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A NEW LOOK



Floyd County Judge-Executive R.D. "Doc" Marshall introduced his audience to the newly decorated fiscal courtroom. Marshall says he had the new lettering placed there so that Floyd County citizens would know it was their building also.

photo by Jessica Hale

County delays action on budget, bond payment

by JESSICA HALE
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Tuesday's Floyd County Fiscal Court meeting pushed through a lot of housecleaning items and held up the process of a big decision which the court voted to table for a later date.

Under new business, the court also voted to table the first reading of the new budget for a later date. County Judge-Executive R.D. "Doc" Marshall and each of the four magistrates spent nearly four hours before the meeting going over the details of the new county budget, but agreed that there's still more work to do.

Water projects throughout the county have a few magistrates concerned in regard to the timeliness in which they are being completed. A resolution to approve a bond payment to Southern Water was not passed due to these concerns and the court made a formal request that Southern Water to explain what is preventing the projects from moving forward.

"I don't care if we pay them

or not," said Magistrate Jackie Owens. "People up in my district still don't have water."

Brenda Powers, who represented Big Sandy Area Development District during the meeting, said that getting power to the new pump stations was part of the problem.

A proposed resolution to increase garbage rates to \$14.25 per household throughout the county fell short of passing, with the court agreeing to table the decision for a later date. An increase for seniors was not proposed.

Mike Vance, chairman of the Solid Waste Commission, appeared before the court to try to explain the need for the increase. Apparently the commission loses a substantial amount of money throughout the year due to several factors, including a bond payment, people who don't pay their bills and payments to Waste Connection for garbage pickup.

Solid Waste pays Waste Connection for 100 percent garbage pickup, but approximately 5 percent of households haven't paid their bill in over

six months, a problem that Vance says they are working with the sheriff's department in order to publish those names in the newspaper in hopes that those people will then pay.

Also, Solid Waste pays for the mailing of each of these bills every month, a responsibility that some magistrates feel should be put into the hands of Waste Connection.

"If we pay them 100 percent, then they should do 100 percent of the work," said Magistrate John Goble.

Representatives with Solid Waste maintain that if an increase is not granted, then the county will have to absorb and pass on the extra costs to citizens in the form of increases on taxes.

Magistrate Don Daniels requested that Solid Waste provide budget documentation in order for the court to have a better perspective of what type of financial condition the commission is in.

In other business, a representative from the Family

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Grave thefts on the rise as holiday nears

by JESSICA HALE
STAFF WRITER

It's something that most people could never even think of doing — stealing grave flowers and decorations just to make a little cash on the side. Unfortunately, it's not that unusual for those beloved decorations and memorials to be stolen and sold for cash and cemeteries throughout Floyd County are no exception.

Throughout the month of May, people take a lot of time cleaning and decorating the grave sites of their loved ones in preparation for Memorial Day. Nearly two weeks from this day of remembrance, reports have already surfaced of several cemeteries throughout the

county being robbed.

According to Floyd County Sheriff John K. Blackburn, it is an unwelcome occurrence to hear of such things around the same time each year, but there's not a lot that can be done to alleviate it. In most cases, the stolen items are taken to local flea markets where criminals know that it's unlikely that family members will be able to identify the arrangements from all of the others.

Newman Cemetery and Davidson Memorial Gardens have both been victimized just in the past week and its likely there have been many more robberies that have went unre-

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Johnson wrecks send two to jail

by JESSICA HALE
STAFF WRITER

PAINTSVILLE — Two separate vehicle accidents in Johnson County on Sunday sent a victim from each collision to jail instead of to the hospital.

The first occurred at approximately 4:50 p.m. in Van Lear. Gregory S. Hicks was driving south in a 1995 Toyota on Route 302 at Bradley Crossing when he collided with a 2000 model Ford Windstar van driven by Grady L. Brooks.

Hicks was arrested and charged with operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol/drugs, failure to maintain insurance, failure to wear a seat belt, expired registration plates, possession of marijuana and disorderly conduct.

The second accident occurred on U.S. 23 at

Wittensville at approximately 5 p.m. Mary E. Prater, the driver of a 1999 Ford Mustang was found in the southbound lane and Tony Hampton, the driver of the second vehicle was found in his Dodge pickup in the northbound lane.

Hampton told police that he and Prater had been in an argument at their residence shortly beforehand. They each left their residence in separate vehicles, at which time Prater allegedly pulled her car into the path of Hampton's truck and slammed on her brakes, therefore causing the collision.

Prater was charged with operating on a suspended license, failure to wear a seat belt and failure to produce an insurance card.

Both accidents are still under investigation by the Johnson County Sheriff's Department.

Diverse field running for secretary of state

by JOE BIESK
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Democrat Madonna White, a college instructor and a nurse, first planned on running for governor, but without a running mate she was forced to seek another office.

Instead, just hours before the January filing deadline, White recruited an onlooker in a state Capitol hallway to provide the second needed signature on her candidacy papers. White is in a three-way primary — against a former small-town mayor and a Georgetown businessman — seeking the job as Kentucky's top election official.

Her opponents in the May 22

Democratic primary are Bruce Hendrickson, former mayor of Pineville, and Dick Robinson, a Georgetown businessman who's previously been involved in state government.

Incumbent Secretary of State Trey Grayson is unopposed in the GOP primary, so the Democratic winner will face him in the fall.

Candidates have focused on issues ranging from whether the state should invest money in election machine printers to how the state could more strictly enforce election laws.

At a debate last month, the three candidates disagreed on whether equipping the state's voting machines with the capability of giving voters a paper receipt was necessary.



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White said such a move was "desperately needed," and Hendrickson said he believes electronic voting machines are vulnerable to manipulation. "There's no paper trail in Kentucky. We need one badly," Hendrickson said.

Robinson was the Democratic

Party's executive director in 1979 and worked in state government under former Gov. Julian Carroll and former Gov. John Y. Brown.

During a recent interview, Robinson said he "would like to improve our system" but was not certain creating a paper trail was the proper way to go because of the cost and possible glitches that could arise.

"I don't think it's a panacea that everybody should jump and switch to that," Robinson said.

Grayson has called for state funding that would equip electronic voting machines across the state with printers. Grayson has not questioned the accuracy of Kentucky's voting machines, but

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Farmer counts on name recognition in ag commissioner race

by ROGER ALFORD
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — As a shooting guard on a legendary University of Kentucky basketball team, Richie Farmer has the name recognition of a sports hero.

The Clay County native, who easily won election as state agriculture commissioner in 2003, is counting on his famous name again. He is running for re-election and has drawn an opponent in the Republican primary election on May 22.

Farmer didn't show up for a televised debate last month, leaving his GOP challenger, Don Stosberg of Frankfort, fielding questions alone inside a Kentucky Educational Television studio.



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Stosberg, a former budget analyst for the Legislative Research Commission, urged voters not to overlook Farmer's absence.

"If you were hiring a CEO, you would not choose the candidate who did not show up for the interview," he said.

Farmer missed the debate because he was filming a commercial for a

Kentucky Department of Agriculture marketing campaign to promote state-grown products. The commercial, scheduled to air between Thanksgiving and Christmas, will include some of Farmer's former UK basketball teammates from the 1992 squad dubbed the "The Unforgettables."

The winner of the Farmer-Stosberg race will face one of two Democratic candidates, David Neville of Pleasureville or David Lynn Williams of Glasgow.

Joe Gershtenson, director of the Center for Kentucky History and Politics at Eastern Kentucky University, said name recognition is critical in the race for agriculture commissioner, because candidates generally run barebones

campaigns without huge advertising budgets.

"You're not dealing with people spending millions on a campaign, so most citizens aren't going to find out a lot about the candidates," Gershtenson said. "In a situation like that, if somebody comes in with name recognition, like Richie Farmer, it helps."

Supporter Ernie Sampson said Farmer graduated from UK with more than a famous name. He also has a bachelor's degree in agriculture. In his first term, Farmer was elected president of the Southern Agricultural Commissioners Association.

"If his peers think highly enough of him to select him as the incoming president, I think that speaks a lot for

what he's done," Sampson said.

Stosberg said if he's elected he would promote the sale of local foods at farmers' markets and push to make more government money available to help diversify Kentucky's agricultural economy.

Neville, a cattle farmer from Shelby County, said better leadership is needed to create markets, both domestic and international, for Kentucky products. He said the state also needs to explore ways to help farmers deal with rising production costs.

Williams, a retired cable contractor from Glasgow whose previous campaigns include an unsuccessful bid for governor, said he wants to ease government regulations on farmers.

Democrats see milder tone in primary campaigns

by JOE BIESK
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Rather than air opponents' dirty laundry in gritty campaign commercials, some candidates in the governor's race seem to have kept a milder tone, focusing instead on things they'd like to do if elected.

Some say the crowded six-way field, a Democratic pledge against personal attacks, and the looming possibility of a runoff election, may have tamed political passions this spring.

"People are tired of negative personal attacks on individuals," said Jerry Lundergan, chairman of the Kentucky Democratic Party. "People are more interested to know what you're going to do for them and how you're going to improve their lives."

Six Democrats and three Republicans are eyeing next Tuesday's election as a chance to move on to the November general election or, at least, a runoff that would be held five weeks after the May 22 contest if a single candidate doesn't get 40 percent or more of the vote.

The Democratic hopefuls

are former Lt. Govs. Steve Beshear and Steve Henry, Lexington attorney Gatewood Galbraith, eastern Kentucky demolition contractor Otis Hensley Jr., Louisville businessman Bruce Lunsford and House Speaker Jody Richards.

While it's been relatively calm on the Democratic side, feelings have gotten a little testy for the GOP candidates.

Former U.S. Rep. Anne Northup and Paducah businessman Billy Harper are challenging Gov. Ernie Fletcher for the Republican nomination.

Northup has criticized Fletcher for his role in a lengthy investigation into allegations that administration officials improperly steered protected state jobs to the governor's political supporters. Fletcher, who claimed it was politically motivated, pardoned his entire administration before he was indicted on misdemeanor charges stemming from the probe; they were eventually dropped in a deal with prosecutors.

Fletcher has claimed that Northup, during her time in Congress, voted against allowing prayer in public schools — a notion she says distorts her

record. Both Northup's and Fletcher's campaigns have criticized each other in television ads.

On Wednesday, Harper weighed in with some light-hearted criticism of his own for both of them. Harper began running a television commercial with a "squabbling" little boy and girl, representing the back and forth between Fletcher and Northup.

"We were not going negative, we decided that last summer when we started that, it's not my personality," Harper said. "It's not what this race should be about."

Marty Ryall, Fletcher's campaign manager, said Harper had "an interesting approach" with the commercial and noted the governor's latest ad discussing his gubernatorial accomplishments.

Ryall, however, said it was not accurate to portray both candidates as "squabbling."

"Miss Northup's been squabbling since the day she got into the race," Ryall said. "It's an accurate portrayal of her, but I don't think it's accurate of the governor."

Northup spokesman Barry Peel said she was "solely focused on Tuesday and turn-

ing out our voters. We are convinced we have the momentum to carry us to success."

Meanwhile, on the Democratic side, the harshest criticism to date was perhaps candidates' views on legalized casino gambling and how much it should be relied upon to produce new state revenues.

Secretary of State Trey Grayson, a Republican, noted the difference between the two parties' primaries this year.

With fewer candidates in the race, Republicans have engaged in a "more traditional, no holds barred" type of race. Meanwhile, Democratic candidates may have kept things rather settled.

Many candidates have similar positions on the issues so may want to avoid creating a backlash and being viewed as negative by attacking first, Grayson said.

"This is a race to be in the top two, and once you're in the top two, I think it will change to a more traditional, no holds

barred battle," Grayson said.

Joe Gershtenson, director of the Center for Kentucky History and Politics at Eastern Kentucky University, said that while the campaign has been "pretty mild" there seems to have been a slight uptick as election day nears.

Having six candidates in the race makes it more difficult for candidates to go negative. But if candidates get into a runoff, rancor is likely to increase, Gershtenson said.

"In a six-candidate field, if you attack somebody, what happens then?" Gershtenson said. "It becomes much less predictable in terms of the effects of slinging mud, and often times it's not even sure who you should be slinging mud at."

Beshear said the number of candidates participating in the race may have tempered the tone.

"The general theory out there is that when you have multi-candidate races, that

negative campaigning is a little more risky than it otherwise is," Beshear said. "And I think that's been a good effect."

Adam Bozzi, a Lunsford spokesman, noted that Democrats all signed a "unity pledge" that they would not make personal attacks during the primary election cycle. But the campaign is still ready to respond to attacks in the closing days, he said.

"I would agree that with so many candidates in the race, I think people are careful not to get pegged as the person that started going negative and nasty," Bozzi said.

Jennifer Brislin, a Richards spokeswoman, said the speaker has "always run a positive campaign" and was not doing anything different.

Matthew Tungate, a Henry spokesman, said Henry took the pledge seriously.

"That doesn't mean you can't differentiate," Tungate said. "You can do it without being personal about it."

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he has said that some voters are leery.

Hendrickson, a school teacher, maintains the state's election laws do not provide stiff enough penalties.

"Something has to be done about the corruption that's going on," Hendrickson says.

The race marks the first statewide run for each of the

Democratic candidates.

If money is any indication of how the race might play out, Robinson holds the advantage. At the end of April, Robinson had raised more than \$43,400 and spent about \$10,000 on his campaign, according to records with the Kentucky Registry of Election Finance.

Meanwhile, Hendrickson

raised \$5,940 and spent \$2,461, while White hadn't raised or spent anything, records show.

Whoever wins the Democratic primary will have to play catch-up to Grayson on the fundraising side of the campaign. Grayson had raised nearly \$380,000 and spent almost \$124,000, according to records filed April 25.

County

Court Advisory Council requested that the court assist them with the purchase of passes to Wheelwright swimming pool. These passes will be awarded to both public and private school students throughout the county who have achieved perfect attendance. Coupon packages are awarded each year to those who achieve this accomplishment and include movie tickets, meal tickets and pool passes among other things. The resolution was passed.

Clark Allison, who has been working with the Big Sandy Watershed Watch Group over the last several months, was present to encourage local residents to attend a series of meetings concerning water quality on the Left Fork of Middle Creek. The group intends to identify problems in the area and continue to work towards a solution. The next meeting of the Big Sandy Watershed Watch Group will be held at the David School on Saturday,

May 19, at 1 p.m.

A resident of the Mining Camp community advised the court of some roadway problems in his area. Donnie Webb says that a neighbor who has refused to allow road crews to place a ditch line at the edge of her yard is the cause of the most of the problems the area is facing. According to Magistrate John Goble, his work crew has refused to go back to the lady's residence because she apparently threatened them the last time they were there.

Webb says issues with potholes, poorly constructed culverts and ditch lines are damaging the vehicles of the people who travel this road and he

hasn't seen much of anything done to alleviate the problem.

Magistrate John Goble defended himself by saying that he and all of the other magistrates have been extremely busy over the last several months and they are doing what they can, but there are more important priorities.

"I'm trying to get things done, but it's going to take time," said Goble.

Lastly, Judge Marshall brought attention to the new lettering behind the bench of the fiscal courtroom. The large gold letters read, "Floyd County Fiscal Court."

"I did this because I wanted to show the people that this is their building," said Marshall.



Pictured above is the group of students from Ms. Porter's Business Tech Class that participated in the Floyd County Pride clean up effort as part of National Youth Service Day. Back row, from left to right: Chiffonia Doby, Tim Harrod, Kenneth Sames, Rebel Proctor, Christine McCarthy and Jeff Green. Front row, from left to right: Ashley Green, Joshua Willoughby and Bethany Goodwin.

Perkins students take part in National Youth Service Day

Throughout the last part of April, over 70 Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center Students took part in National Youth Service Day. Students were active in numerous areas around the tri-county area volunteering their time to better the community and the lives of local residents.

Some of the activities included: Students volunteering with STRAP (Sydney's Therapeutic Riding Assistance Program), a beautifying effort at Paintsville Lake, working with the Floyd County PRIDE Program in an effort to clean up areas of Floyd County; planting trees along with the Division of Forestry in celebration of Arbor Day and volunteering at the local American Red Cross.

National Youth Service Day is an annual national event cel-

ebrated by youth organizations and young people around the country to recognize the year-round service and volunteering efforts of millions of young Americans, recruit a new generation of participants and supports of youth service, and promote young people as resources to their communities.

The Job Corps Community has been a proud partner of National Youth Service Day for years and looks forward to taking part in the worthwhile endeavor every spring.

Thefts

ported or family members just haven't noticed the missing items yet.

Blackburn says he advises people to wait until the actual Memorial Day holiday before decorating grave sites, citing that criminals don't often steal memorial decorations after the holiday has already passed.

If you have had items stolen from a grave site or if you have information in regards to perpetrators, please contact the Floyd County Sheriff's Department.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Southeast Floyd County Area Volunteer Fire Department announces a special public meeting.
Where: Wheelwright Cafeteria.
When: Friday, May 25, 2007.
Time: 6 p.m.
Special guest: Judge R.D. (Doc) Marshall.
This concerns the Fire Department's effort to establish a tax district.
Everyone in the fire department area is urged to attend.

Card of Thanks

The family of Curtis Clark would like to express our profound appreciation to our extended family, loving friends and neighbors, and anyone who helped comfort us during our time of grief and sorrow. Thanks to all who sent flowers, cards, food, prayers, or spoke compassionate words. A personal thank-you to Hall Funeral Home, Tommy Reed and Fitzpatrick Baptist Church, The Little Mud Community Center, Zebulon Lodge #273, Betsy Layne Chapter DAV, and anyone who helped in anyway, our heartfelt thanks.

