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## Johnson jail under investigation

by SHELDON COMPTON  
STAFF WRITER

PAINTSVILLE — The death of a former inmate at the Big Sandy Regional Detention Center has prompted officials to launch an investigation into the facility.

The jail received a subpoena early Thursday morning, according to a

statement release by KSP Post 9 in Pikeville, asking for administrators to produce records in relation to complaints of criminal conduct taking place there.

The death of former inmate Sherry Bowen McFaddin roughly a week ago is the key reason for the investigation, said Kentucky State Police Det. Ben Cramer.

According to Cramer, the investigation is focused on determining the circumstances surrounding the 43-year-old woman's death. This will be done through interviews and close study of documentation and other records in the case, Cramer said.

The jail contends that its staff conducted themselves in a reasonable manner and has denied that McFaddin

was beaten, one rumor that has circulated since her death.

Speaking to media earlier this week, jail administrator Henry Williams said his staff would cooperate fully with the investigation, adding that he felt his staff had reacted properly and followed procedure when attending to

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In brief  
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4 hours  
by JARRID DEATON  
FEATURES WRITER

MILLARD — A Pike County man has been arrested and charged with first-degree wanton endangerment after allegedly firing shots at family members and then barricading himself inside his home.

According to a release from the Kentucky State Police, Richard Gooslin, 43, of Millard, fired shots at family members after they came to his home to pick up some belongings.

When troopers arrived on the scene, Gooslin allegedly locked himself in the house and ignored verbal commands to exit the residence. Det. Ben Crafter established phone contact with Gooslin after more than four hours of negotiations, which led to Gooslin exiting the residence and being placed under arrest.

While being transported to the Pike County Detention Center, Gooslin reportedly became combative and tried to kick the windows of the police cruiser. After troopers used pepper spray and a Taser to control Gooslin, he became compliant and was lodged in the detention center without further incident.

### MORE STUDIES



photo by Jarrid Deaton

Like their counterparts in every classroom in the Floyd County School District, students in Carole Bentley's seventh-grade science class at Adams Middle School will be getting an extra 30 minutes of instruction per day, starting on April 13.

## Winter vacation leads to longer school days

by JARRID DEATON  
FEATURES WRITER

Students in Floyd County will be in the classroom a little longer starting on April 13, with 30 minutes added on to the end of each school day.

According to a release from the Floyd County Board of Education, the school day will be extended by 30 minutes to help make up for missed instructional time due to the extreme weather that covered the area with snow and ice earlier this year. The inclement weather kept the

school doors closed to students for almost an entire month after winter break.

With the new schedule, the schools that currently dismiss at 2:45 p.m. will dismiss at 3:15, and the schools that dismiss at 3 p.m. will dismiss at 3:30.

Floyd County Supt. Henry Webb believes that the extra time added to each day of school will benefit the school system in more than one way, including opening up days for students to attend summer school and other programs.

"By extending the school day

by 30 minutes, that will enable us to make up three days," Webb said. "More importantly, it will provide more instructional time for the state assessments. Also, quite honestly, it will allow students and teachers the opportunity to go to summer school and other programs. It benefits us in two ways."

Officials with the school district recently sent correspondence to the Kentucky Department of Education regarding the request for six days to assist with making

(See SCHOOL, page three)

## Driveby defendant competent

by SHELDON COMPTON  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Jesse H. Dulaney, the Banner man indicted in October in connection with a shootout at Allen that resulted in the death of 30-year-old Sally Vance, has been found competent to stand trial.

Dulaney was indicted on seven charges, including five counts of attempted murder, for an incident prosecutors say took place on Aug. 5. He also faces a count of possession of a handgun by a convicted felon and persistent felony offender.

According to the charges, Dulaney was one of several people involved in what has been called an apparent drive-by shooting that took place early that morn-

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## Accident ends with driver under arrest

by JARRID DEATON  
FEATURES WRITER

BETSY LAYNE — An accident at the entrance to Mare Creek that blocked traffic for close to an hour on Thursday led to the arrest of a man on charges of driving under the influence.

Danny Stratton, 55, of Stanville, was arrested at the scene of the two-vehicle collision.

According to emergency officials, the accident occurred just after noon, with 911 dispatchers notifying the Betsy Layne Fire Department of an injury accident involving two vehicles in front of Blackburn's Greenhouse.

The southbound lane of traffic was closed while emergency officials worked to clear the area.

According to Kentucky State Police Trooper Shaun Little, there were no injuries as a result of the crash.

Stratton was placed under arrested by Little and transported to the Floyd County Detention Center.

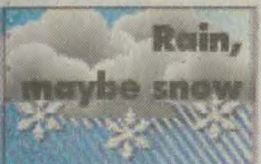
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## Utility picks up awards

by SHELDON COMPTON  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Prestonsburg Water Plant Manager Donald Compton says he and his staff, along with the other city utility employees, have been hard at work in the past several years to improve the quality of water for city residents.

And now he has the hardware to show that hard work pays off.

Compton was presented with the Earl T. Mitchell Award this past week, an award given to an individual who has demonstrated a commitment to the

improvement of the progression and maintenance of a water system.

The award is a statewide recognition across four chapters of the Kentucky Water and Waste Water Association (KWWOA).

But Compton will first tell you not of his own accomplishments, but of the accomplishments of the water plant itself, especially considering the plant finished in the top four in the state when votes from committee members were counted.

"There are probably 30 to 35 counties involved and the water

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photo by Sheldon Compton

Floyd County Judge-Executive R.D. "Doc" Marshall signed a proclamation Friday morning recognizing April as Child Abuse Awareness Month in Floyd County. Several community members supporting the cause of child abuse awareness were on hand for the signing. Pictured are Kimberly Philpot, Deborah Stone, Melissa Whitaker, Sabrina L. Gipson, Susan Dye, Angie Maynard, Pamela Mayer, Angela Baldwin, Susan Howard, Floyd County Family Court Judge Johnny Ray Harris and Belinda Boggs. Not pictured but attending were Michelle Burke-Meyerhoff and Jennifer Mullins.

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# Regional Obituaries

## FLOYD COUNTY

Richard Lee Bevins, 46, of Wellington, died Sunday, March 29, at his residence. Funeral services were held Friday, April 3, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Margaret Elliott Branham, 86, of Betsy Layne, died Monday, March 30, at her residence. Funeral services were held Thursday, April 2, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Cecil Hall, 79, of Ft. Wayne, Indiana, a native of Orkney, died Friday, March 20. He is survived by his wife, Marty Hall. Funeral services were held Wednesday, March 25, under the direction of McCombs & Sons Maplewood Park Funeral Home, Ft. Wayne.

Victor Earl Harper, 63, of Bevinsville, died Sunday, March 29, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were held Thursday, April 2, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Patsy Ann King, 56, of Harold, died Saturday, March 28, at her residence. Funeral services were held Wednesday, April 1, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Timothy Wayne Moore, 33, of Harold, died Tuesday, March 24, at Harold. He is survived by his wife, Trish Moore. Funeral services were held Thursday, March 26, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services.

Gregory D. (Bristles) Neeley, 38, of Auxier, died Sunday, March 22, at home. Funeral services were held Wednesday, March 25, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services.

Audrey Kay Johnson Prater, 48, of Prestonsburg, died Thursday, March 26, at King's Daughters Hospital in Ashland. Funeral services were held Sunday, March 29, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Joey Stephens, 51, of Martin, died Tuesday, March 31, at the Pikeville Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Twyla Slone Stephens. Funeral services were held Saturday, April 4, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Judith Ann Osborne Ward, 66, of Martin, died Friday, March 20, at Central Baptist Hospital, Lexington. Funeral services were held Monday, March 23, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Dora L. Ward, 73, of Chillicothe, Ohio, a native of Dema, died Tuesday March 31, at home. Funeral services were held Saturday, April 4, under the direction of Haller Funeral Home, Chillicothe, Ohio.

Ohio.

Nancy Lowe Ward, 55, of Auxier, died Wednesday, April 1, at her residence. She is survived by her husband, Clarence Ward. Graveside services were held Saturday, April 4, under the direction of Preston Funeral Home.

## PIKE COUNTY

Arettia "Artie" Bevins, 95, of Chillicothe, Ohio, a Pike County native, died Wednesday, April 1, at the Chillicothe Nursing and Rehabilitation Center. Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, April 4, under the direction of Ware Funeral Home of Chillicothe.

Clara Dotson, 59, of Majestic, died Tuesday, March 31, at South Williamson ARH. Funeral services were held Friday, April 3, under the direction of the R.S. Jones & Son Funeral Home.

Earl Francisco, 88, of Ferrells Creek, died Sunday, March 29, at the Veterans Affairs Medical Center, in Huntington, W.Va. Funeral services were held Wednesday, April 1, under the direction of J.W. Call Funeral Home.

Daniel Shannon "Shan" Justice, 43, of Lexington, died Friday March 27, 2009. He is survived by his wife, Tina Segneri Justic. A memorial service will be held at 5 p.m. Sunday, April 5, at First Christian Church, Chloe Road, Pikeville. Internment will follow at the Annie E. Young Mausoleum.

Inis Thacker Justice, 84, of Shelbiana, died Tuesday, March 31, at her residence. She is survived by her husband, Logan Justice. Funeral services were held Friday, April 3, under the direction of Lucas and Son Funeral Home.

Irene Layne Mounts, 84, of Freeburn, died Friday, March 27, at Williamson ARH in South Williamson. Funeral services were held Wednesday, April 1, under the direction of R.S. Jones and Son Funeral Home.

Glen Haze Murphy, 57, of Dorton, died Tuesday, March 24, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Sunday, March 29, under the direction of Thacker Funeral Home of Pikeville.

Janet Gail Smith, 62, of Ransom, died Monday, March 30, at the Grand Strand Regional Medical Center, Mrytle Beach, S.C. Arrangements, under the direction of R.E. Rogers Funeral Home.

Harria Renee Stamper, 38, of Pikeville, died Thursday, March 26, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Sunday, March 29, under the direction of Thacker Funeral Home.

Dixie Stanley, 80, of Pikeville, died Thursday March 26, at her residence. Funeral services were held Monday, March 30, under the direction of Community Funeral Home.

Lois Gilliam McCoy Thompson, 91, of Sidney, died Sunday, March 29, 2009 at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Thursday, April 2, under the direction of J.W. Call Funeral Home.

Doug Webb Sr., 64, of South Williamson, died Sunday, March 29, at Williamson ARH at South Williamson. Arrangements, under the direction of R.E. Rogers Funeral Home.

## JOHNSON COUNTY

Dennis Castle, 85, of Wabash, Indiana, a native of Offutt, died Wednesday, March 25, at Manatee Memorial Hospital in Bradenton, Florida. He is survived by his wife, Dortha M. Castle. Funeral services were held Monday, March 30, under the direction of Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service.

Larry Gene Fitzpatrick, 59, of Louisa, a Johnson County native, died Saturday, March 28, at Three Rivers Medical Center, in Louisa. He is survived by his wife, Tammy Greene Fitzpatrick. Funeral services were held Wednesday, April 1, under the direction of the Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Gary L. Jackson, 45, of Oil Springs, died Friday, March 27, at Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center, in Paintsville. Funeral services were held Wednesday, April 1, under the direction of Paintsville Funeral Home.

Sherry Lynn Bowen McFaddin, 43, a native of Johnson County, died Friday, March 27, at Paul B. Regional Medical Center, in Paintsville. Funeral services were held Tuesday, March 31, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Edna LaNell Stapleton Meade, 67, of Tutor Key, died Wednesday, April 1. Funeral services were held Saturday, April 4, under the direction of Paintsville Funeral Home.

