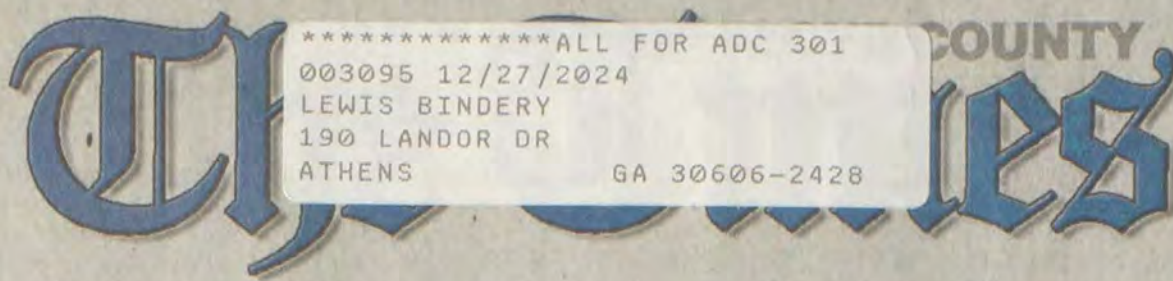




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**In brief**

**Voter registration deadline is Tuesday**

**FRANKFORT** — If Kentuckians want to participate in the upcoming general election on Nov. 6, they only have a few days to make sure they are registered to vote.

Kentuckians only have a few more days to sign up before registration books close. The deadline to register is Tuesday, Oct. 9. County Clerks' offices throughout Kentucky will accept voter registration cards until the close of business that day. A postmark of Oct. 9 is also required for all mail-in voter registration applications. Registration cards can be obtained over the internet at [www.sos.ky.gov/register](http://www.sos.ky.gov/register).

"I encourage all citizens who have not already done so, to register to vote today," Kentucky Secretary of State Trey Grayson said. "We hope to see everyone exercising their constitutional right to vote on Nov. 6, 2007."

Also, minors who are 17 years old but will be 18 years old on or before Election Day are eligible to register and entitled to vote in the upcoming election.

If citizens are unsure whether they have registered to vote or uncertain as to where they will vote, they can view all of that

(See **VOTERS**, page three)

**Cline receives probation for burglary**

by JENNIFER LAWSON  
STAFF WRITER

**PRESTONSBURG** — Though he could have handed down a 10-year jail sentence, Circuit Court Judge Danny Caudill gave Elray Cline a break and sentenced him to five years probation instead.

In circuit court Friday afternoon, Cline, who had been charged with second-degree burglary, trafficking in a controlled substance, public intoxication, possession of a controlled

substance and tampering with physical evidence, was commended for taking steps towards rehabilitation. According to Cline and his attorney, Gerald DeRossett, Cline has been involved with Wes Care Rehabilitation program since June and is due to complete the program in two weeks.

"I commend you for taking steps towards recovery," Caudill said.

Should Cline violate his probation howev-

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**Burglary charges led to probation for Elray Cline. If he has any violations, however, he faces 10 years in jail.**

photo by Jennifer Lawson

**SOGGY START**



**Apple Day festivities got off to a rainy start Friday morning as vendors prepared for what turned out to be a pretty day. The festival ended yesterday.**

photo by Jennifer Lawson

**For many of the poor, their doctor's office comes to them on wheels**

by SAMIRA JAFARI  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

**HURLEY, Va.** — When Diane Dotson is sick, she waits for the wagon.

If she's lucky, it'll only be a few days. But it could be a several weeks before St. Mary's Health Wagon, a free mobile clinic that makes rounds in central Appalachia, arrives in this remote community in southwest Virginia to help the sick.

The clinic squeezes in next to a car wash, parked in Sister Pauline Champagne's front yard, where she chats with patients sitting on lawn chairs in the makeshift outdoor "waiting room." As Sister Champagne calls off each name from her clipboard, patients step into the cramped quarters of a modified RV.

Inside, there are two tiny patient rooms and a bench behind the driver's seat for the next person in line.

Mobile clinics are the main source of health care for thousands living in the mountains, where doctors and health insurance are lacking. Some mobile clinics show up weekly or monthly, others only once a year.

On this particular September morning, Dotson drove 15 miles from her home in Phelps, Ky., to get her blood pressure and heart checked. Dotson, the

wife of a disabled coal miner, suffers from high blood pressure and depression.

The couple is buried under a \$13,000 debt stemming from an outpatient surgery Dotson had in 1998. Getting health care beyond the mobile clinic is no longer an option.

"I don't know if I'll even live to pay it off," Dotson said. "I don't know what I'd do without the clinic."

Dotson's story is not uncommon in central Appalachia, a region burdened by health care disparities.

Overall, the region has high rates of deaths from cancer, heart disease, diabetes and stroke. Economically, the region lags behind the rest of the nation with high levels of unemployment, low incomes and deficits in education. The region also struggles with the prevalence of illnesses from obesity, smoking and a lack of physical activity.

The rugged, picturesque mountains that keep so many tied to the region only compound the health care problem, keeping doctors scarce and making mobile clinics an alternative to traditional medicine.

"We're their health source," said Ron Brewer, who coordinates the Remote Area Medical Volunteer Corps mobile clinic program for rural Tennessee. "They depend on us as their

visit to the doctor."

The services offered by the mobile clinics, typically funded through grants and donations, vary from clinic to clinic.

Some only offer dental or eye care. Others, including St. Mary's Health Wagon, offer virtually the same care offered by a family physician. Most partner with a local physician who reviews serious cases and negotiates referrals with physicians willing to work on such cases.

"We like those days when we can have a sinus infection or an earache," said Netza Mullins, a health coordinator with the Kentucky River Foothills Development Council, which runs a mobile clinic that travels between eastern Kentucky's Powell and Estill counties.

"But because of the lack of health care and lack of health insurance, these folks are very chronic," she said. "Train wrecks is exactly what we call them."

There's no official count on mobile clinics, or the number of people who rely on them. But figures from the annual health fair at Wise, Va. — which draws people from Tennessee, Kentucky and West Virginia — are compelling.

The last event at the fair-

(See **MEDICINE**, page three)

**Mediator requests meeting with striking nurses, ARH**

The Associated Press

**PIKEVILLE** — A federal mediator has requested a meeting with representatives of some 600 Appalachian nurses on strike and officials with the region's largest health care providers.

More than 630 registered nurses at seven Kentucky and two West Virginia Appalachian Regional Healthcare hospitals walked off the job at 12:01 a.m. Monday when their contract expired.

The federal mediator, Herb Fetty, has requested to meet with both sides Monday in Lexington.

Fetty, who monitored negotiations between the two sides before the strike, initiated talks between the two sides Thursday, said Pat Tanner, a negotiator for the nurses association.

ARH officials cautioned that the discussions were simply talks, not necessarily "a resumption of negotiations." Officials have said they have no interest in resuming negotiations with the nurses.

"This does not indicate a resumption of negotiations but is customarily done out of respect for the

mediator," said ARH spokeswoman Candace Elkins.

Tanner, however, hopes that the meeting with Fetty will lead to discussions between the nurses and ARH.

Weeks of negotiations between the union and hospital administrators came to an impasse over several issues including staffing ratios, mandatory overtime and pay raises.

Last week, ARH issued its "final offer" to the nurses, which included an initial 2 percent pay raise and flexible schedules, allowing nurses to work 10 and 12-hour shifts.

However, Tanner said the proposed contract reduces holiday pay and increases insurance premiums, canceling out any pay raise. She said the union was open to further talks.

The nurses want better retirement and medical benefits; reinstatement of the modified work week (working 36 hours for 40 hours of pay); and additional staffing to offset mandatory overtime.

"You can't give good patient care if you don't have enough staff," Tanner said.

**Bond reduced for drug suspect**

by JENNIFER LAWSON  
STAFF WRITER

**PRESTONSBURG** — A bond reduction was granted to Jimmy Yates in circuit court Friday, though he was reminded of the seriousness of his actions.

Yates is charged with trafficking in cocaine, trafficking in an drug, public intoxication, menacing, resisting arrest and carrying a concealed deadly weapon.

"I just want the seriousness of the charges to be considered," said Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner. "There is a charge for a firearm."

Yates' bond was originally set for \$25,000 cash. Upon a motion, Judge Danny Caudill reduced the

bond to 10 percent of \$30,000 or property.

As with most probation violations, Caudill told Rickey Case that his could have been prevented if he would have just picked up the phone and called the probation office to work things out.

Case was given a choice to either serve additional time in jail or be released and serve an additional 24 months probation. After speaking with his attorney, Case opted to comply with the extended probation and pay the remainder of his restitution in the amount of \$1,644.40. However, any violations at all will land him back in jail.

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# Regional Obituaries

## FLOYD COUNTY

■ Priscilla Baldrige Hager, 96, of East Point, died Wednesday, October 3, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg. Funeral services were conducted Friday, October 5, under the direction of Carter Funeral Home.

■ Rachel Stephens Ison, 76, of Martin, died Thursday, September 27, at her residence. Funeral services were held Sunday, September 30, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

■ Charles Joseph "C.J." McNally, 76, of Prestonsburg, died Wednesday, October 3, at his residence. Funeral services were held Saturday, October 6, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

■ Madalene Powers, 67, of Auxier, died Thursday, September 27, at the Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Sunday, September 30, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Michael Dwayne Shortridge, 26, of Prestonsburg, died Monday, October 1, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Jodie Hall Shortridge. Funeral services were held Thursday, October 4, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Ethel McKinney Humble Simpson, 82, a Printer native, died Saturday, September 22, at her daughters' residence. Funeral services were held Wednesday, September 26, under the direction of Janowiak Funeral Home.

■ Daniel Corey Stanley, 28, of Wheelwright, died Saturday, September 29, at his residence. Funeral services were held Tuesday, October 2, under the direction of Roberts Funeral Home, Robinson Creek.

■ Stuart Edward Stephens, 70, of Prestonsburg, died Friday, September 28, 2007, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg. He is survived by his wife, Betty Wells Stephens. Funeral services were Sunday, September 30, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

## PIKE COUNTY

■ Raymond Clifford Adkins, 68, of Millard Highway, died Monday, October 1, at Mountain View Health Care Center. He is sur-

vived by Barbara Sue Adkins. Funeral services were held Thursday, October 4, under the direction of Thacker Funeral Home.

■ Austin Blake Allen, 12, of Millers Creek, died Saturday, September 29, the result of injuries suffered in a motorcycle accident. Funeral services were held Wednesday, October 3, under the direction of Thacker Funeral Home.

■ William Allen "Buddy" Blackburn, 75, of Pikeville, died Sunday, September 30, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Wednesday, October 3, under the direction of Thacker Funeral Home.

■ Billy Raymond Davis, 44, of Lookout, died Saturday, September 29, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Thursday, October 4, under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

■ Andy Dotson, 72, of Stopover, died Sunday, September 30, at Stanton Nursing Center. Funeral services were held Wednesday, October 3, under the direction of Phelps Funeral Services.

■ Geraldine Dotson, 57, of Steele, died Thursday, September 27, at the University of Kentucky Medical Center, Lexington. She is survived by her husband, Randell Dotson. Funeral services were held Sunday, September 30, under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

■ Bessie Foster, 81, of Varney, W.Va., a native of Varney, Ky., died Sunday, September 30, at St. Mary's Medical Center, Huntington, W.Va. Funeral services were held Thursday, October 4, under the direction of Weaver Mortuary of West Williamson, W.Va.

■ Walter J. Haynes, 81, of Pikeville, died Sunday, September 30, at Pikeville Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Ruby Walkins Haynes. Funeral services were held Thursday, October 4, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

■ Matthew Wayne Justice, infant son of Cleve and Katie Gross Justice, of Millard, died September 25. Gravesides service were held Wednesday, September 26, at the Annie E. Young Cemetery, Chloce Road.

■ Amanda Lynn Justice, 25, of Pikeville, died Friday, September 28, at her residence. Funeral services were

held Tuesday, October 2, under the direction of Community Funeral Home.

■ Maxine Gannon Phillips, 76, of Kimper, died Monday, October 1, at her home. She is survived by her husband, Kermit J. Phillips. Funeral services were held Friday, October 5, under the direction of Lucas & Son Funeral Home.

■ Delmer Ray, 60, of Morehead, a Pike County native, died Thursday, September 27, at St. Claire Regional Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Carolyn Reed Ray. Funeral services were held Sunday, September 30, under the direction of J.W. Call Funeral Home.

■ Hurstle Blane Reed, 89, of Apex, died Sunday, September 30, at Williamson Memorial Hospital, Williamson, W.Va. Funeral services were held Thursday, October 4, under the direction of R.E. Rogers Funeral Home.

■ Tony Roberts, 56, of Millard Hwy., died Monday, October 1, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Carol Callihan Roberts. Funeral services were held Wednesday, October 3, under the direction of Lucas and Son Funeral Home.

■ Jason Allen Robinson, 30, of Jenkins, a Pikeville native, died Sunday, September 30, at Neon. Funeral services were held Wednesday, October 3, under the direction of Polly and Craft Funeral Home.

■ Tony Roberts, 56, of Millard, died Monday, October 1, at his home. He is survived by his wife, Carol Callihan Roberts. Funeral services were held Wednesday, October 3, under the direction of Lucas & Son Funeral Home.

■ Gladus Crigger Blackburn Thacker, 84, of Huddy, died Monday, October 1, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Friday, October 5, under the direction of R.E. Rogers Funeral Home.

■ Fannie Cara (Blue) White, of Turkey Creek, died Monday, October 1, at Appalachian Regional Hospital. Funeral services

were held Wednesday, October 3, under the direction of R.E. Rogers Funeral Home.

■ Betty Yates, 68, of Merrimac, W.Va., a Pike County native, died Monday, October 1, at Pikeville Medical Center. She is survived by her husband, Bernard Yates. Funeral services were held Thursday, October 4, under the direction of R.E. Rogers Funeral Home.

## LAWRENCE COUNTY

■ Marion R. "Bob" Meade, 79, of Louisa, died Friday, September 28, in Community Hospice Care Center in Ashland. He is survived by his wife, Pearl Meade of Catlettsburg. A private family service was held Sunday, September 30, at Catlettsburg Cemetery.