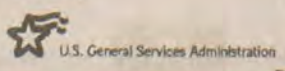
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Marriage Licenses

April Reacheal Martin, 31, of Wayland, to Willie Dean Prater, 33, of Wayland.
 Mollie Ann McMillan, 22, of Dana, to James Dennis Roaden, 21, of Corbin.
 Laura L. Shepherd Meadows, 43, of Martin, to Thomas D. Caudill, 44, of Martin.
 Tasha Nicole Patton, 18, of Prestonsburg, to Gary Christopher Jarrell, 19, of Prestonsburg.
 Angela Hancock, 31, of Allen, to James Donald Spurlock, 26, of Allen.
 Stacy Renae Howard, 20, of Hueysville, to Donny Eli Shepherd, 21, of Hunter.
 Kimberly Denise Prater, 30, of Martin, to Mack Alan Harvey, 32, of Martin.
 Davina Dawn Ison, 21, of Auxier, to Sean Bradley Vanhoose, 25, of Auxier.
 Kayla Gail Lambert, 16, of Betsy Layne, to Zachary Dale Keathley, 26, of Betsy Layne.
 Rose Lee Blankenship, 51, of Teaberry, to Jimmy Lee Caudill, 52, of Hi Hat.
 Melissa Stumbo, 18, of Martin, to Aaron M. Stephens, 18, of Eastern.
 Zelda Shawn Moore, 31, of Wayland, to Christopher David Allen, 22, of Wayland.

Civil Suits Filed

Betty Meade vs. Ronald Meade
 DH Capital Management, Inc. vs. Rebecca A. Conley
 Daniel Jarrell vs. Woodrow Jarrell, et al
 Highland Machinery Corp. vs. Eastern Consolidated Energy, Inc.
 US Bank National Association vs. Nicholas McCoy, et al
 Vicky Johnson vs. Danny Johnson
 Hattie Hurd vs. Melina J. Hurd
 Hattie Hurd vs. Lonnie R. Hurd
 Monta Spurlock vs. Ruben Spurlock
 Michelle Carroll vs. Jimmy Carroll
 Rebecca Kendrick vs. Charles Kendrick
 Kenneth Rudder vs. Molly Rudder
 Michael Marcum vs. Jennifer Marcum
 Donna Hall vs. Stacy M. Hall
 ARH-Hazard Regional Hospital vs. Trisha L. Ison
 Asset Acceptance, LLC vs. Kelly G. Hall
 Henry Burchett, et al vs. Ted Carroll, et al
 Theresa S. Moore vs. Billy J. Moore
 Amanda Dingus vs. Eric P. Dingus
 Angela Yates vs. Mark Yates
 Jacquelin K. Moore vs. Amanda C. Swick
 N.F.C. Mining, Inc., et al vs. Commercial Insurance, et al
 Denver Bush vs. Renee Smith

Small Claims Filings

Glenda Newsome vs. William Lewis, et al
 AFS/GE Capital vs. Mary McNeil
 AFS/GE Capital vs. Darrell Hunter
 Central Financial Services vs. Teddy Hall
 North Star Capital Acquisitions vs. David Lovely
 MRC Receivables, Inc. vs. Daniel Boyd
 AFS/GE Capital vs. Jerry Bentley
 Central Financial Services vs. Jimmy Blanton
 Central Financial Services vs. Chris Hall
 Central Financial Services vs. Paul Sparkman
 Central Financial Services vs. Jamie Cole
 Brenda Reynolds vs. Teresa Holbrook
 MGM Collection Agency vs. Pearl McIntyre
 Worldwide Assistance Purchasing vs. Tabetha Hall
 Worldwide Assistance Purchasing vs. Brenda L. Newsome
 Capital One Bank vs. Ricky Connor
 Asset Acceptance, LLC vs. Jonda L. Meade
 Asset Acceptance, LLC vs. Jie J. Thacker
 Capital One Bank vs. Cathy Hobbs
 A.F.S. Assignee of usehold vs. Joey Bailey
 DH Capital Management,

Inc. vs. Rosa Gillespie Church Housing Association of Prestonsburg vs. Clydia Bradley

Charges Filed

John Fishel, 40, Prestonsburg, alcohol intoxication.
 Angela Collins, 19, Prestonsburg, fourth-degree assault.
 Jennifer Brady, 26, Prestonsburg, criminal trespassing.
 Naaman J. Heiss, 31, Waterford, Ohio, alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct.
 Steven L. Riley, 40, Stockport, Ohio, operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs, operating motor vehicle on suspended license, disorderly conduct, harassment.
 Fredrick R. Savage, 43, Printer, fourth-degree assault.
 Janie Wright, 30, Martin, failure to send child to school.
 Christopher T. Jenkins, 30, Wayland, alcohol intoxication.
 Jeannie L. Branham, 22, Prestonsburg, fourth-degree assault.
 David E. Ferrell, 40, Prestonsburg, fourth-degree assault.
 Eddie Whitlock, 42, Sitka, alcohol intoxication.
 Joshua K. Branham, 22, Prestonsburg, fourth-degree assault.
 Clinton W. Thomas, 32, Prestonsburg, fourth-degree assault, use/possession drug paraphernalia, controlled substance/prescription not in original container.
 George Arms Jr., 24, Staffordsville, alcohol intoxication.
 Dorothy Jane Hall, 29, Wayland, harassment (two counts).
 Deena Ann Thomas, 27, Prestonsburg, fourth-degree assault.
 Susan Hicks, 32, David, harassing communications.
 Wendy R. Weddington, 36, Pikeville, drinking alcohol in public place.
 Kendra J. Conley, 18, Hager Hill, hunt/fish/trap without license.

Inspections

W.D. Osborne Elementary, Bevinville, regular school inspection. Violations noted: Floor tile in disrepair in girls' third grade building, several restroom walls and floors in disrepair, floors in third grade building in disrepair, student desks in moderate disrepair. Score: 94
 Prestonsburg Elementary, Prestonsburg, regular school inspection. Violations noted: Countertops around most sinks in need of repair and not easily cleanable, floor tiles in restrooms in disrepair and not easily cleanable, most lavatories not under pressure or at low pressure, walls and other structures in need of repair, floors in most classrooms in need of repair (carpet). Score: 85
 Prestonsburg Elementary, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Floors not in good repair, attached equipment on walls and ceiling not in good repair. Score: 98
 South Floyd High School, Hi Hat, regular inspection. Violations noted: Garbage and refuse containers not covered as required, lighting not provided as required. Score: 97
 Otter Creek, Wheelwright, regular inspection. Violations noted: Food not protected during storage, cloths used for food and non food contact surfaces not stored or rinsed frequently in water sanitizing solution, attached equipment on walls and ceiling not in good repair, employees personal items not stored properly. Score: 95
 Country Kitchen, Grethel, regular inspection. Violations noted: Food not protected during storage, food not protected during preparation, food not protected during service, operators not providing and using chemical test kits where chemical sanitization methods are employed, floors not in good repair. Score: 96
 B&C Parkway, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Lack of accurate thermometers in all refrigeration and freezing units storing potentially hazardous

foods, lack of numerically scaled thermometer for checking cooking and holding temperature of potentially hazardous food, food not protected during storage, food not protected during preparation, cloths used for food and non food contact surfaces not stored or rinsed frequently in water sanitizing solution, toilet rooms doors not self closing, toilet facilities dirty, light fixtures not shielded as required, cleaning and maintenance equipment not properly stored. Score: Food, 94, Retail, 93

Jerry's Restaurant, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Lack of accurate thermometers in all refrigeration and freezing units storing potentially hazardous foods, food not protected during storage, cloths used for wiping spills on food contact surfaces being used for other purposes, cloths used for food and non food contact surfaces not stored or rinsed frequently in water sanitizing solution, food contact surface and utensils not clean, non food contact surface of equipment and utensils not clean, improper storage of single service articles, improper dispensing of single service articles, attached equipment on walls and ceiling not in good repair or clean, light fixtures not shielded as required, cleaning and maintenance equipment not properly stored. Score: 89

Pin Zone Bowling, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Lack of effective hair restraints, cloths used for food and non food contact surfaces not stored or rinsed frequently in water sanitizing solution, attached equipment on walls and ceiling not clean or in good repair. Score: 98

Down To Earth, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. No violations noted. Score: 100

Double Kwik #2058, Ivel, regular inspection. Violations noted: Lack of accurate thermometers in all refrigeration and freezing units storing potentially hazardous foods, lack of effective hair restraints, operators not providing chemical test kits where chemical sanitization methods are employed, cloths used for food and non food contact surfaces not stored or rinsed frequently in water sanitizing solution, hand cleaner not provided at lavatory or hand washing sink, floors not in good repair, floors not properly covered, improper storage of single-service articles, attached equipment on walls and ceiling not in good repair, cleaning and maintenance equipment not properly stored. Score: Food, 93, Retail, 95.

Property Transfers

Anna F. Akers to Clifford and Kathy Hall, property located at Mud Creek.
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Anna F. Akers to Phyllis J. Latta, property located at Mud Creek.

Anna F. Akers to Patty Sue Meade, property located at Mud Creek.

Anna F. Akers to Patty Sue Meade, property located at Mud Creek.

Wanda Sue Akers Estate to bobby G. Clark, property location undisclosed.

Claude Allen to Claude and Debbie Allen, property located at Burton.

Debbie Allen to Claude and Debbie Allen, property located at Burton.

Debbie Bakay to Claude and Debbie Allen, property located at Burton.

Margaret Boyd to Tammy Keathley, property located at Mud Creek.

TJ Boyd to Tammy Keathley, property located at Mud Creek.

Lanora Collins to Doug Lewis, property located at David.

Charles David Crum to Patty Sue Meade, property located at Mud Creek.

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Marie Crum to Patty Sue Meade, property located at Mud Creek.

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Eunice Darby to Bill Jack Darby, property location undisclosed.

Donald Thomas Deeley to Constance and Ernest Demyan, property location undisclosed.

Joseph Deeley to

Constance and Ernest Demyan, property location undisclosed.

Kathleen Bernadette Deeley to Constance and Ernest Demyan, property location undisclosed.

Michael Thomas Deeley to Constance and Ernest Demyan, property location undisclosed.

Dixie Frasure to Gregory and Pamela G. Conn, property location undisclosed.

Ronald Frasure to Gregory and Pamela G. Conn, property location undisclosed.

Gary Keith Frasure to Anita Hale Allen and Randy Allen, property location undisclosed.

Gwendolyn Sue Hale Frazier to Anita Hale Allen and Randy Allen, property location undisclosed.

Palestine Gibson to Clifford and Kathy Hall, property located at Mud Creek.

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Our View

A city divided cannot stand

We as people who work and live in the city of Prestonsburg each share the same hopes for our growing city. Each of us wants Prestonsburg to become a place of envy to which other cities will look towards for guidance, a place to be proud of, and a city which will continue to thrive when our grandchildren are grown.

Our forefathers incorporated this city in hopes that a panel of well respected citizens would find it within themselves to guide, direct, and manage the city in an effective manner. We have seen many council members come and go since then, but the thought remains the same. We put our livelihood, our dreams, our hopes and our future in the hands of these individuals and grant them enormous responsibility.

Still yet, our city is now suffering the effects of a council that has allowed personal disagreements and egos to cloud their reason for being placed on the council to begin with. Have we not grown enough to put our personal feelings aside in order to effectively manage the city? Who gets the last word in seems to be the goal of the current council, for fear they may be the person criticized the next day for backing down from a challenge. The city's platform from which the council governs is not an elementary school playground.

Surely we can do better.

The fact is that Prestonsburg has enormous potential. Although it has competition from two larger cities surrounding it, Prestonsburg has shown that it can and will rise above the rest. The Mountain Arts Center, Stonecrest Golf Course, and the horse park have each put our city a little further up on the totem pole. But a council that chooses to put those things on the back burner will eventually run the city into the ground.

They can preach as much as they want to about working for the people of Prestonsburg in order to provide a great place to call home, but actions speak louder than words. We voted for these council members with the thought that they could do the job and do it well. Shouldn't they prove to the citizens of Prestonsburg that they can work together for the betterment of the community? Shouldn't we be proud to call them our city council? Shouldn't they care more about the future of the city than a petty disagreement?

We think so and we hope that the citizens of Prestonsburg will come forward and demand that council do a better job.

— The Floyd County Times



Guest Column

Bush war policy comes crashing down

by SHELDON RICHMAN

It's been a rough several weeks for President Bush and the war party. Observe some recent headlines:

"Training Iraqi troops no longer driving force in U.S. policy" - The McClatchy Newspaper story pointed out, "Military planners have abandoned the idea that training Iraqi troops will enable American soldiers to start coming home soon and now believe that U.S. troops will have to defeat the insurgents and secure control of troubled provinces."

"U.S. Command Shortens Life of 'Long War' as a Reference" - The New York Times article stated, "When the Bush administration has sought to explain its strategy for fighting terrorism, it has often said the United States is involved in a 'long war' against Islamic extremists.... After taking over last month as the head of Central Command, Adm. William J. Fallon quietly retired the phrase. Military officials said that cultural advisers at the command had become concerned that the concept of a long war alienated Middle East audiences by suggesting that the United States would keep a large number of forces in the region indefinitely."

"Petraeus: Iraq needs enormous commitment" - The Associated Press story said, "The U.S. military com-

mander in Iraq says the war effort may well get harder before it gets easier and American casualties are likely to continue to climb.... While he would not predict troop levels into the fall or comment directly on the legislation Congress passed Thursday [later vetoed], his comments made clear that his war plan did not include a significant reduction of U.S. forces any time soon."

"Inspectors Find Rebuilt Projects Crumbling in Iraq" - This New York Times article stated, "In a troubling sign for the American-financed rebuilding program in Iraq, inspectors for a federal oversight agency have found that in a sampling of eight projects that the United States had declared successes, seven were no longer operating as designed because of plumbing and electrical failures, lack of proper maintenance, apparent looting and expensive equipment that lay idle."

To recap:

■ The Bush administration is no longer planning to train the Iraqi military to do the main fighting; the burden will be almost entirely on the United States.

■ For propaganda reasons, the phrase "long war" has been dropped from the military's vocabulary even though ...

■ The top military commander in Iraq says the fighting will get fiercer, there will be more deaths, and no troops will be coming home in the near future.

■ Meanwhile, even the "successful" projects carried out in Iraq by the U.S. government are falling apart.

No, not a good several weeks for

the president and his men and women. In fact, it could be an understatement to say that the whole war-policy edifice is crashing down. The curtain of lies and propaganda has shredded to the point where it no longer obscures the truth. The people have responded accordingly: they overwhelmingly disapprove of the war.

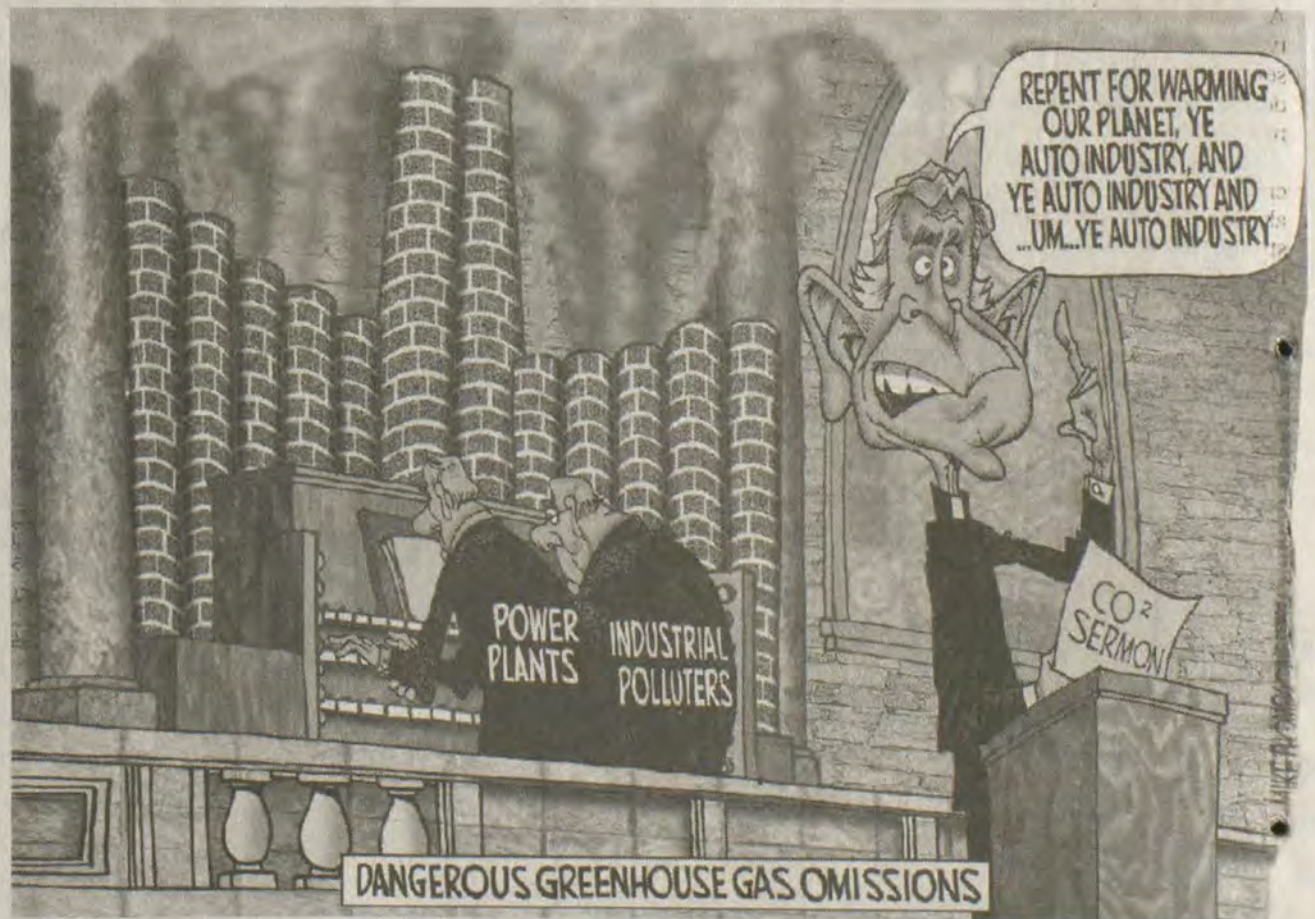
The only thing to be resolved is when to get out. Unfortunately, the Democrats, as we've just seen, don't have the votes to force a confrontation with the president. Some compromise war-spending bill will be devised, perhaps even with "non-binding benchmarks" - suggestions without consequences - for the Iraqi government. Big deal. The objective isn't to reform the Iraqis; it's to end the American occupation. Any compromise bill will be a face-saving measure all around. But what will it really mean?