Mike Murphy, 60, of Van Lear, died Friday, March 27, at Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center, in Paintsville. Funeral services were held Monday, March 30, under the direction of Phelps & Son Funeral Home.

Linda Lou Blanton Ramey, 54, of Hager Hill, died Saturday, March 21, at Staffordsville. Funeral services were held Monday, March 23, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Raymond Ratliff, 72, of Paintsville, died Monday,

March 30, at King's Daughters Medical Center in Ashland. He is survived by his wife, Katherine Banks Ratliff. Funeral services were held April 2, under the direction of the Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

## MARTIN COUNTY

Kenneth "Ken" Anthony King, 42, of Suwanee, died Friday, March 13. He was a native of Columbus and grew up in Inez. Funeral services were held in the chapel of A.S. Turner & Son Funeral Home.

John M. (Bill) Pemberton, 88, of Inez, died March 21. Funeral services were held Monday, March 23, under the direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home.

Mary Preece, 102, of Inez, died Thursday, March 19, at the Martin County Health Care Facility in Inez. Funeral services were held Sunday, March 22, under the direction of Richmond-Callahan Funeral Home.

## KNOTT COUNTY

Sally June Collins Bentley, 66, of Jackbhorn, died Saturday, March 21, at home. Funeral services were held Tuesday, March 24, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services.

Estill Huff, 72, of Pinetop, died Tuesday, March 17, at the Hazard ARMC. Funeral services were held Friday, March 20, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services.

Ronald Michael "Ronnie" Perkins, 52, of Knosville, Tennessee, formerly of Hindman, died Saturday, March 21, at his home. Funeral services were held Tuesday, March 24, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services.

Leslie Leck Roberts, 90, of Hindman, died Monday, March 23, at the Knott County Nursing Home. He is survived by his wife, Magnus Roberts. Funeral services were held Wednesday, March 25, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services.

## MARTIN COUNTY

Maudie Sharon Booth, 51, of Beauty, died Thursday, March 26, at Williamson A.R.H. She is survived by her husband, Richard Eugene Booth. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, March 28, under the direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home.

Thomas Claude (T.C./"Diddle") Boothe, 76, of Loganville, Ga., formerly of Martin County, died Thursday, March 19. He is survived by his wife, Trunell Sammons Boothe. Services were held Saturday, March 21, under the direction of Tim Stewart Funeral Home.

Virginia McCoy Franco, 59, of San Antonio, Texas, formerly of Martin County, died Monday, March 23, in San Antonio. She is survived by her husband, Sam Franco. A graveside service was held Monday, March 30, under the direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home.

Sadie Jean Mills Horn, 59, of Inez, died Wednesday, April 1, at her residence. Funeral services were held Friday, April 3, under the direction of the Phelps & Son Funeral Home.

Oretha Williamson Marcum, 70, of Ashville, Ohio, died Tuesday, March 24. Funeral services were held Saturday, March 28, under the direction of Richmond-Callahan Warfield Chapel.

Sylvia Messer, 70, of Kermit, died Thursday, March 26. Funeral services were held Saturday, March 28, under the direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home.

Pearley Dee Mills, 64, of Turkey, died Saturday, March 21. Funeral services were held Wednesday, March 25, under the direction of Richmond-Callahan Funeral Home.

Carlos Richardson Jr., 48, died Friday, March 27, at St. Claire Medical Center, in Morehead. Funeral services were held Monday, March 30, under the direction of Richmond-Callahan Funeral Home.

## LAWRENCE COUNTY

Luther (Bob) Fields, 64, of Louisa, died Monday, March 23, at his home on Yellow Creek. He is survived by his wife, Eula Marcum Fields. Funeral services were held Thursday, March 26, under the direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home.

Christopher C. Williamson, 88, of Louisa, died Tuesday, March 24, at Three Rivers Medical Center, Louisa. He is survived by his wife, Nada Mollett Williamson. Funeral services were held Thursday, March 26, under the direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home.

## Obituaries

### Nellie Terry Roberts

Services for Nellie Terry Roberts, 80, of Frankfort, formerly of Floyd County, who passed away, Wednesday April 1, 2009, were held in Rogers Funeral Home, in Frankfort, at 1:00 p.m., Saturday, April 4. Visitation was Friday, 4-8 p.m., at the funeral home.

Born April 22, 1928, she was the daughter of the late Sam and Ruthie Reynolds Terry.

She was married on January 19, 1946, to Leonard M. Roberts, who preceded her in death.

She was a dedicated and loving wife and mother.

She is survived by her children: Len (Dotti) Roberts, Clementene (Ronald) Tackett, Rita (John) Donaldson; her grandchildren: Kevin (Christal) Roberts, Tony (Lisa) Roberts, Brian (fiancee, Karen) Tackett, Brent Tackett, and Lori (Ed) Flinger; her great-grandchildren: Courtney, Chad and Travis Roberts; Lacey, Jenna and Dylan Tackett; Eddie and Hunter Flinger; her sister, Augusta Stanley; and many nieces and nephews.

(Paid obituary)

## SOCIAL SECURITY NEWS

# Vice President Biden announces recovery payments to go to Social Security and SSI beneficiaries in May

Vice President Joe Biden and Michael J. Astrue, Commissioner of Social Security, announced today that the federal government will send out \$250 economic recovery payments to people who receive Social Security and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits beginning in early May 2009 and continuing throughout the month. No action is required to get the payment, which will be sent separately from the person's regular monthly payment.

"The Social Security Administration and Commissioner Astrue have been working closely with other federal agencies to get these payments out the door in record time and into the hands of folks who need it most," said Vice President Biden. "These are checks that will make a big difference in the lives of older Americans and

people with disabilities - many of whom have been hit especially hard by the economic crisis that has swept across the country."

"We have been working diligently to issue the \$250 one-time recovery payments as soon as possible," Commissioner Astrue said. "The legislation requires extensive coordination with other federal agencies and I'm pleased we are on track to issue these recovery payments earlier than the statute requires. Soon more than \$13 billion will be in the hands of more than 50 million Americans."

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 provides for a one-time payment of \$250 to adult Social Security beneficiaries, and to SSI recipients, except those receiving Medicaid in care facilities. To receive the payment the individual must be

eligible for Social Security or SSI during the months of November 2008, December 2008 or January 2009.

The legislation also provides for a one-time payment to Veterans Affairs (VA) and Railroad Retirement Board (RRB) beneficiaries. The VA and RRB will be responsible for paying individuals under their respective programs. However, if someone receives Social Security and SSI, VA or RRB benefits, he or she will receive only one \$250 payment. If the payment is not received by June 4, 2009, people getting Social Security or SSI should contact the agency.

For more detailed information about the \$250 one-time economic recovery payments, go to [www.socialsecurity.gov/payment](http://www.socialsecurity.gov/payment).

To learn more about the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, go to [www.recovery.gov](http://www.recovery.gov).

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# Duct tape is great, but not for exhaust pipes

by TOM and RAY  
MAGLIOZZI

Dear Tom and Ray:  
My son, 16, bought a '77 Pontiac Grand Prix. It's loud, with a big motor (muscle-car-type motor, original everything). Anyway, he sawed off the exhaust pipe to make it even louder, even though I told him he could get a ticket for this. He proceeded to tell me that this car "deserved" to be loud. Well, he got pulled over by a police officer, who told him he needed to make his car quieter. He tried to put the clamp back on it, but it doesn't hold. This brings me to my question: He asked me if duct tape will be OK to hold the pipe to the rest of the exhaust system, without starting some type of fire. I'm not a car expert, so we agreed to ask you guys. — Rob

RAY: Duct tape is pretty hearty stuff. But I don't think it's any match for pressurized, 800-degree exhaust, Rob.  
TOM: Traditionally, we've always used frozen concentrated orange juice cans to patch up exhaust pipes. But sadly, they're now made out of cardboard. So we now recommend empty tomato paste cans.  
RAY: Better than that, your kid can go to his local auto-parts store and buy an adapter. Almost all auto-parts stores sell metal sleeves that are either slightly larger or slightly smaller in diameter than your exhaust pipe. The sleeve serves as a coupling, where you stick the severed pieces of the exhaust pipe in either end, and then clamp them down to hold them in place.  
TOM: It's a cheap repair, and it won't last forever. But based on your son's approach

to this car, I don't think you're going to need to plan for forever.  
RAY: If you want something a little more permanent, or if he cut it too close to the muffler for the sleeve to work, take the car to a garage or a muffler shop, and ask them to butt the pipes together and weld them.  
**Cars not a good hedge against inflation**  
Dear Tom and Ray:  
Would you discuss the ins and outs of "stocking up" on cars as a hedge against future inflation? For instance, I just bought a 2009 Honda Fit that I love and that is basically considered the best car in its class — with high-quality workmanship, excellent safety features, high miles per gallon and so on. So my question is, Why not go out and buy another

one for the relatively low price of \$16,000, and simply store it as a hedge against future inflation? Then, after 15 years or so, I could take it out of storage and use it when my current car has worn out. My point is, if one could live with the stylistic and other changes that will have occurred in cars by that time, one would have a "brand-new," high-quality car that represents a huge bargain when compared with the undoubtedly highly inflated prices of those future cars. Do you agree? — Steve  
TOM: Steve, I think you've solved the problems of the American car industry. All GM and Chrysler have to do is stop selling their cars right now, put them in storage for 15 years and then sell them as gigantic bargains in 2024. Of course, it would mean that in 2024, they'd be selling cars



cars are getting even better mileage. So you're taking a significant risk.  
TOM: For some people — like you — that's fine. I drive a car that's more than 30 years old, and it's good enough for me. I don't need any of that fancy stuff like ESC, anti-lock brakes or electronic ignition. Of course, I don't have to drive much. And having a bus stop near my house as "Plan B" helps me maintain that carefree attitude!  
RAY: And then there's the opportunity cost of the money. If you sink \$16,000 into an "extra" Honda Fit now, in 15 years, even if it's perfectly preserved, it's going to be worth a lot less than that. You'd be lucky to get \$5,000 for it in 2024 if you needed to sell it.  
TOM: Whereas if you invested that 16K in the stock market, by 2024 it could be worth \$5,500!

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## Jail

McFaddin's medical condition, as well as her death.  
Williams said a nurse answered a call to check on McFaddin and discovered her unresponsive but found a pulse, at which

time she was transported to nearby Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center. McFaddin later died at the hospital.  
Responding to claims that McFaddin had been assaulted in any way, Williams

reported that this was not case.  
The investigation into McFaddin's death is in the early stages, Cramer says, and will next center on close inspection of the requested records from Thursday.

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## Competent

ing. The 26-year-old was driving the vehicle at the time, prosecutors say.  
Vance, who was a passenger in the vehicle, was shot during the episode and later died from her injuries at University of Kentucky Chandler Medical Center.  
The five counts of attempted murder against Dulaney list the following people as targets in

the indictment — J.R. Allen, Jeanette Tackett, John D. Grigsby, Tammy Grigsby and Nick Grigsby.  
According to reports shortly after Dulaney's arrest, Kentucky State Police said at approximately 4 a.m. a gunfight broke out between Dulaney and the passengers in his vehicle, including Vance, and residents of 74 Third Street in Allen.

It has still not been determined exactly how Vance was shot during the exchange, except that it was possible she was struck by a stray bullet.  
Dulaney was taken into custody in the Banner area following a traffic stop, during which he was interviewed by KSP officers before his arrest.  
Floyd County Commonwealth's Attorney

Brent Turner has said that conversations with detectives revealed that drugs were not involved during the incident.  
**School**  
up for the weather-related closings.  
The current closing date for schools in Floyd County is set for June 16. If the school district is granted the six days from the Kentucky Department of Education, along with the combined three days of instruction that will result from the extension of the school day, the new closing date would be June 3.

