practice procedures for all inspections to ensure we gather accurate and timely information about the structural integrity of each bridge," said Nighbert. "When concerns arise about a particular bridge, it will undergo greater scrutiny, maintenance, and if needed - complete closure."

The governor, who earned an engineering degree as an

undergraduate at the University of Kentucky, said the collapse brings to light the potential vulnerability of aging transportation infrastructure and the importance of thorough inspection and maintenance programs.

"I have full confidence in Secretary Nighbert and the team of professionals at the Transportation Cabinet. The state oversees the meticulous inspection of all of the approxi-

mately 14,000 bridges throughout the Commonwealth to ensure constant safety for the public," Fletcher said.

Marc D. Williams, commissioner of the Transportation Cabinet's Department of Highways adds that it will be important for engineers and industry experts to determine exactly what caused the Minnesota collapse.

"When conclusive information about the cause of the collapse is released, transportation experts nationwide will be able to determine whether any review or changes with regard to industry standards are necessary," Williams said. "Certainly, before all the evidence is collected and analyzed, we cannot speculate on what might have caused this devastating event, but as soon as more information is known on the cause of the collapse in Minnesota we will address any additional measures needed for our bridges in Kentucky."

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## Beshear

would leave the issue up to the voters if a gambling referendum made it on the ballot.

Fletcher campaign spokesman Jason Keller said Thursday that statistics show that crime rises in communities with casinos. He pointed to FBI reports from 1993 and 1994 showing that crime rates in casino communities were 84 percent higher than the national average.

Beshear accused Fletcher of putting out "bogus figures" about casino gambling.

In response to the FOP

endorsement, Keller said the governor has considerable support from law enforcement. He said that Fletcher has supported efforts to improve emergency communications, training and safety for law enforcement officers.

"He's focused on providing law enforcement with the resources they need to keep our communities safe," Keller said by telephone.

Fletcher also supports collective bargaining rights for all police and firefighters in the state, he said. Beshear says all

public employees should have such negotiating options.

Playing a role in the endorsement, Scott said, was Fletcher's blanket pardon of anyone in his administration, except for himself, who could have faced charges from a hiring investigation. A special grand jury returned more than two dozen indictments as part of its probe into whether the administration illegally rewarded political supporters with state jobs. Fletcher was indicted on charges that later were dropped after an agreement

with prosecutors.

"That's kind of opposite of what we stand for," Scott said.

"We investigate and present cases to court for jury determinations on guilt or innocence. This was all circumvented in this case."

Keller responded that the investigation was a "politically motivated witch hunt" that should have been handled by the state Personnel Board. Fletcher signed a document to dismiss the charges that acknowledged the investigation as "necessary and proper."

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## Tires

ing with "LT," as well as a DOT number that starts with "7D" and ends in either "02," "03," "04," or "05." Further information can be obtained from FTS's web site at [www.forcigntire.com](http://www.forcigntire.com).

Specific tire numbers and sizes affected by this inquiry

are as follows:

- LT235/75R-15 CR861 CR857
- LT245/75R-16 CR860 CR861 CR857
- LT225/75R-16 CR861
- LT265/75R-16 CR860 CR861 CR857
- LT235/85R-16 CR860

CR861 CR857

- LT31X10.5R-15 CR861 CR857

Kentucky consumers with the tires identified above should immediately contact the dealer where the tires were purchased. In the interest of public safety, Attorney

General Stumbo is asking tire dealers not to charge for such an inspection.

If an inspection indicates that your tires may be unsafe, immediately contact the Consumer Protection Division at (502) 429-7134, as well as Foreign Tire Sales, Inc., and report the problem.

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## Award

President Edwards thanked the Center Director for her leadership and hoped for a continuous, fruitful, and long lasting relationship between BSCTC and the Job Corps Center. Mrs. Burchell on her part thanked BSCTC on behalf of the staff and students of Carl D. Perkins Job Corps

Center, underscoring the importance of collaboration, diversity, and mutual acceptance: "It is a great honor to have received this award ... it is true that when we know each other only then can we learn to accept and appreciate each other..."

The BSCTC Cultural

Diversity Recognition Award is an annual program. Each year the program will recognize a community member/agency/organization for the diversity and exemplary contributions made to BSCTC and/or the surrounding communities.

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## Obituaries

Paintsville Funeral Home.

Lois Preston, 85, of Boons Camp, died Saturday, July 28, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. Funeral services were held Tuesday, July 31, under the direction of the Preston Funeral Home.

Dwight Ratliff, 49, of Hagerhill, died Monday, July 30, in Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg. Funeral services were held Friday, August 3, under the direction of Preston Funeral Home.

Justine Spears, 78, of Paintsville, died Saturday, July 28, at Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center, in Paintsville. She is survived by her husband, Carl Douglas Spears.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, July 31, under the direction of Phelps Funeral Home.

James Arthur Vanhoose, 75, a native of Thealka, died Tuesday, July 10, at Bourbon Community Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Brenda Pridemore VanHoose. Funeral services were held Friday, July 13, under the direction of the Hinton-Turner Funeral Home.

Nida VanHoose, died Wednesday evening, June 11, in the Indiana University Hospital in Indianapolis, Indiana. She is survived by her husband, Joe Howard VanHoose. Funeral services were held Sunday, July 15, under the direction of the

Paintsville Funeral Home.

### MARTIN COUNTY

Oscal Goble, 93, of Inez, died Thursday, July 26, at Martin County Health Care Facility, in Inez. Funeral services were held Sunday, July 29, under the direction of Richmond-Callahan Funeral Home.

### KNOTT COUNTY

Laverne Morgan Gayheart, a Knott County native, died Monday, July 30, at the Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital. Funeral services were held Thursday, August 2, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

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— Felix Frankfurter

Guest view

## Breaks for billionaires?

Private equity and hedge fund executives limousined to Capitol Hill last week to explain why they should be taxed less than ordinary Americans. Senators, their campaign funds fattened by Wall Street, made sympathetic noises.

Executives who make millions — sometimes hundreds of millions — of dollars a year argue that they should be taxed at lower rates than the department heads and factory workers and secretaries and chauffeurs who work for them.

It follows, then, that they believe working families also must carry a proportionately heavier burden for financing the services government provides: roads, schools, air controllers, health care for children and old people, patrolling our borders, safeguarding our foods and drugs, gathering intelligence against terrorists, conducting diplomacy, fighting wars, paying the interest on our national debt.

So far, the investment giants of the private equity and hedge fund world have got their way, paying about 15 percent in taxes on their earnings. The people who own them likewise pay a tax rate of about 15 percent on their personal earnings, which often are counted as capital gains. In contrast, a typical working couple pays 25 percent in taxes on income exceeding \$61,000 per year.

Proposals in Congress would raise the rate on some of those partnerships to the 35 percent rate most corporations pay. Individuals also would be taxed at income tax rates of up to 35 percent on their hedge-fund earnings.

Kenneth Griffin made more than \$1 billion last year as head of the Citadel Investment Group, a Chicago hedge fund. "I am proud to be an American," he recently told *The New York Times*. "But if the tax became too high, as a matter of principle I would not be working this hard."

If Griffin were to be taxed at the top federal income tax bracket instead of the low capital gains rate, his take-home pay last year would have been a bit more than \$650 million (before state taxes). If Congress raised the top income tax rate back to 70 percent, where it sat in the 1970s, he'd still pocket more than \$300 million. As a matter of principle, would Griffin decline to exert himself for \$300 million?

Hedge fund and private equity executives have warned senators that woe would befall the nation if their tax rates reflected those of other Americans — even including, we must point out, some very wealthy Americans.

"There will be deals that don't get done," said Bruce Rosenbloom of the Carlyle Group private equity firm in congressional testimony. "There will be entrepreneurs that won't get funded and turnarounds that won't get undertaken."

If so — and there's probably some truth to it — that would not be such a bad thing. Private equity firms operate largely by acquiring companies they hope to sell off later at a higher price. The process can be hugely profitable for the private equity owners, but it often proves terribly wrenching for the employees of the companies themselves.

Last week, *The Wall Street Journal* told the tale of Travelport Ltd., a travel booking firm in Colorado. The Blackstone Group, one of the world's largest private equity companies, and a venture capital firm bought Travelport last August and quickly laid off 10 percent of the staff. The new owners then loaded up Travelport with debt to finance the deal and paid themselves a \$1 billion dividend — with a "b" — an amount equal to their entire investment in the firm.