And so this dismal war will go on despite the wishes the American people. More men will die in vain - because a president is too stubborn to say he was wrong.

One of the crimes of the Vietnam war was that American troops kept being sent long after the politicians knew "winning" was not an option. It appears we are retracing those tragic steps.

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Rental Central

by TOM DOTY
TIMES COLUMNIST

A variety of quality films helped make up for last week's releases and offered a plethora of films with plenty of ideas at their core.

■ "Pan's Labyrinth" — Guillermo Del Toro's award winning fantasy film works on a similar level to Terry Gilliam's classic "Brazil." Here a young girl finds comfort in a fantasy world as her real life crumbles around her. The setting is fascist Spain circa 1944 and the young lady finds herself being raised by her stepfather, who is also a sadistic colonel. Her escape into a dreamlike labyrinth soon becomes precarious as events there begin to mirror the upheaval she is getting away from. This is not a children's fantasy film and includes moments of shocking violence and some gruesome characters. Del Toro's habit of making one studio film for every personal one has so far worked out well for audi-

ences who have sought out his more artistic efforts. This one deserved more than an art house release and a should find a comfortable berth on home video.

■ "The Dead Girl" — A young woman's demise has a ripple effect on six other women in this solid drama that barely got a theatrical release. A solid cast includes Piper Laurie, Toni Collette and Bruce Davison. This is a solid addition to films about degrees that separate individuals and belongs right up there with movies like "Shortcuts" and "Crash."

■ "Creepshow 3" — This week's stinkburger doesn't include the participation of George Romero and Stephen King who built the franchise which amounted to a theatrical experience akin to "Tales From the Crypt." Here the stories are trite, the acting is awful, and the technical end of things is completely botched. Ignore it and they won't make more.

■ "Seraphim Falls" — Westerns are a hard sell these days, but this revenge epic

should appeal to mass audiences thirsting for a decent oater. The story takes place just after the Civil War and focuses on one man's quest for payback after losing his family in a house fire set by soldiers. Liam Neeson stars and Pierce Brosnan offers a textured turn as his prey who may not be as guilty as he appears. Good story telling, excellent photography and a fine cast round out the positives here.

■ "The Fountain" — Drama and science fiction mesh perfectly in this epic tale from Darren Aronofsky ("Pi"). Hugh Jackman stars as a character whose lineage is traced over a thousand years, allowing the film to explore multiple scenarios and universal themes. Amazing camera work and powerful performances propel the story that gets a boost from Ellen Burstyn, who was nominated for her turn as a drug addicted parent in Aronofsky's "Requiem for a Dream."

Next week look for Mel Gibson's "Apocalypto" and Clint Eastwood's "Letters from Iwo Jima."

'Shrek the Third' looks great, has its moments, but lacks original zip

by CHRISTY LEMIRE
AP MOVIE CRITIC



"Shrek the Third" begins with a death, and from there the movie itself steadily dies.

The third installment in this monster of an animated franchise still subverts the fairy tales we grew up knowing and loving, but it's smothered in a suffocating sense of been-there, done-that.

Thankfully, as the films go along, they rely less on gratuitous pop-culture references.

And visually this "Shrek" is more dazzling than ever, especially in the realistic background details. The water looks watery and the sand looks sandy and the trees look so lush and leafy you could practically jump out of your seat and climb into one of them. By now it's probably easy for all of us to take for granted how far CGI technology has come, and it's worth stopping to appreciate for a moment.

But part three also lacks the zip of its predecessors; it feels draggy and, at the same time, rushed. (At 86 minutes, it's also the shortest film in the series.)

Except for a few moments here and there, such as Prince Charming's gleefully corny stage productions and a Gingerbread Man flashback montage, much of the original sense of ingenious fun is gone.

It doesn't help that so many tired "Shrek" wannabes, like "Hoodwinked" and "Happily N'Ever After," have been trotted out in recent years, making the real thing feel just as hackneyed. Chris Miller, previously a story artist, co-directed with animator Raman Hui. About a half-dozen people are credited as having contributed to the script, including Andrew Adamson, who directed the first two "Shrek" flicks. So there is a sense of consistency — it just doesn't feel all that fresh anymore.

This time, the lovably cranky ogre Shrek (voiced reliably as always by Mike Myers) struggles with the prospect of becoming king of Far, Far Away after the death of King Harold,

the father of his bride, Fiona (Cameron Diaz). He'd rather stay home in the swamp, lazing around all day.

(Why Fiona can't take over in a fairy-tale land where the all the other rules have been upended is never addressed. She is the more even-tempered and levelheaded of the two, after all. Perhaps if Hillary were president....)

Anyway, Shrek sets out with his chatty sidekick Donkey (Eddie Murphy) and the suave Puss in Boots (Antonio Banderas, still an adorable scene-stealer) to find the only other possible heir to the throne:

"Shrek the Third," a Paramount Pictures release, is rated PG for some crude humor, suggestive content and swashbuckling action. Running time: 86 minutes.

Two stars out of four.

the nerdy, insecure Artie, Fiona's teenage cousin, who is voiced by Justin Timberlake and looks like Corey Feldman.

Artie is always on the receiving end of Lancelot's athletic jousts and is otherwise the butt of everyone's jokes at his medieval high school — the irony being, of course, that Timberlake has long been the coolest kid in the class. So when Shrek and his pals show up and offer him the kingdom, he's only too happy to take it. At first.

Meanwhile, with hubby away, Fiona is left to defend the castle from Prince Charming

(Rupert Everett), the vain former suitor she once jilted who has now come back to stage a bloody coup with a posse of vanquished villains (Captain Hook, the Evil Queen, etc.).

Fiona — who's pregnant with the baby Shrek isn't sure he's ready for — gets some unexpected help on her end from longtime damsels in distress Snow White (Amy Poehler), Cinderella (Amy Sedaris), Rapunzel (Maya Rudolph) and Sleeping Beauty (Cheri Oteri), as well as her mother, Queen Lillian (Julie Andrews).

It's a clever idea to have these characters transcend their stereotypes, but with the exception of Poehler's demanding diva, they all feel tossed in and underused. Like "Spider-Man 3," "Shrek the Third" throws more at us — including plenty of barf and flatulence jokes for the kids — but too little of it actually sticks.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Devotional Spotlight

Faith Fellowship
Carl & Missy Woods Pastors

Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

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

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

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

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

Prestonsburg Church of Christ, 88 Hwy. 1428; Worship Service, 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Richard Kelly and Nelson Kidder, Ministers.

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

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

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

Lower Toler Church of Christ, Harold; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Lonie Meade, Minister.

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

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

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

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

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

CHURCH OF GOD
Betsy Layne Church of God, Old U.S. 23; Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Judith Caudill, Minister.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Salisbury United Methodist, Printer; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 6 p.m.; Bobby G. Lawson, Minister.

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

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

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

Drift Pentecostal, Drift; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Ted Shannon, Minister.

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

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

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

Free Pentecostal Holiness, Rt. 122, Upper Burton; Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Friday, 9:45 a.m.; Louis Sanian, Minister; David Pike, Associate Minister.

Goodloe Pentecostal, Rt. 850, David; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Malcolm Stone, Minister.

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

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

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

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

First Presbyterian, North Lake Drive; Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.;

Worship Service, 11 a.m. Rev. Vicki Poole, pastor.

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

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints; Sacrament Mtg., 10:00 a.m.; Sunday School, 11:20 a.m.; Relief Society/Preisthood/Primary, 12:00 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m. Church Meeting House address, Hwy. 80, Martin, KY 41649; Meeting House telephone number: 285-3133; Ken Carriere, Bishop.

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

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

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

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

Faith 2 Faith, Harkins Ave., West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Thurs. 7 p.m. Randy Hagens, Minister. 886-9460.

Faith Fellowship, Allen, Ky. Sun. School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Sun. Evening, 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. Carl & Missy Woods, Pastors.

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

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

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

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

Martin House of Worship, Old Post Office St.; Worship Service, 7 p.m., Saturday/Sunday.

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

Spurlock Bible (Baptist), 6227 Spurlock Creek Rd., Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jim Stephens, Minister. 886-1003.

Town Branch Church; Sunday School 10 a.m. except for first Sunday in each month; Worship Service, Sun. morning 10:00 a.m.; Evening 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; No Sunday night services on first Sunday of each month. Tom Nelson, Minister.

The Father House, Big Branch, Abbott Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; J.J. Wright, Minister.

The Tabernacle, Rt. 321 (Old Plantation Motel), Christian Education; 10:00; Sunday Morning, 11:00; Sunday Evening, 7:00; Wednesday, 7:00; Pastors, Paul and Ramona Aiken.

Youth Fellowship Center, Wheelwright; Monday-Tuesday, 6 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.

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

Taylor Chapel Community Church, formerly the old Price Food Service building, located 1/4 mile above Worldwide Equipment, Rt. 1428. Sun. Bible Study, 10 a.m.; Sun. Morning Service, 11 a.m.; Sun. Evening, 6:30 p.m. Kenny Vanderpool, Pastor.

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

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Pikeville College signs locals

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

New Pikeville College men's and women's soccer coach Ken DeCook is becoming quite familiar with all of Eastern Kentucky. DeCook has spent time in Floyd County this week signing players for his Pikeville College soccer programs. The new Pikeville College soccer mentor signed a pair of players Thursday afternoon when sisters Meaghan and Morghar Slone inked with the nearby school. In addition to the Slones, Brittany Raquel Ousley also signed to play golf at

Pikeville College.

Each of the three Prestonsburg High student-athletes enjoyed success in various sports in high school. Meaghan Slone ranks as one of the top girls' basketball players in Prestonsburg High history. The five-year basketball starter suffered a season-ending knee injury during her senior hoops campaign. In addition to basketball and soccer, Meaghan Slone also participated in softball.

Piarist School seniors Chris Baker and Matt Doyle signed with the Pikeville College men's soccer program during a ceremony held late Wednesday morning. More on the

Piarist School signing appears inside today's edition.

Earlier in the year, Jake Moak, another Piarist School senior, signed to play soccer at the University of The Cumberlands.

Just a couple of years old, the Pikeville College soccer programs are relatively still in their infancy. The program will face instate competition as well as squads from surrounding states.

All of the Pikeville College sports teams compete in the Mid-South Conference.

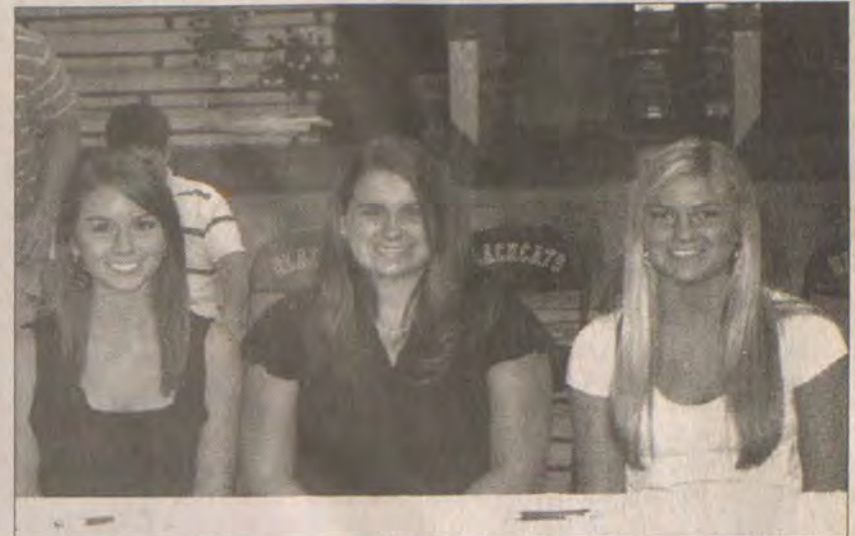


photo by Steve LeMaster

Morghar Slone, Brittany Raquel Ousley and Meaghan Slone each signed with Pikeville College Thursday evening.

Big Blue Nation revived

by RICK BENTLEY
TIMES COLUMNIST

The hopes and dreams of an entire commonwealth hinged on what a teenage boy did Wednesday about six miles outside its boarder. And, unlike the bullet to the brain that happened on Monday, Wednesday turned out all right.

The first recruiting class that Billy Gillispie had something to do with at the University of Kentucky got its happy ending this week when he landed Huntington High recruit Patrick Patterson, who will undoubtedly be the most talked-about member of the university's freshman class come August ... and September ... and Lord help us once October arrives.

Such was the magnitude of signing Patterson that one of the nation's most respected high school analysts moved Kentucky's into the Top 10 of recruiting classes for the year. Bob Gibbons moved Kentucky from unranked after the fall signing period all the way to No. 7 after Wednesday's titanic press conference.

That's the good news. The bad news is that among the six schools that - in Gibbons' much respected opinion - will have better first-year players are Florida (third) and, gulp, Duke (sixth). But that's another story for another day.

Part of me wants to use this as an opportunity to remind you that the ground work for the autograph signing that took place on Wednesday was laid by Tubby Smith and his ousted staff. Yes, Gillispie came in and sealed the deal, which proved what we already knew about him from his previous stops: The dude can recruit.

Gillispie added Patterson to Alex Legion, beyond question the two impact members of Kentucky's freshman class.

And while Monday's kick in the teeth still stings - the Cats lost three recruits they'd invested serious time in all in one day,

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P'BURG SPORTS DAY



CELEBRATING A SUCCESSFUL YEAR: Prestonsburg Elementary School Guidance Counselor Mrs. Ousley, Mrs. Hale, Resource Teacher and Mrs. Duncan, Curriculum Resource Teacher are pictured with PES fourth graders during Tuesday's Sports Day at PES. The event celebrated attendance, effort and accomplishments. Students were able to participate in several fun activities.

photos by Steve LeMaster



Staggs lands two from East Ridge

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE - Pikeville College continued to tap into the local talent market for softball players when it landed a pair of teammates from East Ridge High School.

Mariah Looney and Kaitlyn Ratliff will join the Lady Bear roster after the completion of their senior seasons for the Lady Warriors.

Looney is a talented second baseman who is hitting .311 this season for

coaches Jill and Terry Morgan. She has scored 15 runs, driven in 11 and stolen 10 bases this season. In addition, she has struck out only two times in 84 plate appearances this season.

Ratliff, a third baseman, is hitting .387 with 24 runs scored and 13 RBIs. She leads the team with 16 stolen bases and has hit the club's only home run this year.

Ratliff will be the third member of her family to play at Pikeville College for Coach Robert Staggs. Her sister

Sara is a former Lady Bear and she will join Melinda, the starting right-fielder, for her senior season at Pikeville College.

"We think these two young ladies will be able to raise their games to the level it takes to compete in the Mid-South Conference," said Staggs. "Both of these girls have strong ties to Pikeville College and we're glad it worked out so that they can continue their education here, and play some softball also."

Belfry bashes Betsy Layne

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

GOODY - Belfry pitcher Adam York had his best stuff on the mound Monday evening when Floyd County Conference/58th District member Betsy Layne visited. York earned the win as Belfry blanked Betsy Layne 10-0.

Belfry plated three runs in the opening inning and never looked back. The Pirates scored five runs in the second inning. Belfry managed to score at least one run in four of the five innings. The Pirates scored their 10 runs on 11 hits and didn't commit any errors.

The Pirates owned a 9-0 lead at the end of the third inning, but were held scoreless in their four plate appearance. Belfry forced the 10-run rule into effect after plating a lone run in the bottom half of the fifth inning.

(See BELFRY, page eight)

Registration now underway for Bobcat Camp

TIMES STAFF REPORT

BETSY LAYNE - Registration is currently underway for the annual Bobcat Basketball Camp. This year's camp will run May 29-31. The entire camp will be held at the Betsy Layne High School Gym from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. each day. Basketball players in grades Kindergarten through Eighth. One-on-one, three-on-three and five-on-five play will be included as part of the camp. Fundamentals will also be covered in the Bobcat Basketball Camp. Cost of the camp is \$45 per camper. Discounts are available for siblings attending the camp. Refreshments will also be provided.