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## Awards

plant finished fourth overall," Compton said. "Winning was important, of course, but finishing in the top four is very good."  
Compton attributed the success over the course of the past year in improving water quality to a well-managed team.  
"We'll do whatever we need to do to improve the quality of

water," he said. "The utility has very good management right now and I have a very good staff here at the water plant."  
The criteria for the awards was based on a series of inspections conducted over the past year by committee members, Compton said. These inspections were followed up with recommendations which

the plant took note of and worked to meet.  
"We had the (Kentucky) Division of Water come in and give us an assessment on filters, for instance, and we've done some work on those based on recommendations," he said, adding that the work is never really finished. "We still have work to do in the future."

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## Attorney general warns consumers about get-rich-quick scams

Attorney General Jack Conway is warning consumers to use caution when purchasing software and training for internet sales and other business opportunities. General Conway's Office of Consumer Protection has noticed an increase in attempts to lure consumers into purchasing training and software for Internet-based business and marketing as a way to get-rich-quick.  
"In these trying economic times, protecting the public from operators of get-rich-quick scams is more important than ever," said General Conway. "I am committed to protecting consumers from unscrupulous marketers and scam artists who seek to prey on Kentuckians who are struggling financially. In some cases, consumers are investing thousands of dollars in these Internet-based businesses only to find that the money making opportunity is not what was advertised and will not provide the desired return on investment."  
Legitimate business opportunities requiring an investment of more than \$500 are required to register with the

Office of the Attorney General and provide a bond and disclosure documents. The Kentucky Office of the Attorney General and Federal Trade Commission suggest consumers exercise caution and review the following tips prior to purchasing such training or business ventures or work-at-home opportunities:  
■ Does the ad promise big money for little effort? Fraudulent ads use similar bait: Fast cash. Minimal work. No risk. And the advantage of being your own boss or working from home.  
■ Before promoters can accept money from potential investors, the law requires that they give investors important disclosure documents. If the promoter does not make the document readily available, interested consumers should find another opportunity.  
■ Talk to current investors, but beware of paid "shills," who work for the company. Visit other business sites in person. And get professional advice if you need it. Do not lose your life savings just because you did not spend a few hundred dollars to talk to a lawyer, an accountant, or

another expert.  
Consumers should visit the FTC's web site at <http://www.ftc.gov/bcp/online/edcams/bizopp/conninfo.htm> for more information on evaluating Internet-based business opportunities or [www.ftc.gov/bizopp](http://www.ftc.gov/bizopp) to help identify and avoid business opportunity scams. Information is also available on the Office of the Attorney General's website at <http://ag.ky.gov/civil/consumerprotection/scams/business.htm>. Consumers can contact the Attorney General's Office of Consumer Protection at 1-888-432-9257 or their local Better Business Bureau office.

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— Felix Frankfurter

## Guest view

# Higher tax is an incentive to quit smoking

Smokers began paying dramatically higher prices on Wednesday. The federal cigarette tax jumped by 62 cents a pack to \$1.01 [while the tax in Kentucky added another 30 cents]. Levies on other tobacco products also rose.

Obviously, smokers are upset. But this is an excellent opportunity to do what most tobacco users consistently say they want to do: quit smoking.

About seven in 10 smokers say they want to stop smoking, and with good reason. People who do significantly reduce their risk of dying prematurely.

They also reduce the risk of harming others around them — especially children — with their smoke. Children raised with a smoker have much higher rates of asthma, as well as more frequent and more severe respiratory infections.

Because money raised by the higher cigarette tax will fund health care for poor children, many smokers say they're being forced to subsidize services for others. But the truth is that the rest of us subsidize them. We've been doing it for years.

Even with higher federal taxes, smokers don't come close to covering the costs they impose on society. Cigarettes would have to sell for \$10.28 a pack to recoup all that money.

In the United States, the direct medical cost of tobacco-related illness — what we pay for doctors, hospitals, surgery and extras like oxygen — is nearly \$97 billion a year. The cost to Medicare is about \$19 billion, while Medicaid programs shell out about \$31 billion.

No other preventable cause of illness and death — not drinking, obesity or even illegal drug use — comes close to the toll inflicted by tobacco. It kills nearly 440,000 Americans every year and sickens millions more.

Of course, most smokers already are aware of those grim statistics. What they don't know is how to stop.

Research shows that the most successful tobacco cessation starts with advice and counseling from your doctor. Physicians can prescribe drugs, Zyban and Chantix, that reduce cravings for cigarettes.

Nicotine-replacement products also can reduce withdrawal symptoms. They're available over the counter at drug and discount stores.

People who get support and counseling also improve the odds of successfully quitting. They're offered at many hospitals, as well as by voluntary health groups like the American Lung Association and the American Cancer Society. Both groups also offer free online resources.

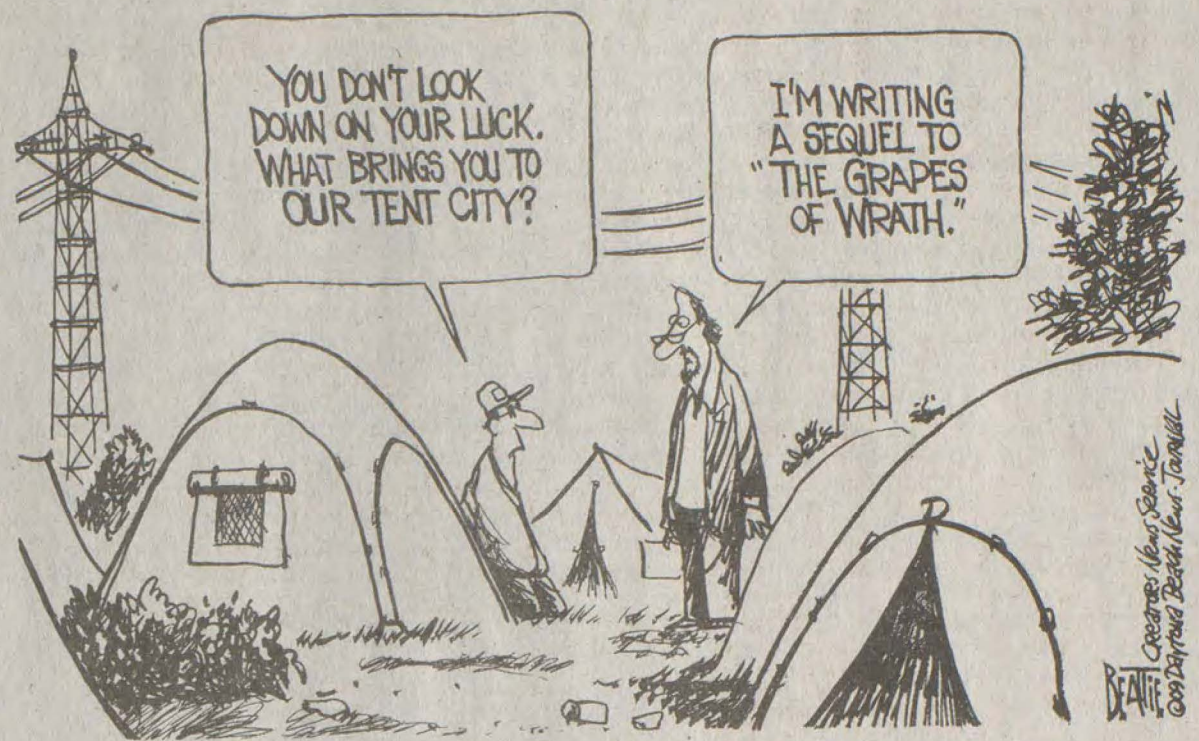
It's not easy to quit smoking, but millions of Americans have done it. The health benefits are immediate and long lasting.

Nobody likes to pay higher taxes. But they will provide a new incentive for many smokers — and especially many young smokers — to quit.

Besides, there's one sure-fire way to stop paying higher cigarette taxes: Stop smoking.

The American Lung Association offers information about local resources at 1-800-586-4872 and help with its Freedom From Smoking program at [www.ffsonline.org](http://www.ffsonline.org). The American Cancer Society is online at [www.cancer.org](http://www.cancer.org).

— St. Louis Post-Dispatch



## — Chuck Norris

### What is Washington smoking now?

by CHUCK NORRIS  
CREATORS SYNDICATE

Smoke screening is an effective military maneuver used to mask the locations or movements of units, such as infantry, aircraft, tanks and ships. But those who have mastered that art of deception are not only those on the battlefield but also those in the halls of Washington.

Back on Nov. 9, 2008, just five days after the election, Rahm Emanuel, who is now the White House chief of staff, explained the future Obama administration's philosophy for governing, i.e., for smoke screening: "You never want a serious crisis to go to waste. And what I mean by that is it's an opportunity to do things that you think you could not do before." Here's how they and Congress are living out those words today.

The present smoke hovering over the capital's landscape is the American International Group, which has been bailed out four times by the government since last September — to the tune of roughly \$170 billion. And while our eyes have been on the AIG associates who pilfered \$165 million through bonuses and the congressional participants who have con-

done such abuses, the federal government is running a quarterback sneak in areas ranging from funding European economies to unhinging America's conservative underpinnings.

First, while people blow a cork over AIG corruptions, far larger amounts of money are being funneled to European financial groups without a peep of protest. AIG employee bonuses are chump change in comparison.

Where is the roughly \$170 billion AIG received from taxpayers going? Some of the biggest beneficiaries of the bailouts are European financial affiliates of AIG.

While AIG's bailout money was distributed to American companies Goldman Sachs (\$13 billion), Merrill Lynch (\$7 billion) and Bank of America (\$5 billion), European partners were making out like bandits, too. The banks include Societe Generale of France (\$12 billion), the Deutsche Bank of Germany (\$12 billion), Barclays of Britain (\$8.5 billion) and UBS of Switzerland (\$5 billion). Can you believe it?

And it also should be noted that while AIG associates in America are considering giving back their bonuses, AIG executives in Europe say they have no such intentions. (By the way, about \$85 million of the \$165 million

in AIG bonus money was given outside the U.S.)

Of course, financial institutions are not the only ones "benefiting" from Washington's smoke screens. So are pet projects and liberal philosophical platforms across the country. Here are just a few other arenas in which Congress and the president have made political headway while we were sleeping under AIG corruptions and other alleged economic recovery incentives:

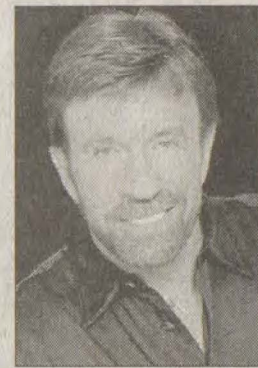
■ Let's not forget that Congress and the president passed the \$410 billion omnibus "stimulus" bill, with its 9,000 earmarks (despite the fact that during his campaign, Obama said he would be against earmarks).

■ More politicians with tax evasion problems have been appointed to the Obama Cabinet than were appointed to any previous president's Cabinet (despite the fact that he said his administration would perform the "most sweeping ethics reform in history").

■ Obama appointed (and Congress confirmed) David Ogden, a defender of child pornography, to the No. 2 position in the Justice Department.

