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In brief

Company tests mine shelter

It's not exactly high action drama, but a small West Virginia company that sells emergency life support equipment for underground coal mines has posted on the Internet a live feed of a test involving 11 volunteers.

The test is designed to show equipment sold by Chapmanville-based Mine Lifeline can meet the federal Mine Safety and Health Administration's standard that mines be able to provide 96 hours of breathable air to trapped miners, co-founder Rick Abraham said. "And we want to show the value of using the coal mine itself."

Mine Lifeline's breathable air equipment relies on barricades to seal an area, oxygen bottles and chemical curtains that remove carbon dioxide.

Eleven volunteers are participating in Mine Lifeline's test at a Logan County mine. The test started Tuesday and is expected to end Saturday. Live video and pictures of the test are being shown on Mine Lifeline's Web site: www.minellifeline.com.

West Virginia requires underground mines to store airtight emergency shelters that provide at least 48 hours of life support, though the dozen designs approved by the Office of Miners' Health, Safety and Training meet the federal 96-hour standard.

Mine Lifeline's gear is not among those and thus West Virginia's 253 underground coal mines can't use it to satisfy the state's shelter requirement.

State officials, however, said Mine Lifeline's equipment is a "superior" solution for meeting MSHA's requirement for escape routes, said Randy Harris, engineering adviser for Miners' Health, Safety and Training.

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Today

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County approves computer system for sheriff

by JENNIFER LAWSON
STAFF WRITER

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SENDING A MESSAGE



photo by Jennifer Lawson

Adam Keathley will most likely be sentenced to one year in jail for his miscellaneous drug charges, says Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Wayne Taylor.

Judge makes drug treatment mandatory

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then sentenced her to an additional six months jail time.

"She will get off drugs whether she likes it or not," Caudill said.

Kenny Hamilton also received an increased consequence for involvement with drugs. While he was initially incarcerated for allegedly making threats against Caudill and Assistant County Attorney Jimmy Marcum, it was discovered that he too had a drug problem. He was ordered to attend a drug treatment program which he did not take

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Student charged over threat

by JENNIFER LAWSON
STAFF WRITER

INEZ — A Martin county school was evacuated after a potential bomb threat Friday morning.

According to a press release from Kentucky State Police Post 9 in Pikeville, a male juvenile student at Sheldon Clark High School gave a letter he said he had found to the school's assistant principal. The letter, which was signed "Martin County Military," indicated there was a bomb in the school and it would detonate at 10:50 a.m.

The school was evacuated and searched, but no explosive device was found. Further investigation by KSP led back to the student who said he had found the letter and it was discovered he had a paper in his bookbag which was nearly identical to the one he had given the assistant principal.

KSP Det. Mike Goble will follow up with juvenile petitions against the juvenile, along with a second male juvenile student who reportedly was also involved in the incident.

The case remains under investigation.

Dorton to head Ky. Bankers Association

PAINTSVILLE — The Kentucky Bankers Association named Dennis Dorton, president and chief executive officer of Citizens National Bank, as incoming chairman at the 116th Annual KBA Convention held at the Greenbrier, White Sulphur Springs, W.Va.

Dorton is the third in his family to serve as president of the KBA. His grandfather, D.H. Dorton served as the 71st President in 1962 and

his father, O.T. Dorton as the 85th President in 1976.

"This truly is a distinct honor to chair the Kentucky Bankers Association for the upcoming term," said Dorton.

"And being the third generation to hold this position is even more fulfilling. My grandfather and father instilled in me a tremendous sense of responsibility as a community banker. That responsibility

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Dennis Dorton

Prestonsburg Idol set to start for second year

by JENNIFER LAWSON
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — In hopes of bringing downtown back to what it used to be and creating a community clan, Prestonsburg Idol will return yet again for its second season beginning Sept. 21 at 6 p.m.

All interested participants should be prepared to sing at least three songs solo and a capella. While the decision of the winners is based solely on the votes of the community, there will be three judges returning from last year to at least cast their opinion. They will include, local attorney Bobby Rowe, retailer Katie

Gray and college assistant music director Clayton Case.

The show will not only showcase local talent, but will also provide an opportunity for other community groups to earn money, such as local cheerleaders who will be providing refreshments, with all profits going to the team.

Prior to the tryouts members of the Jenny Wiley Theatre will perform a medley. Other than refreshments, the show is free to the public. Those who can't attend the show but still wish to cast their vote can logon to www.ljproductionsvideo.com and do

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Bobby Caudill, of McDowell, was the winner of last year's inaugural Prestonsburg Idol contest. This year's version of the competition will get underway Friday.

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Regional Obituaries

FLOYD COUNTY

■ Larry Dean "Rooster" Brewer, 56, a Floyd County native, died Monday, September 10, at Saint Joseph Hospital. Memorial services were held Saturday, September 15, at 1 p.m. at Hall Funeral Home. Hall Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

■ Lora Jewell Cline, 87, of Louisville, formerly of Middlesboro, a Martin native, died Monday, September 10, at her home. She is survived by her husband, Perry Cline. Funeral services were held Thursday, September 13, under the direction of Creech Funeral Home.

■ Olive Fern Collins, 75, of Prestonsburg, died Thursday, September 9, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg. Funeral services were held Wednesday, September 12, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Kenneth J. DeRossett, 71, of Prestonsburg, died Sunday, September 9. He is survived by his wife, Carol Ann Crum DeRossett. Funeral services were held Wednesday, September 12, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Lizzie Jane Hall, 65, of Beaver, died Sunday, September 9, at the Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital. Funeral services were held Friday, September 14, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Mae Hamilton, 83, of Teaberry, died Tuesday, September 11, in Martin County Healthcare, in Inez.

Funeral services were held Friday, September 14, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

PIKE COUNTY

■ Elder Donald L. Adkins, 67, of Flat Rock Mich., a Pike County native, died Tuesday, September 11, at Henry Ford Hospital, Michigan. He is survived by his wife, Sue Adkins. Funeral services were held Friday, September 14, under the direction of Girbach Krasun Funeral Home.

■ Cody Aden Adkins, infant son of Cody Adkins and Nicole Coleman, died Tuesday, September 11, at Pikeville Medical Center. Graveside services were held Wednesday, September 12, under the direction of Thacker Funeral Home.

■ Guy Campbell Jr., 78, of Charlotte, North Carolina, a native of Fishtrap, died Monday, September 10, at Presbyterian Hospital, Charlotte. He is survived by his wife, Barbara Harkey Campbell. Funeral services were held Thursday, September 13, in the Mulberry Presbyterian Church, Charlotte, with burial in the church cemetery. Information, courtesy of J.W. Call Funeral Home.

■ Roberta Deane Hendricks Dager, 80, of Good Shepherd Community Nursing Center, died Wednesday, September 5, at South Williamson Appalachian Regional Hospital. Funeral services were held Sunday, September 9, under the direction of Chambers Funeral Services.

■ Donnie Little, 48, of Pikeville, died Tuesday,

September 11, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Saturday, September 15, under the direction of Thacker Funeral Home.

■ Judy Gail Meadows, 59, of Shelby Dry Fork, died Thursday, September 6, at her residence. Arrangements, under the direction of Hall & Jones Funeral Home.

■ Wallis Kent "Wally" Miller, 59, of Pikeville, died Tuesday, September 11. He is survived by his wife, Oma Brown Miller. Funeral services were held Wednesday, September 12, under direction of J.W. Call Funeral Home.

■ John David (Red Bud) Pinson, 43, of Elkhorn City, died Thursday, September 6, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Sunday, September 9, under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

■ John Ramsey, 79, of Onaway, Michigan, a Pikeville native, died Tuesday, September 11, at Cheboygan Memorial Hospital, Michigan. He is survived by his wife, Freida Ramsey. Private visitation was at 11 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 15, in the Chagnon Funeral Home, Onaway.

■ Finis Slone, 88, of Elkhorn City, died Monday, September 10, at Mt. Health Care, Elkhorn City. Funeral services were held Wednesday, September 12, under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

LAWRENCE COUNTY

■ Kelsie Fields, 67, of Blaine died Friday, September 7, in Louisa. Funeral services were held Tuesday, September

11, under the direction of Wilson Funeral Home.

■ David K. McGraw, 76, of Louisa, died Friday, September 7. He is survived by his wife, Maggie McCune McGraw. Funeral services Monday, September 10, under the direction of Wilson Funeral Home.

■ Lois Marie Spradlin Salyer, 74, of Ulysses, died Tuesday, September 11, at Three Rivers Medical Center, in Louisa. Funeral services were held Friday, September 14, under the direction of the Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

■ Ethel Sparks Kelly Webb, 78, of Louisa, died Friday, September 7. Funeral services were held Tuesday, September 11, under the direction of Wilson Funeral Home.

JOHNSON COUNTY

■ Joseph Dean Castle, 30, of West Van Lear, died Monday, September 3, at Charlotte, North Carolina. Funeral services were held Friday, September 8, under the direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home.

■ Buletta Daniels, 75, of Thelma, died Sunday, September 2, in Morehead. Graveside services were held Thursday, September 6, under the direction of the Paintsville Funeral Home.

■ Graveside services were held Saturday, September 8, 11 a.m., at the Daniels Cemetery at Wittensville, for Jordan Anthony Hill, infant son of Shawn Hill and Christina Davis. Arrangements, under the direction of the Phelps & Son Funeral Home.

■ Jan L. Simpson, 51, of Paintsville, died Tuesday, September 11, at the U.K. Medical Center, in Lexington. A memorial service will be held at a later date. Arrangements under the direction of the Phelps & Son Funeral Home.

■ Francis Marion Tackett Jr., 87, of Staffordsville, died Monday, September 3, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were held Thursday, September 6,

under the direction of the Paintsville Funeral Home.

■ Lyda Joyce McGinnis Takacs, 80, of Paintsville, died Thursday, September 6, at King's Daughters Medical Center, in Ashland. She is survived by her husband, Gabe Takacs. Funeral services were held Monday, September 10, under the direction of the Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

■ Brenda Harmon Thompson, 64, of Paintsville, died Sunday, September 9, in Ashland. Funeral services were held Thursday, September 13, under the direction of the Phelps & Son Funeral Home.

MARTIN COUNTY

■ Edna Brumfield, 70, of Inez, died Thursday, September 6, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg. Funeral services were held Sunday, September 9, under the direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home.

■ Ruth Ellen Harding, 44, of Columbus, Ohio, formerly of Kermit, died Wednesday, September 5, at Mount Carmel West in Columbus, Ohio. Funeral services were held Saturday, September 8, under the direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home.

■ Mark Edward Vance, 49, of Inez, a Lawrence County native, died Wednesday,

September 5. Information on arrangements, unavailable.

MAGOFFIN COUNTY

■ Graveside services were held Monday, September 10, at 1 p.m., at the Williams Family Cemetery on Mine Fork in Salyersville, for Ronald Curt Blankenship, 37, of Fenton Mich., who passed away Wednesday, Sept. 5, at University Hospital in Ann Arbor. He is survived by his wife, Jackie Jo Hatton Blankenship. Arrangements, under the direction of the Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

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State Supreme Court stops Baze execution

by **BRETT BARROUQUERE**
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — Ralph Baze had been down this road before — spending several weeks making plans to meet with his family for the final time as he prepared to die by lethal injection.

"I've been preparing to die for the last few weeks," Baze said. "I told everybody this time it's a real possibility that it will go forward."

Only, it won't. The Kentucky Supreme Court on Wednesday halted Baze's execution scheduled for Sept. 25. The justices want to hear arguments about whether his trial was properly moved from Powell County to Rowan County.

It's at least the second time Baze, 52, has faced an execution date, only to see the courts step in and keep him alive. A judge in 2001 stopped Baze's execution for the 1992 slayings of Powell County Sheriff Steve Bennett and Deputy Arthur Briscoe.

Bennett and Briscoe were serving warrants on Baze when he shot them. Baze has said the shootings were the result of a family dispute that got out of hand and resulted in the sheriff being called.

Baze's family from Toledo, Ohio, is scheduled to visit him Thursday at the Kentucky State Penitentiary in Eddyville.

"I've got some good news for them," Baze told The Associated Press in a telephone interview on

Wednesday. "You can imagine what this has been like. This has been rough on us for the last three or four years."

Chief Justice Joseph Lambert said in the one-page ruling that Baze's appeal of his trial being moved was filed before Gov. Ernie Fletcher signed the warrant so Baze has the right to have the issue heard. A hearing has been scheduled for Nov. 15, making it unlikely that Baze will face execution before then.

Assistant public advocate David Barron, one of Baze's attorneys, said the high court's decision concurred with the arguments attorneys have been making since Fletcher signed the warrant last month — that Fletcher should have waited until all the pending legal appeals were done.

"I just vindicated what we've said all along about the warrant being signed prematurely," Barron said.

Jodi Whitaker, a spokeswoman for Fletcher, said nothing can bring back Bennett and Briscoe, but the families deserve to see this case come to an end.

"The governor shares the frustrations of the Bennett and Briscoe families, who have waited 15 years for justice," Whitaker said.

Attorney General Greg Stumbo issued a written statement saying his office will continue working to see that Baze is executed.

"We are confident that any remaining issues will be resolved in the Commonwealth's favor,"

Stumbo said.

Baze said Fletcher signed the warrant to score points with voters in the Nov. 6 election. Baze and his attorneys sent the governor's office information about the case that should have persuaded him not to sign the warrant, Baze said.

"The election is coming up, and he doesn't want to be soft on crime," Baze said.