Each participant will receive a free T-shirt.

For more information, call any of the following individuals: Kim McKinney, 478-7346; Jeannie Case, 478-3119, 478-9138; or Paulette Lafferty, 874-2259.

58th District softball, baseball tourneys set

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

The 58th District Baseball Tournament will get underway Monday at Turner Field when No. 4 seed South Floyd, the event's host, takes on Floyd County Conference Champion Allen Central. First pitch for the district baseball tournament opener is set for 5 p.m.

The tournament is scheduled to resume on Tuesday when Prestonsburg (2) faces Betsy Layne (3).

Allen Central, under the guidance of head coach Kenneth Johnson, went undefeated during regular-season Floyd County

Conference/58th District play, finishing 6-0.

The 58th District Tournament title game is set for Thursday at 5 p.m.

Prestonsburg boasts the best record of any Floyd County high school baseball team. The Blackcats entered Thursday of this week with a 14-15 mark.

Prestonsburg swept home doubleheaders over the weekend, taking two games from both Shelby Valley and Knott County Central. In a road game on Tuesday, Prestonsburg fell to Morgan County. The host Cougars defeated the Blackcats 13-6.



HONORED: MCA eighth-grade volleyball players are pictured with Coach Sherry Robinson following the team's county title triumph.

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All-Star race serious stuff for Earnhardts

by JENNA FRYER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CONCORD, N.C. — NASCAR's annual All-Star race is supposed to be for fun, a simple Saturday night dash for cash with nothing important on the line.

The Earnhardts never saw it that way.

Dale Earnhardt attacked the non-points event as if it was the most important race of the year, and his son followed that example. To this day, two of the most memorable runnings of the event are Earnhardt's 1987 victory and Dale Earnhardt Jr.'s 2000 win.

With Saturday night's running of the Nextel All-Star Challenge, Lowe's Motor Speedway is celebrating the

20th anniversary of the elder Earnhardt's win, when he recovered from a slide through the grass to maintain his lead during a wild 10-lap shootout to the finish.

Famously referred to as "The Pass in the Grass," the move became part of Earnhardt's legacy.

"It was the greatest move ever made in NASCAR, maybe in motorsports history," said Humpy Wheeler, president of LMS. "Nobody's ever gotten a car that sideways in the grass and been able to save it. Only he probably could have done that because he was so skilled."

Earnhardt didn't actually pass anyone. He was attempting to pass Bill Elliott seven laps from the end by squeezing Elliott into the frontstretch

grass. It failed, and Earnhardt instead spun into the grass.

He kept his car heading straight, drove through 150 feet of grass, and returned to the track to pass Elliott.

"It actually wasn't a pass, as everybody knows, but we'll keep calling it that because it's a neat sound. It was a save," Wheeler said. "It was one of the greatest races I think NASCAR's ever had."

Dale Earnhardt Jr. was 12 years old and in attendance for that race, and one of his greatest regrets was not having an understanding of how spectacular the move actually was.

"I was too young to really understand how those things really impact the sport," he said. "I wish I'd been maybe 17 or 18 to have understood

the impact that it had in the sport. It's still relevant today, and it's still as awesome as if it would have happened yesterday.

"You see guys do what it takes, and I think that was the definition for that on that day. There was really nothing anybody could do to try to take that away from him, it was an unimaginable will that he had that day."

His father's appreciation for the event was instilled in Junior, and it's made him take it seriously every year he's entered it.

He made the field as a rookie in 2000 by winning his first race in the weeks leading up to it. Then Wheeler, who famously predicts the winner in the days before the race, tabbed Junior to win.

The elder Earnhardt was furious.

"Dale Sr. got mad at me for doing it," Wheeler recalled.

"He said 'You're putting too much pressure on him, why'd you do that?' I said 'Because I think he's gonna win!' He just kind of shook his head and walked off."

Junior got wind of his father's disapproval, and found it amusing because he already was so stressed out over putting in a strong showing in his first All-Star race.

"We was maxed out on pressure about that point," Earnhardt Jr. said. "You couldn't have had any more."

Winning that race remains the highlight of Junior's career, which spans 17 victories and a Daytona 500 win. But the All-Star event meant something to his father, who believed it was the one time that the best driver in the best car always would prevail.

If Junior had any doubts, they were erased in Victory Lane.

The elder Earnhardt never

had been one to linger during his son's victory celebrations. He'd pop by briefly, then hustle home. But when Junior won the All-Star race, his father was right there for every last photograph.

"That was the only Victory Lane that he stood in the entire time for the whole half hour, 45 minutes that we were there," Junior said. "He was really enjoying not only the father-son relationship, but I think he was enjoying the fact that he had built a team that was the winner of the All-Star race."

"He told me, 'This is a big deal, make sure you have fun with this. You enjoy every minute of it.'"

Earnhardt was killed the next February in an accident on the last lap of the Daytona 500. Earnhardt Jr. announced last week that he's leaving his father's company at the end of the season.

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TAKING IT TO THE NEXT LEVEL: Piarist School senior soccer players Chris Baker (right) and Matt Doyle (left) signed with Pikeville College during a ceremony held late Wednesday morning.

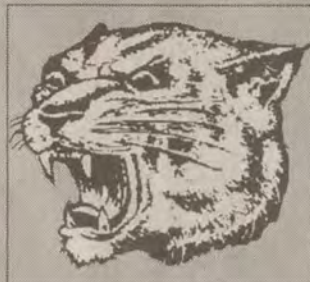


CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM: The South Floyd Middle School JV team recently won its second straight county title. Kneeling, left to right: Kelsey Dye, Brandi Stumbo, Laken Springer, Ashley Castle, Molly Tucker, Taylor Knott. Standing, left to right: Gabby Bailey, Assistant Coach Courtney Blocker, Kiana Hall, Megan Barker, Branda Hamby, Sadie Stone, Ashley Conley, Christian Sailsbury, Skylar McGuire, Coach Melinda Osborne.

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



Amanda Thacker,
Allen Central
Softball



Tyler Hall,
Prestonsburg
Basketball

Belfry

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Thomas Taylor helped fuel the Belfry offensive, belting a home run and driving in three runs for the Pirates. Heath Varney collected two doubles in Belfry's convincing win. Adam Bowens had a pair of RBIs for the Pirates. Varney, Tyler Kohari, Tyler Dotson and Chris Hunt each had an RBI for Belfry.

The win was Belfry's 18th of the season.

Brandon Mulkey, Brandon Tackett and Justin Trimble each had one single for Betsy Layne.

Travis Hamilton pitched and suffered the loss for the visiting Bobcats. Betsy Layne committed one error.

With the win, Betsy Layne improved to 18-9. Following the loss, Betsy Layne dropped to 2-18. The Bobcats own a win each over June Buchanan and conference/district rival South Floyd.

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Blue

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including hot-shot prospect Jai Lucas — says here Patterson's signing was crucial.

Consider this: Before Wednesday, Kentucky's front line consisted entirely of the very unproven Jared Carter, who will be back for a repeat

of his sophomore season in the fall, and Perry Stephenson, who had a very up-and-down first year in Lexington.

Seriously, that was it. If ever a lineup screamed for a four-guard attack, it's this one.

Now, however, Patterson gives it a little more legitimacy. Remember, though, that he's only 6-foot-8, a far cry from huge among post players in the Southeastern Conference. He'll also only be a freshman, and rarely do first-year players make an impact in the Big Blue Nation.

But perhaps nobody will be given more of an opportunity than Patterson. First his only competition will be Carter and Stephenson. Secondly, what with Gillispie being in his first year as well, you could make the argument that everyone on the roster will pretty well be freshmen when the season begins.

It doesn't take a genius to see that the 2007-08 Kentucky roster is guard heavy. Seniors Joe Crawford and Ramel Bradley were to provide what little leadership the program had, which explains why WKYT's Rob Bromley reported Wednesday that Gillispie made it clear to Patterson he expected a lot of leadership from him.

Add to that the fact that sophomores Derrick Jasper and Jodie Meeks — a combination that, in my estimation, is more talented than the more heralded senior duo — are also backcourt players, and former Michigan signee Legion who also plays outside, and you begin to see why the scales are tipped so absurdly toward the guards.

Combine that with the fact that Kentucky will be a largely unproven team — from the

head coach on down — and we'd all be better off to keep our expectations as low as they were before Wednesday's huge signing.

You may take this as being negative, but I beg of you to see it more along the lines of being realistic. Consider this: There were two freshmen in all of college basketball who were impact players to the level that Kentucky would need Patterson to be to get them back to the upper reaches of college basketball by next winter.

One of them, Greg Oden, was 7-feet-0.

The other, Kevin Durant, was also taller than Patterson at 6-feet-10. But unlike Patterson, Durant wasn't a back-to-the-basket type of player. Durant was a ball handler, a slasher, and — when need be — an outside shooting threat.

Of all the impressive numbers I've seen out of Patterson — and make no mistake about it, 17 points, 12 boards and four blocks a game is outstanding, especially when playing alongside a point guard in O. J. Mayo who's first four options were shoot, shoot, shoot and pass — I haven't seen anything like Durant's 40.4 percent shooting from the arc about him.

In the end, the words of Prep Stars recruiting analyst Brick Ottinger ring the most true of any spoken about the freshman class Kentucky will bring to the table next season.

"They added Legion and Patterson this year," he told Jerry Tipton of the Lexington Herald-Leader. "If they get players like Legion and Patterson next year, suddenly you can play with anybody."

Words, right there, to live by for those of us in the Big Blue Nation.

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VICTORY LANE DRIVER:
Floyd County Late Model driver Shannon Thornsberry won in Saturday's season-opener at 201 Speedway.

U14 YOUTH SOCCER: Floyd Supersonics double up Pike Irish 4-2



Myles Minix helped the Floyd County Supersonics to a 4-2 win over the Pike County Irish. The Floyd County U14 team has played amid wet conditions throughout much of the spring season.

TIMES STAFF REPORT

ALLEN – The U14 Supersonics seem destined to play in the rain this spring season, but the rain continued to be good luck for the Floyd County team against the Pikeville Irish as it prevailed 4-2.

Both teams were short-handed last Saturday. The Irish were playing the whole game with only the requisite 11 players, while the Supersonics played the first half with 12 and the remainder of the game with only 11. The Floyd County U14/U16/U19 field is the largest field in East Kentucky Youth Soccer, and is a challenge for the youngest players even when the team has a full roster present. When there are no substitutes, the field can be a significant obstacle to overcome. The experi-

ence of the Supersonics in playing on their home field paid off when the fatigue of the game set in.

The Supersonics' forward tandem of Jerralyn Kelsey and Kathleen Smith had another productive day, with each scoring a goal in the first half. The third forward, travel-tired Joseph Kidd, bumped in a beautiful corner kick from Smith to make the score 3-0 at halftime. A fourth goal scored by Kelsey, courtesy of a perfect through ball from midfielder Caleb Petry, was nullified on a disputed "offside" call.

The dynamics of the game changed substantially in the second half, when Petry left the soccer contest to attend a baseball game, and Irish keeper Paula Jo Roberts exited the goal to play midfield. The Irish scored two goals relatively quickly,

and seemed to be making a comeback. But the Supersonics' defense, led by Charlie Joseph, rose to the challenge. Joseph, along with fullbacks Rachel Pescosolido and Elizabeth Hardt and stopper Jenna Smith, bent but did not break the rest of the game. Garrett Brown, the Supersonics goalkeeper, made several fearless saves. The Supersonics midfield trio of Christine Walz, Myles Minix and Rachel Prater fought through fatigue and injuries to keep the ball in the offensive end of the field. Kelsey added another goal to increase the lead, then the Supersonics' defense and the large field kept the Irish from threatening again.

The Supersonics are now 4-1. The Floyd County U14 team has three games remaining this season.

HS BASEBALL: Johnson Central turns back Rebels 14-3

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PAINTSVILLE – Visiting Allen Central had any thoughts of pulling off an upset win over Johnson Central, one of the 15th Region's top-three teams, dashed quickly Monday evening. Johnson Central defended its home field in impressive fashion, beating the Rebels 14-11 in five innings at Paul G. Fyffe Field. The Golden Eagles wasted little time in going out in front, scoring six runs in the top half of the first inning.

Johnson Central plated 14 runs on 11 hits. The Golden Eagles had a pair of six-run innings.

Allen Central was limited to just three runs. The Rebels also committed three errors.

Johnson Central was able to get Allen Central out in order in the top half of the first inning.

More than one player had a multiple-hit game for the Golden Eagles. Chase Richardson paced the Johnson Central offensive effort, going three-for-three.

Taylor Smith was two-for-three for the Golden Eagles. J.K. Ratliff, quarterback for the Johnson Central football team, finished two-for-two.

Allen Central scored two of its three runs in the top half of the second inning. Josh Prater and Scott Little led off the inning with singles for the Rebels. Chad Nelson then delivered a

sacrifice bunt to advance both runners. Prater ultimately scored on a wild pitch.

Hunter Crowder, who was at the plate when Prater scored on the wild pitch, grounded out to Johnson Central pitcher Mike Conley, allowing Little to cross home plate.

Johnson Central added another run in the bottom half of the second inning and led 7-2. The Golden Eagles were

never behind in the home non-district game.

The Golden Eagles put the game away in the bottom of the third frame with a six-run inning.

Conley collected the pitching win for Johnson Central (18-11).

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Marshall signs NC standout

TIMES STAFF REPORT

HUNTINGTON, W.Va. – Marshall University men's basketball coach Donnie Jones announced Wednesday that North Carolina prep standout Tirrell Baines has signed a National Letter of Intent to play for the Thundering Herd.

"Tirrell is a great kid with an outstanding work ethic and the ability to play an up-tempo style," Jones said.

Baines, a South Carolina native, was a standout at The Patterson School (N.C.) for the past two seasons. The six-foot-six, 210-pound

forward averaged 14 points and 10 rebounds per game en route to helping Patterson to a record of 36-4 and a berth in the national prep school semifinals.

Patterson is ranked as one of the top five players in the state of North Carolina by several recruiting services and websites.

"He (Baines) was one of our go to guys and a key to our team the last two years," Patterson School Head Coach Chris Chaney said. "He plays at a very high energy level and he is a coach's dream with the energy he brings to the floor."

Patterson picks Kentucky over Florida

by APRIL VITELLO
ASSOCIATED PRESS

HUNTINGTON, W.Va. (AP) – Huntington High School's Patrick Patterson will take his ball-playing skills to the University of Kentucky.

The 6-foot-8 power forward, one of the last highly touted prospects in the Division I basketball program, announced his decision Wednesday, the last day of the signing period.

Five other Division I teams courted Patterson: Duke, Florida, Virginia, Wake Forest and West Virginia.

Last week he narrowed his choices to Duke, Florida and Kentucky, then to Florida and Kentucky.

Patterson said it came down to matter of distance. He chose Kentucky because he wanted to be close to his family.

"Proximity was the X factor. It was the deciding factor. I wanted to stay close to home, I didn't want to have to move my family to Jacksonville," Patterson said.

"The key thing was distance. I do get homesick a lot."

While taking an hour-long walk Tuesday night around Ritter Park in

Huntington, he said, his choice became clear. When his mother asked him if he was 100 percent sure, he said, yes.

"I do like Florida a lot, and my parents were willing to move to Florida for me. I just didn't want to move my family there to start over," Patterson said.

Both of his parents were by his side at Huntington High's gymnasium when he announced his decision.

They said they were proud of their son and happy that he will be close to home.

"I am a Duke fan, I grew up in the Carolinas. But I am a Wildcat fan now, this will be OK," said Patterson's father, Buster Patterson.

"Academics always factored in the Patterson household. You've got to have

another dream. Not everybody is going to get to the next level. So it's about education. His grades, if he didn't make honor roll, daddy wasn't happy. That was his job, stay on honor roll and he did that. I know he can do the work," Buster Patterson said.

Patterson helped lead the

Highlanders to an unprecedented three-straight Class AAA championships, the last one with the help of O.J. Mayo, who is off to Southern Cal in the fall. The two led the team to a 25-2 record and a national ranking this past season.

Patterson's senior year was his best season – 17 points, 12 rebounds and four blocked shots per game.

He had 14 points and seven blocked shots in Huntington's 103-61 victory over South Charleston in this year's Class AAA title game. Patterson sat down with 2:33 left in the game to a standing ovation from the near-sellout crowd.

He was the state's 2006 Player of the Year and finished 30 votes this year behind Mayo's 93. Both were also selected to the McDonald's All-American team and to the Class AAA all-state first team.

Kentucky basketball coach Billy Gillispie said the Wildcats were fortunate to land Patterson.

"This is a great day for Kentucky basketball," Gillispie said in a statement Wednesday night.

"We're grateful he chose to extend his recruitment to the last day of the signing period because it gave us a chance to develop a relationship and that's the most important part of recruiting. Obviously, it was a family decision, and a well thought out one. I'm glad he chose Kentucky."

Kentucky fan and alumnus Ken O'Roark, who lives in Huntington and attended Wednesday's news conference, said Patterson's talents will be good for the Wildcats.

"I think this is potentially the biggest recruit we have signed in 20 plus years since Rex Chapman. I am elated, and I think he made a great decision. He will be adored and loved by UK fans for his tenure at UK and forever."

Huntington resident Nate Adkins, a UK graduate also in attendance, said Patterson will fill a "big need for our team in the interior portion. I expect him to get a lot of rebounds, ... and I think this puts us back in position where we could win a national championship again."