■ Obama's newly appointed secretary of education, Arne Duncan, isn't likely to win the hearts of parents

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Chuck Norris

## — beyond the beltway

### Sometimes Congress is not constructive

by DONALD KAUL  
MINUTEMAN MEDIA

I've followed the career of Sen. Chuck Grassley (R) since he was the youngest legislator in the Iowa Legislature and if there's one thing I'd never accuse him of, it's irony. He has none. He has burnished his image as a bumpkin until it glows with the luster of a sapphire. He makes his money being underestimated. So when he made his now-famous suggestion to the AIG executives who accepted bonuses for their good work — take a deep bow and apologize; then either resign or commit suicide — I took him at his word.

He quickly backed off the suicide part — he is from Iowa, after all — but unsurprisingly his crack found resonance with millions of Americans who are outraged at the thought that the tin-cup executives of AIG should be rewarded for (if you believe what you read) putting their company, the nation's economy and the global economy itself, on the brink of oblivion.

Politician after politician has risen to denounce the AIGers, the bonuses, the bailouts, Treasury Secretary Tim Geithner, President Barack Obama and the hapless head of AIG; everybody but Alex Rodriguez, the Yankee third baseman who is apparently to blame for everything else.

But really, is what the Bonus-Babies did so bad? Given the choice of a mil or so wrapped in a slimy feeling about oneself, and zero dollars

wrapped in virtue, who among us would choose the latter? (Thank you St. Francis; it's good hearing from you.)

Our capitalistic society is much more forgiving of the sin of greed than the sin of poverty. Commentators have insisted on calling the executives "incompetent." They weren't incompetent. The object of capitalism is to make oneself rich. They made themselves rich. That's competence.

The public rage that burst forth at the news of the bonuses had been building for months, ever since the bailouts of the financial industry last fall during the dying days of the Bush administration. Finally, it was too much to bear.

"Enough!" the people were saying. "Too much, in fact. No more bonuses. No more bailouts. Roll out the tumbrels; we want some heads." All of which is inspiring, but I fear the collateral damage from this bloodletting will be our economy. For years to come.

It's all well and good for "legislators" to fight their way to the microphones and demand immediate repayment of bonuses and bailouts and say they're against government interference in the sacred Free Market but come on fellows...ladies...let's get serious. Not one of the don't-just-do-something-stand-there crowd has an answer to the question: "What then?"

When our economy is squashed flat, along with those of Western Europe, Russia, China, Japan and India, what do we do then? And for how long?

While there is precious little

agreement on what should be done, there is a virtual consensus that doing nothing will result in utter disaster.

The stupid bonuses — which amount to a fraction of 1 percent of the money involved — may have made it all but impossible to do anything effective about the financial crisis that is driving these hard times.

AIG is going to need more money; everyone agrees on that. Probably other companies too. But where are the politicians who are willing to stand up in the face of the storm of public protest that more bailouts are sure to produce? Not in the majority certainly.

The Bonus Babies, in a noble act of self-sacrifice, should give the money back. It would be the financial equivalent of throwing themselves on a grenade. It would be preferable to forcing the government to wrest the money away from them by means that are constitutionally dodgy or downright illegal.

The money should never have been given them. AIG has not yet gotten used to the idea that four-fifths of it is now owned by the government. As such, it is essentially an agency of the government and government executives don't get million-dollar bonuses.

I don't think they should commit suicide, however. An apology would be nice, though.

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

**IN CASE OF EMERGENCY**

If a newspaper item sent me has the teeniest bit of truth about it, a teacher of a fourth-grade room in Edmonds, Wash., has a whole passel of potential medical savants on her hands. She listed these answers given by her pupils to a first-aid quiz:

For head colds: "Use an agonizer to spray the nose until it drops in the throat."

For nose bleed: "Put the nose lower than the body."

For snakebite: "Bleed the wound and rape the victim in a blanket for shock."

For fractures: "To see if the limb is broken, wiggle it gently back and forth."

For fainting: "Rub the person's chest, or if it is a lady, rub her arm above the hand."

For asphyxiation: "Apply artificial respiration until the victim's dead."

**WHY?**

I can threaten to go on a fishing trip of a few miles, and the weather threatens, and will make good on its threat, if I defy it. But Frank Harmon can go all the way to Toledo Bend, over next to Texas, and they can have tornadoes in South Carolina, Georgia, and Virginia, and he encounters only great weather...Why the difference?

**IN COMPLETE AGREEMENT**

Back around the turn of the century, the famous Sledge revival swept Prestonsburg, and from it, the present Irene Cole Memorial Baptist Church originated.

The large number of converts included some of the best-known residents of Prestonsburg and vicinity, but none was as famous (or infamous) as the old feudist, Clabe Jones. Then in his declining years, Clabe was baptized in the Big Sandy River, one of many immersed by the Rev. Sledge.

In the years prior to his conversion, this Mr. Jones was everything but Christian. He and "Bad" Talt Hall had a long-standing misunderstanding, which brought on a series of ambushes and shootings. His pistol, "Phoebe," pinfire Forty-Four, which Newt May, of Prestonsburg, now has, bore 12 notches. It was this Mr. Jones who, with the help of other feuding spirits, caused Troublesome Creek in Knott County to be known, back then, as "Bloody Troublesome."

George Brown, of Prestonsburg, throws a little added light on the uneven tenor of Clabe Jones' ways. Those feud days coincided, in part, with the first great rape of eastern Kentucky's mountains, when the finest hardwood forest in the world was despoiled and floated by raft down the Big Sandy and Kentucky rivers.

That was in the heyday of old

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Jerri Samons-Smith is the inspiration for a local group that is taking part in the Walk to Defeat ALS in Lexington this fall. Smith lost her battle with the disease in September 2005.

**MOVING FORWARD**

**Group to take part in Walk to Defeat ALS**

by JARRID DEATON  
FEATURES WRITER

James Robinson was understandably devastated by the loss of his mother, Jerri Samons-Smith, last year. Smith lost her battle with ALS, also known as Lou Gehrig's Disease, after being diagnosed in September 2005.

In honor of his mother, and to help others who have dealt or are dealing with the disease, Robinson, along with family members and friends, have started a fundraising effort for the Walk to Defeat ALS event that will take place this fall in Lexington.

"Seeing the disease first-hand, we realized what a hardship it placed on families," Robinson said. "When mother was diagnosed, we

were devastated. We didn't know what to do or who to seek out. Now, after going through the experience, we want to make a difference in other people's lives."

Smith was a well-known figure in the community, serving as sales manager for Shirt Gallery in Martin for 20 years, and also as the assistant volleyball coach at Allen Central High School.

Along with participating in the walk and taking up donations to combat ALS, Robinson hopes to organize a fundraising volleyball tournament in his mother's memory.

According to the ALS Association, "ALS is a neurodegenerative disease that usually attacks both upper and lower motor neurons and causes degeneration

throughout the brain and spinal cord. A common first symptom is a painless weakness in a hand, foot, arm or leg, which occurs in more than half of all cases. Other early symptoms include speech, swallowing or walking difficulty."

Tax deductible donations can be made payable to the ALS Association Kentucky Chapter and mailed to First Guaranty Bank in Martin to the attention of James Robinson.

Electronic donations can be made by searched for the "J-Walkers" team under the Walk to Defeat ALS link on the ALS Association Kentucky Chapter website at <http://www.alsaky.org>.

For more information, contact James Robinson at (606) 285-3294, or Gina Lafferty at (606) 285-9616.

**MOVIES FROM  
THE BLACK LAGOON**

**'Wild Country'**

by TOM DOTY  
TIMES COLUMNIST

A quintet of Scottish teenagers find themselves lost in the wilderness and on the run from a pack of werewolves in this gritty horror-fest that belongs on the must-see list of any gore fan.

You'd think this one was a "Lifetime Network" movie from its opening scenes, which depict a young woman going through labor and then turning the child over for adoption.

These scenes are stark and realistic enough to have you rechecking the plot synopsis on the back of the DVD case, but this is about as normal as the situations get in this one.



Tom Doty  
Times Columnist

From here, things get more horror movie-ish as our young mother, Kelly, embarks on a hiking trip with three other teens that is being sponsored by a priest, Father Steve.

Steve is a bit of dink and preps the kids for their hike (to a quaint bed-and-breakfast where he will await them in comfort) by telling them about the true legend of Sawney Bean. He was a cannibal who lived in the same region 200 years before. He married his own sisters and trained their offspring to live off of travelers by robbing and killing them before making a meal out of their 18th century victims.

The kids are well rid of Steve when he drops them off, but a surprise waits for Kelly. The father of the child she gave up is waiting for them and tries to use the trip to patch things up with Kelly. He's greeted with a firm kick into the region that spawned their troubles.

Personal dramas soon take a back seat when the group stumble upon the bloody remains of a shepherd and are stalked by a hairy beast that sees in the dark much better than they can. They are soon drawn to a decrepit castle where they find an abandoned infant resting near more shredded corpses.

Here the film shows some respect for teens, as Kelly takes the infant (and her maternal instincts kick in), while the entire group decides to examine their problem for a solution rather than panic. They opt to stay together but still lose members when the rocky terrain turns treacherous when combined with the pitch-black night.

The group is soon cut down to three members who take refuge in the castle. Morning comes, giving them a fighting chance that they take full advantage of by luring the beast underneath a loose stone, which they drop onto the critter with great results. Unfortunately, they soon realize that the castle houses an entire family of wolf-like critters and they are far from safe there.

They make a break for it but only Kelly makes it to the inn. There she finds Father Steve, who doesn't believe her story and wrongly accuses her of being driven by guilt over giving up her child (a decision he helped talk her into). Steve does turn into a true

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**A half-ounce of love**

by SYLVIA DUNCAN

"CHICKEN SOUP FOR THE SOUL: A TRIBUTE TO MOM"

My mother made sojid contact with me in flimsy forms. Each one weighed less than half an ounce. They were air letters, sheets of blue paper pre-stamped, folded and sealed to make narrow envelopes. My memories of them have lasted years after her death.

Air letters came from my mother each week with clocklike regularity. They came each week for a quarter of

a century, the flimsy pale blue of them sheltered between sturdier pieces of mail. I welcomed my mother's handwriting. We were thousands of miles apart. When I first left England for my new home in the United States, I was desperately homesick. Along with air letters came parcels containing gravy browning mix, custard powder, my favorite tea and sometimes chocolates. There was always the weekly letter, which was far more important than the food. I could not wait to reply. I was eager to respond to generate more

**CHICKEN SOUP FOR THE SOUL**

mail. Each Thursday, for a quarter of a century, I sat down by the window with a blank air letter in front of me. I filled it easily, turned it overleaf, sealed it and walked to the mailbox. I knew my mum would be doing the same thing.

What did we write about? What sustenance did my mother provide me? She told me Aunt Winnie had visited, Cecil's Labrador dog had chewed up a leather glove, the cactus had flowered, and she had new yellow curtains in the kitchen.

I replied that Tim had made the honor roll, the cat had jumped into the punch bowl at my party, and my tulips

were blooming. Our handwriting softened sad news and illuminated joyful incidents. She had no telephone for many of those years; a telephone call usually meant bad news. The air letters that followed gave more details, expressed the thoughts behind the tragedies. When my brother Derek's son was killed in an accident, I was unable to leave St. Louis because of an ice storm. Mum described the gathering after the funeral. She wrote that Derek made endless cups of tea for everyone. Her words said it all.

Each of her letters to me began, "We were so pleased to get your letter, dear." She was pleased. She welcomed my words. She wanted all the details

of my family, dogs, plants, meals and fortunes, good and bad.

When I replied, I wanted to be proud of what I had done that week. It was good to say that I had attended church, cared and shared my skills and talents. Many an action of mine was curtailed when I began to wonder how I would write about it to my mother. The words on the air letters, carefully folded and sealed, were the story of my life unfolding in a strange country.

