

HRMC, SEIU agree on contract

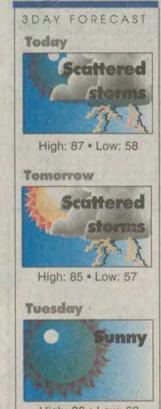
by JACK LATTA STAFF WRITER

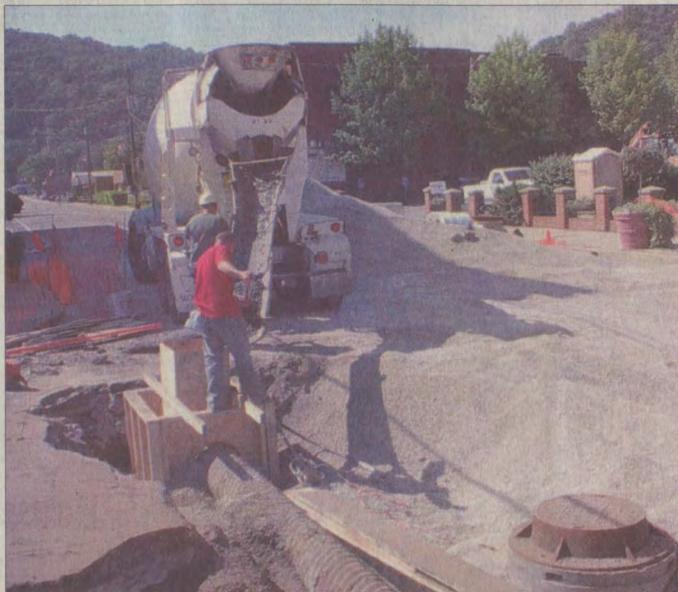
PRESTONSBURG — Highlands Regional Medical Center, along with employees with the Service Employees International Union District 1199 (SEIU District 1199) announced last week an agreement which will allow the 253 members of the bargaining unit and management to continue their focus on quality patient care.

Jeanette Voisine, with HRMC said in a release that negotiations between SEIU and the hospital were "very productive and both parties demonstrated a commitment to obtaining a fair contract for employees at HRMC."

According to officials with SEIU, for the first time in the history of the contract, the agreement between caregivers and management was resolved three weeks before the current contract expired. In previous negotiations, contract talks frequently broke down, resulting in strike notices.

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Workers have begun putting back together the intersection of Court Street and Lake Drive, and open to have traffic flowing through Prestonsburg's main thoroughfare this week.

Downtown sewer project finishing ahead of schedule

by JACK LATTA STAFF WRITER has been closed except for local access plans of what is under the city streets. due to the need to separate the city's "We have to be very careful because sever from its storm drains. The separate

plans of what is under the city streets. "We have to be very careful because there are other utilities, such as gas lines, that also run under the street," Ellis said prior to construction beginning.

Knott officials found guilty

by TONYA AMBURGEY HAZARD HERALD

PIKEVILLE — After hearing closing arguments from the both sides on Wednesday in the case against four Knott County officials accused

of voting buying and m is us in g public funds, it was left in the hands of the jury, who took several hours to find the men guilty.



ilty. Thompson

men, Knott County Judge-Executive Randy Thompson and three other county officials, Ronnie Adams, John Mac Combs, and Phillip Champion, were accused of paving and graveling private driveways and building private bridges with county money in an effort to influence the 2006 judge-executive race, a race that Thompson won, making him the first Republican judge to ever be elected in the county.

Even though they had maintained their innocence throughout the trial, the jury came back with the verdict Thursday evening finding them guilty, but it didn't convict them on every count. During his closing argument on Wednesday, U.S. Attorney Ken Taylor asked the jury to hold the men accountable and compared their efforts to those of former Knott County Judge-Executive Donnie Newsome, who spent time in prison on vote

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PRESTONSBURG — The downtown sewer construction in Prestonsburg which was projected to take six weeks to three months to complete, is now expected to wrap up this week after less than a month of work.

"We paved on Friday, should hang signals on Tuesday, and hope to have it back open by Wednesday," said David Ellis, of Prestonsburg City Utilities.

All of Lake Drive between Graham Street and the Route 114 intersection

tion had been mandated by the state, and was a hot-button issue for Prestonsburg residents tired of their city smelling like last month's sewage.

Ellis said the biggest reason for the work going faster than expected was the personnel involved. "Long, hard hours of work," explained Ellis, who added that the crew put in a couple of nights on the job as well.

The reason given for the length of the project was the lack of "as built" "We didn't really know what was in there," Ellis said on Friday. "But everything went a lot quicker than expected."

Probably the most tedious aspect of the construction involved the rerouting of traffic around the city, which caused numerous headaches, the destruction of

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Governor signs pension bill

by ROGER ALFORD Associated Press

FRANKFORT — Gov. Steve Beshear signed legislation Friday afternoon aimed at shoring up the state's financially troubled pension system for public employees.

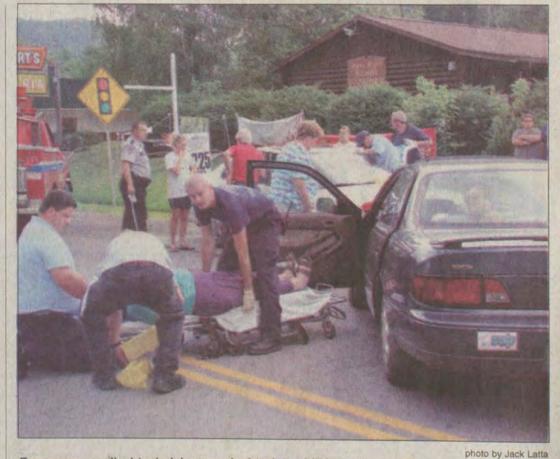
The measure cleared its final legislative hurdle on Friday morning when the Senate approved it on a 35-1 vote. The House had passed the measure 98-0 on Wednesday.

"We are honoring our commitment to teachers, police officers, firefighters and other public employees by protecting their retirement benefits over the long term," Beshear said during a bill signing ceremony inside the state Capitol.

Legislative leaders who hammered out an agreement on the legislation over three weeks of private negotiations described the bill as a first step toward returning solvency to the state retirement system, which has a \$26 billion unfunded liability.

The reforms require future state employees to work longer before being eligible for retirement. To retire with full benefits, the sum of an employee's age and years of employment would have to total 87. The plan would also require new employees to contribute 1 percent of their

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FLOYD COUNTY

James R. "Buster" Addis, 81, of McDowell, died Tuesday, June 24, at the Appalachian McDowell Regional Hospital. Funeral services were held Friday, June 27, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Eddie Dean Berger, 51, of Bevinsville, died Friday, June 20, at the Pikeville Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Kris Berger. Funeral services were held Monday, June 23, under the direction of Roberts Funeral Home, Robinson Creek.

Bufford Conn, 61, of Martin, died Saturday, June 21, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Janet Faye Adkins Conn. Funeral services were held Tuesday, June 24, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Kameron Keith Crum, infant son of Amanda and Keith Crum of Martin, died Monday, June 16, at St. Joseph, Martin. Funeral services were held Friday, June 20, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Bobby Ray Fife, 69, of Dutton Alabama, formerly of McDowell, died Wednesday, June 18, following a prolonged illness. He is survived by his wife. Brenda Mosley Fife. A memorial service was held Saturday, June 21, at 5 p.m., at Assembly of Faith, in Pisgah, Alabama.

Loretta F. Frasure, 70, of Hucysville, died Saturday, June 14, at her home. Funeral services were held Tuesday, June 17, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Quintin Gearheart, 57, of Martin, died Saturday, June 21, at St. Joseph, Martin. Hc is survived by his wife, Luci Crum Gearheart. Funeral services were held Wednesday. June 25, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Audra Mae Wallen Hicks, 83, of Garrett, died Monday, June 23, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital. Funeral services were held Friday. June 27, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Gladys Hayes Hicks, 92, of Langley, died Sunday, June 15, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. Funeral serJune 16, at Cabell-Huntington Hospital in Huntington, WV. Funeral services were held Thursday, June 19, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Shirley Rae Johnson, 74, of Dwale, died Monday, June 9. at King's Daughters Medical Center, in Ashland. Funeral services were held Thursday, June 12, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Angie Bell Justice, 85, of Prestonsburg, died Saturday, June 21, at St. Mary's Hospital, Huntington, West Virginia. Funeral services were held Tuesday, June 24, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Gertrude Ratliff Adkins Lowe, 72, of Prestonsburg, formerly of Elkhorn City, died Monday, June 23, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. She is survived by her husband, Bobby Lowe. Funeral services were held Friday, June 27. under the direction of Pikeville Funeral Home.

James Darvin McGuire, 89, of Prestonsburg, died Saturday, June 21, at his home. Funeral services were held Wednesday, June 25, under the direction of Carter Funeral Home.

Cynthia Ann Prater, age 79, of Prestonsburg, died Sunday, June 22, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were held Thursday, June 26, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Beulah Ann Roberts, 63, of Harold, died Saturday, June 21, in the Vanderbilt University Hospital North, in Nashville, Tennessee. Funeral services were held Wednesday, June 25, at 1:00 p.m., under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Nora Lou Poe Williams, 60, of Hilliard, Ohio, a native Prestonsburg, died lo Wednesday, June 18, in OSU Medical Center in Columbus. She is survived by her husband, Paul Thurman Williams. A graveside service was held Tuesday, June 24, at the Poe Cemetery, Family in Prestonsburg, under the direction of Carter Funeral Home.

JOHNSON COUNTY

Saturday, June 21, at his residence. Funeral services were held Thursday, June 26, under the direction of Preston Funeral Home.

 Gilbert Lee Powers, 76, of Paintsville, died Thursday, June 19, at Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center. He is survived by his wife. Neva Lee Spears Powers. Funeral services were held Saturday, June 21, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Esther B. Roach, 81, of Ironton, Ohio, a Johnson County native, died Saturday, June 21, at King's Daughters Medical Center in Ashland. Funeral services were held Tuesday, June 24, under the direction of Hayes-Phillips Funeral Home.

LAWRENCE COUNTY

Anna Ruth Boggs, 70, of Blaine, died Tuesday, June 24, at her residence. She is survived by her husband, Clarence Boggs. Funeral services were held Friday, June 27, under the direction of Wilson Funeral Home.

William Morrison Kennedy Sr., 82, a Louisa native, died on June 24, in Three Rivers Medical Center in Louisa. He is survived by his wife, Helen Ernestine Kennedy. A graveside service was held Friday, June 27. under the direction of Young Funeral Home.

Mae Belle Moore, 72, of Louisa, died Friday, June 20, at home. Funeral services were held Monday, June 23, under the direction of Young Funeral Home.

PIKE COUNTY

 Melody Ann Akers, 46, of Robinson Creek, died Thursday, June 19, at her residence. She is survived by her husband, Clark E. Akers. Funeral services were held Sunday, June 22, under the direction of Roberts Funeral Home.

Hazel Riddle Damron, 86 of Pikeville, died Tuesday, June 24. at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Thursday, June 26, under the direction of Pikeville Funeral Home.

Eugene Bethard Damron, 73, of Little Creek, died Friday, June 20, at the University of Kentucky Medical Center, Lexington. He is survived by his wife, Mabel Damron. Funeral services were held Tuesday, June 24. under the direction of Lucas & Son Funeral Home.

survived by her husband, Center, in Prestonsburg. He is Jimmy Keene. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, June 24, under the direction of Lucas & Son Funeral Home.

Shirley Lambert, 90, of Pikeville, died Thursday, June 19, at Parkview Nursing Home, Robinson Creek. A memorial service was held Tuesday, June 24, at the Bent Ridge Cemetery, Meta. Arrangements were under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

Edgar Ramey, 87, of Huddy, died Sunday, June 22, at his home. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, June 25, under the direction of R.E. Rogers Funeral Home.

JOHNSON COUNTY

 Letha Mac Hackworth, 61, of Oil Springs died Tuesday, June 24. She is survived by her husband, Herbert Hackworth. Funeral services were held Friday, June 27, under the direction of Paintsville Funeral Home.

Mary Magdalene Hayes, 85, of Flat Gap, died Thursday, May 29, at her residence. Funeral services were held Saturday, May 31, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home. Jackie Ray 'Jack'

Hobson, 59, of Prestonsburg, died Saturday, June 21, at Highlands Regional Medical Home, Willard, Ohio.

survived by his wife, Ruth Price Hobson. Funeral services were held Tuesday, June 24, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Kenneth Paul Holt Jr., 31, of Paintsville, died Saturday, June 21, at his residence. Funeral services were held Thursday, June 26, under the direction of Preston Funeral Home.

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MAGOFFIN COUNTY

 Virginia Fay Prater Saylor, 87, of Salyersville died Tuesday, June 24. Funeral services were held Friday, June 27, under the direction of Magoffin County Funeral Home.