SOCCER FROM SATURDAY – New soccer player Shelby Brewer and experienced fullback Warren Vierheller (below) combined on defense against Caleb Slone of the Johnson County U16 team. Midfielder Heather Joseph (above) of the Floyd U16 Elite executed a slide tackle against the Johnson County offensive player. The Elite won their first game of the season, defeating Johnson County 3-0.



Alice Lloyd College to host baseball camp

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIPPA PASSES – Registration is currently underway for the annual Alice Lloyd College Baseball Camp. This year's camp will be held June 11-15 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. each day at the Alice Lloyd College Field. The camp is for baseball players ages 6-18 and will be conducted by the ALC baseball coaching staff and players.

For more information on the Alice Lloyd College Baseball Camp, or to

obtain registration forms, call ALC Baseball Coach Scott Cornett via phone at 606/368-6119.

The ALC baseball program includes several former Eastern Kentucky high school standouts, including Allen Central graduates Tyler Turner and Justin Jacobs, both of whom recently wrapped up first seasons in Knott County. The Eagles play in the KIAC (Kentucky Intercollegiate Athletic Conference).



South Floyd Middle's Tylan Branham (9) was named Varsity Player of the Year and Ashley Castle (above, left) claimed the JV Player of the Year honor. The JV All-Conference team included Gabby Bailey, Kiana Hall, Branda Hamby, Ashley Castle, Sadie Slone and Kelsey Dye.

Earnhardt docked 100 points, Eury fined, suspended

by JENNA FRYER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Dale Earnhardt Jr. was docked 100 points Tuesday, and his crew chief was fined \$100,000 and suspended for six races for an illegal part at Darlington Raceway.

The penalty, for illegal modifications to the rear wing on Earnhardt's Car of Tomorrow, is a significant setback in his team's bid to win a Cup title before racing's most popular driver leaves after the season.

Dale Earnhardt Inc. will appeal, team president Max Siegel said. Crew chief Tony Eury Jr., who is also Earnhardt's cousin, is expected to work Saturday night's All-Star race because suspensions do not begin until the appeals process is heard.

"We are not disputing the ruling," Siegel said. "But we are appealing the severity of the penalty because the penalty itself is not spelled out in the rule book."

NASCAR, however, sent a March 21 memo outlining penalties for specific infractions on the Car of Tomorrow and specifically listed fines

of \$100,000, points deductions and suspension.

The penalty knocked Earnhardt from 12th in the standings — the final qualifying position for the Chase for the championship — to 14th. He's now 721 points behind Nextel Cup leader Jeff Gordon, and 54 points out of Chase contention.

"The team is like a family and they are pretty resilient," Siegel said. "I met with them all this morning and I didn't get any sense at all that anybody was freaking out. Everyone went into a 'What do we do now?' mode. It is what it is — it was a mistake, and it's unfortunate. But we'll move on."

Earnhardt announced last week he will leave DEI, his late father's company, after the season. He was not available for comment Tuesday, but Siegel said he met with the crew earlier in the day and the driver was present. Although the team has been in turmoil since Earnhardt's announcement, the driver and crew have promised to race hard for the rest of the year.

NASCAR inspectors said Earnhardt's rear wing was improperly mounted when it was checked

Saturday at Darlington. The brackets used to mount the piece were confiscated.

Eury, who has never had a major infraction during his seven years as a Cup crew chief, said the problem with the wing was not intentional. He said the brackets were an old set that had been used during a test session.

"It was kind of just a bad deal, a part that got on there that shouldn't have," he said. "There was a lot of off-season testing for NASCAR. There's been like three different kinds of brackets on there and it just happened to be one of the old-style brackets."

"It really wasn't that big of a deal," he added. "It really didn't change anything."

But NASCAR competition director Robin Pemberton said the infraction was blatant.

The car initially passed a pre-qualifying inspection, and when the wing did not pass the next day, it was removed for further examination. Once off the car, NASCAR discovered the brackets had been intentionally modified, Pemberton said.

"There is no doubt whatsoever," it was intentional, Pemberton said. "We are very surprised and disappointed in Tony."

Pemberton said the pieces will be on display in the NASCAR trailer all weekend for teams to examine.

The infraction was the first on the NASCAR-designed Car of Tomorrow, which has strict templates that leave little wiggle room for a crew chief. The severity of the penalty was NASCAR's way of informing teams it will not permit any alterations to the COT.

"We communicated to the teams earlier in the year that any modifications to these parts that had already been certified would be dealt with severely," Pemberton said.

It also follows a season-long crackdown on cheating that began at the Daytona 500, when NASCAR caught five teams breaking the rules. Six crew members were suspended and Michael Waltrip's crew chief was fined \$100,000 — the largest monetary fine in series history.

Now Eury has matched it, and Earnhardt said after his eighth-place finish Sunday he would cover any fine his cousin received.

"Whatever he needs me to do," Earnhardt said.

This is the most significant penalty Earnhardt and his team have received. He was docked 25 points and fined \$10,000 for cursing during a TV interview after a win at Talladega in 2004. That deduction knocked him out of the points lead. It was the last time Earnhardt has seriously challenged for the championship.

CATCHING UP WITH THE CHASE

NASCAR Nextel Cup
Driver Standings

1. Jeff Gordon, 1,881
2. Jimmie Johnson, 1,650
3. Matt Kenseth, 1,582
4. Denny Hamlin, 1,539
5. Jeff Burton, 1,486
6. Tony Stewart, 1,375
7. Kurt Busch, 1,325
8. Kevin Harvick, 1,315
9. Clint Bowyer, 1,302
10. Carl Edwards, 1,291
11. Kyle Busch, 1,281
12. Jamie McMurray, 1,214
13. Ryan Newman, 1,163
14. Dale Earnhardt Jr., 1,160
15. Mark Martin, 1,159
16. Greg Biffle, 1,155
17. Elliott Sadler, 1,127
18. Martin Truex Jr., 1,117
19. Bobby Labonte, 1,107
20. J.J. Yeley, 1,086

WIN STREAK ALIVE: Jeff Gordon keeps Hendrick in Victory Lane

by JENNA FRYER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

DARLINGTON, S.C. — As steam poured from his engine, Jeff Gordon figured his chance at victory had gone up in smoke.

Any other season, it would have. But in this year of near-perfection for Hendrick Motorsports, nothing ever goes wrong.

And Denny Hamlin is pretty sick of it.

Gordon overcame an overheating engine — he said with five laps to go there was no way he'd make it to the finish — to race to his third victory of the season Sunday at Darlington Raceway. Hendrick has won four straight races, eight of the last nine, and remained perfect in the five Car of Tomorrow events.

"I can't believe that thing lasted," Gordon said of his motor, which had thick steam streaming out of it for the last hour of the race. "There's no way that thing should have ever made it."

When it did — even though Gordon gambled and didn't make a final pit stop when most of the field did with 23 laps to go — Gordon won for the third time in four races and maintained a 231-point lead over Jimmie Johnson in the Nextel Cup standings.

"That's the way you win races

right there," said Gordon, a seven-time Darlington winner. "What an amazing year we're having."

One that Hamlin was a little bitter about after his second-place finish.

Hamlin, who led a race-high 179 laps, suffered when his crew dropped a pair of lug nuts on a late pit stop. It cost him a shot at running for the win, and he has finished second or third in four COT races.

It was extremely frustrating for Hamlin, who has led a series-high 563 laps in the five races the car has been used.

"We gave away another one to Hendrick Motorsports," Hamlin said. "It's a shame. This has got to end. We have to win a race sooner or later. Everybody will talk about how Hendrick won another race, but this was our race."

Hamlin was also critical of NASCAR for not calling a caution for obvious debris in the closing laps. Had the yellow flag waved, Hamlin was confident he would have beaten Gordon.

"Somebody's entire fender and underbody was on the race track,"

Hamlin said. "I literally pumped my fist in the car 'cause I knew a caution was going to come out. And of course, if caution comes out, its game over. Instead, Hendrick gets another break."

Even Gordon admitted that NASCAR should have thrown a yellow. But he didn't complain because he believed a debris caution with 17 to go — when Gordon had a huge lead — was bogus.

"There absolutely should have been a caution there at the end — but there shouldn't have been one before it," Gordon said. "There at the end — debris, oil, everything you can imagine — was on that race track and that comes back to the inconsistency. I am glad they didn't throw it at the end, but I didn't understand why they threw it earlier."

"It can work with you or against you. Today it worked for us."

Rain washed out the race Saturday night and it was rescheduled for Sunday, making it the first NASCAR race run on Mother's Day since 1986. Although Gordon's mother left the track when it appeared his motor wouldn't last, he was still able to celebrate the win with his pregnant

bride.

Gordon and wife Ingrid Vandebosch are expecting their first child — a daughter — at the end of June and this was her last race before the birth.

"It was fantastic to just think that here in about six or seven weeks, she is going to be a mother," Gordon said. "She had a little tear in her eye, definitely her emotions and the hormones are flowing right now."

"She knew, too, that this was her last weekend to travel before she has the baby, so I think that meant a lot to her to be able to pull that off before she's stuck at home for a little while."

Johnson, last week's winner, finished third for Hendrick. Ryan Newman was fourth, followed by Carl Edwards and Matt Kenseth.

Dale Earnhardt Jr. capped a frenzied week that began when he said he's leaving DEI at the end of the season by finishing eighth.

But Earnhardt said strong support from his crew kept everyone focused.

"My guys said, 'We're behind you,' and that took it all away," he said. "We focused on the car, we drove the car and we had a good time this weekend. I had no pressure, nothing, really on my mind other than what we were supposed to be doing."

"I was surprised. I thought it

would be a little more of a distraction."

Clint Bowyer and Jeff Burton, teammates at Richard Childress Racing, rounded out the top 10.

Gordon's radiator was on the verge of busting for the latter part of the race, with thick steam blowing from under the hood as he ran second to Johnson.

But a caution with 23 laps to go changed the race, with Johnson ducking onto pit road while Gordon gambled to stay out. Gordon took over the lead, Johnson restarted in seventh and no one came close to challenging Gordon again.

Johnson thought he would quickly work his way back to the front on new tires, but had no regrets after traffic prevented the defending champion from scoring his fifth win of the season.

"New tires always pay off here," Johnson said. "If I was back in that position, I think I would go for tires again."

Gordon never felt confident that his engine would go the distance. He got terrific jumps on every restart, needing the air to cool down his motor, and said he didn't pit with his teammate because he worried the engine would overheat during the stop.



Jeff Gordon

Thunder Valley Nationals rescheduled

TIMES STAFF REPORT

NHRA and Bristol Dragway officials have announced that the O'Reilly NHRA Thunder Valley Nationals presented by Q has been rescheduled for July 6-8.

The concrete launch pad of the

quarter-mile dragstrip surface was recently replaced and track officials along with NHRA officials have been working to prepare the track for the NHRA POWERade Drag Racing Series event, originally scheduled for today through Sunday.

Track officials contacted NHRA

officials last week to advise them that the process of getting the racetrack race-ready was taking longer than expected. After a week-long process of trying to correct the situation, both organizations decided that the track's new concrete surface still was not setting properly and would not be ready for this week's event.

"We sent in our people to work with the team at Bristol Dragway to try and bring the surface around, but unfortunately it is not going to be raceable for this weekend," said Graham Light, senior vice president of racing operations, NHRA. "In the interest of safety and quality of the show we weren't left with a lot of options but to reschedule the event."

"At Bristol Dragway, we pride ourselves in having the best facility in drag racing and we feel that the track surface in its current state will not provide the quality of racing that we've come to expect," said Jeff Byrd, president of Bristol Dragway. "We will spare no expense in building the finest racing surface in NHRA. We spared no expense in trying to get the surface ready for this week's event and did everything else we possibly could do because the absolute last thing we wanted to do was postpone this event."

The O'Reilly NHRA Thunder Valley Nationals presented by Q, July 6-8, 2007, will be run under the same schedule as originally planned beginning with qualifying on Friday night, followed by racing on Saturday and Sunday. Television times for the rescheduled event will be announced at the beginning of the week.

NASCAR NEXTEL CUP REMAINING RACES

- May 19 — x-NASCAR Nextel All-Star Challenge, Concord, N.C.
- May 27 — Coca Cola 600, Concord, N.C.
- June 3 — Dover 400, Dover, Del.
- June 10 — Pocono 500, Long Pond, Pa.
- June 17 — Citizens Bank 400, Brooklyn, Mich.
- June 24 — Toyota/Save Mart 350, Sonoma, Calif.
- July 1 — LENOX Industrial Tools 300, Loudon, N.H.
- July 7 — Pepsi 400, Daytona Beach, Fla.
- July 15 — USG Sheetrock 400, Joliet, Ill.
- July 29 — Allstate 400 at the Brickyard, Indianapolis.
- Aug. 5 — Pennsylvania 500, Long Pond, Pa.
- Aug. 12 — NEXTEL Cup at The Glen, Watkins Glen, N.Y.
- Aug. 19 — 3M Performance 400, Brooklyn, Mich.
- Aug. 25 — Sharpie 500, Bristol, Tenn.
- Sept. 2 — TBA, 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.
- Nov. 4 — Dickies 500, Fort Worth, Texas.
- Nov. 11 — Checker Auto Parts 500, Avondale, Ariz.
- Nov. 18 — Ford 400, Homestead, Fla.
- x-non-points race

Tony Stewart will test his TV talents

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

First radio, now TV. Two-time Cup champion Tony Stewart will test his broadcast talents Saturday, when he works as a pit reporter for Speed.

Stewart will work during the qualifying event for the Nextel All-Star Challenge, NASCAR's annual all-star race. The top two finishers will advance to the main event, which Stewart is racing in.

"Our announce team is like the New York Yankees — we have All-Stars at every position," said Speed producer Frank Wilson.

Carl Edwards, J.J. Yeley and A.J. Allmendinger have agreed to be Speed pit reporters if they fail to make the All-Star Challenge.

It's all part of Speed's first prime-time broadcast of a Nextel Cup race.

NEW COACH: As if Kenny

Wallace didn't have enough to do on race weekends, he's adding another chore to his list.

Wallace, who drives full-time in the Cup series and hosts a prerace cable TV show, will serve as chief spotter and coach for nephew Steve Wallace for the remaining Busch Series races.

The 19-year-old, who drives for his father's team, Rusty Wallace Inc., is the youngest full-time Busch driver. He has 30 starts since making his debut in 2005.

"We're a lot alike, and we really get along," Kenny Wallace said. "I totally think that having another racer on the radio with Steve is going to help him a ton, and I'm excited about the chance to help him earn his first Busch Series win."

In 10 Busch seasons, Kenny Wallace finished in the top 10 in points nine times and never finished worse than 11th.



DRIVER AND YOUNG FANS: Late Model driver Brandon Kinzer signed autographs for Prestonsburg Elementary students Tuesday morning during Prestonsburg Sports Days.



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THROUGH MY EYES

The ties that bind

by Kathy J. Prater
FEATURES EDITOR

Sometimes life is so daunting. We can find ourselves literally wanting to hide from the world,



Kathy Prater
Lifestyles editor

somehow thinking that if we do, we can avoid any hurt/confusion slated to come our way.

My family has suffered the tragic loss of two very loved individuals in

the past two weeks. And in the same close-knit immediate family. If that doesn't make a person want to hide away, what possibly could?

Yet, this family is standing strong in the wake of it all.

Two weeks ago, my Aunt Bernice Prater's grandson passed from a sudden illness. This grandson, the son of my aunt's own son, died a young man. Suddenly and in his early thir-

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DINNER DIVA

How to make sauce in your skillet

by Leanne Ely

In last week's column, I showed you how to get your sautee on. This week, its time to learn to make a simple sauce in the skillet. Honest, this is easy stuff!



Leanne Ely

Just follow these easy steps:

Let's pretend for a moment, that you've just sauteed some chicken and veggies. The chicken is nicely cooked,

as are your veggies. Pull the chicken and veggies from the pan and place on a warm plate and keep warm (I turn my oven on to the lowest temp and then put a very loose foil tent 'hat' on top of what I just sauteed. I don't tuck the sides of the foil in; just let it rest on top to preserve the heat. If you tuck it all in, it will steam and lose its sauteed appeal). On the bottom of your pan, you're going to see all kinds of browned up stuff from the chicken and veggies or what I refer to quite

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COMPETING TO BE THE BEST

Dance Etc. Elite Teams crowned world's best

The Dance Etc. Elite Teams were on the road again as they headed to Baltimore, Md., on Friday, May 4, to compete in the Nation's Leading Cheer and Dance Company's Final Destination World's Best Championship.

This was the first year for this competition in which top teams from five different national dance organizations came together to compete. Eastern Dance Association, Ameri-Dance, Power Dance, Spirit Unlimited and American Cheer and Dance each qualified the top three teams in each division at their respective national championships for this prestigious, first-of-its-kind event.

The Dance Etc. teams qualified for the event by winning five national titles at the EDA

National Championships held last month in Myrtle Beach.

