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## Cops out in force for holiday

by SHELDON COMPTON  
STAFF WRITER

Police across the state will be watching extra close during the four-day period making up the Fourth of July holiday weekend, saying the time period has become well-known as one of the most dangerous for motor vehicle accidents.

Kentucky State Police will be exercising a zero-tolerance stand during the Fourth of July weekend, saying that statistics show there is a reason to heighten their awareness during this time.

According to KSP data, last year

there were 901 crashes across the state during the four-day period, leaving nine people dead and 650 people injured.

"Many of these deaths and injuries could have been prevented if motorists practiced basic defensive driving skills such as obeying speed limits, using seatbelts and not driving while impaired by drugs or alcohol," said Sgt. David Jude, commander for the KSP Highway Safety Branch.

Troopers plan to work overtime to enforce zero-tolerance policies, in hopes of preventing what Jude says are



A two-vehicle accident in Prestonsburg blocked the exit ramp to US 23 near Citizens National Bank on Thursday.

photo by Jarrod Deaton

**WOMAN**

Williamsport woman is now facing charges of drug trafficking in Floyd County after police arrested her in Prestonsburg this past week.

**WOMAN**

Teri L. Lackey, 22, was taken into custody after police found her along Shopper's Path in the city with what was reported in the citation as nearly 100 pills.

According to the arrest citation, Lackey was allegedly found to possession of some 91 pills at the time of her arrest.

Of those, arresting officers said 36 were methadone tablets, 22 were oxycodone and Xanax. When she was taken into custody, police also said Lackey allegedly handed her mother "a large roll of money." The exact amount was not mentioned in reports, but police said at least a couple of bills were denominations of \$50.

Lackey was charged with two counts of first-degree trafficking in a controlled substance and another charge of third-degree trafficking in a controlled substance. She pleaded not guilty to all charges at her arraignment Thursday.

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**Today**  
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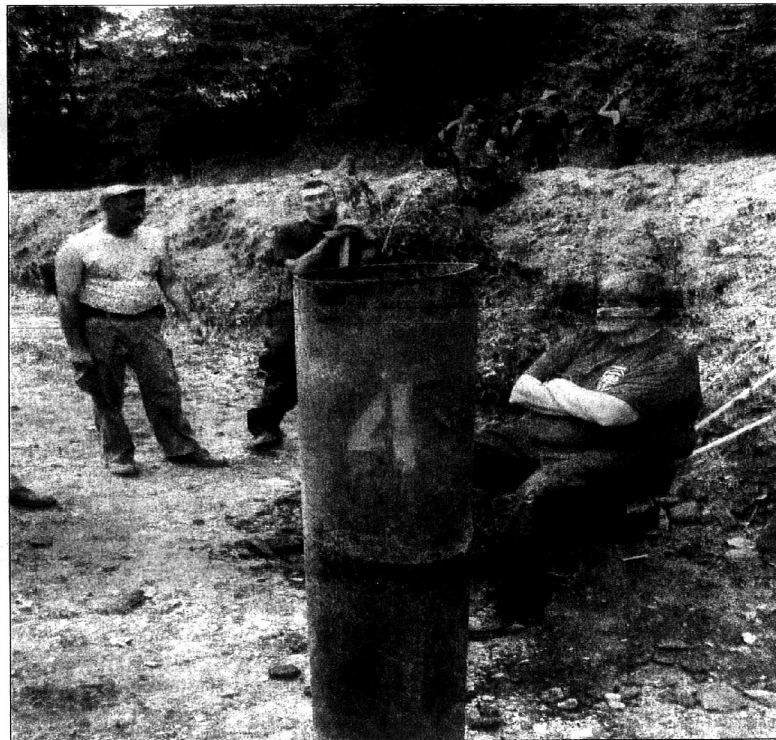


photo by Jarrod Deaton

Rescue squad members and members of the Prestonsburg Fire Department set up mortars on Thursday to be used during the city's Fourth of July fireworks celebration on Saturday. One of the shots is known as the "Rusty Shot" in honor of Rusty Chaffins, a Prestonsburg firefighter who died last year.

## Tickets now being issued for booster seat violations

by SHELDON COMPTON  
STAFF WRITER

A grace period to allow drivers to get familiar with a new bill that requires younger children to ride in a booster seat is now over, and motorists will now face fines if found without their children in such seats.

The booster seat legislation was signed into law last year, requiring

children younger than 7 years old and between 40 and 50 inches tall to use a booster seat until they are old enough to fit safely in a standard seatbelt designed for adults.

Since the law passed last year, police have been giving warnings to parents who didn't comply. Beginning yesterday, through an effort being called "Boost 'em or

(See SEATS, page three)



photo by Sheldon Compton

## Precautions urged with fireworks

by JARRID DEATON  
FEATURES WRITER

The Fourth of July holiday is synonymous with fireworks, and Prestonsburg Fire Chief Bobby Carpenter hopes that revelers will be as safe as possible while having fun.

"You need to make certain that the fireworks are on the ground," Carpenter said. "Also, children should be well supervised. Never light and throw fireworks. That's how most fireworks-related injuries occur."

The National Council on Fireworks Safety also has some safety tips to help prevent accidents and injuries this holiday weekend.

"There are many times when consumers don't prepare for the evening's fireworks display," said Ralph Apel, president of the National Council on Fireworks Safety. "The educated shooter should prepare a shooting

(See FIREWORKS, page two)

## JW golf course reopens today

by SHELDON COMPTON  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Today is the official opening of the Jenny Wiley Executive Golf Course at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park.