Pauline Shepherd Schrader, 66, of Plymouth, Ohio, formerly of Gunlock, died Saturday, June 14, at the Ashland, Ohio Hospice House.She is survived by her husband, Billy Paul Schrader. Funcral services were held Tuesday,' June 17, under the direction of Secor Funeral

KNOTT COUNTY

Jeanie Lynn Caudill, 32, of Topmost, a native of Martin, died Thursday, June 12, at Kindred Hospital in Louisville. Funeral services were held Sunday, June 15, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Hindman.

Ramona Lee Hall, 40, of Kite, died Sunday, June 15, at, home. Funeral services were held Wednesday, June 18, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Hindman.

Fairly Slone, 82, of Raccoon, died Tuesday, June 24, at her residence. Arrangements, under the direction of Lucas & Son Funeral Home.

Eva Smith, 92, of Hindman, died Saturday, June 14, at the Hazard Appalachian Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were held Wednesday, June 18, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services.

Beechie Sturgill, 84, of Harsen Island, Michigan, died Tuesday, June. 24, at the Odyssey House, Southfield, Michigan. Funeral services were held Friday, June 27, in the Thacker Funeral Home Chapel with burial in the Sturgill Family Cemetery, Harold.

State advises Kentuckians to leave fireworks to the pros

FRANKFORT — Many Kentuckians enjoy the tradition of viewing fireworks as celebrate the they Independence Day holiday. To help ensure that your holiday celebration is safe, attend a community fireworks show, advises Kentucky State Fire Marshal William Swope Jr.

"Professional fireworks shows are staged by experienced companies that take all the safety precautions," Swope said. "Plus, a pyrotechnics show is a much more exciting experience than setting off fireworks at home.'

that explodes or shoots in the air.

Every year throughout the United States, thousands of people end up in hospital emergency rooms with injuries from fireworks. In 2007, hospitals treated nearly 10,000 such injuries. Moreover, 90 percent of the injuries were caused by legal fireworks, according to the National Fire Association Protection (NFPA)

Beyond the injury factor, home fireworks cause many fires. Independence Day sees more fires in the United States use home fireworks, here are some tips:

Always read and observe label directions.

Remember to keep water handy

Always have an adult present.

Never re-light a "dud" firework. Don't give fireworks,

including sparklers, to small children.

Stay away from dry vegctation.

Swope's remarks came during a news conference promoting summer safety. The

vices were conducted Tuesday, June 17, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Jackie Ray 'Jack' Hobson, 59, of Prestonsburg, died Saturday, June 21, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg. He is survived by his wife, Ruth Price Hobson. Funeral services were held Tuesday, June 24, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Ambers Jarrell, 88, of Banner, died Monday, June 23, in the VA Medical Center, in Lexington. He is survived by his wife, Virginia B. "Jenny" Jarrell. Funeral services: were conducted Thursday, June 26, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Tommy Lee Johnson, 20, of Prestonsburg, died Monday,

Madge Deleene Black, 73, of Coal Grove, Ohio, a native of River, died Thursday, June 19, in Community Hospice Care Center in Ashland. Funeral services were held Monday, June 23, under the direction of Phillips Funeral Home.

Lora Gould, 80, of Naples, died Sunday, June 22, afternoon at Community Hospice Care. Arrangements, under the direction of Preston Family Funeral Home.

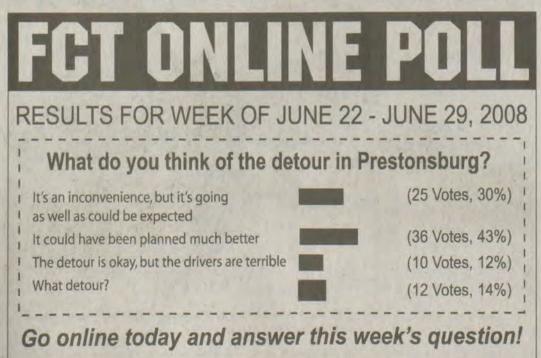
Mary Magdalene Hayes, 85, of Flat Gap, died Thursday, May 29, at her residence. Funeral services were held Saturday, May 31, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Kenneth Paul Holt Jr.,

Fred Eplin, 50, of Pikeville, died Saturday, June 21, at Pikeville Medical Center. He is survived by his wife Vivian Edmonds Eplin. Funeral services were conducted Monday, June 23, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

Gary Douglas Friend, 66, of Pikeville, died Monday, June 23. Arrangements, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

Vertreecy Keene, 47, of Elkhorn Creek, died Saturday, 31, of Paintsville, died June 21, at her home. She is



What should Prestonsburg do with its anticipated surplus?

- · Pay down city debts
- Spend it on improving existing city services
- Spend it on new city services
- Return it to the taxpayers -- it's their money



Home fireworks carry substantial risks for little reward, Swope said. In Kentucky, only Class 1.4G (consumer) fireworks are allowed by law. This excludes firecrackers, roman candles, and any other device

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than any other day of the year, with most fires caused by fireworks, the NFPA reports. In 2005, fireworks caused an estimated 1,800 structure fires and 700 vehicle fires.

Cabinet for Health and Family Services has established a Web page offering safety tips on a variety of summer activities. Web address The 15 http://chfs.ky.gov/summersafety08

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CRIT LUALLEN AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

To the People of Kentucky Honorable Steven L. Beshear, Governor Jonathan Miller, Secretary Finance and Administration Cabinet Honorable Robert D. Marshall, Floyd County Judge/Executive Honorable John K Blackburn, Floyd County Sheriff Members of the Floyd County Fiscal Court

Independent Auditor's Report

We have audited the Floyd County Sheriff's Settlement - 2006 Taxes for the period July 20, 2006, through July 18, 2007. This tax settlement is the responsibility of the Floyd County Sheriff. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on this financial statement based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and the Audit Guide for Sheriff's Tax Settlements issued by the Auditor of Public Accounts, Commonwealth of Kentucky. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statement is free of material misstatement. An audit includes examing, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall fianancial statement presentaiton. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As described in Note 1, the Sheriff's office prepares the financial statement on a prescribed basis of accounting that demonstrates compliance with the modified cash basis, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statement referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the Floyd County Sheriff's taxes charged, credited, and paid for the period July 20, 2006, through July 18, 2007, in conformity with the modified cash basis of accounting.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated February 28, 2008, on our consideration of the Sheriff's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance.

That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

espectfully submitted, Crit Luallen

Auditor of Public Accounts

State law requires the Auditor of Public Accounts to annually audit fiscal courts, county clerks, and sheriffs; and print the results in a newspaper having general circulation in the county. The complete audit and any other audit of state agencies, fiscal courts, county clerks, sheriffs, property valuation administrators may be viewed in the reports section fo the Auditor of Public Accounts' website at www.auditor.ky.gov or upon request by calling 1-800-247-9126.

Guilty

buying charges, by saying they had kicked it up a notch from using gravel to using blacktop. "This is Donnic Newsome on steroids," he said.

"This is an important case because public officials watch cases like this to see if they will be held accountable," Taylor said during his closing argument. "Being a public official is difficult. It is an awesome responsibility to be elected by the people to handle their affairs and money. It is a public trust and they have to be held accountable or it is lost."

While Taylor argued the reason blacktop spending increased fivefold during the period leading up to the election was to influence the outcome of the race, defense attorneys argued that the improvements were done for public safety.

Tom Jensen, Champion's attorney and an elected official

himself (District 21 state senator), said, "There was much testimony that the bridges were rotting and gravel was coming off into the roads making it unsafe. As an elected official, if they don't protect their citizens, then what good are they?"

Kent Westberry, the attorney for Thompson, talked about all the different road safety projects that fiscal court money can be used for, such as providing hospital and ambulance service and providing service to the elderly along with being able to build and maintain an area for safe turning of school buses and maintaining all county roads.

All four attorneys said during the trial that these projects were what the money was used for, not on private driveways and bridges as the prosecution was accusing.

Adams' attorney, Jason

Detour

a few street signs, and resulted in 18 citations being issued according to Prestonsburg police records.

"We actually picked up one DUI and another person operating on a suspended license due to the fact we were doing increased patrols on those streets," said Mike Ormerod, Director of Public Safety.

Ellis said there are two more storm sewer projects slated to take place this summer in West Prestonsburg, and on Westminister Street. Ellis said start dates for those projects have not been released yet.

"We really appreciate everyone's patience with the construction," Ellis said. Williams, talked about a bridge that was washed out by a flood and rebuilt by FEMA, using federal funds, that went to one home. He said, "If a bridge is built by FEMA it is good, but if it is built with county funds it is bad."

Taylor responded in his rebuttal argument that the actions of the four men were not akin to U.S. Rep. Hal Rogers building a parkway, but instead were them using the power of the office to get elected.

"We don't have Congressman Hal Rogers building a parkway. It's a public service. There are plans and public money is spent on public property," Taylor said. "What we have here is a short time before the election and four men with no relation to the road department running it Continued from p1

and the fiscal court, getting \$1.5 million that everybody has to pay back and spending it on private property." The jury returned the ver-

dict just before 6 p.m. Thursday, finding Thompson, Combs and Adams guilty of conspiring to pave private driveways and build private bridges in exchange for votes. It acquitted Champion on this charge, but found him and the other three men guilty of misusing county money for private road improvements. Adams, who was charged with two counts of vote-buying, was convicted on one and acquitted of the other.

The defendants plan to appeal the ruling. Sentencing is set for Oct. 6, when the judge will announce how much jail time they will receive.

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Please plan on attending this meeting.



Ralph Davis, 14, son of Floyd County Times managing editor Ralph B. Davis III, has been spending his summer working an old-fashioned job as a street vendor for The Times.

Contract

According to officials, these negotiations were the first in the 30-year history of the union at Highlands in which the contract was settled without a strike notice.

"We're committed to continuing to partner with the hospital to ensure the best quality patient care for our families, our community and our future," said Larry Daniels. SEIU District 1199 member vice president and a medical technologist at the hospital.

"Working with the bargaining committee this year was a pleasure, as we signed a new contract three weeks before the deadline," said Daniels. "This example of teamwork is only the beginning of great things to come as we make HRMC the best hospital in the region."

According to officials, the new contract calls for increases in longevity pay, sick leave and across-the-board wage increases

Members hope the agreement will enable them to work more collaboratively with the hospital system to improve patient care. The contract approval was voted in by an overwhelming majority of its members.

SEIU represents service and maintenance workers, technical staff and licensed practical nurses at Highlands. Registered nurses at the hospiContinued from p1

tal are not part of the union. SEIU District 1199 is a health care and social service union. The union represents more than 34,000 members in Ohio, West Virginia and Kentucky. District 1199 is a part of the Service Employees International Union, whose 2 million members make it the largest union in the country as well as the largest health care union in the world.

Hospital officials point to this most recent contract as an example of how Highlands Regional Medical Center is improving health care delivery in the community.

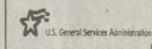
HRMC currently employs over 500 people in the region.

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Pension

State Sen. Tom Buford, R-Nicholasville, who east the lone negative vote, called it "a little baby step." He said funneling an additional \$50 miljion a year into the pension system doesn't do enough to shore it up.

"If our goal is to achieve mediocrity in the pension plan, we have succeeded," Buford said.

About 435,000 people are covered by the state retirement system. Lawmakers say it faces eventual financial collapse if ignored.

Beshear called the General Assembly into a special ses-

sion Monday after legislative leaders informed him they had tentatively agreed on a solvency plan for the system. To try to hold down the cost of the session, lawmakers rushed to meet a self-imposed Friday deadline for completing their work.

The Legislative Research Commission estimates the cost of a special session to be about \$60,000 a day — \$300,000 for the week.

State Sen. Tim Shaughnessy, D-Lousiville, scolded fellow lawmakers for not passing the retirement reforms during a legislative session that ended in April. If they had done so, Shaughnessy said, taxpayers could have avoided the expense of a special session.

The proposed reforms would, among other things, put the state on a schedule to gradually increase its payments to the retirement system in hopes of eventually paying down the unfunded liability.

Beshear has set up a special panel to work on other longterm proposals for the legislature to address next year. That panel is studying such issues as whether the state should offer future employees a 401(k)type retirement plan rather than the current set pension.

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expression

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 **Driven** to distraction

The telephone is ringing and the TV is turned up too loud to hear it. "Turn the volume down," shouts the harried mom, a few feet away. "I can't hear the phone."

No, these are not the sounds of a typical evening in an American family room. More disturbing than that, it is a similar scenario that takes place daily in cars wending through city traffic or at 70-plus miles an hour on the Interstates.

The car has become an extension of our technologysaturated day. Many children no longer can ride in the family car without a movie playing on a portable television. Satellite radio provides hundreds of scan choices to scroll through at the touch of a button, and GPS devices give no reason to pull over and look at a map because the directions are on a screen for the driver to observe while cruising down the highway.

Studies such as a recent one by the University of North Carolina Highway Safety Research Center have concluded that drivers are four times more likely to be involved in a serious crash if talking on a cell phone, even the hands-free type. The reason: "the brain is less engaged in the task of driving."