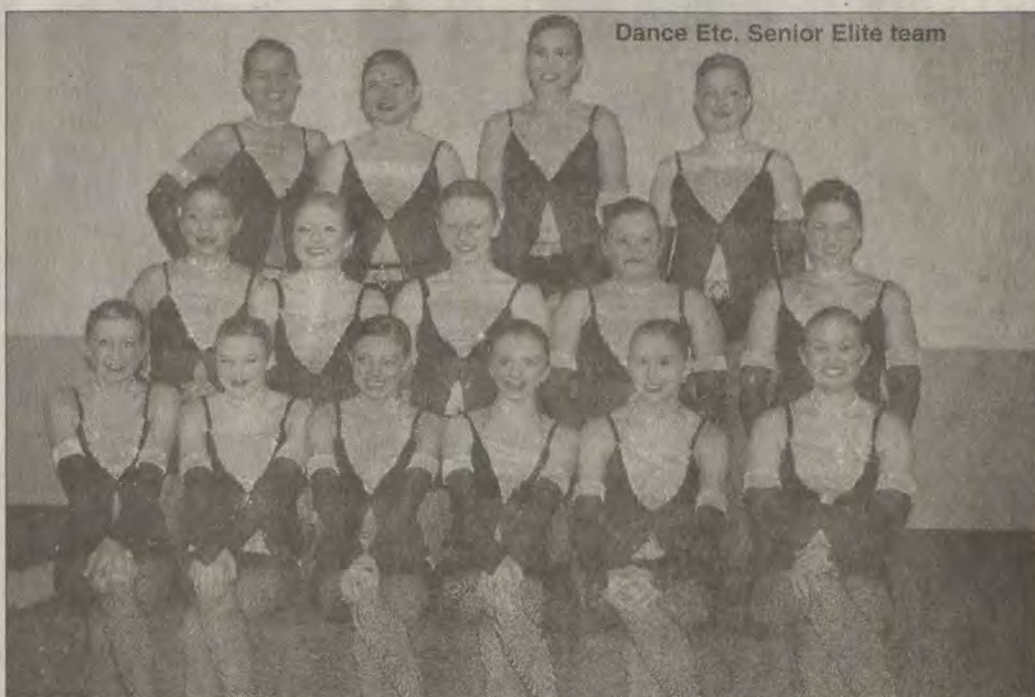
The Final Destination Competition brought over 80 teams from 25 states to Baltimore.

The Dance Etc Elite teams once again put on topnotch performances and brought home four world's best titles. Teams won first place in Youth Prep Jazz, Youth Jazz, Youth Pom and Junior Pom.

They also finished runners-up in Youth Prep Pom, Junior Jazz and Senior Pom and placed fifth in Senior Jazz and seventh in Youth Hip Hop.

The World's Best Competition will air on FOX Sports Ohio in July. Please check your local listings for broadcast dates. You can also catch these award-winning teams as they, along with all students from Dance Etc. Studio, perform during their Spring Recital on Saturday, June 2 at the Mountain Arts Center in Prestonsburg.

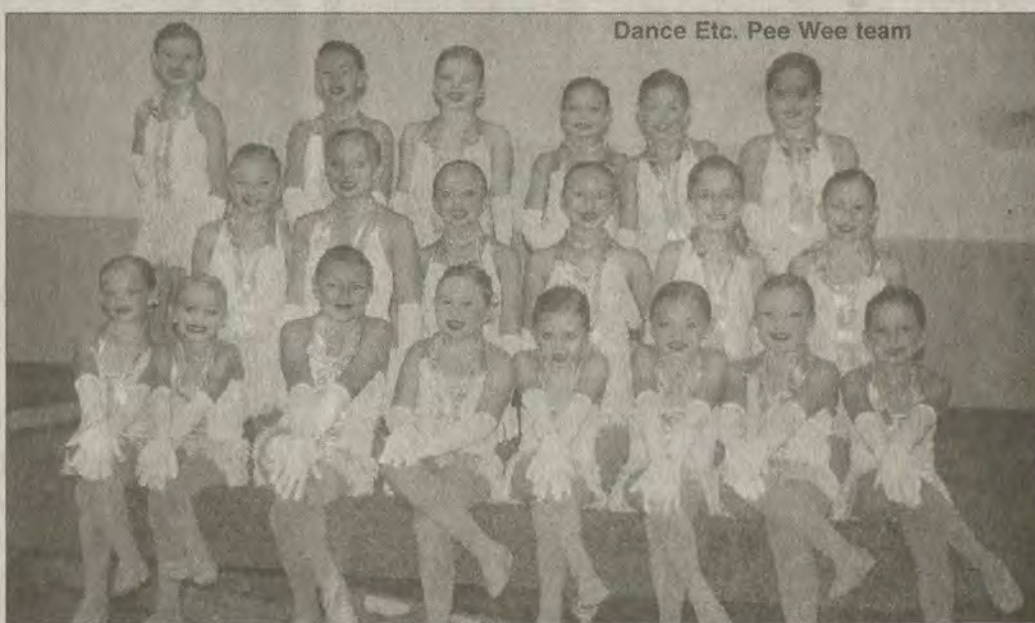
Tickets for the show, entitled "It's A Zoo Out There," go on sale May 14 at the MAC ticket office. For ticket information call 1-888-MAC-ARTS.



Dance Etc. Senior Elite team



Dance Etc. Junior Elite team



Dance Etc. Pee Wee team



Dance Etc. Junior Prep team

STAGE TALK

Productions will be here before you know it

by Martin Childers
JWT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Here at the theatre, life has shifted into high gear!

The technicians are always the first to arrive to start getting ready for our summer of Broadway productions. They're here now, and hammers and saws provide the music that lets us know that set construction is underway.

The directors, musicians, lighting and sound specialists, actors and dancers will follow shortly and before we know it, it will be Opening Night!

We are planning a big party for the opening, which will be Friday, June 15, with the great production of Forever Plaid. And, since it's an indoor show, in the Wilkinson-Stumbo Convention Center, we can guarantee there won't be any weather-related postponements.

The evening's festivities include a reception, dinner, and silent and live auctions. We always have some wonderful gifts provided to us for the auctions and this year is no exception. I can tell you that there will be several trips, including one to Pigeon Forge, one on the New River Train, and probably one to New York City.

Naturally, since Forever Plaid is a musical about the music of the 50's, that's what you'll hear at the party, which we're billing as "A Night with the Fabulous 50's"

The full dinner will offer a choice of two meats, veggies, salad and dessert. Tickets for the event are \$65 per person, \$120 per couple, or put together a table of 10, for \$550. Reservations can be made now, on line or at the box office: 1-877-CALL JWT (toll free), or 606-886-9274. Our web site is at jwtheatre.com.

As always, we couldn't make it year after year without the help of some great sponsors. For the opening night event, we owe a debt of gratitude to WYMT-TV, Kinzer Drilling Company, Diane and Grady Stephens, and Pepsi.

* Martin Childers is Executive Director of the Jenny Wiley Theatre at Prestonsburg. His column about theatre happenings and back stage activities appears weekly. Jenny Wiley Theatre is a non-profit organization and receives funding from individuals, corporations, Prestonsburg Convention and Visitors Bureau, Paintsville Tourism, the Kentucky Arts Council, the National Endowment for the Arts, and the Kentucky Department of Travel.

FLY LADY

Wouldn't we all love to have a Time Machine so we could take back our reactions to circumstances? We can't ever go back in time or can we? I think

I have figured out a way to accomplish this and, it is so simple!

The way we react to things is a learned behavior from our parents, spouse and other people close to us. You know whose voice it is. I will use the term "parent" because we are going to re-parent ourselves.

Our parents did the best that they could with what they had. If you hear a strange voice coming out of your mouth when you speak to your children or when you react to a given situation, then you have a wonderful opportunity

to take this knowledge and change things for the better.

We don't have to live this way; we can turn back the hands of time and re-parent ourselves. The pivotal point here is the realization that we hear our parent's voices coming out of our mouths.

The minute you have this epiphany, you can look back at what triggered that voice. Did you have a flash of anger, did your ears get hot or did your face get red and you exploded? Look at how your body reacted to the incident. The best thing to do at this moment is to observe what just happened so that you can stop it from happening again.

We are our own person! We are not

doomed to spend the rest of our lives hearing that voice come out of our mouths. We can change this and act in a fashion that will help and not hurt. When I am talking about hurt, I am referring to the fear we put into our children (keep in mind that fear is the opposite of love) and the guilt we have because we have done something we are not proud of.

Let me tell you, recognizing this is the first step to changing! I am so proud of you when you have this realization!

We are all dealt the hands of life! We can choose to fold; which for most

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Make mine a Time Machine

by Marla Cilley

Not long ago I was setting one of my emails to send out at a later time in my email program. The programmers who build these programs have a weird sense of humor. I accidentally set it to go out yesterday. I got the funniest error message: "I know you had to send this message yesterday, but I just can't do it until my Time Machine gets back from the shop!"





Family Medicine

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Question: When my 86 year-old aunt was in the hospital recovering from pneumonia recently, one of the nurses said she thought my aunt was suffering from sundowners syndrome. She didn't tell me much more about this but said it was important for my aunt to take regular naps. Can you explain to me what sundowner's syndrome is and what the treatment for it is?

Answer: Sundowners syndrome, or "sundowning," is often used to refer to people, usually elderly, getting confused late in the day as the sun goes

down. It can also continue into the night. Sundowners syndrome isn't, however, a true medical disorder, but rather a symptom of an underlying problem such as dementia.

The mental confusion of sundowners syndrome is common in the elderly, especially when they are away from home, such as in the hospital. Many people with Alzheimer's and other forms of dementia experience confusion, anxiety, agitation and disorientation that begins at dusk and can continue through the night. No one is sure why this happens, but there are some things that have been identi-

Confusion of 'Sundowners' not disease but symptom

fied that can make sundowning symptoms worse. These include being fatigued, not having adequate lighting or lighting that produces too many shadows. Another factor that may contribute, in some cases, to confusion that continues through the night is the inability to distinguish between dreams and reality. This may be related to the fact that many older people sleep less and spend a smaller proportion of their sleep time during the night in deep sleep.

Now what to do about this problem. Decrease caffeine consumption, especially in the late afternoon and evening, as well as discouraging sweets. Avoid heavy and late evening meals. Sometimes using a night light can help prevent confusion during the night. And, some experts recommend getting the person outdoors when possible and using full-spectrum lights for indoor lighting.

As for the naps suggested by the

nurse, some sources advise yes and some advise no. The pro-nap groups feels a nap or some quiet time late in the afternoon can help a person transition into evening. The no-nap group feels that a nap will increase evening and late night wakefulness. They advise an active day, like taking walks, to promote a better night's rest. With your aunt, you may want to experiment to see if napping or not napping is most helpful.

The sundowning you describe in your aunt was probably related to being in strange surroundings and being ill. This should pass once she is back home and feeling better. If it does not, you should seek advice from her physician. There are some new sleeping medications on the horizon that may be helpful in this group of patients, but there are no firm recommendations at this time to use sleep aids.

In the meantime, as long as her

sundowning continues, it would be helpful if someone in your family can provide reassurance to your aunt when she becomes confused at night. Also, if the confusion leads to wandering the house at night, be sure to block stairways with tall gates, close off rooms and always keep a hall light on.

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School Happenings

Adams Middle School Youth Services Center

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

Allen Central Middle School

Special Notice: There are currently several coats in the YSC. If your child has lost a coat, please feel free to drop by, or send your child, to check to see if a coat belongs to you. All coats left in the center at the end of the school year will be donated to the clothing giveaway program.

•May 18 - 8th grade Graduation, 6 p.m.; Dance afterwards.

•May 30 - YSC Summer Camp, Maytown Center, 1-4 p.m.

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

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

Allen Elementary and Family Resource Youth Service Center

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

Betsy Layne Elementary

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

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

•The Betsy Layne Elementary Family Resource Youth Service Center is located in the 7th and 8th grade wing. The goal of the FRYSC is to meet the needs of all children and their families who reside in the community or neighborhood by the school in which the center is located. For further information, please contact the center at 478-5550.

•Brian H. Akers, Center Coordinator.

Clark Elementary

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

•Lost and Found located in Resource Center.

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

Duff Elementary

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

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

•The J.A. Duff Elementary Family Resource Center provides services for all families regardless of income. We are located in the tan metal building at the rear of the school. Contact persons are Judy Handshoe, coordinator.

May Valley Elementary

•May 30 - Summer Celebration! At the Maytown Center, from 1-4 p.m. Activities to include water wars, t-shirt designing, making homemade ice cream, and more. Refreshments to be served. Activities and refreshments FREE.

•July 2, 3 - 4-H Day Camp for grades K-8, at Maytown Center, from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Camp is FREE, but parents must provide transportation. Call 285-0321 for more info.

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

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

McDowell Elementary and Family Resource Center

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

•Parent lending library available to all parents for video/book checkouts. A variety of topics are available.

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

Prestonsburg High School

•May 20 - Baccalaureate (optional), 6 p.m., Community Methodist Church (Blackbottom).

•May 21 - Senior Breakfast, 8:30 a.m., gymnasium. (Students only)

•May 21 - Graduation, 7 p.m., gymnasium.

•Note: All fees must be paid in full before a student can graduate/receive diploma!

**Principal Ted George invites everyone and looks forward to seeing all at our special senior activities!

•May 29 - Summer School begins at 8:15 a.m.! Applications available in the counselor's office. Space is limited and placement is "first come, first served"! Students should report to the cafeteria by 8 a.m., on Tuesday, May 29. Transportation not provided on first day, but will be available thereafter. First summer school session: May 29 thru June 11; second session: June 12 thru June 25.

South Floyd Youth Services Center

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

•The Family Resource Center is located in the central building of W.D. Osborne

Elementary. Those wishing more information about the center are welcome to visit, or call. Ask for Cissy (center coordinator). Center telephone and fax: (606) 452-4553.

Wesley Christian School

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

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

Big Sandy Community & Technical College

Adult Education and GED
Monday: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. - McDowell FRC; Martin Comm. Ctr.; Auxier Learning Ctr.; BSCTC.

1-4:30 p.m. - BSCTC.

Tuesday: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. - Mud Creek Clinic; BSCTC.

9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. - Dixie Apartments

1-4:30 p.m. - Betsy Layne FRYSC; BSCTC.

6-8 p.m. - Auxier Learning Ctr.

Wednesday: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. - Martin Comm. Ctr.; Auxier Learning Ctr.; BSCTC.

1-4:30 p.m. - Layne House; BSCTC.

6-8 p.m. - BSCTC.

Thursday: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. - Mud Creek Clinic; BSCTC.

8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. - Weeksbury CC.

1-4:30 p.m. - Betsy Layne YSC; BSCTC.

6-9 p.m. - Martin Comm. Ctr.

Also, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., Mondays and Wednesdays at Drug Court.

Kay Hale Ross - Manager of Adult Education, 886-7334

Lisa Pelfrey - Assistant

Ron Johnson, Stephania Conn, Lynn Hall, Nancy Bormes, and Wayne Combs - Adult Education teachers.

Stumbo Elementary/Mud Creek Family Resource & Youth Service Center

•May 22 - Election for parent SBDM members, from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., in Family Resource Center. For questions in regard to the SBDM parent member election, call 587-2212.

•Lost & Found located in Family Resource Center.

•The Mud Creek FRYSC is located on the right, by the school gymnasium.

Services are offered to all families, regardless of income. For more information, call Anita Tackett, center coordinator at 587-2233.

Mountain Christian Academy

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

•Call 285-5141, Mon. thru Fri., from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

•MCA is an accredited non-denominational Christian school.

Prestonsburg Elementary and Family Resource Center

•The Family Resource Center is open weekdays 8 a.m.-4 p.m., and later by appointment. Office provides services for all families, regardless of income.

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

Allen Central High School

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



The Jenny Wiley Theatre technical crew begins the processing of repositioning and assembling the truss on which the new proscenium will be built.

JWT seeks volunteers

Wanna help out a worthy organization and have fun in the process? Jenny Wiley Theatre is currently seeking volunteers for the upcoming summer season.

Productions include Disney's High School Musical, West Side Story, The Princess and the Pea and Forever Plaid. Assistance is needed in the Costume Shop, Box Office, Concessions, Gift Shop, Maintenance, Ushers/Greeters and with the Educational Workshops.

Any interested individuals or organization should contact JWT Volunteer Coordinator, Ali Meyer at 877-CALL JWT, locally at (606) 886-9274 or via email at volunteer@jwtheatre.com.

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Gettin' hitched?

If you're planning a wedding and would like to announce your engagement and wedding plans, the Times would be glad to help. Just drop by the Times office, or send photo and information to The Floyd County Times, P.O. Box 390, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, or e-mail to: features@floydcountytimes.com. We will be happy to run either an engagement announcement or wedding photograph, with accompanying basic information, for free as our "Best Wishes" to the happy couple.