Fletcher's executive counsel, David Fleener, said politics and the election played no part in the decision to sign the warrant. Courts had barred Baze's execution until July and, once that stay was lifted, Stumbo's office sent a valid request to execute Baze.

"The governor wanted to do this as far from the election as possible," Fleener said. "It's not something this governor views in political terms."

For Baze, who has been challenging the constitutionality of lethal injection for the last three years and has several cases pending in the courts, the stay came as a relief.

"I'm tickled," Baze said. "I prayed about it. I just believed if there was any justice in this world at all, I would get an opportunity to show this stuff. It came in God's time."

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The family of Charlotte Blackburn would like to take this time to say thank you to all who sent flowers, food, visited the funeral home, sent prayers, or just said a kind word.

To Dave Garrett, and Frank Blackburn for their wonderful services. The Allen's for their beautiful singing, and a very special thank you to Dwayne Reffet for his beautiful singing and serving as pallbearer. To the rest of the pallbearers: Kevin Blackburn, Will and Steve Harris, Tom Reynolds, and Jerry Guest. Thank you.

To all her co-workers from Food City, thank you for being so loyal. To Highlands Regional for taking care of her so many times. To the Highlands Cancer Center for being there for so many years. And to Hospice of Big Sandy for being there in the end.

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Fletcher, Beshear exchange barbs at Danville stop

by ROGER ALFORD
ASSOCIATED PRESS

DANVILLE — Gov. Ernie Fletcher, speaking Friday in the central Kentucky town where the state constitution was drafted, harshly criticized his Democratic challenger for wanting to change the historic document to legalize casinos.

"He wants to make sure your kids are blackjack dealers and they can only count to 21," Fletcher said referring to Lexington lawyer Steve Beshear, the Democrat who is running against him for Kentucky's top job in state government. "He doesn't have a clue if he thinks casino gambling is going to build a future."

Beshear, who built his primary election campaign around his support for casinos, says taxes from legalized gambling could help fund education, health care, economic development and other initiatives. He said Kentuckians already spend huge amounts at casinos over the state line in Indiana and Illinois.

Opening the state to casinos would require amending the state's constitution, which can be done only if voters consent by approving a ballot referendum.

"People have a right to vote on that issue," Beshear said. "We want to give people a right to vote because we trust Kentuckians on that issue."

But Beshear said there was

a different constitutional issue he wanted to raise — one involving the oath officeholders take swearing to uphold the law.

"It's time that the word 'illegal' no longer describes the actions of our governor," Beshear said.

The candidates spoke on a stage across the street from the Constitution Square State Historic Site where Kentucky's Constitution was drafted and signed in 1792.

Fletcher is framing the election as a referendum on casinos. He says Kentuckians who don't want casinos should vote for him, and that those who do should support Beshear, a former lieutenant governor and attorney general.

Campaigning across the state on a "No Casinos" tour, Fletcher says gambling would contribute to bankruptcies, divorce and crime. He said Kentuckians would have to lose \$1.5 billion at casinos to generate the \$500 million a year in additional state revenue that Beshear is predicting.

Fletcher had originally said he would not oppose efforts to put such a measure on the ballot, but abruptly changed his stance after the primary, citing

his personal opposition to gambling. He says he'll fight any effort to change the constitution.

Fletcher, an ordained Baptist minister, was the fresh face voters wanted four years ago when he swept into the Kentucky governor's office on the promise that he would "clean up the mess in Frankfort."

Soon after taking office in 2003, a special grand jury began investigating a complaint that Fletcher's adminis-

tration had violated state hiring laws in a scheme to reward political supporters with state jobs.

Fletcher and at least 14 of his aides and associates were indicted. Fletcher issued pardons for everyone except himself. His lawyers worked out a deal with prosecutors to have the charges against him dropped.

Idol

so after the performances.

While last year's shows spotlighted 40 local talents and attracted over 800 people, according to Prestonsburg City Economic Development Director Brent Graden, it was Bobby Caudill who claimed the Idol title. Caudill has since created a single and is currently in the process of shooting a video.

Those who wish to participate, need do nothing more than show up at the city municipal parking lot that Friday night prepared to perform. Selected finalists will advance and perform in a show that will take place during the Jenny Wiley Pioneer Festival, at which time the winner will be announced.

The winner will not only earn the title of Prestonsburg Idol but also an opportunity to record an album at the Mountain Arts Center paid for by the show's sponsors.

"The talent in this area is so much better than it is advertised," said Graden. "We can't wait to see what this year brings."

County

In the past the Floyd County PVA office has been responsible for the preparation of the tax bills at the discretion of the Floyd County Clerk, but with the new computer system the services of the PVA office will no longer be needed for this purpose. Therefore, the court will also pay the PVA office \$5,000 annually in order to offset any loss of funding needed to effectively run the

office.

As of press time, it was not determined when the new computer system will be in operation. Other resolutions approved at the fiscal court meeting included one for lighting to be installed at the Garrett ballparks. According to the resolution, residents of the area have expressed the need for the lights and members of the

Garrett Fire Department has stated that in the event of an emergency helicopters would need the lighting to safely evacuate anyone that is injured. An estimate from G & S Contracting Inc. indicated the lighting system will cost \$19,996 which the Governor's Office of Local Development has already approved.

A resolution was also signed for primary election

Dorton

translates into community service and I am honored to know I am following in their footsteps."

Dorton graduated from Morehead State University with a BBA degree. He started at Citizens National Bank in June of 1970. He was elected president at Citizens in 1986. Dorton notes that the bank has grown five-fold since then and "such significant growth would not have happened were it not for the commitment and hard work from the finest group of officers, employees and directors in the state of Kentucky."

Court

seriously. According to reports from probation officers, Hamilton came to the treatment late and under the influence of drugs, he wouldn't work, he refused to shave or cut his hair and he refused to pay. He also told treatment staff that he was only going to stay three months instead of the required three.

While the defense attorney filed a motion to reduce his bond, upon hearing of Hamilton's violations, Caudill instead increased it by setting him with no bond at all.

Other drug-related cases included Jamie Day, who pleaded not guilty to charges of first-degree possession of cocaine and third-degree possession of a controlled sub-

stance. A pretrial conference is scheduled to begin in November.

Adam Keathley pleaded guilty to two counts each of second-degree trafficking in a controlled substance and trafficking in a prescription controlled substance. He is scheduled to be sentenced Oct. 8.

Also on the court docket were cases for flagrant non-support, which included Charles Hall and David DeRossett. Hall was incarcerated for violation of parole and non-support, but he was given a second chance of seven years probation with very strict restrictions that will hold serious consequences. According to Caudill, if Hall even slightly shows a hint of marijuana in a drug test of if he is even five

seconds late for a parole meeting, he will be held in contempt of court.

"If you violate this, you will go to the pen for at least five years," said Caudill. "Do you understand that?"

To be sure that he does understand, Hall will not be released from jail until Monday to give him "time to think."

DeRossett, however, was already in the process of making arrangements to pay his \$4,400 worth of back child support and was sentenced to only three years, which will be probated. If he completes the parole term with no violations, it will be determined if he is eligible to begin the process to remove the felony off of his record.

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Freedom of the press is not an end in itself but a means to the end of [achieving] a free society.
— Felix Frankfurter

Guest view

Public service lawyers should be helped

Sen. Robert Stivers' comment on the General Assembly's passage of loan forgiveness for college graduates in the energy industry was either cynical or ignorant. There's no alternative.

Similar help for young public service advocates — prosecutors, public defenders and legal aid lawyers — was rejected earlier this year, when the legislature buried House Bill 226.

Asked to explain, Mr. Stivers snapped, "We are not lacking for attorneys. We are lacking for chemists, mathematicians and physicists."

Maybe he really doesn't know how hard it is to keep the court system staffed up with law school graduates who have passed the bar, when they start at \$34,000 to \$38,000. That contrasts with a national average beginning wage of \$41,000 for chemists, \$48,000 for civil engineers and \$59,000 for chemical engineers.

Maybe Mr. Stivers should stop patting himself on the back for helping to pass BEG (the Big Energy Giveaway), which contained the science and engineering student loan relief, long enough to check these facts: The state public advocacy system loses four attorneys per month, usually because of low salary and big loan debt. And many of these are people qualified to work on high stakes cases, such as those involving the death penalty.

Nor are we just talking about public defenders here. If you're one of those who thinks crooks and criminals need to be put away, you, too, should send a note to Mr. Stivers. It's hard to keep fine young prosecutors when they don't make enough to start a family and pay back law school debt.

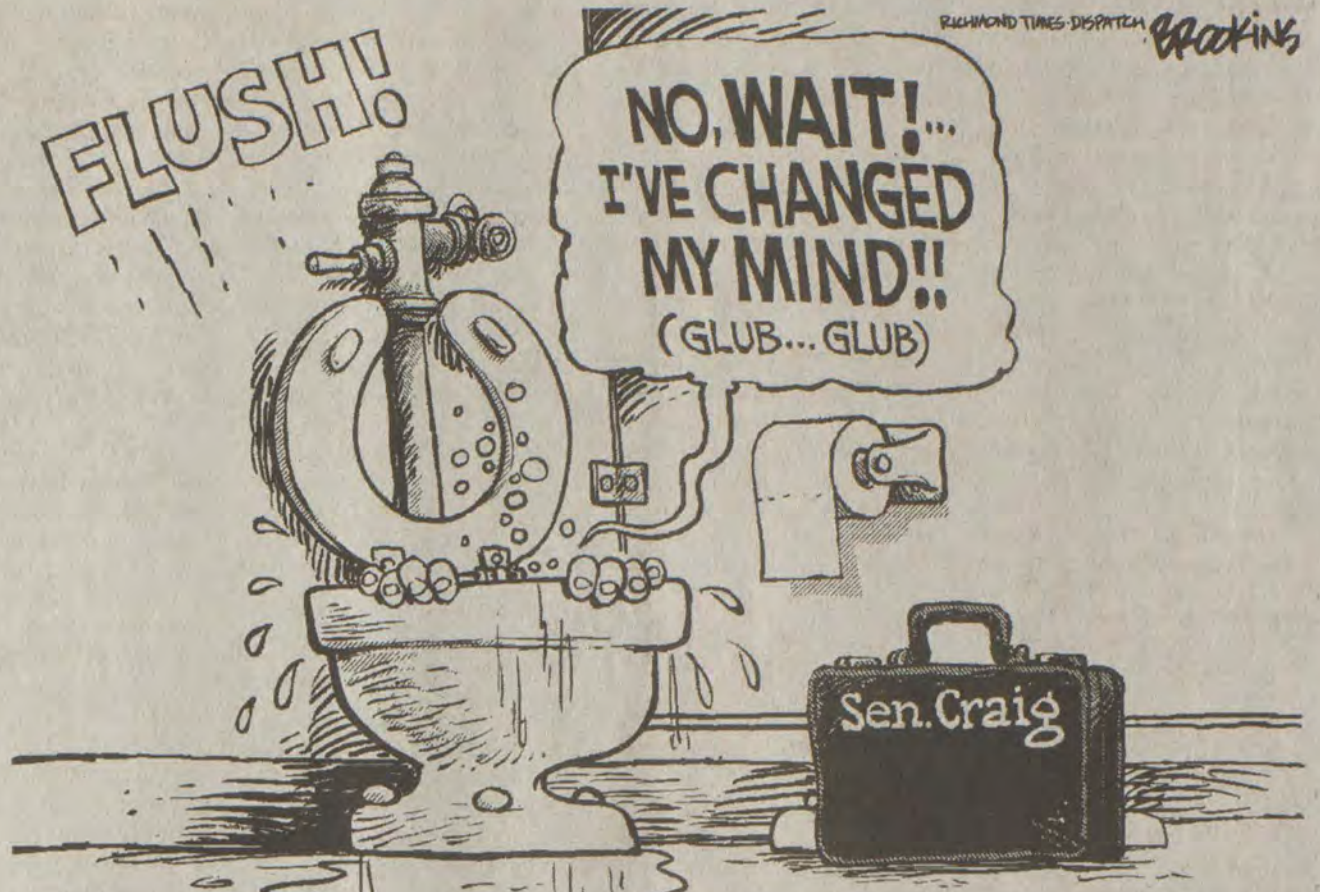
Corporations like those that pushed for the Big Energy Giveaway — in exchange for (maybe) locating conversion plants in the state's coalfields — have enough money not only to finance their own expansion into new technology but also to pay technically trained graduates decent wages, so taxpayers don't have to help pay off their student loans.

In Washington, new U.S. Rep. John Yarmuth, D-Louisville, pushed through a federal amendment providing student loan forgiveness of up to \$1,000 a year, for five years, to those who become teachers, nurses, child-care workers, police officers or other types of public service employees.

By contrast, HB 226, which would have given young public service attorneys up to \$6,000 a year in student-loan relief, was buried in Frankfort.

That was ignorant or witless. There's no alternative.

— The Courier-Journal, Louisville



Rich Lowry Column

The revenge of the tribes

In September 1898, an outnumbered British-led army battled the forces of a Muslim fanatic in Omdurman, Sudan. The Brits unleashed machine-gun fire and artillery on the primitive warriors and suffered a loss of 48 dead and 434 wounded, while killing 9,700, wounding 13,000 and capturing 5,000 of the enemy. Winston Churchill, who was present, called it "the most signal triumph ever gained by the arms of science over barbarians." The British ruled Sudan for another five decades.

In October 1993, badly outnumbered American troops battled the forces of a Somali clan leader in Mogadishu. We unleashed machine-gun fire and helicopter gunships on the primitive warriors and suffered 18 fatalities and 73 wounded to as many 5,500 Somali killed and wounded. It was a fight nearly as lopsided as the Battle of Omdurman, but the U.S. was out of Somalia within a year.

