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briefs

# State probes mine fatal

The Associated Press

HAZARD — State authorities are investigating a fatality at a mining site in eastern Kentucky after a bulldozer went over an embankment while grading a road.

Kentucky's Energy and Environmental Cabinet spokeswoman Ricki Gardenhire said Rodney K. Blevins, 40, of Cumberland, was operating a bulldozer at the AM&E Coal Inc. mine when the accident occurred.

Another bulldozer operator was killed in September in a similar accident. Harold Lee Graham, 55, of Campton, died Sept. 19, when a bulldozer he was operating fell over a wall at a mine in Ary while he worked for International Coal Group.

Johnny Greene, executive director of the Office of Mine Safety and Licensing, has directed the state's surface mine safety analysts to visit all surface mines in the state to conduct safety meetings.

Those meetings were scheduled to begin Thursday and will conclude in about 10 business days, Gardenhire said.

"Our analysts will be conducting these meetings with mine employees and contractors who are at risk for highwall accidents. We will discuss with these employees methods to prevent these types of accidents," Greene said in a statement.

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# Court gives man one-year jail sentence for litter

SHELDON COMPTON STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG – Floyd County officials are serious about keeping the county free of litter, and their efforts go beyond promotions encouraging citizens to keep their area clean.

For some litterbugs, it means jail

Corn Fork resident Carlos D. Hoover, 21, learned this Wednesday when a Floyd County court tried him in his absence and sentenced him to a year in jail in addition to a fine.

"People need to know we're serious about this," said Randy Bryant, Floyd County code enforcement officer. "The county wants this understood."

Bryant filed a criminal complaint against Hoover last month for criminal littering after another resident of Corn Fork came forward, saying Hoover had dumped a pickup truck load of debris and assorted garbage at the head of Corn Fork, a section belonging to him.

"The man happened to be working on the roof of his house when he said he saw the boy (Hoover) drive by with the load in the back of the truck," Bryant said. "Then, a little while later, he said he saw the truck go out empty."

The resident, who was not named in the complaint or mentioned by name by

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Floyd County Judge-Executive R.D. "Doc" Marshall and Floyd County Code **Enforcement** Officer Randy Bryant are sending a message to those littering thoughout the county. A Prestonsburg man was recently given a oneyear jail sentence for criminal littering.

### SAFETY IN MIND



photos by Sheldon Comptor

Bennie Allen Rose just recently assumed the role of lead mechanic for the Floyd County Schools Transportation Department. A 13-year veteran of the department, Rose took part in a ceremony Wednesday recognizing him and his fellow workers for their efforts within the school system.

# District honors bus drivers

SHELDON COMPTON STAFF WRITER

MARTIN – Most students think whatever time they have to catch the bus in the morning is too early. Most don't stop to think about how much earlier the person driving the bus had to get up that morning.

"I'm up early every morning," says bus driver Hershel Slone, a 20-year veteran driver for the school system. "There's a lot to this job and there's a lot of responsibilities that have to be taken care of."

Slone and other drivers awake before daylight every morning and spend 30 minutes performing walk-around inspections and internal inspections of their buses before ever getting behind the wheel.

Transportation staff for Floyd

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Hershel Slone, a Floyd County school bus driver for the past 20 years, washes his bus at the Martin bus garage Wednesday.

# Prison guards face sex charges

SHELDON COMPTON STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG – Two more sexual abuse cases involving former officers at Otter Creek Correctional Center in Wheelwright have made the rounds in Floyd County court this month.

Most recently, Darren Lee Green, 40, of Hi Hat, was issued a summons to appear in Floyd County District Court on a single charge of second-degree sexual abuse.

The complaint leading to the charge alleges that Green subjected an inmate to sexual contact during one of his shifts.

According to the summons, the alleged incident occurred on Sept. 16, 2007. Green will next appear in court for arraignment on Oct. 29.

The facility houses female inmates from

Kentucky and Hawaii and has seen a rash of similar charges brought against its officers in the past several years.

Earlier in the month, on Oct. 7, another former

officer, 21-year-old Kevin Younce, formerly of Floyd County but now a resident of North Carolina, was found guilty on one count of second-degree sexual abuse occurring at the prison on July 2.

Kentucky State Police Det. B.J. Caudill, who investigated Younce's case, said Younce was not in court for the verdict and that a warrant, which is still active, has been issued for his arrest.

Caudill said his first look at the case came following a complaint filed by Pikeville Medical Center.

"I received an initial complaint from Pikeville Medical Center," Caudill said. "They told me they were transporting an inmate from the facility. After that, I located Mr. Younce and conducted the first interview."

During that first interview, Younce claimed he had "fallen asleep" in the restroom and that the inmate had "possibly came in and taken some of his DNA," according to Caudill.

Within a week, Younce returned with another story, saying he "wanted to clear things up," Caudill said. This time, the former officer admitted to having sex with the inmate, but said both he and the inmate had agreed to do so.

"He said it happened, but was consensual," con-

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# Drug suspects appear in court for arraignment

by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — After receiving a letter from Floyd County Circuit Court Judge John David Caudill ordering them to appear in court following recent indictments by a Floyd County grand jury, nine suspects were arraigned on drug charges earlier this

week.

The indictments followed an undercover drug investigation conducted by Operation UNITE and an investigator from the Kentucky Attorney General's Office of Criminal Investigations. Officers have been investigation the cases for about eight months.

The following suspects were arraigned on Tuesday:

Jason L. Branham, 29, of Wheelwright, two counts first-degree trafficking in a controlled substance, one count second-degree trafficking in a controlled substance, and first-degree persistent felony offender. He was lodged in the Floyd County Detention Center in lieu of a \$45,000 bond.

Kendra L. Little, 21, of Wheelwright, one count first-degree

possession of a controlled substance. She was released on a \$5,000 bond.

Steven A. Meade, 36, of Wheelwright, one count second-degree trafficking in a controlled substance. He was lodged in the Floyd County Detention Center in lieu of a \$5,000 bond.

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### **Obituaries**

Liddie Hall

Liddie Hall, age 84, of Galveston, widow of Elder Alex Hall, passed away Wednesday, October 22, 2008, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg.

She was born August 1, 1924, in Galveston, the daughter of the late Lee Hall and Fannie Hamilton Hall. She was a former Family Home Care Giver, and a member of the Little Rachel Old Regular Baptist Church, in Galveston.

Survivors include a daughter, Betty Sue (Walter) Moore of Grethel; a stepson, Alex Hall Jr., of New Jersey; a brother, Brice Hall of Galveston; three grandchildren: Jennifer (Bill) Slone, Rusty (Shena) Hamilton, and Stephanie (Ricky) Keens; six great-grandchildren: Jordan Slone, Carly Keens, Harley Keens, Logan Hamilton, Shane Hamilton, and Jonathan Hamilton; and six stepgrandchilden, Michelle Adams. Shelia Hall, Walter Moore Jr., Bill Jones, Debbie Allen, and Shirley Hamilton; and six stepgreat-grandchilden: Billie and Brian Adams, Brandon Hall, Mercedes Moore, and Clyde Hamilton Jr.

She was preceded in death by her husband; her parents, a stepdaughter, Sarah Jones; two brothers: Ned Hall and Nat Hall; and five sisters: Ruby Sturgill, Lou Hall, Euna Wilson, Norma' Akers, and Mae Hall.

Funeral services for Liddie Hall will be conducted Saturday, October 25, at 11:00 a.m., at the Little Rachel Regular Baptist Church, in Galveston, with Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial will follow in the Robert Hall Cemetery, in Galveston, under the professsional care of the Hall Funeral Home, in Martin.

Visitation is at the church.

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# BSCTC holds transition fair for disabled students

PRESTONSBURG — The first annual Next Step Transition/Job Fair for students with disabilities, co-sponsored by the Kentucky Valley Education Cooperative and BSCTC, took place Oct. 17 on the BSCTC Prestonsburg campus.

Attending the event were 174 juniors and seniors representing Pike Central, Pikeville Independent, Shelby Valley, Phelps, Allen Central, Prestonsburg, South Floyd, Magoffin County and Betsy Layne. The students attended concurrent workshops offered by the BSCTC offices of Admissions and Financial Aid, Office of Vocational Rehabilitation Services and Office for the Blind, Resume Writing, Social Security Supported Employment, Disability Support Services offered through BSCTC, Morehead State University and Eastern Kentucky University. Students attended a client/student panel of successful college students, business owners, and an attorney with disabilities who shared their struggles and successes with the high school audience.

The luncheon speaker, Buford Williams, a retired teacher, coach, and official, offered a life pan of experience in overcoming the obstacles associated with his disability.

Zachary Wolford, student at Phelps High School in Pike County, won first place in the Resume Writing Challenge and a tuition free semester at BSCTC. Zachary made the statement that he had "dreamed and wished for the opportunity to win this contest and go to college" all during the evening before the Transition Fair. Mica Joseph of Prestonsburg High School won second place and \$100.00; Christopher Herrington of South Floyd High School won third place and \$75.00;

Timothy Tackett of Allen Central High School won fourth place and \$50.00. All cash prizes were donated by the Society of Human Resource Managers of Gateway.

Over 15 exhibits lined the Student Center classrooms in 203A and B. Morehead State University, Office of Vocational Rehabilitation, Interstate Gas, Gearheart Communications, Human Development Institute, ACS, Goodwill Industries, Community Trust Bank, Honda of Prestonsburg, Music Carter Hughes, Floyd County Health Department, Office for the Blind, Carl D. Perkins Vocational Training Center, Big Sandy Community and Technical College, Kentucky Partnerships for Families and Children, Commission for Exceptional Children and the Charles McDowell Center brought information about resources and job prospects to the students.

The favorite part of the program for many students was the client/student panel comprised of college students and professionals with disabilities. Eugene Cisco, attorney from Pike County, talked about his journey to become an attorney in spite of his visual disabilities. Travis O., senior from Prestonsburg High School, told organivers "for the first time, I don't feel like I am the only one..." Travis glanced around the auditorium that was overflowing with students with disabilities to make his point.

Tiffany R., senior from Pike Central High School won the door prize of an IPOD Shuffle donated by Bonnie and Durward Hale, Gift bags for all students were made possible by a generous donation from the Society of Human Resource Managers of

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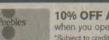
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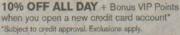
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Marriage Licenses

Samantha Faye Stahley, 23, M.C. of West Liberty, to Jeremy

Todd Kidd, 32. Michelle Leigh McCready, 22, Bristol, Va., to Donald Ray

Fairchild, 30, of Staffordsville. Kayla Nicole Clevenger, 20, of Kermit, W.Va., to Lonnie Brent Amburgey, 28, of Pinc Top.

Crystal Leann Morgan, 26, of Prestonsburg, to Gary Chris Isaac, 29, of Prestonsburg.

Phyllis Joann Marsillett, 53, of Prestonsburg, to Dennis Walker, 58, of Prestonsburg.

Jamie Lynn Terry, 25, of Dana, to Nicholas Scott Ison, 28, Langley.

Tiffany Dawn Mills, 25, of Martin, to Toby Mack Akers, 31, of Martin.

### Civil Suits Filed

Brenda Handshoe vs. Billy Handshoe; divorce.

Ford Credit Motor Company LLC vs. Mark A. Walker; complaint.

Bryan D. Adams vs. Eugene Tackett; complaint.

Edna Mullins vs. Milton Mullins Jr.; divorce. Aileen Blair vs. Loretta L.

Perkins; petition for health insurance and child support. Redonna S. Hall vs.

William R. Hall; testimony. City National Bank vs. Darrell Preston; complaint.

US Bank vs. Leitha Salisbury; complaint. Vicki Hurst vs. Litten J.

Dyc; complaint. Lendmark Financial

Services vs. Missy Branham; complaint. Chad Wesley Slone vs.

Flora Sue Slone; divorce. Lyndon Hall vs. Lisa Hall;

petition for health insurance. Christena Gayheart vs. Eric Gayheart; petition for health Echo Nichole Ratliff vs. Trucking Inc.; com-

Small Claims Filings

A-Plus Rentals vs. David Gibson; debt collection.

Housing Authority of Martin vs. Martella A. Wright; debt collection.

Melvin Ousley vs. Ron Lawson; debt collection.

Teresa James vs. Ruth Ramey; debt collection.

Clarissa Kaye Hale vs. Ricky Jason Bentley; debt col-

Eric D. Conn vs. Angela D. Hamilton; debt collection.

Eric Conn vs. Michael

Taylor; debt collection. Eric Conn vs. Donna Jewell; debt collection.

Eric Conn vs. William G. Mullett; debt collection.

Charges Filed

Sam Hall, 46, McDowell; theft by failure to make required disposition of proper-

Erin S. Burke, 33, Langley; attempt to obtain controlled substance by fraud or false statement.

David Brent Symon, 26, Martin; possession of a controlled substance, prescription not in proper container.

Justin K. Carroll, 19, Prestonsburg: second-degree assault.

Brandi Lewis, Prestonsburg; public intoxication, possession of a controlled substance, prescription not in proper container. Barry Collins, age not list-

ed, Prestonsburg; criminal

Karen Lynn Waugh, 47, Martin; harassing communica-

William Gussler, 43, Paintsville; criminal mischief, criminal trespassing.

Jonathan B. Shepherd, 23, David; alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct.

Wesley Hall, Prestonsburg: possession of alcohol by a minor.

Cassandra Patton Ramey, 36, Garrett; public intoxica-

Jackie E. Hall Jr., 36, Garrett; public intoxication, operating a motor vehicle without a license.

Travis B. Baker, 20, Carrie; minor entering premise for the purchase of alcohol.

Darin Blackburn, 35, Pikeville; public intoxication.

Randall L. Akers, 32, Teaberry; criminal trespassing, menacing.

Shonda Music, 24, Blue River; theft by unlawful tak-

Angela K. Powell, 26, Winchester; theft by unlawful taking, public intoxication.

Michael Crum, 35, Martin; terroristic threatening, criminal mischief.

Ron Blackburn, Prestonsburg; alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct.

Eric D. Jarrell, 25, Prestonsburg; one headlight, inadequate silencer, failure to wear seatbelt, operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or drugs, failure to notify transportation department of change of address, failure to produce insurance card, no or expired registration receipt, possession of a controlled substance.

Dewayne Bevins Jr., 23, Banner; alcohol intoxication. Lisa Marie Ward, 38,

Pikeville; alcohol intoxication. Donald Gene Rose, 34, Martin; alcohol intoxication.

Corbett Stephen Grigsby, 38, Martin; following another vehicle too closely, license to be in possession, operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or drugs, possession of marijuana, use or possession of drug paraphernalia.

Timothy J. Bellamy, 30, Eastern; possession of marijuana, possession of a controlled substance, prescription not in proper container.