■ Wanda Stambaugh, 74, of Ashland, a Lawrence County native, died Monday, October 1, at King's Daughters Medical Center, in Ashland. Funeral services were held Thursday, October 4, under the direction of Preston Funeral Home.

## JOHNSON COUNTY

■ Christian O. Fralcy, 46, of Red Bush, died Thursday, September 20. He is survived by his wife, Kathy McKenzie. Graveside services were held Saturday, September 29, at 2 p.m., at the Skaggs-McKenzie Cemetery. Arrangements, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

■ Ida Louella Copley Newkirk Grigsby, 67, of Oil Springs, died Friday, September 28, at Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were held Tuesday, October 2, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

■ Lilly May Hoskins, 11-months-old daughter of Leslie May Salyers and Nathan Ryan Hoskins of Prestonsburg, died Wednesday, September 26, at her residence. Funeral services were held Saturday, September 29, under the direction of the Childers Funeral Home.

■ Mabel Frances Picklesimer, 90, of Lancaster, Ohio, formerly of Johnson County, died Saturday, September 29, at her resi-

dence. Funeral services were held Wednesday, October 3, under the direction of Paintsville Funeral Home.

■ William Harvey Ratliff, 67, of Westwood, a Johnson County native, died Saturday, September 29. Funeral services were held Tuesday, October 2, under the direction of Caniff Funeral Home in Westwood.

■ Mary Christine Dailing Sexauer, 58, of Paintsville, died Thursday, September 27, at King's Daughters Medical Center, in Ashland. She is survived by her husband, Henry Sexauer. Funeral services were held Monday, October 1, under the direction of the Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

## MARTIN COUNTY

■ Louise Carter Copley, 56, of Beauty, died Tuesday, September 25, at Three Rivers Medical Center, in Louisa. Funeral services were held Friday, September 28, under the direction of Richmond-Callahan Funeral Home.

■ Benjamin Travis Delong, 24, of Tomahawk, died Saturday, September 29, at Carroll County Hospital in Carrollton. Funeral services were held Tuesday, October 2, under the direction of Richmond-Callahan Funeral Home.

■ Robert Lee Hinkle, 74,

died Tuesday, September 25, at his residence. Funeral services were held Saturday, September 29, under the direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home.

■ Mable Cassell Rohrbach, 80, of Flatwoods, a native of Inez, died Sunday, September 30. Funeral services were held Thursday, Oct. 4, under the direction of Carman Funeral Home in Flatwoods.

## MAGOFFIN COUNTY

■ Terry Lee Morgeson, 56, of Salyersville, died Monday, October 1. Funeral services were held Wednesday, September 3, under the direction of Magoffin County Funeral Home.

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### Earvina C. Adkins

Earvina C. Adkins, 76, of Galveston, died Friday, October 5, 2007, in Cynthiaiana.

Born May 7, 1931, in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late Nathan Carroll and Delphia Hall Carroll. She was a homemaker and a member of the Little Rachel Old Regular Baptist Church for 35 years.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Tom Delmar Adkins.

Survivors include four sons: Darryl (Patricia Gail) Adkins and Ronnie (Linda) Adkins, all of Cynthiaiana; Randel Adkins of Galveston; and Tommy Dale (Ruth) Adkins of Harold; a daughter, Deborah Adkins of Galveston; two brothers: Reevis Carroll and Eugene Carroll, both of Grethel; four sisters: Ivalde Slaughter of Fremont, Ohio, Trevia Collins of Honaker, and Irene Sparks and Mary K. Hall, both of Grethel; nine grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by two daughters: Patty Adkins and Rita Adkins; a sister, Syrvellia Sparks; and a granddaughter, Chandra Adkins.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m., Sunday, October 7, at the Little Rachel Old Regular Baptist Church, with Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial will be in the Adkins Family Cemetery, in Galveston.

Visitation is at the church.

Roberts Funeral Home, Robinson Creek, in charge of arrangements. (Paid obituary)



### Nancy Lynn Bentley

Nancy Lynn Bentley, 71, of Langley, died Friday, October 5, 2007, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg.

Born November 15, 1935, in Langley, she was the daughter of the late Ebb and Cynthia Bradley Bentley. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include a son, Mark Bentley of Langley; a granddaughter, Morgan Shelby Bentley; two brothers: Walter Bentley of Topmost, and Willard Bentley of Winchester; two sisters: Faye Bailey and Sue Bentley, both of Langley; and many nieces and nephews who love her.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a son, Calvin Bentley; two brothers: Roy Bentley and Jr. Bentley; and two sisters: Loutrisha Bentley and Florence Bentley.

Funeral services will be held Sunday, October 7, at 11 a.m., at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial will be in the Bradley Cemetery, Wilson Creek, Martin, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral home.

[www.nelsonfrazierfuneralhome.com](http://www.nelsonfrazierfuneralhome.com)

(Paid obituary)

## Stumbo hires former Fletcher staffer

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — A former staffer in Gov. Ernie Fletcher's administration is now working for Attorney General Greg Stumbo.

Billy Reed, a former sports columnist and member of the Kentucky Journalism Hall of Fame, worked as spokesman for the Kentucky Commerce Cabinet for a year and a half early in Fletcher's term, resigning in 2005. Reed has been serving as a special assistant in the attorney general's office since Sept. 26, spokesman Corey Bellamy said.

"He is assigned to special projects," Bellamy said Thursday. "He is currently working on the attorney general's biennial report. That biennial report will go to the General Assembly as required

by statute."

Bellamy said the job is non-merit and will end when Stumbo leaves office at the end of the year.

Reed, 64, said he joined the Stumbo staff to be of service to Kentucky.

"At my age, if there's anything I have that's useful, or anything I have to give back, I certainly want to do it," he said.

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# Debate about training for underground miners runs deep

by JIM SUHR  
AP BUSINESS WRITER

GALATIA, Ill. — After 17 years of fixing cars, Greg Rothchild found the money from carving coal out of the earth's innards simply too hard to pass up.

The married 43-year-old father of two breezed through the 40 hours of training the federal government requires of new below-ground miners, then quickly landed a \$1,000-a-week gig at a mine earlier this year in this southern Illinois outpost. He was content the schooling was enough to get him safely started.

Others aren't so sure. The deaths of 17 men at West Virginia's Sago mine and Kentucky's Darby mine last year and the recent cave-in that swallowed up six more in Utah had the notoriously perilous line of work under fresh scrutiny. And the adequacy of training for new recruits at the nation's 600-plus underground coal mines is just one of the topics.

Tens of thousands of coal miners — by some estimates, as many as half the ranks — are expected to walk one last time out of the sooty, chilly caverns and into the light of retirement in the next several years. The push is on to fill the void.

All of this comes as coal surges in popularity as an alternative to pricey oil — lately around \$80 a barrel — and natural gas. More than 120 new coal-fired power plants are being built or are on the drawing board. Coal already produces more than half the nation's energy, and by some federal estimates, U.S. electricity consumption could balloon by 40 percent by 2025.

At least so far, finding miners hasn't been a struggle, judging from the waiting lists at miner-training sites. And the risks are an accepted part of the turf in coal country, where jobs often are hard to come by and the money is like gold, commonly \$50,000 to \$70,000 per year.

While there are plenty of youngbloods ready to replace the retirees, some wonder whether there's enough prep work required of the rookies in

a job where death constantly lurks.

"There are a couple of jobs, I guess, where somebody goes to work on any given day and you wonder if they're going to come home or not — a fireman, a policeman, certainly military people in a combat zone. And coal miners," said Clemmy Allen, chief of the United Mine Workers of America's Pennsylvania-based Career Centers Inc., which trains new miners.

"If you make a mistake down there, it'll kill you," he said.

So far this year, mine fatalities number at least 25 across the country, with 16 of the deaths involving underground mines, U.S. Mine Safety and Health Administration data show. Since 1900, the agency says, coal mines have claimed more than 104,600 lives.

Terry Burtis, safety chief of a Marion, Ill.-based program that groomed Rothchild for the work, offers the 40-hour training regimen. But Burtis considers that flawed because it covers too much ground in too little time, and he thinks it should be more hands-on.

"I just feel like it'd be better for everyone," said Burtis, whose independent Workplace Development Institute includes a two-level smoke chamber where students can practice escaping a mine fire and other calamities.

States have the option of offering more stringent training standards: While Utah and Illinois call for new underground miners to get the 40 hours the feds require, West Virginia requires double that amount of training.

"We feel the miners are well-prepared here," said Bill Raney, the West Virginia Coal Association's president. "People, left to their own devices, still think there are probably some mines where there are mules pulling carts, and that simply is not true. Today's coal miner has to have a level of technical capacity probably well beyond what other industrial workers need."

Many training sites are going high-tech, increasingly turning to simulators in an effort to mimic real-world scenarios.

On 65 acres near Prosperity, Pa., a planned training center for Allen's UMW program will feature a 100,000-square-foot simulated coal mine. Gov. Ed Rendell has called the site, which includes \$4.3 million in state funds, vital in addressing the industry's expected run of retirements.

Allen's program already has two "mine mazes" in Ruff Creek, Pa., and Beckley, W.Va., to give recruits a feel of work hundreds of feet below ground.

Allen has heard federal safety officials' worries that the expected retirement boom could stoke the frequency of mining accidents and he won't criticize the 40-hour training, even when pressed. He prefers to insist that his training sites' 360-hour programs "are going to make good hard workers, but they're gonna be safe workers."

Allen says his classes are maxed out, with more than 200 new miners having rolled through the nine-week training course and waiting lists of up to two months. Not bad, he says, but others say only time will tell whether there will be enough recruits to replace all the retirees.

"I don't know that confident is the right word; I think hopeful is better," the National Mining Association's Luke Popovich said. "I wouldn't say it's panic. I think there's enough concern that the industry realizes it cannot expect this next generation to suddenly materialize and come gift-wrapped."

In Pennsylvania, Charles Waychoff has answered the call and become one of those "red hats," the moniker given to apprentice miners for the color of helmets they're forced to wear until they pass muster and advance to black ones.

During six years on a Navy sub, Waychoff underwent

training three days a week, six hours at a time on how to handle fires, flooding or low oxygen — the very life-or-death issues that confront coal miners. Waychoff, 28, said there's no way 40 hours of schooling can ready a new miner for such challenges.

"You don't really get any hands-on or in-depth study," said Waychoff, now splitting his time between making \$22 an hour for Maryland-based Foundation Coal Holdings Inc. and the two-year mining engineering program the company is paying for him to take at Penn State.

Waychoff said he believes his nine weeks of training, along with the guidance of veteran coworkers, keeps him safe.

"If I die, it happens. It's just the way it is," he said. "You're not going to stop it, whether it's a car wreck or getting burned up in a mine. When it's your time, I guess it's your time."

Raney, the West Virginia coal industry executive, and others consider the disagreement over the 40-hour training threshold overhyped after a couple of deadly years.

"When you look at the industry across the course of the last several years and you pull out those years where you had the unusual occurrences, you find out the safety record is pretty good," Raney said. "But you don't want to talk much about that because everybody is so superstitious. You're afraid you'll change

## Probation

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er, Caudill said Cline will serve the 10 years in jail.

"You are to have no violations at all," said Caudill. "I want to see you stay out of here."

Cline is scheduled to meet with probation officers sometime this week.

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grounds, organized by the Remote Area Medical Volunteer Corps, reported 1,377 volunteer health-care professionals who screened and treated more than 8,400 patients from Kentucky, Virginia and West Virginia, delivering nearly \$1.4 million

in free care over a single weekend in July.

"There's a lot of folks at or below the poverty line," said Stan Brock, head of the RAM Volunteer Corps. "If you look at the profile of people waiting in line, they are clearly in need of help."

## Voters

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information online through the Voter Information Center (VIC). The VIC will tell voters where they are registered to vote, the location of their polling site, and their political affiliation. It also provides links to elected representatives and driving directions from the voter's home to his or her

polling location. VIC can be accessed at [www.sos.ky.gov/vic](http://www.sos.ky.gov/vic).

To obtain a list of county clerks and other voter registration sites in your area, contact the Kentucky State Board of elections at (502) 573-7100 or via the web at [sos.ky.gov/elections](http://sos.ky.gov/elections).

## Bond

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"If he has any violations, any whatsoever, I want to be notified immediately and I mean immediately," Caudill told probation officers. "I want a special report sent to me as fast as possible so that a warrant can be issued for his arrest."

Michael Boyd also violated his probation when he tested positive for smoking marijuana in the beginning of September. Due to the fact that his attorney, Jerry Patton, has withdrawn from the case, Boyd was appointed a public defender and a probation revocation hearing will be held on Oct. 19.

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— Felix Frankfurter

Guest view

## Override this veto

Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid said this week that President Bush's veto of a bipartisan bill to dramatically expand children's health insurance clearly shows "how detached President Bush is from the priorities of the American people."

Normally, one might dismiss the comments of the Nevada Democrat as partisan rhetoric. But Reid is right. Even many Republicans in Congress believe the veto shows that the president, who rarely vetoes legislation, doesn't fully grasp how concerned Americans are about health care.

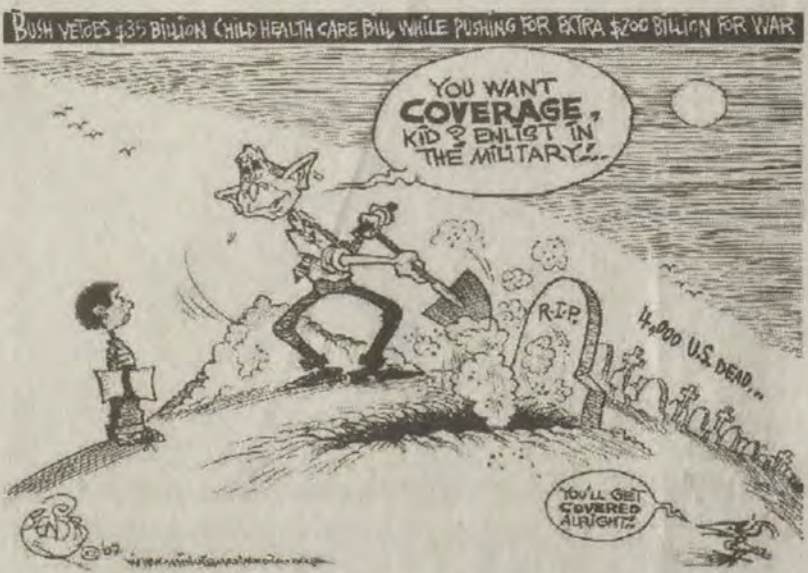
The bill would have expanded federal spending for the widely praised State Children's Health Insurance Program by \$35 billion over five years. That would have allowed states to cover an additional 3.8 million children; about 6 million children are currently covered. As Rep. Ron Kind, D-Wis., notes, these are children from working families "that earn too much to qualify for Medicaid but too little to afford private insurance."