No argument with that, however, cell phones are only part of the problem. Even the best at multitasking sacrifice their full attention to the main focus, driving, when all of these electronic diversions become an integrated part of getting from point A to point B.

Maybe it is time to crack down on cell phone use in the car as some states, such as California and New York, which have banned the use of cell phones while driving, or Alaska and Connecticut, which have banned the sending of text messages while driving. But laws are only as effective as the people who choose to obey them. Personal responsibility of the driver must go with it as well.

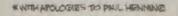
Driving needs to be re-elevated to the main priority as we buckle in and put our vehicles into gear. Convenience gadgets and gizmos designed to make life more enjoyable and pass the time on road trips have their place, as do cell phones. But cars are not living rooms, dining rooms or family entertainment centers. They are modes of transportation with the potential of deadly accidents and little margin for error. As we spend more time on the highways this summer, remain focused on safely maneuvering through traffic, eyes and ears on the road, engaged in the responsibility we commit to as drivers. Use cell phone phones, televisions, GPS devices, satellite radios and other electronic devices sparingly and with caution, knowing each can distract us from the task at hand - driving.

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COME AND LISTEN TO A STORY BOUT A MAN NAMED JED POOR MOUNTAINEER, BARELY KEPT HIS FAMILY FED THEN ONE DAY HE WAS SHOOTING AT SOME FOOD AND UP THROUGH THE MID CAME A BUBBLIN' CRUDE (OIL THAT IS, BLACK GOLD, TEXAS TEA)

Well THE FIRST THING YOU KNOW JED THINKS HE'S A MULLIONAIRE. BUT THEN CONGRESS SND, "HEY GET NWAY FROM THERE!" SAID CUBA'S THE ONLY PLACE WHERE DRILLING OWHT TO BE SO THEY FOT HIM IN A TRUCK BOUND FOR THE PENITENTIARY (JAIL THAT IS, FEDERAL PEN, WITH OIL COMPANY CEOS)

Well now it's time to say goodere to jed and all his kin They ran out of gas and starved to death, ense congress did them in YOU'RE ALL INVITED BACK TO THIS LOCALITY BUT ONLY IF YOU'RE A CARIBOU OR YOU WANT TO PLANT A TREE (DONT COME BACK NOW, YA HEAR?)



Rich J owry Column Scott McClellan, official spokesman

Scott McClellan has learned the profound wisdom of the old Groucho Marx line about not wanting to belong to any club that would have him.

The former press secretary has written a scathing memoir about his time in the Bush administration, but nothing he says in his book, dully titled (appropriately enough) "What Happened," is as damning as the fact that he spent nearly three years as White House press secretary.

Likable, but maladroit and plodding, he was the perfect spokesman for the administration of Harriet Miers, Michael Brown and Al Gonzales. For anyone who doubted that President Bush too often valued loyalty over talent, there was McClellan stumbling through daily briefings to embody the point more eloquently than he ever could have stated it.

inherent interest of one of his briefings. He tells of an incident that was one of his "favorite moments" from working with then-Gov. George Bush in Texas. He stumbled upon Bush making sandwiches. McClellan picks up the tale from there: "For the next 20 minutes or so we munched on the sandwiches and talked about a variwith politics."

No one was going to pay any attention to a book replete with such banalitics, so

McClellan had to "sex it up." He took the conventional anti-Iraq War case and cutand-pasted it into his book. He says that the administration engaged in a "political propaganda campaign" in the

run-up to the war, doing "a disservice to the American people and to our democracy." If McClellan's provocative language is stripped away, what he is saving is unremarkable.

McClellan is more compelling when he complains about his treatment during the Valerie Plame case. He maintains that Karl Rove and "Scooter" Libby made categorical denials to him of involvement in the leak. Whether that was the case or he missed subtleties in what they told McClellan's book has all the him, McClellan said things from the

ety of topics, few of which had to do entirely commonplace) theme of his book is that Washington has a poisonous culture of the "permanent campaign." But people fighting for what

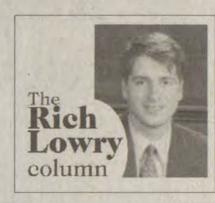
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they believe is more admirable than rank. unprincipled careerism. When McClellan first met with Bush in Texas for a job interview, Bush asked why he wanted to work for him'. "Because believe in you,"

McClellan said. What about Bush's agenda? McClellan hastily added he believed in that, too. But he didn't in any meaningful way. He writes of the death penalty, which he defended in Texas: "I do feel significant doubts about it, much as I would later feel about the necessity of war in Iraq." But he swallowed them: "I was called on, as official spokesman, to defend a position despite inner qualms about it.'

Lo and behold, here is Scott McClellan, ever the mouthpiece,

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beyond the beltway Sexism is a I'm waiting. prominent human value

by DONALD KAUL MINUTEMAN MEDIA

Supporters of Hillary Clinton and others have complained - think death threats - about what they saw as the sexist news coverage Ms. Clinton got while campaigning for the Democratic presidential nomination.

"It was pretty appalling," said Howard Dean chairman of the Democratic Party. "She got treated the way a lot of women get treated their whole lives."

To which my teen-aged cousin might say: "Well, duh." Of course the media's coverage of Hillary was sexist

That's the American way. Commentators on the public airwaves have learned to be very careful to avoid overt racism but sexism? Not so much. This is particularly true of cable TV, which if it did not have bad taste would not have any taste at all.

The media people deny everything, of course. They see no sexism and no racism in their coverage, only fair, honest and aggressive reporting. (The first thing they teach you in journalism school is to "get it right." The second thing is "never admit that you didn't.")

Actually, it would have been far more amazing had Hillary's coverage not been tinged with sexism. Sexism is the international default setting.

Name me a society or culture of any size anywhere that is not sexist.

podium about the controversy that were untrue, and no one bothered to correct him.

That would have been grounds for resigning, but McClellan stayed. It wasn't until a new White House chief of staff arrived and wanted a better press secretary that McClellan was forced out. The deep-think (and

spouting views that happen to suit the interests of his New York publisher and betray his foolishly loyal former boss. If he has any inner qualms, we'll never know.

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Oh, I'll admit that Western Europe has made strides in women's rights, particularly northern Europe, where they've managed to elect a few women to head governments, but even there true gender equality lies somewhere in the far future. And

when you look east from there - the Middle East, the Far East, India, Africa forget it.

I blame religion. Religion is the great machine societies have for passing on values and one of the chief values religions pass on is that women are second-class citizens, useful in their

way but not to be entrusted with leadership. And the more orthodox the religion, the more likely to be hostile to the idea that women are the equals of men.

Thus women are denied the priesthood or forced to sit in a segregated section of the church or made to cover their faces in public, not allowed to drive or appear in society unescorted or are expected to walk behind their husbands.

Why? Because the rules are made by and for men and they know a good thing when they see it. Men have to do some heavy lifting from time to time but for the most part, it's more exciting running things than being run. So they want to keep doing it.

To that end, they work to keep women "in their place.

Not mothers, of course. Mothers are sacred. Women in other roles, however, women trying to make their way in the world get harassed, exploited, passed over, patronized

and overlooked. And that's in the advanced (less religious) countries don't forget. The oppression women face in the developing world is beyond the imagination of the rest of

So, yeah, Hillary experienced sexism from people who should have



think, as Barack Obama lost because he is black. Sexism may be more widely held in our society, but racism goes deeper. There are people, men and women both, who will not vote for a black

man. Period. (Hillary suggested as much during the last days of her campaign as she thrashed around for votes.) But a lot of people voted for Obama because he is black, just as a lot of women were thrilled to be able to vote for a woman. Who knows how that evened out?

The reasons I disliked Hillary had nothing to do with her womanhood. I don't like Newt Gingrich either and he's not a woman. I don't like her because I view her as shifty and untrustworthy, a less charming version of her husband.

If that makes me a misogynist, so be it. I'd vote for her against John McCain though. In a New York minute.

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SHANK-HIGH AND DOWN IN THE DUMPS

I have insisted, all along, that things could be a lot worse, and that we all should not abandon hope. But I don't know, now. I'm plumb upset and leaning just a bit to the theory that we've gone to the bow-wows. Why the sombre outlook, the miseries of spirit and si-gog-glin' view of things in general? Simply this: I've just finished reading this fashion note from London, telling of these shank-length trousers they're proposing to put on men. exposing calves that the lovin'est cow in the lot would disavow.

THE AGING DOGS

Jack Hyden and I rambled around in a sidewalk conversation, the other day, till the talk ran to dogs. His dog had only recently died, and we spoke feelingly, perhaps a bit deprecatingly, of the lengths a fellow will go to for his so-called "best friend." This dog of Jack's had been dog-napped and he had hunted him down. He had had him treated for a variety of ailments. and that set me off recounting the miseries for which my elderly Dalmatian had needed the attention of a vet: a crushed hip, infection, suspected hepatitis, eczema, mange, fleas, sundry injuries from a car, a severe chewing by dogs, and so on.

We agreed dogs have about all



KSP hit the road in 1948 with black Ford cruisers sporting a gold stripe and distinctive seal

Kentucky State Police celebrates 60 years July 1

by LES WILLIAMS KSP MEDIA RELATIONS BRANCH

FRANKFORT - In 1948, the world was a very different place. Like the rest of the country, Kentucky was still recovering from the effects of a world war and adjusting to peacetime. Gov. Earl C. Clements was convinced that a state police force was the commonwealth's best answer to the challenges of a post-war increase in traffic problems and crime.

Consequently, on July 1, 1948, Clements signed into law an act that created the Kentucky State Police. With the stroke of a pen, Kentucky became the 38th state to pass a State Police Act, which gave the agency full jurisdiction and power of arrest throughout the state except in cities with 1,000 residents or more. (This single restriction on the agency's border-to-border authority lasted until 1976.) Guthrie Crowe, an attorney and former police judge from LaGrange, was appointed as the agency's first commissioner. Most of his 147-member staff consisted of former members of the Kentucky Highway Patrol. Clad in gray uniforms trimmed in black (said to have been patterned after the Louisville Legion led by Gen. Zachary Taylor during the Mexican-American War) and gray campaign hats inspired by the old 123rd Kentucky Cavalry, Crowe and his troopers set out in distinctive black Ford cruisers to establish a force that would one day become the pride of every law-abiding Kentuckian. With the help of the FBI and the Indiana State Police, a three-week training program was held at Ft. Knox and Frankfort. Bowling Green resident Joe Barrett, one of the first troopers to hit the road, said the training was something he'll never forget. One of his instructors was the legendary FBI crime-fighter Elliott Ness. Training was essential, for Crowe was determined to form a modern law enforcement organization. In a December 1948 article in the Cincinnati Enquirer, Crowe said

he expected his troopers to be "courteous, efficient and attractive in appearance, but firm in their treatment of law violators."

"Policemen," he wrote, "are no longer expected to be ferocious in temperament, not to employ domineering and loud-voiced, tactics whereby the luckless transgressor is nearly frightened out of his wits for making a traffic error. The new policeman should be a man who can render service to and deal properly with people. He should be a friend to the public and not a bug-a-boo with which to frighten small children."

In his efforts to build this modern force, Crowe established the 's first crime lab, acquiring a \$1,200 comparison microscope for bullet and cartridge case analysis. He hired a young, chemical engineering graduate from the University of Louisville, sent him off for two weeks training with the Indiana State Police Criminal Investigations Lab and budgeted \$600 for the start up. The lab opened on May 15, 1951 with a public announcement that its services were available to any city, county or other local police officer in the commonwealth. One of the first missions of the new agency was highway safety. In a December 1948 Courier Journal Magazine article, Crowe stated, "We are essentially an organization to police the highways. It was clearly the intent of the legislature that we devote 80 percent of our time to this work. Eighty percent of our income is derived from highway users. They are entitled to 80 percent of our effort.

sparse. A July 1, 1948 inventory lists 96 automobiles "of various ages and stages of repair." Only 45 had two-way radios. One former trooper remembered that if headquarters wanted him, they would call a local gas station, which switched on an outside light as a signal for the trooper to find a phone and call his post commander.