Randy D. Terry, 40, Hi Hat; harassing communications.

Randy Bentley, 41, Allen; criminal trespassing, criminal mischief, terroristic threaten-

Read Hamilton, fourth-degree Teaberry;

Tommy Newsome Jr., 37, Bevinsville; parent or custodian send child to school.

Darren Lee Green, 40, Hi Hat, second-degree sexual abuse.

Willis E. Tackett Jr., 27, Hi Hat; public intoxication.

Charles E. Stephens, 41, Blue Creek; terroristic threatening.

### Inspections .

Justin's Trailer Park, Teaberry, regular inspection. Violations noted: lots not numbered properly, grass in need of cutting, weeds overgrown in some areas. Score: 94.

Little Caesars Pizza, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: lack of accurate thermometers in al refrigeration and freezing units storing potentially hazardous foods, lack of numerically scaled thermometer for checking cooking and holding temperature of potentially hazardous food, lack of effective hair restraints, cloths used for food and non food contact surfaces not stored and rinsed frequently in water sanitizing solution, food contact surface of equipment and utensils not clean, toilet room floors not self closing. Score: 93.

Hillbilly Pizza, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: lack of accurate thermometers in all refrigeration and freezing units storing potentially hazardous foods, lack of effective hair restraints, food contact surface of equipment and utensils not clean, non food contact surface of equipment and utensils not clean, sanitary towel or hand drying device not provided at lavatory or hand-washing sink, garbage and refuse containers not covered as required, floors not clean,

fixtures not shielded as required, cleaning and maintenance equipment not properly stored. Score: 88.

Health, Prestonsburg Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: non food contact surfaces not properly constructed, non food contact surfaces not properly maintained, all plumbing not maintained according to law. Score: 98.

Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: food contact surfaces not properly constructed, food contact surfaces not properly designed, food contact surface of equipment and utensils not clean, food contact surface of equipment and utensils not free of abrasive, non food contact surfaces of equipment and utensils not clean, improper storage of clean equipment and utensils, floors not in good repair, floors not clean. Score:

### **Property Transfers**

Linda Clay to Kermit Dailey and Nesah Dailey, property not listed.

CMH of Ky, Inc., to Kermit Dailey and Nesah Dailey, property not listed.

Norma Conn to Bonnie Lea

floors not in good repair, light Bailey, Noah B. Conn, and Paul T. Conn, property not list-

> Karen R. Daniel to Gilbert Stambaugh, property located at East Point.

Kenneth R. Daniels to Gilbert Stambaugh, property located East Point.

Robert Fraley to Stacy Little, property located at Frasures Creek

Geraldine Hall to Rita Hall and Willie Hall, property not

James Hall to Rita Hall and Willie Hall, property not list-Lawrence Birchell Hall to

Anthony Castle, property located at Keathley-Spradlin. Richard Hall to Pilgrim

Energy, Inc., property not list-Zena Hall to Pilgrim

Energy, Inc., property not list-Mary Jo Marsillett to

Ronnie D. Marsillett, property not listed. Karen Meade to Ronald

Meade, property located at Jackson Street.

Edward Ousley to Connie L. Joseph, property located at Spurlock Creek

Peggy Ousley to Connie L. Joseph, property located at Spurlock Creek.

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Comments were positive from volunteers directly involved in the process as well as presenters like Shirley-DeZarn and Debbie Sweet," Transition Specialists from Eastern Kentucky University, who stated that BSCTC should be very proud of their first transition/job fair for students with disabilities. According to these professionals who participate in similar events in 51 counties in Kentucky, the Next Step Transition Fair was "one of the better organized and attended transition fairs we have attended anywhere."

The event was made possible through the efforts of many volunteers, organizers and contributors. Individual contributors include Bonnie Hale. Mike Hall, Donna Huff, Brenda Combs, Sis Hall, Diane Birchfield, Tonya Porter, Julie Howlington, Yvette McGuire, Buford Williams, Kelly Colvin, Mazola Salmons, Machelle Holbrook, Kayla Smith, Rose Smith, Kim Crisman, Carla

Branham, Gil Plants, Jeff Hicks, Pam Sykes, Leslie Bays, Betsy Spradlin, Emily Hurd, Tim and Gail Cooley, Reggie Scott, Karri Turner, Eugene Cisco, Courtney Childers, Chris Cook, Susan Back, Jenny Leedy, Amanda Baker, Peggy Prater, Dr. Doug Herman, Joel VanHoose, Susan Chafin, Jeanina Patton, Shannon Arts, Pauletta Burke, Jessica Rudd, Danny Profitt and all of the M/O crew who

assisted with set up, Margarita

■ Continued from p2 Dr. George Hampton, Edwards, Howard Blackburn, Shannon Crum, Derek Allen, Judy Bowen, Shelia Ratliff, Dr. Nancy Johnson, Dwight Smith, Daphene Goble, Amy Wolford, Bonita and John Dove, Rebecca Day, Virginia Williamson, Judith Valade, Rosella Pennington and Jimmy Wright, Legena May, Jeanna Smith, Scarberry McCoart.

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# Editorial roundup

Journal Star, Peoria, Ill., on election rumors:

America is a little insane right now. ...

While (Sen. Barack) Obama is getting the brunt of the irrational crowd's attention right now - he's a secret Muslim, the anti-Christ from the biblical Book of Revelation, won't recite the Pledge of Allegiance, etc. — (Sen. John) McCain is not immune. Heard the "Manchurian Candidate" rumor? Allegedly McCain was brainwashed as a POW, which brought on an early senility and, for all anyone knows, forced him to father a black child out of wedlock - a smear started by Republicans, by the way, back in 2000. Who but the maniacal could make these fictions up, and who but the ultra-malleable would believe them?

Maybe it's full-moon fever, or maybe the wildly gyrating stock market has just put Americans in a state of mass hysteria. When people don't feel in control of their destinies, some go stark-raving mad. Whatever the case, the injuries we are inflicting are not on the candidates but on ourselves.

First, the craziness keeps good people from running for public

Second ... trying to drag specifics out of the candidates on any given issue can really be a chore. Why? Because many are scared to death to tell voters the truth — that they can't have it all, that low taxes and a government that is there for them in every conceivable circumstance are mutually exclusive goals, that we have to live within our means, that choices must be made — because those who do inevitably get punished at the polls. ...

The Gazette, Colorado Springs, Colo., on eBay as a barometer of the economy:

Some analysts were surprised when eBay Inc. showed lower-thanexpected fourth-quarter profits, earning \$492 million, or 38 cents per share.

It's one thing when the Dow plunges, or confidence in Apple computer shares declines with the expectation that consumers will avoid high priced gadgets for a while. But eBay tells us the recession is wide and deep and real, reaching into every home in America.

That's because eBay is nothing other than the facilitator of free trade among mostly amateur, at-home merchants selling everything from baseball cards, to jewelry, to old books from the attic, to grilled cheese sandwiches featuring apparitions of the Virgin Mary

If eBay is hurting, it means nothing is trading. Nothing. Not sacred

grilled cheese, not grandma's pearl necklace.

If you want to know what the fat cats on Wall Street think, use the indexes of the New York Stock Exchange as your economic indicator. If you want to know what millions of Americans think, look for the next financial report from eBay - the best indicator of all. ...

The New York Times, on U.S. infant mortality rate:

After five years of stagnation, the United States has managed to cut its infant mortality a bit. That is no great cause for celebration, especially since this country's rates remain far too high and so many other countries are doing so much better on this important measure of a nation's health and the quality of its medical system.

... The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported last week that in 2006 the rate of infant deaths in the United States fell to 6.71 per 1,000 live births, down from 6.86 the previous year. That is still 50 percent higher than the official national goal of 4.5 deaths per

What is particularly shameful is how poorly this country compares with other industrialized countries. In 1960, the United States ranked 12th lowest in the world in infant mortality. By 2004, the last year for which comparative data are available, it had dropped to 29th, tied with Poland and Slovakia. Even with the improvement, it is still likely to rank 29th, far behind many Scandinavian and East Asian countries that report rates below 3.5.

Infant mortality is associated with many factors, including the health and economic status of the mother, her race or ethnicity, access to quality medical care, and such cultural problems as rising obesity and drug use.

That makes it difficult to identify the cause of the United States' poor performance. ... The chief lesson we draw is that the American health care system, despite the highest expenditures in the world, is badly in need of an overhaul.

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### Guest column

### The curse of visionary politicians

by GEORGE C. LEEF

Much nonsense has been written about the great financial debacle of 2008, much of it deliberately crafted to confuse and mislead people into believing that it was caused by freemarket capitalism. The truth is that this is the latest manifestation of our national curse - the curse of visionary politicians.

That curse stems from our proclivity for electing politicians who have grand ideas for improving the nation (or even the world) by trying to make things more equal, more righteous, more fair, more something. The trouble is that their plans always backfire, doing damage to taxpayers and other innocent bystanders.

In this case, the grand vision was that home ownership is good and the government should promote it. Bill Clinton initiated it and George Bush was glad to take credit for the increasing percentage of Americans who own their homes. In 1994 Congress beefed up the Community Reinvestment Act to put strong pressure on banks to lend in "underserved areas." The government-sponsored enterprise Fannie Mae gobbled up vast numbers of these new loans, bundling them for resale and earning astounding windfalls for its executives. And the Federal Reserve did its part by keeping interest rates artificially low for years, driving a housing market boom that made people giddy.

Naturally, home ownership increased. Both Clinton and Bush treated that as a wonderful accomplishment. Americans cheered their political vision.

But you can't blow up a bubble forever. The housing bubble was bound to collapse and now that it has, the price tag for this vision is evident.

Losses are staggering and most politicians are looking for ways to spread them to the public. None of it could have happened without political meddling intended to "improve" the nation, but there are almost no mea culpas. On the contrary, the guilty parties are resorting to the Big Lie technique. They're desperate to keep alive the myth that government only does good things that serve "the public interest."

Surveying our history, this episode has the same roots as many other crises. Visionary politicians have given us needless wars, moralistic crusades such as Prohibition, and a host of programs meant to end poverty, inequality, and all kinds of social injustice. Examine any of them closely and you see that they've been costly failures.

There is nothing wrong with havwhen they are pursued through government power, they always go astray. That is true for two main rea-

First, politicians don't directly bear the costs of mistakes because they're always using other people's money. When individuals want to accomplish something, they pay close attention to the costs and benefits; they quickly change what they're doing if costs start to exceed benefits. Public officials rarely see, much less correct, their mistakes.

Second, special-interest groups almost always find ways to turn government projects into gains for themselves. Money and power attract the unscrupulous like a light attracts moths. They skim off as much as they can and use their influence to keep the good times rolling.

Under the Constitution, the government was not supposed to have powers that visionaries could employ for their ideas. Unfortunately, those limitations were long ago shredded by Supreme Court justices sympathetic to the idea that the country needed a much more powerful government. Also, many voters are easily taken in by grandiose political rhetoric. Candidates know that speeches filled with sweeping plans will excite more voters than ones unadorned with lofty goals and

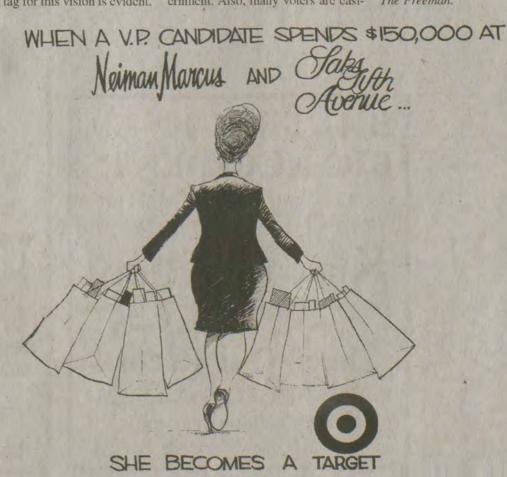
Visionary politicians have saddled us with a host of boondoggles: public education, public housing, Social Security, the Postal Service, Amtrak, just to name a few. They cost taxpayers a lot while delivering little benefit. Without political visions, they would never have gotten started and couldn't survive if cut loose from public revenues.

Arguably the best president of the twentieth century was the nonvisionary Calvin Coolidge. The great writer H.L. Mencken once praised him by saying, "He had no ideas and was not a nuisance." That is, Coolidge had no vision for changing ing visions of a better world, but and improving America. He was content to'do just what his Oath of Office required - uphold the Constitution and faithfully enforce the laws.

Political visions necessarily get in the way of our ability to pursue our individual visions. The more we're taxed and controlled, the less we can run our lives and accomplish whatever we think is important. But political visionaries don't care; whatever they deem to be for "the public good," requires that the individuals who comprise the public must be compelled to serve their projects and

Perhaps the current financial crisis is what educators call a "teachable moment." The conditions for imparting a lesson are ideal. There are a number of small lessons here (get rid of government sponsored enterprises and repeal meddlesome laws like the Community Reinvestment Act), but the big lesson is this: don't elect any more visionary politicians.

George C. Leef is the director of the Pope Center for Higher Education Policy in Raleigh, North Carolina, and book review editor of



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# Gill named 2009 Kentucky Teacher of the Year

FRANKFORT - Karen Gill, a science teacher at Henry Clay High School in Fayette County, has been named 2009 Kentucky Teacher of the Year.

The announcement was made Wednesday at a ceremony held in the Capitol Rotunda in Frankfort by Ashland Inc. and the Kentucky Department of Education. Gov. Steve Beshear, Secretary of Education Helen Mountjoy, Commissioner of Education Jon E. Draud and Ashland Chairman and CEO Jim O'Brien were on hand to make the presentation.