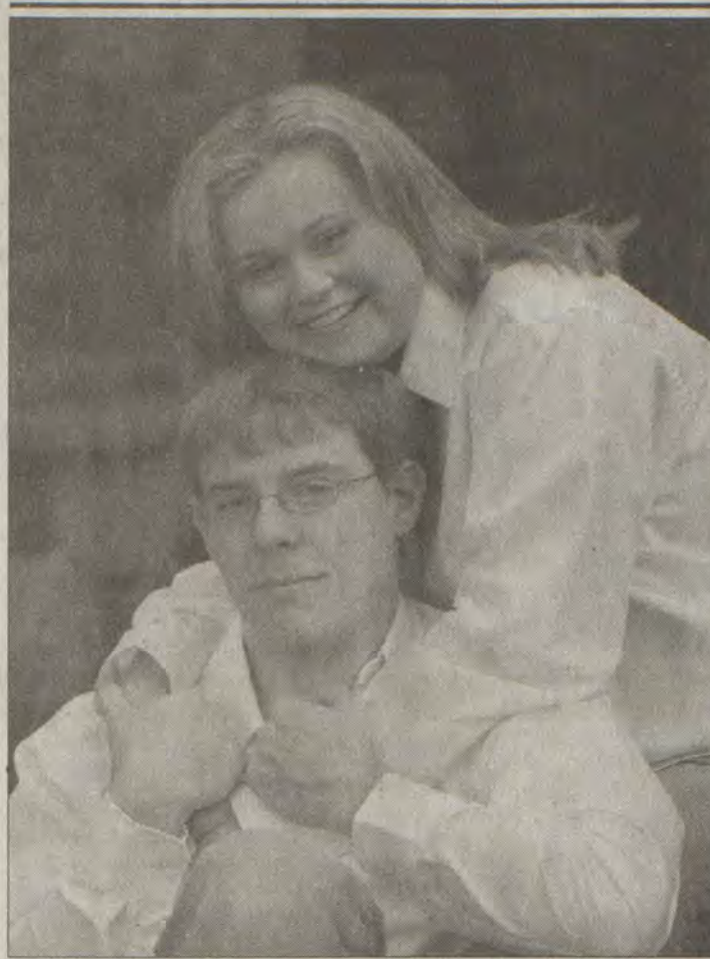
50th Anniversary



Cecil and Betty Jane (Muncy) Bentley, of Windsor, Virginia, will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on May 18, 2007. Mr. Bentley is formerly of Garrett. Mrs. Bentley, is formerly of War, West Virginia. They were married on May 18, 1957, in Abington, Virginia.

The couple were blessed with four children, Johnny Mitchell (Vicki), Tina Joyner (Lloyd), Lisa Frye (Tommy), and Robbie (Valerie). They have five grandchildren: Derek and Dylan Joyner, Stephanie Walker, Brandi Bentley, and Tori Peach. Their loving children and grandchildren send their wishes for a very 'Happy 50th Anniversary' along with their love and prayers for many more years of continued blessings.

Engagement



May-Joseph

Mr. and Mrs. Lon May of Prestonsburg, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Mandy Brooke May, to Mr. David Andrew Joseph, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Joseph, also of Prestonsburg.

Miss May and Mr. Joseph are both 2004 graduates of Prestonsburg High School. Miss May is a psychology and business double major at Transylvania University. Mr. Joseph is a mechanical engineering student at the University of Kentucky.

An August wedding is planned.

Engagement



Martin-Loza

Wade Martin, of Minnie, and Carla Smith, of Boonesville, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Tia Faye Martin, of Lexington, to Omar Renzo Loza Burgos, of Acari, Arequipa-Peru, the son of Artemio Loza Rodriguez, of Quito, Ecuador and Saturnina Burgos Tentaya, of Lima, Peru. Ms. Martin is a cum laude graduate of the University of Kentucky and is now serving as a missionary. Mr. Loza is a missionary of the Evangelical Peruvian Church. The date of the wedding will not be announced until its location is established. Please keep the couple and their work in your prayers (Colossians 4:2-6).

'Walk-a-Thon' for cancer awareness Monday

Prestonsburg High School will host the second annual "Walk-a-Thon" for cancer awareness this coming Monday, May 21, on the Josh Francis Field walking track, from 8 a.m. until 8 p.m.

Walk-a-Thon coordinator Carolyn Ford shares that last year's event raised \$1,098 for cancer research and that "we are looking forward to increasing that amount this year."

For those who are unable to come out and participate in the Walk-a-Thon, donations may be sent to the school at the following address: Prestonsburg High School, 825 Blackcat Blvd., Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Please make checks payable to "Floyd County Relay for Life."

Cancer is a dreaded disease that respects no age group, no gender, and no nationality. It cares not about your financial situation, it attacks any and all - rich, poor, male, female, the young and the old.

Ms. Ford and the students and staff at PHS urge all to come out and support this very worthy event.

Diva

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often as 'browned goodie bobs.' This is concentrated flavor that will make for an exquisite sauce.

To make sauce, you will need liquid. I like to add chicken broth (adds more flavor and body than just plain water). I also might add a little wine, depending on what I've just cooked. The deal is you're going to use the liquid to pull the stuff up off the bottom and incorporate into the liquid using your trusty wire whisk. We talked about whisks way back when in Chapter Two when we were discussing kitchen tools.

Anyway, you're going to crank the heat up somewhat (not too high or the liquid will all evaporate too fast) and whisk the bottom of the pan like your life depended on it. Your liquid will start to turn a little brown (from incorporating the goodie bobs) and next thing you know, you'll have something that starts to look like a sauce emerging. Now we're cooking! Isn't this the coolest? When I made my first sauce like this, I felt like I could do anything in the kitchen. It's really that empowering, really!

At this point, you may have enough liquid, too much liquid or not enough. The remedies are simple if it's just right, pull it from the heat, arrange your chicken and veggies on a serving plate and pour a portion of the sauce over the top. If you have too much liquid, then you will bring your sauce down to a simmer (see below for a detailed explanation of what a simmer should look like) and let the sauce reduce via evaporation. Now if you let it reduce a lot, you'll make your sauce instead into a reduction (see below for more of a detailed explanation), which is just really a concentrated sauce and for our purposes right now, you don't need to go there. If you don't have enough liquid, then add just a little more chicken broth (or your liquid

of choice) and whisk away till you get the desired consistency.

Whew! There you have it. Sauté 101, complete with a lovely sauce. How's that for an explanation? Are you feeling good about your skillet now? I hope so! Here's a recipe to practice with!

Pork with Dijon Creme Sauce
Serves 4

4 pork chops
Salt and pepper to taste
2 tablespoons olive oil
1/4 cup white wine (or low sodium chicken broth)
1/4 cup heavy cream
1/4 cup Dijon mustard

Season pork chops with salt and pepper to taste.

In a large skillet over medium heat, brown pork chops in oil on both sides.

Reduce heat and stir in wine, cream, and mustard. Stir to blend sauce, reduce heat and simmer until pork chops are cooked through.

Per Serving: 364 Calories; 28g Fat; 24g Protein; 1g Carbohydrate; trace Dietary Fiber; 94mg Cholesterol; 253mg Sodium. Exchanges: 3 1/2 Lean Meat; 0 Non-Fat Milk; 3 1/2 Fat; 0 Other Carbohydrates.
Points: 10

Serving Suggestions: Serve with a brown rice pilaf, steamed broccoli and some steamed baby carrots.

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

Eyes

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ties; as did his own father. Burying this young man undoubtedly was like reliving the death of her son for my aunt. More than enough to bear, wouldn't you think? But yet, another in this loving family was soon to pass, my aunt's son-in-law, the loving husband of her daughter, Caren.

Today (Tuesday, May 15, as I write), Russell Dean Shepherd, age 59, was buried by his family. Following an extended illness, Russell passed after a hard-fought battle with cancer.

Oddly enough, Brian, the young man who passed the week prior, had been helping his Aunt Caren and her two children, Zeth and Cheresh, to care for Russell. No one, in their wildest dreams (or should I say nightmares), could ever have guessed that Brian would pass before his uncle.

So, as this family grieved still the sudden and tragic death of one who should have had many years left to live, an extra heaping helping was added to their burden.

As I said earlier, sometimes life can be quite daunting.

But, as I also said earlier, Russell's family, on both sides of the family tree, stood

strong this past Tuesday as they presented one of the very most beautiful and inspiring memorial tributes that I have ever witnessed.

Family members spoke of Russell's love of teaching and baseball and life. Of his love for his family and friends. Of his willingness to help others and to ensure happiness for those he cherished.

It was clearly evident that this was a man who not only loved much, but was much loved, also, by those who knew him.

Many beautiful testimonies of Russell's life were given but the one that brought home to me just what this man was truly made of was the following journal entry read at the service by one of his nieces:

"They say that one person in every family will die of cancer. I have no regrets that I am that one in mine."

Caren, Zeth and Cheresh, consider yourselves mightily honored by these touching words. You and the Shepherd family presented a wonderfully executed memorial that honored Russell in the most touching of ways. I felt honored just to witness it.

Know, please, that our prayers be with you in the days ahead.

Fly Lady

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of us is not an option because we have people depending on us. Some of us have gone to bed for days to keep from having to deal with things. In the long run, we get out of our beds and play the hand we have been given. We are so blessed with our talents of creativity and stubbornness. We are survivors!

I am sitting here in tears. There are people who want help to get their homes in order. No one has been forced to join our FlyLady group! You are all looking for answers to questions you have not even had yet. You just want to get your house in order and relieve all the stress you have in your life. I don't know if I can help you release all this stress but I know that we can help you eliminate some of the pressure so you can contain your explosions and learn a new way to live! That's right! We can live, and not just react, to how we have been programmed. We are not computers! We are living, breathing people and we have a desire to love, to feel loved and to be nice!

For more help getting rid of your CHAOS; check out FlyLady's website and join her free mentoring group at www.FlyLady.net or her book, *Sink Reflections*, published by Bantam, and her New York Times Best Selling book, *Body Clutter*, published by Fireside. Copyright 2007; Marla Cilley Used by permission in this publication.

HRMC
New Arrivals

May 3, 2007 A son, Zackariah Lee Oiler, to Angel May Stambaugh, of Leander

May 3, 2007 A daughter, Shania Kaye Hunter, to Larry & Debbie Hunter, of Topmost

May 4, 2007 A son, Jayden Anthony Scott Smith, to Jessica Sue Ann Martin, of Rogers

May 4, 2007 A son, Connor Scout Adkins, to Robert Shawn & Sarah Beth Adkins, of Salyersville

May 4, 2007 A son, Tanner Kevin Jenkins, to Kevin & Kristy Jenkins, of Salyersville

May 7, 2007 A daughter, Savannah Jo Fairchild, to Michael Joe & Lilly Fairchild, of Auxier

May 7, 2007 A daughter, Layla RaeLea Harless, to Kayla Rose Harless, of Tomahawk

May 7, 2007 A daughter, Elizabeth Jordan Maggard, to Bryan & Shaina Maggard, of Hazard

May 7, 2007 A son, Jacob Lee Preston, to Bobby & Ginger Preston, of Inez

May 8, 2007 A son, Delano Kaiden Salyer, to Ricky & Lisa Salyer, of Salyersville

May 8, 2007 A daughter, Danika Karyce Salyer, to Ricky & Lisa Salyer, of Salyersville

May 9, 2007 A daughter, Isabella Faith Cathers, to Arlin & Elizabeth Cathers, of Garrett

May 9, 2007 A son, Zachary Shawn Hall, to Christopher H. & Tiffany Hall, of Melim

May 9, 2007 A son, William Cole Chapman, to Amanda Dials, of Prestonsburg

May 10, 2007 A daughter, Charlena Maria Kay Slone, to David & Tasha Slone, of Paintsville

May 10, 2007 A son, Tyson Gage Prater, to Kimberly Dawn Hall, of Langley

May 10, 2007 A son, Dominick Edward Whitt, to LeShauna Wesley, of Stanville

May 11, 2007 A daughter, Kaelyn Amber Dawn Newsome, to Joel & Kristen Newsome, of Pikeville

May 11, 2007 A daughter, Chloe Layne Johnson, to Leslie & Robin Johnson, of Lambric

April 30, 2007 A son, Wesley Cole Fiegenbaum, to Bruce & Amanda Fiegenbaum, of Minnie

May 1, 2007 A son, Clayton Isaiah Auxier, to Lonnie & Melissa Auxier, of East Point

May 1, 2007 A son, Aaron Chase Arnett, to Crystal Bailey, of Salyersville

May 2, 2007 A daughter, Kandace Lashay Music, to Kenneth & Jennifer Music, of Thealka

May 2, 2007 A son, Mason Scott Russell, to James & Sherri Russell, of Salyersville

May 2, 2007 A son, Nathan Maximus Faulk, to William & Natalie Faulk, of Lowmansville

May 3, 2007 A son, Marcus Neil Craft, to Bethany Ann Bayes, of Salyersville

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AUTOMOTIVE

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 Ranger Boat 390V, 200 H.P. Johnson, new 80lb. Minn Kota. Livewells, rod box, storage boxes, tandem trailer, with brakes, cover, hot foot, on board battery charger. 1989 model, great shape. Asking \$10,000. 889-0039.

JOB OPENING
 Heavy Equipment steam cleaning company needs employees. Must have valid drivers license and up to date surface mining papers. Mine emergency tech is a plus. Call Mon. thru Friday 9a-5p. 606-886-1759. If no answer leave message.

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 April Special!!!
 '98 Cherokee Classic, \$3,795 4.0, automatic.
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JOB OPENING
 Seeking f/t & p/t drivers for 7 passenger mini-vans in Shelby and Martin. Drug screen, clean MVR, and 7 years valid DL 1-800-471-2440, reference # 28 EOE

JOB OPENING
 CDL Drivers needed H.T. Hackney, 100 year old company \$10.00 per hour, 401K Plan, Health Insurance, local runs, home every night! Call 606-478-9591

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 Chevrolet Van for sale, low mileage, handicap van. 1990 c-20 \$9,000. Call 886-8826

JOB OPENING
 Welder needed! Must have Surface Safety Card, be drug free, and dependable. Call 791-0740. Pay Negotiable.

FOR SALE
 '02 Toyota Avalon. Excellent condition, loaded! Call 438-8900.

JOB OPENING
 Driver/Greeter needed for Veteran's Outreach Program. Must have a car and be willing to travel. Must also enjoy the public. Toll free 888-283-8638 or 866-212-5592.

FOR SALE
 1998 Toyota Tacoma 4x4 Ext. cab. V-6, automatic, A/C. 190,000 miles and new tires! Runs great, perfect work truck. \$5,800.00. Call 789-8747 or 367-1779 or 367-1551.

JOB OPENINGS
 F i r s t Commonwealth Bank seeks an experienced bank employee for the position of Head Teller. The Head Teller performs all teller duties while also serving in a supervisory capacity to enforce policies, oversee operations and schedule employees. A minimum of two years teller experience required and experience as a Head Teller preferred. Resumes are being reviewed now to fill the positions so, if interested, please send your resume by May 25, 2007 to Staffing, c/o First Commonwealth Bank, 311 N Arnold Avenue, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. An Equal Opportunity Employer

FOR SALE
 '99 Mercury Cougar. Very good condition. Asking \$4,500. Black 5 speed. 297-5625 or 606-422-1151

JOB OPENING
 Receptionist need-

FOR SALE
 Harley-Davidson Sporters for sale. 2001 883 and 1994 883. Call 606-587-2263

FOR SALE
 Submergible deep well Meyer pumps. Half 3 quarter and 1 horse power. Call 358-2000.

ed for physicians office. Fax resume to 606-789-9445 or mail resume to 822 S. Mayo Trail Painstville, KY 41240.

25, 2007, to Human Resources Department, Kentucky Housing Corporation, 1231 Louisville Rd., Frankfort, KY 40601. An equal opportunity employer M/F/D/V.

JOB OPENING
 Housekeepers needed must work weekends and have experience. Come by and apply at the Microtel Inn. M-F interviews on the spot.

JOB OPENING
 Staff Accountant: Pikeville, KY based mining company is seeking a full-time Staff Accountant. CPA Preferred. 3-5 years Coal Mine Accounting experience desired. Excellent benefits, salary based on experience. Interested parties, submit resume to HR Manager, P. O. Box 1169, Pikeville, KY 41502, or E-Mail: jobopportunities@rhinoenergyllc.com

LOOKING FOR WORK
 Will do baby sitting in home or in your home. 8:00-5:00 childcare certified call 226-8495 anytime. Have references CPR Certified.

JOB OPENING
 Security alarm installers. Experience is a plus but not required. Call 886-9003.

JOB OPENING
 Mountain After Hours Clinic has an immediate opening for a Nurse Practitioner or Physicians Assistant. We offer competitive salary and excellent benefit package. Please Fax resume to 606-439-0575 Attn Kenny Holbrook or email kenny@mmic1.com or phone 606-439-2662 ext. 36

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HOUSE FOR SALE
 3 BR 1 1/2 bath located in Daniels Creek subdivision. Excellent neighborhood, very child friendly. Call 874-3094.

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 Small appliances manufacturing now hiring retired or semi retired person for remarketing the job located at Garrett, KY. Call 358-0093 only between 9:30 AM to 1:00 PM.

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 Located on Front Street at Wayland. Third house above Castels store on right on Front Street. Central heat and air. 5 BR 2 bath LR 30X18 and dining room & sun-room. Huge cobble stone chimney, carport. 2 lots, fenced in. Asking \$65,000 call 606-358-4137 for appointment

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YARD SALE
 Continued at Bill Jack Compton Rt. 122 Prestonsburg, KY Spurlock Creek, across from Mountain Arts Center. Wed 16, Thursday 17, Friday 18.

JOB OPENING
 Receptionist need-

YARD SALE
 Estate yard sale. Personal household and jewel tea collectable dishes, furniture, tools-4851 KY Rt. 321 across from Highlands regional Hospital. Wednesday 23, Thursday 24 and Friday, 25. 8-5

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Sale or Lease

FOR SALE
 Restaurant for sale, land building and equipment stock. Located at Garrett, KY. Asking \$90,000. For more info call 606-358-9311 or 606-358-0072.

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

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 2003 16x80 mobile home. Fire place, dishwasher, garden tub, walk in shower, shingle roof, gutters, used for short time. Good price. Central air. Located outside City limits. Call 886-2474

FOR SALE
 16 Acres with house and barn on Right turner Branch road. with garage, cellar, and a picnic shelter, pond on property Call 606-768-3040.