Since the 1990s, we have witnessed the revenge of the tribes. For hundreds of years, the result — with some spectacular exceptions — of a clash between modern and primitive armies was a bloodbath and disorienting humiliation for the primitive

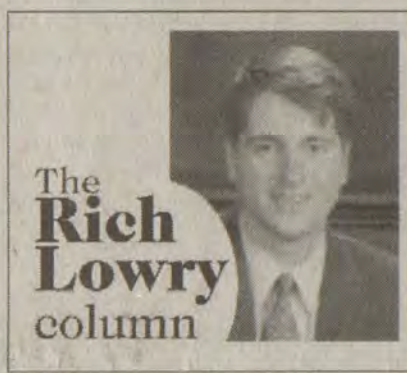
forces. Now, tribes, clans and primitives of all sorts represent one of the most intractable problems in the war on terror.

In western Pakistan, Gaza, Southern and eastern Afghanistan, Somalia and western Iraq, it has been ungoverned spaces that have created the environment in which terrorists can thrive. Our problem in the war on terror is less the absence of democracy than the absence of strong states. Tribes are inherently difficult to govern because they, as James Kurth writes in *The American Interest*, "do not see themselves as citizens who enjoy equal rights within one homogeneous nation," but as "at most a collection of nations in a nation, but not of it."

This is why even the mind-bogglingly brutal Saddam Hussein had trouble handling the tribes of Iraq. The extraordinary progress we have seen in Iraq in the past six months has less to do with winning new converts to our ideological vision of liberal democracy, and more with how we have — through inspired and very practical work at the local level — turned the tribes in our favor. We have greased palms, stroked egos and benefited from the excesses of an al-

Qaida so savage and dark that it represents a threat even to the not particularly gentle or enlightened way of life of the tribes.

President Bush doesn't appear to have entirely absorbed this. He still insists that Muslims desire freedom as much as Methodists do. This may well be true of Muslims who are as deracinated as most Methodists are



— living in societies that have dissolved traditional ties of clan and sect to make possible the individualism upon which modern liberal democracies are built.

Most Muslims in the Middle East don't live in such societies, of course, and creating them would represent a radical social revolution almost as threatening to tribal sheiks as the vision of al-Qaida.

What we are instead witnessing in Iraq is a necessary American accommodation to people for whom blood and soil mean much more than constitutional rights or democratic procedure. Is that ideal? No, but consider it part of the revenge of the tribes.

Rich Lowry is editor of the *National Review*.

beyond the beltway

Sympathy scarce for Craig and Gonzo

by DONALD KAUL
MINUTEMAN MEDIA

I've been meaning to feel sorry for poor Larry Craig, the gay-bashing Idaho senator turned gay-bashee, but I haven't had the energy.

Every available ounce of compassion lately has been occupied feeling sorry for Alberto Gonzales, our Attorney General turned Attorney Second-Lieutenant, and I'm a quart low on sympathy right now.

Poor, poor Alberto whose life story reads like something out of an old daytime radio soap opera.

Remember "Our Gal Sunday?" It asked the timeless question: "Can a poor orphan girl from a little mining town in Colorado find happiness married to a wealthy and titled Englishman?" (As it turned out, she could, but only with great difficulty.)

Well, Gonzales' life story is a lot like that, except he is the son of a migrant worker and his wealthy English lord was a wealthy American from a family of political Brahmins.

Did he find happiness? I'll let you be the judge. Despite:

- Giving the president legal excuses for subverting the Constitution of the United States ...

- Larding the Justice Department with lawyers whose main qualifications were political and religious ...

- Attempting to use the Justice Department to influence elections ...

- Lying to Congress on a scale not seen since Richard Nixon's

Attorney General John Mitchell went to the slammer for trying to cover the sins of his employer ...

In short, despite his resume as a practically perfect political flunky with no regard for the solemn obligations of his office, he was left at last naked to his enemies and he left office in disgrace with his boss's hollow words of praise ringing in his ear.

That is a cruel fate, even for a soap opera star.

To be fair, the word is that he was not forced from office by Mr. Bush but rather by the Republican political establishment that viewed his continued public presence as yet another stone around their candidates' already stone-laden necks in the 2008 elections.

In accepting his resignation, President Bush said: "It's sad that we live in a time when a talented and honorable person like Alberto Gonzales is impeded from doing important work because his good name was dragged through the mud for political reasons."

Funny, that's what the U.S. attorneys said when Gonzales fired them for not following political orders.

Moral: When you live by political expediency, you die by political expediency.

The case of Sen. Larry Craig was similar in that he was advised to resign by a terrified Republican establishment, but also very different. Craig was accused of making a coded homosexual overture to an undercover police officer in a public restroom. After his arrest, he pleaded guilty to a lesser charge in order to make the whole thing go away.

Bottom line: It didn't go away.

Despite his denials of being gay or having done anything untoward, his Republican buddies — the very same ones who had cheered him on for his sponsorship of anti-gay legislation — turned on him in a blink. He was stripped of his committee assignments and told he wasn't welcome anymore. (Perhaps his colleagues were fearful that people might think — Horrors! — that it's possible to be Republican and gay.)

Mitt Romney — who is either against being gay or all right with it, depending on the office he's running for — had recruited Craig to his presidential campaign but now thinks he's "disgusting." A real standup guy, that Romney.

Craig said he would resign, then had second thoughts and no wonder. Never before had an important senator fallen so far, so fast, for so little reason. His offense, according to police records, consisted of tapping his foot (possibly a homosexual signal, possibly not) and brushing against a police officer's hand.

They had better evidence than that when they convicted the Salem witches.

I don't like Larry Craig and I certainly wouldn't vote for him, but the case against him is tenuous at best. On the other hand, when you live by gay-bashing, you die by gay-bashing. It's only fair.

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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.

LOST ITEMS

When they drop the level of Dewey Lake by 25 feet, come November 1, they're likely to find a weird collection of plugs, reels, rods, motor props, beer cans and whiskey bottles (in dry Floyd County), yet!—just about everything. They'll find everything but my temper which I lost one fair afternoon a hundred yards or so below Sowders Creek.

UNFINISHED REPORT

Here we go on a fishing jag. If you can't fish, you can dream and yak...K. J. "Shorty" Bowles and his wife, Jeannette, visited me Monday afternoon just to give me a relapse of the thumps. They had a string of bass which weighed 24 pounds—what amounted, I believe, to the best string of fish I've seen taken there. I will charitably overlook the results of Mr. Bowles' fishing trip to the same waters next day, with that friend of mine who threatened to come by upon his return and reduce me to a state of nerves with his catch.

WORKS ON THE YANKEES

George Alley, who has left these parts for the great northwest, writes from Salem, Oregon, to tell me he got back from his vacation in time for the fall chinook salmon run and to boast that, day before he wrote, (September 26), he caught two weighing in at 36 and 41 pounds. Before he left here to return to Oregon, George rigged me up a trolling outfit he vowed would catch bass at Dewey Lake. Now he wants to know how it worked, and I must admit I haven't yet given it a trial. "I am anxious," he writes, "to hear how it works on Rebel bass. These Yankees bass sure go for it, but I guess a yankee will swallow most anything."

HONOR LONG OVERDUE

The naming of the new lodge at Jenny Wilcy State Park in honor of the late A. J. May, of Prestonsburg, was honor long overdue. But for this man and his dogged determination in the face of criticism and opposition, there would have been no lake there, to start with. We do not intend this statement to detract the naming of the new lodge for him, but we cannot overlook the fact that the lake itself should have borne his name.

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Every picture, they say, tells a story. We agree, after getting an overdose of these TV commercials. Most tell a fiction story.

LOCAL ART



photo by Kathy J. Prater

Whitaker's work portrays Appalachia in both starkly realistic and humorously surreal ways. The artist will be available for conversation and signings at a reception to be held in the MAC art gallery, just prior to the Bluegrass for Education concert featuring Charlie Sizemore on Saturday, September 29.

'America's greatest Appalachian artist' Whitaker's work on exhibit at MAC until Sept. 30

Art works by local artist Tom J. Whitaker, professor of art at Big Sandy Community and Technical College (BSCTC), will be on display at the Mountain Arts Center through September 30. All works on display are originals. Whitaker, who teaches at the Prestonsburg campus of BSCTC, commented, "Art has done more for me than I will ever do for Art."

Tom Whitaker is an educated man...there's no doubt about that. And, he's an artist...about that there is also no doubt. When you gaze into the face of a subject in one of his drawings you can feel that in a way he has somehow captured the very soul of that person...you almost expect them to speak.

The same thing goes for his drawings of such simple things as old abandoned houses and outhouses... for those of us who grew up around here - there's just, you know, a familiarity about them that those drawings capture. Whitaker's work has been exhibited in numerous shows and galleries. His work is collected by people from all walks of life and by people from all around the world. People appreciate the work not because it is pretty but because it has a sensitivity and realism.

Whitaker has been a major influence on Eastern Kentucky's perception of art. In his classes at Prestonsburg Community College and in the workshops he presents around the state, he stresses the importance of being one's self, rather than relying on public opinion. "Listen to the inner-self," proclaims Whitaker, and he follows his own advice by producing highly individual works of art.

We're thrilled to have Tom Whitaker's art grace the walls of our Gallery here at the Mountain Arts Center. Thanks so much for planning a visit to our Gallery to see these wonderful works of art. A Reception will be held in the Gallery just prior to the Bluegrass for Education Performance featuring Charlie Sizemore on Saturday, September 29



Fathers are good at telling tall tales

by JIM HORNBECK

"CHICKEN SOUP FOR THE FATHER'S SOUL"

I thought I would share with you a father's greatest fear: answering a 5-year-old child's questions of "Where do babies come from?" Even though I've reached an age at which I could be a grandpa (a young and virile one, I might add), it doesn't seem that it's been more than 20 years since I gave the "birds and bees" speech. Because I did such a magnificent

job of bungling my first attempt, my wife didn't entrust me with that chore a second time.

Although time has a way of mercifully erasing embarrassing moments from memory, I can recall, with depressing clarity, the circumstances of my father-son talk.

One night while Nancy and I were watching "All in the Family," she said calmly, "Jim, I think you should find time to tell Shawn about the facts of life. Soon."

"Aw, Honey," I whined, "the little guy is too young for that sort of

thing."

"I don't know about that." She smiled and raised an eyebrow. "Yesterday, Shawn wanted to know if he could trade his G.I. Joe for a Raquel Welch."

"They don't make Raquel Welch dolls, do they?" I asked. "No," she said, "but he didn't want a doll; he wanted Raquel Welch. THE Raquel Welch!"

I cleared my throat several times, fidgeted quite a bit and finally said, "Welllllll ... well, Honey, I guess you're right, but he's so young."

"Kids mature faster nowadays," she said comfortingly. "The curse of television and movie pre-views, I suppose."

"I better do it now and get it over with," I said.

If I remember correctly, our little talk ended with "... and so you see, an Indian shoots an arrow into the sky. If it lands in an oyster bed, the mommy will have a boy. If it lands in a strawberry patch, she'll have a girl."

"Then does the mommy have to

eat the oyster?" asked Shawn. "Ummm ... ahhh ... yeah, sure. And that's probably why there are more girls than boys," I said.

Suddenly, the bedroom door swung open. "Jim, JIM HORNBECK! How could you tell a story like THAT?" shouted Nancy. "Why, that's the most ridiculous thing I've ever heard."

"Mommy," said Shawn, "don't be mad. I knew it was just one of Daddy's stories."

(See SOUP, page six)



MOVIES FROM THE BLACK LAGOON

'Horror Hospital'

by TOM DOTY
TIMES COLUMNIST

Mad scientist movies don't get much more bizarre and over the top than this British exercise which blends the mad doctor formula with plenty of gore and the British mod rock scene of the early 1970s.

You gotta love a movie that tips its hand early and this one does that in the opening scene. A young couple runs through the English countryside and it is obvious that something fierce is after them.

Turns out it is a black limousine with a mad scientist in the back seat next to his dwarf assistant. The limo speeds up to catch the couple but at the last moment the assistant pulls a switch which releases a huge blade and basket.

The blade neatly decapitates the pair and the basket catches both their heads.

I don't know much about British sports but this appears to be one that never caught on over here. If you think that was something then wait till after the opening credits roll.

The next scene finds a songwriter named Jason in a fog-shrouded night club listening to a band ruin his latest song, "Mark of Death." The dreary number is nothing compared to the band, which is led by a cross dresser in leather garb and way too much lipstick.

Though he dresses as a woman the lead singer is no pansy and he promptly trounces Jason after suffering through his criticism. Getting beat up by a transvestite is too much for Jason and he opts leave town for a resort that is advertising great ambiance and plenty of birds (that's Londonese for "chicks").

To get to the spa, Jason must first suffer the admiring glances of a fey travel agent who leers at his crotch and licks his lips like Mark Foley at a "Boys to Men" reunion concert.

Next he gets a train to the spa and shares a compartment with a young woman named Judy. She is also headed for the spa to meet the aunt she never knew. It seems that Auntie and mom had a falling out over Judy being illegitimate. Aunt Harris turns out to be a very rude woman who isn't pleased to meet her niece and has just moved to England after an extended run as a Madam at one of Finland's finest brothels (who knew).

She's also involved with a mad Russian scientist named Storm who studied under Pavlov. Storm has been booted out of several countries due to his research, which involves turning people into zombies who will obey his every command.