The reauthorization measure would have allowed Wisconsin to keep its successful BadgerCare program intact and also enable the state to enroll even more children from uninsured working families by leveraging more federal dollars.

Rep. Paul Ryan, R-Wis., says the bill is fiscally irresponsible and uses what he calls "a spending gimmick" to understate the true long-term costs. The president, who has proposed only a \$5 billion increase in SCHIP, says he's willing to work out a compromise "if they need a little more money."

But "a little more money" won't meet the need. Besides, as Kind points out, the expansion would be largely financed by a 61-cent increase in the federal cigarette tax, which, in turn, would discourage kids from smoking. Kind also points out that the bill is the product of a "wide bipartisan compromise," the very thing that voters are legitimately clamoring for to deal with the nation's problems. Significantly, a number of Republicans - including Sens. Charles Grassley of Iowa and Orrin Hatch of Utah, normally a strong supporter of Bush - are pushing for an override. The Republicans who believe that the president is just dead wrong on this issue must work to convince others in their party that for the good of the nation and its children they must work with Democrats to override the veto.

— The Milwaukee Journal Sentinel



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Shameful. Cruel. Heartless. Ignorant. Pathetic.

— Rich Lowry Column

### Why Fred?

The conventional wisdom about Fred Thompson is that he might have waited too long to get into the presidential race, even though by the standard of past election cycles he's right on schedule. The best question for the Thompson campaign doesn't have to do with timing, but with rationale; it isn't about "When?" but "Why?"

His delay in announcing his presidential bid needn't seriously hurt him if he is a candidate on par with or better than his top rivals. In the national glare, both Mitt Romney and Rudy Giuliani have proven themselves good fundraisers, adept debaters and indefatigable campaigners with appealing outsider reformist messages. It's not clear yet that Thompson is any of these things.

Thompson isn't "lazy" — the rap against him — by any reasonable measure. He didn't become a Watergate investigator, prosecutor, actor and senator by sleeping late and watching daytime TV. But his Senate career tells against him. Not because he didn't have the energy to make much of it, but because he apparently didn't have the desire.

Thompson has two main draws. One is stylistic, even though he has a kind of anti-style — a low-key, non-nonsense bearing that gives him a sense of quiet authority. The down-

side is that this can seem to be a lack of passion. His appearance on "The Tonight Show With Jay Leno" announcing his candidacy was so somnolent that you could be forgiven for wondering if he wasn't already bored with running for president.

His other appeal is ideological. Thompson has a more consistent conservative record than Romney or Giuliani. But, a product of the moderate-conservative Tennessee GOP, he was never a firebrand either. In the gotcha environment of the primary race, Thompson will have to defend past heterodoxies on abortion, immigration, campaign-finance reform and tort reform. The deeper problem, though, is that what ails the Republican Party isn't a lack of down-the-line conservatism.

Republicans need more fresh thinking, and Thompson's devotion to federalism emphatically doesn't count. In terms of domestic policy, the best news in the Republican race so far is that Romney and Giuliani have offered forward-looking health-care proposals. Thompson will have to excel in the ideas race rather than rest on a conservative voting record. The one advantage Republicans

might have in a tough election year in 2008 is that they likely will be running against a Democratic senator or former senator with no executive experience. That creates an opening for Romney or Giuliani — both successful executives who made their political reputations outside the beltway — to argue they are better suited to fix Washington. Thompson, in contrast, has a similar profile as the Democrats — a former senator with no experience running things, whose kitchen table is in the haute Washington, D.C., suburb of McLean, Va.

All that said, it's the most wide-open Republican primary race in 50 years. Before even announcing, Thompson was in second place in national polls. It is understandable that when considering a run he looked at those polls and concluded, "Why not?" Now, he has to answer the tougher question: "Why?"

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Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.



The Rich Lowry column

— beyond the beltway

### Oil? Gracious no! It's not about oil!

by DONALD KAUL  
MINUTEMAN MEDIA

Amid the exquisitely balanced obfuscations that make up Alan Greenspan's new book, "The Age of Turbulence," there is one clear unambiguous statement—about the war in Iraq oddly enough.

The war, he writes, is all about oil and "everyone knows it." He book had hardly reached the bookstores before commentators—some of the right wing persuasion, others of the White House persuasion—were lining up to take a swing at poor Alan.

The war is not about oil, they shouted (figuratively). It is about truth and freedom and democracy and weapons of mass destruction (even though there weren't any).

The White House indicated that Greenspan, on whose every word it hung for six years, didn't know what he was talking about. Crazy Dick Cheney, who (begin ital) still (end ital) thinks Iraq has weapons of mass destruction, was especially outraged. Greenspan should have known better. There is nothing more destructive of one's reputation in Washington than blurring out the truth. And the more obvious the truth, the more damage to one's reputation. Finally the onslaught grew so intense that the former Fed chairman had to retreat. In typically Delphic style, he said he didn't mean that George W. Bush had thought the war was primarily about oil. Not at all. It was merely that mumble, mumble, cough, cough....

And that was that. Which leaves us to draw the inference that Greenspan thinks President Bush, the Leader of the Free World, is so dumb that he didn't understand the real reason he took us to war.

I'm sorry, but I find that possibility too hideous to contemplate, as though you'd suddenly found out that the plane you're flying in is being piloted by a 5-year-old.

I prefer to believe that Bush and his Band of Merry Pranksters knew what they were doing—at least to that minimal extent.

Lost in the brouhaha over the statement is the fact that Greenspan supported the invasion and precisely because he thought it was about oil. As an economist, he recognized that control over one's oil supply is crucial to prosperity, if not survival, and he believed Saddam was a threat to that control.

Let me say this about that: I agree with him, up to a point.

Of course, the war is about oil. Virtually all wars of the modern, industrial era are about oil at some level. They're about other things too—national pride, ancient hatreds, politics—but oil is always in the equation somehow.

Remember 1991 when we invaded Iraq for the first time? Ostensibly, we were doing it to protect the freedom of Kuwait, whose oil fields had been taken over by Saddam. But when Secretary of State James Baker was asked to justify the intervention, he said it was about "jobs," another word for oil. When the predictable

public outcry arose over trading "blood for oil," he said he'd misspoken. It was really about truth and justice and democracy blah, blah, blah.

That's us all over. We would never go to war for anything as crass as oil. We're too noble. Our wars are always about freedom and justice and the rest of the blahs.



We forget that before Japan's "sneak attack" on Pearl Harbor we had cut that nation off from high-grade scrap iron, aircraft fuel and, finally, oil. Those acts, however justified, threatened Japan's economic existence and made war inevitable.

And the genesis of our hostile relations in Iran dates from 1953 when a CIA-backed coup overthrew its elected leader, the deeply strange anti-American Mohammad Mossadegh, and installed our puppet, the Shah of Iran, who ruled for us with an iron hand. Mossadegh's greatest crime? He expropriated British oil interests.

Countries fight wars over oil and always will. Blood for oil sounds terrible but you have to look at it from the policy-makers' point of view. It's other people's blood. But as a justification for war, it has this advantage over the high-minded blah-blah usually used to make wars palatable to the public: It's honest.

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## This Town, That World

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

### THE AMERICAN WAY

The only criticism I personally have to make of the President's statement on Cuba was the way he pronounced the word, "Cuber."

That's a lame effort at levity, on a day full of gloom. We are not unthinking enough to miss the gravity of the present situation, nor are we foolish enough to try to chase the ghosts away by whistling past the graveyard. Neither are we given to sounding alarms.

Yet we are convinced that it will hurt nobody to look on things, and see them as they are, to the extent of his ability to see. The United States stands committed to a course of action. It has decided not to sit abjectly by with a gun pointed down its throat. President Kennedy has taken the final step, from which there can be no retreat.

And, as much as every sane human being abhors war, and particularly the horrors of nuclear war, who wants to retreat? Despite all our sins of omission and commission, we who call ourselves Americans, have a sense of honor, and we hold to the firm belief that our cause, in spite of our individual failings, is just.

So it is that Americans will, come what may, 'quit themselves like men.'

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### NATURAL REACTION

Tom Dings was sitting in a Louisa restaurant, Tuesday noon, reading from Argosy, an article about the German 88. As so many others had done, he had spent a good portion of the preceding night, thinking on the seriousness of the world situation, and the threat presented by Russia. Just when he was most engrossed in the article, a woman inside the restaurant screamed. Into the building tore a small car, which had been hit by a tractor-trailer and rammed through the wall.

As the bricks and glass flew and pandemonium set in, the Prestonsburg man jumped to his feet. Know what his first thought was? "Those derned Russians!" — that, he says was it.

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### TEMPTATION

I do not believe in lying. Not even lying by a fisherman to another liar. But I was tempted, the other day, to end a certain Lafollette, Tennessee's, sporting goods dealer to his store, by telling him I wanted to buy a big order, then, face to face, inform him, I was merely evening the score for those whoppers he told us, about how great the fishing was over at Norris Lake.



photo by Kathy J. Prater

This tiny puppy, yet unnamed at press time, was discovered alone and abandoned in the Wayland area. The members of local animal charity organization, SNOOP, hope to end such practices through their mission to assist in the spaying and neutering of pets.

## Be a 'SNOOP' and help animals

Local organization to hold Golf Scramble fundraiser - Oct. 27

by KATHY J. PRATER  
 FEATURES EDITOR

She was dropped off, alone, with her tiny umbilical cord still wet and moist, in a field of tall grass. Miraculously, the newborn pup was discovered first by a kindhearted human rather than a hungry predator, else its story would never have been told.

The "kindhearted human," a client of the Beaver Creek Animal Clinic, in Wayland, was quick to rush the young animal for emergency treatment to veterinarian Carol Combs-Morris who immediately went to work to raise the shivering pup's body temperature.

"I just stuck the poor thing right down inside my shirt," Combs-Morris said. "It was so cold that I figured it wouldn't make it and that I'd probably have to put it to sleep."

Mother Nature had different plans, however, and soon the tiny animal's body was coursing with warmth. "At that point," Combs-Morris continued, "I knew that there was no way I could stand to put her to sleep and so here I am, toting it everywhere I go and sleeping with it, on the couch, mind you, at night and bottlefeeding it every two to three hours."

The good doctor and her faithful assistant, Teresa Warrix, brought the pup along with them as they visited local newspaper offices and businesses Thursday afternoon in an

effort to garner some much needed support for a local animal charity, SNOOP (Spay and Neuter Organization of Prestonsburg).

SNOOP was organized in 2001 with a mission to provide assistance to low-income individuals to allow them to have their pets spayed and neutered. Since its inception, the organization has successfully assisted in the spaying of thousands of Floyd County cats and dogs. "Last year alone, I believe we spayed and neutered about 1,100 animals," Combs-Morris said. "I know that since we started, we made a huge dent in the animal overpopulation problem. We were actually beginning to see a real difference. Now, though, we've run short on funds."

"There are lots of people out there who need help, and who qualify, but we just don't have the money," said Warrix.

Combs-Morris and Warrix fear that without a viable operating organization, that ground gained in previous years will soon become ground lost. "It doesn't take long for an unspayed animal to start the cycle again," Combs-Morris said.

To help raise funds in hopes of getting SNOOP back operating at its previous level, a Golf Scramble will be held at the John M. Stumbo Park, at Allen, on Saturday, October 27, at 9 a.m. Sponsors, volunteers, and participants are all needed in order to make this event a success.

"We have prizes to give away

and we're hoping for good weather. It should be a fun day for everyone," Combs-Morris said.

According to Combs-Morris, spayed and neutered pets are healthier, live longer lives, and are more likely to remain in their original homes. And, as the number of stray animals in communities decrease, so do complaints of animal bites and property damage. "Everyone," said Warrix, "even those who don't own pets, benefits from spaying and neutering."

If you are interested in sponsoring, participating, or volunteering at the upcoming Golf Scramble, or if you would like to make a monetary donation to SNOOP, contact Teresa Warrix at 358-9913 or 358-2314; or Barbara Dunn at 886-3427. You may also mail donations and correspondence to: SNOOP, P.O. Box 321, Prestonsburg, KY 41653.

All contributions to SNOOP are tax-deductible.

"We're still here, and we're still trying," Combs-Morris said. "We're hoping that the community will pull together for us. Puppies like this one shouldn't be found thrown out and abandoned. And spaying and neutering is the only answer."

Editor's Note: Animal abandonment is punishable under Kentucky law. Those who abandon animals can be charged with second-degree animal cruelty. This Class A misdemeanor carries a penalty of a \$500 fine and a year in jail.

## MOVIES FROM THE BLACK LAGOON

### 'Blood City'

by TOM DOTY  
 TIMES COLUMNIST

George Orwell's classic novel "1984" gets crossed with Michael Crichton's "West World" to (mostly) good effect in this Canadian sci-fi/chiller.

The film gets off to a disjointed start with a brief glimpse of Keir Dullea (starring here as a guy named Mike Lewis) stuck in traffic in what appears to be a futuristic police state. The action quickly cuts to Lewis waking up in a desert alongside four other people who have no memory of where they were before and what they were doing. They are all dressed in shabby gray uniforms and possess a small card stating how many people they have killed.



Tom Doty  
 Times Columnist

After a brief argument, they opt to start marching and finally meet two others. Unfortunately the others are rapists and thieves and they kill one of the group before assaulting the only woman in the party.