RENTALS

APARTMENT

FOR RENT
 Apt. on 23 at lvel above Unisign. 2 BR 1 bath. Call for pricing. 606-478-8100.

FOR RENT
 2 BR 1 bath 2 1/2 car garage W/D hook up.

Conveniently located off 23 at Allen KY. \$625 per month & gas. Call 606-477-2783 or 606-522-4126.

FOR RENT
 Large 1 BR apt, second floor with deck. 5 min. from hospital, appliances, water and heat included, electric extra. \$400 monthly with 1 month deposit. Call 886-8224.

FOR RENT
 2 BR, 1 Bath, newly renovated apt. W/D hook up, above Safe Light Auto Glass in Prestonsburg. Please call for pricing. 606-478-8100

FOR RENT
 3 BR 2 Bath apt. For rent \$600 per month w/ \$300 deposit. No utilities furnished. References required. Call 285-1000

FOR RENT
 1 BR apt near college. Extremely nice, suitable for one person. No pets please. House of Neeley. 886-3565.

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

FOR RENT
 Branham Heights Apartments - Now accepting applications for 1 and 2 BR apts. Rent based on 30% of income. Appliances furnished. very nice, central heat and air, water, garbage and sewer included. Please contact the manager 606-452-4777. Equal Opportunity housing.

APT FOR RENT
 1 BR APT. Oak cabinets, Oak floors. \$500 per month, 2 miles up Abbott. Call 886-0893

Furnished 1 bed room Apt. Central heat & air. Rent starting at \$375. month, + \$300. deposit water included. Located near HRMC. 606-889-9717.

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 16 Acres with house and barn on Right turner Branch road. with garage, cellar, and a picnic shelter, pond on property Call 606-768-3040.

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 2 BR 1 bath 2 1/2 car garage W/D hook up.

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FOR RENT
 2 BR house, 1 bath. \$350 per month plus \$300 deposit. Allen area. Call between 5pm-9pm only 874-8122.

FOR RENT
 3 BR house at Allen. \$700 per month plus deposit. 794-0249.

FOR RENT
 3 BR house on Abbott for sale with large lot. Call 886-2614.

HOUSE FOR RENT
 3 BR 2 Bath Log Home in Oaklawn, Hager Hill. Central H/A low utility bills. Large covered deck. Large storage barn. Acres of privacy. \$980.00 monthly. 850-222-2226. Leave message. See pix at www.washingtonpublishers.com/ForRent/index.htm

Mobile Home
FOR RENT
 MH in Emma, Quiet clean setting. \$350 per month, \$150 deposit, plus utilities. Call after 5pm only. 606-874-3285 NO HUD. Suitable for couple.

FOR RENT
 14x16 2 BR MH for rent. Call 285-3980.

FOR RENT
 3 BR, 2 Bath 564 West Minister St. Prestonsburg. \$550 per month. 606-226-0669.

FOR RENT
 2 BR MH minutes from Prestonsburg. Call 874-1991.

LEGALS

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

The following item will be offered at public sale on May 25, 2007, at First Guaranty Bank, 39 Triangle Street, Martin, KY 41649, at 11 a.m.

2002 Toyota Tacoma VIN No. 5TEW72N42Z04 5980

All items are sold "as is where is." Seller reserves the right to bid and to reject any or all bids. Items are to be paid following the sale, or satisfactory arrangements are made with the seller. Announcements at

the sale take priority over ad. Purchaser to pay all taxes and transfer fees. First Guaranty Bank 39 Triangle Street P.O. Box 888 Martin, KY 41649

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-0292, Amendment No. 1

In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that The Raven Co., Inc., P.O. Box 547, Bluff City, Tennessee 37618 has applied for an amendment to an existing surface and auger coal mining and reclamation operation located at Grethel in Floyd County, Kentucky. The amendment will add 97.94 acres of surface disturbance will underlie an additional 215.58 acres of which 119.73 acres underlies surface or auger area and is not included in the total making a total area of 641.35 within the amended permit boundary. The proposed operation is approximately 1.15 miles south from KY 979's junction with KY 1426 and located on Big Mud Creek.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-0317

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Matt/Co, Inc., 439 Meadows



HOUSE FOR SALE
 Across from MAC 1st. Brick house on Rt. in Sprulock Crk. (.5 mi) 3 BR 2 bath 1900 sq. ft. Fenced yard carport. New heat pump- Great location! \$178,000 call 889-0544 after 6pm.

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

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

Branch, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 has applied for a permit for a surface coal mining and reclamation operation located 3.6 miles northeast of Lancer in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 454.15 surface acres and 165.29 acres of underground area, making a total permit area of 619.41 acres. The proposed operation is approximately 2.9 miles east from Corn Fork Road's junction with KY 3 and is located on Corn Fork of the Levisa Fork. The proposed operation is located on the Lancer USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Clark Pergem and Jesse Rudd, Steven Todd and Bonnie Harris, Floyd Harris Heirs, Bill Monroe Thompson, and Bill Monroe Thompson Heirs. The permit area will underlie land owned by Floyd Harris Heirs, Clark Pergem and Jesse Rudd, Steven Todd and Bonnie Harris, Bill Monroe Thompson, Bill Monroe Thompson Heirs, Holly Rose, Mike and Teresa Stratton, Evan and Mary Rose, John Hunt, Lewis and Emma Hunt, Mary Lucille Willis, Jewel Crider, Donald L. and Joyce Goble, Rhonda Gail Goble Ousley, Ransom Hunt, and Lewis Hunt. The operation will use the area, contour, underground, 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.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT, EASTERN DISTRICT OF KENTUCKY, SOUTHERN DIVISION at PIKEVILLE Civil Action No. 06-259-GVT
 Tract No.: 406
 United States of America Plaintiff
 Vs. NOTICE: CONDEMNATION
 .10 Acres of Land, more or less, situate in Floyd County, Commonwealth of Kentucky, and Carolyn L. Likens, et al.
 Defendants
 TO: The following named persons and their spouses, if any, if living, whose addresses, and places of residence cannot be ascertained by plaintiff, and if deceased, then their unknown heirs, devisees, legatees, executors, administrators, successors, creditors and assigns, whose names and places of residence area unknown. Tract No. 406
 Unknown owners, including unknown heirs, devisees, executors, administrators, creditors and assigns, if any, of Sarah Kiser.
 In addition to those named above, there may be others who have or may claim an interest in the property taken, who are unknown to plaintiff, and such persons are made parties to the action under the designation "Unknown Owners".
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Complaint in Condemnation has heretofore been filed in the office of the Clerk of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky, in the United States District Courthouse in Pikeville, Kentucky for the taking of the few simple title to the land described in Schedule "A", subject, however, to existing easements for public roads and highways, public utilities, railroads, and pipelines, and for the use in connection with the establishment of the Town of Martin, Kentucky Nonstructural Flood Control Project, in and to the land in which you have, or claim to have an interest, and more particularly described in the pleadings herein: Tract 406, a certain tract of land in a Town of Martin Project, situate in Floyd County, Kentucky and containing .10 of an acre more or less. It is the intent of the foregoing description to include the same land as that described in a deed from Jane T. Likens and Toiva Likens, her husband, to Carolyn L. Likens, single, dated December 9, 1970, filed for record December 17, 1970, and recorded in Deed Book 204, Page 92, in the Office of the County Court Clerk, Floyd County, Kentucky.

The authority for the taking is under and in accordance with the Act of Congress approved February 26, 1931 (40 U.S.C. § 258a) which was modified by Act of Congress approved August 21, 2002 (116 Stat. 1145, 40 U.S.C. § 3114), and acts supplemental thereto and amendatory thereof, and under the further authority of the Acts of Congress approved April 24, 1888 (25 Stat. 94, 33 U.S.C. § 591), June 29, 1906 (34 Stat. 632, 33 U.S.C. § 592), and March 1, 1917 (39 Stat. 950, 33 U.S.C. § 701), which acts authorize the acquisition of land or easements therein for flood control projects; § 202 of the Act of Congress approved October 1, 1990 (94 Stat. 1331, 16-367), which act authorized implementation of flood control measures on the Levisa Fork and Tug Fork of the Big Sandy River Basin and their tributaries; § 367 of the Act of Congress approved August 17, 1999 (113 Stat. 320, P.L. 106-53), which act authorized all necessary measures in Martin, Kentucky to prevent future losses that would occur as a result of a flood equal in magnitude to a 100-year frequency event; the Act of Congress approved October 27, 2000 (114 Stat. 1361, P.L. 106-371), which act directed the Secretary of the Army to proceed in accordance with Plan A as set forth in the Preliminary Draft Dated Project Report, Appendix T of the General Plan of the Huntington District Commander; and the Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act of 2005 approved November 19, 2005 (P.L. 109-103), which act appropriated funds for such purposes.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that if you have any objection or defense to the taking of your property, you are required to serve upon the plaintiff's attorney at the address herein designated within twenty (20) days after the date of the personal service of this notice upon you, exclusive of the day of service, an answer identifying the property in which you claim to have an interest stating the nature and extent of the interest claimed and stating all your objections and defenses to the taking of your property. A failure so to serve an answer shall constitute a consent to the taking and the authority of the Court to proceed to hear the action and fix the just compensation and shall constitute a waiver of all defenses and objections not so presented.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that if you have no objection or defense to the taking, you may serve upon the plaintiff's attorney a notice of appearance, designating the property in which you claim to be interested and thereafter you shall receive notice of all proceedings affecting the said property.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that at the trial of the issue of just compensation whether or not you have answered or served a notice of appearance, you may present evidence as to the amount of compensation to be paid for the property in which you have an interest, and you may share in the distribution of the award of compensation.

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 Publication Dates:
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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE
Pursuant to Application Number 436-5181, Operator Change No. 9
 In accordance with 405 KAR 8:010, notice is hereby given that Buck Coal, Inc., 544 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, intends to revise permit #436-5181 to add an operator. The operator presently approved in the permit is Eastern Fuels LLC, 183 Tollage Creek, Pikeville, Kentucky 41501. The operators will be Eastern Fuels LLC, 183 Tollage Creek, Pikeville, Kentucky 41501 and Goose Creek Energy, Inc., 183 Tollage Creek, Pikeville, Kentucky 41501.

The operation is located 2.3 miles south of Eastern in Floyd County. The operation is approximately 2.00 miles south from KY Route 80's junction with the Goose Creek Road and located 0.02 miles south of Goose Creek. The operation is located on the Wayland U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources' Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments or objections must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

Kentucky 40601. All comments or objections must be received within fifteen (15) days of today's date.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE
Pursuant to Application Number 836-5422, Major Revision No. 2

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Matt/Co, Inc. 439 Meadows Branch, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 has applied for a major revision to an existing underground coal mining operation located 1.0 mile north of Dana in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 0.0 surface acres and will underlie an additional 20.0 acres making a total area of 432.96 acres within the revised permit boundary.

The proposed major revision area is approximately 0.2 miles southeast from Johnson Fork Road's junction with Cecil Branch Road and located within Johnson Fork.

The proposed major revision is located on the Harold U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The major revision will underlie land owned by J. R. Conn.

The major revision proposes the addition of 20.0 underground acres.

The major revision 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, Division of Mine Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. This is the final advertisement of this application; all comments, objections or requests for a permit conference must be received within 30 days of this date.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE
PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NUMBER 836-5520
Transfer

1) In accordance with 405 KAR 8:010, notice is hereby given that Motts Branch Coal, Inc., P.O. Box 2765, 436 Daniels Creek Road, Pikeville, KY 41502, intends to transfer permit number 836-5482 to Miller Bros. Coal, LLC, P.O. Box 990, 433 Daniels Creek Road, Allen, Kentucky 41601. The new permit number will be 836-5520. The operation disturbs 92.6 surface acres and underlies 853.9 acres. No new acreage is affected by this transfer.

2) The operation is located 2.3 miles southeast of McDowell in Floyd County. The operation is approximately 0.04 mile east from KY 1929's junction with Hoods Fork Road and located in Hoods Fork. The operation is located on the McDowell U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources' Prestonsburg regional office, 3140 South Lake Drive,

Suite 6, Prestonsburg, KY 41653-1410. Written comments or objections must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. All comments or objections must be received within fifteen (15) days of today's date.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE
Pursuant to Application Number 836-0303, Amendment No. 3

In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Frasure Creek Mining, LLC, 1051 Main Street, Suite 100, Milton, WV 25541, has applied for an amendment to an existing surface and auger coal mining and reclamation operation located near Craynor of Floyd County. The amendment will add 162.77 acres of surface disturbance and will underlie an additional 187.86 acres making a total area of 1162.01 acres within the amended permit boundary.

The proposed amendment area is approximately 0.5 miles south from KY Route 979's junction with Dry Branch Road and is located within Dry Branch of Mud Creek, Mink Branch of Mud Creek, and at the head of Gap Fork of Needs Fork of Frasure Creek.

The proposed amendment is located on the McDowell USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed by the amendment is owned

by Evan and Audie Howell, Carmel and Marie Clark, F.W. Newsom Heirs, Blaine and Zella Slone Heirs, James McKinney, Joseph C. Akers, Glen and Willa Jean Tackett, Maggie Howell, et al., and Evan Howell. The amendment will underlie land owned by Olivia Hamilton, Darvene Hamilton, Arnold Turner, Jr., et al., F. W. Newsom Heirs, Carmel and Marie Clark, and Joseph C. Akers and Richard Hamilton et al. The operation will use the contour, auger, and area method of surface mining.

The amendment 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, KY 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.

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 Belinda K. Greer to Patty Sue Meade, property located at Mud Creek.
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 Lanora Harless to Doug Lewis, property located at David.
 Unknown Spouse of Lanora Harless to Doug Lewis, property located at David.
 Edward Hoffman to Andra J. Reynolds and Jason Williams, property location undisclosed.
 Janavee Hoffman to Andra J. Reynolds and Jason Williams, property location undisclosed.
 Susan A. Hunter to Bobby G. Clark, property location undisclosed.
 Cornelia James to Constance and Ernest Demyan, property located at Tolers Creek.
 Williams Andrew James to Constance and Ernest Demyan, property located at Tolers Creek.
 Benjamin Johnson to James and Melissa Gamel, property located at Beaver Creek.
 Benjamin Johnson to Wilma L. McKay, property located at Beaver Creek.
 Brenda Johnson to James and Melissa Gamel, property located at Beaver Creek.
 Brenda Johnson to Wilma L. McKay, property location undisclosed.
 Colleen Johnson to James and Melissa Gamel, property located at Beaver Creek.
 Colleen Johnson to Wilma J. McKay, property location

undisclosed.
 Donald Johnson to James and Melissa Gamel, property location undisclosed.
 Glenda Johnson to Wilma J. McKay, property location undisclosed.
 Glenda Johnson to James and Melissa Gamel, property located at Beaver Creek.
 Janice Johnson to Wilma L. McKay, property location undisclosed.
 Janice Johnson to James and Melissa Gamel, property located at Beaver Creek.
 Roger Johnson to James and Melissa Gamel, property located at Beaver Creek.
 Roger Johnson to Wilma L. McKay, property location undisclosed.
 Ronnie Johnson to James and Melissa Gamel, property located at Beaver Creek.
 Ronnie Johnson to Wilma L. McKay, property location undisclosed.
 Gregory Justice to Leona and Phillip Sayre, property located at Langlely.
 Jennie Justice to Leona and Phillip Sayre, property located at Langlely.
 Phyllis Latta to Clifford and Kathy Hall, property located at Mud Creek.
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Mud Creek.
 Cheryl May to Stacy and Vanessa Goble, property location undisclosed.
 David May to Stacy and Vanessa Goble, property location undisclosed.
 Denise May to Denver and Tina Ousley, property location undisclosed.
 Frank May II to Stacy and Vanessa Goble, property location undisclosed.
 Lois Ann May to Stacy and Vanessa Goble, property location undisclosed.
 Lon May to Denver and Tina Ousley, property location undisclosed.
 Wilma McKay to James and Melissa Gamel, property located at Beaver Creek.
 Emma Music to Clifford and Kathy Hall, property located at Mud Creek.
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 Pearlie Newsome to Charles and Joetta Case, property location undisclosed.
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 Shelia Ortega to Tracie E. Stanley and William Joseph Stanley, property located at Trimble Branch.
 Carvel Ousley to Andra J. Reynolds and Jason Williams, property location undisclosed.
 John Schickel US Marshall to Doug Lewis, property located at David.
 Pauline Shepherd to Kimberly Howard, property located at Salt Lick.
 Audrey Stanley to Clifford and Kathy Hall, property located at Mud Creek.
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 Ella Stokely to Karen Rice and Timothy Slone, property located at Martin.
 Jerry Swain to Geraldine and Roger Johnson, property location undisclosed.
 Maggie Ousley Tackett to

Andra J. Reynolds and Jason Williams, property location undisclosed.
 Misty D. Tackett to Clifford and Kathy Hall, property located at Mud Creek.
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 Misty D. Tackett to Phyllis J. Latta, property located at Mud Creek.
 Misty D. Tackett to Patty Sue Meade, property located at Mud Creek.
 Orville Tackett Jr. to Clifford and Kathy Hall, property located at Mud Creek.
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 Orville Tackett Jr. to Patty Sue Meade, property located at Mud Creek.
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 Paul Tackett to Andra J. Reynolds and Jason Williams, property location undisclosed.
 Carlotta Williams to Clifford and Kathy Hall, property located at Mud Creek.
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