Lisa Wathen, a teacher at Freedom Elementary School in the Bullitt County school district, was named 2009 Elementary School Teacher of the Year, and Willow Hambrick, a language arts teacher at Royal Spring Middle School in Scott

County, was named 2009 has taught for 18 years, 16 of Fayette County Merit of Middle School Teacher of the

The three joined 21 other teachers from across the state honored with 2009 Ashland Inc. Teacher Achievement Awards. Wathen and Hambrick received \$3,000 each and a customized. art-glass vase from Ashland Inc., while Gill received \$10,000 and a commemorative crystal-glass In addition, Department of Education will provide a sabbatical or suitable alternative for Gill, who also will represent the state in the 2009 National Teacher of the Year competition. The remaining 21 winners each received \$500 cash awards. All 24 teachers received framed certificates and all were further recognized at a luncheon

following the ceremony. KAREN V. GILL - Karen Gill those at Henry Clay High School, where she currently teaches physics and other science courses. Gill carned two bachelor's degrees Transylvania University. Lexington; a master's degree at the University of Kentucky and Rank 1 certification at Georgetown College. Gill is a Physics Teacher Research National Certification candidate mentor,

Board chairperson of the Henry Clay Pathways Committee and a presenter at Modeling Instruction Program workshops. She is the recipient of various honors, including an Engaging Kids to Learn grant, a Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching, an Ashland Teacher Achievement Award and two

Excellence awards. Her professional affiliations are the Modeling Instruction Group, North Central Kentucky Physics Alliance and the American Association of Physics Teachers. WILLOW HAMBRICK

Willow Hambrick has taught for 11 years, teaching language arts and writing courses at Royal Spring Middle School for the last two years. Hambrick earned a bachelor's degree at Hanover College in Indiana; a master's degree at Spalding University, Louisville; and more than 15 graduate hours at the University of Louisville. She has led writing seminars and cluster leader portfolio training for her school and mentored new language arts teachers. Hambrick sponsors the school's literary magazine and writer's club, and she serves as a presenter, guest speaker and lecturer for a range of education forums. She ranked among Teachers Who Make a Difference" by Lexington's First Baptist Church Bracktown and among "Teachers Who Go the Extra Mile" by her school. Hambrick's professional affiliations include the American Academy of Poets and the National Council of Teachers of

LISA MICHELLE WATHEN -Lisa Wathen is beginning her lifth year of teaching at Freedom Elementary, where she teaches 3rd- and 4th-grade students. Wathen carned a bachelor's degree at the University of Kentucky; a master's degree at the University of Louisville; and Rank 1 certification at Indiana Wesleyan. She serves on the School-Based Decision Making

Council and has represented her school on the Faculty Senate, County Wide Math Network, Curriculum & Instructional Practices, Comprehensive School Improvement Plan and District Curriculum Development committees. Wathen received University of Louisville Outstanding Teacher, two Freedom Elementary Teacher of the Campbellsville University Excellence in Teaching and Bullitt County Elementary Teacher of the Year awards. Her professional affiliations include the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics. National Science Teachers Association, Kentucky Association of School Councils and the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards.

# Organizers say 'Declare Hope' summits successful

by JARRID DEATON FEATURES WRITER

SOMERSET — The "Declare Hope" summits held last week, including one at Allen Baptist Church in Prestonsburg, were a huge success according to representatives with Operation UNITE.

The summits are part of a collaborative effort between Operation UNITE and Focus on the Family, a conservative Christian organization.

"In the grand scheme of things, it's easy to arrest drug dealers and pay for treatment,'

Fifth Congressman Hal Rogers. "The big challenge is to change the culture in our communities from sitting on the sidelines to getting into the game. That's what this part-

nership is about."

Rogers believes that drug abuse finds its way into other aspects of the community, and that the partnership between the two organizations can successfully both combat the problem and offer hope to those that deal with drug

"If families are unhealthy, it

District will leak into every facet of our community," Rogers said. "Drug abuse is a symptom of a much greater issue. We need an active, engaged community, and that starts with the churches, who are the well spring of people who care, but it doesn't end there."

During the summits, those attending were presented with a 75-day family strengthening challenge and were asked to participate in a "Community Alliance Initiative," a pilot project taking place in 10 communities of the common-

"We're casting a big vision, but we must understand the challenges ahead," said Marc Fey, senior director of Community Impact for Focus on the Family. "A thriving family is one that is healthy enough to reach out to another family that is hurting and bless

that family with hope. Make

that your goal."

For several months leading up to the summits, Focus on the Family worked with Operation UNITE and its coalitions to create teams who will work to bring about positive changes within their communities.

The 10 pilot communities

are Corbin, Clay County, Floyd County, the tri-cities area of Harlan County, Jackson County, Leslie County, Inez in Martin County, McCreary County, Menifee County, and the Belfry-Stone-Phelps area of Pike County.

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### Guards

tinued Caudill. "The inmate also told me it was consensu-

Shortly after the complaint was filed against Younce, he moved to North Carolina, leaving prosecutors to try the case was tried in his absence. He was found guilty and sentenced to one year in jail, a fine of \$500 and court costs.

Both cases, like the other cases that have passed through the Floyd County court system, have been misdemeanor

charges, something prison officials were curious about, says Assistant Floyd County "Blue" Attorney Jimmy

'We met with them at Otter Creek recently and explained to them why these cases weren't filed as felonies," said Marcum. "If this happens at a private institution, then it's a misdemeanor. But if it happens at a government institution, like, say, at our jail here, then it's considered a felony."

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But Marcum said he and Floyd County Attorney Keith Bartley have approached local legislators Rep. Greg Stumbo and Sen. Johnny Ray Turner and asked for lobbying efforts to change this law.

have lobbyists who are trying to get it changed, and say they feel the next time they meet, it could be passed," Marcum.

"They [Stumbo and Turner]



Floyd County Judge-Executive R.D. "Doc" Marshall signed a proclamation Oct. 17, declaring

Oct. 19-25 as School Bus Safety Week.

### Drivers

County Schools were recognized Wednesday at the bus garage at Martin, including bus drivers, mechanics and other transportation staff.

Karen Johnson, director of transportation for the school system, praised the entire staff, calling the huge effort they undertake daily impossible without the teamwork displayed throughout each shift.

"It's just such a team effort," Johnson Wednesday. "Everyone works together."

But the bus drivers themselves are the main cog, adults who have lasting impressions on students and who have the opportunity to make the most of that.

"The bus drivers are the first face these kids see every morning when they get on the bus, and the last face they see at the end of the day when they're leaving," continued Johnson. "They function as role models for these children.

The top priority, however, safety, according to Johnson, and Slone echoed the

same when asked what some of the challenges he faced daily during the course of his

"Our biggest challenge is making sure the kids are safe," said Slone, who drives his bus along Route 979 every morning and afternoon. "Most of time that means coordinating with a lot of these coal trucks running routes in the morning and afternoons."

Slone said it was primary to use CBs to alert truckers when they were driving buses through certain curves along each route.

But exactly how much driving do these staffers do on an average day?

You might be surprised. "We have 91 full-time bus routes," Johnson said, adding that the school system employs 18 bus monitors and another 13 staff workers at the main office. "It's just an awcsome task."

According to transportation records, staffers drive some 8,700 miles a day, transporting

upwards of 3,800 students. One of the staffers who ■ Continued from p1

spends her time off the road, but heavily involved with the day-to-day functions of the transportation department, is dispatcher Debbie Cecil, an 11-year veteran.

"One of the ways we work as a team is if a driver needs a route covered, they call and let me know," said Ceeil. "All the drivers know each other's routes and they just kick in and get it done.'

Mechanic Steve Spriggs, who has worked at the department for 37 years and once drove a bus, said there have been a lot of good changes over the last several decades. "There have been extreme

changes," said Spriggs. "Especially with safety. Used to, if you could drive a bus around the garage, they let you drive kids. Now there is a lot of training that takes place, and that makes things safer for everybody."

Johnson said several schools throughout the county have also planned events to honor their bus drivers and other transportation workers.

### Drugs

Robert S. Mitchell, 22, of Hi Hat, one count first-degree possession of a controlled substance. He was returned to the Pike County Detention Center on unrelated charges.

Monica Short, 23, Prestonsburg, one count second-degree trafficking in a controlled substance. She was lodged in the Floyd County Detention Center in lieu of a \$5,000 bond.

The following suspects were arraigned on Wednesday:

Russell Johnson, 57, of Wheelwright, six counts firstdegree trafficking in a controlled substance, three counts second-degree trafficking in a controlled substance and two counts third-degree trafficking in a controlled substance. Johnson was allowed to remain free on an \$80,000 bond posted on prior UNITE charges that are still pending.

Angelia L. Mitchell, 36, of Prestonsburg, one count trafficking in a controlled substance within 1,000 yards of a school. She was lodged in the Floyd County Detention Center in lieu of a \$10,000

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bond.

■ Stana M. Muse, 34, of Hi Hat, one count second-degree trafficking in a controlled substance. She was released on a \$10,000 bond.

Brittney G. Newton, 22. of Prestonsburg, one count second-degree trafficking in a controlled substance. She was released on a \$10,000 bond.

Judge Caudill is expected to issue arrest warrants for three remaining suspects who did not appear for arraignment on the drug charges.

### Littler

Bryant, said he then inspected his property and found a large amount of debris that had been

Hoover was sentenced Wednesday to one year in jail and fined \$500 and court costs in Floyd District Court, but was not in attendance.

The case is the second that Bryant has focused on in the past year.

Another Floyd County man was charged with criminal littering this past summer following a complaint filed by Bryant. This case, against Joe Lowe, a 44-year-old Auxier resident, ended in Lowe strapped with a 90-day probated sentence on the condition he clean up what he had

dumped. According to court records, Lowe entered a guilty plea in August and was also handed down a \$500 fine on the charge that he had dumped an old couch on a cemetery in

The trend is something Bryant says county officials are obviously prepared to pursue charges and seek prosecution to combat.

of all, illegal," Bryant said, realize they are going to get "and as Floyd County's code enforcement officer, I will continue to do everything I can

Continued from p1 to prevent violators from mak-"Illegal dumping is ing our county a dumpsite. unsightly, unhealthy and, most Violators are going to have to more than a slap on the wrist if

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# Betsy Layne reaches 15th Region title match

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

SALYERSVILLE - Betsy Layne reached the 15th Region Volleyball Tournament title match Thursday evening at Magoffin County High School. The Lady Cats defeated Pikeville 2-1 (25-18, 22-25, 25-21) in the semifinals Wednesday night.

Audri Ray (5 aces, 7 kills, 4 digs, 3 blocks); Andie Meade (2 aces, 16 assists, 8 kills, 2 digs); Allie Meade (3 digs, 2 assists · said veteran Betsy Taylor Watkins (1 assists, 7 kills, 1 dig, 5 blocks); Keleigh Wagner (1 ace, 14 assists, 9

Stewardson ace, 4 digs) led the way for the Lady Cats in the semifi-

nals match. Betsy Layne defeated Pike Central County (25-13, 25-15) Monday in an opening round match.

"Its been an exciting season,' Layne Christina Crase. "I am happy for my team that we matches heading into the region

kills, 4 digs) and Samantha have made it this far. They set goals early in

season and they have accomplished many! Winning the District and now being in the championship match shows heart and dedication."

Betsy Layne had won six of its last seven

"This is the first time since 2004 the Lady Cats have made it to the regional championship match. Our school and community members are so proud of these girls!".

Magoffin County High School has hosted the entire Region Volleyball Tournament.

At press time, Betsy Layne was facing tournament favorite Belfry in the region title match. The championship contest ended too late to make this edition. Coverage of the championship match will appear in Sunday's edition.



BETSY LAYNE faced Belfry Thursday night in the 15th Region Tournament title match. The championship contest ended too late to make this edition.

### Prep football matchups take spotlight

by RICK BENTLEY TIMES COLUMNIST

Now this is what I call a big Friday night of high school football. Three huge (make that huge games in our area with definite playoff implications.

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home Big, big, big football games.

Let's sneak a peak: Phelps at Betsy Layne: Seriously, hear me out.

A lot of people talk about the football playoffs, and whether there are too many teams to make the postseason these days. It got even worse last year when we went to six classes; meaning that 50 percent more teams made it out of the regular season.

Let me make my stance clear: I'm not sure if too many teams make it or if it's not enough.

What? OK, let me try again. We're in that precarious spot where, in the present format, too many teams make it. They either need to cut it back to two (preferably) or three teams per district or go ahead and let everybody in.

I mean think about it: How many other sports do we have where teams don't get to play in the postseason? To my knowledge, the answer is none. There are only a handful of teams that don't make it anyway - if memory serves, there's one class where only one or two don't make it - so why not expand it slightly and let everybody in?

All that said, I don't think Betsy Layne has ever made the football playoffs. They've really struggled down there on the hill, to the point that you often wonder if they'll be able to field a

But all that can end tonight if they knock off Phelps. Jesse Peck's Hornets not only can keep that from happening, but also they can send their coach to the playoffs in his first season at the helm with a win tonight.

Somebody's going to be very happy tonight. And somebody's going to be pretty down.

This could be a terrific football game.

Belfry at Sheldon Clark: There are several good storylines involved in this one, even after the Cardinals got spanked last week on Log Mountain.

Had the Cards escaped Bell County, this game would have not only decided the district title,

(See FOOTBALL, page two)



photo by Jamie Howell

SENIOR CLAY JAMERSON handles placekicking duties for the Blackcats. Jamerson and the rest of the Blackcats will venture to Northern Kentucky Saturday for a game versus Class 6A member Cooper.

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG -It's been a less than ideal senior season for Prestonsburg running back Allen Craynon. After suffering an early-season injury, Craynon was forced to the sidelines. But he's back now. Craynon came back in a big way last week, rushing 35 times for 212 yards and three touchdowns in Prestonsburg's 41-0 thrashing of rival Pikeville. For the season,

times for 311 yards and four touchdowns. As a junior, Craynon rushed for over 2,000 yards.

Seth Setser continues to lead Prestonsburg in rush- Gearheart, one yard shy of McKinney ing. Setser has rushed 130 times for 814 yards and 15 touchdowns. Matt Sword is the third-leading rusher for the Blackcats. Sword has rushed 18 times for 181 yards and one touch-

Michael Burchett has already reached the 1,000 yards passing milestone. Burchett has made good on Craynon has rushed 35 51-of-93 passes for 1,093

yards and 12 touchdowns. Austin Gearheart has hauled in 31 receptions for 699 yards and eight touchdowns in seven games. 100 yards averaging receiving per game, ranks as one of the state's top

high school pass-catchers. Sword has reeled in 11 catches for 304 yards and three touchdowns.

Setser (90 points) leads the Blackcats in scoring.

Prestonsburg The defensive unit has performed well for Blackcat head coach John DeRossett

and his staff. In its six wins, Prestonsburg has limited the opposing team to 20 points or less.

Austin Junior leads the defense. Prestonsburg McKinney ranks as one of Eastern Kentucky's top defensive football players.

Prestonsburg will be on the road Saturday, traveling to Northern Kentucky for a game against Class 6A member Cooper (2-6). Kickoff for Prestonsburg-Cooper game is set for 4 p.m.

# Howell reaches rushing plateau

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

senior Kyle Howell surpassed the 1,000 yards rushing mark last Friday night on the road in Hindman versus the host Knott County Central Patriots. Howell has now rushed for 1,065 yards and 14 touchdowns via 114 carries. He has accounted for nearly half (80 of 167) of South Floyd's points.

Tyler Mitchell remains South Floyd's second-leading rusher with 357 yards and four touchdowns. Mitchell went out during the first week of October with a season-ending injury. He recently underwent a successful surgery

and is expected to return to play basketball for the Raiders. Mitchell is a col-HI HAT - South Floyd lege prospect in the sports of football and baseball.

Brandon Stephens, Brent Reed and Mitch Johnson round out the topfive list of leading rushers for the Jody Hall-coached South Floyd team.