The thieves move on and the group is met by Jack Palance, who appears a little more fleshy than usual (perhaps he was paid in Canadian bacon). He announces that he is the sheriff and they must follow him into "Blood City," where they will be treated as slaves for a year. The sheriff also informs them that all they need to know is on their cards and that they are there because they are all killers. That's about as much back story as he's willing to give them so they proceed into town, where they are gawked at by the locals who are dressed in black and sport red crosses embossed over their hearts.

The sheriff cryptically states that they will stay in jail until "the choosing," a ritual during which the locals will argue over who gets to own them. The locals are a bloodthirsty bunch and it soon becomes apparent that the sheriff is doing them a favor by housing them when one member of the group steps outside and is promptly shot by a local.

We soon learn that killing is the local currency and improves one's status (which includes a complimentary black shirt). Lewis catches on quick and kills a local, which promotes him to citizenship. The only thing he has to look forward to now is confirming 20 kills which will apparently grant him immortality.

He also plans to "choose" the female member of the group, Martine. This leads to a conflict with a rancher named Gellar. He's got a stable of bodyguards and a distinct edge in motivation — 19 kills. The stage is set for your basic showdown at high noon, but here is where it gets weird.

Around the 20-minute mark we learn that all of this drama is part of a program being implemented by the government. We slowly learn that everyone is being monitored to determine how they can best serve the state, which is having trouble with revolu-

(See LAGOON, page six)

## The miracle of Jay-Jay

by LOUISE TUCKER JONES  
 "CHICKEN SOUP FOR THE SPECIAL NEEDS SOUL"

"He doesn't look like the other boys," Grandpa said as he viewed the blanketed bundle I held in my arms. He was right. James Ryan, whom we called Jay-Jay, with his skinny little legs, almost-bald head and tiny upslant eyes, bore little resemblance to my other chubby babies with their full heads of hair. But I knew the comment went far beyond looks. He couldn't accept the fact that Jay-Jay

had Down syndrome.

On subsequent visits, Pa-Pa, the name the other children used for their grandpa, ignored Jay-Jay. He picked him up once at a family reunion when it seemed to be expected for a family picture. Other than that, he never touched him and looked upon him with something between pity and displeasure.

Then one day a miracle began. It was at a family reunion and Jay-Jay, being the outgoing little boy he was at 3 years old, walked over to his grandpa and crawled onto his lap. Pa-

Pa was a little shocked, but what could he do in front of all these people? This was his grandson. How could they understand that he hardly knew Jay-Jay?

Jay-Jay took his grandpa's glasses out of his shirt pocket then placed them on his own face, upside down, precariously perched on his short, pudgy nose. He looked at Pa-Pa and giggled, making Pa-Pa laugh too — genuinely. Soon they were walking around the room, Jay-Jay leading Pa-Pa, a little smile on the older one's face.

Their next encounter came months later when Pa-Pa decided to visit and Jay-Jay played the clown, making his grandpa laugh and pick him up and throw him into the air.

Pa-Pa turned to my husband and said, "Why, he's just like any other kid."

We had tried to tell him, but Pa-Pa's preconceived ideas and fears of the disabled had kept him out of his grandson's life. But Jay-Jay, being an effervescent little boy, would not let him remain in darkness.

With his love and actions, he showed Pa-Pa and others that they were missing out on some of God's greatest blessings by not loving and

caring for him.

After that day, a strong bond began to form. Pa-Pa found that Jay-Jay loved balloons and loved one waiting for him each time we came to visit — visits he now welcomed. Then he discovered that Jay-Jay was not only sweet but ornery and loved pillow fights. So each visit would end up with pillows flying across the room. I never figured out which of the two enjoyed it most. Soon Pa-Pa began to telephone; sup-

(See SOUP, page six)





# Sometimes it's OK to cry over spilled milk

by TOM and RAY MAGLIOZZI

Dear Tom and Ray:

Hi. I have a Volvo station wagon, and last week I spilled about a half-gallon of milk in the back. The back seats were folded down because I had my dogs in the car. When I went to clean up the milk, I noticed that virtually all of it had disappeared. When I looked further, I found most of the milk had collected in the well where the rear seat-bottom meets the rear seat-back. I've cleaned out the milk, but I clearly didn't get all of it as now the car smells like sour milk. What is the best way to get rid of the smell? Please help! —Robert

RAY: A quart of gasoline and a match, Robert.

TOM: Now you know why some people DO cry over spilled milk.

RAY: The problem is it's gotten into the carpet or the upholstery, or both.

TOM: And the only remedy I know is to remove the carpet, the jute (the padding underneath the carpet) and the affected upholstery, and see if you can sneak it onto the next space shuttle flight. I think all that stuff will have to be replaced, Robert.

RAY: I would agree. But maybe some of our readers have some less draconian ways to get rid of the odor of deeply embedded spilled milk.

TOM: If you have a better idea for

Robert, go to our Web site, [www.cartalk.com](http://www.cartalk.com), click where it says "Crying Over Spilled Milk," and post your suggestion so everyone can read it.

RAY: In the meantime, I'll dump a quart of 2 percent on the passenger seat of my brother's car so we'll be ready to test out your suggestions when they come in.

TOM: Robert, we'll keep our fingers crossed for you. And our noses plugged.

## Under-inflation more dangerous

Dear Tom and Ray:

Is there any way the tire pressure can increase without manually filling the tire? I was driving from Flagstaff, Ariz., to Tucson, and 30 minutes from Tucson, the tread blew off the front driver's side tire. The tire guy tested the pressure, and said someone must have put air in the tire during an oil change or something. But it had been several months since any service. Can altitude, barometric pressure, heat or speed affect the tire? It is a 1991 Honda Accord with 198,000 miles — just because I knew you'd want to know. —Bryan

TOM: You're a lucky guy, Bryan. Often, when one of the belts blows off, the whole tire comes apart. Including the air. And at highway speed, that can be extremely exciting!

RAY: To answer your question,

over-inflation probably had nothing to do with this. It had more to do with the age and condition of your tires.

TOM: To get more details, we checked with the Quincy, M.E. of the tire world, Bill Woehrle.

RAY: Bill spent his career as a tire engineer, and now runs a company called TFI: Tire Forensics Investigation — which we expect to see on CBS next fall.

TOM: Bill says that over-inflation almost never causes tire failure. The standard tire is inflated to about 30 to 35 pounds per square inch. Under hot weather and highway conditions, the temperature of the air inside the tire rises about 50 degrees. That increases the pressure inside the tire about 5 psi. The burst pressure of a tire is about 200 psi. So unless you had your tires pumped up to 195 psi (trust us, you didn't), you didn't come anywhere near bursting the tire from too much internal pressure.

RAY: Bill says that the most vulnerable part of any steel-belted radial tire is where the steel belts are attached to the rubber near the edges of the tread, also called the "shoulders" of the tire. If the tire is not abused, those belts should stay attached to the rubber for the entire tread life of the tire.

TOM: But if the tire is defective (see Firestone debacle) at the end of its useful life (and since you drive a

car with 198,000 miles on it, Bryan, we can't help but wonder if those tires are older than the polyester leisure suits in my brother's closet), or if the tire has been abused in some way, the top belt can separate. When it tears, it tears violently, so it's a crash-shoot as to whether the next layer of rubber will tear too and cause a blowout.

RAY: And the most common form of abuse is under-inflating your tires. That's right, UNDER-inflating them.

TOM: Let's go back to our forensic tireologist. Woehrle says that under-inflating the tire puts additional stress on the tire's shoulders, where the belts are attached. And if a tire is under-inflated by 10 or 15 psi, the temperature at those shoulders can reach 200 degrees. So you've got a vulnerable part of the rubber that's hot being stretched and pulled, and that's a recipe for tire failure.

RAY: By the way, overloading the car with say, luggage or two mothers-in-law does the same thing as under-inflating the tires. It stresses the

shoulders of the tires.

TOM: So Bill says if you're going to make a mistake in inflating your tires, it's much better to over-inflate them a bit than under-inflate them. There are really no horrible ramifications of over-inflating the tires by 10 or 15 psi, except that when you go over bumps you'll bounce up and hit your head on the dome light.

RAY: But the dangers of under-inflation are catastrophic tire failure. So for all of our readers: Make sure your tires have sufficient tread and have not exceeded the manufacturer's mileage rating. Make sure they're less than 10 years old, even if they have low miles

(because old rubber gets brittle and has a greater tendency to crack). And check your tire pressure at least once a month to make sure your tires aren't under-inflated.

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## Lagoon

tionaries.

The chief scientist is a cold-eyed woman who probably studied ethics under Mark Foley. She constantly inserts herself into the program to have sexual relations with Lewis and tries to skew the results. She also ignores her steely-eyed boss, who has

plans for Lewis as well. This adds an oddball dimension to the proceedings and helps keep everything interesting as Lewis sets about winning Martine away from Gellar and opposing the sheriff, whose intentions are never clear.

All in all there is plenty of ambiguity here and don't miss

the "Brazil"-type ending, which reinforces the notion that insanity is the only true escape from a harsh reality.

Along the way there are several decent, and mostly bloodless, gun battles and plenty of over-emoting from Palance, which may have been a side effect of ingesting all of

that great white north ham.

Director Peter Sasyd has done better films ("Taste the Blood of Dracula" and "Hands of the Ripper"), though it is impossible to tell just what he was shooting for here since the film appears to have been panned and scanned by a near-sighted chimp. This was shot in widescreen and the monkey who they hired to downsize it to full screen appears to have been asleep at the wheel. This means that every other scene cuts off the heads of the actors so we are usually stuck with a view of their midsections as they deliver their lines. It also means that every time we have two characters talking, we only see one of them. It's very frustrating and makes it all but impossible to determine if Sasyd composed some interesting shots as he did in most of his films.

That said this is a bargain as it is included in a four-DVD pack from Wal-Mart called "Wild West Shootout," that retails for under \$7 and contains three other westerns which are infinitely better and include:

■ "The Ruthless Four" — A spaghetti western take on greed which follows four men out to retrieve some gold and stars Van Heflin and the dependable Klaus Kinski.

■ "And God Said to Cain" — The high point here starring Kinski again, cast here against type as the hero. This one is a brutal revenge tale which mostly takes place over the course of a dark and rainy night, with Kinski hunting down and killing the men who betrayed him and sent him to jail for 10 years. This one is filmed like it was a horror movie (by the director of

"Cannibal Apocalypse") and stands out as one of your better spaghetti eaters.

■ "Border Shootout" — This American effort from 1990 features Cody Glenn as a newly-appointed deputy who must learn his trade on the quick when a ruthless gang invades town while the sheriff is away. It is from Elmore Leonard's novel, "The Law and Randado," and it stands as a faithful translation of Leonard's work.

Come for "Blood City" and stay for three other features and you'll be glad you did. We all know that Palance bounced back and was in great shape when he won the Oscar for "City Slickers," so no letters please.

Best line: "Hands on your head. A big smile on your face. We might just leave you alive." 1977, unrated.

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## Soup

posedly to talk to my husband, who was now glowing in the new relationship between his father and son, but always insisting on speaking to his youngest grandson.

Although Jay-Jay has a severe speech articulation disorder, he can understand most of what is said to him. Yet he finds it difficult to form the words he wants to say, making communication difficult. Nevertheless, Pa-Pa always wanted to speak to him by phone, and Jay-Jay would laugh and talk in words that

neither his dad nor I understood. Pa-Pa swore he understood every word.

The phone chats became a weekly ritual. Every Saturday morning Jay-Jay knew it was the day to talk to Pa-Pa. Since it was long-distance, they took turns calling. One week Pa-Pa would call. The next week, all excited, Jay-Jay would make the call and talk until we made him hang up.

Through the years, Jay, as he is called today, and Pa-Pa continued those weekly phone calls along with letters, cards,

fishing trips and frequent trips to Wal-Mart. They became "best buddies."

When Jay was 19, his beloved Pa-Pa died unexpectedly. One of the hardest days of my life was watching Jay stand at his Pa-Pa's graveside as he was presented the American flag that draped the casket. But one of the things I cherish most is knowing that Jay's unconditional love built a bridge to his grandfather's heart and changed both of their worlds forever.

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## Governor declares Fire Prevention Week

FRANKFORT — Governor Ernie Fletcher has declared Oct. 7-13 Fire Prevention Week in Kentucky.

The observance is part of a national, annual public education campaign designed to remind citizens of the need to take steps to reduce their chances of injury or death due to fire.

Governor Fletcher noted that fire safety is especially relevant now because of the dangerous wildfire conditions in Kentucky. The governor signed an executive order yesterday banning all outdoor burning across the state.

"The drought conditions have created extremely hazardous conditions," Governor

Fletcher said. "It is impossible to overstate how important it is that all citizens exercise caution outdoors to prevent fires that can quickly get out of control."

Unlike the seasonal threat of forest fires, home fires occur every day of the year. In his proclamation, Governor Fletcher noted that more than 3,200 people in the United States died in 2006 in home fires. He noted that residents who develop and practice a home fire escape plan are better prepared to survive a house fire.

State Fire Marshal Rodney Raby said a home escape plan is easy to prepare.

"A home fire often occurs at night," Raby noted. "Being awakened from a sound sleep

by smoke and heat is no time to try to think clearly about the best ways to get out of the house."

The basics of a home escape plan are simple, according to the National Fire Protection Association.

■ Draw a floor plan of your home showing all doors and windows.

■ Mark two ways out of each room.

■ Mark all smoke alarms. There should be one in each bedroom, outside each bedroom and on every level of the home.

■ Pick a family meeting place outside where everyone can meet after an evacuation.

■ Practice the plan twice a year.

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# FLOYD COUNTY Sports

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## PC teams ready for Basketball Blastoff

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE – Those interested in seeing the team Kelly Wells will take into Rupp Arena to play the University of Kentucky on Oct. 31 will get their first and likely only opportunity for a sneak peak on Tuesday night when Pikeville College hosts its annual Basketball Blastoff at the Pikeville College Gym.

The annual event, held as part of Pikeville's Homecoming week, will begin at 8 p.m.