But the challenge remained. In 1948, troopers traveled at about 35 miles per hour except when pursuing a speeder. Only a few congested urban areas had any speed restrictions. The only law allowed police to charge motorists with reckless driving if they were going more than 45 miles per hour! Even then, the officer had to convince a judge that the condition of the road and the vehicle, combined with excessive speed, created a clear hazard to highway safety. KSP was undaunted, however. On Oct. 30, 1948, in a joint operation with military policemen from Ft. Knox, KSP held its first traffic safety roadblock at the top of Múldraugh Hill in Hardin County. For 10 hours, every vehicle was stopped, the operator's permit inspected and the vehicle checked for safety violations. Motorists who had been drinking were arrested. And this was just the beginning. Two months later, when the agency totaled up the state's highway deaths for 1948, fatalities were down 28.2 percent. In June of 1950, the traffic fatality rate was 23 percent lower than during the same period in 1949. As the new decade dawned, KSP continued its highway safety efforts both on and off the road. Public safety programs were developed and highway safety exhibits were displayed at the Kentucky State Fair and other events. Troopers also worked with student safety patrols, which assisted with student pedestrian safety by directing traffic at intersections around school grounds and helped teach safety rules to students

THE BLACK LAGOON 'I Don't Want

MOVIES FROM

to Be Born'

by TOM DOTY TIMES COLUMNIST

"Rosemary's Baby" meets "Showgirls" in this swinging 1970s take on the exorcist genre that features dangerously high levels of emoting, groan-inducing lines and more London fashion disasters than Austin Powers could shake a stick at.

The film opens

with a tight closeup on cinema/literary trash Queen Joan Collins. She wheezes and rolls her eyes while feigning torment

The camera pulls back to reveal she's in a dimly lit operating room suffering

the final stage of



labor, Her doctor, who failed Bedside Manner 101, mutters that it doesn't appear that the baby wants to be born and proceeds to yank it out with forceps the size of a Louisville slugger.

The pair are hurried off to a recovery room, where the infant proceeds to scratch Joan's face, leaving bloody tracks a lion would envy. She's understandably shaken and quite happy to opt for bottle feeding from now on.

She is shuttled home to be with her newborn boy, Nicholas, and her vaguely Italian husband, Gino. There they are met by the usual parade of well-wishers, which include Mandy (a stripper who worked with Joan), an unpleasant housekeeper and Gino's sister, Albana (a nun who sports a more authentic accent than her brother). The home environment does little to pacify Nicholas. who begins terrorizing everyone in sight by trashing his room, scratching more cheeks and even trying to drown his babysitter in two inches of infant bathwater. Joan is at wit's end and soon remembers a precipitating incident in which her former dance partner, a randy dwarf, threatened that she would give birth to the devil because she objected to his clumsy advances. The situation gets even worse when people start dying. One victim is hung from a rope dangling from the baby's room, while another gets his head split open with a shovel. The film's budgetary limitations restrict it from showing Nicholas perform these functions, so the film compensates by giving you extreme close-ups of the deeds It all comes down to a final confrontation between Sister Albana and the evil infant that involves one bottle of holy water, one Bible and a whole lot of rip off.

the aliments to which man is neir, and Jack added:

"We had our dog to the yet for prostate trouble.'

REVIEW

The fellow who went to the amphitheatre, the other night, wasn't a bit enthused about the prospects. He's one who likes his drama or comedy, straight-none of this musical stuff. He stubbornly wore his hat, where every other male in the crowd was barehead. He kept his hands in his pockets, despite urgings to swing out, be carefree.

Fact is, he started out, sitting on his hands. But he soon caught himself joining the applause.

Good show. Professional job. Spendid cast. You oughta see it.

WRONG DIAGNOSIS

Woodrow Burchett sometimes tells the story of the guy who got drunk and remembered enough about it, next day, to review the experience with an acquaintance.

"I was driving home," he recalled, "when my car begun going thump, thump, bump, thump, and I pulled off to the side of the road. Know what was wrong?"

"Sounds like you had a flat tire, and had to fix it."

"Right. I crawled back in the old car, started her up, and there she goes again-thump, thump, thump. Know what was wrong?' 'You had another flat.'

"Wrong," said the ex-drunk. "I fixed the wrong tire."

"From a criminal standpoint, our organization is purely a supplemental one to aid the local constabulary," he added. "We are not designed to supplant local officers, but to lend them assistance when they request it."

The same article went on to explain that "the day's work of a trooper is primarily traffic control, checking for stolen cars, accident investigations and testifying in court against violators.'

Resources and equipment were

One unique program involved KSP Lt. Lee Allen Estes, whose

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for the Soll

This one is a lot of fun if you enjoy rubber-necking at a celluloid disaster.

The cast is mostly game and benefits from appearances by notable character actors such as Donald Pleasance ("Halloween") and Hilary Mason. The one bump in the thespian road is Hammer Studios veteran Ralph Bates

(See LAGOON, page six)

A gift from the sea

by PAMELA HACKETT HOBSON CHICKEN SOUP FOR THE BEACH LOVER'S SOUL"

The weather was freezing outside, but it was warm and toasty by the Douglas fir Christmas tree. Our cats were busy batting the ribbons and wrapping paper scattered around the room as my older son handed me his Christmas gift for the family. The room got even cozier and noticeably warmer as I read his card.

Whenever I was asked what I wanted for Christmas, I usually responded as many mothers do: "I don't need anything ... save your money ... I just want my family to be healthy and happy." My son handed me his present, and all eyes turned to watch me open the handmade gift card. With anticipation, I read his note offering to treat the family to a weekend at the beach at Cape May.

Memories of summers taking the boys to the beach flooded back. Cape May, a beautiful Victorian beach town at the southern tip of New Jersey, was always an ideal spot to get away and spend time together relaxing on the pristine white sand that framed the Atlantic Ocean. With card in hand, I couldn't wait for summer, when we could once again pile in the car and head to the beach.

As the weekend approached, I prepared by digging out an old Fred Penner tape we used to play to make the car ride go more quickly. I packed Frisbees and tennis balls and longforgotten sand toys. With the car ready to go, my son cased himself into the driver's seat ... a bonus for my husband, who jumped at the rare opportunity to sit back and play DJ with the radio.

The hours in the car flew by as we caught up on all the happenings in our busy lives. Arriving in the quaint town, we quickly found our favorite hotel, checked in and hit the beach. After a refreshing dip in the ocean,

we basked in the sun and soaked in our surroundings. Sitting on our blankets, my younger son noticed a rare beachfront balcony with its peaceful

occurrence happening right near the gentle. surf where we had just been swimming. A school of dolphins had emerged and were frolicking just beyond the whitecaps. As they gracefully. rose from the water and engaged in their beautiful dance

before our eyes, I was sure they had come by just to celebrate our VISIL.

That afternoon, playing games of Trouble and Uno and reading on the view, the years continued to slip

away. As evening approached, we changed out of our swimsuits and made our way to a favorite seafood restaurant. With the sun setting over the water, we placed our orders from the extensive menu of fresh-fish offerings and took our time savoring the meal.

Afterward we shared icecream cones that dripped on our

Mother concerned about nutjob son's antics

by TOM and RAY MAGLIOZZI

Dear Tom and Ray:

has been a mechanic since the day he was born. I am afraid his most recent project will be the death of him, and I am desperately seeking your opinion/advice. He has taken a 1989 VW Golf and moved the motor from its proper location under the hood to the back seat. Yes, you read that right. He has installed the motor in the passenger compartment, so the vehicle is now a rearengine (or mid-engine,

he says) car. It is monstrously loud and monstrously fume-y. In a concession to his mother, he wears earplugs while driving it, but when he enters the room after driving the car, he trails a cloud of exhaust fumes. I have begged him to at least install a fire shield around the engine, but my pleas are falling on deaf ears (literally, soon, I'm afraid). Now you know



why I think he is crazy. Please give me some advice or ammunition that I can use to beat some sense into him. My crazy son is 20 years old. He I am very much afraid of the health

hazards that he has created for himself. What do you say? - Ann

RAY: Ann, you poor thing. I'm sure our late mother would have felt your pain. Like her, you have the misfortune of having a son who's a nutjob.

TOM: Yeah, my mom had a terrible time with my broth-

RAY: I was talking about you. TOM: Me??

RAY: Yeah. But unlike MY mother's nutjob, you have a very clever and talented nutjob, Ann! I mean, he's managed to engineer himself a cheapo Porsche. And he's done it --at least so far - without asphyxiating himself, setting himself on fire, crashing the car or digging a 2-inch groove in the back of his head with the newly repositioned fan belt.

TOM: And sometimes, if these nutjobs-manage to live long enough, they're the ones who come up with brilliant inventions, or do things that more normal, non-wacko people would never think of.

RAY: You can try crying, Ann. That's what our mother did. And it worked some of the time. But at age 20, there's not a whole lot you can do. Any mistakes you made raising him are now permanently seared into his personality.

TOM: So if crying doesn't work, buy him a crash helmet, a flameproof suit and some fire extinguishers for his birthday. Then insist that he drive with the windows open, hope he survives, does something to benefit humanity and has the decency to shower before dinner. Good luck.

Go with the dealer on this one Dear Tom and Ray:

Please help me. I had my oil changed recently and now have been told by my mechanic that the oilchange place stripped the oil plug and I need a new oil pan. I have a Lexus RX 300. The oil-change people think they have adequately fixed it by putting a larger plug in, but the Lexus dealer tells me that is not adequate and I need a new oil pan because it is a vital part of the car and may leak again, especially with subsequent oil changes. I don't know what to do. Help! - Candace

RAY: I'd side with the dealer in this case, Candace.

TOM: There are ways to "patch up" a stripped oil pan. There's chewing gum, plaster of Paris or an insert, which is probably what your oilchange guy used.

RAY: There are different kinds of inserts. There are inserts that cut new threads into the pan, there are rubber drain plugs that expand once they're in the hole, and there are self-tapping drain plugs that make their own new, threaded hole in the oil pan.

TOM: Most of those will work. At least for a while.

RAY: But they're all designed to be used on cars like the ones my brother drives - i.e., heaps. They're repairs of last resort, when you own a \$300 car and you don't want to invest \$600 in an oil pan.

TOM: And unless you've been using your Lexus in a demolition derby on weekends, I'm going to guess it's not in that category yet.

RAY: So, I'd have the Lexus dealer replace the oil pan. You don't want to have to worry about your oil leaking out and your engine seizing.

TOM: And it's going to be very hard for you to demand that the oilchange place pay for it. Oil pans usually get stripped over time, particularly when mechanics overtighten the plug instead of changing the gasket and being judicious in tightening it.

RAY: Everyone's afraid of undertightening the oil plug, with good reason. So they tend to go too far in the other direction. But unless you've had your oil changed exclusively at this place, you can't lay all the blame on them with any certainty.

TOM: So, you can show them the receipt for the oil pan, show them a letter from the dealer explaining why the initial repair was inadequate and ask them to contribute to the repair in the interest of keeping you as a customer. But when they tell you to get lost, just chalk it up as an age-related repair. And then enjoy your car and forget about it.

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entertaining talents as a magician and ventriloquist brought pedestrian safety messages to school children throughout the state.

As the 1950s progressed, KSP took on new duties. In 1951, Gov. Lawrence Weatherby directed the agency to take action against illegal gambling, liquor and prostitution operations in northern Kentucky, 'Henderson and other areas around the state.

On Aug. 31, 1951, Commissioner Crowe personally led 52 troopers armed with shotguns and pistols in a raid on the Latin Quarter and Club Manana in Wilder, just outside of Newport. Sixtyeight people were arrested, almost \$20,000 in cash was seized and thousands of dollars worth of gambling equipment was confiscated including dice tables, roulette wheels and slot machines.

Other raids soon followed. The Hi-Dee-Ho Club. The Lookout House. The Beverly Hills. The Yorkshire Club.

Operations were also

Clinton County. Financed entirely by donations, the camp offered good food, fresh air, recreation, guidance and structured activities designed to build positive relationships with law enforcement officers. Today, Trooper Island remains in operation offering esteembuilding summer activities for boys and girls aged 10 to 12.

As the 1970s, 80s and 90s evolved, so did KSP, responding to new missions for new times. A drug enforcement unit was created, full-scale marijuana eradication was initiated (KSP destroyed 493,692 plants in 2007) and DARE and drug interdiction programs were started. A Special Response Team was formed. Canine, Persons, Missing and Hazardous Devices units were created. With the coming of the new century, special units were formed to handle issues such as Oxycontin and methamphetamines.

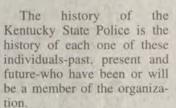
Over the years, KSP has continually progressed in terms of size and quality of service it provides to the citizens of Kentucky. Today, the agency has 16 posts and 961 troopers throughout the state. Its six regional crime labs provide a variety of forensic support to local law enforcement agencies. Its duties have expanded to include the protection of executive and legislative branch leaders, government facilities security, drug interdiction, marijuana eradication, arson investigation, white collar and electronic crimes, child and sexual abuse cases, anti-terrorism and

tactics, first aid, high speed vehicle pursuit, criminal investigation, survival Spanish, computer literacy, hostage negotiations, evidence collection, radio procedures, search and seizure, crash investigation, drug identification, traffic control, crowd control, armed robbery response, land navigation, electronic crimes, sex crimes, hate crimes, domestic violence, bomb threats and hazardous materials.

Despite its many high tech activities, such as radar and video surveillance, DNA testing and on-board vehicle computers, KSP remains committed to the tried and true fundamentals of traditional' police work that produce results. Following the concepts of "community policing," its troopers live in the areas where they work, providing "shoes on the street" for an effective and personal local presence.