The spa doesn't appeal to either of our heroes, who are put off by blood-soaked beds, zombified dinner guests and blood from the faucets. The pair

(See LAGOON, page six)

Reader no longer has to grin and bear it

by TOM and RAY MAGLIOZZI

Dear Tom and Ray:

I have a 2003 Jeep Liberty that groans so badly when I use the brakes, it causes people walking down the street to stop and stare. The noise seems to get louder when the weather is cold or damp. Living in Montana, we have plenty of cold days. I have had the local dealership check the brakes and have been told it is due to the high metallic content in the brake pads. I have been told to spray water directly into the brake-disk area when washing my vehicle to remove any dirt or debris that may be adding to the problem. It's not like I'm using it off-road, so I'm not sure there's really enough dirt to amount to anything. Brake performance doesn't appear to be affected. I've been grinning and bearing it for two years now. Is it really something I have to put up with? Give me a brake! Pretty please? — Karen (Miserable in Montana)

RAY: Ah, yes. With Liberty and groaning for all.

TOM: I'm surprised your dealer didn't sell you the special Jeep ear muffs for this, Karen.

RAY: Actually, your dealer should

have known about this. This is a common problem with Jeep Liberties, and Cherokees, too. Such a problem, in fact, that Jeep finally devised a solution for it.

TOM: The solution involves changing out something called the caliper slippers — which are like the ruby slippers from "The Wizard of Oz," except they're nothing like that. The caliper slippers just allow your mechanic to attach something called anti-rattle straps. And those straps keep the brake pads from moving too much, which is what causes the groan.

RAY: So go back to your dealer and ask him to look up Technical Service Bulletin "05-004-06 REV.A." If he looks surprised by the specificity of your request, tell him you read about it in Brake Groaning Weekly.

Reader needs second opinion

Dear Tom and Ray:

My wife's car is a 2001 Highlander with approximately 54,000 miles. About two years ago it began consuming oil and has gotten progressively worse. It has failed the last two emissions tests, the check-engine light comes on regularly and it

produces a large plume of blue smoke in the morning. Toyota just sent us a notice of an "oil gelling" problem, of which we have all the symptoms. Took the car in Tuesday, and on Wednesday they said it wasn't an oil-gel problem because the valve cover was clean; it was valve seals and would cost between \$1,600 and \$2,400 to repair. I have begun my argument with Toyota and would appreciate your input/help. Why would a vehicle with 54k miles need valve seals if it wasn't an endemic manufacturing problem? — John

RAY: Well, here's the background for everyone else. Toyota agreed to fix or replace a bunch of engines made from 1997 through 2002 that failed because their oil turned to sludge.

TOM: Toyota argued that it happened because owners didn't change their oil frequently enough. But lots of owners insisted they had changed the oil regularly. So, to limit the damage to its reputation, Toyota finally said, "OK, our engines are perfect, but we'll fix them anyway."

RAY: So the question is, Do you have a sludged engine or bad valve-guide seals, which cause the same symptoms? And the answer is, we

don't know.

TOM: Claylike clumps of oil in the valve train is the typical evidence of a sludged engine. But is it possible to have sludge start in the oil pan instead? We've never seen it, but I suppose it's possible.

RAY: So what you need, John, is a good old second opinion. Go to our Web site, www.cartalk.com, and click on the Mechanics Files. Enter your ZIP code and look for a recommended mechanic in your area who sees a lot of Toyotas. And pay him to have a look.

TOM: If he finds evidence of sludge anywhere in the engine, then you have a very good case to go back to the Toyota dealer and insist that they fix your engine.

RAY: If, on the other hand, an independent mechanic confirms that your valve-guide seals are to blame, you'll still want to go back to the dealer, but with a different argument.

And that argument would be, "Is a Toyota supposed to burn so much oil that it can no longer pass an emissions test at 54,000 miles?"

TOM: We would hope that they would be so embarrassed by this egregious engine failure that they'd offer to fix this no matter what the cause. And if the dealer won't help you, ask to speak with Toyota's Zone Manager.

RAY: Then, if the Zone Manager tells you to go take a hike, have your newly discovered independent

mechanic do the valve-guide work — assuming you like the guy. He'll do the work for less. And you're under no obligation to show loyalty to your dealer unless he demonstrates some loyalty to you, John.

Got a question about cars? Write to Click and Clack in care of this newspaper, or e-mail them by visiting the Car Talk Web site at www.cartalk.com.



Odds & Ends

■ MUNCIE, Ind. — Prosecutors are investigating whether a phony obituary was placed in a newspaper in an attempt to keep a convicted forger out of prison.

The obituary reporting the supposed death and cremation of Shawnda K. Hatfield was faxed to Delaware Circuit Court Judge Robert Barnet Jr.

But Hatfield, 41, was later found at her home in nearby Dunkirk and arrested. Barnet sentenced her Thursday to four years in prison for altering a check drawn on the account of White Feather Farms, where she formerly worked.

Hatfield said she had no idea how her obituary ended up in The Star Press.

Kathy Whittenburg, an employee in the newspaper's classified advertising department, said the obituary appeared after a caller purporting to be Hatfield's niece phoned The Star Press and later provided a telephone number she said belonged to a Florida crematory.

Deputy Prosecutor Joe Orick told Hatfield that if an investigation showed her relatives were involved in the fake obituary, "You can have a family reunion upstairs" — in jail.

■ TRENTON, N.J. — The state Supreme Court has dealt with gay marriage, education funding and abortion rights — and now, it can add "inflatable rat" to the list.

The case is about whether a town can ban a 20-foot inflatable rat.

The super-sized rat — on its hind legs and bearing fangs — had been blown up and displayed at a 2005 labor event in Lawrence Township until police enforced a law that bans banners, streamers and inflatable signs, except those announcing grand openings.

A labor official was fined \$100 plus \$33 court costs.

The event was staged by the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) to protest low wages being paid to electricians by an out-of-area contractor. The rat is a symbol used by organized labor to signal a labor dispute.

A three-judge appeals panel ruled Thursday that Lawrence Township could ban the big black rat and affirmed the labor official's fines.

However, because the labor official's claim that the law violates free speech wasn't completely rejected, the plaintiffs can appeal automatically to the state Supreme Court.

"That's the silver lining," said Andrew Watson, a lawyer arguing for the right of a union local to display the rat during a job site protest.

■ MANNING, S.C. — A woman who went to court to pay a traffic ticket drove there in a stolen car and ended up behind bars, authorities said.

Clarendon County sheriff's deputies received a tip that Amber Renee Helton was going to be in a stolen car when she paid the ticket, Chief Deputy Joe Bradham said.

They arrested her as she opened the door of the 2001 Dodge Intrepid on Tuesday morning, authorities said.

Helton, 21, and her passenger, 35-year-old Terry Lynn Alvery, were charged with possessing a stolen vehicle, Bradham said.

Helton was being held at the Clarendon jail Wednesday in lieu of \$5,000 bail. It was unclear whether she had an attorney, and a message left at the public defender's office was not immediately returned.

The vehicle had been reported stolen Aug. 28 in Tennessee, authorities said.

Helton had been in court less than a week before and was acquitted of possessing a stolen tag but convicted of driving without a license, Bradham said.

"I guess she thought, 'Hey, I got away with having a stolen tag. I might get away with the entire car,'" Bradham said.

■ CLAREMONT, Calif. — Here's a dream-come-true for Web addicts: college credit for watching YouTube.

Pitzer College this fall began offering what may be the first course about the video-sharing site. About 35 students meet in a classroom but work mostly online, where they view

YouTube content and post their comments.

Class lessons also are posted and students are encouraged to post videos. One class member, for instance, posted a 1:36-minute video of himself juggling.

Alexandra Juhasz, a media studies professor at the liberal arts college, said she was "underwhelmed" by the content on YouTube but set up the course, "Learning from YouTube," to explore the role of the popular site.

Class members control most of the class content and YouTube watchers from around the world are encouraged to comment, Juhasz said.

She hopes the course will raise serious issues about YouTube, such as the role of "corporate-sponsored democratic media expression."

YouTube is "a phenomenon that should be studied," student Darren Grose said. "You can learn a lot about American culture and just Internet culture in general."

■ WEST COVINA, Calif. — A man who got stuck in a chimney while trying to burglarize a Los Angeles County home was sentenced to two years in prison.

Marco Antonio Espinoza was sentenced Wednesday after

pleading no contest to a first-degree burglary charge.

Espinoza also was ordered to pay more than \$10,000 in restitution to the homeowners for damage to the West Covina residence, Deputy District Attorney Linda Chilstrom said.

Espinoza, 35, was arrested Aug. 26 after the homeowners found him stuck in their chimney. He allegedly told police he was doing construction on the house and claimed other people were with him.

Firefighters worked nearly four hours and dismantled the chimney to extract him.

■ ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. —

For six years, Avis Kirk had been wondering what the heck she had done with her small leather planner book that held her checkbook, credit cards, ID and about \$60.

The planner had vanished without a trace after the former Sands Casino Hotel food service worker set it down near the buffet for a few moments in 2001.

"I couldn't even imagine where it went," she said. "I thought it had been stolen. So many people helped me look for it."

But it wasn't until Ed Ensmann, a demolition crew supervisor helping tear down the former Sands building spotted it

in the rubble on Aug. 30 that the mystery was solved.

"We were doing interior demolition, tearing down some inside walls, and one of the Bobcat front-end loaders we use was right next to a wall," he said. "I was watching it pretty closely, and as soon as the Bobcat moved away, I saw it on the ground."

He speculated that the planner fell behind a low wall when Kirk put it down, and was simply overlooked as new walls were put up.

Pinnacle Entertainment, the Las Vegas-based company that will build a new \$1.5 billion casino on the Sands site, used old personnel records to track Kirk down by contacting a reference she had listed on her employment application, and with whom she had fallen out of contact.

"The most exciting part is that I'm back in touch with my friend after almost seven years," said Kirk, who lives in State College, Pa. "We plan to get together again very soon. Life is amazing."

It wasn't the first unusual discovery at the former Sands building this year. Last spring, Pinnacle workers discovered \$17,000 — most of it in coins — that had fallen under or around the casino's 2,350 slot machines over the past three decades.

SOCIAL SECURITY NEWS

Make sure your records match ours

by KIMBERLY THOMPSON
SOCIAL SECURITY TECHNICAL
EXPERT IN PRESTONSBURG

Did you know how important it is to regularly check your records to make sure that the name and number on your Social Security card match up with the name and number you're using elsewhere? If you don't, it could cost you time, money and effort to resolve.

Your Social Security number and the name on your Social Security card are often used by companies and government agencies as a way to check your identity. If anything is amiss, you could have a problem. That's why you should regularly check to make sure your records match. This is especially true for people who have recently changed their names, such as new brides or adopted children.

Here are a few examples of situations where mismatches can cause trouble.

■ Timely tax refunds. The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) checks your return against your Social Security records. If your name and number don't match up, it could mean a delay in your tax refund or trouble with the IRS.

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■ Leave the driving to us.

You'll have to if you can't renew your driver's license due to a name and Social Security number mismatch with your state's Department of Motor Vehicles.

■ Payroll problems. Make sure your employer and human resources department are using the correct name and Social Security number. Not only could it be a red flag to your employer when your identity doesn't match, it could affect your future Social Security benefits.

■ Credit where credit is due. If your earnings are not reported to Social Security under your correct name and number, you may not get the earnings credits you're due — and that could translate to lower benefit payments in your future. Such earnings discrepancies can be corrected, but it can cause an inconvenient delay when you file for benefits.

There are many reasons why your identity records should match ours. So make sure that any time you deal with a company or government agency, they have your correct name and Social Security number as it appears on your Social Security card.

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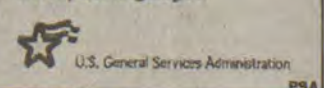
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For more information about benefits and services call your local Social Security Office in Prestonsburg at (606) 886-8525. The office is located at 1897 Kentucky Route 321 in Prestonsburg, KY. Representatives are available to answer questions.

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Soup

"You did?" I said, overcome with relief.

"Sure," said Shawn, "Mikey already told me where babies come from."

"He did?" we chorused.

"What really happens," he continued, "is a man and a woman go to Hollywood and get married. After they do a bunch of kissing and hugging,

they have a party and get lots of presents."

"Oh, good grief," sighed Nancy.

"And two of the presents are catalogs."

"What?" we chorused again.

"Then they choose a boy baby from Sears," said Shawn, "or a girl baby from JCPenney,

Lagoon

decide to investigate the facility before escaping but put off both plans when the script demands that they engage in some 1970s-style soft core sex.

Before you know it, Judy is scheduled for Dr. Storm's zombie treatment while Jason attempts an escape. He doesn't get far but he does manage to toss one of the spa's leather clad guards in a convenient patch of quicksand.

Eventually another man shows up looking for his missing girlfriend. This sets off Auntie, who decides to pack it in but is summarily executed by Storm.

It all comes to a close when our three swinging London singles band together and set fire to the castle before dispatching Storm into the same patch of quicksand used earlier. As the trio head out we get a glimpse of the scientist's hand emerging from the bog,

which is kind of funny since he had no head when he went under.

What makes this gritty Brit-splatter opera work is how weird and wild it is willing to get. It also overcomes budget limitations by amping up the horror and erotic elements. It's too bad that England only produced a few gore epics, due to tight censorship wackos who banned films left and right, because this effort shows that they were pretty good at it.

A game cast also helps tremendously here. Michael Gough (Alfred in the first four "Batman" films) anchors this one with his portrayal of Storm. Gough reads his lines as if they were Oscar bait and makes for a hissable villain.