Wells will lead a team of

largely newcomers into Tuesday's action and knows full well the excitement surrounding this year's team. "There was a lot of interest in this team before we announced the Kentucky game," said Wells, who will also face off with NCAA Div. I opponents Marshall University and Tennessee Tech in November. "We're very appreciative of the excitement surrounding this team and look forward to unveiling it Tuesday night."

Only two players who saw considerable playing time a

year ago return this winter. Bo Harris, a first-team All-Mid-South Conference player is back, as is Robbie Spears, a local product who played high school basketball at Millard and East Ridge high schools.

Also on Tuesday night, the new-look Pikeville College Lady Bears will take the floor in front of the public for the first time. Bill Watson returns for his 11th season as head coach and looks to build on his standing as the school's all-time winningest women's basketball coach.

"We're using the old

phrase 'cautiously optimistic' when talking about this year's club," Watson said. "We have some solid returning players and we're very excited about many of the new members."

"We want to play a more up-tempo style of play and be much more aggressive on both ends of the floor. We think we'll play a style that is much more exciting for the fans to watch, but most importantly, it'll be a style that is more conducive to success for the players we have in our pro-

(See **BLASTOFF**, page two)



photo by Michael Moats

**ON THE TRACK:** Floyd County Late Model driver Brandon Kinzer was attending a two-day show at the Talladega (Ala.) Short Track at press time.

## Spend a few hours for successful deer hunting

by LEE McCLELLAN  
KENTUCKY AFIELD

FRANKFORT – Although many of our modern inventions such as cell phones, laptop computers and portable devices that can send and receive e-mail intend to save us time and provide convenience, it seems each year we have less time and find ourselves more inconvenienced.

The constant time crunch of our modern lives can really impact the important things, like scouting for potential hunting spots before deer season opens. But, hunters who spend their limited time in the best way possible can put themselves ahead of the pack when modern gun deer season opens in November by heading toward creek and river bottoms to scout.

Although smaller creeks are all but dry in many parts of Kentucky, some may still hold water in spots. Medium to large creeks are dangerously low, but still flow. The drought should concentrate deer in these moist corridors. Even those tiny spring-fed gullies are moister than practically anywhere else.

Lack of rain this past spring, summer and early fall could jumble typical deer locations and a hunter's usual deer hunting spots, making creek and river bottoms even more important places to prospect before the modern gun season.

Bottomlands provide the three things deer need: water, food and cover. Those with stands of oak and hickory should be high percentage spots. Deer this fall will eat more hard mast such as acorns and hickory nuts because the drought hurt production of soft mast such as wild fruits and berries.

Oak stands also grow in importance as the rut intensifies in November because female deer root around for acorns in them. Male deer circle oaks downwind and smell for females in estrus and ready to breed.

The mud along the creek bank also reveals whether any deer are in the area. Bottoms usually have plenty of sapling trees for bucks to scrape. If you scout a creek bottom in the next couple of weeks and don't see any tracks in the muddy areas or scrapes on the saplings, then that particular bottom isn't too good.

Trails are also a good indica-

(See **HUNTING**, page two)



## HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

### BEYOND FIVE GAMES

#### REMAINING REGULAR-SEASON SCHEDULES

**ALLEN CENTRAL:** Oct. 12 – Jackson County; Oct. 19 – South Floyd; Oct. 26 – at Knott County Central; Nov. 2 – at Berea.

**BETSY LAYNE:** Oct. 12 – at Powell County; Oct. 19 – at Phelps; Oct. 26 – at Jenkins; Nov. 2 – Beth Haven.

**PRESTONSBURG:** Oct. 12 – at Pikeville; Oct. 19 – Open; Oct. 26 – Shelby Valley; Nov. 2 – at Perry County Central.

**SOUTH FLOYD:** Oct. 12 – Knott County Central; Oct. 19 – at Allen Central; Oct. 26 – at Jackson County; Nov. 2 – East Ridge.

**PAINTSVILLE:** Oct. 12 – Raceland; Oct. 19 – at Pikeville; Oct. 26 – at Pike County Central; Nov. 2 – Sheldon Clark.

**PIKEVILLE:** Oct. 12 – Prestonsburg; Oct. 19 – Paintsville; Oct. 26 – at Phelps; Nov. 2 – Open.

**BELFRY:** Oct. 12 – at Pike County Central; Oct. 19 – Sheldon Clark; Oct. 26 – at East Carter; Nov. 2 – Johnson Central.

**SHELBY VALLEY:** Oct. 12 – at Appalachia, Va.; Oct. 19 – Morgan County; Oct. 26 – at Prestonsburg; Nov. 2 – Breathitt County.

**EAST RIDGE:** Oct. 11 – at Letcher County Central; Oct. 19 – Magoffin County; Oct. 26 – Open; Nov. 2 – at South Floyd.

**SHELDON CLARK:** Oct. 12 – Bell County; Oct. 19 – at Belfry; Oct. 26 – Open; Nov. 2 – at Paintsville.

**PIKE COUNTY CENTRAL:** Oct. 12 – Belfry; Oct. 19 – Open; Oct. 26 – Paintsville; Nov. 2 – Cumberland.

**PHELPS:** Oct. 12 – Jenkins; Oct. 19 – Betsy Layne; Oct. 26 – Pikeville; Nov. 2 – at Magoffin County.

**MAGOFFIN COUNTY:** Oct. 12 – Open; Oct. 19 – at East Ridge; Oct. 26 – at Estill County; Nov. 2 – Phelps.

**LAWRENCE COUNTY:** Oct. 12 – Open; Oct. 19 – at Greenup County; Oct. 26 – at Breathitt County; Nov. 2 – at Letcher County Central.

**LETCHER COUNTY CENTRAL:** Oct. 11 – East Ridge; Oct. 19 – Open; Oct. 26 – at Bourbon County; Nov. 2 – Lawrence County.

**JENKINS:** Oct. 12 – at Phelps; Oct. 19 – Harlan; Oct. 26 – Betsy Layne; Nov. 2 – Ervinton, Va.

photo courtesy of Paula Goble Studio

Prestonsburg's Allen Craynon looked for running room as teammates blocked during the recent game versus Paintsville. The Blackcats were hosting Class A state power Beechwood Saturday evening. The Prestonsburg-Beechwood game ended too late to make this edition.

## Eagles beat Paintsville for a fourth straight time

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

PAINTSVILLE – Host Johnson Central turned back Paintsville Thursday night in the 34th annual Apple Bowl, defeating the Tigers 49-15. With the win, Johnson Central's senior class completed a four-year sweep of Paintsville.

In the latest meeting, Paintsville scored first, but couldn't keep its momentum going.

The Tigers got on the scoreboard at the 6:44 mark of the first quarter when senior quarterback J.D. VanHoose hooked up with Cory Humphrey on a 58-yard touchdown pass. Following a Ricky Hall extra-point kick, Paintsville led 8-7.

For the most part, however, Paintsville struggled offensively, netting just 166 yards of total offense.

Johnson Central went ahead 8-7 with 4:03 remaining in the opening quarter when junior Chase Richardson scored on a five-yard run and capped his own touchdown with a two-point conversion. The Eagles jumped out in front 8-7 and never trailed again.

Johnson Central piled on the points after the initial touchdown. The Eagles' scoring flurry included a 33-yard interception return for a touchdown from senior defensive standout Nathaniel Dials. Johnson Central cruised into halftime ahead 35-7.

Paintsville was held to just two first downs in the opening half.

Senior running back-Shawn Grim – playing at less than 100-percent – scampered for 173 yards on 17 carries. Richardson, Johnson Central's bruising fullback, finished with 88 yards on 12 totes.

Johnson Central improved to 5-1 while Paintsville slipped to 4-2.

The Golden Eagles will host Louisville Central Friday night in a Class 5A, District 6 matchup. Paintsville will also be at home, hosting Class A foe Raceland. Kickoff for both games is set for 7:30 p.m.

## P'burg set to host 33rd District soccer tournaments

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG – The Prestonsburg High School boys' and girls' soccer programs will host this year's 33rd District tournaments at StoneCrest Park. This year's 33rd District Girls' Soccer Tournament will get underway Monday. The 33rd District Girls' Soccer Tournament is scheduled for Oct. 8, 11 and 13.

Johnson Central received the top seed in the girls' district tournament. Prestonsburg claimed the number two seed. Johnson Central and Prestonsburg both received opening round byes. The opening round matchups are Belfry-Sheldon Clark (Monday, 6 p.m.) and Paintsville-Pike County Central (Monday, 8 p.m.). Johnson Central is scheduled to face the Belfry-Sheldon Clark winner Thursday at 6 p.m. Prestonsburg is slated to take on the winner of the Paintsville-Pike County Central contest in the second and final game Thursday at 8 p.m.

The girls' district tournament championship match is scheduled for Saturday at 1 p.m.

The four-team 33rd District boys' soccer tournament, beginning Tuesday, will include Johnson Central, Prestonsburg, Belfry and Pike County Central. The two boys' district tournament opening round contests are Johnson Central-Prestonsburg (Tuesday, 6 p.m.) and Belfry-Pike County Central (Tuesday, 8 p.m.).

The championship match of the boys' district soccer tournament is scheduled for Saturday at 3 p.m.

## Defending champ AC due to host district volleyball tourney

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

EASTERN – Defending champion Allen Central is the team to beat in this year's 55th District Volleyball Tournament. The Rebels enjoyed another successful regular-season under the tutelage of veteran head coach Larry Maynard. Allen Central is less than one month removed from claiming a 15th Region All 'A' tournament title. Last weekend, Allen Central played in the Ashland Invitational Tournament. Fielding a junior varsity squad, Allen Central managed to post a win over East Carter. The Rebels are paired up against Prestonsburg Tuesday at 6 p.m. in a 55th District volleyball tournament opener. Allen Central claimed the top spot in the regular-season, winning the Floyd County Conference championship. Prestonsburg ended the campaign as the district's fourth seed.

In the other 55th District opening round match, South Floyd is paired up against Betsy Layne. The South Floyd-Betsy Layne match is scheduled for Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.

The district volleyball tournament title match is set for Thursday at 7 p.m.

District favorite Allen Central played one of the area's most competitive schedules during the regular-season. The Rebels put together a pair of five-match wins streaks.

## Bruce named Reds' Minor League Player of the Year

TIMES STAFF REPORT

ST. LOUIS – Reds outfielder Jay Bruce has been selected as Sporting News' 2007 Minor League Player of the Year. Bruce, the 12th overall pick in the 2005 draft, was slated to have a two-stop summer: first, show he could hit high-Class A pitching in Sarasota, then settle in at Class AA in Chattanooga. But his hot bat – and an injury one level up – opened a door at Class AAA Louisville, and Bruce never looked back.

After compiling a stat line of a .319 batting average, 26 home runs, 46 doubles, 87 runs and 89 RBIs in 133 games at three levels, it's evident Bruce, 20, will be swinging his lumber in Cincinnati before too long.

Sporting News, covering baseball since 1886, has been handing out the Minor League Player of the Year award since 1936. After the final game of the season last Sunday, Cincinnati Reds "RedsHeads" Kids Club members were invited to run the bases and get a

scoop of Great American Ball Park dirt as part of Fan Appreciation Day.

Reds second baseman Brandon Phillips stood along the base path giving kids a high-five before they crossed home plate.

The Reds launched the RedsHeads Kids Club in May. For a \$20 fee, members received RedsHeads merchandise, four free tickets to Reds games and access to five special Members Only experiences at the ballpark. Pitcher Aaron Harang was the RedsHeads Kids Club Captain for 2007.



**SENIOR GAMES 2007:** Prestonsburg resident Connelly McCray captured five medals in the Senior Games held during the month of September at Ashland. He won gold medals in the 100-meter, 200-meter, long jump and high jump events. In the bowling event, McCray claimed a silver medal. McCray and his wife, Lou, live on Abbott Road.



# Johnson holds slim lead over Gordon in Chase

by JENNA FRYER  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

A glance at the 12 drivers competing in NASCAR's Chase for the Nextel Cup championship, in order of points standings:

**DRIVER:** Jimmie Johnson; **TEAM:** Hendrick Motorsports; **CAR:** No. 48 Lowe's Chevrolet; **CHASE POINTS:** First, 5506; **POSITION CHANGE:** Plus 3.

**WHAT HAPPENED:** Johnson won the pole, but wrecked his primary car in practice and had to start at the rear of the field. Then he was trapped on the tail end of the lead lap after a second rain delay, and had to motor to finish third.

**SPEAKING:** "It was freakin' crazy. This whole Chase just keeps getting crazier and crazier. There's a lot of speed and a lot of competition among the Chase cars, and I think the racing will continue to get better as the year goes on. And that's just going to lead to more craziness," Johnson said.

**DRIVER:** Jeff Gordon; **TEAM:** Hendrick Motorsports; **CAR:** No. 24 Dupont Chevrolet; **CHASE POINTS:** Second, -6; **POSITION CHANGE:** Minus 1.

**WHAT HAPPENED:** Gordon was also trapped near the rear of the field after the second rain delay, and was thrilled when NASCAR resumed the race. He rallied to finish fifth.

**SPEAKING:** "I think that

was an awesome call. I think NASCAR recognized what is going on in the Chase and what a disaster that was going to be. I think that as long as there is daylight, they are going to race," Gordon said.

**DRIVER:** Clint Bowyer; **TEAM:** Richard Childress Racing; **CAR:** No. 07 Jack Daniels Chevrolet; **CHASE POINTS:** Third, -14; **POSITION CHANGE:** Plus 2.

**WHAT HAPPENED:** Bowyer finished second on his home state track, and was confused as to why he wasn't the winner. He crossed the finish line ahead of Greg Biffle, who slowed his car before the checkered flag, but won because the race was finished under caution.

**SPEAKING:** "To win a race and not be able to go to Victory Lane, I thought that was weird. I don't know what is going on," Bowyer said.

**DRIVER:** Tony Stewart; **TEAM:** Joe Gibbs Racing; **CAR:** No. 20 Home Depot Chevrolet; **CHASE POINTS:** Fourth, -117; **POSITION CHANGE:** Minus 2.