That leaves Travelport burdened with massive debt payments — and laid-off former employees losing their homes.

Such high-level financial manipulation does not make America stronger. At the very least, its practitioners should not be entitled to special tax breaks. Congress ought to move to correct this unjustifiable unfairness.

— *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*



Rich Lowry Column

### Tipping toward catastrophe

In the 16th and 17th centuries, the West was convulsed by religious wars that, in the words of historian Paul Johnson, "were without redeeming features and were destructive of the Christian faith itself, as well as human life and material civilization." In the Middle East, it often seems to be 1618, the beginning of the Thirty Years' War that laid waste to Germany in a senseless sectarian war.

No historical analogy is perfect, and the Middle East has its oasis of relative calm and good government. But the accent is on feral violence: Hamas and Fatah throwing one another from buildings in Gaza; Sunni and Shia turning one another's mosques to rubble in Iraq; Syria attempting to bring down the government of Lebanon, assassinated politician by assassinated politician; pregnant Palestinian mothers undertaking suicide-bombing missions against Israel.

There is plenty of power politics here — with Iran behind much of the mayhem — and distinct causes for each conflict, but there is also an underlying civilizational sickness. Resenting the way the West eclipsed the Muslim world centuries ago, ashamed by Israel's overwhelming

military strength and hating America as the apex of Western might, the Middle East resorts to various radicalisms as a salve to these historic humiliations.

They are a twisted appeal to wounded pride and a call to renewed greatness through the rejection of modernity.

Historian Theodore Von Laue argued that the ascendance of the West in the 20th century subjected non-Westerners to "the psychological misery of knowingly belonging to a 'backward' society." Many non-Western countries adapted, reconciling modernity to their particular cultural contexts. But the Middle East tended to import the failed Western ideologies of socialism and fascism, and watched itself fall further back.

As writer Ralph Peters explains, in such circumstances, "people look for somebody to blame, and they default to blood and belief, ethnicity and religion — fundamentalist religion."

The best argument against the Iraq War is that our staying there is like being in the middle of Gaza, refereeing fanatical factions. The Iraq War looks, at this juncture, like a last-ditch effort to keep the Arabs from

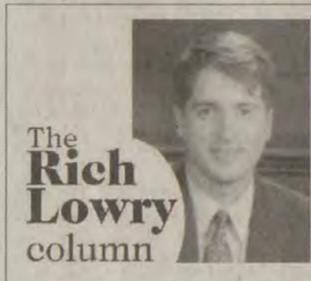
rejecting what Fouad Ajami calls "the foreigner's gift," the chance for a fresh start brought with the toppling of Saddam Hussein by force of American arms.

It is tempting to wash our hands of the entire region, but unrealistic. The poison of the Middle East is exportable, through al-Qaida terrorists and, one day soon, perhaps through nuclear-tipped

Iranian missiles. We have to work with those relatively decent leaders — Mahmoud Abbas in the West Bank, Fouad Siniora in Lebanon, Nouri al-Maliki in Iraq — who are attempting to hold back the tide of madness and blood. The region needn't tip inevitably into catastrophe, even if that's where it seems determined to send itself.

Samuel Johnson famously said that nothing concentrates the mind like the prospect of a hanging. Is that true of a self-hanging? If it isn't, decent voices in the Middle East might soon, like Henry James on the outbreak of World War I, have cause to lament "the funeral spell of our murdered civilization."

Rich Lowry is editor of the *National Review*.



beyond the beltway

### Denial is our most important state

by DONALD KAUL  
MINUTEMAN MEDIA

Deep in the national debate, virtually unheard except by those with 20/20 hearing (or whatever the numbers are for hearing), there is an argument being made for making the District of Columbia the Fifty-first state.

The argument goes something like this: The District has roughly the same population as several existing states — Wyoming, Vermont, Alaska, and the Dakotas — yet no real representation in either the House or Senate. (It has a non-voting Congressperson, which is more insult than prize.) There is no one with power in Congress duty-bound to take up the District's cause. This, it must be admitted, is unjust. As Mark Twain would say if he had my chances: It is un-American. It is un-English. It is French.

My heart goes out to the disenfranchised District residents, but it seems to me that making it a state is too radical a solution. Meeting minimal population standards does not a state make.

I've been in states, I was born in a state, some of my best friends live in states and I've got to say that the District of Columbia is no state.

In my book, a state should be larger than a handball court and the District isn't. (Well it is, but just

barely) It doesn't have an Interstate. It doesn't have farms. It doesn't have suburbs, not within its boundaries anyway.

I'm not even sure it has a factory. No farms, no factories; what kind of state is that?

No, the District is a city, a city not without its charms but a city nevertheless.

Besides, we already have a fifty-first state. It's a virtual state, but still.

It is called the State of Denial and it's our most powerful state. Half the population lives there most of the time.

Did I say half? Ha! I meant 90 percent. Think about it:

Do we contribute more than our share to global warming? Of course we do, but as citizens of the State of Denial we don't have to admit it. All we have to do is set up yet another commission to study the problem.

Then there's our trade deficit (which could swallow a medium-sized country), the looming Medicare crisis and the fact that we're not willing to raise as much money as we spend, by a lot — all things that threaten to tank our increasingly fragile economy. Do we worry about these things? Not in Denial we don't. Oh, we talk about them, we set up more study commissions, but mainly we just keep whistling "Nearer My God to Thee" and go about our business. "Nearer My God to Thee" is the all-time favorite song in the State of Denial, a virtual state anthem.

And how about the pension funds that are going to go bust as soon as more of our aging population starts

drawing down on them, or a prosperity fueled by consumer debt that has put millions on the brink of bankruptcy? How about the,

fact we keep relying more and more on oil from countries that like us less and less? Never heard of any of that in the State of Denial. Everything is hunky-dory here.

The polar ice cap is melting. So what? I just looked in my fridge; there's plenty

of ice. Is there a serious drought in the southeast? Let them drink bottled water.

There's an election going on in the State right now; it may not be the most inspiring election in the world but it's ours. It's got a lot of candidates' competing for our attention and nobody knows who's going to win.

Except me. I know. The election is going to be won by the candidate who makes us feel good about ourselves, who is the cheeriest optimist. Never mind the candidate who understands our problems and proposes solutions for them. Problems and solutions are for losers.

Uncritical optimism, that's what wins elections in the State of Denial. It'll win this one too.

Remember, you read it here first.

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**This Town,  
That World**

*Editor's Note: For years, Floyd County Times founder and former publisher Norman Allen wrote a weekly column that looked at Floyd County through his eyes. His columns are being reprinted due to request.*

The last few days have convinced me that air-conditioning is here to stay.

**OUR "MISS AMERICA" CHOICE**

I am "smitten with" Miss Nancy Bowling, the 1962, Miss Kentucky who visited Prestonsburg last week. I hasten to add that I am old enough to listen as well as to look.

It's a pity that more of our young people did not hear Miss Bowling when she spoke briefly at prayer meeting last Wednesday night at the Baptist Church here. They need to hear such statements, almost as badly as we who are older; they and we alike are so craven when it comes time to stand up and be counted.

As nearly as I can recall, and these notes were made not long after she had spoken, this is an excerpt from Miss Kentucky's short talk:

"Since I have been selected for this honor I am constantly being thrown into situations and social contacts which are foreign to what I have been taught and what I believe. This is a challenge to me, and it also is a privilege to stand up for what I know to be right and to witness to Him who means so much to me. I am proud to be a Christian."

**IS THIS TREASON!**

I am a hillbilly from 'way back, and proud of it. I will do battle (at a safe distance, with words) for our region, its people, their customs, and so on. But I must confess, I am so tired of some of this music that fills the air and my car—that this hillbilly and rock-and-roll tripe—that the screeching of a prima donna trilling foreign words to music my car cannot comprehend would be blessed relief.

**ONLY ONE COMPLICATION**

Blame this one on Ardiann Conn, not me:

A young colored boy was talking to a neighbor, and the neighbor said, "I hear you got a new papa over at your house. But do you like him?"

"Oh," said the boy, "he's awful nice to me. He takes me out in the boat, out to the middle of the lake every Saturday mornin' and throws me out and I get to swim back to shore."

"But it seems to me that would be pretty hard on you to swim that far."

"Oh, I enjoy the swim," said the boy. "The hardest part of the whole thing is gittin' out of that sack every time."