KSP troopers are involved in their local communities by meeting with civic and comhour day, six days a week and were lucky if they weren't called back after their shift. The men and women who

wear the distinctive gray uniform and campaign hat of the Kentucky State Police today have much in common with those early troopers. They are all dedicated, hard working individuals who perform their duties because they want to serve others and make a positive difference in society.



"The successes of the Kentucky State Police are 60th anniversary is a tribute to all of the past and present employees of the agency, especially the 25 troopers

killed in the line of duty," said KSP Commissioner Rodney Brewer. "We stand on the shoulders of all those who have gone before us and strive to live up to and continue their high level of dedication and commitment to the principles of public service and law

many and the observance of its enforcement. In doing this, we set an example for those to come and so 'The Thin Gray Line' continues."

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mounted in the Henderson area against nightspots such as The Trocadero, The Dells, Riverview Gardens, The Little Commando and the Kentucky Tavern.

Newspaper clippings of the period mention accounts of other raids in Paducah, Boonesboro, Scottsville and Richmond.

One raid in Richmond uncovered "a second-story handbook operation at the corner of Water and First Streets." Thirty people were arrested and the confiscated equipment included a ticker tape (which was in operation as officers entered), four telephones, a dice table, public address system and microphone, five odds boards with pasted race forms, a betting box, 34 racing journals, book betting slips, parley forms for betting on football games and an adding machine.

KSP continued its battle against vice throughout the 1950s and into the 1960s. They must have done something right. In 1965, a Louisville Courier-Journal reporter toured Newport after dark and was told by one lifelong resident that the city was "dead and gettin' deader."

The 1960s marked the beginning of two new KSP programs aimed at young people. In 1961, children visiting the Kentucky State Fair were treated to the debut of Safety Town at the KSP exhibit. Under the watchful eye of state troopers, children pedaled tricycles through a miniature city, complete with replicas of real-life structures, tiny streets and working stoplights. Designed to teach pedestrian safety, it is one of the agency's longest running and most successful programs and it is still in existence today.

The other program, Trooper Island, was originated by KSP Lt. John Ed Tomlinson and launched by KSP Director James E. Bassett, III in 1964. It established a free summer camp for disadvantaged boys on Dale Hollow Lake in

special response teams. Training now consists of a 23-week program that includes more than 1,000 hours of classroom and field study in subjects such as constitutional law, juvenile and traffic law, use of force, weapons training, defensive

Lagoon

("Dr. Jekyll and Sister Hyde") who is woefully miscast as Gino and has more trouble with his accent than Paris Hilton working an algebraic equation.

The script is full of howlers and offers everyone a chance to over emote, but appears to have been missing pages, which are substituted by endless shots of people walking around London. At one point we actually watch Gino walk

Soup

clothes as we valiantly tried to last time on the boardwalk and keep up with the large melting scoops of cold vanilla ice cream. The evening would not have been complete without an after-dinner trip to the arcade. The whole family played multiple games of skeeball, carefully stockpiling tickets so we could redeem them for the fabulous prizes such as vampire teeth and snake tattoos.

On Sunday, walking one

munity organizations, providing lectures on crime prevention and drug education programs to schools and other youth organizations and assisting schools and businesses in developing security and emergency response plans.

True to KSP's original mission of saving lives on Kentucky's roadways, the KSP Highway Safety Branch continues to educate the public about the use of seat belts and the dangers of speeding and driving while impaired by drugs or alcohol. The Drive To Stay Alive teen driving academy and the Friday Nights, Blue Lights program are just two examples.

In the early days of the Kentucky State Police, troopers' duties were far different than today. They worked a 10-

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home from his office and even perform two chores on the trip.

Otherwise, this is trashy fun that answers the question of how, in an alternate universe, novelist Harold Robbins would have handled a possession scenario.

Best line: "How can I tell my doctor that I think my baby's possessed by the devil?'

1975, rated R.

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dipping our toes in the sand, we took a final look at the calm, clear water. Relaxed and rejuvenated, we packed up our belongings and loaded the car for the trip home. We may have been leaving the beach, but I knew I would keep that special Christmas gift in my heart forever. Time with the family ... truly the gift that keeps on giving.

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Football alignment finalized for 2009, 2010 seasons

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

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LEXINGTON

newest KHSAA (Kentucky High School Athletic Association) football alignment has been finalized. Under the new alignment, perennial state title contender Prestonsburg will remain in Class 2A, District 2-7 with Shelby Valley, Morgan County and Bath County.

The only team in the state that won't compete in a district as part of the new alignment is Evangel Christian.

The final football align-

playing seasons follows.

CLASS 1A: District-1-1-Ballard Memorial, Crittenden County, Fulton City, Fulton County, Mayfield: District-1-2-Beth Haven, Bethlehem, Caverna, Holy Cross (Louisville), Kentucky Country Day. District-1-3-Beechwood, Bellevue, Bishop Brossart, Dayton, Ludlow, Walton-Verona. District-1-4-Bracken County, Eminence, Frankfort, Gallatin County, Trimble County. District-1-5-Lexington Fairview, Christian, Nicholas County, Paris, Raceland, Rose Hill

ment for the 2009 and 2010 Christian. District-1-6-Berea, Bardstown, Danville, Fort Campbellsville, Clinton County, Lynn Camp, Williamsburg. District-1-7-Harlan, Hazard, Jenkins, Pineville. District-1-8-Allen Central, Betsy Layne, Paintsville, Phelps, Pikeville, South Floyd.

CLASS 2A: District-2-1-Caldwell County, Heath, Reidland, Trigg Murray, County. District-2-2-Fort Campbell, Hancock County, Owensboro Catholic, Todd County Central. District-2-3-Glasgow, Green County, Metcalfe County, Monroe County. District-2-4-

Knox, Washington County. District-2-5-Carroll County, Academy-Christian Louisville, DeSales, Owen County. District-2-6-Holy Cross (Covington), Lloyd Memorial, Newport, Newport Central Catholic. District-2-7-Bath County, Morgan County, Prestonsburg, Shelby Valley. District-2-8-Corbin, Knott County Central, Leslie County, Middlesboro .

CLASS 3A District-3-1-McLean County, Muhlenberg South, Paducah Tilghman,



HENRY CLAY narrowly edged Prestonsburg in the recent University of Kentucky 7-on-7 passing tournament.

(See ALIGNMENT, page two)

Hundreds attend spring ATV event in Knott County TIMES STAFF REPORT

HINDMAN - Everyone enjoyed being kids again last weekend at the second annual Ground Poundin' Spring Ride, hosted by the Knott County Trail Riders ATV and Dirt Bike Club.

Playing in the mud was not only accepted, but encouraged. A mud bog was one of the favorite events held on the grounds of the ATV and Motorcycle Rider Training Center. Also new this spring for the Knott County event was an ATV sled pull, where riders competed to see who could drag a weighted sled the longest distance. Both drew large crowds of spectators. At the end of the day, several participants tried their skills on a barrel roll course.

One of the most intriguing events was a scavenger hunt organized by Danny Laferty. Colored medallions were placed on trails near the center, and participants had two days to find them and exchange them for prize money.

Traders had an opportunity to take part in a Swap Meet throughout the weekend as well. Some individuals sold ATVs and accessories. Vendors, including ATV Direct, Andy's Cycle Sales and McCoy Motor Sports, set up shop on Saturday. Participants had the chance to win prizes at the end of the day on Saturday. Each person who registered to take part in organized events was also registered for a drawing of door prizes provided by American ATV & Motorcycle, Andy's Cycle Sales, Honda of Prestonsburg, Helmet City and Perry Distributors/Monster Energy Drink. ATV Direct also gave away two big prizes on Saturday. Greg Robinson won an ATV back pack, and Sarah Jackson won a winch. Over 100 people took part in two different organized rides on Saturday afternoon - a long ride led by Jimmy Mullins and a shorter trek with leader Corbett Mullins. Both trails featured beautiful scenery plus adventure in the form of water and mud. It was the largest ATV event in the county since the Adventure Tourism initiative began. An estimated 500 people attended. Many camped out on Friday and Saturday nights. Fish and Wildlife Commission meeting: The next Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Commission meeting will be held at 8 a.m., Friday, August 15 at No. 1 Sportsman's Lane off U.S. 60 in Frankfort. Persons interested in addressing the Commission must notify the KDFWR Commissioner's office in writing at least 30 days in advance to be considered for placement on the meeting agenda.

Cards among nation's top five teams in early polls TIMES STAFF REPORT

LOUISVILLE The University of Louisville men's basketball team is among the top ten teams in the nation in a 2008-09 preseason ranking by a trio of national web sites.

ESPN.com's Andy Katz has the Cardinals fifth in preseason ranking, which was updated after the early-entry NBA draft withdrawal deadline had passed for players. Seven BIG EAST Conference teams were in the top 25, including three of the first five picks - No. 2 Pittsburgh, No. 4 Notre Dame, and Louisville.

U of L is second nationally in a CBSSports.com preseason ranking by Gary Parrish, one of seven BIG EAST teams among the top 16. The Cardinals are No. 6 in a similar ranking by Jeff Goodman of Foxsports.com. Eight BIG EAST teams are in the Foxsports.com listing, including No. 3 Connecticut in the highest position among league schools. North Carolina is top team in all three rankings.

U of L will return four starters - seniors Terrence Williams and Andre McGee, and juniors Earl Clark and Jerry Smith - from a team which posted a 27-9 record,



JUNIOR SIGNAL-CALLER MICHAEL BURCHETT (right) will guide Prestonsburg from under center during the upcoming season. Burchett took over at quarterback for the Blackcats last fall after starter Bobby Hughes suffered a season-ending injury.

school football rules revisions set

TIMES STAFF REPORT

INDIANAPOLIS - Four changes in rules regarding penalty options for teams that are fouled on scoring plays were among the 17

cannot carry

over to overtime play. "By adopting these changes, the rules committee has further clarified that tions of the National Operating Committee on Standards for Athletic Equipment (NOCSAE).

fouls by opponents of the players and coaches are team, in addition to just the scoring team may be fully altering mandatory equip- team without the ball, ment and, therefore, sacrificing safety by changing the original design by the manufacturer to protect the player," said Bob Colgate, NFHS assistant director and liaison to the Football Rules Committee. In Rule 1-2-3d, the committee altered last year's rule change regarding the use of a 4-inch-wide restraining line around the outside of the field to state that this line can either by solid or broken. The committee recommends a broken line be used and marked by placing 12-inchlong lines separated by 24inch intervals. Although the rules allow for use of other colors for field markings when appropriate, the committee clarified that white is the recommended color for all field markings. In Rule 1-5-2, the committee provided a definition for hand pads and delayed the implementation date for a mandatory securely attached label or stamp on hand pads to 2012. A hand pad is now defined as "a covering for the hand which may have separate openings for each finger and thumb, is absent of any web-like material between the finger and/or thumb, and not covering each finger and thumb.'

Other changes approved by the committee:

- In Rule 10-4-6, the basic spot is the 20-yard "There are concerns that line for fouls by either

was runner-up in the BIG EAST Conference, and reached the NCAA Elite Eight for the third time in 11 years. The Cardinals will welcome eight newcomers, including 2008 USA Today high school player of the year Samardo Samuels, a 6-8 forward/center.

Louisville Arena Authority unveils updated look at new arena: The Louisville Arena Authority unveiled updated renderings of the downtown arena on Monday, including new renderings of a public plaza planned along Main Street near the arena's entrance and views of the building's interior.

Louisville The Arena Authority also announced that its expects to have the money to pay for a downtown arena by the middle of July. The total amount of construction bonds (\$360 million) would be sold during the week of July 14, according to a timeline presented at this morning's arena authority meeting.

Lakers draft

Crawford in second round TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON - Former University of Kentucky men's basketball player Joe Crawford was selected in the second round (58th overall) of Thursday night's NBA Draft by Western Conference the Champion Los Angeles Lakers.

Crawford, a second-team All-SEC selection, led the team and ranked fourth in the league in scoring last season, averaging 17.9 ppg. He also hit a team high 63 three-pointers. The Michigan product performed at his highest level as a senior at the University of Kentucky.

Crawford impressed numerous NBA scouts prior to this year's draft.

The Detroit native finished his career ranked 19th on

revisions in high school football rules approved for the 2008 season by the National Federation of State High School (NFHS) Associations Football Rules Committee at its annual meeting in January. The rules changes subsequently were approved by the NFHS

Board of Directors. Rules 2-16-2e and 10-2-4 were revised to state that a team must foul twice during the same down to commit multiple fouls. These changes allow for enforcement of both fouls when the opponent of the scoring team commits a foul on both a touchdown-scoring play and the subsequent try.