She wrote until three weeks before she died.

Mum's sustenance and caring led our whole family to a routine of keep-

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## Norris

committed to private or home schooling. As he explained in a radio interview, "I'm a big believer in choice and competition, but I think we can do that within the public-school framework." (Mr. Duncan, great to hear you can articulate what you think, but will you represent "we the people" in your decisions? I hear you're a good man, so please don't abandon those of us who choose options other than public schools.)

■ Obama's new budget would reduce tax deductions for charitable gifts and severely cripple nonprofits, which already are hurting because of America's recession.

■ If Congress passes Obama's new budget, increased taxes will fall upon a larger number of small-business owners than once projected, which ultimately will discourage economic growth and penalize productivity. As Yale

University professor Michael Graetz noted, "We're shooting ourselves in the foot economically by relying as heavily as we do on income taxes when the rest of the world relies on consumption taxes."

■ Despite its history of fraud, ACORN, that alleged political bastion of election neutrality, will participate in the 2010 census.

■ An executive order was signed for Gitmo to be closed, and the war on terror was re-significant as an "overseas contingency operation."

■ And Obama announced just this past week that he's sending 4,000 more troops to Afghanistan and possibly 30,000 more troops next year (despite the fact that during his campaign, he promised to reduce the number of our troops in the Middle East).

■ Pro-choice platforms and practices have been pushed in ways that America hasn't seen since the 1973 Roe v. Wade ruling. Obama overturned the "Mexico City policy," thus allowing federal funds to sup-

port international family planning groups that provide abortions. Restrictions for federal funding for embryonic stem cell research have been lifted. And if the public doesn't fight immediately, the conscience clause will be rescinded. Parental rights are about to be handed over to the United Nations. And the Freedom of Choice Act is closing fast on the horizon.

In two-thirds of his first 100 days, Obama has spent more money than any president to date (and most combined),

grown big government larger than any administration, raised the debt ceiling and national budget higher than any government in the world, made more liberal changes than Planned Parenthood could plan, and gotten away with breaking any campaign promise he chooses. And he's done all of that with virtually no contests or rebuttals and a continued 65 percent approval rating.

One thing is certain: There's nothing that Obama can't get away with at this point. He is the orchestra leader of a new

political blitzkrieg, which makes the Clinton machine look like Tinkertoys.

And you thought AIG was the problem!

America, please wake up and let your voice be heard by your legislators that "we are TEA'D!" Go to <http://www.TeaPartyDay.com>.

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## Soup

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ing in touch with each other. Some of us now use e-mail, inexpensive telephone rates and bargain flights across the ocean to stay in touch. Yet, when I think of my mother's letters, written in a quiet spot, folded, mailed and received with such delight, I put pen to paper. There is no delete button for a written letter, no backspace to eat up whole sentences. Each word is carefully measured before being mailed.

My family and I honor the memory of my mother's never-failing half-ounces of love. Mischievous dogs, new curtains, blooming plants and luscious meals are still described. Mum provided us with the groundwork, bless her dear heart.

## Allen

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Front Street and its Saloon Row, in Catlettsburg. Most timbermen from the Big Sandy section stayed, at the conclusion of their downriver trip by raft, at a certain hotel there, and Clabe Jones wound up at this old hostelry, one night. He registered at the desk, but didn't pay his bill in advance.

Next morning, when the guest came downstairs and walked past the desk to leave, the clerk inquired, "Haven't you forgot something?"

Clabe reckoned he hadn't, but the clerk insisted that he had. So the old feudist turned on him and began taking inventory.

He patted his hip. "Got my gun." He felt in a pocket. "Got my knife. Got my knucks." Then felt his inside coat pocket. "Got my liquor...No, reckon I ain't forgot nothin'."

"Reckon you're right," the hotel clerk agreed.

## Lagoon

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believer when a wolf shows up at the door, but that doesn't get him off the hook. It does make for a gruesome finale and the film also offers up a shocker of a final twist that works beautifully.

This is as good as werewolf movies get and ranks up there with "Dog Soldiers" and the Universal Pictures classics. The film also deserves credit for allowing its characters to be smart.

The special effects are pretty sturdy but the real star here is actress Samantha Shields, who plays Kelly. She makes this work and comes off as a young woman who has learned from her mistakes but refuses to go down the road of self-pity.

The monster make-up is rough but effective, as are the attack sequences, which feature a ton of the red stuff.

The only drawbacks here are that some scenes are too dimly lit and that the film was distributed by Lions Gate (which bought the film in 2006 but waited three years to release it) who decided to dump the film on DVD in January without a lick of publicity.

Best line: "We're deep in sheep shagging country."

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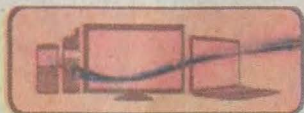
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## Special drawing opens elk area to young hunters

**TIMES STAFF REPORT**

FRANKFORT – The Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources is opening one of the state's best places to hunt elk for a special youth-only hunt in September.

Five lucky youth hunters will have the opportunity to gun hunt in a 2,300-acre area normally reserved for bow hunting only. The site of the hunt, Paul Van Booven Wildlife Management Area in Breathitt County, has numerous mature bulls with trophy potential.

"It's one of our premiere spots for elk in the state," said Tina Brunjes, who oversees Kentucky Fish and Wildlife's elk program. "It's one of our earliest elk release sites, and it's had limited hunting pressure on it since the elk program began."

Wildlife Division Director Karen Alexy said the area should provide young hunters the opportunity to take an elk of a lifetime. "We wanted to give youth hunters an opportunity to take a potential Boone and Crockett Club-class bull," Alexy said. "We're continually looking

for new ways to get kids interested in hunting, and looked at this hunt as a good incentive."

Volunteers with the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation have generously agreed to serve as guides for any hunter wishing assistance.

The three-day youth hunt is set for Sept. 26-28. Youth hunters must apply for the Youth WMA Elk Lottery online only during the month of April, the website of the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources. It costs \$10 to apply. The drawing is open to Kentucky resi-

dents and non-residents.

The quota hunt drawing is open to any applicant who will be less than 16 years old prior to May 1. Youths who turn 16 after the application period are still eligible for the hunt. All youth hunters should have the size, strength and maturity to safely handle and shoot a firearm, bow or cross-bow. An adult must accompany any youth firearms elk hunter and be in the position to take immediate control of the gun.

Youth hunters may also apply for the general elk hunt by paying an additional \$10

application fee online at fw.ky.gov. At least two youth hunters will be drawn for the general hunt.

The deadline to apply for Kentucky's general elk hunt is April 30. Kentucky will issue 1,000 elk permits this year to residents and non-residents. The cost is \$10 to apply. Applications are available online only at fw.ky.gov.

For more information about elk hunting in Kentucky, visit the department's website or call the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Information Center at 1-800-858-1549.

## Tips for fishing April's muddy waters

by LEE McCLELLAN  
KENTUCKY AFIELD

FRANKFORT – Fishing in April is typically feast or famine: Either you can slay the fish because the conditions are perfect, or you won't be able to buy a bite because of high, muddy, cold water.

Cold water colored brown by runoff is one of the toughest fishing conditions in spring. Rains that muddy the water improve fishing from mid-February to mid-March because the run-off is usually warmer than the lake's water. The increase in water temperatures pushes large bass and sunfish into shallow, warmer water.

As the fishing season slides into April, increased daylight and warmer temperatures heats the water considerably. April rains often accompany a cold front and arrest the warming. This situation makes fishing tough. However, slowing down your presentation and using lures that attract fish in muddy water will put some in your hand.

A spinner bait draws strikes from bass in dirty water because the lure creates vibrations that fish can feel. "They aren't going to have any ability to see to track things down," said Jeff Ross, assistant director of fisheries and former black bass research biologist for the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources. "Bass have to rely on their lateral line to find prey. The lateral line runs down their sides and picks up vibrations. Spinner baits are a good choice as a result."

Combinations of white, chartreuse, brown and blue make good color choices for spinner baits in April. Choose a double-bladed model with two round Colorado blades. These provide more thump in the water than the thinner willow-leaf blades. "Sight feeding is tough for a bass in murky water," Ross said. "Anything that draws more attention is good."

Toss a spinner bait around shallow submerged cover such as a log, treetop, rock pile or standing timber. Work it back as slowly as you can while still making the blades turn. Bass in muddy water need time to track down prey. They won't hit something zooming by their noses.

If working shallow cover produces no strikes, fish your spinner bait slowly near the



photos by Jamie Howell

SHEA SPURLOCK (pictured above) pitched Allen Central past Prestonsburg Thursday evening in a district softball game. The Lady Rebels scored early and late en route to the convincing win.

## Lady Rebels roll past P'burg

### Spurlock tosses one-hitter for Allen Central

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

**PRESTONSBURG**

Allen Central posted a key district win in convincing fashion Thursday evening, defeating host Prestonsburg 22-0 in five innings. The Lady Rebels got a strong pitching performance from hurler Shea Spurlock and dominated at the plate. Six different Allen Central players had two or more hits.

"It was a good win for us," said Allen Central Coach Don Burke. "Again, Shea Spurlock pitched great. She faced 17 batters, had five strikeouts and two walks. For the year, she has 23 Ks and four walks. We swung the bat good as well."

Sarah Kinney went 4-for-5 with a pair of RBIs for the Lady Rebels. Jaimie Mullins, Megan Jones, Logan Cline and Ericka Moore each had three hits for Allen Central.

Moore drove in a game-high six runs as Allen Central

caged the Lady Blackcats. Mullins and Jones finished with four RBIs apiece.

Cline had a team-high two stolen bases for Allen Central. Spurlock allowed just one hit in a solid outing. She helped her cause at the plate with a hit of her own.

Chelsie Cordial, Brittany Johnson, Bridget Slone and Kristin Reed also had one hit each for the Lady Rebels.

Prestonsburg, under the direction of first-year head coach John DeRossett, dropped to 3-3 following the loss. Allen Central improved to 2-2 thanks to the win.

"We are still trying to get better," Burke added. "We need to be consistent every game. We are still looking for that big win over a powerhouse team in our region. I think we will get it pretty soon. We are young and talented and it seems like some of the pieces are coming together. But we have a long way to go."



JAIMIE MULLINS



Allen Central enjoyed a strong defensive outing in the win over Prestonsburg.

## BoB Super Late Model Series to visit 201 Speedway three times

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

SITKA – The Battle of the Bluegrass Super Late Model Series is scheduled to visit 201 Speedway three times during the 2009 season. The BoB Series is slated to visit Bluegrass Speedway on April 25 for a season-opener. The Kentucky-based Late Model touring series is scheduled to race at 201 Speedway June 6, July 4 and Sept. 5. The current Battle of the Bluegrass Super Late Model Series schedule remains tentative. A breakdown of the schedule follows.

Battle of the Bluegrass Dirt Car Racing Series 2009 Super Late Model Series Tour Schedule (Date, Track, Location, Purse) – April 25: Bluegrass Speedway, Bardstown, \$3,000; May 1: Ponderosa Speedway, Junction City, \$3,000; May 2: Richmond Raceway, Richmond, \$3,000; May 23: Tazewell Speedway, Tazewell, Tenn., \$4,000; June 6: 201 Speedway, Sitka, \$3,000; June 12: Ponderosa Speedway, Junction City, \$3,000; June 13: Bluegrass Speedway, Bardstown, \$3,000; June 20: Lake Cumberland Speedway, Burnside, \$3,000; July 4: 201 Speedway, Sitka, \$5,000; July 11: Bluegrass Speedway, Bardstown, \$5,000; July 18: Richmond Raceway, Richmond, \$5,000; July 25: Portsmouth Raceway Park, Portsmouth, Ohio, \$3,000; July 31: Ponderosa Speedway, Junction City, \$5,000; Aug. 1: Bluegrass Speedway, Bardstown, \$5,000; Aug. 15: Lake Cumberland Speedway, Burnside, \$3,000; Aug. 21: Ponderosa Speedway, Junction City, \$4,000; Sept. 5: 201 Speedway, Sitka, \$3,000; Sept. 6: Tazewell Speedway, Tazewell, Tenn., \$5,000.