South Floyd quarterback Tyler Moore has completed 20-of-51 passes for 510 yards and five touchdowns.

Mitchell still leads South Floyd in receiving with four receptions for 150 yards and two touchdowns. David Slone has grabbed five catches for 142 yards and one touchdown for the Raiders.

South Floyd will host over 1,000 yards. rival Allen Central tonight.



SOUTH FLOYD SENIOR KYLE HOWELL has rushed for

file photo SOUTH FLOYD is missing senior Tyler Mitchell. A threesport athlete at South Floyd, Mitchell recently underwent surgery. He is expected to return for basketball season. Mitchell also plays baseball for the Left Beaver high

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL SCHEDULE TONIGHT'S GAMES Phelps at Betsy Layne, 7:30 p.m.
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### Parsons makes game-winning grab in AC win by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

EASTERN - Mickey Parsons was on the receiving end of a 26yard game-winning pass from quarterback Josh Prater Friday night when the Allen Central Rebels visited Jackson County. Parsons got a hero's reception following the game-winning grab. One of the top young players in his district, Parsons has been a leading contributor for Allen Central throughout the 2008 season. He has caught two passes for 102 yards and two touchdowns this season. Parsons has also rushed 15 times for 69 yards. Tonight, Allen Central will visit district and county rival South Floyd.

Logan Crowder is closing in on 1,000 yards rushing for the Rebels. Crowder could reach and surpass the 1,000 yards plateau tonight when the Rebels visit Hi Hat. Through seven games, Crowder has rushed 115 times for 946 yards and eight scores.

Hunter Crowder has rushed 102 times for 742 yards and five touchdowns. Each Crowder is on pace to rush for 1,000 yards apiece.

Justin Jackson has rushed for 547 yards and five touchdowns via 74 carries for the Rebels.

Allen Central quarterback Josh Prater has a shot of reaching a 1,000 yards mark of his own. In seven games, Prater has completed 36-of-65 passes for 594 yards and eight touchdowns. The Rebel starting quarterback has only been intercepted once.

Chris Stumbo leads Allen Central in receiving. He has hauled in 19 catches for a teamleading 222 yards and five touchdowns. Hunter Crowder and Jackson also have over 100 yards receiving for the Rebels.

Defensively, Prater and Logan Crowder each have two interceptions for the Rebels.

Jackson and Salisbury have recovered two fumbles apiece for the Rebels.

Hunter Crowder leads Allen Central in tackles (52 solo, 34 assisted). Logan Crowder, Cory Conn and Marty Dye rank second, third and fourth, respective-

Kickoff for the Allen Central-South Floyd game is set for 7:30

### Patterson named All-SEC First Team

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON - University of Kentucky sophomore Patrick Patterson has been selected to the media's preseason All-SEC First Team as voted on by select SEC media and announced by the league office on Monday.

Patterson, who finished second to Tennessee's Tyler Smith for preseason SEC Player of the Year honors, averaged 16.4 points per game and a team best 7.7 rebounds per game last year. The 2008 SEC Freshman of the Year missed the final five games last season with a stress fracture in his left ankle.

Additionally, the Wildcats were picked to finish third in the SEC East division, while also receiving two votes to win the SEC championship this season.



# Chilton claims MSC Football special teams award

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE - It's not exactly been an ideal season for the Pikeville College football team, but placekicker/punter Kyle Chilton has kept a slow, steady pace.

It's not going unnoticed. On Monday, Chilton was named the Special Teams Player of the Week in the Mid-South Conference. Chilton, a 5-11, 170-pound junior from Clearwater, Fla., was honored after kicking a 49-yard field goal and going 3-of-3 on extra-point kicks in Saturday's 42-24 loss at Union College. In addition, Chilton punted five times for an average of 37.6 yards, including one that buried Union inside its 20-yard line.

Chilton is having a solid if not flashy season. He is 4-of-6 on field goal attempts this year, and is 13-of-14 on extra-point tries. His 25 points leads the team and is 10th in the league.

"We just haven't scored enough to give him very many opportunities," said Mac Bryan. "Anytime we get close we feel like we need to go for it to get the touchdown and not kick the field goals. We've probably cost him more kicks than we've let him try.

Chilton is also the punter for the Bears, and is averaging 40.2 yards per punt this season. He has trapped the opponent inside the 20 11 times. When he did so on Saturday, it was the 33rd of his career, passing Don Paul Branham as the all-time leader in

His average is good for third in the MSC.

Chilton was the winner of this award after the Week One loss at Brevard College. On that night, he was 2-of-2 on PATs and hit a 29-yard field goal in a 20-17 loss. In addition, he punted eight times for an average of 41.4 yards on Saturday, including three inside the 20. He had punts of 48, 50 and 56 yards in the loss.

It is the fifth time in his career he has been named Special Teams Player of the Week in the Mid-South Conference. He has been tabbed the national player of the week on two occasions.

Chilton and the Bears will be back in action on Saturday afternoon when they host No. 11 U.Va.-Wise at the Hambley Athletics Complex. Kickoff is set for 1:30 p.m.

# Davenport named MSC Defensive Player of the Week

PIKEVILLE - It's been a very successful season on the women's soccer field for Pikeville College, and with that comes individual recognition. For the second time this season, the Mid-South Conference has honored a Lady Bear.

Goalkeeper Becky Davenport was named the Defensive Player of the Week in the Mid-South Conference for games played last week, picking up three wins and allowing only one

Davenport, a 5-9 sophomore from Nicholasville, recorded shutouts in a 12-0 win over Kentucky Christian University and a 1-0 overtime decision over St. Catharine on Saturday. In between, the Lady Bears knocked off Johnson Bible College 7-

Davenport's honor follows teammate Kate Forney being named player of the week for the first week of the 2008 season.

The win over St. Catharine came on a header by freshman Sally Roberts in the 98th minute of play. It was Pikeville College's first win ever in Mid-South Conference competition.

Davenport had two saves in the win over St. Catharine and finished the week with six.

"Becky has been tremendous in goal all season long and is one of the reasons for our success," said Coach Ken DeCook.

"I'm very proud of her and I know her teammates are as well. She is very deserving of this honor." Davenport has helped Pikeville record six shutouts this sea-

son. The Lady Bears are 9-4 on the season and 1-2 in the Mid-South Conference.

Pikeville will return to action on Tuesday, Oct. 28 when it

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK Allen Craynon, Prestonsburg Football Keleigh Wagner, Betsy Layne Volleyball

but also would have been contested between the No. 1 and 2 teams in Triple-A in the commonwealth.

I don't think last week's game should take a lot away from this one. Bell is undefeated and ranked atop the 4A polls and not a lot of teams go there and come away with a win. Yes, 48-0 is pretty onesided for a team ranked second in the state, but again, there are so many teams ranked second in Kentucky these days it's hard to keep

track of them all.

Then there's the Shawn Hager factor. Hager played quarterback for Philip Haywood at Belfry back in the day, so he knows all about the Pirate attack. And he's built himself an impressive program in Inez.

The winner will get homefield advantage when the two meet again in the playoffs. That right there puts a lot at stake here.

Pikeville at Paintsville: Alright, so these programs news and bad news. The bad

aren't where they once were. But the winner gets another district title and an extra home game should they meet again in November.

These are two storied programs here and it's a rivalry that dates back a long way. Even without Hillard Howard and Walter Brugh on the sidelines - who combined to win 501 games at these schools this is a bigtime football game right here.

For Pikeville, there's good

■ Continued from p1 news is the Panthers are 3-5

and haven't won a non-district game all season. The good news is this is a district game, and the Panthers haven't lost to a Single-A team all season.

Paintsville, on the other hand, has four wins this season and hasn't lost to a district team. But they've lost two straight by a combined score of 106-19.

Sounds like a quality matchup to mc.

Actually, it sounds like three of them.

# SEC East Basketball Notebook

by JOHN ZENOR ASSOCIATED PRESS

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. -Ron Steele doesn't sound too worried about how his surgically repaired knees will hold up when he finally takes the court again.

The Alabama point guard isn't as certain of how he'll fare at containing his emo-

"That's going to be really emotional the first game I get back out there and play," Steele said Wednesday at Southeastern Conference media days.

And those knees? He said he feels as strong as he has in two years. That was when Steele went from preseason Associated Press American to hobbled player two seasons ago to a redshirt year last season.

The fifth-year senior had three offseason knee operations, including a second on his left knee in late August that led him to decide to redshirt last season.

"I think he's at the point right now where it's all behind him," Tide coach Mark Gottfried said. "I think he feels 100 percent and I think he's ready to go. In retrospect, I think he made a great decision to redshirt."

Steele averaged 14.3 points in 2006 and emerged as one of the country's top point guards, starting every game his first two seasons. His stats declined dramatically as a junior hobbled by his aching

"I'm just happy to play again," he said. "I can't express that any more. I don't really care what other people have to say, it's just proving to myself that I worked through it and that I'm back out there

playing.' Alabama's opener is Nov. 16 against Mercer.

GETTING EXPOSURE: SEC basketball fans won't have much trouble finding TV this season.

Football might have been the centerpiece of the SEC's lucrative new TV deals, but Commissioner Mike Slive said getting more men's and women's hoops games on the air was a high priority in get-

ting it done. "At least in our view, SEC basketball stands underexposed nationally and therefore to a degree underappreciated,' Slive said

Every men's SEC game will be televised on some regional or national basis and the number of games on an ESPN or ESPN2 will triple. CBS will continue to air its regular-season games while ABC will broadcast the semifinals and finals of the men's basketball tournament nation-

All that is welcome news to Tennessee coach Bruce Pearl.

"When we first came to Tennessee, we weren't on CBS, and the only way we could get on ESPN was to take the team to Texas, Oklahoma and Memphis," Pearl said. "That was the only way we could get on TV.

"What the commissioner has done for SEC basketball is to give us the finest television package in the country. That used to be reserved for the Big East and the ACC.

VOT'S BACK: What did Auburn without miss Korvotney Barber for most of last season?

Coach Jeff Lebo said just the Tigers' best defensive post player, strongest and most athletic player and best offensive and defensive rebounder and

Barber was leading the nation in field goal percentage when he broke his left hand in the 10th game, a season-ending injury.

"With Vot back, I think he'll add some things that were missing last year," Lebo

Barber said he spent his

their favorite teams' games on offseason working on his free throw shooting and his jump

> "It was real tough," he said. "I have to give a lot of credit to my teammates because they went out and fought every night. They gave all they had on the court. They lost a lot of games by four or five points, and I just feel if I was there we could have won a couple of those games."

> HORNING IN: Darrin Horn brought more to South Carolina than a different personality.

The 35-year-old also carried a more fast-paced style. from Western Kentucky than his predecessor, Dave Odom, employed. That helps explain some of the preseason drills and a similar boot camp-style program to what Billy employs at Gillispie Kentucky.

It included a series of sprints where if the players didn't make their time, they had to do twice as many.

"Things are different." guard Devan Downey said. "He is the most demanding coach I've ever had. He makes us work hard, and not just at basketball. He demands the best of us in the classroom and in our personal lives. He wants us to be the best both on and off the court."

Forward Dominique Archie said buying in didn't happen instantly for the team.

"It took about a month," he said. Archie said Horn meshes well with the team because he's more outgoing than

"He's more like one of the guys. He comes in and jokes

Horn grew up watching Lexington, Kentucky Wildcat basketball, so arriving in the SEC at such an early age is a big step. He's hoping getting there is just the beginning.

"In my mind, I haven't made it," Horn said. "I've just got an opportunity to do what

I've always wanted to do, which is to compete at the highest level. In a way, I'm just starting."

EKU baseball coaches shave heads to raise money for childhood cancer awareness

TIMES STAFF REPORT

RICHMOND - The Eastern Kentucky University baseball coaches have shaved their heads after raising more than \$1,000 in support of the St. Baldrick's Foundation. The mission of the St. Baldrick's Foundation is to raise awareness and funds to cure kid's cancer by supporting cancer research and fellowships.

The EKU baseball team also participated in the event as players helped raise funds for a charity that has granted more than \$12 million for cooperative research to help doctors work together to find cures for childhood cancers.

"Our players and coaches are to be commended for raising money to help conquer childhood cancers," head coach Jason Stein said. "The EKU baseball program would like to thank the St. Baldrick's Foundation for organizing this terrific event. Hopefully, they'll be able to erradicate kid's cancer some day.'

Each coach set a goal of how much money he intended to raise for the event. If he ched that goal, he had his head shaved at Fantastic Sams. Evidenced by the lack of hair in the baseball office, every coach reached his goal.



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# liners re-sign Mike Dean

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE - Another player familiar to East Kentucky Miners fans has signed to return to the men's professional basketball organization that calls Pikeville, Ky., home. Miners Coach Kevin Keathley has kept busy throughout the offseason, evaluating talent and signing players for the upcoming campaign. Earlier in the week, Keathley announced the resigning of former Middle Tennessee State Blue Raider Mike Dean.

A proven scorer, Dean came to the Miners during the second half of the 2007-08 season. Dean - who at one time last season led the CBA in scoring during his stint with the Rio Grande Valley Silverados - made an immediate impact for the Miners.

Dean played 20 games for the Miners, making 10 starts and logging 663 minutes. He averaged 19.2 points and 3.2

Kentucky pro basketball team.

"We're excited to get Mike back in a Miners uniform for next season," Keathley said. "There's no question about it, outside of maybe Ronnie Fields in Minot, there wasn't a better two-guard scorer in the league last year in terms of ability to get to the rim and knock down open jump shots."

Dean settled in and played

extremely well for the Miners. 'Last season, Mike came in late and it's always tough to make the adjustment to a new team," Keathley confided. "Our philosophy was different. We had a more spread offense and it took him some time to get adjusted to his fellow teammates and vise versa."

Dean shot a team-best 90percent from the free throw line for the Miners. The sharpshooter hit 23-of-44 shots from behind the three-point line and dished out 70 assists.

Dean has enjoyed success at each of his professional bas-

rebounds per game for the East ketball stops. He has played extensively in his native

United States and overseas. 'Mike was one of the best shooting guards in the league last season, and the great thing is, he still has a lot of upside left as a basketball player," Keathley added. "I look forward to getting Mike back and helping him achieve his ultimate goal of playing at the highest level and working together to take the next step as a basketball team next sea-

East Kentucky recently announced the signing of University of Kentucky legend Wayne Turner.

Dean joins former Miners Jason McLeish and Mike Crain as additional signees. The Miners organization has also inked veteran pro player Jermaine Blackburn for the 2008-09 season.

Dean helped East Kentucky to a 26-22 regular-season record and a postseason berth in the team's debut season.