Jason is well wrought by journeyman actor Robin Askwith, who looks like a cross between Mick Jagger and Roger Daltry. His hip

presence was used to great effect in a series of sex comedies called "Confessions of a (insert various job titles)" in which he was always cast as a schlub who would take a job, and meet all manner of women willing to drop whatever they were doing and pounce on him.

There is also a deft turn here by Skip Martin as the dwarf assistant. His cryptic line readings make him the smaller man's Christopher Walken.

Stick around too for the wild ending, which leaves no doubt that Dr. Storm is still wandering the English countryside with his head in his hands and a stack of bloodied corpses in his wake.

Best line: "The place is run by some kookie doctor and his wife. They've brainwashed a bunch of kids." 1973, rated R.

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Volleyball: Lady Cats knock off Allen Central

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

BETSY LAYNE – Betsy Layne turned back visiting Floyd County Conference/55th District rival Allen Central Thursday evening. The Lady Cats won their eighth game of the season and in the process dealt Allen Central its first conference/district setback. Betsy Layne prevailed 2-0 (25-16, 25-20).

Leading the way for Betsy Layne defensively was Taylor Watkins with three blocks. Taylor Watkins and senior Jordan Jarrell teamed up for another

block for the Lady Cats. Junior Andie Meade also came up strong defensively for Betsy Layne bringing in one block of her own. Samantha Stewardson and Tara Case also came up defensively with some very vital tips at the net during some close rallies. Offensively, Betsy Layne was led by junior Andie Meade, who went six-for-six in the attacks department. Freshmen Keleigh Wagner also came up strong completing five-of-seven attacks.

"We had some players step up their all around game," Betsy Layne Coach Christian Crase commented at the conclusion of the match. "We came

out strong and ready to play and I think this was a well deserved win for the Lady Cats. My attackers are really beginning to get into their game and things are going pretty well for us right now."

In the junior varsity match, Betsy Layne prevailed 2-1 (10-21, 21-16, 21-18).

After a rocky start and one injury to outside hitter Ariel Hopkins, Betsy Layne rallied back to consecutively win two games. Leading the way with serving for the Betsy Layne junior varsity team was freshman Keleigh Wagner and sixth-grader Allie Meade. Defensively, Keleigh Wagner

took control of the match. Freshmen Audri Ray and Taylor Watkins combined for 12 attacks. Taylor Watkins earned three more dominating blocks for the Lady Cat JV team.

"We have been working hard the past few weeks to become more aggressive and I have noticed as a team our defensive and offense has really improved," Crase added. "I cannot wait to see what is in store for the next few weeks."

Betsy Layne was in Pike County on Saturday, competing in the Belfry Bash. The Belfry event ended too late to make this edition.



Betsy Layne upended Floyd County Conference/55th District frontrunner Allen Central Thursday evening.

NASCAR may give bonus to regular-season leader

by JENNA FRYER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUDON, N.H. – NASCAR is considering creating a reward for the winner of the "regular season" in response to the huge points lead Jeff Gordon built before the Chase for the championship.

NASCAR chairman Brian France said earlier this week he is willing to explore the idea of rewarding the driver who is leading the points at the end of the 26th race of the season. Gordon built a lead of more than 300 points, but lost all of it when the field was reset this week for the Chase for the championship.

Gordon will start the Chase in second place based on the new seeding process. Jimmie Johnson, his teammate, is the new leader based on his six regular season victories.

Gordon said Friday that he doesn't feel slighted, but would like to see NASCAR address it going forward.

"If I didn't know what the rules were going into the season, I'd say we got the shaft. But that's not the case," Gordon said. "Ever since they've had the Chase, they've said what it is. But I do think they're going to have to revisit now, going back."

"If you're going to have incentives for guys to win races, you have to have some kind of incentive for a guy to go out there and be the points leader at that point. I wouldn't be surprised if they revisit that a little bit."

NASCAR spokesman Jim Hunter said Friday that the sanctioning body will discuss the issue during the offseason. Among the ideas being kicked around are awarding additional bonus points to be used in the seeding, more prize money or a trophy different from the Nextel Cup.

"I think there's some merit to what 'Four-Time' is saying," Hunter said. "We've already had some conversations and it will be a hot topic this winter."

France has been unafraid to tweak the Chase format, which he developed before the 2004 season. The original version saw the top 10 drivers after 26 races, and any driver within 400 points of the leader, advance to a 10-

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Prestonsburg quarterback Bobby Hughes (2) anticipated the snap during Friday's non-district game against Lawrence County.

photos by Jamie Howell

Blackcats impound Dawgs

P'burg's Craynon rushes for 209 yards, 5 touchdowns

by JAMIE HOWELL
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

PRESTONSBURG – John DeRossett paced the Blackcat sideline last week with thoughts of seasons past racing through his mind.

"I had thoughts of teams from a few years back going through my mind last week," DeRossett said as he watched his Blackcats steamroll Bath County. "These kids are playing with some fire and heart and I can see good things happening for this team."

Prestonsburg welcomed longtime rival Lawrence County for homecoming on Friday, but the Blackcats were anything but hospitable to their visitors from Louisa. Junior tailback Alan Craynon rushed 19 times for 209 yards and four touchdowns and also hauled in a 60 yard touchdown pass from quarterback Bobby Hughes to help lead Prestonsburg to a 42-12 win over Lawrence County.

The game started slow for the Blackcats as Lawrence County took the opening kickoff and marched 67 yards to take an early 6-0 lead. A two-yard touchdown plunge from Coty Roberts put the Bulldogs ahead. Prestonsburg needed only two plays from scrimmage to take the lead as Hughes hit Craynon with a 60-yard bomb. Clay Jamerson's point-after kick gave Prestonsburg a 7-6 lead with 6:55 remaining in the first quarter. The first quarter ended with Prestonsburg leading 7-6.

Junior tailback Seth Setser pushed the Blackcats out to a 13-6 lead with an 18-yard touchdown dash at the 11:52 mark of the second quarter. After a Bulldog punt, Prestonsburg needed only five plays for Craynon to tack on his second touchdown run of the night, this time from five yards out as the Blackcats took a 21-6 lead with 6:20 remaining in the first half. Prestonsburg would take that same 21-6 lead into halftime.

Prestonsburg would put the game away early in the third quarter as Craynon rumbled 62 yards for his third touchdown of the night, allowing the Blackcats to build a 28-6 lead. Lawrence County quarterback Boone Goldsmith got the

(See BLACKCATS, page two)



The Prestonburg offense churned out its share of yards on the ground.



BLACKCAT ROYALTY: Ali Hackworth was crowned the 2007 Prestonsburg High School Football Homecoming Queen

CLASS A, DISTRICT 8: TIGERS TOO MUCH FOR REBELS

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PIKEVILLE – Any momentum Allen Central had following a 28-0 shutout win over Phelps one week earlier was quickly halted Friday night when Paintsville visited Floyd County for a Class A, District matchup versus the Rebels. Paintsville beat a district opponent for a third straight week, defeating Allen Central 44-13.

Nehemiah Doderor paced an explosive Paintsville rushing attack, gaining 146 yards on six carries. Doderor and Tyler Deaton each had three touchdowns for the visiting Tigers. Deaton gained 96 yards rushing on seven carries. One of the area's most versatile players, Deaton also returned an interception for a touchdown.

Doderor wasted little time in getting Paintsville on the scoreboard. He produced Paintsville's first touchdown on a 24-yard run with 9:20 remaining in the first quarter.

After an unsuccessful extra-point kick, Paintsville was left to lead 6-0.

Doderor hit paydirt on a second rushing touchdown from 81 yards out with 18.1 left in the opening quarter. Paintsville led 12-0 at the conclusion of the initial frame.

The Tigers went out in front 19-0 when Tyler Deaton scored on a 19-yard touchdown reception from quarterback J.D. VanHoose.

Cory Humphrey found the endzone on a 67-yard run and Doderor returned to the endzone for a second time in an offensive-heavy first half for the Tigers.

Deaton provided a 22-yard interception return for a touchdown with 6:18 to go in the second quarter.

Paintsville, under the guidance of second-year head coach Jim Tom Allen, packed a commanding 31-0 lead into halftime. The Tigers managed to pick off Stumbo a total of five times. Allen Central had five turnovers in the first half alone. Rebel quarterback Chris Stumbo was intercepted three times in the first

half. For the game, Allen Central picked off four of Stumbo's passes.

After a lengthy, time-consuming drive, Doderor stretched Paintsville's lead out to 37-0 on a three-yard touchdown run with 4:32 remaining in the third quarter. Following an extra-point kick that hit its mark, Paintsville led 38-0.

Allen Central (1-3) – despite the final score – made a strong fourth quarter push, producing a pair of final period touchdowns.

Nathan Meade had an interception to help Allen Central set up its first scoring drive in the fourth quarter. On the losing end of a 38-0 score, Allen Central scored its first points with 6:44 remaining in the game when Stumbo hooked up with Wes Crager on a 15-yard scoring pass. The Rebels were unable to cap their first touchdown with a two-point conversion. After recovering an on-sides kick, Allen Central returned to the endzone at the 6:13 mark of the final quarter when Alex

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photo by Steve LeMaster

Allen Central quarterback Chris Stumbo (10) led the Rebels on a promising drive during the first quarter of Friday's district game versus Paintsville.

Tickets now available for Pikeville's games at Kentucky, Marshall

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE – Tickets are now available for the Oct. 31st men's basketball game between Pikeville College and the University of Kentucky as well as the Nov. 13th contest between the Bears and Marshall University.

Tickets for the UK game, to be played in Rupp Arena at 7 p.m., are on sale for \$28. Tickets and a reception in the Hyatt Regency, connected to the arena, are \$50. The reception will begin at 5 p.m.

All seats are in the upper arena.

Pikeville College alumnus Donnie Jones will coach his first game at Marshall on Nov. 13 when the Bears roll into Huntington for a 7 p.m. start at the Henderson Center. Tickets are \$13, tickets and a reception at the Hall of Fame café in downtown Huntington are \$30.

"These are two games I'm sure fans of Pikeville College have been dreaming about all their lives," said Ron Damron, director of athletics. "The opportunity is now here and we want to make every effort to see that as many Pikeville fans, alums and boosters are there to see these games in person."

"I'm sure Coach (Kelly) Wells is excited and wants to see a big crowd there in orange and black for these games. This is an opportunity I know our fans will take advantage of."

Tickets will be on sale Saturday afternoon when the Bears play host to second-ranked St. Francis at the W.C. Hambley Athletics Complex. Kickoff is slated for 1:30.

Fans may also call Carole Ward at 606/218-5224 for tickets and more information.

PC MEN'S BASKETBALL EARLY 2007-08 SCHEDULE

Oct. 31 at Kentucky, 7 p.m. (Exhibition)
Nov. 3 Johnson Bible, 5 p.m.
Nov. 4 at Tenn. Tech, 3 p.m. (Exhibition)
Nov. 6 at King, 7 p.m.
Nov. 9 Shawnee State, 7 p.m.
Nov. 13 at Marshall, 7 p.m.

Lorezen ready for Giants if Manning can't play

by TOM CANAVAN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Because of his weight, Jared Lorezen has been called a lot of nasty things on the football field.

"Round Mound," "Hefty Lefty" and "J-Load" are just a few.

The former Kentucky player is ready and eager to accept a new title this weekend — starting quarterback for the New York Giants.

There is a big if, though. The 285-pound left-hander only gets it if Eli Manning can't play against the Green Bay Packers this weekend because of a sprained right shoulder suffered in the 45-35 loss to Dallas on Sunday night.

Manning took some snaps, made a few handoffs and tossed lightly to test his bruised right shoulder on Wednesday. He did not practice and coach Tom Coughlin gave no indication whether he would play Sunday.

"I am encouraged by his progress," Coughlin said of Manning. "He is less sore than he was the day before, that kind of thing. The swelling is way down. So I'm encouraged by that."

In his gut, Lorezen expects Manning to start his 43rd consecutive game for the Giants.

"If he is fine at all, he is going to go in there and play," Lorezen said after leading the first-team offense in practice. "That's the type of competitor he is. That's Eli. Not everyone

gets to see that. I know deep down that if he can, he will be out there."

Lorezen, however, is preparing as if he will get the call. He even admits his anxiety level is rising.

"But that's good," he said. "If you're not excited and if you're not anxious about this opportunity, then you're not alive."

Until a couple of days ago, Lorezen had never thrown a pass in a regular season or playoff game in his first two seasons in the NFL. His only real regular-season action came on a couple of quarterback sneaks in which the Giants used his bulk for a little extra push.

Lorezen, who hasn't started a game of significance since

Kentucky played Tennessee in the Wildcats' final game of the 2003 season, got to throw three passes on the Giants' final series against the Cowboys.

"It is definitely faster," said Lorezen, who completed one pass for seven yards "You can't get overwhelmed. That's the thing I am trying not to do. All the guys are telling me to just play my game."

Lorezen, who sat out the 2004 NFL season because of personal problems, doesn't expect the Giants game plan to change much if he plays. He said offensive coordinator Kevin Gilbride probably will call a few more plays that he likes. However, he also said the goal of the offense will be to run the ball.

Lorezen was impressed

watching the Packers' defense on film on Tuesday with Manning. He said the defensive line was tough, Nick Barnett and A.J. Hawk are outstanding linebackers and cornerbacks Al Harris and Charles Woodson good defenders. He also expects the Packers to blitz more, noting that's how the Giants would go after an inexperienced quarterback.

"You have to get up there and make plays and not try to force stuff," Lorezen said. "I know my role. That's not to lose the game. Protect the ball. No turnovers."