An addition to Rule 3-3-4 clarifies issues at the end of the half if there is a foul by either team and the penalty is accepted for unsportsmanlike fouls, nonplayer fouls, fouls that specify a loss of down and fouls that are enforced on the subsequent kickoff as in Rule 8-2-2

Changes to Rule 8-2-2 stipulate that fouls by the opponents of the scoring team on the last timed down of the first half can carry over to the second-half kickoff; however, fouls by the opponents of the scoring team on the last timed down of the second half

KINZER MOTORSPORTS

(Lucas Oil, \$10,000-to-win)

July 5 at 201 Speedway

July 4 at Tazewell (Tenn.) Speedway

(Battle of the Bluegrass, \$5,000-to-win)

July 14 at Wythe (Va.) Raceway

(Southern Nationals, \$3,500-to-win)

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July 17 at Hartwell (Ga.) Speedway

(Southern Nationals, \$3,500-to-win)

(Southern Nationals, \$5,300-to-win)

July 18 at Swainsboro (Ga.) Raceway

July 19 at Screven (Ga.) Motor Speedway (Southern Nationals, \$5,300-to-win)

July 15 at Cherokee (SC) Speedway

Driver: Brandon Kinzer

Upcoming Schedule

enforced," said Brad Cashman, executive director of the Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association and chairman of the NFHS Football Rules Committee.

In other rules changes, the committee removed the option of carrying over unused second-half timeouts into overtime. The NFHS-recommended overtime procedure continues to provide for one time-out per overtime period with the revisions stipulating that unused time-outs do not carry over to subsequent overtime periods.

A change in Rule 3-5-2a provides the head coach an option of designating another coach for the purpose of requesting timeouts. The appointed replacement shall remain in place for the entire game except in case of emergency.

Six changes were approved by the committee in Rule 1 - The Game, Players Field. and Equipment. References to hip pads, knee pads and thigh guards in Rule 1-5-1 will now state that these required pieces of equipment must not be altered from the manufacturer's original design or production. Also, shinguards, if worn, must meet specifica-

which went into effect last year

- A change in Rule 10-4-7 helps clarify the basic spot on running plays for fouls by the opponent of the team in possession when the team in possession puts the ball in the end zone and, subsequently, possession is lost.

- New wording was formulated for Rule 4-2-3 regarding the inadvertent whistle, which makes the choosing of an option an easier process to understand.

- In Rule 9-9-4, the use of an illegal kicking tee will now be penalized as an unfair act committed by the player.

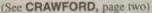
- Hiding the ball under the jersey will be enforced as a basic spot foul and makes the enforcement consistent with the all-butone principle.

In addition, the committee identified five points of emphasis for the 2008 season: MRSA and Communicable Skin Conditions; Purpose of a Football Helmet; Altering Legal Football Equipment; Sideline Management and Control; and False Starts, Shifts and Motion.

In terms of the number of participants, football is the most popular high school sport for boys.

photo by Rick Schwallle

Allen-based Dirt Late Model driver Brandon Kinzer - pilot of the No. 18 car - is set to compete in the Southern Nationals Series. Kinzer is scheduled to race at 201 Speedway on Saturday, July 5 in a Battle of the Bluegrass Series race. Fellow Floyd Countian and longtime friend Chuckie May owns the Johnson County track.



Crawford

Bulls take Rose with No. 1 pick in NBA Draft

Kentucky's all-time scoring list with 1,438 points. He put his offensive skills on display, tying a career high with 35 points in UK's NCAA first round against game

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Marquette. Crawford is the 91st Wildcat to be drafted into the NBA and the fifth former UK player to be drafted since 2000.

Specialty license plate planned for World Equestrian Games

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON - A specialty Kentucky license plate may soon be available in celebration of the 2010 Alltech FEI World Equestrian Games.

In order for these plates to be produced, at least 900 applications and deposits must be submitted to the World Games 2010 Foundation. If 900 applications are not received by September '30, 2008, all applications and fees will be returned.

Kentucky residents interested in purchasing the official license plate of the 2010 Games for \$44 should visit www.feigames2010.org 10 print and complete an application. A deposit check of \$28.00 must be mailed with the completed application to the World Games 2010 Foundation. The deposit check will not be cashed until 900 applications are received.

Once 900 applications have been received, the Department of Motor Vehicle Licensing will produce the specialty plate. Production will take approximately 60 days. Individuals will be notified by email when the required number of applications and deposits are received.

Each local county clerk's office will later notify individuals by mail when their official 2010 Games plate is available for pick up. At that time, individuals will pay approximately \$16. Ten dollars will be given to the World Games 2010 Foundation in support of the

Alltech FEI World Equestrian Games, and the remaining \$6 will cover local fees.

Annual renewal of the plate will cost approximately \$30.

individuals Interested should complete the online Specialty Plate application and return it with a check payable to the World Games 2010 Foundation, ATTN: Maggie Daniels, 2010 World Games Way, Lexington, Ky., 40511-2010. Credit Cards cannot be accepted.

The Alltech FEI World Equestrian Games, to be held at the Kentucky Horse Park September 25-October 10. 2010, are the world championships of the eight equestrian disciplines recognized by the Fédération Equestre Internationale (FEI), and are held every four years. The Games have never before been held outside of Europe; nor have all eight disciplines ever previously been held together at a single site- both firsts that will be achieved at the Kentucky Horse Park. The Games will be broadcast on NBC Sports, which has made the largest network commitment to coverage of equestrian sport in television history. The 2010 Games are expected to have a statewide economic impact of \$150 million, and current sponsors include the Rolex Company and an unprecedented \$10 million title sponsor, Alltech. It is anticipated that more than 600,000 tickets will be sold for the 16-day competition.

Quota captures Valu Market Classic at Churchill Downs

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE - Quota reclaimed the lead at midstretch from Lenawee and went on to win by three lengths on Thursday in the \$45,200 Valu Market Classic for fillies and mares 3-years-old and up at Churchill Downs.

Quota, a 4-year-old daughter of Seeking the Gold, covered the

Five freshmen selected with first seven picks

by BRIAN MAHONEY ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK - Minutes after the NBA draft started, Derrick Rose learned he was headed home. Long after it ended, O.J. Mayo and Kevin Love were on the move.

A night that began with the expected pick ended with a stunning trade, which had two top-five selections changing teams as part of an eight-player deal between Minnesota and Memphis.

The Timberwolves dealt the rights to Mayo, the No. 3 pick, to the Grizzlies for Love, taken two spots later, in a trade that wasn't completed until past 2 a.m. EDT, some two hours after Boston made the 60th and final pick of the draft.

Minnesota also received Mike Miller, Jason Collins and Brian Cardinal, and sent Antoine Walker, Marko Jaric and Greg Buckner to Memphis.

'We fully expected to have O.J. on our team next vear." Minnesota assistant general manager Fred Hoiberg said. "This deal came up very late in the draft. We just felt this deal had too many pieces that addressed needs that we had that we just couldn't pass it up.'

"Plans are on the fly in this business," Grizzlies GM Chris Wallace said. "We were hoping to get O.J., but awhile back it was obvious he was not going to drop to five."

Hours earlier, the Chicago Bulls selected Rose, who grew up on the eity's South Side, with the No. 1 pick, choosing the Memphis guard over Kansas State forward Michael Beasley.

With Beasley going second to Miami and Mayo following, college freshmen made up the first three picks for the first time in draft history.

"We actually talked about this earlier," Beasley said. "We all grew up together and we all grew up playing

against each other and we all made a pact together that we would all be here. Just to see it all fall into place and see it all happen is kind of crazy."

Five of the first seven players selected and 10 in the first round were freshmen, both NBA records. It was also a big night for the Pac-10 Conference, which had five of the first 11 picks.

Rose led the Tigers to the national championship game in his lone college season. The Bulls opted for the point guard's playmaking ability over the scoring and rebounding of Beasley, who ranked in the top three in the nation in both categories.

'We talked so much about it. We really did," Bulls general manager John Paxson said. "Very honestly, at the end when we made our decision, it was unanimous with my scouts and coaches and myself. This was the direction we wanted to go in the end, and it has nothing to do with the talent of Michael Beasley. This had everything to do with the direction we felt was right for us."

The 6-foot-3 Rose put on a red Bulls cap, hugged some supporters, including Memphis coach John Calipari, and shook hands with Beasley, seated at a nearby table, before walking onto the stage to meet NBA commissioner David Stern.

"I was a little nervous when they came back out, but I always had that in mind that I want to be No. 1," Rose said. "So it was great hearing my name and being the No. 1 pick."

Expected to contend for a division title, the Bulls instead stumbled to a 33-49 record and eventually replaced two coaches. But with just a 1.7 percent chance, they won last month's draft lottery, giving them a chance to quickly return to the playoffs.

"It feels great to go in and compete," Rose said. "I'm just blessed to be in that position right now, because a lot of people aren't. And just knowing that we are a few pieces away from really contending as a team, it just makes me happy."

Miami settled for Beasley, who wasn't sure if the Heat would go for Mayo instead.

Beasley averaged 26.2 points, third in the nation, and topped Division I with 12.4 rebounds per game. But with questions about his size - he may be 2 inches shorter than the 6-foot-10 he's listed at - the Bulls may not have believed he could play the 4 spot in the NBA.

UCLA guard Russell Westbrook was the first nonfreshmen taken, going fourth to the Seattle SuperSonics with new teammate and reigning Rookic of the Year Kevin Durant standing and applauding the pick from the back.

Love gave UCLA consecutive picks and the New York Knicks followed at No. 6 with Italian forward Danilo Gallinari, whose father played with new coach Mike D'Antoni overseas. Fans in Madison Square Garden weren't impressed, booing loudly.

"It's part of the game, all the players have got to hear this," Gallinari said. "Not every time can you hear good things. It's normal."

Indiana guard Eric Gordon became the fifth freshman taken, going to the Los Angeles Clippers at No. West Virginia's Joe Alexander, whose stock began to rise after a strong run at Madison Square Garden in the Big East tournament, went to Milwaukee with the next pick.

Charlotte gave new coach Larry Brown a point guard, taking D.J. Augustin of Texas with the ninth pick. New Jersey took Stanford center Brook Lopez at No. 10, and Arizona's Jerryd Bayless joined fellow Pac-10 guards Mayo and Westbrook by going 11th to Indiana.

Bayless' rights were later traded to Portland along with Tke Diogu for the rights to Brandon Rush, the No. 13 pick from national champion Kansas, Jarrett Jack and Josh McRoberts. Rush's agent, Mark Bartelstein, told The Associated Press about the deal shortly after Rush was taken.

Sacramento pulled a surprise at No. 12 with Rider forward Jason Thompson, the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference player of the year and the first senior taken. Golden State grabbed LSU report.

forward Anthony Randolph yet another freshman with the 14th and final lottery pick.

Robin Lopez joined twin brother Brook in the NBA when Phoenix chose him at No. 15. That started a run of big men in which Philadelphia took Florida's Marreese Speights, Toronto picked Roy Hibbert of Georgetown at No. 17, and Washington drafted Nevada 7-footer JaVale McGee with the 18th pick.

Darrell Arthur of Kansas was the final player in the green room, lasting until the 27th spot, where New Orleans grabbed him - and dealt his rights to Portland for cash in a previously arranged deal. The Trail Blazers then traded his rights to the Houston Rockets, who shipped them to Memphis in another transaction.

NBA champion Boston chose J.R. Giddens of New Mexico with the 30th and final pick of the first round.

Mario Chalmers, Darnell Jackson (No. 52, Miami) and Sasha Kaun (No. 56, Seattle) were taken in the second round, giving the Jayhawks five players in the draft and all had their rights traded. Chalmers was picked by Minnesota but his rights were later dealt to Miami. Cleveland later acquired the rights to both Jackson and Kaun.

Joey Dorsey (Portland, No. 33, rights traded to Houston) and Chris Douglas-Roberts (New Jersey, No. 40) of runner-up Memphis also were picked. Texas A&M center DeAndre Jordan, considered a possible lottery pick, tumbled to the Clippers at No. 35.

Other well-known names going late in the draft included: UCLA's Luc Mbah a Moute (No. 37, Milwaukee); Georgetown's Patrick Ewing Jr. (No. 43, Sacramento); Kansas State's Bill Walker (No. 47, Washington, rights traded to Boston); and Kentucky's Joe Crawford (No. 58, Lakers).

AP Sports Writers Cliff Brunt in Indianapolis, Jon Krawczynski in Minneapolis and Andrew Seligman in Chicago contributed to this

six furlongs on a fast track in 1:10.24. She boosted her career earnings to \$118,666 with the \$28,348 winner's check.

Owned by Adele Dilschneider and Claiborne Farms and trained by Al Stall Jr., Quota returned \$5, \$2.80 and \$2.20 as the favorite in the field of five.

The win was the third of the day for jockey Robby Albarado.

Lenawee, ridden by Jamie Theriot, returned \$3 and \$2.20. Kristabella ran third but was disqualified for interference in the stretch to elevate Star of Luvina and Julien Leparoux into the show spot and a \$2.40 payoff.