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Emily Post on How To Handle a Foot-Long Without Help:

Rest your left elbow on left knee, hold left end of foot-long

(See ALLEN, page six)



After 30 years of teaching in the Floyd County school system, Imogene Caldwell is now enjoying her retirement years spending time with her family, nurturing beautiful flowers at her home, and penning stories about her life and life observations. She is the author of "From the Top Rail of the Fence," a collection of stories about her youth.

photo by Kathy J. Prater

**Growing old is one of  
life's greatest blessings**

by IMOGENE CALDWELL

Growing old is such a blessing for all of us who are fortunate enough to experience it. We can enjoy the good, complain about the bad and have the mind to know the difference. We can lay back and reminisce about the good old days and talk about them to anybody who is kind enough to listen. Then, too, we have the privilege of day dreaming in the old rocking chair or, perhaps, think about the heartaches that have come our way, and most of all, shedding a few tears when we feel like it. We can sit back with our eyes closed and watch our children make all the mistakes they want to. We know all the solutions but yet we smile inwardly and whisper in our own ears - "They made them, now let them solve them. I'm just taking it easy for the day."

You remember just as well as I do. The day the doctor said a pair of glasses would help us see a little better. That was years ago and I, for one, was real glad because a stylish pair of big rimmed glasses would make me look so much better. Why, I'd be right in style!

Not long after I got my new glasses, I woke up in the wee hours of the morning with a dull penetrating pain in one of my front teeth - again. The doctor told me I not only had one bad tooth but a couple more were in need of repair. This really wasn't bad news for me, because now, you see, I could have prettier teeth with the help of Dr. Tooth Fixer. And my eyes would sparkle, also, behind my new glasses.

Most of us - at this age - have kids to care for, meals to prepare, plus hundreds of other chores. So, it's nice to be able to look real good in spite of a busy life.

Without even suspecting, we, at this stage in life, are already doing something we had never dreamed of

doing - we are growing older. I never knew it. Neither did you. I just thought how "in style" I was!

One morning, back when three-inch heels and pointed toe shoes were absolutely a "must have," I couldn't even think about going out of the house without a shiny pair on - with a purse to match, too, of course!

Then, one day, I sort of noticed that my two big toes were hurting. The pain slowly and surely got worse as the weeks went by. I had two ingrown toenails gouging away at both toes!

I could wear more sensible shoes, or I could keep on limping with pain in my "fashionable" ones, or...I could have my two toenails removed. It seemed to me to be wiser to have them taken off - then I could wear my lovely high heels once again.

I had those two toenails removed and now I only have eight toenails, along with my two rough and red, slightly irritated ones.

After telling this little story, I guess it is pretty plain for you to see that at that time in my life, I was working at keeping up with all the other ladies in my circle. Not once, yet, had I noticed any changes going on within me. I could still polish where those two nails used to be.

The children are all growing up by now. Most of them busy with their own growing up and growing older. Not once did I know that I was on the same road. One day, when the sun was shining through the bathroom window - straight into my face - I kind of got a surprise. There were tiny little wrinkles around my eyes and the corners of my mouth - oh, well! No big deal! A little cream would take care of them.

But, then, with a closer look, I saw a few big, stiff hairs dotting my neck and chin. And there beneath my one chin was another one trying to

grow. Strangle little noticeable things were happening. But like I said, "No big deal." My mother, after all, was the "old" person in our family - no one else; and certainly not me.

Appendicitis came along one morning and, as snow blew in sheets and the wind whistled around the eaves of our little country hospital, that old thing had to be removed from my body. That wasn't hard and I was home in a few days and a few pounds lighter, too! "Great," I thought, "now my bathing suit will fit better." But I also noticed that day that my husband was growing a belly and losing his hair. "Strange, he is beginning to look a little bit like an old man," I thought.

When one of my children came by a few days later, he said he had to turn the volume on the television down before he could talk to me. I never understood why but he turned it down to almost off. After he had talked awhile and had gone on his way, I thought about him and my t.v. I went over and turned it back up and sat down to watch, but it did cross my mind that maybe, just maybe, my ears were stopped up with wax or something. Oh, well! Again, so what?

Some few years later, one of my knees began to ache. It would hurt really badly when I wanted very much to walk with the children. When on vacation, it was hard to follow along everywhere they would race off to. "I guess I must have twisted it a bit at the amusement park last week," I thought to myself. Anyway, I reasoned, even children get bumps and bruises.

Last week, I had to visit my doctor. He told me that maybe I should lose a few pounds. If I did, he said, maybe I would be in better health. That was actually just what I wanted

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**MOVIES FROM  
THE BLACK LAGOON**

**'Hollywood  
Vice Squad'**

by TOM DOTY  
TIMES COLUMNIST

An eclectic cast of supporting actors pump some life into this uneven crime yarn that only partially succeeds at copying the ambience of the breakout hit "Vice Squad" (released four years earlier).

This one jumps all over the place, which isn't too surprising as it follows four different investigations that were supposedly gathered from case files of the HVS.

The movie gets off to a goofy start with an undercover detective of Asian descent pretending to be a tourist as he entraps a prostitute. The joke is on him as the lady of the evening turns out to be a man who is actually an undercover thief. The pair wrestle while the car barrels through traffic and ends with a crash and foot chase.



Tom Doty  
Times Columnist

You've seen this kind of sequence done better in the "Lethal Weapon" series, but the actors handle it well and include Evan Kim (star of the Bruce Lee spoof in "Kentucky Fried Movie") as the Asian cop and Joey Travolta (John's brother) as his strait-laced partner. The pair pop up whenever the movie needs a break and their best segment involves a chase scene involving an angel dusted felon who hijacks a tour bus. The scene acknowledges Bruce Lee, though it's actually a steal from Jackie Chan's "Police Story" which found Chan hanging on for dear life as a rogue bus plunged through Hong Kong while he hung from a back window onto an umbrella. It all ends with another crash and is a decent stunt, though it has nothing to do with the diverse plots of the film. Said plots include an investigation into a child pornographer, an attempt to turn a low-level bookie against the mob and a frantic search for a runaway who has drifted into prostitution.

The most arresting plot line involves the runaway and features Frank Gorshin (the Riddler on TV's "Batman") as the tough guy manager of an escort service. Gorshin has a field day with the role and spits his dialogue out through a cigarette clenched firmly between his teeth.

When the cops realize he employs the runaway, they come up with a truly bizarre sting operation which amounts to another cop posing as a Michigan pimp who is in California on a buying trip. The idea is to catch him in the act of human trafficking and it is as far-fetched as it sounds, though it does lead to a great pay off which involves Kim in a motel room with the runaway (played by Robin Wright Penn in her screen debut) while a psychotic gunman watches from inside a closet with the intention of killing Kim if he doesn't make a

(See LAGOON, page six)

**Thanks, Mom!**

by STEVE YOUNG

"CHICKEN SOUP FOR THE SPORTS FAN'S SOUL"

I have often been told that I am a quarterback with the mind-set of a running back. People have always commented on my ability to scramble, yet that wasn't always my style. All professional athletes retain vivid memories of events that helped mold them into the players they are today. The following story marks the begin-

ning of my scrambling techniques.

I was 9 years old and playing in a competitive game of Pop Warner football. I played running back for the North Mianus Indians. We were playing against the Belle Haven Buzzards, and our quarterback had tossed me the ball. I took a few tentative steps, and while I was trying to figure out where I should run, I was tackled. It was an illegal neck-tackle that threw me on my back and knocked the wind out of me.

As I tried to catch my breath, I saw my parents run onto the field toward me. I thought, Oh, gosh, please, Mom, go back to the sideline. You see, it was OK to have my dad run out on the field. His nickname is "Grit," and he was a running back himself while at Brigham Young University. But, it was certainly not cool to have my mother, Sherry, come charging over with him. They finally reached me and, much to my surprise, as my father bent down to see how I was doing, my mother leapt over me, ran several more yards and grabbed the kid who had tackled me. As she picked him off the ground by his jersey, she shook him and shouted,

"Don't neck-tackle!"

Needless to say, I was fine, but I'm not sure my opponent ever recovered from the shock. From that moment forth, I learned how to scramble, and quickly. I lived in fear of being tackled and had visions of my mother storming on the field to reprimand the tackler. We were teased about that incident for years. Even through high school, if someone tackled me too roughly, friends would yell, "Go get 'em, Sherry!" So, through a little unintentional motivation from Mom, I learned there are tremendous advantages to scrambling and avoiding tacklers.