BETSY LAYNE was facing Belfry Thursday night in the 15th Region Volleyball Tournament title match. One of the top high school volleyball teams in Eastern Kentucky, Betsy Layne

County defeated Pike Central in the opening round of the regional tournament. Betsy Layne beat Pikeville in the regional semifinals. The Lady Cats defeated Allen Central for the 54th District

championship.

# Yarborough resigned to sharing record with Johnson

by MIKE HARRIS ASSOCIATED PRESS

When Cale Yarborough won a third-straight NASCAR title in 1978, he never expected that it would take 30 years for someone else to challenge that record.

Now that two-time reigning Sprint Cup champion Jimmie Johnson appears on the way to doing just that, Yarborough has mixed feelings about sharing the record that some thought was untouchable.

"The handwriting's on the wall," Yarborough said Monday during a telephone news conference. "It's going to happen.

"I understand that I was Jimmie's hero when he was growing up, so if he does it more power to him," the longtime NASCAR star added.

Then that old competitive streak that helped Yarborough to 83 race wins, including four Daytona 500s, showed itself.

does it, I'll be in good company. I hope he feels the same

While the 32-year-old Johnson has not finished worse than fifth in the points

since he became a full-time driver in 2002, Yarborough's best years didn't come until he got a full-time ride with Richard Howard in 1973 at the age of 34.

The driver from South Carolina finished second for two straight years driving for Howard before going to work for Junior Johnson in 1975. He finished ninth that first year with Johnson before beginning his unprecedented string of championship in

Yarborough stayed with Johnson for two more seasons, finishing fourth in the points in 1979 and losing the title to Dale Earnhardt by just 19 points in 1980. That was his last full season of racing before cutting his schedule to spend more time with his fam-

But Yarborough said he "That don't mean I'm truly appreciates what pulling for him," Yarborough Johnson has already accomadded, laughing. "But, if he plished, and what he may yet

"Well, back in the '70s was answer those questions one of

tremendous competition," Yarborough said. "The Pettys, Bakers, Allisons, all those guys, they were all great race car drivers. Jimmie is going up against some good race car drivers today. They were good back then and they're good today. (Winning champi-

onships is) just hard to do." As for winning three in a row, he said, "Must have been pretty tough. Nobody's done it in 30 years. ... Thinking back, with (Richard) Petty and (Dale) Earnhardt, (Jeff) Gordon, you would think that some of those guys would have put three together within those 30 years. But thank goodness they didn't."

Johnson, coming off a victory Sunday at Martinsville, goes to Atlanta this week holding a lead of 149 points over Greg Biffle and 152 over Jess Burton with just four races remaining in this year's Chase for the championship.

Johnson hasn't directly addressed the possibility of making history with another title, though, after his sixth victory of the season, he did say, "I'm going to have to these days, aren't 1?"

For Yarborough, who raced in NASCAR's top series for 23 seasons before retiring in 1988, Johnson is something of a throwback to the drivers of

"T've watched Jimmie," he said. "He's the kind of driver that likes to run up front. That's the way I drove. I can see a lot of me in Jimmie. I can appreciate what he's doing. He's got his head on straight and he's doing everything right and I can appreciate that.

One major difference between the years when Yarborough won his titles and the current era is the points format. In his day, everyone raced for the same points throughout the season. Since 2004, the Cup title has been decided by the Chase, with a small group of drivers who spent 26 races making themselves eligible for the postseason competing for the championship over the final 10 races of the season.

"I think it may have been harder to win (championships) back then than it is today because you had to compete

against Yarborough said.

Asked if he would have to change his style if he was racing today, Yarborough said, "I never was one to do much calculating. I went all out every

lap I ever raced in my whole career. I'd still be doing it

"The only thing I can say is Jimmie better be glad I'm not racing with him today."

# Herd Racing to announce 2009 truck sponsors today

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LOUISVILLE - Driver Brett Rowe and the Herd Racing team are in Louisville to participate in a sponsorship announcement for their planned 2009 entry in NASCAR's Craftsman Truck

Rowe, who has been tabbed to drive the No. 75 Ford F-150 in next year's truck series, will sign autographs at the Green Industry and Equipment Expo at the Kentucky Fair and Exposition Center from 11 a.m.-noon and 3-4 p.m. today.

The team will conduct a press conference with its 2009 sponsors at 1:30 p.m. at the Exposition Center to announce plans to compete in the 2009 Craftsman Truck Series.

A 2009 show truck will also be on display throughout the event and 2009 hero cards and t-shirt will be made available to the public at the show.

# Petty Enterprises pushing on despite continued merger talk

by WILL GRAVES ASSOCIATED PRESS

When Robbie Loomis took over as the executive vice president of racing operations track too, where Petty at Petty Enterprises two years ago, the former crew chief had to do something he never allowed himself during his days atop the pit box: stay patient.

Loomis had a plan for one of NASCAR's most iconic teams, one that would require years - not weeks - of planluck.

"When I was a crew chief, at the end of the day I didn't sleep at all if there wasn't performance," Loomis said. "When I came into this job at Petty Enterprises, we looked at performance, but there are a lot of big-picture things we have to get in place."

sponsorship, Namely, sound leadership and a defini- about next year thanks in part Petty Enterprises relevant

While the company isn't quite ready to return to its glory days, Loomis thinks there have been signs of progress. The team has consolidated its shop, moved it to tracks. Charlotte and sold a majority interest in the team to Boston Ventures to help take some of the sting out of the cost of

doing business in Sprint Cup

'It has been a real transition," he said.

That goes for life on the Enterprises has seemed to steady itself after years of decline. Bobby Labonte, driver of the No. 43 car, is 20th in the Sprint Cup standings and picked up his second top-10 of the season with a sixthplace finish at Talladega earlier this month.

Things haven't gone quite ning, hard work and a little so well for the No. 45 car, which has seen a revolving door behind the wheel. Kyle Petty, Terry Labonte, Boris and rookie Chad McCumbee have all taken turns, making it difficult for the team to develop cohesion. The team is 40th in the owner standings heading into this weekend's race at Atlanta.

Still, Loomis is optimistic to the surprising McCumbee, who managed a 25th-place finish in his first Cup start at Martinsville last weekend, better than stars Jimmie Johnson and Jeff Burton did in their first Cup races at one of NASCAR's most demanding

McCumbee, a regular on the Craftsman Truck Series, said the race "helped his learning curve" and hopes to bring some momentum to Atlanta. Loomis, for one, is happy crew chief Stewart Cooper doesn't have to slap a "Hi, my name is" tag on the

driver this week. "We're real excited to get a little continuity here at the end of the year in getting them to run together," Loomis said. "We really haven't had a base of notes, a good notebook on that car.'

McCumbee's enthusiasm has re-energized Loomis, and the young driver's reputation of being able to do more with less means he could be plenty busy next year.

"Chad is the youngest I've ever worked with and it's exciting," Loomis said. "He brings a lot of youth. You'll hear him say something about his race car that you've never heard before."

Loomis hopes next year he can hear McCumbee say "Rookie of the Year."

Just who he'll be saying it for remains to be seen. For all their success with the 43, the car still lacks a sponsor for next year. Same goes for the 45 and whatever car McCumbec ends up driving in the future. All the work Petty Enterprises has done on the track over the last two years won't mean a thing if it doesn't have the money to keep it

Rumors of a merger continue to swirl. Loomis admitted "everybody is talking to everyone about our merger," but wouldn't get specific about future plans, saying only that Petty Enterprises remains "very committed" to Dodge.

"I think that we've got to be smart about what we do from the competition standpoint because the only thing that will keep our brand healthy and keep our brand out front, our Petty brand, is our competition and getting our cars back to the forefront and winning races like the Hendrick Motorsports crowd is doing today," Loomis said.

Loomis would know. He spent several years as Jeff Gordon's crew chief watching team owner Rick Hendrick help his team become one of the sport's most dominant racing franchises.

"Rick is doing a great job of making wise decisions along the way and putting the right people in the right place," he said. "That's why Hendrick Motorsports has the success today. That's our vision for Petty Enterprises. Rick has set the current model in the 1990s and 2000s. We've got to be smart enough to pay attention and make sure we're doing the right things along the way."

PRESTONSBURG JUNIOR QUARTERBACK Micheal Burchett continues to complete passes for the Blackcats.

# Ford extends deal with Roush Fenway

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

DEARBORN, Mich. -Despite a dismal economic outlook for U.S. automakers, Racing's NASCAR program.

The extension, believed to be a five-year deal, comes a day after billionaire Kirk Kerkorian's investment firm sold part of its stake in Ford. prompting other investors to follow

Ford, the No. 2 automaker in the United States, has shuttered plants and downsized its work force in an attempt to return to profitability as high gas prices and a slumping economy have taken their toll on automotive industry.

"Everybody knows that the auto industry in this country is facing some difficult times, but the loyalty and commitment Jack (Roush) and his entire organization have shown us throughout these past few months has been inspiring," said Brian Wolfe, director of Ford Racing Technology. "We're grateful to have long-term relationships like this and look forward to continued success winning races and championships together."

On Oct. 10, Ford shares hit \$1.88, marking their lowest level since April 19, 1983. according to the Center for Research in Security Prices at the University of Chicago.

Despite the troubles, Ford remains committed' to a NASCAR relationship that has tallied 589 Cup wins dating back Jimmy Florian's 1950 the Ford Motor Co. on victory at Dayton Speedway. Wednesday extended its sup- Ford has been involved in racport of Roush Fenway ing since Henry Ford won his first and only race Oct. 10, 1901 and used the notoriety from that event to attract financial investors to help establish Ford Motor Co. in

"The main reason that we are involved in NASCAR is to use it as a marketing platform to help us sell cars and trucks," Wolfe said. "That's the key to our continued involvement. But make no mistake, the plan to achieve that kind of return requires us to beat Chevrolet, Dodge and Toyota on the race track.

Roush has been Ford's most successful partner, winning 110 races and back-to-back Cup championships with Matt Kenseth and Kurt Busch in 2003 and 2004.

Roush also has 95 Nationwide Series wins and championships with Greg Biffle (2002) and Carl Edwards (2007), and a seriesbest 49 wins in the Truck Series, including a series title in 2000 with Biffle.

'It's great to see Ford's continued commitment to not just Roush Fenway, but the great sport of racing," said Roush, whose first job out of college was as a Ford engineer in 1964.

# Rowe tests Marshall car at Ona Speedway

TIMES STAFF REPORT

ONA, W.Va. - Herd Racing driver Brett Rowe and crew tested the No. 75 "We are Marshall" Dodge Charger Nationwide Series car Friday, Oct. 17 at Ona Speedway.

Rowe said after the three-hour test session that the car is ready to race and could be entered one of the four final 2008 Nationwide Series races if a sponsor comes on board. It also is available for sponsorship for the 2009 race season.

"We are pretty much ready to go, we just need that advertiser to help get us there." Rowe said.

The car features the Marshall University logo on the hood and reads "We are Marshall" on the rear quarter panels. It is tribute to the university and carries the No. 75 in honor of those killed in the university's 1970 plane crash.

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# Drivers are big fans of NASCAR's oldest track

by HANK KURZ Jr. ASSOCIATED PRESS

MARTINSVILLE, Va. -It's the smallest, oldest track in NASCAR, a place where the roots of racing are evident all around, and converge with some of the newest amenities.

But in the new media center last weekend, the questions still came, leaving track president Clay Campbell shaking his head as driver after driver was asked:

"Do you think it's inevitable that Martinsville Speedway will lose a date?"

The queries come as surely as leaves turn in the fall and sprout in spring.

"I'd love," Campbell said Wednesday, "to go through one race weekend where I don't do interview after interview talking about the possibility of us losing one of our dates."

The good news for the man whose grandfather built the 0.526-mile, paperclip shaped oval more than 60 years ago is that he knows many drivers are among the track's biggest supporters.

have almost no say in NASCAR's scheduling.

Jeff Burton, who grew up 60 miles from Martinsville, thinks the track's history and distinctiveness make it special, and worthy of its spots on the schedule in the spring and fall.

"I do think it is important to embrace our history, to embrace the past, and this is a great way to do that," he said. "There is no other track that we race on that is like this.

"I think it belongs. We aren't the ones that get to vote on where we are going to race. They don't ask us, but as far as I'm concerned, we have to have places like this because I think it reminds us of where we have come from, and I really think that is important."

Clint Bowyer, Burton's teammate with Richard Childress Racing, agrees, and thinks more factors than the size of a track and potential economic impact should be considered.

And in cases where the difference is great, he said, which one performs best in terms of attendance?

"I don't want to get in trouble, but look at California," Bowyer said of the 1.99-mile track in Fontana, Calif. "That's a long way away. We're not filling the grandstands there."

The grandstands at Auto Club Speedway hold 92,000, Martinsville about 65,000.

This place is rich in histo-The bad news is that drivers ry, and it's a part of NASCAR. It's been a part of it for a long, long time. I think if I was going to pull one away," he said, "I'd look towards California or doing something different there (rather than) pulling

something from here. Performance at a track also weighs into how much a driver

likes racing there. Carl Edwards has never

won at Martinsville, and his third-place run last weekend was by far his best. Not surprisingly, he's not as enamored of the trickiest half-mile.

"It's a great place to race. I just haven't had the luck here,"

Count the trio at Hendrick Motorsports - Jimmie Johnson, Jeff Gordon and Dale Earnhardt Jr. — among those that want Martinsville to stay, or at least a short track just like

"Obviously I'd be very disappointed" said Gordon, a four-time series champion and a series-high seven-time winner at Martinsville. "I feel like this is one of my best tracks."

Johnson thinks likewise, probably because he's won four of the past five Sprint Cup races in southwest Virginia, while Earnhardt thinks the beating and banging, shorttrack style of racing is more critical to the Sprint Cup Series than the speedway itself.

He and many other drivers have spent years wondering out loud why seemingly every new venue built in the past few decades is virtually the same - a cookie-cutter 1.5-mile oval

"I think that somebody really needs to kind of wake up a little bit and see what is going on there," Earnhardt said. "Get some more short tracks back on this series."

Or, in the mind of Campbell, stop trying to move away from the ones already in

use. Martinsville, Richmond and Bristol routinely offer some of the closest racing in the series.

He said the topic of losing a date has never come up with NASCAR.

"As far as NASCAR is concerned, Martinsville is a very special place," NASCAR spokesman Ramsey Poston said. "Martinsville Speedway has done more to build NASCAR than just about any other place. There have been no requests to move any dates from NASCAR, however, the best thing fans can do is to continue to buy tickets and pack the stands.'

In recent years, before and after Campbell sold the track to International Speedway Corp., Martinsville had spent millions on improvements. It drilled a tunnel under the track to allow access to the infield by foot during a race, constructed a garage that is roomy enough for teams to comfortably work on their cars in preparation for a race and low profile enough that it doesn't obstruct the fans' view, and this year, the spacious new infield media

For some, though, it seems it will never be enough.