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Rolen homers off Volguez to help Jays beat Cincinnati

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

TORONTO - Even before the game began, Edinson Volquez knew this wasn't going to be his day.

Volquez was tagged for a season-high seven runs, including two on a home run by Scott Rolen, and the Toronto Blue Jays beat the Cincinnati Reds 7-1 on Thursday night.

The hard-throwing righthander, who was 3-0 in his previous five starts, struggled with his command, his footing on the mound and was gone after 4 1-3 innings, his shortest outing of the season.

"I threw too many strikes in the bullpen," Volquez said. "I don't like that. When I was in the minor leagues, every time I threw too many strikes in the bullpen, in the game it didn't work.

Jesse Litsch (8-4) pitched eight sharp innings for the Blue Jays, allowing one run and three hits to win for the first time since beating Oakland on May 29.

"He was masterful," Reds manager Dusty Baker said. "He's probably the best No. 5 starter we've seen. He mixed up a lot of breaking balls, cutters and changeups and then he'd catch you looking for that and throw the fastball by you.'

Volquez entered with a major league-best 1.71 ERA but saw that rise to 2.08 after ager last Friday despite get-

giving up five earned runs. He had allowed three runs or fewer in each of his previous 16 appearances this season.

"You knew it was going to happen sooner or later," Baker said. "He's been on a tremendous roll. He didn't have command of his fastball and it looked like their game plan was sitting on his changeup because they hit his changeup pretty good."

The 24-year-old Volquez had no trouble with the bullpen mound, but never got comfortable once he moved to the field.

"I think it was a little bit different," he said. "It was a little high and flat in the front. I didn't like landing on this mound. It made my back tight a little bit on the right side."

The Rogers Centre mound posed no problems for Litsch. who retired the first 10 batters he faced before Adam Dunn's one-out double in the fourth. Dunn went to third on a wild pitch and scored on a sacrifice Ily by Brandon Phillips.

"I love the mound here," Litsch said. "It's one of the best. It varies wherever you go: Every mound is different."

Rolen connected in the second inning for his sixth homer of the season and third in four games. His RBI double in the fifth made it 7-1.

Toronto is averaging more than six runs per game since Cito Gaston took over as man-

ting shut out 1-0 in Gaston's debut.

"We're definitely swinging the bats better," Rolen said. "We've got a nice little thing going here now."

Left-hander Brian Tallet Union County, Webster worked the ninth for Toronto.

Sloppy fielding by Volquez helped the Blue Jays add to their lead in the third. With runners at first and second, Alex Rios grounded back to the mound but Volquez threw high to shortstop Jerry Hairston, whose relay was too late to catch Rios.

Vernon Wells drove in a run with a fielder's choice and Lyle Overbay tacked on a tworun single to give the Blue Jays a 5-0 lead.

"With that hit there, we kind of put the nail in the coffin," Wells said of Overbay's single. "Those add-on runs are huge.'

The Reds are 15-27 in road games this year. Only Colorado (28) has lost more often away from home.

Hairston batted leadoff and went 1-for-4 in his first start after missing 14 games with a broken left thumb. Infielder Paul Janish was optioned to Triple-A Louisville to make room on the roster.

Notes: Ken Griffey Jr., who was the DH all three games in Toronto, will DH again Sunday, manager Dusty Baker said.

FCT SPORTS CALENDAR

Kentucky Pro East **Basketball Youth Camps:** The East Kentucky Pro Basketball Youth Camps, conducted by East Kentucky Miners Coach Kevin Keathley, will be held at Central Elementary School (July 21-23) and Sheldon Clark High School (July 31-Aug. 2).

Each of the three-day camps will run from 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

The preregistration fee for an individual East Kentucky Pro Basketball Youth Camp is

Alignment

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\$65 per participant. Two siblings in the same immediate family who preregister can attend a single camp for \$100. Each additional sibling in the same immediate family will be able to attend a single camp for \$35 through preregistration.

The registration fee for the day of each camp is \$75 per camper.

Registration for each camp will be held from 8-9 a.m. on the first day of the event.

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Checks for the camp should be made payable to Coach Kevin Keathley. For more information on the East Kentucky Pro Basketball Youth Camps, call 606-437-9715 or 606-794-6409.

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Gilliland finishes 2nd, pumps life into struggling Vates

by JENNA FRYER ASSOCIATED PRESS

SONOMA, Calif. - Driving for an underfunded race team mired in the slow rebuilding process, David Gilliland has found that strong runs are hard to come by.

But on a road course he's raced before, Gilliland found himself running with the leaders and showcasing the potential Yates Racing has after three-plus years of struggles. The California native finished a career-best second Sunday at Infineon Raceway the team's best result since Dale Jarrett won at Talladega in 2006.

"From where we were last year to these 16 races (this year) ... I mean, it's 180 degrees from where it was, and T think it still has the potential to get better," Gilliland said. "I feel like our performance has improved 90 percent from what it was last year.'

Quictly and methodically, Gilliland and teammate Travis Kvapil have pumped life back into a once-proud race team that seemed on the verge of collapse this time last year. Jarrett and Elliott Sadler had long fled the team, and the big-budget sponsors followed.

Team founder Robert Yates reached when he raced to sign Gilliland, who skyrocketed onto the map with an out-of-nowhere win in the 2006 Nationwide Series race at Kentucky. When Sadler jumped the sinking ship in the middle of that season, Gilliland officially had a Cup ride.

It wasn't exactly a competitive ride, though, and Gilliland slogged through seven finishes of 32nd or worse in his 14 starts with the team quickly passed them by. that year.

"You don't really learn anything driving a car that shouldn't even be on the race track," he said Sunday.

Last season wasn't much better. Yates lured Ricky Rudd out of retirement, but needed a charitable gesture from candy giant Mars to field both his cars. Although the year started with promise - Gilliland and Rudd used Yates horsepower to sweep the front row in the season-opening Daytona 500 - they combined for just three top 10s all year.

Gilliland finished 28th in the points, Rudd was 33rd and Yates was in desperate need of help. Ford brokered him a partnership in August with Paul Newman's then-Champ Car team, but the whole deal seemed suspect

The suspicions were confirmed about a month later when Yates hastily announced his retirement from racing. He was handing the team over to son Doug, who formed an alliance with mighty Roush Fenway Racing. With Rudd headed back into retirement, Roush moved Kvapil into that seat and sent general manager Max Jones to run the team as a co-owner.

Yates relocated from Mooresville, N.C., into Roush's sprawling Concord complex in a move that many view not as an alliance but actually a merger. Roush, who must comply with NASCAR's four-cars-only limit by the end of 2009, has been accused by rival car owners of circumventing the car cap by creating what is essentially a seven-car leam.

Regardless, the Yates branch needed a lot of work to undo the damage created when the growing sport so

and Kvapil have combined for five top closing laps and his bid to catch even-10s this season. Kyapil is 18th in the points with a revolving door of temporary sponsorship and Gilliland is 21st with limited help from freecreditreport.com.

Both are higher in the standings then big-budgeted drivers Kurt Busch, Casey Mears and even Sadler, who has only notched six top 10s since leaving Yates with 14 races left in the 2006 season.

Gilliland showed Sunday that his team can indeed run up front, and maybe even challenge for wins.

Granted, his showing came at a familiar place. The California native won in the NASCAR West Series race at Infineon last year and the NASCAR Southwest Series in 2004. He made his Cup Series debut on the road course in 2006.

And he'd been to the track dozens of times as a child, watching his father Butch race in what is now known as the Camping World West series. Gilliland served as his father's crew chief when Butch won that series title in 1997.

'My dad has won here four times, and the first time I ever road raced I came here," said Gilliland. "I had never road raced or nothing, and I qualified fourth. We broke a transmission then, but I just always came here with the attitude that if my dad could do it, I guess I can do it. I've never really taken any lessons on road racing. I'm just kind of at home here. It's been good. It's been a great race track for us.

So good that Gilliland was praised by four-time series champion Jeff Gordon, who finished third and had a By chipping away at it, Gilliland front-row scat to watch Gilliland's

tual winner Kyle Busch.

'There at the end, he was definitely impressive." said Gordon, a fivetime Infineon winner. "He was good on the restarts. He would get in there, and I thought he was going to have something for Kyle there at the end. I think actually if all the (track cleaner) hadn't been on the racetrack, he might have

"But David really impressed me. I was happy for him."

Now Gilliland needs to build some momentum as he and Kvapil continue their efforts to make Yates a legitimate contender. Both cars still need sponsorship, and runs such as the one Sunday at Sonoma - Kvapil started 41st and finished 22nd - could help.

'We're in a sponsor search right now for a full-time deal, so hopefully this will help. We're just excited about it," Gilliland said. "This should help us build some momentum. We're going to use this; we're going to build this up.

"I'm just really proud, most of all, of Yates Racing and where we've come as a team - Travis and I both - in the six months from where we ended the year last year. Yates Racing is definitely coming back, and I'm proud to be a part of it."

Truck Series team member suspended for altercation: NASCAR announced on Tuesday that Amanda S. Mathis, a team member for the No. 22 Toyota driven by Scott Speed in the Craftsman Truck Series, has been suspended for an infraction that occurred during the June 14 event at Michigan International Speedway.

Mathis has been suspended from NASCAR until July 30 and placed on

probation until Dec. 31 for violating Sections 12-4-A (actions detrimental to stock car racing); and 12-4-F (any member who participates in lights or altercations in the pits or on the race premises) of the NASCAR Crafisman Truck Series rule book.

Mathis was involved in a June 14 pre-race altercation with track security officials.

NASCAR SPRINT CUP DRIVER STANDINGS

- 1. Kyle Busch, 2,408
- 2. Jeff Burton, 2,305 3. Dale Earnhardt Jr., 2,256
- 4. Carl Edwards, 2,150
- 5. Jimmie Johnson, 2,082
- 6. Jeff Gordon, 2,041
- 7. Greg Biffle, 2,019
- 8. Denny Hamlin, 2,008
- 9. Kasey Kahne, 1,958 10. Clint Bowyer, 1,924
- 11. Tony Stewart, 1,908
- 12. Matt Kenseth, 1,892
- 13. Kevin Harvick, 1,890
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- 15. Brian Vickers, 1,788
- 16. Ryan Newman, 1,787
- 17. Martin Truex Jr., 1,785
- 18. Travis Kvapil, 1,676
- 19. Juan Pablo Montoya, 1,638 20. Jamie McMurray, 1,616

Stremme hopes success leads him back to NASCAR Sprint Cup Series

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David Stremme decided the only way to rebuild his racing reputation was to throw his

After losing his Sprint Cup ride at the end of last season, Stremme turned down other opportunities to drive in NASCAR's top series in 2008. Instead, he's racing for Rusty Wallace's team in the secondtier Nationwide series. And it just might pay off.

Teams are noticing Stremme's recent string of strong finishes, and he already is working on potential deals to return to Sprint Cup.

"A lot of people are talking,

mance problems that have continued this season.

"I just think there's more than just one problem," Stremme said. "There's a lot of problems there. And I have a lot of friends there still, because I was there for a long time. But it's just something (where) we went different directions and I think it's going to help me.'

Adding to Stremme's frustration was his belief that Ganassi had a deal in place with Franchitti last August but waited until September to tell him

'It took me away from getting a couple other good rides. and 1 wasn't happy about that," Stremme said.

Stremme said he is grateful

times difficult to hear when an organization choses someone else over you - I get that. I wish David nothing but the best.

Stremme said his experiences driving for Wallace and working as a test driver for Roger Penske's Cup team - a deal that could turn into a fulltime ride next season - have given him a taste of what he wants.

"With Roger Penske, I'm testing with him, I talk to him, we sit down, we discuss things," Stremme said. "Same with Rusty, you can talk to him. And that's a little different on Chip's program, and I think he's just got a lot going on."

After learning he was out of

Wallace won the Cup championship in 1989 and currently works as an analyst for ESPN's NASCAR coverage. Still, his team doesn't have the research and development budget to compete with major Cup teams that also run in the Nationwide series.

"But I still feel like we can beat them," Stremme said.

Perhaps. But before they can start thinking about checkered flags and champi-Wallace onships. and Stremme must work through a snag: They don't have enough sponsorship to run a second car in every race for the rest of the season.

"We're working like hell trying to fill more races," Wallace said.



CAMP TIME: The Knott County Sportsplex recently hosted an edition of Coach Keathley's Pro Basketball Youth Camp. The camp was under the direction of East Kentucky Miners head coach Kevin Keathley.



by CHRIS JENKINS

WEST ALLIS, Wis. career into reverse.

and we'll see what happens on the Cup side of things," Stremme said. "I feel very confident that I'll be back in the Cup series next year."

Stremme was considered one of NASCAR's top up-andcoming talents when he made the jump to Cup full-time in 2006. But he found himself out of a job late last season when team owner Chip Ganassi hired Indianapolis 500 winner Dario Franchitti to replace him in the No. 40 car in 2008.

The move was tough for Stremme to take.