**WHAT HAPPENED:** Stewart put himself in position to win by holding down the lead before the second rain delay. But when the race resumed, he was part of an accident that damaged his fender. His crew decided not to fix it, and the rubbing fender popped his tire to cause him to wreck. He was

furiously after finishing 39th.

**SPEAKING:** Stewart did not comment after the race.

**DRIVER:** Kevin Harvick; **TEAM:** Richard Childress Racing; **CAR:** No. 29 Shell/Pennzoil Chevrolet; **CHASE POINTS:** Fifth, -126; **POSITION CHANGE:** Plus 4.

**WHAT HAPPENED:** Harvick quietly finished sixth at Kansas to jump up in the standings. He's not counting himself out for the title just yet.

**SPEAKING:** "We're further ahead than where Jimmie was last year. We're only three weeks into the 10-week journey," Harvick said.

**DRIVER:** Kyle Busch; **TEAM:** Hendrick Motorsports; **CAR:** No. 5 Kellogg's Chevrolet; **CHASE POINTS:** Sixth, -136; **POSITION CHANGE:** Minus 2.

**WHAT HAPPENED:** Busch was wrecked 28 laps into the race by Dale Earnhardt Jr. and finished a frustrating 41st.

**SPEAKING:** "To be wrecked like that just 28 laps into a race is pretty unbelievable. There's not a doubt in my mind we had a top-three car, and we had it totally taken away from us by another driver. It hurts. It's going to be tough to come back from," Busch said.

**DRIVER:** Carl Edwards; **TEAM:** Roush Fenway Racing; **CAR:** No. 99 Office Depot Ford; **CHASE POINTS:** Seventh, -142; **POSITION CHANGE:** Minus 1.

**WHAT HAPPENED:** Edwards was a casualty of Tony Stewart's blown tire: When Stewart wrecked, Edwards got collected and finished 37th.

**SPEAKING:** "Tony had a

tire rubbing for a long time, must have been going down or something. If our car started smoking, we would have been begging to stay out, too. So I see both sides of it. That's just how it goes, man," Edwards said.

**DRIVER:** Martin Truex Jr.; **TEAM:** Dale Earnhardt Inc.; **CAR:** No. 1 Bass Pro Shops Chevrolet; **CHASE POINTS:** Eighth, -158; **POSITION CHANGE:** Minus 1.

**WHAT HAPPENED:** Truex had a rough day and it only got worse when he wrecked with Matt Kenseth right after the race resumed following a second rain delay. He finished 38th.

**SPEAKING:** "The worse part about it is that was my favorite car and now it's junk," Truex said.

**DRIVER:** Kurt Busch; **TEAM:** Penske Racing; **CAR:** No. 2 Miller Lite Dodge; **CHASE POINTS:** Ninth, -177; **POSITION CHANGE:** Plus 2.

**WHAT HAPPENED:** Busch finished 11th, even though he ran into Stewart when his tire blew. The contact damaged his hood, but he still rallied to his finish.

**SPEAKING:** "It was evident that he had a major tire issue lap after lap before the incident. He was doing about 100 (mph) and slowing dramatically. I was committed to the high side and doing about 190. It certainly wasn't intentional on my part and I would have done anything I possibly could to have avoid-

ed it, but that was just not the case."

**DRIVER:** Jeff Burton; **TEAM:** Richard Childress Racing; **CAR:** No. 31 AT&T Chevrolet; **CHASE POINTS:** 10th, -186; **POSITION CHANGE:** Minus 2.

**WHAT HAPPENED:** Burton's day went awry when NASCAR said he tried to fix his fender during a rain delay and he never recovered. He finished 36th.

**SPEAKING:** "Certainly after Talladega we could know who doesn't have a shot at the championship. There will be some teams who probably have hurt their chances a great deal," Burton said.

**DRIVER:** Matt Kenseth; **TEAM:** Roush Fenway Racing; **CAR:** No. 17 Dewalt Tools Ford; **CHASE POINTS:** 11th, -219; **POSITION CHANGE:** Minus 1.

**WHAT HAPPENED:** Kenseth was in the wreck with Truex right after the restart on the second rain delay and finished 35th.

**SPEAKING:** "It's just disappointing, but we ran real well, and my team did a good job, so that's about all I can ask for. I couldn't do anything about that wreck, we just got caught up in someone else's mess," Kenseth said.

**DRIVER:** Denny Hamlin; **TEAM:** Joe Gibbs Racing; **CAR:** No. 11 Fed Ex Chevrolet; **CHASE POINTS:** 12th, -248; **POSITION CHANGE:** None.

**WHAT HAPPENED:**

Hamlin wrecked right after teammate Stewart did and finished 29th.

**SPEAKING:** "It's definitely time for us to be a little more aggressive and take some chances because of the spot we're in. We have to stay focused on what we need to do to run top-fives in the remaining races, and not worry about what the other 11 guys are doing," Hamlin said.

## NASCAR NEXTEL CUP REMAINING SCHEDULE

- TODAY (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.

## NASCAR NEXTEL CUP DRIVER STANDINGS

1. Jimmie Johnson, 5,506
2. Jeff Gordon, 5,500
3. Clint Bowyer, 5,492
4. Tony Stewart, 5,389
5. Kevin Harvick, 5,380
6. Kyle Busch, 5,370
7. Carl Edwards, 5,364
8. Martin Truex Jr., 5,348
9. Kurt Busch, 5,329
10. Jeff Burton, 5,320
11. Matt Kenseth, 5,287
12. Denny Hamlin, 5,258
13. Dale Earnhardt Jr., 3,373
14. Greg Biffle, 3,209
15. Casey Mears, 3,155



Jimmie Johnson



Kurt Busch

## Jenny Wiley offering elk viewing tours over next three weeks

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PRESTONSBURG — Elk were introduced to Kentucky beginning in 1997 as a restoration project from the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources. Prior to the release, elk had been gone from Kentucky for nearly 150 years. Jenny Wiley State Resort Park will host elk viewing tours Oct. 13, 20, 21 and 27. The tours are designed for any age group as they occur on vans on reclaimed surface mined areas. Tours will be offered through March. Tour

price is \$20 per adult and \$10 for children under the age of 12. Call 1-800-325-0142.

Buckhorn Lake State Resort Park will host elk viewing tours Oct. 12-13.

Morning tours leave the park at about 5:45 a.m. A package price of \$145 per couple includes one night's lodging, breakfast, dinner Friday night, transportation to and from the Elk preserve and recreational activities. Those interested in the Buckhorn tour can stay Saturday night with the package for an extra \$45. Call 1-800-325-0058.

## Hunting

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tor of deer activity. A good bottom should have some trails through it, tracks in the muddy areas and some scrapes. If you can find all of these in your hunting area, then you may harvest a bruiser buck this fall.

Archery and crossbow seasons for deer are now ongoing. The youth-only firearms season for deer is Oct. 13-14, while muzzleloader seasons

arc from Oct. 20-21 and Dec. 8-16. Modern gun season for deer begins Nov. 10 statewide, and continues until Nov. 19 or Nov. 25, depending on the zone. Consult the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources' hunting guide for more information.

Hunter education is required for all hunters born on or after January 1, 1975, except kids under 12 and

hunters who are license exempt. However, a one-time temporary hunter education exemption permit is available for \$5 online, which allows hunting for one year from the date of purchase without a hunter education card while accompanied by a legal adult hunter. Log on to fw.ky.gov to find a hunter education course near you, or to purchase an exemption permit.

## Pine Mountain to host outdoors woman workshop

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PINEVILLE — The Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources and the Kentucky Department of Parks are co-hosting a special three-day Becoming an Outdoors-Woman (BOW) Workshop Nov. 9-11 at Pine Mountain State Resort Park.

This workshop will feature a guided elk viewing tour through the Begley Wildlife Management Area, as part of a weekend full of wildlife restoration success stories in addition to Kentucky's historic effort with elk.

Pre-registration is required and now underway through Oct. 29. The workshop fee of \$175 includes six meals and lodging for two nights, general sessions, materials and transportation to and from workshop class sites. You may register with a credit card, or get a form by calling

toll-free 1-800-858-1549 weekdays 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (Eastern Time). Forms are also on the internet at fw.ky.gov. The workshop begins with check-in at noon Friday, Nov. 9. It will conclude at noon Sunday, Nov. 11.

There will be two outdoor instructional sessions during the weekend in addition to the Saturday morning elk viewing tour. After hours optional sessions will also be offered. Participants may choose from many classes including fly tying, advanced fishing, advanced archery skills, hiking and seasonal outdoor crafts, among others.

Sometimes women are reluctant to try activities related to the outdoors because fishing, archery, target shooting or hunting is often thought of as male-oriented recreation. Sometimes,

women simply don't get a chance to see what these activities are about in an environment that assists them in learning how.

Most sessions are geared to beginner level, and designed to give participants a good base level of knowledge so they can build on that knowledge at home or elsewhere. But for those who learn fast, advanced classes are also offered.

Call 1-800-858-1549 weekdays 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (Eastern Time) to register by phone or receive a registration form in the mail, or log onto fw.ky.gov for more information.

Future workshops are also planned this winter and spring at Kenlake, Cumberland Falls, Carter Caves and Rough River State Resort Parks. Jenny Wiley State Resort Park has hosted workshops in the past.

## Blastoff

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gram right now." In addition to the basketball teams, the Pikeville College Pep Band will be in action under the direction of Brad Daniels, and the cheerleaders will be on hand to meet the public and entertain the crowd.

All activities Tuesday night are open and free to the public. In addition to the action, the college will offer free popcorn and drinks to all fans.

"We're very excited about Tuesday night and letting our fans see what is going on in

the basketball programs this fall," said Ron Damron, director of athletics. "We believe in the direction Kelly and Bill are leading our programs and are very excited about the action to take place this winter."



photo courtesy of Pikeville College

BLASTING OFF: The Pikeville College Bears (pictured above) and Lady Bears will hold their annual Basketball Blastoff Tuesday night.

## Graham WMA provides 15,000 new acres for hunting in three counties

TIMES STAFF REPORT

FRANKFORT — Kentucky hunters now have 15,000 new acres to pursue deer, elk, turkey and small game this fall in Clay, Bell and Leslie counties at Graham Wildlife Management Area (WMA). Roughly three-quarters of this area is part of the Begley WMA/Daniel Boone National Forest Limited Entry Area for elk hunting while the remainder is open to at-large elk hunting.

"This is part of our ongoing commitment to provide more hunting access to the public," said Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources Commissioner Jon Gassett. "We are extremely grateful that Tommy Graham, the landowner, made this happen. People like Mr. Graham share our love of the outdoors and recognize the importance of preserving our hunting heritage by allowing more public access to large tracts of proper-

ty." The portions of the area open to at-large elk hunting mainly lie west of KY 66 and north of KY 1850.

"There are a lot of elk on that property," said Tony Wheatley, lands acquisition coordinator for Kentucky Fish and Wildlife. "You have a great place to elk hunt."

The area is a mixture of mature hardwoods and reclaimed coal mining land.

"The majority of it is in timberland," said Graham, a resident of Linden, Tennessee. "I owned a lot of land in Tennessee and I was in a similar program in Tennessee. That was one of the main reasons I did this. I believe being in this type of program adds value to the land."

The strip benches and other remains of mining on portions of Graham WMA should make the property an easier place to hunt compared to the topography of the surrounding area. "The mountains in that part of

the state are tall and steep," Wheatley said. "But, with all of the old strip benches, there should be plenty of places for hunters to set-up to deer or elk hunt. It should be relatively easy for hunters to go in and out and retrieve downed game."

The area is open to statewide regulations for deer, turkey, small game hunting. There are few viable fishing opportunities on the area. Be sure to follow all signage as some areas are off-limits to the public.

The area lies between KY 66 and U.S. 421 south of Hal Rogers Parkway in the area where Clay, Bell and Leslie counties meet.

A map of the property is available online at fw.ky.gov, then clicking onto the "Species Information, Maps and GIS" link.

Hunting memories: Share your hunting memories with The Times. Email photos to sports@floydcountytimes.com.



PIARIST SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL: Laken Hamilton made a strong return during Piarist's recent varsity volleyball match win over Paintsville.



# 11th-ranked Gamecocks end No. 8 Kentucky's perfect start, 38-23

by PETE IACOBELLI  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

COLUMBIA, S.C. — South Carolina coach Steve Spurrier spoiled Kentucky's perfect start and found himself right where he loves to be — in the thick of the Southeastern Conference race.

"Our guys are starting to believe the ball can keep bouncing our way," Spurrier said.

It certainly did Thursday night in the 11th-ranked Gamecocks' 38-23 win over previously undefeated No. 8 Kentucky.

Defensive end Eric Norwood tied an NCAA record with two touchdown returns and Spurrier stayed unbeaten against the Wildcats (5-1, 1-1 SEC).

While Spurrier was excited with South Carolina's eighth-straight victory over Kentucky, he brushed aside talk of what could be ahead in the SEC race during the season's second half.

"It's way too early for that,"

Spurrier cautioned.

Not true, coach, not with the Gamecocks (5-1, 3-1) poised for the top 10 and the lead in the SEC Eastern Division.

This was supposed to be the Wildcats' chance to prove themselves worthy league contenders and finally give the sharp-tongued Spurrier some long overdue payback.

While at Florida, Spurrier beat Kentucky 73-7 in 1994, then 65-0 two years later. Even this summer, Spurrier rankled Kentucky fans with his words: "We thought we did something big beating Clemson, then Kentucky beat them, also." The Wildcats beat Clemson 28-20 in the Music City Bowl last December.

With both teams ranked for the first time when facing each other, Spurrier got the best of Kentucky for the 15th time.

"It's extremely disappointing to be in a position to go 2-0 in the league and now we're

way back in the pack," Brooks said.

It was the poorest performance of the season for Kentucky (5-1, 1-1), which was held to half its SEC-leading average of 46.6 points a game.



Rich Brooks

Andre Woodson, the hero of the Wildcats' surprising start, was pressured into several errors.