# Kentucky Afield: Reloading rifle and pistol cartridges

by HAYLEY LYNCH  
KENTUCKY AFIELD

FRANKFORT — For serious rifle and pistol shooters, there are a number of reasons for reloading ammunition. Like shotshell reloading, rifle and pistol reloading can become a hobby in itself. There are long-term cost savings for centerfire rifle shooters who shoot several hundred rounds a year and pistol shooters who shoot at least a thousand rounds every year. Reloading is a necessity for those who shoot a difficult-to-find rifle round like the .220 Swift or pistol round like the .455 Webley.

Rather than trying to save money, most centerfire rifle shooters reload to improve their accuracy or get the hard-to-find hunting bullet that they want. Because individual rifles

are load-specific, even two rifles of the same make and model may shoot a given load differently. Reloading allows competition rifle shooters obsessed with accuracy and consistency to shoot only the load that performs best in their firearm.

"A manufacturer has to make a compromise, and make rounds that shoot well in all guns," said Major Randy Hedges, an avid shooter and reloader as well as assistant director of law enforcement for the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources. "Reloaders can get the exact bullet weight and powder charge that shoots the best for their rifle."

To get the most precise loads possible, centerfire rifle reloaders carefully measure every powder charge and use presses designed to load only

one cartridge at a time. Even a tenth of a grain of powder can mean the difference between an average load and one that achieves the tightest groups possible.

Pistol shooters, on the other hand, generally reload more for the cost savings than for improved precision.

Many pistol reloaders use progressive presses, which can perform several steps of the reloading process on multiple cases with each pull of the handle. These presses, like the progressive shotshell reloading presses, automatically measure the right powder charge for each shell. "Handguns are less sensitive to small variations in powder than centerfire rifles," Hedges explained.

One advantage to rifle and pistol reloading is that cartridges can be reloaded using the same press. Unlike shotgun

ammunition, where it is more convenient to use separate presses for different gauges, the same press can reload several calibers of rifle or pistol ammunition just by changing dies.

The place to begin for shooters interested in reloading is with an experienced person who can demonstrate how to reload safely. They can also help new reloaders find the load that shoots best in their particular firearm. "Reloaders don't keep secrets," said Hedges. "They'll tell you what they are loading. But what works for their rifle may not work for yours."

The next step is buying the equipment. A reloading manual is the most important piece of equipment, and the charts should be followed exactly to ensure safety. Some reloading kits include manuals.

A single-stage, one-cartridge at a time reloading kit contains most of what reloaders need to get started and runs anywhere from \$100-\$400. Die sets must be purchased separately and cost \$25-\$45 for each caliber set. Shell holders are also sold separately, and run about \$5-\$6 each. In addition to these items, centerfire reloaders will need a case tumbler, which runs \$50-\$80.

Lastly, reloaders must purchase cartridge components — cases, primers, powder and bullets. Most reloaders purchase factory rounds, shoot them and re-use the cases. Depending on the load, rifle cartridge cases can last 5-8 reloads, and pistol cartridge cases can be reloaded 10-12 times. Buying components in bulk saves money.

Reloading becomes faster with practice, and as reloaded

rounds add up, the cost of each load comes down. Shooters realize the rewards of reloading when they achieve tighter groups once they find the perfect load for their firearms. But the reloading process itself can also be rewarding, as reloaders complete round after round in preparation for the next day at the range.

"I won't say it's as much fun as emptying them, but it is fun," said Hedges. "Sitting there looking at all of them lined up, you can't wait to go empty them."

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# Daytona 2008 preseason test dates announced

TIMES STAFF REPORT

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — Testing dates for the historic 50th running of the Daytona 500 on Feb. 17, 2008 at Daytona International Speedway have been finalized.

The first wave of Nextel Cup Series teams will test in preparation for "The Great American Race" on Jan. 7-9 with Jan. 10 serving as a rain date. The second wave of Cup Series testing will be Jan. 14-16 with Jan. 17 serving as a rain date.

The Cup Series teams will be split into two groups based

on the owner's points following the race weekend at Chicagoland Speedway. Among the drivers expected to be in the first wave of teams (odd-numbered teams in the owner's standings) will be three-time Daytona 500 champion Jeff Gordon, 2006 Daytona 500 champion Jimmie Johnson, Matt Kenseth, Carl Edwards, Clint Bowyer and Kurt Busch.

Among the expected drivers in the second wave (even-numbered teams in the owner's standings) are 2007 Daytona 500 champion Kevin Harvick, Denny Hamlin, Jeff

Burton, Tony Stewart, Martin Truex Jr. and Jamie McMurray.

Testing dates for 2004 Daytona 500 winner Dale Earnhardt Jr., who will join Hendrick Motorsports for the 2008 season, will be announced at a later date.

Other testing dates for Preseason Thunder include: Jan. 4-6, Rolex Sports Car Series in preparation for the 46th anniversary of the Rolex 24 At Daytona on Jan. 26-27, all teams.; Jan. 11-13, Craftsman Truck Series in preparation for the Feb. 15 Chevy Silverado 250, all

trucks; Jan. 18-22, Busch Series in preparation for the Feb. 16 Camping World 300 presented by Chevrolet, two different sessions.

NASCAR Preseason Thunder Fan Fest dates, which will coincide with January's Cup Series, Craftsman Truck Series, Busch Series and Rolex Series testing sessions at the "World Center of Racing," will be held on the following dates:

Jan. 5: The Roar Before The Rolex 24; Jan. 8: Nextel Cup Fan Fest; Jan. 12: Craftsman Truck Fan Fest; Jan. 15: Nextel Cup Fan Fest;

Jan. 19: Busch Series Fan Fest.

The Fan Fest events start at 5 p.m. ET but fans may enter the Sprint FANZONE beginning at 9 a.m. ET to watch all of the exciting testing action on those days. Admissions for the Cup Fan Fest dates are \$15 while Busch and Craftsman Truck Series admissions are \$10. The Roar Before The Rolex 24 admission is also \$10.

Fans will be able to get a sneak peek on teams as they prepare for DirecTV Speedweeks 2008 with inquisitive fan forums with many of their favorite drivers as well as

enjoying all the state-of-the-art amenities in the popular Sprint FANZONE.

Also included in NASCAR Preseason Thunder Fan Fests will be bands, show cars, pit stop demonstrations, displays, a silent auction and hot laps around DIS (additional charge).

Fans can continue to watch all of the January testing sessions free from the Oldfield Grandstands located just outside of The Daytona 500 Experience.

# Bengals sign TE Nate Lawrie

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

GEORGETOWN — Tight end Nate Lawrie signed a one-year contract Thursday with the Cincinnati Bengals, who were looking for help at a position severely diminished by injuries in training camp.

The Bengals also waived undrafted rookie linebacker Cameron Siskowic, who signed as a free agent on May

2. Lawrie was drafted in the sixth round by Tampa Bay in 2004. He played in two games for Tampa Bay as a rookie, catching one pass for 15 yards. He got into six games the next season without catching a pass.

Lawrie played in seven games for New Orleans last season, catching one pass for 17 yards. He was waived by

the Saints on Nov. 21.

Cincinnati needed another tight end after three of their reserves got hurt this week: Tim Day, Bobby Blizzard and Sean Mulcahy. Reggie Kelly is the starter.

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ON FOUR WHEELS: The various four-wheeler divisions at Beaver Junction Motocross continue to attract riders from Floyd and surrounding counties.

## Soccer

participate in recreational soccer. Parents may be asked to provide a birth certificate or other record for verification of the child's birthdate. Players in the Under6 and

Under8 divisions play against other Floyd County teams only. Teams in the Under10 division and older also play teams from surrounding counties. During the spring

season, over 200 boys and girls from Floyd County participated in youth soccer. For more information, contact Smith via phone at 886-9562.

## Contact

there is a foul by the opponent of a team scoring a touchdown. In addition to its previous option of accepting the result of the play and having the penalty enforced on the try-for-point, the scoring team may choose to have the foul enforced on the ensuing kick-off.

Two changes were made in Rule 1-2-3 regarding "The Field and Markings." A 4-inch-wide broken restraining line is now required around the outside of the field, and the line must be at least two yards from the sidelines and end lines. The only exception to this rule will be in stadiums where the total field enclosure does not permit the line. In addition, a line, 4 inches wide by 12 inches long, that bisects the limit line at each 5-yard line extended, may be used.

Rule 1-2-3 now will also provide rule support for the location and dimension of a three-yard line marking that appears on the field diagram. A line, 4 inches wide by a minimum of 24 inches in length, shall be centered and placed three yards from each goal line.