His only concern is his timing with the starting receivers, Plaxico Burress and Amani Toomer and tight end Jeremy Shockey. It showed on Sunday, when Lorezen and

Burress couldn't get together on a long pass down the right sideline.

Burress and Toomer spent time working with Lorezen after practice, getting used to how hard he throws and the rotation of his pass, which is the opposite of the right-handed Manning.

"Everyone has confidence in him," Toomer said. "There's nothing too crazy out of L-L. He knows the offense."

Center Shaun O'Hara said very little will change for the offensive line if Lorezen plays. They just have to get used to his cadence and block.

"The inside joke is we can run the quarterback sneak all day and gain four yards every time," O'Hara said.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL: No. 4 West Virginia 31, Maryland 14

by DAVID GINSBURG
ASSOCIATED PRESS

COLLEGE PARK, Md. — Steve Slaton was outstanding, as usual. No one, however, expected West Virginia's running game to be so Devine.

Slaton ran for 137 yards and three touchdowns, Noel Devine amassed 125 yards on his first three carries, and No. 4 West Virginia cruised past Maryland 31-14 Thursday night.

Slaton scored on runs of 22, 1 and 1 yards. He has 41

touchdowns at West Virginia, one short of the school record shared by Ira Errett Rodgers and Avon Cobourne.

The 5-foot-8 Devine served as a Slaton's setup man. Early in the third quarter, Devine ran 31 yards to the Maryland 1, putting Slaton in position for his second TD run.

Late in the period, Devine rambled 76 yards to the Maryland 1. Slaton scored on the next play to put the Mountaineers up 28-7.

In the fourth quarter, Devine ran for 18 yards to

place West Virginia (3-0) in position for a field goal.

Devine, a freshman, finished with 136 yards rushing on five attempts.

Keon Lattimore ran for 80 yards and a touchdown for Maryland (2-1). The Terrapins yielded a total of 350 yards in their first two games; West Virginia finished with 448.

West Virginia took the second-half kickoff and moved 63 yards in nine plays to go up 21-7. Three punts later, Devine's 76-yard run — tied for the longest non-scoring carry

in WVU history — helped put the Mountaineers up by 21.

It was 31-7 before Maryland's Jordan Steffy threw his first career touchdown pass, a 22-yarder to Danny Oquendo with 5:50 left.

A year ago, Maryland fell behind West Virginia 28-0 in the first quarter en route to a 45-27 loss. The Terrapins were determined to get off to a better start this time, but instead were thrust into an immediate flashback of last season's disaster.

On the first play from scrimmage, Steffy mishandled the snap and the Mountaineers' Johnny Dingle recovered. Two plays later, West Virginia quarterback Pat White ran 20 yards for a touchdown with 45 seconds elapsed.

This time, however, the Terrapins bounced back. Five plays after Steffy completed a 33-yard pass to Darrius Heyward-Bey on third-and-10 from the West Virginia 49, Lattimore ran in from the 4. It was his sixth touchdown of the

season, matching the total of his previous three years.

Early in the second quarter, West Virginia's Owen Schmitt broke loose on a 44-yard run to the Maryland 23. Slaton then ran to the 2, but the march fizzled before Pat McAfee botched a 22-yard field goal try.

The Mountaineers got it right on their next possession. After White completed a 35-yard pass to Darius Reynaud on a third-and-11 play, Slaton scored on a 22-yard run.

Blackcats

Bulldogs within 28-12 with a three-yard plunge to open the fourth quarter. Craynon's fourth touchdown run came at the 10:35 mark of the fourth quarter on a 43 yard run.

Senior linebacker Nathaniel Stephens intercepted a Goldsmith pass late in the fourth quarter at midfield and returned it to the Lawrence County five-yard line, setting up Craynon's fifth touchdown

of the night from five yards out. A stout defensive effort from Prestonsburg helped keep the Bulldog offense in check. Matt Blevins, Darrin Lawson and Setser led the Blackcat defense along with Stephens and Dalton Taylor.

Taylor Clark, Austin McKinney and Jamerson each finished the non-district game with three tackles.

Prestonsburg improved to

3-1 while Lawrence County fell to 0-4. The Blackcats will travel to West Liberty next Friday for a district matchup with the Morgan County Cougars. Kickoff for the Prestonsburg-Morgan County game is set for 7:30 p.m. Prestonsburg will look to improve to 2-0 in district play after knocking off Bath County 38-7.

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VOLLEYBALL TIMES TWO: Former Betsy Layne High School standout Kristal Daniels (10) is a member of the Pikeville College volleyball team (pictured above). The BLHS volleyball program is looking to play its way back into the 15th Region Tournament.

Miners announce Meet Coach Kevin Keathley Tour

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE — The Meet Coach Kevin Keathley Tour will visit four Eastern Kentucky cities in four separate counties in four days, Sept. 17-20. The event will run from 6-8 p.m. each day. Stops are planned for Pikeville, Hindman, Inez and Prestonsburg. Coach Kevin Keathley is entering his first season at the helm of the East Kentucky Miners, an expansion team in the Continental Basketball Association (CBA). The Miners will begin play in November. East Kentucky will play its home games at the Expo Center in Pikeville. The Meet Coach Kevin Keathley Tour will kick off on Monday in Pikeville at Hibbett Sporting Goods.



Kevin Keathley

"I'm really excited about having the opportunity to get out in various parts of Eastern Kentucky next week and visit with the basketball fans of the area," said Keathley. "It gives me an opportunity to spread the word about East Kentucky Miners Basketball and what we've been up to as of late."

Keathley has spent eight years as a coach in the college and pro basketball ranks. After successful coaching stints at Lees College and St. Catharine

College, Keathley guided the Louisville Eagles to the 2003 UPBL championship.

In 2004, Keathley was named head coach of the ABA's Kentucky Colonels. The Keathley-coached Colonels finished the 2005 season 21-12, falling to eventual league champion Arkansas in the second round of the playoffs. The Colonels ranked fourth in the Massey Ratings. Keathley was named the ABA Coach of the Year following the 2005 season. At the time, Keathley was the youngest head coach in pro basketball.

In 2006, Pro Basketball News (www.probasketballnews.com) ranked Keathley as one of the top 10 young coaches in America. Most recently, Keathley was the top assistant coach of the Rio Grande Valley Silverados.

The East Kentucky Miners Coach has authored a book on basketball, entitled *Hardwood Constitution — A Blueprint to Coaching Success*.

Keathley is an Eastern Kentucky native.

Various members of the Miners organization will join Keathley on the tour. During each of the Meet Coach Kevin

Keathley Tour stops, fans will have the opportunity to win Miners merchandise through various drawings and giveaways. In addition, information on how to purchase season tickets will be available. Fans will also be able to ask the East Kentucky coach questions about his coaching history as well as the Miners and what the upcoming season holds for the CBA expansion team. Members of the Diamond Girls Dance Team — official dance squad for the East Kentucky Miners — will also be a part of the Meet Coach Kevin Keathley Tour.

A schedule for the tour follows.

The Meet
Coach Kevin Keathley Tour
Sept. 17-20
(6-8 p.m. each day)

Monday, Sept. 17
at Hibbett Sporting Goods,
Pikeville

Tuesday, Sept. 18
at Holly Hills Shopping
Center, Hindman

Wednesday, Sept. 19
at Roy F. Collier
Community Center, Inez

Thursday, Sept. 20
at Prestonsburg High
School/Blackcat Stadium,
Prestonsburg

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NASCAR

race title hunt.

But he widened the field to 12 this season, eliminated the 400-point qualifier and implemented a seeding system that awarded bonus points for wins. Gordon had four of them, good enough for second place in the initial seedings. He trails Johnson by 20 points.

Johnson, meanwhile, leads 12th-place driver Clint

Bowyer by 60 points based on his wins.

Jeff Burton, who is starting the Chase in 10th, could sympathize for Gordon but said it's dangerous to continue tweaking the system.

"Everybody knew going in what the points were and that there's been a cry in the public and in the media about wins being more important than just finishing fifth," he said.

"That's what this point structure does. It's an example of 'Be careful of what you ask for.'

"It's been a constant cry in the garage from fans and media about wins should mean more. Now they do, now the guy that led the points pretty much the whole time is second. There's always the other side of things."

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Tigers

Hammonds connected with Stumbo on a 34-yard scoring strike. After a successful Allen Central point-after kick, Paintsville was out in front 38-13. Deaton tacked on Paintsville's final touchdown of the district game.



Lady Raiders upend Allen Central

TIMES STAFF REPORT

EASTERN — South Floyd handed host Allen Central its first A-Team girls' basketball loss on Wednesday, edging the Lady Rebels 43-39.

Kiana Hall had a game-high 20 points for the Lady Rebels. Ashley Castle narrowly missed double figures for South Floyd, scoring nine points. Gabby Bailey added eight points for the Lady Raiders.

South Floyd was 12-for-20 from the free throw line.

Logan Cline led Allen Central with 16 points. Amber Shepherd followed with 12 points for previously undefeated Allen Central.

The Lady Rebels were nine-for-16 from the charity stripe.

B-TEAM: Allen Central 36, South Floyd 6 — Deshea Elliott led a balanced Lady Rebel scoring effort with a game-high 11 points. Amber

Shepherd and Hannah Macellose added eight points apiece for the Lady Rebels.

Allen Central dominated the B-Team game, outscoring visiting South Floyd 12-0 in the first quarter. The Lady Rebels went into halftime out in front 18-2.

Allen Central outscored South Floyd 10-2 in the third quarter.

Three different South Floyd players scored two points each.

Lady Rebs roll past Osborne

TIMES STAFF REPORT

EASTERN — Allen Central Middle School D- and C-team basketball squads defeated visiting Osborne in games Monday. More on each game follows.

C-TEAM: Allen Central 34, Osborne 8 — Jeni Dingus scored a game-high 12 points and Krista Parsons pushed in 10 as the Lady Rebels prevailed in the C-Team game. Deshea Elliott tossed in six

points for host Allen Central. Brooklyn Martin, Lannah Gibson and Katerina Poston rounded out the Allen Central scoring with two points apiece.

Elliott was Allen Central's leading rebounder, pulling down seven boards. Parsons had five rebounds and two assists for the Rebels.

The Allen Central C-Team improved to 7-0 following the win.

D-TEAM: Allen Central 22, Osborne 11 — Jayla

Spurlock scored seven points and Jeni Dingus added six as Allen Central defeated Osborne in the D-Team game. Lannah Gibson followed with points for the Lady Rebels. Allyssa Moore and Katerina Poston rounded out the Allen Central scoring with two points apiece.

Osborne managed to exit the first quarter out in front 4-1. The Lady Rebels charged back in the second quarter and led 9-6 at halftime.

AC stumps Stumbo for two wins

TIMES STAFF REPORT

EASTERN — Amber Shepherd turned in a double-double effort of a game-high 24 points and 11 rebounds Monday night as South Floyd turned back visiting John M. Stumbo 58-22 in an A-Team girls' basketball game. Megan Jones was Allen Central's second-leading scorer, netting 15 points. Jones also had a double-double, dishing out a game-high 10 assists.

Allen Central grabbed an early lead and never trailed.

The Lady Rebels outscored Stumbo 18-4 in the first quarter and entered halftime ahead 30-4.

Homestanding Allen Central held Stumbo to four or fewer points in each of the first three quarters, outscoring the Lady Mustangs 18-3 in the third quarter.

Hannah Macellose added six points for the Lady Rebels. Logan Cline chipped in four points and Caitlin Kidd netted three. Krista Parsons and Jeni Dingus each had two points for victorious Allen Central.

Stumbo outscored Allen Central 15-10 in the final period.

Five different Stumbo players scored in the setback.

Allen Central swept all three games of a tripleheader. More on each of the other two games follows.

B-TEAM: Allen Central 49, John M. Stumbo 8 — Krista Parsons connected on 10 field goals for a game-high 20 points in Allen Central's impressive B-Team victory. Amber Shepherd added 16 points for the Allen Central B-Team.

Bengals' defense gets turnovers, saves opening win over Ravens

by JOE KAY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — Six inches was all that separated the ball and the goal line — and, most likely, an unwanted overtime.

A suspect Cincinnati Bengals defense refused to budge one more inch, preserving a season-opening, 27-20 victory Monday night over the Baltimore Ravens. As first impressions go, this was the best kind.

Maybe a defense that has been more of a downfall can hold its own this season.

"The whole offense was fired up for them because everybody keeps asking about the defense," quarterback Carson Palmer said. "There's a lot of question marks. I think they answered every question."

"They flat-out won the game."

They had plenty of help. Steve McNair had a hand in four turnovers, and the Ravens (0-1) had more than enough self-inflicted setbacks on offense to make their first game as defending AFC North champions a nightmare.

The difference: Cincinnati's defense didn't collapse in the frantic closing minutes.

"That's what we are going to need," receiver Chad Johnson said. "It's a journey — a long journey — that we are talking about. Both sides have to stay even the entire year, no ups and downs."

Usually, the defense just drags them down.

The Bengals (1-0) had the NFL's worst pass defense last season, setting up their third 8-8 finish in coach Marvin Lewis' four seasons. The Bengals spent the offseason

retooling the defense again, adding to their depth on the line and in the secondary.

Mainly, they've been trying to add some speed. It was evident during the decisive dozen plays at the end.

Rudi Johnson's fumble gave the Ravens possession at Cincinnati's 24-yard line. Kyle Boller's 14-yard pass to Derrick Mason gave the Ravens a first-and-goal at the 3-yard line — usually a sign that a touchdown will follow.

Last season, the Bengals' defense was one of the worst at stopping opponents inside the 20-yard line. They gave up 29 touchdowns in 52 such opportunities, ranking 25th in the league.