He finished a disappointing 24th in the points last season, but notes that teammates Juan Pablo Montoya and Reed Sorenson didn't fare much better - making Stremme suspect that he took the fall for organization-wide perfor-

to Ganassi for bringing him to NASCAR, and the two remain friends. But in April, when his old team asked him to fill in at Talladega after Franchitti was injured, Stremme thought it was odd that team co-owner Felix Sabates called to thank him afterward but he didn't hear anything from Ganassi.

Especially since Stremme led the race twice before getting caught up in a wreck.

"That's the best that car's run all year, and I figured I'd at least get a phone call," he said. understands Ganassi

Stremme's frustration.

"David knows how I feel about him personally," Ganassi said. "Unfortunately, the business decisions of sports can be rather tough. David found himself on the receiving end of one of those business decisions. It's some-

a ride. Stremme said he spoke to three Cup teams but didn't consider any of them competitive enough. So he signed with Wallace, who agreed to field a second car along with the one driven by his son, Steve.

Stremme said his goal was to "to get into the best situation that I can to kind of get my stock back up."

After some growing pains with his new team. Stremme has finished sixth or better in five of the series' last eight races, including second-place finishes at Talladega and Nashville.

"As good as he's done in this Nationwide car, it just woke a lot of people up," Wallace said. "It really has. I'm glad I was able to help him with that. But he has helped us twicefold by getting some legitimacy back in our team."

Stremme wants to do any thing he can to help Wallace find sponsorship and his son become more consistent on the track, and in that way repay Wallace for his career advice.

"It's not just about race cars," Stremme said. "I'm able to talk to him about a lot of things I'm going through in my career, and he's been able to help quite a bit on that, too.'

And despite last year's setbacks, Stremme believes he can win in Cup.

"I think I can still showcase a lot more of what I'm able to do," Stremme said. "I'm able to do that a lot here with Rusty's team. Each week, like I said, we go into it and people know we're a contender, and I feel good about it."

RECENT PAINTSVILLE HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE BLAKE BUNDY signed with Mid-Continent University Wednesday. Mid-Continent Coach Winston Bennett attended the signing.

2008 NASCAR SPRINT CUP SERIES REMAINING RACES

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July 5 - Sprint Cup 400, Daytona Beach, Fla. July 12 - Chicagoland 400, Joliet, Ill.

July 27 - Allstate 400 At The Brickyard, Indianapolis

Mears, Hen drick to part ways after 20 Season

TIMES STAFF REPORT

CONCORD, N.C. Hendrick Motorsports and driver Casey Mears will part ways following the 2008 Sprint Cup Series season.

'We've put a ton of emphasis on the No. 5 program," said Rick Hendrick, owner of Hendrick Motorsports. "It's been a total team effort, and

Casey has worked as hard as anyone to help us improve. We've tested more than we ever have, but the results just haven't come.

"None of us, Casey includcd, have been satisfied with the situation this season. But he's confident there are other options out there for him in 2009, and we feel like Hendrick Motorsports will have some opportunities, too." Mears will finish the 2008

Sprint Cup campaign in Hendrick's No. 5 Chevrolets. "I know the effort has been

there, but we haven't had the finishes to show for it," Mears said. "I've never tested this much or put more energy into racing. But for whatever reason, we just haven't been able to make it click. It's certainly

not for lack of dedication on anyone's part.

"I'll talk to people about opportunities and get my 2009 plans wrapped up soon, but I'm also focused on the next 20 races and finishing 2008 on a positive note. We ran well the second half last year, and I know we can do it again. 1 want to close this season the right way."

Aug. 3 — Pennsylvania 500, Long Pond, Pa. Aug. 10 - Centurion Boats At The Glen, Watkins Glen, N.Y.

Aug. 17 - 3M Performance 400, Brooklyn, Mich.

Aug. 23 - Sharpie 500, Bristol, Tenn.

Aug. 31 - Sprint Cup 500, Fontana, Calif.

Oct. 5 - AMP Energy 500, Talladega, Ala.

Oct. 11 - Bank of America 500, Concord, N.C.

Oct. 19 - TUMS QuikPak 500, Martinsville, Va.

Sept. 6 - Chevy Rock & Roll 400, Richmond, Va. Sept. 14 - Sylvania 300, Loudon, N.H. Sept. 21 - Dover (Del.), 400 Sept. 28 - Kansas 400, Kansas City

22nd pick es

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

ORLANDO, Fla. - The Orlando Magic selected Courtney Lee with the 22nd pick in the NBA draft on Thursday night, hoping the shooting guard from Western Kentucky could help solidify an unstable backcourt.

Lee shot 47.7 percent from the field and was a career 81.7 percent free throw shooter during his four years at Western Kentucky. He averaged 20.4 points a game in his senior year.

Last season's Sun Belt Conference Player of the Year. Lee helped the Hilltoppers reach the Sweet 16 in the NCAA Tournament.

Returning starter Maurice Evans, who averaged 9.3 points for the Magic last season, is a free agent. If Evans leaves, Lee will compete with University former of Kentucky standout Keith Bogans and J.J. Redick for

playing time.

Bogans, one of the top guards in University of Kentucky history, started 35 games, averaging 8.7 points a game. Redick played in only 34 games, averaging 4.1 points a game. He has asked to be traded.

Oct. 26 - Pep Boys Auto 500, Hampton, Ga. Nov. 2 - Dickies 500, Fort Worth, Texas

Nov. 9 - Checker Auto Parts 500, Avondale, Ariz. Nov. 16 - Ford 500, Homestead, Fla.

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Application No.

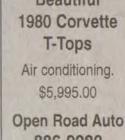
The proposed operation is approxiSUNDAY, JUNE 29, 2008 . B5

mately 1.1 miles Compton Estate. southeast from KY Rt. 1428's junction with U.S. 23 and located along Daniels Creek. The latitude is 37° 36' 39". The longitude is 82° 41' 52".(3) The proposed operation is on the Harold and Lancer U.S.G.S. 7 ? minute quadrangle maps. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Yancey L. Clark. The operation will underlie owned by land Yancey L. Clark, Daniels Creek Development Corp & Browning Family Partnership, Jimmy Burchett, Dale B.B. Mullins. Burchett Paul Aiken, Patricia & U S a n McGary, Pauline Foley, Edward & Nannie Burchett, Vernon Able & Hester all Goble, Phyllis Crace, Β. Stepp. Joe Wornie Garrett, Raymond Garrett. and B.M. this date Lowe.

The operation will affect an area within 100 feet of public road U.S. 23. The operation will not involve relocation or closure of the public road.(4) The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Mining Surface Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conterence must be filed with the Director. Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. This is the final advertisement Powers, of this application; comments. objections, 10 Norma requests for a permit conference must be received within thirty (30) days of



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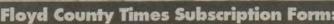
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Odds & Ends

BERLIN — A German man doused his BMW with gasoline and torched it on Friday in protest at skyrocketing fuel costs, police said.

one-horse power."

transportation.

restraining order against him

after he was accused of throw-

ing a 15-year-old boy to the

ground when the teen refused

stay at least 100 yards away

from the boy, told the Greeley

Tribune he stopped the boy for

his own safety and did not hurt

him. He said he will fight the

restraining order during a July

plans to ask the judge to make

the restraining order perma-

boy to the ground on Monday.

and then held him there until

police arrived. Police ticketed

the boy for driving without a

should be charged with assault.

Greeley police spokeswoman

Tymkowych

Wednesday an investigation

Stitt said his son and Clark

have been at odds for weeks

after his son had a dispute with

the mayor's wife. Stitt said

Clark confronted his son at a

basketball court and told him

"bad things are going to hap-

pen" if he didn't stop showing

officer who works as a security

director at a charter school and

recently took a part-time job as

an investigator with the Weld

County district attorney's

office. He did not immediately

return a message left by The

DARWIN, Australia —

Drinkers at an Outback water-

ing hole may have wondered if

perhaps they'd had one too

many when they were greeted

by a crocodile at the pub's

But being good hosts, they

door.

Associated Press Wednesday.

Clark is a former police

disrespect to his wife.

The father said Clark

said

The boy's father, Tim Stitt,

Stitt said Clark forced the

7 hearing.

nent.

license.

Joe

was ongoing.

Mayor Ed Clark, who must

to stop riding a motorbike.

The unemployed 30-yearold man drove the black 1995 BMW 3-series sedan onto the lawn outside Frankfurt's convention center grounds at about 7:30 a.m., police spokesman Karlheinz Wagner said.

He then jumped out, emptied a canister of gas over the vehicle, and set fire to it, Wagner said.

By the time the fire department got to the scene, the car was entirely burned out.

The Bavarian man, whose name was being withheld because he has not been charged with a crime, told police that gas prices were so high he could no longer afford to drive the vehicle.

As in many countries, gasoline prices have risen steadily in Germany; a liter of regular gasoline now costs about 1.55 euros, or \$9.40 per gallon.

Police were investigating whether the man could be charged with violating German environmental laws with the stunt, Wagner said. Penalties range from fines to five years in prison.

ARLINGTON, Wash. -When gas prices hit \$4 a gallon, the staff at Dr. Keith Leonard's dental office figured it was time to pony up.

Since more than half of the dental assistants and office staff own horses, on Wednesday the crew saddled up and rode in to work.

We decided that when gas got to \$4 a gallon, we would all ride in," Leonard said.

Ten riders and two bicyclists met up at Leonard's home about four miles north of his office for the commute. City officials in Arlington, located about 50 miles north of Seattle, granted them a special permit to ride as a group.

'We can't dictate how much oil companies charge, but today we're not buying," Leonard said. "We're using

did the only polite thing and resisting." Leonard said the ride was a invited him inside.

way to encourage his patients The saltwater croc was just to use alternative forms of 2 feet long and more a curiosity than a threat to drinkers at the Noonamah Tavern on GREELEY, Colo. — The Sunday. The aggressive mayor of this northern hunters can grow to more than Colorado city has a temporary 16 feet and have been known

> to attack people. Barmaid Sarah Sparre said Thursday that three patrons spotted the creature outside the pub, grabbed it and brought it inside.

"You could say we were a bit surprised," Sparre said. "He was pretty complacent, easygoing. But we weren't going to test him out."

The three men taped up its mouth, held it up for a round of photos, then put it in a box near the bar.

Sparre said the croc may have escaped from a farm for the animals that was several miles away. Wildlife officials took the crocodile to the farm.

Noonamah boasts little more than a gas station and a bar on the main north-south highway through Australia, about 25 miles from the Northern Territory capital of Darwin.

Saltwater crocodiles, once hunted to near extinction by skinners, have flourished in Australia's tropical north since they became a protected species in the 1970s.

VAN BUREN, Ark. -Crawford County authorities say an inmate escaped the county jail and left behind a rose fashioned out of toilet paper because he felt sorry for breaking out.

Luis Camacho-Mendoza was recaptured a day later on Wednesday in a Van Buren home after police received a tip. Investigator Ken Howard said Camacho-Mendoza was found hiding in a closet in a pile of clothes with a pillowcase over his head.

"But he wasn't hiding too good because you could see the outline of his head in the pillow case," Howard said. "We all grabbed him pretty quick and he didn't seem to be

Authorities said Camacho-Mendoza was in jail on drug charges and was expected to be deported to Mexico by immigration officials.

In his escape, Camacho-Mendoza broke open a lock on a kitchen door using a tool made from two screwdrivers. authorities said. Camacho-Mendoza worked in the kitchen.

When the inmate was discovered missing, authorities also found the flower, Howard said.

"When we asked him about that, he said he felt sorry for the captain for escaping,' Howard said. "(The flower) looked pretty nice."

BRIDGEPORT, Conn. - A man being sought by police for questioning in a series of traffic accidents was arrested after crashing his truck in a state police garage in Connecticut.

A 36-year-old man faces charges including criminal

BETTER VISION – FOR LIFE

trespass, reckless endanger-

ment and possession of drug

through the access arm at the

front gate of state police head-

quarters in Bridgeport on

Thursday, drove his pickup

into an open garage door and

then crashed into a vehicle lift.

when he attempted to flee.

Troopers said they learned

later that Bridgeport police

were searching for the vehicle,

which had been involved in

No injuries were reported

The man told authorities he

was being chased, but there

was no evidence to back that

SAVANNAH, Ga. —

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accidents earlier in the day.

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The suspect was arrested

Police said the man broke

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like a jailbird than sport a birthday suit.

Police say Bill Merit, 49, left the Chatham County jail and began walking by the side of the road, naked. Witnesses called police, who arrested him and jailed him again on a charge of public indecency.

A police report says Merit told an officer that he didn't take the clothes jailers gave him because he thought they were stolen. The report says the man "appeared rational, except for being naked."

Jail records show Merit had been booked two days eariler on charges of criminal trespass and disorderly conduct. Chatham County Sheriff Lt. Thomas Tillman said Wednesday Merit remains in jail awaiting arraignment. He says he does not know if Merit has a lawyer.



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