The committee added two new articles to Rule 10-4 regarding basic spots for enforcement of penalties. The basic spot will be the 20-yard line for plays when the end of the related run is in the end zone followed by a loss of possession and the ball re-enters the playing field and then goes out of bounds.

Following are other changes approved by the Football Rules Committee:

- Added the word "legal" to the definition of a passer to

help clarify Rule 2-31-11.

- Provided an opportunity for a coach who assumes the head coaching responsibility during a game (when the head coach has been disqualified) to call a time-out.

- Beginning with the 2008 season, required forearm pads to meet same specifications as gloves and hand pads as set forth by the Sporting Goods Manufacturers Association in 1994. The new rule will require forearm pads to have the NFHS/NCAA label attached beginning in 2008.

- In six-, eight- and nine-player football, reduced the free-blocking zone to a zone three yards on either side of the snap and three yards behind each line of scrimmage.

# Buddy Bell to resign at end of season

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

MINNEAPOLIS — Buddy Bell chose family over baseball, resigning as manager of the last-place Kansas City Royals effective at the end of the season.

An emotional Bell, who will turn 55 on Aug. 27, announced the decision before Kansas City's game against the Minnesota Twins. He will join the Royals' front office in 2008 as a senior adviser to general

manager Dayton Moore.

Bell's nephew, Marine Lance Cpl. Tim Bell Jr., was killed by a roadside bomb in August 2005 in Iraq, and Bell said health concerns also played a part in his decision. Last September, he had surgery to remove a cancerous growth in his throat.

ATLANTA — The Atlanta Braves cleared roster spots for newly acquired relievers Octavio Dotel and Ron Mahay by cutting first baseman Julio

Franco and demoting right-handed reliever Jose Ascanio.

Franco was the tough decision for manager Bobby Cox. The 48-year-old Franco was signed by the Braves on July 18 after he was designated for assignment by the New York Mets on July 12.

Franco hit .250 with seven RBIs in 11 games with Atlanta. If Franco is not signed by another team, he could rejoin the Braves in September.

# Bullitt schools to begin random drug testing for student-athletes

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

SHEPHERDSVILLE — Dozens of student-athletes at two central Kentucky high schools will be asked to take part in random drug screenings beginning this fall.

The screens at two Bullitt County schools are part of a nationwide survey to examine whether the testing curbs drug use among high school students.

"This program is going to prove that the students here aren't using drugs," said Jaime Goldsmith, who serves as the district's safe and drug-free schools coordinator.

The schools will join 65 other school districts across the state that participate in some form of random student drug testing, according to the state School Boards Association. Last month, the Graves County school board passed a mandatory drug-testing program that will go into effect this fall.

The National Department of Education spend \$1.6 million on random student drug testing this year. Texas, Florida and New Jersey recently mandated steroid testing for all high school athletes.

"Drugs have become a huge problem in our society,"

Goldsmith said. "Athletes are usually in the in-crowd and can have a positive impact on their peers."

But some parents and advocacy groups aren't sold on the controversial testing, which will screen athletes at Bullitt Central and Bullitt East high schools. The district is one of 36 school systems across the country participating in the study by the National Center for Education Evaluation.

"I don't like it," said Theresa Rodriguez, whose 15-year-old son will play on Bullitt Central's football team. "They're hurting these children, not helping them."

The two Bullitt County high schools were chosen by the researchers based on a student survey last year that indicated those schools have a larger drug problem. If athletes fail the drug tests, they must sit out 20 percent of the season and pass another drug test before returning. After a second failed test, they must miss the entire season and be evaluated throughout the year outside school. After a third failed test, the student is banned from sports for the rest of their high school career.

In exchange for participating in the program, Bullitt County will receive \$140,000 a year for

five years.

The Drug Policy Alliance has opposed random drug testing in schools, calling it ineffective.

"This is a program that really hasn't been evaluated and closely looked at," said Jennifer Kern, a research associate for the alliance. "It's not an evidence-based practice."

Kern cited a 2003 University of Michigan study that concluded that testing students in schools does not deter drug use. Furthermore, students being pulled out of class, taken to a trailer, and later kicked off a sports team can be both embarrassing and awkward, Kern said.

Dan Leasor, Bullitt Central's football coach, said a drug-testing program can take away from a student the very thing that can save them.

"I don't think you should give up on a kid — ever," Leasor said. "When you cut them loose, you've lost them. If these kids aren't on the field, they're probably out doing more drugs."

Bullitt will expand the test next year to include athletes at middle schools and students who participate in competitive activities such as chess and dance clubs.



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REPLICA: Brandon Kinzer Motorsports now offers diecast of the No. 18 Late Model. More information on the diecast is available online at: www.brandonkinzer.com.

The Kinzer team was due back in action Saturday night in Johnson County at 201 Speedway.

# Kragthorpe, Cardinals push tempo on first day of practice

by WILL GRAVES  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — The atmosphere at Steve Kragthorpe's first full practice at Louisville looked a bit different than the one he enjoyed at Tulsa four years ago.

Asked if he could remember how many people showed up for that first practice with the Golden Hurricane — who were coming off a one-win season and considering dropping the program if Kragthorpe didn't turn it around — and he narrowed his eyes and shook his head.

"I think my wife was there," he said, somewhat helpfully.

Things were a bit more crowded for the Kragthorpe and the Cardinals on Thursday. Fans lined up two or three deep around the school's practice fields, eager for their first

glimpse at the defending Big East champions and Heisman Trophy hopeful Brian Brohm.

Kragthorpe enjoyed the environment, likening it to the thousands of fans who would turn out to watch the NFL's Buffalo Bills practice when he served as the team's quarterbacks coach in 2001-02.

"We've got to perform when we turn the lights on, we've got to perform when there's people in the stands, so having people on the sidelines and cameras out there, I think it's great," he said.

The atmosphere may have changed, but Kragthorpe said his approach has not.

"It's really no different for me, you're trying to take a group of guys and mold them together and get them ready to play in a very short amount of time," he said.

The time crunch is a bit

more pronounced than usual for the Cardinals, who have four weeks to get ready for the season opener against Murray State on Aug. 30, and they'll have to do it as classes are starting.

Kragthorpe said the first week or so will be about installing the basics then gradually delving into the nuances of his scheme.

"What we're looking for is consistency. Can you do it on day one? Can you do it on day 21?" he said. "We're looking for guys that can do it on a consistent basis."

While the Cardinals will have plenty of questions to answer over the next month — particularly on an injury-riddled offensive line and an inexperienced secondary — Kragthorpe knows the one constant he'll be able to count on is Brohm, who bypassed the

NFL to return for his senior season.

Brohm starts this summer without the lingering questions that dogged him last year as he came off knee surgery. He looked confident during a series of passing drills and did it without wearing a brace on either knee. A little bit bulkier than he was last year, Brohm said there were the usual hiccups that come with first day jitters.

"I think you have to know where you're going to be able to go fast and I think a lot of guys might have been thinking," Brohm said. "Once everybody gets in the flow of things, the tempo will pick up and things will flow a little faster."

Other than an occasional bout with cramps, there were no major injury problems on Thursday, and nearly all of the

freshmen and junior college transfers were able to practice.

Defensive back Woodny Turcotte, a junior college transfer from the College of the Sequoias, watched in a white T-shirt from the sidelines and won't be able to participate until a transcript problem is resolved, which could be next week.

## New UofL coaches: Kragthorpe announces two staff additions

LOUISVILLE — Louisville football coach Steve Kragthorpe didn't have to look

far to fill an administrative staff position.

Kragthorpe's father, Dave, joined the program Wednesday as administrative assistant for his son, the school said in a statement. Dave Kragthorpe has 10 years experience as a collegiate head football coach.

Also, Jeff Lewis was named an administrative assistant on the offense. Lewis spent five seasons in the NFL with the Denver Broncos and the Carolina Panthers and was a four-year starter at Northern Arizona University.

— The Associated Press

## UofL FOOTBALL EARLY 2007 SCHEDULE

Aug. 30 vs. Murray State  
Sept. 6 vs. Middle Tenn.  
Sept. 15 at Kentucky

# Wildcats eager to prove 2006 was no fluke as they begin camp

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON — The last eight months have been a little strange for Kentucky football players as they've dealt with the kind of celebrity usually reserved for the school's basketball team.

The fame comes after the Wildcats completed their best season in over two decades.