"We were just in the huddle saying, 'Somebody make a play,'" defensive lineman Michael Myers said.

They made a bunch of them.

After Willis McGahee ran the ball to within 6 inches of the goal line, tight end Todd Heap was called for pushing off on his touchdown catch on the next play. A holding penalty on the Bengals gave the Ravens another chance — now first-and-goal from the 6-yard line. McGahee ran to the 2, and the Ravens decided to throw it on the next two plays.

After an incompleting, Boller's pass to Heap bounced off the tight end's shoulder and was intercepted by a diving Myers in the end zone.

This was something new for this defense.

"As a defense, when the other team is ahead of you or it's tied, we try to take the game over," Myers said. "It's something we pride ourselves on — stepping up."

The Bengals got six

turnovers in all, reminiscent of their 2005 season. The defense gave up a lot of yards that year, but led the league with 31 interceptions and 44 takeaways that set up 153 points.

As a result, the Bengals won the AFC North and reached the playoffs for the first time since 1990, losing to eventual Super Bowl champion Pittsburgh in the first round.

Last season, the turnovers fell back to more typical levels — 19 interceptions, 31 takeaways — and the Bengals fell back to 8-8.

The defense recognized that its first-game showing could have a lot of significance beyond just the win. A game like that could set a tone.

"They won the division last year," defensive lineman Robert Geathers said. "We

want it this year."

TODAY'S NFL GAMES:

Buffalo at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m.; Indianapolis at Tennessee, 1 p.m.; Green Bay at N.Y. Giants, 1 p.m.; Houston at Carolina, 1 p.m.; San Francisco at St. Louis, 1 p.m.; Cincinnati at Cleveland, 1 p.m.; New Orleans at Tampa Bay, 1 p.m.; Atlanta at Jacksonville, 1 p.m.; Dallas at Miami, 4:05 p.m.; Minnesota at Detroit, 4:05 p.m.; Seattle at Arizona, 4:05 p.m.; Kansas City at Chicago, 4:15 p.m.; N.Y. Jets at Baltimore, 4:15 p.m.; Oakland at Denver, 4:15 p.m.; San Diego at New England, 8:15 p.m.

MONDAY'S GAME:

Washington at Philadelphia, 8:30 p.m.

Riddled by injuries, Bengals' offensive line is holding its own

by JOE KAY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — Center Eric Ghiaciuc wobbled off the field after getting hit in the head — a very bad thing, considering he already had a sore neck. Pro Bowl right tackle Willie Anderson came and went a few times.

Left tackle Levi Jones? He didn't even play, though he's not sure why.

With linemen shuffling in and out, the Cincinnati Bengals held together in a season-opening win over the Baltimore Ravens, the defending AFC North champions. It said a lot about their offensive line.

This group may not be up to the standards of the last few

years, but it's off to a nice start in creating its own identity.

"We're still going to be a learning process as we go," Anderson said Wednesday. "It's not the O-line of '05, where you have five guys with a lot of experience. There's new guys in. So don't try to match this line with the line of '05 because the experience factor is not there."

It's got one important game under its girthing belt.

Facing the NFL's toughest defense, the line held its own during a 27-20 win over the Ravens on Monday night. The numbers weren't great — Rudi Johnson ran for only 50 yards on 18 carries, Carson Palmer threw for only 194 — but no one puts up great numbers against that defense.

More important, the line wasn't overwhelmed. It gave up only one sack and provided Palmer with enough time to throw a pair of touchdown passes.

"It was like an opening game, but against a great defense," said left tackle Andrew Whitworth, in his second season. "We played adequate at times, not up to the level we think we can play."

The line ought to be a little more stable Sunday in Cleveland, where the Bengals will be trying to extend their dominance over the Browns (0-1). Cincinnati has won the last five games against its intrastate rival, with Johnson running for an average 141 yards per game.

Why? The blocking has been that good.

"They know we've had a lot of success running the football the last few years against them," Johnson said. "That's one of their main things coming into this game: Stop the run."

The Bengals' makeshift line wants to keep a good thing running. One of the NFL's top offenses is built upon a line that was one of the NFL's most stable until this year.

The transition started last season, when center Rich Braham broke a bone in his leg and Jones tore knee cartilage. Braham retired at the end of the season, and Jones was still recovering from knee surgery during training camp.

Although Jones got a six-year contract extension last summer that included \$16.3 million in guaranteed money, he has lost his starting job to Whitworth for now. Jones was one of only two Bengals who didn't play Monday night.

Jones complained about his lack of practice time in the preseason, drawing a rebuke from coach Marvin Lewis. Asked Wednesday about his backup status, Jones said, "It is what it is."

Lewis said that Jones' lack of playing time wasn't a punishment for his public complaints.

"I believe Levi will play, and I believe Levi will probably start at some point," Lewis said Wednesday.

Ghiaciuc is expected to

start against the Browns, with the 32-year-old Anderson playing as long as his chronically sore right foot allows. Fifth-year pro Scott Kooistra will take over when he can't go any longer.

"I went as far as I could go, as long as I could give the team a great effort," Anderson said of the opener. "I felt Scott could do a better job than I could at that point."

Few teams could overcome the loss of their center and two tackles the way the Bengals did.

"We're blessed," Lewis said. "We had seven guys — seven guys deep. Levi did not play a snap. That's eight players that can go in and play winning football."

Marlin, Nemechek suing Ginn for breach of contract

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CONCORD, N.C. — Sterling Marlin, Joe Nemechek and two crew chiefs have filed breach of contract suits against Ginn Racing and Dale Earnhardt Inc.

All four lost their jobs when the two teams merged in late July, and in separate lawsuits filed last week in Cabarrus County they claim they are owed their salaries. The suits don't specify what the parties are seeking, but say "demand for payment has been made ... but (Ginn and DEI) have failed and/or refused to pay all or any part."

Land developer Bobby Ginn bought the race team last summer, but merged it with DEI in late July. A week before the merger, he released Marlin, a two-time Daytona 500 winner, and Nemechek.

Crew chiefs Richard Labbe and Peter Sospenzo lost their jobs after the merger.

A spokesman for Ginn did not immediately return a call for comment, but DEI general manager John Story said his organization is not responsible for the old contracts.

"While we were named as a party to the lawsuit, we were never a party to the contracts in question," Story said. "This is an

obligation that Ginn will be addressing and any further questions regarding this matter should be directed to them."

According to the suit, both drivers were due to make \$1.2 million this season, and were promised 45 percent of their race winnings and 33 percent of souvenir sales. Nemechek earned more than \$4 million in race winnings last season, while Marlin made \$3.2 million.

Labbe, the crew chief for Marlin, and Sospenzo, crew chief for Nemechek, were earning \$450,000 annual salaries.

201 SPEEDWAY POINTS STANDINGS

LATE MODEL: 1. Paul Harris, 650; 2. Randy Boggs, 610; 3. Michael P. Howard, 510; 4. Rodney Davis, 490; 5. Rod Evans, 465; 6. Anthony Adams, 450; 7. Brandon Fouts, 450; 8. Terry Hicks, 405; 9. Raymond Nichols, 405; 10. Richie Edwards, 315; 11. Eric Wells, 305; 12. Kevin Hall, 290; 13. Shanon Thornberry, 270; 14. Brandon Johnson, 270; 15. David Smith, 255; 16. Jacob Ross, 250; 17. David Powers, 240; 18. Tandy Spurlock, 195; 19. Harold Redman, 195; 20. Tom Hall, 190; 21. Brittany McKinney, 190; 22. Jimmy Ferguson, 175; 23. Gary Rager, 145; 24. Chris Meadows, 140; 25. Cowan Kinney, 120; 26. Randy Caudill, 115; 27. Benny Butcher, 115; 28. Michael Butcher, 105; 29. Donald Runyon, 100; 30. Danny Bates, 95; 31. Scooter Lemaster, 95; 32. Casey Vitale, 80; 33. Jimmy Perkins, 70; 34. Corey Wedell, 60; 35. David Webb, 55; 36. Erick Christian, 55; 37. Robert Fletcher, 55; 38. Brian Pennington, 50; 39. Daniel Williams, 40; 40. Albert Butcher, 40; 41. Tom Pennington, 35.

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BETSY LAYNE HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL: The BLHS volleyball team pulled off a hard-fought win over Floyd County Conference/55th District rival Allen Central Thursday evening. Head coach Christina Crase guides the Ladycat volleyball program.



LADY REBEL JV: The Allen Central junior varsity volleyball team has played one of the area's most competitive schedules. The team has played in tournaments in Lexington and Louisville.

EKU Athletics Hall of Fame induction ceremony to be held Oct. 12

TIMES STAFF REPORT

RICHMOND — The second annual Eastern Kentucky University Athletics Hall of Fame induction ceremony will be held on Friday, Oct. 12 in the historic Keen Johnson Building. The evening will begin with a 5:30 p.m. reception, followed by a 6:30 p.m. dinner and the ceremony.

Reservations to attend can be made by contacting the Colonel Club office, via

phone (859-622-2046) or email (treka.adams@eku.edu). The reservation deadline is Friday, Sept. 28. Tickets are \$25 and must be reserved in advance.

This year's induction class includes: Pamela Raglin Andrews (track & field), Ed Bodkin (men's basketball), Donald G. Combs (athletics director, swimming), George Floyd (football), Myron Guyton (football), Aaron Jones (football), John Nganga (track & field), Goebel Ritter

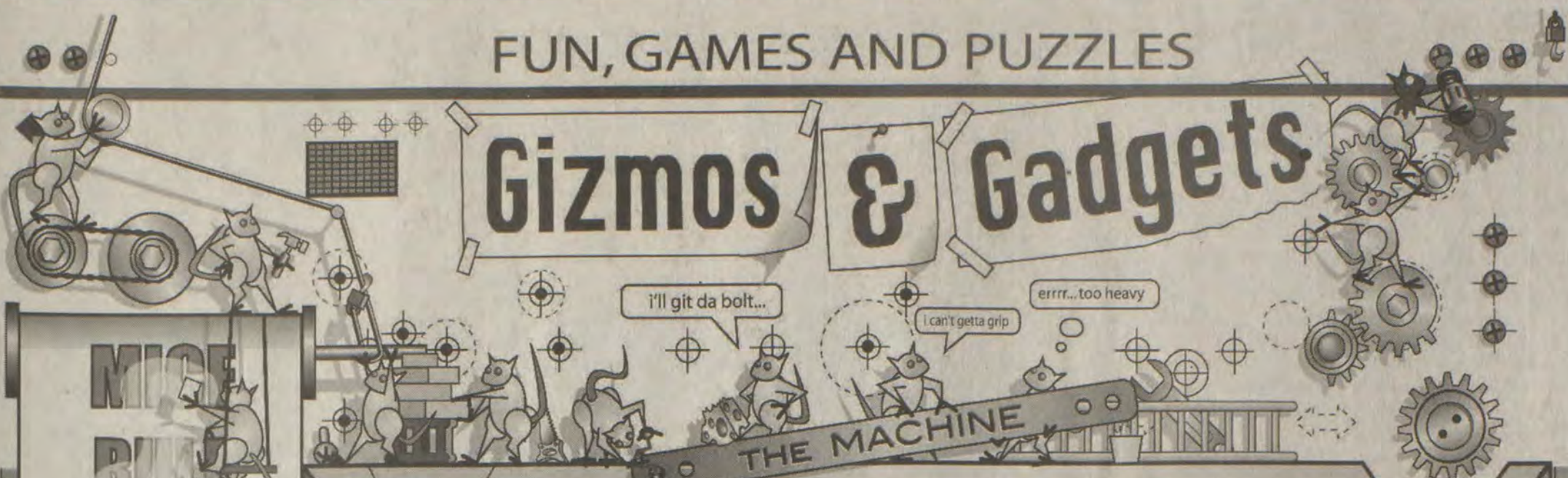
(baseball, basketball, golf, track) and Chrissy Roberts (women's basketball).

The 2007 induction class will also be recognized immediately prior to Eastern Kentucky's football game against Southeast Missouri State.