## Bellarmino men claims tourney championship

Herrick finishes 10th overall

**TIMES STAFF REPORT**

LOUISVILLE – The Bellarmine University men's golf team, led by senior Kyle Leach, rolled to an 18 stroke victory in the 36-hole Bellarmine Invitational played earlier in the week at Persimmon Ridge Golf Club. Bellarmine opened the tournament in strong fashion Monday. The Knights completed the win with a stout effort Tuesday in the final round.

Leach carded consecutive even par rounds of 72 to claim the individual championship. Teammate Doug Wilkinson finished as the tournament runner-up, five shots behind Leach.

Bellarmino junior Brooks Herrick tied for 10th individually, firing a 156 (74, 82). A Prestonsburg High School graduate, Herrick is a former 15th Region champion.

As a team, Bellarmine posted rounds of 296 and 304 to shoot 600, which was 18 clear of runner up, the University of Findlay.

## Brit 57 Racing roars into 2009 season

**TIMES STAFF REPORT**

GRETHEL – Brit 57 Racing has spent the offseason preparing for the 2009 season. Sixteen-year-old Brittany McKinney is now in her third season behind the wheel of a Late Model. McKinney's racing career consists of four years. She broke into the sport at age 13 behind the wheel of a Four-Cylinder. McKinney made the

jump from the Four Cylinder division to the Late model class in less than one year. Brit 57 Racing has enjoyed an exciting offseason that includes a new look for the No. 57 Late Model.

"As the Brit 57 Racing Team is preparing for the 2009 race season, we are looking very forward to the first race," McKinney said earlier in the week. We will have a new look for the 2009 race season and

we can't wait to see what it looks like out on the track. The Brit 57 Racing Team will be in action at 201 Speedway every Saturday night. We look forward to seeing you there!"

Weather permitting, Brit 57 Racing was due to open 2009 on Saturday at 201 Speedway during the historic Johnson County track's season-opener. One of the state's top tracks, 201 Speedway is in its 26th season.



BRITTANY MCKINNEY/BRIT 57 RACING



# EKU produces several highlights as part of 2008-09 season

TIMES STAFF REPORT

RICHMOND – The Eastern Kentucky University men's basketball team recently completed its fourth season under the guidance of head coach Jeff Neubauer and finished fifth in the Ohio Valley Conference standings. From multiple game-winning buzzer-beaters courtesy of Mike Rose to the dominating ESPNU televised victory over Southeast Missouri, there were numerous highlights along the path that was the 2008-09 season.

– Eastern Kentucky went 10-8 against conference competition, marking the fifth straight year the Colonels have posted double-figure league victories. Only Murray State (six) has a longer active streak.

– The Colonels went 3-0 against Mid-American Conference (MAC) opponents including a 69-57 win over Akron, which went on to win the MAC tournament title.

– As of March 15, the Colonels were ranked among the top-15 nationally in three-pointers made per game (2nd – 10.3), three-point shooting (12th – 40.1 percent) and fewest turnovers per game (6th – 10.9).

– Eastern Kentucky went 12-2 in the friendly confines of McBrayer Arena and won its final eight home games. It has been 18 years since the Maroons posted more home victories (14-0 in 1990-91).

– Senior Mike Rose was the first Colonel since 1980 to earn back-to-back first team All-OVC honors. The guard was also one of just 10 players nationally to lead his team in scoring (20.0 ppg), rebounding (5.3 rpg), assists (79) and steals (53) this year. As of March 15, Rose ranked second nationally in three-point shooting at 48.1 percent.

– Three players earned OVC Freshman of the Week accolades – Jorge Camacho on Jan. 26 and Feb. 9, Joshua Jones on Jan. 12, and Mike Lewis on Dec. 22.

– Head coach Jeff Neubauer coached his 100th game on Dec. 4 against Murray State. Neubauer is 67-57 (.540) in four years on the Eastern bench.

– Senior Mike Rose finished his Colonel career second on the EKU all-time scoring list (1,763 points) and three-pointers made list (271 trifectas).

# Miss Kentucky visits Eastern Kentucky football practice

TIMES STAFF REPORT

RICHMOND – The Eastern Kentucky University football team took time out of spring practice number four Thursday afternoon to welcome a special guest, Miss Kentucky Maria Montgomery. Head coach Dean Hood and the rest of the squad wished Montgomery, an EKU sophomore from Danville, best of luck as she prepares to head to Las Vegas to compete in the Miss USA pageant on Sunday, April 19.

The Colonels gave Montgomery a team autographed football, 2008 OVC championship t-shirt and an EKU football hat.

"To represent Kentucky in the Miss USA pageant is a dream come true," Montgomery said. "I have been watching this pageant on television and hoping I would get a chance at Miss USA since I can remember. It means so much to me to be chosen to represent the great state of Kentucky in an internationally-viewed event. I'm confident I'll have a blast meeting each contestant, visiting Las Vegas, and, of course, competing in the pageant on April 19. I have been trying to simply relax, have faith, and enjoy every minute of this because I know the pageant will be a wonderful experience!"

Follow Montgomery's trip to the Miss USA Pageant in Las Vegas by visiting [www.missusa.com](http://www.missusa.com). The event will air live on April 19 on NBC.

# Fishing

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bottom of the first drop-off closest to the shallows. Bass often stage here during periods of unstable weather and wait until a warming trend before moving shallow. A spinner bait thumping right in front of their noses usually proves too much for a bass to resist.

Bluegill and redear sunfish also hit small, in-line spinning lures in cloudy water. A small white, chartreuse or chartreuse and orange in-line spinner worked in open water near the bank works well.

"For sunfish in muddy water, I like a small white Rooster Tail in-line spinner," said Rick Hill, staff artist for Kentucky Fish and Wildlife and dedicated sunfish angler. "They can find it easier and use their senses to attack. You can catch some really nice bluegill this way."

A large, dark jig-and-pig combination is another effective dirty-water bass lure in mid-spring. Although white and chartreuse stand out as spinner bait colors, dark jigs are the way to go in soupy conditions.

"You make a bigger disturbance in the water with a large jig, and bass detect it," Ross explained. "You want a bigger profile as well. Bass see the jig better with a darker color. The dark color provides a better outline."

A black jig with a black and blue trailer is hard to beat for muddy water. A black jig with strands of chartreuse in its skirt and a plastic black and chartreuse crawfish for a trailer also provokes strikes. A brown and orange jig with a brown chunk trailer is

another proven choice.

Throw the jig against shallow cover and crawl it back to you as slowly as you can stand. "You have to fish a jig in murky water much slower to give the bass a chance to track it down and strike," Ross said.

A dark jig slowly crawled or subtly hopped across a mud flat near a drop-off excels for bass in April. Large female bass relate to flats in spring as they may drop eggs there a few weeks from now. Crayfish also emerge from mud flats in spring after spending the winter burrowed into them.

A channel or deeper water nearby provides sanctuary. Flats also don't see nearly the fishing pressure as visible shoreline cover such as a fall tree.

Don't fear creamed coffee colored water this April. Sling a spinner bait, in-line spinner or a jig and slow down your retrieve. You'll land some bass and bluegill when most go home.

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# Rolex Kentucky three-day event set to return to Kentucky Horse Park

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON – The Rolex Kentucky Three-Day Event, one of the world's most prestigious equestrian competitions, is set to return to the Kentucky Horse Park in Lexington, April 23-26.

The Rolex Kentucky Three-Day Event features the world's best horses and riders vying for their share of \$250,000 in prize money and a chance at the \$350,000 Rolex Grand Slam of Eventing. The winning owner will be awarded \$80,000 and the winning rider will receive a classic Rolex timepiece.

The Rolex Kentucky Three-Day Event will run a CCI\*\*\*\*, the 12th championship for the U.S. Equestrian Team Foundation Pinnacle Cup, signifying the zenith in Eventing competition in the United States. The event draws more than 100,000 spectators and is seen by millions more

on worldwide telecasts including a one-hour special on NBC in the United States.

"This year's Rolex Kentucky Three-Day Event promises to be the biggest and most exciting ever," said Jane Atkinson, Executive Vice President of Equestrian Events, Inc. (EEI), producer of the event. "With a brand new stadium and other improvements to the Kentucky Horse Park, spectators can expect an unprecedented experience. As anticipation continues to build for the 2010 Alltech FEI World Equestrian Games, the level of competition at Rolex should be at an all-time high!"

The only Four Star Event in the Western Hemisphere, the Rolex Kentucky Three-Day Event is the premier competition for the top horses and riders in Eventing. Past winners include United States Olympic Medalists David and Karen O'Connor, Kim Severson, Phillip Dutton, New Zealand's

Blyth Tait and Nick Larkin, Pippa Funnell of Great Britain and Andrew Hoy and Clayton Fredericks of Australia.

The \$350,000 Rolex Grand Slam of Eventing is awarded to any rider who wins the Rolex Kentucky, Mitsubishi Motors Badminton and Land Rover Burghley Four Star Events in succession. In 2003, Pippa Funnell of Great Britain, became the first, and to date only, rider to win the Rolex Grand Slam of Eventing.

In addition to the heart pounding equestrian action, one of the most popular attractions at the Rolex Kentucky Three-Day Event is the Kentucky Three-Day Event Shop. The Shop offers all manner of clothing, accessories and gift items sporting the EEI logo with the competition title, "Rolex Kentucky Three-Day Event," curved around the top of the logo.

NBC will broadcast a one-

hour program on the Rolex Kentucky Three-Day Event of Sunday, May 3. This marks the sixth straight year that NBC is airing coverage of the event. In addition to the NBC telecast, the final round of the Rolex Kentucky Three-Day Event will air live on Sunday, April 26 on Universal Sports Network (USN), a new member of the NBC family of networks.

"We are looking forward to having everyone come out to enjoy the Kentucky Horse Park to watch one of the world's most exciting events," said Atkinson. "In addition to watching the world-class equestrian competition and strolling through the more than 150 shops and boutiques, equine enthusiasts can tour the world-renowned Kentucky Horse Park, stroll the beautiful grounds and catch a glimpse of magnificent horses all around!"

# MSU freshman overcame medical hardships to become collegiate student-athlete

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Overcoming adversity is something student-athletes become accustomed to. Freshman softball player Carrie Himmelhaver knows that all too well. In seventh grade, Himmelhaver found out that she had scoliosis. Her father noticed that she was running strange and her chronic back pain sent red flags to her and her parents.

"My back would hurt at school every day and I'd tell my mom but she would just say, 'well Carrie, nobody can stand sitting in a desk all day,'" joked Himmelhaver.

Upon finding this out, the doctors decided her back was already in too much of an "S" shape to repair with a brace. Therefore, Himmelhaver had to undergo major back surgery. She received two rods, along

with screws and hooks that will remain in her back forever.

The Harned native's medical health only got worse from here.

During November of her eighth grade school year, she started vomiting frequently and would experience shortness of breath throughout the day.