"A lot more people notice me no matter where I go

now," senior tailback Rafael Little said. "Like when I'm eating, my girlfriend gets mad when they talk to me."

Little laughed as he revealed how life has changed for the Wildcats, who finished 8-5 last season and beat Clemson in the Music City Bowl for the school's first bowl victory in 22 years.

Kentucky returns to the practice field on Friday, and will have its work cut out to

repeat last year's breakout performance. Picked to finish near the bottom of the league, the Wildcats tied for third in the Southeastern Conference's East Division, its best showing since 1993. The Wildcats even beat Georgia for the first time in 10 years and won its first SEC opener in 19 years.

As the players reported for preseason camp on Thursday, senior tight end Jacob Tamme

said he has also noticed a change in the way the team has been perceived in the community, but stressed that the Wildcats need to remain humble in order to continue being successful.

"People are excited and that's good," said Tamme, who was named to the All-SEC first team last year. "We've got to learn how to deal with positives and expectations. "We've had to deal

with negatives before, now we've got to deal with pats on the back. We've got to enjoy them, but realize pats on the back aren't going to win anything for us."

Tamme had to look no further than the preseason SEC media poll to prove his point.

Despite the fact that he, Little and prolific quarterback Andre Woodson were three of six Wildcats named to one of the preseason All-SEC teams,

Kentucky was still picked to finish fifth in the East.

"It's the toughest division in the toughest conference in the country," Tamme said. "That's an opportunity for us. The only SEC list that matters is the one at the end of the season so we'll have our fair share of opportunities to put ourselves on it at the top."

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# EKU announces 2007 edition of Athletics Hall of Fame Class

TIMES STAFF REPORT

RICHMOND — The Eastern Kentucky University Athletics Hall of Fame will enshrine its second induction class, featuring nine distinguished individuals, during an evening ceremony on Friday, October 12, in the historic Keen Johnson Building.

The 2007 induction class includes: Pam (Raglin) Andrews (Track & Field); Eddie Bodkin (Men's Basketball); Donald Combs (Administrator, Swimming); George

Floyd (Football); Myron Guyton (Football); Aaron Jones (Football); John Nganga (Track & Field); John Gochel "Tex" Ritter (Baseball, Basketball, Golf, Track); and Chrissy Roberts (Women's Basketball).

Friday night's activities begin with a 5:30 p.m. reception, followed by a 6:30 p.m. dinner. The ceremony is scheduled to begin at 7:30 p.m. The group will also be recognized just prior to the 3 p.m. Colonel football game against Southeast Missouri State on Saturday, October 13.

Tickets for Friday evening are \$25

and can be purchased by calling the Colonel Club office, 859-622-2046. The deadline for registration is Sept. 28. Tickets will not be sold at the event.

The EKU Athletics Hall of Fame inducted 38 individuals at its inaugural ceremony in 2006.

FCT FYI: For more information on the EKU Athletics Hall of Fame, contact Simon Gray, Associate Director of Athletics for Advancement, 859-622-1496 or [simon.gray@eku.edu](mailto:simon.gray@eku.edu).



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PRE-PAD FOOTBALL: Prestonsburg hosted numerous opposing teams in passing scrimmages earlier in the year. The Blackcats held their annual media day Saturday.

# DC DEFEAT: Nationals beat Reds 7-3 for sweep

by HOWARD FENDRICH  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Tina Turner's "Simply the Best" blared on the loudspeakers as the Washington Nationals met in the infield to celebrate a three-game sweep of the Cincinnati Reds with high-fives, backslaps and smiles all around.

The best? Really? Well, not quite: The Nationals are last in the NL East, after all. Still, after a terrible start, they have not been nearly as bad as many thought they would be. Washington is 39-35 since May 11, when its record was 9-25.

Ryan Zimmerman and the rest of Washington's suddenly potent offense gave Cincinnati starter Phil Dumatrait a rude welcome to the major leagues Thursday night, and the Nationals beat the Reds 7-3.

"This is the growth of our team. They call it 'rebuilding,' not giving us much of a

chance," said Dmitri Young, who contributed two RBI singles. "But we never listen to those people. We listen to our manager, and he believes we have a chance."

And the reaction of that manager, Manny Acta, to his team's recent success, including winning 10 of 12 at home? "Very satisfying," Acta said.

Zimmerman had three hits, drove in three runs and, on defense, made a slick backhanded stab while down on a knee to grab Jeff Conine's high hopper to third base leading off the seventh. Zimmerman checked his glove to make sure the ball was there — "I had no clue," he said later — and threw out Conine.

"I really could care less about the number of errors he has," Acta said. "To me, he's the best there is."

That spectacular play backed a strong outing by Mike Bacsik (5-6). The left-hander allowed homers to

Adam Dunn and Alex Gonzalez, plus a single, in a three-run second inning — but otherwise did not allow a hit over seven innings of work. Indeed, take out that troublesome second, and Bacsik faced the minimum 18 batters over his other six innings.

"He was on his game," Acta said.

The only other batter who reached base against Bacsik was Ryan Freel, hit by a pitch in the sixth, then erased when Brandon Phillips grounded into a double play.

Bacsik didn't walk a batter and struck out six, departing after only 81 pitches, 51 strikes.

"Everyone's doubted our pitchers all year, and they've done well all year," Zimmerman said. "We're happy with what we have."

Bacsik is 3-0 with a 2.18 ERA in his past three starts, a remarkable run by a guy out of the majors completely in 2005 and 2006. He began 2007 in

the minors but was called up when a rash of injuries hit Washington's starters.

"The opportunity I'm getting is awesome. It's a blessing really, because they haven't come my way," the 29-year-old Bacsik said.

Dumatrait (0-1) left after 82 pitches — and those weren't enough to get him out of the fourth inning of his big league debut. The 26-year-old left-hander was brought up from Triple-A Louisville before the game to help fill in a shuffled Reds rotation.

His first pitch in the majors was a 93 mph fastball that ticked off the top of catcher David Ross' glove and headed to the backstop. His second pitch? Dropped in between the shortstop and center fielder for a single by Felipe Lopez.

And Washington kept connecting, scoring one run in the first, two in the third, then three in the fourth.

"He didn't have good command," Reds manager Pete

Mackanin said. "It was his debut, and I am sure he was nervous."

The rookie's explanation? "I tried too hard," Dumatrait said after allowing six runs in 3 1-3 innings.

The Nationals entered this series averaging 3.79 runs. But they managed to score 20 in three games — a big series, even if Cincinnati pitchers have allowed more hits and runs than any other NL team's staff.

"They look like they have some decent energy over there," Cincinnati's Mark Bellhorn said. "They looked like they wanted to win."

MOVES: Left-handed starter Phil Dumatrait was recalled Thursday, by the Cincinnati Reds, who are reshaping their rotation to make up for the loss of Kyle Lohse.

The Reds also scheduled infielder Juan Castro for reconstructive elbow surgery

on Tuesday. Castro has a partially torn ligament in his right elbow.

Dumatrait went 10-5 with a 3.49 ERA in 21 starts for Triple-A Louisville. The 26-year-old pitcher was scheduled to make his major league debut Thursday night in Washington against the Nationals.

The Reds need another starter because they traded Lohse to the Phillies on Monday for a prospect. Dumatrait takes the roster spot of right-hander Elizardo Ramirez, who was optioned to Louisville after Wednesday night's game.

Medical tests last month detected Castro's partially torn ligament. He agreed to postpone a decision on surgery while the team was short-handed at shortstop last month, making himself available to play in an emergency.

Castro is hoping to be ready to play by spring training.

# Harley-Davidsons due to invade Bristol Dragway

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

BRISTOL, Tenn. — The rumbling of Harley-Davidsons will once again be heard echoing through Thunder Valley when the All Harley Drag Racing Association returns to Bristol Dragway Aug. 11-12.

With the arrival of the midseason mark in the Screamin' Eagle Championship Series, the competition is expected to be strong at the S & S Thunder in the Valley Nationals presented by Smith Brothers Harley-Davidson.

Fans can expect to see plenty of fast action on the quarter-mile strip with three nitro classes, modified gas bikes, street bikes and more. AHDR offers 16

classes of competition with over \$60,000 up for grabs.

In addition to the racing action, a wide range of vendors will be on site at Bristol Dragway along with the Official H.O.G. Pit Stop. Harley Owners Group (H.O.G.) members will be treated to a free H.O.G. pin and refreshments with paid admission.