Have a favorite NASCAR track? Email The Times Sports Department to be included in a NASCAR memories portion of the sports section. The section will be published in an upcoming edition.

# SEC EAST FOOTBALL: Wildcats set to visit Gators in Swamp

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

FLORIDA: The fifthranked Gators (5-1, 3-1) will honor one of their oldest cheerleaders before Saturday's game against Kentucky (5-2, 1-2).

George Edmondson, better known as Mr. Two Bits, will be recognized before Florida's Homecoming game against the Wildcats. The 86year-old Edmondson is planning to retire at the end of this season, 60 years after he first gave his famous "two bits' cheer at Florida Field.

Dressed in a long-sleeve, button-down yellow shirt, light blue pants and an orange and blue stripped tie, Edmondson moves from section to section carrying a "2bits" sign and a whistle. When there's a break in the action, he stands up and blows his whistle several times to signify the start of the cheer.

"Two bits, four bits, six bits, a dollar. All for the Gators, stand up and holler," the crowd yells in unison.

The cheer began when Edmondson, a retired accounting salesman from Tampa, attended a Florida game in 1949 against his alma mater, the Citadel. The Gators were losing badly, so to boost morale, Edmondson led the cheer. It caught on over the years, and the school eventually named him an honorary alumnus even though he never attended Florida.

GEORGIA: After decades of having to take buses to and from the Atlanta airport for road games that require flights, Georgia has found a Georgia this season.

way to make use of its Athens airport.

After Saturday's game at Louisiana State, the Bulldogs will fly into Athens-Ben Epps Airport. The team will use three 50-passenger Delta charter jets that can land on the 5,500-foot runway.

By flying directly into Athens, Georgia will spare itself the bus ride from Atlanta that takes at least 90 minutes and the extra time required to maneuver through the Atlanta airport.

Georgia officials hope the team will save up to three hours by using the closer air-

The team will still fly to Baton Rouge out of Atlanta usual, according to spokesman Claude Felton. But if the flight back works well on Saturday night, Georgia may make use of the local airport on future road trips, beginning next season.

The team's one-game experiment with the Athens airport was first reported by the Athens Banner-Herald.

The drain of long flights became an issue this season when the team returned from a night game at Arizona State after sunrise the next morn-

"If you couldn't sleep on the plane, you didn't sleep that day," coach Mark Richt

The loss of sleep was a factor as exhausted coaches and players began preparations for the following week's game against Alabama - the Bulldogs' only loss of the season. Alabama and Tennessee used the Athens airport for their games at

been approved for a 1,000foot runway extension to help the facility accommodate larger jets.

KENTUCKY: Four more Kentucky defensive players could join defensive tackle Myron Pryor on the sideline Saturday against No. 5 Florida in what coach Rich Brooks calls the Wildcats' scariest defensive challenge of the year.

Pryor's high-ankle sprain didn't allow him to practice this week, and he will not play against the Gators. But Brooks says it remains unclear whether others who have practiced will be available. They include linebacker and defensive captain Braxton Kelly, linebacker Johnny Williams, safety Marcus McClinton and cornerback David Jones.

Those injuries are in addition to the ones on the offensive side for Kentucky (5-2, 1-2). Leading receiver Dicky Lyons Jr. and leading rusher Derrick Locke are out for the year with knee injuries.

"We're going to have five, six, seven people at least banged up for the game," defensive lineman Corey Peters said. "People are going to have to step up and make plays. That's what is necessary to win in the SEC."<

SOUTH CAROLINA: Chris Culliver was supposed to make his mark at South Carolina catching the ball. Instead, the sophomore free safety is becoming known for his crunching hits and solid play in the secondary.

Culliver was among coach Steve Spurrier's top recruits in February 2007, when the

The Athens airport has head ball coach landed what of the ball. some considered South Carolina's best signing class

> Culliver figured to start hauling in long TD passes right from the start, if he wasn't returning kickoffs and punts for scores. Things didn't work out that way, though.

Culliver struggled as a wideout and did not catch a pass despite playing 11 games as a freshman. But South Carolina's new defensive coordinator, Ellis Johnson, thought Culliver could make an impact on the other side of the ball.

Johnson and safeties coach Ron Cooper talked to Culliver during the offseason, and the switch was made in the spring.

"I was willing to do whatever I could to help the team, so I decided to make the move," Culliver said.

Culliver quickly worked his way onto the second team, and in Johnson's five-defensive-back alignment, moved into the starting free safety

"I'm still learning about the position, but things have gone pretty well," Culliver said. "I am getting more comfortable every day."

Culliver has two interceptions, both which came in the 24-17 win at Kentucky two weeks ago.

TENNESSEE: Junior offensive guard Vladimir Richard has been a bit of a work in progress.

He was recruited as a defensive lineman and spent a season practicing there for the Volunteers until coaches moved him on the other side

"He just is now fully understanding all of how to finish and how to do the things technique wise that need to be done to be a good lineman. Physically he has all the tools in the world," coach Phillip Fulmer said.

After several years of work in a backup roll, the guy known to everyone as "Vlad" made his starting debut in Tennessee's 34-3 win over Mississippi State on Saturday night. How did he do?

"He brought so much energy and excitement to that group and played the game like it's supposed to be played Saturday," Fulmer said. "That's all he needed, was some consistency. I think he can be a great one, I really

Richard played his way into starting, beating out junior Jacques McClendon. He's expected to start again for Tennessee (3-4, 1-3) against No. 2 Alabama (7-0, 4-0) on Saturday night.

McClendon got right back into the starting lineup against the Bulldogs when senior Anthony Parker suffered a high ankle sprain early in the game.

"He did respond well like you want him to, and then Anthony got hurt early and he went in and played probably his best game of the year,' Fulmer said of McClendon.

VANDERBILT: Jamie Graham is the Commodores' two-sport star, and the redfreshman shirt from Nashville who revved up fans coming off the bench for the men's basketball team last winter now is becoming comfortable at wide receiver

in football. He caught two touchdown passes in last weekend's 24-14 loss at Georgia — the first of his career.

Not bad for someone who was playing defensive back until the start of fall practice in August.

Coach Bobby Johnson said they didn't need help at receiver last season, a position they had the SEC's alltime leading receiver at in Earl Bennett. But they found themselves looking for bodics when George Smith had a stress fracture in his foot with some other injuries, so Graham was swapped from defense to offense.

"We knew he was a very fine athlete and just a matter of time before he started producing. He produced in a big way the other day, just very athletic catches in the corner of the end zone," Johnson

The Commodores also used Graham returning punts, and he picked up 8 yards on a rocket sweep against Georgia. He also finished with a team-high four catches for 46 yards receiv-

'He's liking it right now, and we like him liking it," Johnson said. "We're going to start giving him the ball and see what else he can do with it."

The Commodores (5-2) host Duke (3-3) for homecoming Saturday afternoon. Graham said he feels he's natural catching balls because he was a defensive

"I can always get better. I have three years to get better," Graham said.

# Five UK defensive starters miss practice

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON - Five defensive starters - tackle Myron Pryor, linebackers Braxton Kelley, Johnny Williams and Micah Johnson, and cornerback David Jones - missed practice Tuesday morning because of injuries, Coach Rich Brooks announced after the morning workout at the Nutter Training Facility.

Brooks confirmed that Pryor will miss Saturday's game at Florida as he recovers from a high-ankle sprain incurred during Saturday's win over Arkansas. The other players' availability for the game vs. the Gators is "questionable to doubtful," according to the coach. In addition, free safety Marcus McClinton missed

approximately half Tuesday's practice while he recovers from injury.

Pryor has been a commanding presence in the middle of the Wildcat defense. The senior from Louisville, has 20 tackles this season and leads Kentucky in tackles for loss (7.5) and quarterback sacks (3.5). Ricky Lumpkin, a sophomore from Clarksville, Tenn., is expected to get the start in Pryor's place. He has made 10 tackles this season, including 2.5 for loss.

The absences are tough blows for the Wildcat defense, which will be challenged by a Gator attack that leads the Southeastern Conference with 38.5 points per game.

On the offensive side, the team's leading rusher, Derrick

of Locke, and leading pass receiver, Dicky Lyons are out for the season because of knee injuries sustained in the last two games.

"We have a lot of work to do in the training room, in the film room and on the practice field to get some people who haven't played that much ready to play," Brooks said.

Kentucky (5-2 overall, 1-2 SEC) visits Florida (5-1, 3-1) on Saturday at 12:30 p.m. The game will be a regional telecast on Raycom Sports.

Williams, Cobb named captains: Linebacker/defensive end Johnny Williams and wide receiver/quarterback/punt returner Randall Cobb will be game captains for Saturday's game at Florida,

Coach Rich Brooks has announced.

Game captains are normally selected on the basis of performance in the previous game. In UK's 21-20 win over Arkansas, Williams made six tackles, including one for loss, and caused the fumble that began the Wildcats' late-game comeback. Cobb caught five passes for 73 yards, including two touchdowns in the final 4:15 of the game. He also returned three punts for 24 yards and completed 2 of 3 passes for 45 yards.

Williams, a senior from Jacksonville, Fla., and Cobb, a freshman from Alcoa, Tenn., will join permanent captains Tony Dixon and Braxton Kelley at the pregame coin

### Wildcats receive mid-season

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON Cornerback Trevard Lindley, defensive end Jeremy Jarmon, defensive tackle Myron Pryor, linebacker Braxton Kelley, offensive tackle Garry Williams, linebacker Micah Johnson and kick returner Derrick Locke have received mid-season honors from CollegeFootballNews.com and Phil Steele's College Football.

Lindley was named firstteam mid-season All-America by CFN and third-team All-

America by Steele. Lindley has three interceptions and eight pass breakups so far this season. He leads the Southeastern Conference and ranks among the national leaders in total passes defended. Defensive tackle Myron Pryor, whose 20 tackles include 7.5 tackles for loss and 3.5 quarterback sacks, was picked as honorable-mention

Steele also chose a midseason All-SEC team, featuring Lindley and Jarmon on the first team, Williams, Pryor and Kelley on the second team,

America by CFN.

and Johnson and Locke on the

Alabama's Nick Saban is CFN's mid-season SEC Coach of the Year, with UK's Rich Brooks also mentioned in the

Kentucky-Mississippi State game available on PPV: The Kentucky at Mississippi State football game on Nov. 1 will be televised live on a pay-perview basis.

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on the day of game, but final pricing decisions are made by the cable/satellite providers.

The game is under consideration to be picked up by ESPN GamePlan. announcement will be made when GamePlan makes its

The game is set for Saturday, Nov. 1 at 2:30 p.m. Eastern time (1:30 p.m.

## accolades

Residents of Kentucky interested in ordering the game should contact their local cable/satellite providers.

decision.

Central time in Starkville).

### ESPN Helmet sticker Hartline

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON - Kentucky quarterback Mike Hartline was one of six players from across the nation who received an ESPN helmet sticker on the network's "College Football Final" show on Sunday morn-

Hartline completed 17 of 32 passes for 239 yards and a career-high three touchdowns in Kentucky's 21-20 come-

back victory over Arkansas. Trailing 20-7 in the fourth quarter, Hartline tossed touchdown passes of 32 and 21 yards to wide receiver Randall Cobb in the final five minutes of the game.

The rally tied the school record for the biggest fourthquarter comeback in school history. In 2004, UK trailed Vanderbilt 13-0 in the final period before rallying to a 14-13 triumph.

It was the second time this season that Hartline has led a fourth-quarter victory. The Wildcats trailed Middle Tennessee 14-10 in the last stanza before coming back for a 20-14 win.

Scout Team Players of the Week named: Quarterback Tyler Sargent, defensive tackle Luke McDermott and defensive back Mikie Benton are UK's Scout Team Players of the Week, Coach Rich Brooks has announced.

Sargent, a redshirt freshman from Waynesville, Ohio, and McDermott, a redshirt freshman from Louisville, were honored for their efforts on offense and defense, respectively, in helping the Wildcats prepare Saturday's 21-20 win over Arkansas. Benton, a freshman from Russellville, was recognized for his work on special teams.

### MSU women finish tied for fourth at APSU tourney strokes Tuesday and led the and finish the fall with a top

TIMES STAFF REPORT

CLARKSVILLE, Tenn. -Morehead The University women's team shot the second best team score of the day Tuesday and moved up to finish in a tie for fourth place at the F&M Bank APSU Intercollegiate at the par-72 Clarksville Country Club. Individually, freshman Emma Jonsson improved by 10

Eagles in 11th place in MSU's final fall tournament.

Morehead State shot a 312 team score on Tuesday and tied Belmont for fourth place. Tennessee Tech, which was second after Monday's opening round, slipped into the lead and won the team compe-

"It was really exciting to see this group play well today

five finish. They handled the course and its tough greens with quite a bit of maturity. I'm very proud of them all. They've worked hard and deserve this finish," said MSU head coach Stephanie Barker. Jonsson shot an 83 Monday

but responded with a 73 on Tuesday to take 11th place. Freshman Sara Jackson was

tied for 15th overall with a 82-

77-159, while sophomore Paige Lausier also finished in the top 20 with a 80-80-160. Sophomore

Grunkemeyer, seeing her first action as an Eagle, came in 29th place with a 80-82-162, while freshman Karolina Tunstig rounded out MSU's five team players with a 83-87-170. Freshman Kaitlyn VanGunten played as an individual and shot a 83-89-172.

### Cards return to conference play against No. 14 South Florida by MALCOLM C. KNOX ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE - Louisville football coach Steve Kragthorpe is in a playoff state of mind.

The Cardinals (4-2) are 0-1 in the Big East Conference, but only 11/2 games separate the No. 1 and No. 7 teams in the con-

"Wide smokin' open," Kragthorpe calls it.

The Cardinals get back to conference play when they host No. 14 South Florida on Saturday, the first of six games in a row against Big East competition. That run also includes No. 17 Pittsburgh, which beat South Florida nearly three weeks ago, and Rutgers, which gave Connecticut its second loss in a row on

So the opportunity is there for the Cardinals in a competitive

"Every week is the Big East championship now," Kragthorpe

The Bulls (6-1, 1-1) embarrassed Louisville 55-17 in their meeting last year in Tampa. South Florida leads the series 3-2, but the home team has won every game.

Obviously, the Bulls have their own designs on winning the

They are averaging 35 points and 436 yards of total offense per game, much of that on the strength of quarterback Matt Grothe, who has thrown for an average of 222 yards per game.

"They kind of hold you hostage with the quarterback in some situations," Kragthorpe said, "because you know that he's a true threat to run the football, and then they can hand it off or throw the screen passes to the running backs.

Kragthorpe joked Monday that the Cardinals would do something extra to stop Grothe.

"Well, we're going to try to put 12 guys out there and see if we can keep the referees from seeing them," he said. "That would help.