He fumbled after Jonathan Williams' sack on Kentucky's first series, and Norwood picked it up for a 2-yard TD return that put the Gamecocks ahead 7-0. Then with the teams tied at 10 in the second quarter, Woodson drove Kentucky to the 9, but threw his second interception of the season to end the threat.

The mistakes continued after halftime. Woodson's lateral attempt to fullback John Conner was muffed, and this time Norwood grabbed it and ran 53 yards for his second score and a 24-10 lead. Norwood's touchdown

returns matched an NCAA record accomplished three times before, the last by Southern Methodist's Alvin Nnabuife against Nevada in 2004.

Norwood had a blocked punt that changed the momentum in South Carolina's 38-21 win over Mississippi State last Saturday. His play is even more critical since the Gamecocks have lost defensive starters in linebacker Jasper Brinkley and lineman Nathan Pepper since Sept. 15.

"I knew it was time to step up," Norwood said. "When they went down, I think it was pretty evident that I had to do it along with the other guys on defense."

Woodson finished 23 of 40 for 227 yards, but was sacked three times. Rafael Little had his fifth 100-yard game of the year with 135 yards rushing.

None of it was enough. The Wildcats closed to 31-23 on Woodson's 6-yard touchdown pass to Steve Johnson with 6:59 left, but Cory Boyd's 27-yard TD catch

on South Carolina's next drive secured the Gamecocks' eighth straight win in the series.

"We definitely made a lot of mistake, especially me personally," Woodson said. "It's something we haven't been doing all year."

Freshman Chris Smelley, making his second straight start for South Carolina, completed 17 of 30 for 256 yards and two touchdowns.

Not even some pregame rain could stop the festive atmosphere at Williams-Brice Stadium.

NFL coaching great — and long-ago Gamecock — Dan Reeves took part in the opening coin flip. Several former South Carolina players currently in the pros, like Philadelphia defensive back Sheldon Brown and Minnesota receivers Troy Williamson and Sidney Rice, were introduced to the crowd in the opening half.

They all saw what Spurrier has talked about since the end of last season: he wants his

guys to think like they can challenge for an SEC title.

With this victory, that's a goal within reach. The Gamecocks, who already knocked off SEC heavyweight Georgia last month, should move into the top 10 for the first time since 2001.

South Carolina's next conference game comes Oct. 20 against Vanderbilt. Then the Gamecocks travel to Tennessee and Arkansas, before closing the league schedule at home in what could be an Eastern Division showdown against defending national champion Florida on Nov. 10.

Kentucky's Brooks isn't ready to give up on his team's rise. The Wildcats had hoped to go 6-0 for the first time since Bear Bryant's eventual SEC champs started 10-0 in 1950.

Now that that's over, Brooks is ready for his team to get back to work.

"I still believe we're a very, very good football team," the coach said.

## In the classroom: Cards' academic success continues to rise

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LOUISVILLE — Success in academics for the University of Louisville student-athletes continues to rise, reflected in recent national graduation rates released by the NCAA.

Over the last five years, graduation rates for U of L student-athletes have risen 11 percent, improving from 48 percent for the freshman class which entered U of L in

1996-97 to a 59-percent graduation rate in the most recent 2000-01 figures. U of L student-athletes graduate at an 18 percent higher rate than the overall university student population.

U of L student-athletes achieved a record 72 percent graduation rate in the Graduation Success Rate (GSR) Report, which was developed three years ago to account for transfers into the university who graduate and

those who leave in good academic standing. Five sports — men's and women's tennis, women's golf, field hockey and volleyball — attained a 100 percent GSR.

"I'm proud of the progress we have been making," said Tom Jurich, U of L Vice-President for Athletics. "Our coaches are committed to recruiting the top student-athletes and we have the mechanisms in place plus the passion among our support

staff to help our student-athletes attain their academic goals. We are certainly not satisfied, but we are pleased with our upward trend."

In men's basketball, the Cardinals had a 60 percent graduation rate in the most recent NCAA report. In a more current view, nine of the Cardinals' 11 men's basketball seniors over the last three years have earned their degrees. Senior center David Padgett attained his under-

graduate degree in the spring and is attending graduate classes this year.

Three members of the current Cardinal football team — Danny Barlowe, Harry Douglas and Todd Flannery — have each already earned their bachelor's degrees. Fourteen of the Cardinals' 17 seniors last season graduated from U of L.

U of L will recognize its 292 members of the 2007 spring semester Athletic

Director's Honor Roll — those who achieved a 3.0 or better grade point average — at halftime of Friday's game against Utah, a figure which represents about half of the Cards' student-athletes. A perfect 4.0 grade point average was achieved by 38 Cardinal student-athletes.

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## Commentary: Are Bengals listening to livid Marvin Lewis?

by JOE KAY  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — Players sat at their lockers with heads down while coach Marvin Lewis screamed at them after a loss that left the Cincinnati Bengals in last place.

He called them selfish. He told them they hadn't done anything. He punctuated his diatribe with profanities for effect.

Were they listening? Or have the last-place Bengals tuned out their fifth-year coach?

We'll soon see. The Bengals (1-3) went into their bye week with a lot of injuries and a lot of issues. During a 34-13 loss to New England last Monday night, they fussed at each other on the field and sounded like a down-and-out team in the locker room.

"I feel horrible," cornerback Deltha O'Neal said. "It's just ugly for us right now. It is so depressing to me because we are a lot better than what we are playing. A lot better."

So why aren't they playing a lot better? For the first time since his triumphant arrival, the head coach is coming in for a big share of the blame.

Lewis was embraced when he arrived in January 2003, wearing a 200-diamond Super Bowl ring that flashed in the television lights. After a franchise-worst 2-14 season, owner Mike Brown finally went outside the organization for the next head coach, bringing in the coordinator of Baltimore's championship defense of 2000.

"What I'm going to hammer home to our guys is that we're not that far away," Lewis said that day.

When they went 8-8 in his first season, the town started to believe. Another 8-8 the next season was acceptable, too — the Bengals were breaking in rookie quarterback Carson Palmer, who was obviously headed for great things.

An AFC North title in his third season, Cincinnati's only playoff appearance since

1990, won over the last of the skeptics. Great things couldn't be far away, could they?

Since then, the Bengals have crashed. They regressed to 8-8 again last season, and their 1-3 start suggests a franchise going in reverse. They're 6-11 in their last 17 games.

In any other city, fans would be wondering whether the head coach will get fired. In Cincinnati, ownership loathes change. Remember, Dave Shula got a contract extension during his disastrous stay in the '90s.

As long as the stadium is full — the New England game drew a franchise-record 66,113 fans — the coach won't get fired by the team.

But can Lewis lose this team?

"I've never been a part of a team where I felt the coach lost control, and I don't feel like I'm part of a team like that at all," Palmer said. "We're in a tough spot because we're 1-3 and we shouldn't be. You've always got to find someone to blame it on."

"You can start with me. That's fine. I'm the quarterback. I'll take all the blame and heat in the world. A lot of it's my fault. You can put it all on Marvin. Marvin will take it because he's got broad shoulders."

A big part of this belongs on those shoulders.

Lewis squandered some of his reputation by steadfastly defending his players during their numbing run of arrests: 10 players charged in a 14-month span. The fallout is still hitting the team hard.

The Bengals were down to two healthy linebackers on Monday night. They sure could have used middle linebacker Odell Thurman, suspended for violating the NFL's substance abuse policy. They also could use No. 3 receiver

Chris Henry, sitting out the first half of the season for violating the league's conduct policy.

A more discriminating approach to the draft and a tougher hand on misconduct could have avoided some of it.

Lewis' handling of his high-maintenance players is a long-standing issue as well.

He got Pro Bowl receiver Chad Johnson to tone down his act this season, challenging him to become more focused on winning a title instead of getting attention. It worked — until Monday night.

Johnson fussed at Palmer after a second-quarter interception that was the result of the receiver running the wrong route. He kept at it as the two walked to the locker room at halftime.

Johnson's childlike joy for the game is warming. His childish demeanor when things go wrong is a problem. When Lewis decried the team's selfishness after the game, everyone immediately thought about Johnson.

Everyone except the receiver, that is.

"He's not referring to me at all," Johnson said. "Selfish in what way? What have I done or what have I said for that to even fit?"

"When our coach makes a remark like that, the first reaction is your so-called star receiver who is out there — you know how my personality is. But it wasn't directed at me."

Without singling out a player, Lewis made it clear he's tired of the outbursts. Besides Johnson's complaints, receiver T.J. Houshmandzadeh loudly questioned the play calling on the sideline after a third-down incomplection.

"I wish we could eliminate them all," Lewis said of the outbursts, "because they don't

understand the unnerving effect they have on other guys at times."

The defense is an entirely different issue. Although Lewis made his coaching mark there, he hasn't been able to build a dependable defense in Cincinnati. This season, his defense is again one of the league's worst.

That long run of losing before he got here is no longer an excuse. Lewis has had five years to rebuild the team the way he wanted, more than enough in the parity-driven NFL.

This is his team to win with — or to lose.

### NFL SCHEDULE

#### Sunday's Games

Miami at Houston  
Atlanta at Tennessee  
Detroit at Washington  
N.Y. Jets at N.Y. Giants  
Seattle at Pittsburgh  
Arizona at St. Louis  
Carolina at New Orleans  
Cleveland at New England  
Jacksonville at Kansas City  
Tampa Bay at Indianapolis  
Baltimore at San Francisco  
San Diego at Denver  
Chicago at Green Bay  
Open: Cincinnati, Oakland, Philadelphia, Minnesota.

#### Monday's Game

Dallas at Buffalo

#### Sunday, Oct. 14

Minnesota at Chicago  
St. Louis at Baltimore  
Philadelphia at N.Y. Jets  
Miami at Cleveland  
Washington at Green Bay  
Cincinnati at Kansas City  
Tennessee at Tampa Bay  
Houston at Jacksonville  
Carolina at Arizona  
New England at Dallas  
Oakland at San Diego  
New Orleans at Seattle  
Open: Buffalo, Indianapolis, Pittsburgh, Denver, Detroit, San Francisco

#### Monday, Oct. 15

N.Y. Giants at Atlanta



photo by Jamie Howell

TURNING UPFIELD: Prestonsburg junior running back Allen Craynon rushed for positive yardage during a game earlier in the season. The Blackcats hosted Beechwood Saturday in a game that served as a measuring stick of sorts for the home team.

## Hillenburg purchases North Carolina Speedway for \$4.4M

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

ROCKINGHAM, N.C. — A former racer and driving school owner has bought North Carolina Speedway, a one-time NASCAR track that opened more than 40 years ago.

Andy Hillenburg submitted the winning bid of \$4.4 million on Tuesday. He has said he wants to bring a lower-tier racing event to the 250-acre track

site, known affectionately as "The Rock."

The track lost its Nextel Cup race in 2004 when Speedway Motorsports Inc. bought the track and moved its Cup race to Texas Motor Speedway.

NASCAR drivers have since used the 1,017-mile oval to test cars. The track has also been used for special events and movies.



photo courtesy of Pikeville College

PC CHERLEADING: The 2007-08 edition of the Pikeville College cheerleading squad is busy with football season. Another basketball season is just around the corner for the PC cheerleading team. Jaime Layne (not pictured) is the team's sponsor. The Pikeville College cheerleaders will be on hand Tuesday night during the annual Basketball Blastoff. Pikeville College will celebrate its annual Homecoming Week all next week. In addition to the cheerleaders and basketball teams, Pikeville College's pep band, under the direction of Brad Daniels, will take part in the Basketball Blastoff. The Pikeville College men's basketball team will open the exhibition season Oct. 31 on the road at Rupp Arena versus the University of Kentucky Wildcats.

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**Small home for** rent. New Allen, no pets, suitable for couple. \$350 per month plus utilities. Call 874-2238

**For Sale: 2 Br, 1** Bath. Central heat & air. Large bedrooms and living room. \$375 mo. plus deposit. Call 886-1175.

**Building for rent** 50x90 18' ceilings, 12x12 garage door, \$450 per month. Martin, Ky 285-3368.

**For Sale or rent 3 BR carport, paneled central heat and air, 2 car garage, NO HUD NO PETS, FENCED YARD.** \$500 PER MONTH \$400 DEPOSIT. 60 South Evergreen St. Prestonsburg, Ky 886-6358.

### APARTMENT

**Apartment for rent** 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Located above Unisign at Ivel on U.S. 23. \$350.00 per month rent, \$350.00 security deposit, 1 year lease and no pets. Call (606) 478-8100

**3 BR apt 1 bath at** Auxier Road in Prestonsburg, unit is all electric, has central heat and air, private driveway and outdoor parking. References are required. \$475 pr month plus deposit and utilities. Call from 10a-9p 285-3412

### Townhouse

2 BR 1 Bath w/d

### Park Place Apartments

"Fall special!"  
 First months rent FREE with paid security deposit. Offer valid through October 21, 2007.  
 Rents starts at  
 1 BR \$280  
 2 BR \$304.  
 Please call Judy for more information. Monday, Wednesday, Friday at 886-0039.

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Computer skills a must. You will be asked to help in all areas of the practice. We are looking for a team player, an individual who is willing to help others in a moment's notice.

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 Prestonsburg, KY 41653  
 Attn: Jackie  
 Or Fax to: 606-889-8907  
 No Phone Calls, Please

### LABORATORY WORKER NEEDED

Must be attentive to details, accurate, methodic, thorough, and good in math. Must know Microsoft Excel and Word. Dependable and can work unsupervised. Good phone communication skills. High School Diploma with good math scores. Non-smoking work environment.

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Please send resume with references to:  
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### LIHEAP Vendors Must Attend

Vendor Informational Meeting  
 Vendors interested in providing services (coal, propane, kerosene, wood) for the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) must attend a vendor informational meeting. Applications will be distributed at that time, along with other information and instructions.