Smith Brothers Harley-Davidson will kick off pre-race activities at the dealership on Thursday, August 9 from 4-7 p.m. with the AHDR Nitro Party featuring live entertainment, race bike displays, plenty of food and more. The dealership is located just minutes from the track at 3518 Bristol Hwy in Johnson City, Tenn.

Racing action gets underway on Saturday with qualifying at 9 a.m. On Sunday, Sportsman eliminations begin at 9:00 a.m. while the Pro's take the track at 12:30 p.m.

Admission to the Thunder in the Valley Nationals presented by Smith Brothers Harley-Davidson is \$50 for the weekend and \$30 for single-day admission. Children 11 and under are admitted free and free admission also is offered to active and reserve military personnel with proper identification. H.O.G. Members receive a \$5 discount at the gate with a valid H.O.G. card.

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## HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL 2007

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## 2007 NASCAR NEXTEL CUP

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- Aug. 19 — 3M Performance 400, Brooklyn, Mich.
- Aug. 25 — Sharpie 500, Bristol, Tenn.
- Sept. 2 — NASCAR Nextel Cup Series 500, Fontana, Calif.
- Sept. 8 — Chevy Rock-and-Roll 400, Richmond, Va.
- Sept. 16 — Sylvania 300, Loudon, N.H.
- Sept. 23 — Dover 400, Dover, Del.
- Sept. 30 — Kansas 400, Kansas City, Kan.
- Oct. 7 — UAW-Ford 500, Talladega, Ala.
- Oct. 13 — Bank of America 500, Concord, N.C.
- Oct. 21 — Subway 500, Martinsville, Va.
- Oct. 28 — Georgia 500, Hampton, Ga.
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BOOK FOR SALE Korners of inspiration (A collaboration of Kim's Kerner). Priority mail \$13.30, shipping UPS \$20.00, allow 2-4 weeks for delivery. To order send check or money order to Kim Frausre 955 Abbott Mountain Road Prestonsburg Ky 41653, or email klfrasure@bell-south.net

BOOK FOR SALE A book by Donald Crisp "Growing up on Bucks Branch". In Floyd county, on sale now!!!! \$12.50 plus shipping and handling. Contact Donald at 285-3385.

Dog Needs A Home!! Relocating couple needs a loving home for a great dog. Neutered male Doberman Mix. Good watch dog! \$25, negotiable. Call 606-424-1707

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LOST!!!!!! Shaggy white poodle, answers to Andy! Lost in downtown Prestonsburg. Contact Liafast@yahoo.com

### Yard Sale

MOVING SALE Ashley Furniture, couch & matching chase, 2 chair oak dinette set, metal bed and frame. All furniture like new.

Call 226-6161 or work # 886-4530.

TWO FAMILY GARAGE SALE: Rain or shine, July 3rd and 4th from 8:30 to 4:30 p.m. behind Allen Right Fork Bull Creek, sixth house on left behind spruce trees (Gray/Brick) Electric weed eaters, old crocks, cookbooks, DVD/CD's, mason jars, clothes, bug lights, ect.

3 Family yard and Bake Sale what nots, small boys clothes, clothes of all sizes, everything home made, pumpkin rolls, ginger bread, fudge, all kinds of goodies, green acres community center building Prestonsburg, Sat 8-4 8:30amto ???

YEARLY YARD SALE Aug 4th 1 1/2 miles up Stephens Br. at Martin. Beside Kountry Shop. Furniture, light fixtures, name brand clothes, boys and adults, 2 cars 1995 & 2000 models, sale or trade, bicycles, go carts, pull behind trailer for 4-wheelers and much more. One day only.

HUGE 5 FAMILY yard sale Friday and Saturday. Lots of everything! Located at 152 South River Street, Auxier, turn right at Methodist Church, straight into dead end driveway. Look for signs! Rain or shine!!!

ESTATE SALE Fri and Sat. Collectables, some antiques, salt and pepper shakers, glass top table and 4 chairs, odd chairs, side tables, kitchen items, coats, clothes 5 cents each., etc. 575 Mays Branch, Prestonsburg (off old Route 23, Turn at Pizza Hut) Good Prices. Starts at 10am.

4-Family Yard Sale Aug 1-4 (Wed.thru Sat.) 9-3pm. Large variety of items- Household, clothing(many sizes) toys, and so much more! Just off US 23, at traffic light toward HRMC immediately turn left onto 1100 E approx. 1/2 mi. Follow signs.

Multi-Family Yard Sale. Saturday 8-4-07 from 8-5 pm Clothing, home interior, dishes.

3 Family yard sale Friday and Saturday Aug 3-4. 43 Lawson St. 8-4

Community Yard Sale!! New Allen Addition, turn at Citizens Branch Bank, watch for signs! Friday, August 3 and Saturday August 4.

A little bit of "everything".

3 Family yard Sale Friday Aug 3rd. at 9:00 -? Central Ave. behind Allen Citizens National Bank. Home interior, Women's clothing, small to plus, boys/girls various sizes plenty for school, toys, household items, and more. Canceled if rain.

5-Family YARD SALE besides Patches Floral turner branch at Eastern Sat.-Sun.. Aug 4-5 8-?

BIG YARD AND CARPORT SALE Aug 3-4th at Auxier Follow railroad tracks until you get to the crossing with the lights, go across third driveway on left. Look for signs. 886-0356

Gigantic Yard Sale 2 miles up St. RT. 194 Aug 3-4 8:30 to 6:00 Follow signs. Any remaining items sold will be sold for one sum on Sunday. 874-2802

HUGE YARD SALE August 2,3,4 851 Cliff Road, 2nd house past Cliffside apartments on the left. Various Items.

Yard Sale in Basement Aug 1-5 1.5 miles on Abbott Cr. DVDs, CDs, VCR and movies Home inter, lawn mower, boy and Girls shoes, Black Carhart jeans 28w,29w Baby things, whatnots, much more.

YARD SALE at the home of Bill Jack Compton's in Prestonsburg, KY. Spurlock Crk. across from Mountain Art Center, 1st,2nd,3rd of Aug. open at 9:00.

Items For Sale: Acer Aspire Laptop, 5610-15.4 inches widescreen, PC with pentium dualcore processes, T-2080, new, never used. Will sell for \$650. Call 886-8783.

Looking for Friend to talk with on phone, 45-55yrs, Call 874-2512

FOR SALE MOVING 3Br. 2Ba Cedar home with Fireplace and 2 car garage. New roof, flooring, and fresh paint....Sorry NO LAND CON-TRACTS, also FOR SALE Kimball Piano, Oak Sonata Console with bench. Call Steve and Theresa Tackett at (606)478-3337

### Houses

3 Br. 2bath house, Large living

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HOUSE FOR SALE: Four-bedroom one bath for sale at Charley, KY. (Lawrence County). Situated on 4-1/2 acres of level land. City and well water. Kitchen, living room, 8x28 utility and storage room, front porch, 2 car-port attached cellar, and three out buildings. Price reduced, \$116,000. For appointment, call (606) 673-3993

TWO HOUSES FOR SALE income producing property 2 BR house. \$550 per month. 3 BR house rented \$650 per month. Third rental unit can also be completed. Upstairs would rent for \$500 per month. Can see four lane from house property location at lvel, Ky. Call 437-6507 or 434-9008.

NEW home for sale-Winchester, Ky 1/2 acre lot! Close to Winchester I-64 on Mt. Parkway. Call 886-8366.

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Metal Building Rt. 80-Large lot! Call 886-8366.

Sale: Building lots on Rt. 1210 8 miles from Prestonsburg. Call 886-8366.

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

LAND FOR SALE Approximately 50 acres(unsurveyed) located at Right Fork of Bull Creek, one mile from Ft. 23 and Rt.80 intersection. City water available. Private yet convenient, with several house sites possible. Asking \$90,000. No contracts. 478-2620 after 7:00 pm.

Extra Nice home for Lease 3,000 sq ft. walk-in basement ideal for small business/residential JCT 80 and 680 eastern, KY. Floyd

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FOR RENT Beauty shop equipment 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 Special FHA finance program. \$0 down if you own land or use family land. We own the bank, your approved! Call 606-474-6380.

FOR LEASE Established business, Prime location in Prestonsburg, 240 Front Rd. 791-3663.

Commercial property 12 acres next to Walmart & McDonald's in Prestonsburg. 886-3023 after 5pm.