But Louisville's leading tackler, junior college transfer Jon Dempsey, thinks the Cardinals will be up to the task with the proper 11 that have made them the No. 26 defense in the country. "I think we can beat them because we're just as good a team

as they are," Dempsey said. Grothe also leads the Bulls in rushing with 434 yards. "That's our job as a defense, to stop the run, so if he runs, we'll

just treat him as a running back," Dempsey said. But South Florida's defense has been good at stopping the run too. Their opponents have rushed for 77 yards per game and have not scored more than two rushing touchdowns in a single game.

Patience will be the key for Louisville's runners, including Brock Bolen, who ran for three touchdowns against Middle Tennessee, and Victor Anderson, who leads the team in rushing with 111 yards per game.

"We tell them all the time that the big plays will happen within the framework of the offense if you do a good job of running the play the way that it's designed to run," Kragthorpe said. "I think we've done a nice job of that at our running back spots, of being patient and letting the plays develop and then hitting the hole with great efficiency and great speed and then coming out of the back end of a lot of those runs.'



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PRESTONSBURG SENIOR Austin Gearheart has made a habit of catching the football and piling up yardage.

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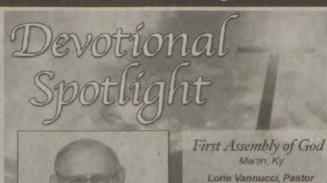
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### METHODIST

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Betsy Layne United Methodist, next to B.L. Gymnasium; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Randy Blackburn, Minister. Allen Christ United Methodist, Allen; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.;

Worship Service, 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Kenneth

Lemaster, Minister, Community United Methodist, 147 Burke Avenue (off University Drive and Neeley St.); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Glen "Sandy" Douglass,

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

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a.m.; Sunday Morning Service, 11 a.m.; Mid-week Service, 7 p.m.;

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

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

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

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

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

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Free Pentecostal Deliverance, Ext. 46 off Mt. Parkway at Campton; Worship Service, Saturday and Sunday, 7 p.m.; Patricia Crider, Minister. Free Pentecostal Holiness, Rt. 122, Upper Burton;

Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m; Friday, 7 p.m.; Louis Sanlan, Minister; David Pike, Associate

Goodloe Pentecostal, Rt. 850, David: Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Malcom Slone, Minister. Parkway First Calvary Pentecostal, Floyd and

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and 7 p.m.; Wednesday/Friday, 7 p.m.; Roy Cosby, Minister.

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

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International Pentecostal Holiness Church, 10974 N. Main St., Martin: Rev. Ellis J. Stevens, Senior Pastor Rising Sun Ministries, 78 Court Street, Allen, Ky.; Sunday, 10:30 a.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. Pastor: D.P. Curry.

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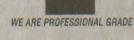
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# Faith and Family



### KIM'S KORNER

### The Vessel

(Author Unknown)

The Master was searching for a vessel to use;

On the shelf there were many - which one would He choose?

Take me, cried the gold one, I'm shiny and bright,

I'm of great value and I do things just

right. My beauty and lustre will outshine the rest

And for someone like You, Master, gold would be the best!



Kim Little Frasure

The Master passed on with no word at all; He looked at a silver urn,

narrow and tall; I'll serve You, dear Master,

I'll pour out Your wine And I'll be at Your table

whenever You dine, My lines are so graceful,

my carvings so true, And my silver will always compliment You.

Unheeding the Master passed on to the brass,

It was widemouthed and shallow, and polished like

Here! Here! cried the vessel, I know I will do,

Place me on Your table for all men to view.

Look at me, called the goblet of crystal so clear,

My transparency shows my contents so dear,

Though fragile am I, I will serve You with pride,

And I'm sure I'll be happy

in Your house to abide. The Master came next to a

vessel of wood, Polished and carved, it

solidly stood.

You may use me, dear Master, the wooden bowl said, But I'd rather You used me

for fruit, not for bread!

Then the Master looked down and saw a vessel of clay.

Empty and broken it help-No hope had the vessel that

the Master might choose, To cleanse and make whole, to fill and to use.

Ah! This is the vessel I've been hoping to find,

I will mend and use it and make it all Mine.

I need not the vessel with pride of its self;

Nor the one who is narrow to sit on the shelf;

Nor the one who is bigmouthed and shallow and

Nor one who displays his contents so proud;

Not the one who thinks he can do all things just right;

But this plain earthy vessel filled with My power and

Then gently He lifted the vessel of clay.

Mended and cleansed it and filled it that day.

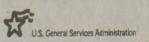
Spoke to it kindly. There's work you must do, Just pour out to others as I

pour into you.

'Til next week, God bless.

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# Western Kentucky church building labyrinth

by SARAH HOGSHED KENTUCKY NEW ERA

HOPKINSVILLE - A crowd of people find solace together on Sept. 11. A woman battling breast cancer is comforted in her search for healing. Hundreds of people find a deeper connection to

These people all have one thing in common - they're walking in circles.

But their walking is not directionless. They are all following the ancient path of a labyrinth, and soon the residents of Hopkinsville will have their own downtown labyrinth to aid in prayer and meditation.

From late September through mid-October, labyrinth builder Marty Kermeen and his partner, George Puga, have built this symbolic piece of art in a lot beside Grace Episcopal Church on East Sixth Street. Funded by the church, the paver-contsructed labyrinth is a part of its green space proj-

Working 10- and 12-hour days, and even in the rain, Kermeen and Puga have constructed a replica of one of the world's most famous labyrinths in the Chartres Cathedral near Paris, France. The Chartres labyrinth is more than 800 years old and was walked by medieval pilgrims as a way to symbolize the path to God.

"This is by far our most labyrinth," requested Kermeen said.

Kermeen, who is from Yorkville, Ill., has been building labyrinths for 15 years and has built about 60 of them across the country. He grew up as an artist and specialized in sculptures. In 1987 he started a high-scale landscaping business with Puga. He said they acquired a reputation for quality work and started doing paver mosaic logos for corporations, schools and other groups.

Then, in 1998, a client asked Kermeen to build a labyrinth for a church.

"I literally became obsessed for three months until I figured out how to make one," Kermeen said.

His first public labyrinth was built along the Napierville, Ill., riverwalk park. This started him on his path to building a variety of labyrinths, both in public and private spaces, around the United States.

Labyrinths patterns have been seen in a variety of human cultures around the globe for around 4,000 years. About 800 to 1,000 years ago, the labyrinth design began to be incorporated in Christian drawings and cathedral construction.

Kermeen said from that point on, hundreds of variations of labyrinth designs were created. However, Kermeen said that all of them have one defining feature: "a singular path that leads to the

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The artist said labyrinths rely heavily on something called spiritual geometry.

"There are no random numbers," Kermeen said. Many of the measurements have significance to the Christian faith.

For example, it is said medieval labyrinths have 279 stones to the center. That is the number of days from the annunciation to the birth of

"There's all kinds of symbolism to unravel," Kermeen added.

Kermeen and his partner Puga spend around 1,000 hours creating each labyrinth. Half the time is spent in preparation of the pavers and creating the rosette center. The stones are hand-carved without the aid of lasers or computers.

The materials are then biggest challenges of the shipped to the work site and the base is leveled and pre-At the Grace Episcopal

Church site, 100 pounds of compressed limestone were used to provide a stable base. Kermeen said he uses quality materials because he wants the one-dimensional sculpture to last for hundreds of

"I'd like to think we're creating a historic landmark," Kermeen said.

work is its physical nature and the need to be constantly precise. Being off just a sixresults for the overall design.

"You have to keep the sacred geometry intact," Kermeen said. "I want to honor what the masters did."

Communities have found multiple uses for labyrinths. In New Orleans, people walk one of his labyrinths on Easter to symbolize the resur-

A woman from Oklahoma wrote Kermeen and told of a profound spiritual experience she had while walking one of teenth of an inch more than his labyrinths. She was a once can have disastrous domestic violence survivor and as she walked the winding path, she saw her tears fall to the ground in the moonlight. She said during those moments of prayer and meditation, she realized that she had value as a human

> "It's pretty humbling to know you had a hand in that," Kermeen said.

He added this his children love having birthday parties at his labyrinths, and weddings are often performed at

"There's no rulebook at the door to tell you how to use it," Kermeen said.

Even though he'll be leaving town soon, Kermeen knows what he built will benefit all of Hopkinsville, not just the members of Grace Episcopal Church.

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WELLNESS O&A

# Fall prevention

by ERNEST BREWER DIRECTOR OF WELLNESS & REHAB HIGHLANDS REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER EBREWER@HRMC.ORG

Because of my work in the hospital setting, I am keenly aware of the increased risk for falling faced by older adults, as well as the tragic impact that a fall can have on them. Studies have found that more than one



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older fall each year in the United States. According to The Centers Disease Control and Prevention, falls are the leading cause of injury and accidental death in adults

third of adults

age 65 and

over the age of 65 years, as well as the most common cause of hospital admissions

In addition to the injuries that falls may cause a person, we often see that, even when the person suffered no substantial injury from the fall, they may develop a significant fear of falling. This fear can greatly impact their overall functional ability, even to the point that they become fearful of sitting on the edge of a bed or chair. We have seen patients who are fearful of falling while they are still lying in the bed. The recovery from this is

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### **DINNER DIVA**

# An apple

You know the old saying, right? An apple a day keeps the doctor away. There's a lot of truth to that saying. Apples are fiber rich, full of vitamin A,



beta-carotene and vitamin C as well as a smattering of other vitamins and minerals. Definitely a valuable part of your daily bites!

It's not just Leanne Ely red, Delicious apples that are worthy of your pro-

duce dollar, either. There is a whole bushel of apples I bet you've never tried. Honey Crisp apples are some of my favoritesdelicious, crisp and juicy. They look like big Gala apples and are hugely flavorful. Another favorite apple, but hard to find is the Arkansas Black apples. This would have been the apple the witch in Snow White gave the princess...the skin is such a dark red, it's nearly black. On my trip home from the mountains of North Carolina this weekend, I happened upon them and promptly brought home a half a peck. I've already had one today and plan on attacking another one later this afternoon for my afternoon snack. Yes, they are THAT good!

Apples may be available year round, but that's because they're put in cold storage. Nothing wrong with that and heaven knows I'll still be eating apples all year 'round, but right now they are just positively scrumptious. Don't

(See DIVA, page three)

# WARMTH OF LOVE

# Church provides cold-weather gear to local families

by JARRID DEATON FEATURES WRITER

The mornings are starting to get cold, so dressing to suit the weather is important to stay comfortable and healthy. However, for some families with limited income, it can be difficult to provide coats and other winter items for their children. That's where the Town Branch Christian Victory Fellowship Church in Prestonsburg comes in. For 16 years, the church has handed out coats, scarves, hats, and mittens to children in order to help them bundle up against the chilly wind during the win-

"We got the coats in early this year and we want the kids to have them before it gets colder," said Earlene Nelson, with Town Branch Christian Victory Fellowship Church. "We usually don't get them in until the middle of November, but they came in early. We decided to give them out as soon as possible because it is getting very cold in the mornings.'

The church received 708 children's coats from Burlington Coat Factory, as well as hats, scarves, and mittens. All of the coats are new. A limited supply of baby blankets will also be handed out.

"I feel so blessed to be able to help so many families get a little help in a very troublesome time," Nelson said. "We want everybody to know that we are giving out the coats so those who need them will be able to come by the church and pick

Earlier this year, the church handed out school supplies to over 400 children.

Families can pick up the coats at the church etween 10 a m and 2 n m on Saturday



Karen Marcum helps to unpack 708 coats at the Town Branch Christian Victory Fellowship Church in Prestonsburg on Friday. The coats will be handed out on Saturday to families who need them

# First Commonwealth hosts Halloween party



Pictured are East Mountain Foster Kids Association guests, Tiffani Lahmann, First Commonwealth Bank Customer Service Representative, and Kim Edmiston, First Commonwealth Bank Teller.

by JARRID DEATON FEATURES WRITER

The employees at First Commonwealth Bank in Pikeville got in the Halloween spirit last week, with the bank's second annual Halloween Party for the East Mountain Foster Kids Association.

"Guests entering Commonwealth Bank Tuesday evening weren't visiting the bank to make deposits and get checks cashed, said Nikki Shepherd, marketing director. "They were there to play games and eat pizza."

The children who attended the party are currently in foster care or have been in foster care prior to being adopted.

According to information provided by various foster care organizations, holidays can prove to be difficult for the children, so events like

First Commonwealth Bank's Halloween Party are an important way to get the children involved and active in holiday events.

Some of the festivities included games like "Pin the Nose on the Pumpkin" and "Pass the Pumpkins" along with refreshments in the form of pizza, cupcakes, and punch with gummy eyeballs.

The children dressed in costumes at the party, with outlits ranging from Hannah Montana, to Star Wars, to Iron Man.

The tellers at the bank appeared to have just as much fun handing out goodies and participating in the games and activities with the chil-

"We are so glad to have the kids come back again this year," said Kim Edmiston, teller. "We have a great time hosting this event and interacting with the families."

### **FLY LADY**

### **Financial** awareness continually empowers

I have been traveling for three weeks and during that time I have been blessed to have not seen much television. The political process as well as the economy has continued despite my lack of attentiveness. I didn't have to hear or see every aspect of the news to survive. Just because I was not paying attention to the news didn't mean that the economy was going to crash. I think the whole world would be better off if they didn't pay attention to the news

and feed on their fears. I was taught many years ago by

Rita Davenport that what you think about you bring about. We have to get our minds off of what the irresponsible major news media is reporting and take care of ourselves. The worst thing we can do is allow their panic to cause us alarm. Their prophecy will become real if we feed on their terror. They have been reporting for months that things were getting bad. Do they have a hidden agenda or are they just creating news.

We have all heard the term if something seems too good to be true then it probably is. For years I have been thinking this about the housing market. The prices of homes were escalating and normal people were being sucked into mortgages that they did not understand or could afford after reading the fine print. All they really understood was the monthly payment amount. As their payments started to rise because interest rates were increasing on their During the summer the price of toma-

variable rate mortgages; they became more unable to pay their monthly mortgage. Then add to their problem the price goes up. The winter months

was the cost of gas. When they finally decide that they cannot afford that mortgage, the value of their home has dropped. Now they owe more on their home than it is worth. With more and more people trying to sell their home along with the number of homes that were built on speculation thinking that someone was going to buy them and with the homes that have been forcelosed on by mortgage institutions;

the market is flooded. This is a fact of economics; supply and demand.