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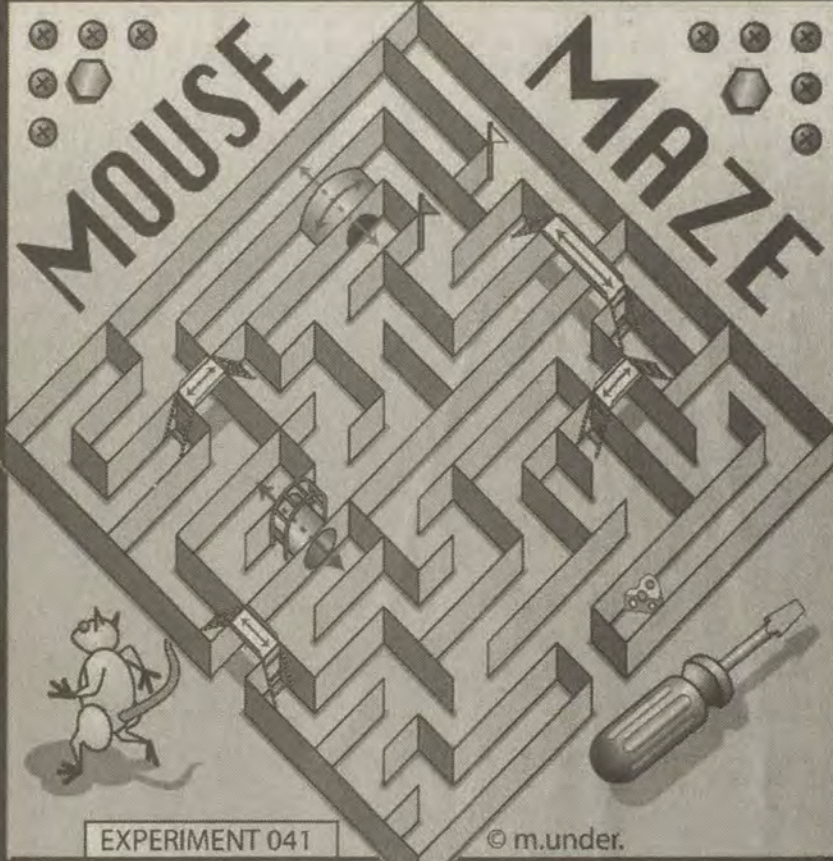
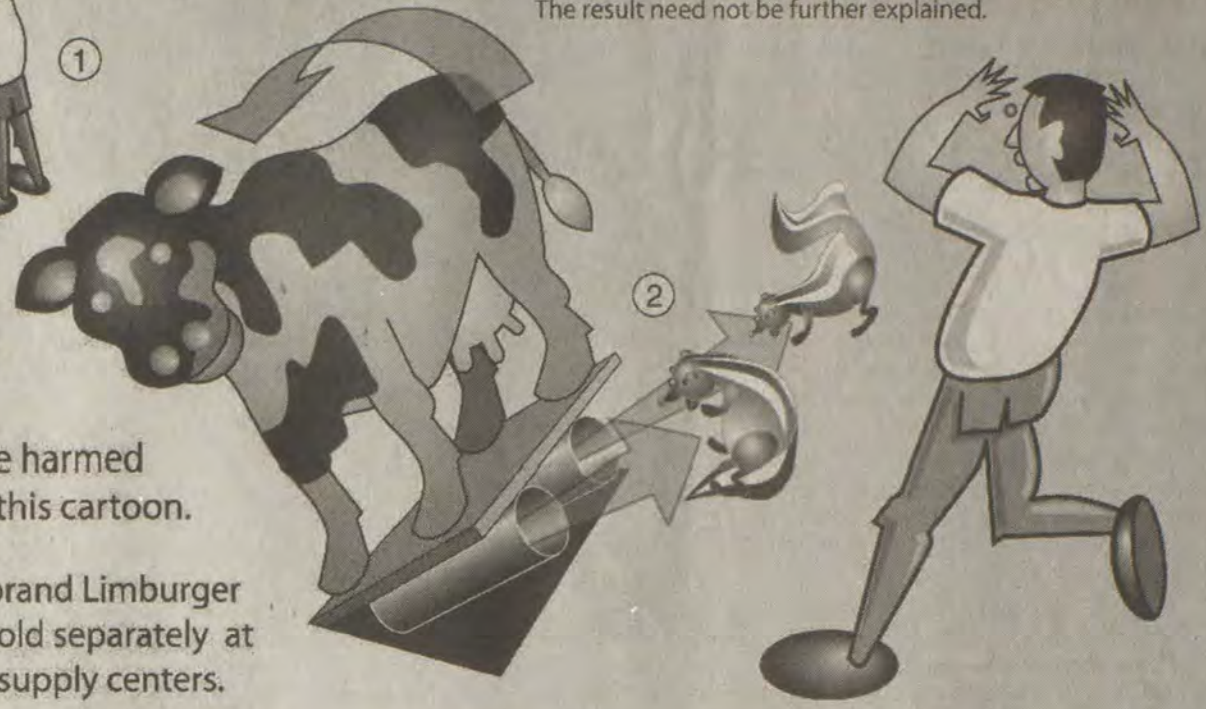


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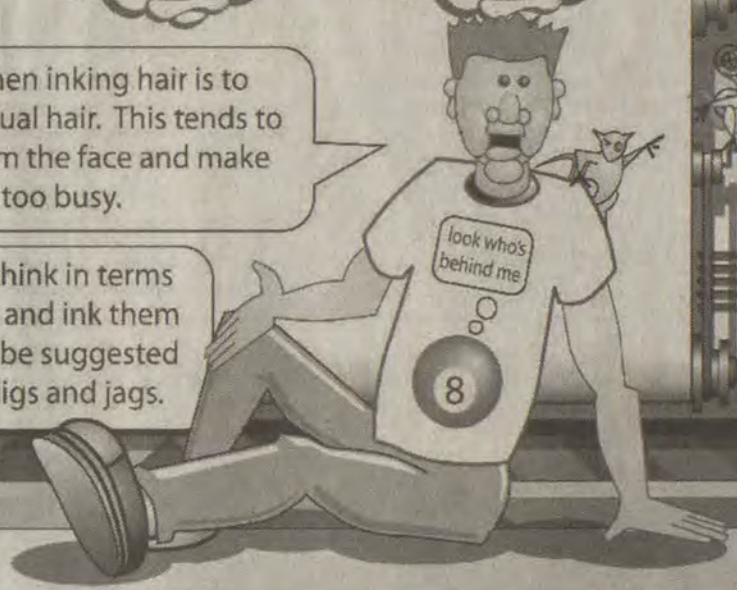
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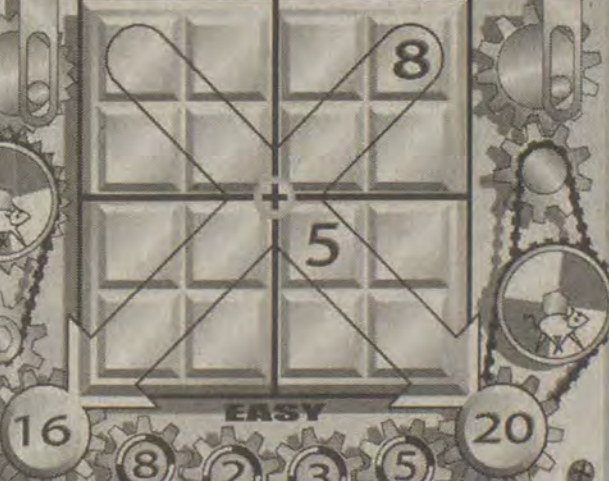
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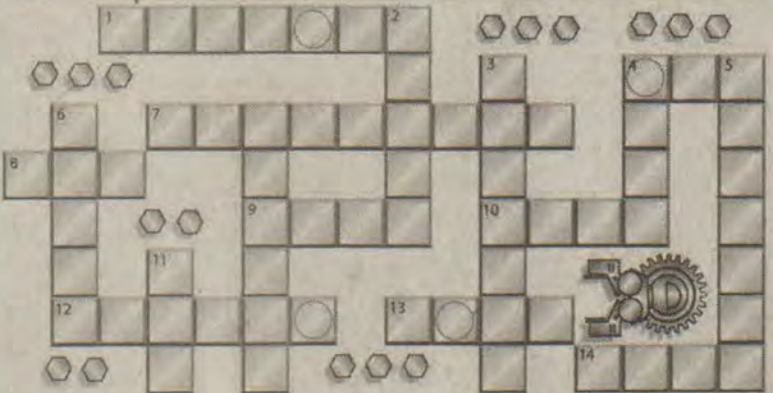
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House For Sale: Located at Wayland, Ky. Front Street. Third house on right above Castles Store. Chain length fence around yard, carport, 5 BR, HUGE LIVING ROOM, cobble stone chimney, kitchen, sunroom. Serious inquires only. Less than \$60,000. Call 606-358-4137

Brick & Stone House for Sale. Four bedrooms, two and a half baths. 2900 square feet. Desirable location in Trimble Branch. Reasonably priced. Call 886-2020

Sale or Lease

1900 Sq. foot Modular home. 3 BR 2 bath. Lots of amenities. Call 874-9289.

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Apartment
 1 bedroom at Hueysville - one person, \$290 per month, HUD accepted, 886-9478

Townhouse
 2 BR 1 Bath w/d hookup 2 car garage \$575 per month plus utilities plus deposit. Call : 606-522-4122 or 606-477-2783

For Rent near college. Nice, clean, furnished or unfurnished. 1 BR apt, no pets, references, lease and deposit required. 886-3565.

Apt for rent 1, 2, or 3 BR. furnished. Some utilities included. References required. Call 886-8366.

1 BR Apt for rent. 4 miles West of Prestonsburg on Parkway. \$450

monthly, includes utilities. Call 886-6061

Two BR apt near McDowell. Electric and water included. \$425 per month. \$250 deposit, HUD approved. If interested please call 606-663-7639 or 606-377-0454.

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.

House for rent: Small, clean, 6 room W.D, stove, refrigerator. Good for couple. No pets, located in McDowell close to hospital, school, ad church. 606-377-6505

2 BR furnished house for rent. Suitable for 2 working people. Clean and private near Jenny Wiley lake. Call 886-3941 or 025-0215 FURNISHED!!!

2 BR mobile home at Emma. No pets. \$475 per month plus \$250 deposit. Call 886-8072.

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MH, pay own utilities, security deposit required. Located in Prestonsburg area. Call 886-3998.

MH for rent, 2 BR mobile home with yard. No pets. Call 285-3980.

1 Bedroom trailer for rent. Located on Cliff Rd. Call 886-3047 or 226-3047

Trailer for rent: Jim Potter Branch on Spurlock Creek. 2 1/2 miles from MAC. 889-9825

2 BR MH AT Emma NO PETS. \$475 per month \$250 deposit. 1 YR lease. 886-8072.

LEGALS

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Charles Ray Patton, P.O. Box 120, Langley, Ky. 41645, has filed an application with the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet, to construct a two-car garage—30x30 block. The site is located at Langley, Maytown, "Right Beaver". Turn off of Route 80 to Route

777, go across bridge, third street on right. First white house on right. Comments or objections concerning this application should be directed to: Kentucky Division of Water, Water Resources Branch, 14 Reilly Road, Frankfort Office Park, Frankfort, KY 40601. Phone: (502) 564-3410.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Rodney Nelson, 41 Cedar Drive, Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653, has filed an application with the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet to construct a 24x60 building at the intersection of South Harkins Drive, Main Street, in West Prestonsburg, Ky. 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.

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Score points with your guests by using a variety of cuts, from hickory smoked ham steaks to quarter cut spiral sliced ham, a smaller version of the traditional spiral sliced half ham. These conveniently packaged portions of ham, easy to place in a cooler, are perfect for any tailgate party. Tossed on the grill or incorporated into a classic dish, you can serve them in so many ways — from salads to casseroles, to mini sandwiches and kabobs.

Winning recipes, including Ham Steak Kabobs and Ham, Spinach and Pepper Appetizer Rolls are sure to please even the most discerning tailgating connoisseur. Versatile and flavorful, Cook's Ham (both boneless and bone-in) offers heat and eat options that are quick and easy to prepare so you can spend more time celebrating victories and less time prepping food.

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Be the MVP of your next game-day gathering. Check out tailgating recipes, grilling tips and tricks, and more information online at www.CooksHam.com.

Ham Steak Kabobs

Serves 4 to 6

- 1 Cook's Bone-in Ham Steak (about 1 pound) or 1 Cook's Bone-in Thick-cut Ham Steak (about 2 pounds), cut into 1-inch pieces
 - 1 medium red bell pepper, cut into 8 chunks
 - 1 medium green bell pepper, cut into 8 chunks
 - 8 cherry tomatoes
 - 8 small mushroom caps
 - 8 chunks fresh pineapple
 - 1 medium sweet onion, such as Vidalia, cut into 8 wedges
 - 1/2 cup Italian dressing, divided
1. Prepare grill for medium heat.
 2. Thread ham onto 8 metal or wooden* skewers alternately with bell peppers, tomatoes, mushrooms, pineapple and onion. Brush with half the dressing.
 3. Grill kabobs 8 minutes, or until ham reaches internal temperature of 160°F when tested in center with meat thermometer and vegetables are crisp-tender, turning and brushing occasionally with remaining dressing.

*If using wooden skewers, soak in water at least 30 minutes before using to prevent them from burning.

Ham, Spinach and Pepper Appetizer Rolls

Serves 10 to 12

- 1 Cook's Bone-in Ham (quarter-cut spiral or Ham Steak, approximately 1 pound)
 - 1 package (8 ounces) cream cheese, softened
 - 2 tablespoons Dijon mustard
 - 3 green onions, chopped
 - 6 flour tortillas (8-inch)
 - 18 large spinach leaves, stems removed
 - 1 jar (12 ounces) roasted red peppers, drained, patted dry and cut into thin strips
1. Cook ham according to package directions and dice approximately 2 1/2 cups.
 2. Mix cream cheese, mustard and onions in small bowl until well blended.
 3. Spread evenly onto tortillas, to within 1/4 inch of edges. Cover each tortilla with 3 spinach leaves; pressing lightly into cream cheese mixture to secure. Top with roasted peppers and ham. Roll up tightly; wrap individually in plastic wrap. Refrigerate at least 1 hour, or until chilled.
 4. Remove plastic wrap. Trim ends from roll-ups; discard. Cut each roll-up into 6 pinwheels to serve.

Ham Steak Grilling Tips

- Bone-in ham steaks serve approximately three to four people.
- Remove ham from wrapper.
- Preheat grill.
- Set grill rack three inches from heat.
- Heat approximately three minutes on each side for ham steaks, or approximately five minutes on each side for thick-cut steaks.
- Heat until product center reaches 160°F (use meat thermometer to be sure). Remove immediately.
- Apply your favorite glaze, if desired. Check out www.CooksHam.com for ideas.

Handling Ham

If serving within seven to 10 days of purchase, keep ham refrigerated. For longer storage, freeze the ham. For best results, use within three months after freezing.