FOR SALE Property for sale between Prestonsburg and Painstville. Also, double wide for rent. \$500 plus deposit. Call 606-789-6721 or 792-792-6721. No pets.

Farm for sale! 60 acre farm located at Morgan Co. Hunters paradise! Turkey, Deer, Stocked Pond. 10 minuts from Painstville lake, 25 minutes from Cave Run. Reasonably priced! Call 743-9891, ask for James.

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### RENTALS

#### Apartments

2 BR 1 Bath townhouse for rent. Stove, refrigerator, W/D hookup. City limits Rt. 23 + 80 \$500 per month, plus utilities and \$300 deposit 1 year lease! No pets 606-237-4758

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WANTED: Female roommate to share rent/expenses on 3 BR 2 bath home located near Heritage house inn. If interested please call 886-1744.

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1 BR apartment for rent. Call from 9-5. 886-6061 or after 5 call 886-0480.

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FOR RENT 1500 sq ft. 2Bedrooms, 1 bath, kitchen, dining room. Completely Furnished. Perfect for Business Person. \$795 a month-utilities included. \$795 deposit. lvel, Ky. 422-1862.

FOR RENT Old country home. Allen area. Two bedroom-one bath. Suitable for one or two persons. 350 per month. 350 deposit. Must have references. Call between 5pm. and 9pm only. 606-874-8122.

FOR RENT

House for rent in Ned's fork. Call Sam Hamilton. 317-353-2725.

#### Mobile Homes

2 BR MH for rent \$400 per month, water paid. \$200 deposit required. Located on KY Rt. 114 near Clark Grade School. Call 886-9931.

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2 BR MH for rent completely furnished, \$350 per month plus utilities. \$150 deposit. Located in Auxier. Call 886-8961.

Mobile Home for rent, NO HUD. Located at 321 Spradlin Branch in Prestonsburg. Call 606-889-0363.

### LEGALS

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to KRS 231.040, application for a permit to operate a place of entertainment, has been made by Ricky Caudill. The name of the proposed business of entertainment is SAS Game Room. The nature of the business will be pool tables and video games. Pursuant to KRS 231.070, the Floyd County Attorney shall investigate whether the applicant lacks good moral character, or whether the applicant will obey the laws of the Commonwealth in the operation of the business, or whether the applicant, within the last two (2) years prior to the date of filing the application has been convicted in Kentucky of maintaining a public nuisance. Pursuant to KRS 231.080, any person desiring to oppose the permits, shall file with the County Clerk, no later than August 16, 2007, in writing, allegations that show cause as to why the application shall not be granted. Said written information shall be signed, dated and reflect the current address of said person providing the information. Pursuant to KRS 231.080, a hearing

has been scheduled for August 16, 2007, at the hour of 2:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as same can be heard before the Floyd County Judge/Executive at the Floyd County Justice Center, 2nd floor in Prestonsburg, Kentucky. The Floyd County Judge/Executive shall hear evidence in support of, or in opposition to, the granting of the permit.

HON. KEITH BARTLEY  
FLOYD COUNTY ATTORNEY

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Pursuant to KRS 231.040, application for a permit to operate a place of entertainment, has been made by Chris McKinney. The name of the proposed business of entertainment is Season's Inn. The nature of the business will be food, motel and drinks. Pursuant to KRS 231.070, the Floyd County Attorney shall investigate whether the applicant lacks good moral character, or whether the applicant will obey the laws of the Commonwealth in the operation of the business, or whether the applicant, within the last two (2) years prior to the date of filing the application has been convicted in Kentucky of maintaining a public nuisance. Pursuant to KRS 231.080, any person desiring to oppose the permits, shall file with the County Clerk, no later than August 16, 2007, in writing, allegations that show cause as to why the application shall not be granted. Said written information shall be signed, dated and reflect the current address of said person providing the information.

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**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant To Application 836-5493 Renewal**

(1) In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that FCDC Coal, Inc., P.O. Box 77, Ivel, KY 41642, has applied for a renewal of a permit for a surface and underground coal mining operation located 2.0 miles Southeast of Teaberry in Floyd County. The operation disturbs 8.78 surface acres and underlies 685.00 acres for a total area within the permit boundary of 693.78 acres.

(2) The proposed operation is approximately 1/4 mile

Southeast from KY 979's junction with KY 3380 (Tinker Fork County Road) and located 2.0 miles east of Big Mud Creek. The latitude is 37° 23' 32". The longitude is 82° 37' 40".

(3) The proposed operation is located on the McDowell/Pikeville U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Turner Elkhorn Mining Company and Ballard Martin. The operation will underlie land owned by Bruce Hall Estate, Ellis Keathley, Walter and Oma Keathley, Emery & Tilda Ray, Martha & Andy Hamilton, Annie Hamilton, Wellmore Coal Corporation, Harvey Tackett, Henry & Rosie Hamilton, Evan Hamilton, Milford Bryant, James Lowell Hamilton, James & Arlene Hamilton, Donna & Emma Hall, Turner Elkhorn Mining Company, Robert Mitchell, Frank Hamilton, Ovel & Margaret McKinney, Chester Hamilton, The Elkhorn Coal Corporation, John Jack Adkins, Delmar Kiser, William Howell and Ballard Martin. The operation will affect an area with 100 feet of public road, Tinker Fork County Road. The operation will involve relocation of the public road during the life of the mine.

(4) The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's 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, Division of Mine Permits, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-0345 Renewal No. 1**

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Frasure Creek Mining, LLC, 4978 Teays Valley Road, Scott Depot, West Virginia 25560 has applied for a renewal of a surface coal mining and reclamation operation located at Craynor in Floyd

County. SEQ CHAPTER 16 1The proposed operation will disturb 254.65 surface acres and will underlie 121.61 acres of auger acres of which 118.25 acres overlie auger mining in other seams or underlies surface mining area, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 258.01 acres.

The proposed operation is approximately 0.5 miles southwest from KY 680's junction with KY 979 and located on Hamilton Branch of Mud Creek. The proposed operation is located on the McDowell USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by The Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC, SEQ CHAPTER 16 1Arnold Howell, Octavia Hall, Walker Tackett et.al., Avery or Hannah Newsome, Gustavia Howell Heirs, R. S. Newsom Heirs, Curt Hall Heirs, Viola Hall, Orvissie and Wanda Shepherd, Hall Limited Partnership, Richard P. Hall

Heirs, James K. Hall, Dorothy or Everett Blanton, Frank and Ivalee McKinney, William L. Hall Heirs, and Barbara Hall. The operation will underlie land owned by SEQ CHAPTER 16 1Curt Hall Heirs, Orvissie and Wanda Shepherd, Hall Limited Partnership, James K. Hall, Octavia Hall, Walker Tackett et.al., Avery or Hannah Newsome, Gustavia Howell Heirs, The Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC, Arnold Howell, and William L. Hall Heirs. The operation will use the area, contour, and auger methods of surface mining. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Mine Reclamation and Enforcement's 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 Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. Publication Dates: 7/18 7/25 8/1 8/8

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 877-0182**

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Frasure Creek Mining, LLC, 4978 Teays Valley Road, Scott Depot, West Virginia 25560 has applied for a permit for a surface coal mining and reclamation

operation located 1.1 miles northeast of Gunlock and is situated in both Magoffin and Floyd Counties. The proposed operation will disturb 570.41 surface acres and 22.53 acres of auger area of which 22.53 acres underlie proposed surface area, making a total permit area of 570.41 acres.

The proposed operation is approximately 1.1 miles southwest from Brushy Fork Road's junction with KY 7 and is located on Brushy Fork of the Licking River. The proposed operation is located on the David USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Abe Shepherd Heirs, Abe Shepherd, Big Branch Holding Company, LLC, Gladys Shepherd, Clyde Allen Estate, Rule Reagan, Ruth Ousley, and Kelly Hale Heirs. The permit area will underlie land owned by Gladys Shepherd and Clyde Allen Estate. The operation will use the area, contour, and auger/high wall methods of mining. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources' Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. 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.

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*Dr. Densler completed his residency in neurosurgery at the University of Louisville, School of Medicine, Neurosurgery Program, where he served as Chief Resident in Neurological Surgery.*

*Dr. Densler is a member of the American Medical Association and Kentucky Medical Association. He is also a member of the American Association of Neurological Surgeons: Sections on Tumors, Neurotrauma and Critical Care.*

*"I have enjoyed meeting with the people at Pikeville Medical Center. I love the area and look forward to being an active member of this community."*

*Dr. Duane Densler*