When the supply is up the price goes down. Think about it this way.

toes is low. There are plenty to be found. When the supply goes down



Everyone wants to make hay while the sun is shining. We all have the dream of home ownership. Our economy is fucled by this dream. People make money on lending money, selling

houses, building houses, supplying building materials and landscaping. The people that make the money on this process also

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# Jamily OHIO UNIVERSITY Medicine

Martha A. Simpson, D.O., M.R.A. Associate Professor of Family Medicine

I get leg cramps at night. I haven't had any for a long time, but now they're starting again. They seem to be worse in the hot weather. I don't have any problems when I'm walking around, just during the night. The leg cramps wake me up.

Muscle cramps are a relatively common event. A cramp is Lan involuntary and painful contraction of a muscle. They can happen in any muscle in the body but are more common in the legs. No one is quite sure why muscle cramps happen at night, but many common associations have been made. Although more likely to occur in older people, they can happen to anyone.

Nocturnal leg cramps are frequently associated with muscle overuse and muscle fatigue. Mild dehydration and electrolyte imbalance are also implicated in many cases of muscle cramps. Other risk factors for leg cramps include pregnancy, diabetes, and the use of certain medications.

Though leg cramps are usually nothing more than an annoyance, in some cases they can be a sign of something more serious. For

# Stretching before bed and drinking water may prevent leg cramps

instance, frequent leg cramps, whether they occur during the day or the night, can be a sign of an underlying problem like hypothyroidism, diabetes, anemia, kidney problems or nerve disorders.

Other more serious causes of leg cramps include decreased blood flow to the legs and a compressed nerve in your back due to a narrowing of the spinal canal. These type of cramps are usually associated with activity and relieved by rest, rather than coming on during periods of rest.

There are some simple preventive steps you can take. For nighttime cramps like you have, it can be helpful to stretch your legs each night before you go to bed. If a cramp comes on anyway, try to stretch the muscle slowly and the cramp will usually resolve. It can also be beneficial to gently compress, massage, or stretch the affected muscle with your

For people who get cramps during or after exercise, it's important to do plenty of stretching both during a warm-up period before exercise and a cool-down period after your workout is over. This will help your muscles better handle the strain of your exercise regime. Also, avoid overtaxing your muscles and drink plenty of fluids — especially if you're sweating heavily during your workout.

There are also some general dietary adjustments you can make to help prevent leg cramps. Drink plenty of fluid during the day, and make sure you are getting enough potassium in your diet. Magnesium and calcium are also important. Eating a banana every other day can help with potassium, and taking a multivitamin can help with the magnesium. Dairy products are a good source of calci-

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Some people do need prescription medication - such as muscle relaxants - for leg cramps. Check with your doctor if your leg cramps are frequent or persistent.

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Family Medicine(r) is a weekly column. To submit questions, write to Martha A. Simpson, D.O., M.B.A., Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine, P.O. Box 110, Athens, Ohio 45701, or via e-mail to readerquestions@familymedicinenews.org. Medical information in this column is provided as an educational service only. It does not replace the judgment of your personal physician, who should be relied on to diagnose and recommend treatment for any medical conditions. Past columns are available online at familymedicinenews.org.

### Diva

neglect finding a little orchard smiles to all who partake— top with I teaspoon of butter or apple stand and getting some just picked ones to put in your fruit bowl. If that's not possible, I know they're probably on sale in your grocery store right now! That's why buying in season is so economical.

However you get your apples and in whatever variety or form, now is the time! Here's a recipe that's worth the time to make just for the smell they produce. Guaranteed to warm your home and bring

**Baked Cinnamon Apples** Serves 4

4 Granny Smith apples,

1 teaspoon cinnamon

1/4 teaspoon nutmeg

4 teaspoons brown sugar 4 teaspoons whipped unsalted butter

Preheat oven to 350. Take apples and set them in a baking dish. Sprinkle spices and brown sugar on the apple and

each—the secret in keeping the fat down on this recipe is using whipped butter-it's a favorite weapon in my fridge! Bake for about 45 minutes or till tender. Serve warm in a bowl with vanilla yogurt (or vanilla ice cream, but you didn't hear that from me).

Tastes like a rich, apple-y custard without all that nasty fat-that little bit of butter makes them almost velvety in texture and rich in flavor.

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employee people to help them build houses and process loans. These people also pay for mortgages and services. Local governments are funded by the taxes that we pay on those homes. This also gives people jobs.

I don't have the answers to how to fix this terrible problem but we can turn off the televisions and quit listening to the doom and gloom. I feel that what the major media is doing is akin to financial terrorism. Don't feed on fear! We have the ability to look on the bright side of things. We are smart and we can FACE our Finances. Financial Awareness Continually Empowers! We may not be able to do anything about Wall Street but we can do something about our home. I just wish our federal government would start living within ting a good example for all of

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Brainard, Kentucky,

and in Floyd and

The major revision will not add any surdisturbance acreage to the permit area; however it delete 8.4 acres, bringing the total permit area to 586.47 acres.The proposed major revision area is approximately 0.62 mile southeast from KY 114's junction Holbrook Branch, and located 0.20 mile southwest of Middle Creek, and 0.75 mile northeast from Puncheon Branch's junction with Line Camp Branch. The nearest intersection is KY 114 and Prater Branch Rd. latitude 37º39'26". The longitude 82º54'44". The operation is located on the lvyton U.S.G.S.

rangle map.

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Magoffin Counties. surface area to be affected by the major revision is owned by Richard and Bernice Risner, Kathleen Miller. Fork Farm Inc., C/O Della W. Burke, and Jamie and Lisa Powell.The major revision proposes to change previously approved method of operation of area mining and auger mining, to area, contour and auger mining. The revision also proposes to change the previously approved post mining land use of Forestland. to Pastureland for a 267.8 acre area. The application been filed for public inspection at the Division of Mine Permits, Department Mining, Reclamation and 7 1/2 minute quad-Enforcement's

Prestonsburg

Regional 3140 South Lake Road, Scott Depot, Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. phone (606) 889-1746. Written comments or objections must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, Hudson No. Hollow, U.S. 127 Frankfort, KY 40601. This is the final advertisement of the application. All comments, objections. requests for a permit conference must be received within 30 days of today's

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-0342 NW In accordance with

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10.2008

Office, 4978 Teays Valley WV 25560, (304) 204-1455 applied for a permit for a surface coal mining and reclamation operation located 1.7 miles northeast of Hippo, Chris Kentucky in Floyd The pro-County. posed operation will disturb 373.34 surface acres and will Litsey, underlie 4.92 acres, and the total area Brenda within the permit Adrian boundary will be 378.31 acres.The Marie proposed operation is approximately 0.8 Bradley miles south from KY 1210 junction with Bradley, Alum Lick Road and located 0.2 miles Bradley. southwest of Caney Creek.The posed operation is on the located Martin USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The operation will use the mountaintop removal and

auger methods of

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George Thomsbury, et. al, Evie Thornsbury, et. Shade and Patricia K. Pitts, Lou Ellen Pitts, et. al., Big Branch Holding Drive. Company, Damron, Ousley, Rosie Reffitt, Craig Ousley, et. al, Betty Charles Gordon Ousley, Donald and Ousley, Bradley, James and Rose Bradley, Ronald and Jackie Sally R. Kessie. Charles E. Amy Abby Adam Bradley, Johanna L. ence Kenneth Silveus, Earl and Stephens

Peggy and Sianna Risner, Mont Ousley Heirs, Edward L. and Sadie Shepherd, J.T. and Anna Lea Thornsbury, Phyllis Reffett, Glen Hurd-Estate, Curt and Anna Howard and Harrison D. Reffet. The operation will underlie land owned Shade and Patricia K. Pitts, Lou Ellen Pitts, et. al., Big Branch Holding Company, LLC and Mont Ousley Heirs

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disturbed is owned the Department for Mining Surface Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg 3140 South Lake Suite Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a must be filed with Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 Frankfort, South. Kentucky 40601.

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You are notified that there is now pending in the Floyd Circuit Court, C.A. 08-CI-01092, styled Michael Sammons and Debbie Sam-Richard Sammons Jr., and Sue Sammons. The

Unknown Non-Designated Family Members, Unknown Spouses Unknown Parties in permit conference Interest. This lawthe Director of the rights of all family members claiming an interest in the property of Ester Hamilton Sammons located on Hayes Hollow Beaver Creek in McDowell, Kentucky, which was conveyed to her by Doug Hayes and deed dated Septem-ber 1953, and recorded in Deed Book 154, Page 615, Floyd County Clerk's Office. Any family member claiming an interest in that prop erty must assert

> James A. Combs Warning Order Attorney 199 North Lake Drive, Suite 201 Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653

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SECTION 1. There is hereby laid and levied for the taxable year of 2008, an advalorem tax of FORTY (\$.40) upon each \$100.00 worth of taxable property (property as used in revenue statute means everything of value that a person owns that is or may be the subject of sale or exchange or that when offered for sale will bring some price. And so, any existing, enforceable, collectable demand upon which it is a lien, or out of which it can be collected, is property) real, tangible and ntangible, within the corporate limits of the City of Wheelwright, Kentucky; said levy is laid upon the valuation as of January 1, the taxes being subject to a two (2) percent discount before October 6, and a six (6%) percent penalty after November 6.

SECTION 2. The taxes to be collected thereon to be used for the purpose of maintaining the City of Wheelwright and to pay and reduce any debts incurred by the City of Wheelwright.

SECTION 3. That this Ordinance will take effect and be in force after its passage and publication as required by law.

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# Rental G Central

by TOM DOTY
TIMES COLUMNIST

A dismal supply of rentals hit the shelves this week, though the kids lucked out with a decent animated film, while adults had to make do with movies that featured giant snakes and CGI superheroes.

"The Incredible Hulk" — Marvel went back to the well on one of its most popular creations with this effort, which still focuses on computer animation to create the titular creature. This installment is nowhere near as dull as Ang Lee's interpretation and includes a few decent scenes of the emerald giant bringing down property values faster than a Wall Street investment firm. But the final fight looks like a videogame as two computer generated behemoths kick the snot out of each other. Edward Norton makes for a marginally better Bruce Banner than Eric Bana, but Tim Roth steals this one as a hardened soldier who actually volunteers to become a Hulk-like monster.

with the Strangers" — A young couple are menaced by a mysterious trio of nihilistic goons at a remote cabin in this exercise in suspense that is actually a thinly disguised version of the French thriller "Them," 2006. Stick with the French film, which at least, offered a better payoff.

"Anaconda 3" — You can't expect much from the second direct-to-video installment of any franchise (check "Hellraiser" and

"Pumpkinhead" for examples of this phenomenon), so keep your expectations low here and you might have a good time. Here there are two giant snakes with which to contend, but the heroes are well suited for the job and include a bustier wearing blond scientist who gets ample support from the one and only David Hasselhoff, cast here as a rugged hunter type. Go in with low expectations and you'll find that this is a decent time-waster.

"The Legend of Sasquatch" — The kids might like this inoffensive yarn that sees a family team up with a park ranger and Bigfoot for an adventure. Plenty of animated hijinks ensue.

This week marked the passing of 1970s cult legend Rudy

Ray Moore. Lately he had enjoyed a spike in popularity due to parodies of his films on Fox's "Mad TV," but nothing beat watching his outdated flicks in their entirety. Many of Moore's action/comedies are available for a song at Wal-Mart and other outlets, and you'll howl with laughter at his combination of sloppy scripting, poorly executed kung fu and vulgar dialogue (all delivered in rhyme which predated rapping). Check

out "Dolemite" and "The Human Tornado" for a double dose of Moore's patented shtick.

Next week appears more promising with Brendan Fraser starring in "Journey to the Center of the Earth," but I'm more excited about an adaptation of Jack Ketchum's novel "Red," which stars Brian Cox as a senior citizen who targets a trio of young toughs for some payback when they shoot his beloved dog.

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Because of the impact that falls can have on a person's life, it is definitely worthwhile to explore ways that we can prevent the falls from occurring in the first place. For this purpose, I have compiled a list of helpful suggestions pulled from fliers created by the American Physical Therapy Association and The American Occupational Association. As you will see, a majority of the suggestions are fairly easy things that an individual could implement in there own home.

The first suggestion is to make your living environment as fall-safe as possible. Be sure to have adequate lighting throughout your house, and use a nightlight when getting out of bed at night. Arrange furniture so that it creates plenty of room to walk freely. If you use a walking aid, ensure that doorways and hallways are large enough to get through with the device. Older people may have weakness that causes them to have difficulty raising their feet during walking, so the removal of throw rugs is very important. At the very least, secure them firmly to the floor with double sided tape.

Bathrooms are a frequent site for falls. Falls in this room may be prevented by installing grab bars near the toilet and in the shower or bathtub. Secure footing is very important, so installing nonslip strips or a rubber mat on the floor of the tub or shower is helpful. Depending upon your strength and mobility, utilizing a shower bench in your tub may be considered.

When you leave the home, wear appropriate footwear. Make sure that your shoes fit you well. To give you the best level of stability, wear shoes that are relatively flat and have nonslip bottoms. When you are walking in unfamiliar locations, particularly, concentrate on the task of walking. Don't try to walk and talk at the same time; especially if you are a very animated talker. Also, use high levels of caution when carrying items while walking.

carrying items while walking. The final group of suggestions involves taking good care of yourself. Healthier people fall less. With that being said, stay active to maintain your overall strength and endurance. Make sure that your vision does not contribute to a fall by having your eyes checked at least once a year. Medication side effects and adverse interactions can lead to falling, so ask your doctor or pharmacist to review your medications periodically.

I will add to these my own nugget of advice (for additional charge). If you have experienced a fall in the past few months, this may indicate an underlying problem. Make sure to let your physician know this. He or she may want to refer you to physical therapy for an evaluation or to have home health physical therapy come out to your house to evaluate you and to do a safety analysis of your home. An inhome evaluation may reveal more hazards than you could ever imagine.

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As with so many areas of your health, prevention of falling is so much easier, and less painful, then trying to treat the injuries after a fall occurs.

Ernest Brewer is a physical therapist and athletic trainer with over 20 years of clinical experience. In addition to his experiences in hospital, home health and outpatient settings, he has provided services to high school, college and professional sports including prorodeo, ballet and basketball. He is the Director of Rehab and Wellness at HRMC. You can email him your questions at ebrewer@hrmc.org.

The information presented is intended to be informative for the general reading audience and not intended to be utilized for creation of a personal treatment plan or replacement of the care of your current health care professionals. In all cases, seek the advice of your physician for a definitive answer for your specific health con

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Isabelle Shereé Tackett was named the 2008 Red, White and Blue Little Miss Patriotic Queen. She also won the Little Miss Photogenic and Overall Most Beautiful awards in the Red, White and Blue pageant 4- and 5-year-old division, held Saturday, Oct. 4, at the Martin Community Center. Tackett is the daughter of Matthew Tackett and Jessica Reed, of Weeksbury, and the granddaughter of Paul and Jenny Tackett, of Weeksbury, and Ricky and Veronica Reed, of Bevinsville.

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