"At the time I was playing basketball and running cross-country so I thought I was getting sick from the running, until it started happening outside of sports," said Himmelhaver. "Then I knew something else was wrong."

She was diagnosed with Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma Large Cell B. Luckily, Himmelhaver only had to endure five months of chemotherapy and she was cured of the cancer after the first treatment.

The months during this treat-

ment were long and painful. There was a central line implanted in Carrie that remained there for the entire five months. She would be put into the hospital for a full week where she would get spinal taps and would receive chemotherapy constantly.

The process would continue as she would go home for two weeks. During this time, she was not allowed outside as her immune system was extremely low. If she had to go outside, a mask was necessary. This became a routine, repeating for five grueling months.

Carrie never let these setbacks deter her from achieving her goal of playing division I softball. She attributes her hardworking and determined philosophy to her parents.

"My family was always there and they are the reason I was not angry at the world and

didn't give up on everything," she said.

"They kept me positive."

Thankfully, she does not experience day-to-day pain. The cancer and scoliosis have both been cured and they no longer hold her back from being her best.

Himmelhaver as the rest of the Eagles travel to Tennessee Tech for a three-game OVC series this weekend. On April 10-11, the Eagles host Tennessee State, and the April 11 single game is designated as a Strikeout Cancer Day, something close to Himmelhaver's heart. Last season, the Eagles' program raised \$1,300 for cancer research.

For more information on how you can donate to help support the Eagles' effort in cancer research, please call 606-783-5283.



# COLLEGE FOOTBALL MATERIAL

Two Betsy Layne High School football players signed with Pikeville College during a signing ceremony held Tuesday inside the BLHS library. BLHS seniors Robert Hall (above) and Corey Jarrell (below) are set to play for the Bears.



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# Louisville football team continues spring practice

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LOUISVILLE – The University of Louisville football team returned to the practice field on Thursday for its ninth workout of the spring with a two-hour session in full pads at the Howard Schnellenberger Practice Facility. The Cardinals started outside for the first hour before the storms moved them inside for the final 11 periods.

"I liked the work I saw out there today," Louisville Coach Steve Kragthorpe said following Thursday's workout. "I love how the guys are hitting and playing with great intensity and speed. The biggest thing I see is guys playing with the

kind discipline that you need to play with, which comes from focus and mental energy rather than just trying to endure practice and get through it."

The Cardinals were nine workouts into a spring practice that is scheduled for 15 sessions and will conclude with Red-White Game on Friday, April 17, at Papa John's Cardinal Stadium.

The Cardinals did full team work for the last couple periods and the hitting was some of the best this spring. Safety Daniel Covington put a huge hit on quarterback Justin Burke, who made a nice run for the first down.

Redshirt freshman Darius

Ashley continues his development with running backs Victor Anderson and Bilal Powell out due to injury. He burst through the line and put a huge hit on Antwon Canady to get into the end zone. Covington also made a nice interception on a play later in the team period.

Redshirt freshman Jacques Caldwell has been moved from wide receiver to cornerback. Defensive end L.D. Scott and Powell had surgery and will miss the rest of the spring, but will be ready for summer workouts.

The Cardinals returned to the practice field on Saturday afternoon in full pads with a 95-play scrimmage.



# Driver Brittany McKinney, 57 raceteam keep fans first

TIMES STAFF REPORT

GRETHEL - Late Model driver Brittany McKinney and her race team, Brit 57 Racing, place a heavy emphasis on maintaining a strong relationship with fans. The Brit 57 Racing team continues to gain fans. McKinney is most always accessible to fans on raceday. Unless she's behind the wheel on the racetrack or waiting to take the track, fans can find McKinney in the pits meeting and greeting.

"Everyone that would like to be more than welcome to come down to the pits and

visit me at my trailer," said McKinney. "Bring your kids over and let them take a look at the car. Everyone is welcome. We have stickers, pencils and keychains. The rest of the merchandise has not come in yet. Bring your kids over and let them get some stuff. I look forward to seeing all of the fans. I'm very thankful for all the fans that support me. God Bless!"

Each raceday, Brit 57 Racing will offer newsletters along with other promotional items free for the fans. Inside Brit 57 Racing is the raceteam's official newsletter. The newsletter is printed

twice each month. Racing enthusiasts are urged to visit the Brit 57 Racing driver throughout the 2009 season. Brit 57 Racing will again compete at 201 Speedway.



BRITTANY MCKINNEY

# Earl Pearson Jr. wins Circle K Colossal 100

TIMES STAFF REPORT

CONCORD, NC - Earl Pearson Jr. took control of the lead on Lap 9 and never let go as he stormed to Victory Lane in the Circle K Colossal 100 at The Dirt Track at Lowe's Motor Speedway. The two-day event was condensed into a one-day show and run on Sunday due to inclement weather on Friday, March 28 and Saturday, March 29.

Driving the No. 44p for Bobby Labonte Motorsports, Pearson Jr. started the race from the pole position, but fell in line behind Jonathan Davenport coming off of Turn 2 on the first lap. Davenport maintained the lead until he got caught up in lap-car traffic on Lap 8 and Pearson Jr. made his move.

Defending World of Outlaws Late Model Series Champion Darrell Lanigan finished a close second after pitting under the first caution period to change a tire. He restarted at the back of the field and worked his way up through the pack to challenge for the lead in the closing laps.

World of Outlaws Late Model Series point leader Josh Richards closed in on Pearson three-quarters of the way through the race, but dropped one spot in the closing laps to finish third. Steve Francis, winner of the 2008 Circle K Colossal 100, finished fourth and Davenport rounded out the top five.

Pearson Jr. took home the \$50,000-winner's share of the purse along with a sword and helmet for his second victory at the four-tenths-mile clay oval. His last win at The Dirt Track came in 2004.

"It's been a long time coming," said Pearson Jr. as he climbed from his car in Victory Lane after the race. "At the end I saw on the scoreboard that Lanigan was coming in a hurry and I was getting worried about that, but I got through lapped traffic good. It's just a dream come true."

"My crew worked their butts off...I'm just tickled to death."

Will Vaught won the Charlotte 30 non-qualifiers race. Josh McGuire, Vic Hill, Tommy Weder and Eric Wells rounded out the top five.

In B-Feature action, Larry Blankenship took the early lead in the first B-Feature, but fell back and pulled off the track on Lap 8. Chub Frank took over the lead and went on to score the win. Tim Fuller, Jimmy Owens and Russ King claimed the four transfer spots.

Dan Schlieper claimed victory in the second B-Feature. Matt Lux, Donnie Moran and Davey Johnson transferred to the Circle K Colossal 100.

The 10-lap heat races were won by Pearson Jr., Davenport, Shane Clanton, Lanigan, Francis and Ray Cook.

Scott Bloomquist posted the fastest time in the afternoon's qualifying session with a lap of 16.962 seconds.

Todd Bradbury won the CRASHCar Feature at the wheel of Nasty. Josh Walsh (Nuclear Banana), Rusty Drye (Vigilante), Paul Sparrow (Invader) and Marc White (Invader) rounded out the top five.

There were no major incidents during any of the on-track activities.

The Dirt Track will return to action during Coca-Cola 600 week with the World of Outlaws Showdown featuring the World of Outlaws Sprint Car Series on Friday night, May 22. Tickets can be purchased by calling Lowe's Motor Speedway's ticket office at 1-800-455-FANS or online at [www.lowesmotorspeedway.com](http://www.lowesmotorspeedway.com).

The results - CRASHCar Feature (15 laps): 1. Nasty, Todd Bradbury; 2. Nuclear Banana, Josh Walsh; 3. Vigilante, Rusty Drye; 4. Invader, Paul Sparrow; 5. Invader, Marc White; 6. Trouble, Jeremy Troiano; 7. Big Show, Kenneth Deese; 8. Country Boy, Dalton Tompkins; 9. Rimer Motors, Kirby Allen; 10. The Stinger, Matt Drye; 11. Rimer Rocket, Chris James; 12. Copperhead, Jason Campbell; 13. White Boy, Jerry White; 14. Ruby Rhino, Dave.

Qualifying: 1. Scott Bloomquist, 16.962 seconds; 2. Rick Eckert, 17.003; 3. Jimmy Owens, 17.084; 4. Michael England, 17.113; 5. Josh Richards, 17.129; 6. Chris Madden, 17.140; 7. Shannon Babb, 17.150; 8. Billy Moyer, 17.172; 9. Clint Smith, 17.204; 10. Darrell Lanigan, 17.223; 11. Dale McDowell, 17.224; 12. John Blankenship, 17.285; 13. Earl Pearson Jr., 17.345; 14. Jonathan Davenport, 17.365; 15. Shane Clanton, 17.394; 16. Randle Chupp, 17.404; 17. Steve Francis, 17.432; 18. "Rambo" Franklin, 17.466; 19. John Anderson, 17.470; 20. Jeep Van Wormer, 17.477; 21. Steve Shaver, 17.482; 22. Kelly Boen, 17.505; 23. Eddie Carrier Jr., 17.522; 24. Ray Cook, 17.553; 25. Chub Frank, 17.569; 26. Dan Schlieper, 17.571; 27. Casey Roberts, 17.572; 28. Jared Landers, 17.599; 29. Austin Dillon, 17.601; 30. Austin Hubbard, 17.619; 31. Russ King, 17.645; 32. Brady Smith, 17.673; 33. Tommy Kerr, 17.691; 34. Matt Lux, 17.707; 35. Tim Fuller, 17.710; 36. Jordan Bland, 17.732; 37. Ken Schrader, 17.732; 38. Eric Wells, 17.754; 39. Larry Blankenship, 17.846; 40. Davey Johnson, 17.856; 41. Rick Elliott, 17.924; 42. Josh McGuire, 17.978; 43. Justin Ratliff, 18.017; 44. Will Vaught, 18.037; 45. Tyler Reddick, 18.064; 46. Chuck Harper, 18.127; 47. Larry McDaniels, 18.132; 48. Donnie Moran, 18.162; 49. Luke Roffers, 18.221; 50. Scott Shirey, 18.247; 51. Dustin Hapka, 18.355; 52. Brent Robinson, 18.465; 53. Jayme Zidar, 18.502; 54. Tommy Weder, 18.714; 55. Brian Ledbetter, 18.810; 56. Daniel Baggerly, 18.820; 57. Petey Ivey, 18.834; 58. April Farmer, 19.008; 59. Raymond Pennington, 19.158; 60. Chas Shellenberger, 19.353; 61. Dustin Mitchell, 19.392; 62. Carl Powell, 19.965; 63. Vic Hill, disqualified.

First Heat (10 laps): 1. Earl Pearson Jr.; 2. John Anderson; 3. Shannon Babb; 4. Scott Bloomquist; 5. Chub Frank; 6. Russ King; 7. Ken Schrader; 8. Justin Ratliff; 9. Dustin Mitchell; 10. Luke Roffers; 11. Brian Ledbetter.

Second Heat (10 laps): 1. Jonathan Davenport; 2. Jeep Van Wormer; 3. Rick Eckert; 4. Billy Moyer; 5. Dan Schlieper; 6. Brady Smith; 7. Will

Vaught; 8. Eric Wells; 9. Scott Shirey; 10. Daniel Baggerly; 11. Carl Powell.

Third Heat (10 laps): 1. Shane Clanton; 2. Steve Shaver; 3. Tommy Kerr; 4. Casey Roberts; 5. Larry Blankenship; 6. Jimmy Owens; 7. Vic Hill; 8. Dustin Hapka; 9. Tyler Reddick; 10. Clint Smith; 11. Petey Ivey.