Meetings are scheduled as follows:  
 Floyd County - October 10, 2007 @ 1:30 pm  
 Community Services Office  
 313 Westminister Street  
 Prestonsburg, KY 41653  
 (606) 886-2929

Johnson County - October 11, 2007 @ 10:00 am  
 Paintsville Community Center  
 Paintsville, KY 41240  
 (606) 789-6515

Magoffin County - October 11, 2007 @ 1:30 pm  
 Community Services Office  
 131 South Church Street  
 Salyersville, KY 41240 (606) 349-2217

Martin County - October 10, 2007 @ 10:00 am  
 Community Services Office  
 Roy F. Collier Community Center  
 1200 Main Street  
 Inez, KY 41224 (606) 298-3217

Pike County - October 12, 2007 @ 10:00 am  
 Community Services Office  
 478 Town Mountain Road  
 Pikeville, KY 41501  
 (606) 432-2775

### Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center

has openings for Residential Advisors  
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 Qualified candidates should submit resume to:  
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 Carl D. Perkins Job Corps  
 478 Meadows Branch  
 Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653  
 Fax: 606-886-6073  
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hookup 2 car garage \$575 per month plus utilities plus deposit. Call : 606-522-4122 or 606-477-2783

For Rent 1 Br Apt. Utilities pd. No pets. \$425. mo. \$175 deposit. Call 226-0999.

Apt. For rent: 1 and 2 BR apartments on Rt. 321 near Porter school. Central heat and air, washer and dryer hookup. \$375 per month plus references and deposit. Seniors welcomed! Call 789-5973.

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

House for rent- At Martin 2 BR \$300 per month plus \$150 deposit. Call 285-9887.

House For Rent - 3 BR, at Allen, Ky. \$800.00 per month + security deposit. Call 794-024

3 BR MH for rent NO HUG NO PETS. Call 874-0267.

LOTS FOR RENT New mobile park lots, Allen Dwale area, Floyd County. Restrictions apply. Paved Streets, lighted area, parking pads. All sizes call 606-377-2357

2 BR MH for rent. W/D hookup, no animals, HUD APPROVED. Call 874-1991.

MH for rent . Route 7 Salt Lick \$250 a month. Call 358-4524.

**LEGALS**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that Abilene Hamilton of P.O. Box 140, Teaberry, Ky., 41660, has filed an application with the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet for straightening of the creek at Teaberry. The property is located at 11348 Ky. Rt. 979, Teaberry, Ky. 41660. Any comments or objections concerning this application shall be directed to: Kentucky Division of Water, Water Resources Branch, 14 Reilly Road, Frankfort Office Park, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. Phone: (502) 564-3410.

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION II**

**CIVIL ACTION No. 07-CI-00818 JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. c/o Chase Home Finance LLC 3415 Vision Drive Columbus, OH, 43219 Plaintiff V. NOTICE OF LEGAL ACTION**

Chi Coby Spears, Cloteen Slone, Commonwealth of Kentucky - Finance and Administration Cabinet; County of Floyd, Unknown Defendants, who are the heirs or devisees or legatees of Earnest Hayes and their spouses and any unknown person who may have an interest in the property which is the subject matter of this action, address unknown

Defendants On July 27, 2007, I was appointed warning order attorney to notify Unknown Defendants, who are the Heirs or Devisees or Legatees of Earnest Hayes & their Spouses and any Unknown Person who may have an interest in the Property which is the subject matter of this action Address Unknown, of a lawsuit filed in Floyd Circuit Court. A copy of the complaint in this action may be obtained from the Floyd Circuit Court, Floyd County Justice Center, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. In the complaint, the plaintiff claims that it is the holder and owner of a note and a mortgage securing same upon a certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in Floyd County, Kentucky, on Kentucky Route 80, which mortgage is of record in Mortgage Book 516, Page 381, and the deed which fully describes this tract of land was conveyed to Chi Colby Spears, single and Cloteen Slone, single, by deed dated January 11, 2007, of record in Deed Book 553, Page 417, both in the office of the Floyd County Clerk, which is now in default. If you are any of the unknown descendants, who are the heirs or devisees or legatees of Earnest Hayes and their spouses and any unknown person who may have an interest in the property which is the subject matter of this action, then you may want to make an entry of appearance in this action.

Under our civil rules, you must answer the com-

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Finance and Administration Cabinet  
Honorable Robert D. Marshall, Floyd County Judge/Executive  
Honorable Paul Hunt Thompson, Former Floyd County Judge/Executive  
Members of the Floyd County Fiscal Court

**Independent Auditor's Report**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented components unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Floyd County, Kentucky, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2005, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements, as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Floyd County Fiscal Court. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

Except as discussed in the fifth paragraph, we conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and the Audit Guide for Fiscal Court Audits issued by the Auditor of Public Accounts, Commonwealth of Kentucky. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

As described in Note 1, Floyd County, Kentucky, prepares its financial statements on a prescribed basis of accounting that demonstrates compliance with the modified cash basis, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The financial statements of East Kentucky Utilities, Inc., a discretely presented component unit of Floyd County Fiscal Court, are presented in accordance with the accrual basis of accounting and therefore include certain accruals required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America that are not presented in accordance with the modified cash basis.

We were unable to obtain sufficient evidential matter in relation to East Kentucky Utilities, Inc., a discretely presented component unit, in regards to capital assets. Testing of capital assets revealed \$112,340 of missing assets, with no record or documentation of the assets being sold or disposed of.

In our opinion, except for the effects of such adjustments, if any, as might have been determined to be necessary had East Kentucky Utilities financial statements been presented on a modified cash basis of accounting and had we been able to examine sufficient evidence regarding capital assets, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the discretely presented component unit of Floyd County, Kentucky, as of June 30, 2005, and the changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in conformity with the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

In addition, in our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Floyd County, Kentucky, as of June 30, 2005, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, thereof and for the year then ended in conformity with the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

The County has not presented the management's discussion and analysis that the Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) has determined is necessary to supplement, although not required to be a part of, the basic financial statements. The Budgetary Comparison information is not a required part of the basic financial statement but is supplementary information required by GASB. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the budgetary comparison information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Floyd County, Kentucky's basic financial statements. The accompanying supplementary information, combining fund financial statements are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments and Non-Profit Organizations, and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. The combining fund financial statements and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated February, 28, 2007, on our consideration of Floyd County, Kentucky's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

Based on the results of our audit, we present the schedule of findings and questioned costs, included herein, which discusses the following report comment:

- The Fiscal Court Should Follow Maximum Salary Schedules Issued By The Governor's Office Of Local Development
- The Fiscal Court is Delinquent to The Payment Of A Bond Penalty
- The Fiscal Court Should Annually Review The Administrative And Ethics Code And Make Any Changes Or Revisions They Deem Necessary
- The Fiscal Court Should Adopt A Written Investment Policy
- The County Should Maintain Proper Records For The Public Properties Corporation Fund
- The County Lacks Internal Controls and Adequate Segregation Of Duties
- The Fiscal Court Should Clear Revolving Accounts To A Zero Balance At The End Of The Fiscal Year
- The Fiscal Court Should Improve Recordkeeping in Regards to Debt Service
- The Fiscal Court Should Review Vehicle Lease Agreements
- The Fiscal Court Should Improve Solid Waste Collection Procedures
- The Fiscal Court Should Review The Capitalization Policy
- The Fiscal Court Should Follow The Kentucky System of Accounts
- The Fiscal Court Shall Maintain A Bond For The Finance Officer
- The Fiscal Court Should Maintain Proper Records For Eastern Kentucky Utilities
- The Fiscal Court Should Continue the Pursuit of a Buyer to Purchase East Kentucky Utilities, Inc. (EKU) In Order To Be in Compliance With KRS 67.083
- The Fiscal Court Should Improve Policies And Procedures Related To The Schedule Of Expenditures Of Federal Awards.

Respectfully submitted,

*Ross & Company*

Ross & Company, PLLC  
Certified Public Accountants

February 28, 2007

**ORDINANCE NO. 9-2007**  
An Ordinance of the City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky, relating to a Tax Levy on Real and Tangible Personal Property and Franchises, all for the General Operating Expense Purposes of the City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky, in order to maintain a progressive and stable tax base for the city, finds it necessary to adopt the following Ordinance in order to provide funds for the general expense purposes of the City;

Now, Therefore Be It Hereby Ordained by the City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky, as follows:

**Section 1.** The County assessment of property situated in the City of Prestonsburg, both real and personal, is hereby adopted.

**Section 2.** For the purposes of providing funds for the general operating expenses of the City of Prestonsburg for the fiscal year from July 1, 2007, to June 30, 2008, and for each year thereafter, until this Ordinance is amended or enacted, the following taxes are levied.

(A) Upon all real estate, within the City of Prestonsburg, not specifically exempted from taxation, situated within the City of Prestonsburg of .216 per One Hundred Dollars (\$100), of assessed value.

(B) A tax upon all tangible personal property and franchises not specifically exempted from taxation, a tax of .340 per One Hundred Dollars (\$100) of assessed value.

**Section 3.** A discount of two percent (2%) of the total amount of the tax bill is hereby allowed upon all tax bills paid to November 30th of each year.

**Section 4.** A penalty of six percent (6%) of the total amount of the tax bills, that are not paid on or prior to December 31st of each year shall be imposed and collected.

**Section 5.** The City Clerk is hereby designated and authorized to collect the tax imposed herein.

**Section 6.** This Ordinance is passed pursuant to, in compliance with, and by virtue of the authority of the following constitutional and statutory provisions: Kentucky Constitution Sections 157, 170 and 181; Kentucky Revised Statutes 92.160, 92.170, 92.330, 136.280 and 142.020.

**Section 7.** Any word, phrase, section, or subsection of the Ordinance declared by a Court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, shall not affect the remainder of this Ordinance, which shall remain in full force and effect.

**Section 8.** All ordinances or any parts thereof, in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby expressly repealed to the extent of such conflict.

**Section 9.** This Ordinance shall become effective upon adoption and publication as required by law.

Adopted this 26th day of September 2007.

JERRY FANNIN, Mayor

Attest:  
SHARON SCHOOLCRAFT, City Clerk

**NOTICE TO PUBLIC OF INTENT TO REQUEST A RELEASE OF FUNDS**

October 5, 2007

Kentucky Housing Corporation  
1231 Louisville Rd.  
Frankfort, KY 40601  
Mark Offerman, Chief Officer

**To All Interested Agencies, Groups and Persons:**

On or about October 22, 2007, Kentucky Housing Corporation (KHC) will request the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to release Federal funds for the following project:

Project—Low Income Housing Coalition of East Kentucky, Inc. (LINKS)—Homebuyer Scattered Sites

Purpose: LINKS plans to build at least 10 new homes for very low- and low-income households on scattered sites throughout its service area of Floyd, Johnson, Magoffin, Martin and Pike Counties. Additional units may be completed in the next few years if the initial project goes smoothly. The project could also, under certain conditions, assist up to three families to rehabilitate their current dilapidated housing.

Location: Unspecified locations in Floyd, Johnson, Magoffin, Martin and Pike Counties.

Approximate HOME Funds in Project: \$289,000 HOME and \$100,000 AHTE.

An Environmental Review Record respecting the within project has been made by KHC which documents the environmental review of the project. The Environmental Review Record is on file at the above address and is available for public examination and copying upon request during normal business hours.

All interested agencies, groups and persons disagreeing with this decision are invited to submit written comments for consideration by KHC to the Chief Officer, Attention: Crystal Harrod. Such written comments, should be received at the above address on or before October 21, 2007. All such comments so received will be considered and KHC will not request the release of Federal funds or take any administrative action on the within project prior to the date specified in the preceding sentence.

KHC will undertake the project described above with HOME funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) under Title II of the National Affordable Housing Act of 1990. KHC is certifying that KHC as State Participating Jurisdiction consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to environmental reviews, decision making, and action; and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The legal effect of the certification is that upon its approval, KHC may use the HOME funds and HUD will have satisfied its responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and other related laws and authorities. HUD will accept an objection to its approval of the release of funds and acceptance of the certification only if it is on one of the following bases: (a) That the certification was not in fact executed by KHC's Certifying Officer, or (b) that KHC has failed to make one of the two findings pursuant to 24 CFR Part 58 Sec. 58.40 or to make the written determination required by Secs. 58.35, 58.47 or 58.53 for the project, as applicable; or (c) KHC has omitted one or more of the steps set forth at subparts E of 24 CFR Part 58 for the preparation, publication and completion of an Environmental Assessment; or (d) KHC has omitted one or more of the steps set forth at subparts F and G of 24 CFR Part 58 for the conduct, preparation, publication and completion of an Environmental Impact Statement, if applicable; or (e) KHC has committed funds or incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before release of funds and approval of the environmental certification by HUD; or (f) A Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality.

Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedure (24 CFR Part 58) and may be addressed to: Ms. Virginia Peck, Director, Office of Community Planning & Development, U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development, 601 West Broadway, Room 110, Louisville, KY 40202. Objections to the release of funds on bases other than those stated above will not be considered by HUD. No objection received after November 5, 2007, will be considered by HUD.

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plaint within 50 days of October 2, 2006. If you fail to file an answer, you might forfeit your rights to challenge these allegations. You may need the services of a local attorney. Please understand that I am the warning order attorney and do not and cannot represent you. My function is to attempt to notify you and report my findings to the court. Should you decide to answer the complaint yourself, your answer should be mailed to Floyd Circuit Clerk, Floyd County Justice Center, 127 S. Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, 41653.

This warning order notification is being made by publication in the Floyd County Times and this notification will be published for two con-

secutive weeks beginning October 7, 2007. Ralph H. Stevens, Warning Order Attorney, P.O. Box 466, 142 West Branham Street, Prestonsburg, KY 41653

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE**  
Pursuant to Application Number 836-5523 Operator Change

In accordance with 405 KAR 8:010, notice is hereby given that FCDC Coal, Inc., 587 North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653 intends to revise permit number 836-5523 to change the operator. The operator presently approved in the permit is FCDC Coal, Inc. The new operator

will be South Akers Mining Company, LLC P.O. Box 392, Pikeville, KY 41502. The operation is located 2.0 miles Southeast of Blue River in Floyd County. The operation is approximately 1.5 miles Southeast from KY 404's junction with KY Route 1210 and located 0.20 miles

east of Caney Creek. The operation is located on the Martin 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. Written comments or objections must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits, # 2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, KY 40601. All comments or objections must be received within fifteen (15) days of today's date.

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