Fourth Heat (10 laps): 1. Darrell Lanigan; 2. Kelly Boen; 3. Jared Landers; 4. Michael England; 5. Matt Lux; 6. Randle Chupp; 7. Davey Johnson; 8. Brent Robinson; 9. Chuck Harper; 10. April Farmer.

Fifth Heat (10 laps): 1. Steve Francis; 2. Josh Richards; 3. Eddie Carrier Jr.; 4. Dale McDowell; 5. Tim Fuller; 6. Rick Elliott; 7. Jayme Zidar; 8. Larry McDaniels; 9. Austin Dillon; 10. Raymond Pennington.

Sixth Heat (10 laps): 1. Ray Cook; 2. Chris Madden; 3. Rambo Franklin; 4. Austin Hubbard; 5. Donnie Moran; 6. Tommy Weder; 7. Jordan Bland; 8. Josh McGuire; 9. John Blankenship; 10. Chas Shellenberger.

First B-Feature (25 laps): 1. Chub Frank; 2. Tim Fuller; 3. Jimmy Owens; 4. Russ King; 5. Austin Dillon; 6. Clint Smith; 7. Rick Elliott; 8. Vic Hill; 9. Tyler Reddick; 10. Dustin Hapka; 11. Dustin Mitchell; 12. Larry McDaniels; 13. Brian Ledbetter; 14. Larry Blankenship; 15. Luke Roffers; 16. Ken Schrader; 17. Justin Ratliff; 18. Jayme Zidar.

Second B-Feature (25 laps): 1. Dan Schlieper; 2. Matt Lux; 3. Donnie Moran; 4. Davey Johnson; 5. Randle Chupp; 6. Brady Smith; 7. Will Vaught; 8. Tommy Weder; 9. Josh McGuire; 10. Eric Wells; 11. Jordan Bland; 12. April Farmer; 13. Chuck Harper; 14. Daniel Baggerly; 15. Scott Shirley; 16. Chas Shellenberger; 17. Brent Robinson; 18. Carl Powell.

Charlotte 30 (30 laps): 1. Will Vaught; 2. Josh McGuire; 3. Vic Hill; 4. Tommy Weder; 5. Eric Wells; 6. Austin Dillon; 7. Tyler Reddick; 8. Daniel Baggerly; 9. April Farmer; 10. Larry Blankenship; 11. Luke Roffers; 12. Dustin Hapka; 13. Brian Ledbetter; 14. Dustin Mitchell; 15. Larry McDaniels; 16. Russ King; 17. Raymond Pennington; 18. Carl Powell; 19. Scott Shirley; 20. Jayme Zidar.

Did Not Start: Randall Chupp; Rick Elliott; Jordan Bland; Chuck Harper; Justin Ratliff; Brent Robinson; Petey Ivey; John Blankenship.

Circle K Colossal 100 (100 laps): 1. Earl Pearson Jr.; 2. Darrell Lanigan; 3. Josh Richards; 4. Steve Francis; 5. Jonathan Davenport; 6. Chris Madden; 7. Scott Bloomquist; 8. Steve Shaver; 9. Kelly Boen; 10. Jeep Van Wormer; 11. Eddie Carrier Jr.; 12. Billy Moyer; 13. Dale McDowell; 14. Jimmy Owens; 15. Jared Landers; 16. Ray Cook; 17. Rambo Franklin; 18. Michael England; 19. Austin Hubbard; 20. Ken Schrader; 21. Donnie Moran; 22. John Anderson; 23. Brady Smith; 24. Chub Frank; 25. Rick Eckert; 26. Tim Fuller; 27. Tommy Kerr; 28. Matt Lux; 29. Dan Schlieper; 30. Shane Clanton; 31. Davey Johnson; 32. Casey Roberts; 33. Shannon Babb; 34. Clint Smith; 35. Russ King.



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PRESTONSBURG PITCHER ALEXIS DEROSSETT eyed a pitch during Thursday's district game against Allen Central.

## 2009 NASCAR Sprint Cup Series Schedule/Results

- Feb. 7 - x-Budweiser Shootout, Daytona Beach, Fla. (Kevin Harvick)
  - Feb. 15 - Daytona 500, Daytona Beach, Fla. (Matt Kenseth)
  - Feb. 22 - Auto Club 500, Fontana, Calif. (Matt Kenseth)
  - March 1 - Shelby 427, Las Vegas. (Kyle Busch)
  - March 8 - Kobalt Tools 500, Hampton, Ga. (Kurt Busch)
  - March 22 - Food City 500, Bristol, Tenn. (Kyle Busch)
  - March 29 - Goody's Fast Relief 500, Martinsville, Va. (Jimmie Johnson)
  - April 5 - Samsung 500, Fort Worth, Texas.
  - April 18 - Subway Fresh Fit 500, Avondale, Ariz.
  - April 26 - Aaron's 499, Talladega, Ala.
  - May 2 - Crown Royal Presents the Russell Friedman 400, Richmond, Va.
  - May 9 - Southern 500, Darlington, S.C.
  - May 16 - x-NASCAR All-Star Challenge, Concord, N.C.
  - May 24 - Coca-Cola 600, Concord, N.C.
  - May 31 - Dover 400, Dover, Del.
  - June 7 - Pocono 500, Long Pond, Pa.
  - June 14 - LifeLock 400, Brooklyn, Mich.
  - June 21 - Toyota/Savemart 350, Sonoma, Calif.
  - June 28 - LENOX Industrial Tools 301, Loudon, N.H.
  - July 4 - Coke Zero 400, Daytona Beach, Fla.
  - July 11 - LifeLock.com 400, Joliet, Ill.
  - July 26 - Allstate 400, Indianapolis.
  - Aug. 2 - Pennsylvania 500, Long Pond, Pa.
  - Aug. 9 - Centurion Boats at the Glen, Watkins Glen, N.Y.
  - Aug. 16 - Michigan 400, Brooklyn, Mich.
  - Aug. 22 - Sharpie 500, Bristol, Tenn.
  - Sept. 6 - Pep Boys Auto 500, Hampton, Ga.
  - Sept. 12 - Chevy Rock & Roll 400, Richmond, Va.
  - Sept. 20 - SYLVANIA 300, Loudon, N.H.
  - Sept. 27 - Dover 400, Dover, Del.
  - Oct. 4 - Price Chopper 400, Kansas City, Kan.
  - Oct. 11 - Pepsi 500, Fontana, Calif.
  - Oct. 17 - Bank of America 500, Concord, N.C.
  - Oct. 25 - Tums Fast Relief 500, Martinsville, Va.
  - Nov. 1 - Amp Energy 500, Talladega, Ala.
  - Nov. 8 - Dickies 500, Fort Worth, Texas.
  - Nov. 15 - Checker O'Reilly Auto Parts 500, Avondale, Ariz.
  - Nov. 22 - Ford 400, Homestead, Fla.
- x-non-points race

## NASCAR Sprint Cup Series Driver Standings: 1. Jeff Gordon, 959; 2. Clint Bowyer, 870; 3. Kurt Busch, 827; 4. Jimmie Johnson, 817; 5. Denny Hamlin, 811; 6. Kyle Busch, 800; 7. Tony Stewart, 798; 8. Carl Edwards, 750; 9. Casey Kahne, 745; 10. Kevin Harvick, 714; 11. David Reutimann, 710; 12. Matt Kenseth, 704; 13. Jeff Burton, 697; 14. Juan Pablo Montoya, 673; 15. AJ Allmendinger, 670; 16. Dale Earnhardt Jr., 660; 17. Michael Waltrip, 630; 18. Ryan Newman, 625; 19. Bobby Labonte, 620; 20. Brian Vickers, 617.

# Kentucky Speedway to offer infield camping during 2009 season

TIMES STAFF REPORT

SPARTA - Kentucky Speedway invites race fans to stake a claim to one of 450 new infield campsites that are no on sale

Fans can reserve a 30-by-50-foot Trackside or Interior Campsite in the new Blue, White and Red campgrounds spanning from Turn 1 to Turn 4 for the 2009 season or a single race weekend. Infield campgrounds will open for the June 12-13 NASCAR Nationwide Series "Meijer 300 Presented by Ritz" weekend that will feature a race-day concert with energetic country music artist Pat Green.

Three-weekend, five-race Season Trackside Camping Memberships can be reserved for \$500 and Season Interior Camping Memberships can be secured for \$400 in each new campground. Single-weekend rates will be \$300 for Trackside Campsites and

\$200 for Interior Campsites. Each campsite guest will be required to possess a personal campsite pass and guests wishing to access the speedway grandstand during events will require a race ticket. Guests may purchase as many as 10 individual campsite passes per site for \$50 each. Campsites will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis and free shuttles will be available to transport campers throughout the facility.

"Infield camping is one of racing's great traditions and something our fans have inquired about for years," Kentucky Speedway General Manager Mark Simendinger said. "We know campers will jump at the chance to experience our events in a whole new way beginning with the NASCAR Nationwide Series 'Meijer 300 Presented by Ritz' weekend."

Fans can reserve an infield campsite by phoning 888-652-RACE (7223). Campsites

also can be reserved by visiting the Kentucky Speedway ticket offices at 400 Buttermilk Pike, Suite 100, in Ft. Mitchell, Ky., or the Sparta, Ky., Fan Center located off of Interstate 71, Exit 57 and Ky. Hwy. 35 N. An infield camping map and campsite rules are available through the "Stake A Claim" box.

The facility opens its four-weekend, six-race May 9 with the ARCA RE/MAX Series "Drive Smart. Buckle-Up! Kentucky 150" featuring ABC Television's "Dancing with the Stars" competitor and country music artist Chuck Wicks in concert.

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- April 25-26: EKBA/YBOA Regional Tournament
- May 1-3: BCI Boys and Girls Appalachian Mountain Challenge
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# Betz named senior associate dean at PC School of Osteopathic Medicine

PIKEVILLE — William T. Betz, D.O., F.A.C.O.F.P., has been appointed senior associate dean for osteopathic education at the Pikeville College School of Osteopathic Medicine (PCSOM). He will also serve as professor of family medicine and chairman of the Department of Family Medicine.

"I am delighted that Dr. Betz will be rejoining the Pikeville College School of Osteopathic Medicine. It is a rare opportunity to be able to add a physician

with the extensive knowledge, experience and credentials possessed by Dr. Betz to our institution. Bill and Cheryl will be wonderful additions to the Pikeville community and we welcome them back with great enthusiasm," said Boyd Buser, vice president and dean of PCSOM.

Betz, an integral part of the development of PCSOM, most recently served as dean and vice president of the Pacific Northwest University of Health

Sciences College of Osteopathic Medicine in Yakima, Wash.

"I am excited to be working with Dr. Buser," said Betz. "Cheryl and I are looking forward to coming back home to Kentucky."

A native of Kansas City, Mo., Betz received his Doctorate in Osteopathic Medicine at Kansas City University of Medicine and Bioscience College of Osteopathic Medicine (KCUMB-COM) in 1981 and completed his postdoctoral edu-

cation at Lakeside Hospital in Kansas City, Mo. Board certified by the American Osteopathic Board of Family Physicians, Betz is an osteopathic physician specializing in family medicine. Prior to coming to Pikeville, he was in family medicine in Kansas City for 16 years.

Honored for his service and leadership, Betz was named the Chad and Judy Perry Distinguished Professor in Family Medicine at PCSOM

(2002-06). He received a Fellow Designation for outstanding service through teaching, authorship, research, or professional leadership from the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians (1999), the President's Award from the Missouri Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons (1996) and was named "Physician of the Year" by the Missouri Society-American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians (1993).



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