The course will open to the public at 10:30 a.m. following brief announcements and ceremonies.

The former nine-hole course was until recently a disc golf course, but will now return to its original use.

Local businessman Paul Hughes spearhead-

(See GOLF, page three)

Deborah Necessary, 17, of Prestonsburg, Dylan Rudder, 16, of David, and Karon Kesner, 18, of Auster, worked Thursday painting curbs in downtown Prestonsburg. The teens are part of a group of eight who are working with the "Let's Go To Work" program that started four weeks ago. The eight have two weeks left before their time in the program is finished.

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# Regional Obituaries

## FLOYD COUNTY

■ Douglas J. Hall, 49, of Ashland, a Floyd County native, died Friday, June 27, at his residence. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, June 30, under direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Harold C. Burnett, 83, of Ivel, died Sunday, June 28, at his residence. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, June 30, under direction of Hall Funeral Home.

■ Virginia Lea Turner Hall, 84, of Wecksbury, died Sunday, June 28, in the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital. She is survived by her husband, Haskell Hall. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, July 1, under direction of Hall Funeral Home.

■ Russell Samons, 63, of Martin, died Friday, June 26, in Community Hospice Care Center. He is survived by Doris Reed, his companion of 35 years. Funeral services were conducted Monday, June 29, under direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Michael Ryan Hall, 26, of Wheelwright, died Friday, June 26, at his residence. Funeral services were conducted Monday, June 29, under direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Edgal D. Newsome, 69,

of Blue River, passed away Monday, June 29, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, July 2, under direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Beatrice "Bea" Castle Combs, 86, of Wayland, passed away Wednesday, July 1, in Highlands Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Friday, July 3, under direction of Hall Funeral Home, Martin.

■ Charlie Miller, 48, of Prestonsburg, died Monday, June 29, at Pikeville Medical Center. A memorial service will be held in Allentown, Pennsylvania, at a later date. Arrangements, under direction of Thacker Funeral Home, Pikeville.

## PIKE COUNTY

■ Lewis Thomas Smith, 72, of Cynthiana, a native of Ransom, died Thursday, June 25, at Harrison Memorial Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Dee Garr Smith. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, June 28, under direction of Drake-Whaley-McCartey Funeral Home.

■ Rudolph Belcher, 91, of Elkhorn City, died Tuesday, June 30, at Pikeville. He is survived by his wife, Lois Belcher. Funeral services were

conducted Friday, July 3, under direction of Bailey Funeral Home, Elkhorn City.

■ Barbara Gaye Adams Price, 62, of Elkhorn City, died Tuesday, June 30, at Pikeville Medical Center. She is survived by her husband, Douglas MacArthur (Doug "Lead Foot") Price. Funeral services were conducted Friday, July 3, under direction of Bailey Funeral Home, Elkhorn City.

## KNOTT COUNTY

■ Vernon Hall, 87, of Litcarr, died Wednesday, June 17, at the Hazard ARMC. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, June 21, under direction of Hindman Funeral Services.

■ Christopher Robin Hundley, 36, of Frankfort, died Tuesday, June 16, at the Hazard ARMC. Funeral services were conducted Friday, June 19, under direction of Hindman Funeral Services.

■ Buford Cornett, 85, of Santa Maria, California, formerly of Knott County, died Monday, June 15, at home. Funeral services were conducted Friday, June 19, under direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Hindman.

## MAGOFFIN COUNTY

■ Haskell May, 77, of Blanchester, a native of

Salyersville, died Tuesday, June 16. He is survived by his wife, Sarah Lou May. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, June 20, under direction of Tufts Schildmeyer Family Funeral Home.

■ Ethel England Jordan, 83, of Salyersville, died Saturday, June 20, at her residence. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, June 23, under direction of Magoffin County Funeral Home.

■ Dave Patrick, 78, of Salyersville, died Monday, June 22, at the Paul B. Hall Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Debbie Roberson Patrick. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, June 25, under direction of the Magoffin County Funeral Home.

■ Daniel Kooztz, 56, of Argillite, a native of Royalton, died Monday, June 22, at the Community Hospice Center in Ashland. He is survived by his wife, Bonnie Kooztz. Funeral services were conducted Friday, June 26, under direction of Salyersville Funeral Home.

## JOHNSON COUNTY

■ Reuben Clay Howard, 78, of East Point, passed away Monday, June 29, in Elkhorn City. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, July 2, under direction of Phelps &

Son Funeral Home, Paintsville.

■ Dalmas Blair, 68, of Denver, passed away Saturday, June 20, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Thelma Ann Blair. Funeral services were held Saturday, June 20, under direction of Paintsville Funeral Home Chapel.

■ Barbara Ann Richardson McKenzie, 58, of Flat Gap, passed away Friday, June 26, at her residence. She is survived by her husband, James L. McKenzie. Funeral services were conducted Monday, June 29, under direction of Northcutt & Son Home for Funerals Memorial Chapel, Morehead.

■ Massie Butcher Ward, 79, of Staffordsville, passed away Sunday, June 28, at her residence. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, July 1, under direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home, Paintsville.

■ Herbert Myron "Herbie" Hannah, 31, of Paintsville, passed away Friday, June 19, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Ruth Castle Hannah. Funeral services were conducted Monday, June 22, under direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home, Paintsville.

■ Sheila Faye Flanary Kennard, 61, of Flat Gap, passed away Friday, June 26, at

St. Joseph Hospital Hospice Care Center. Funeral services were conducted Monday, June 29, under direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home, Paintsville.

■ Johnny Maynard, 74, of Mealy, passed away Monday, June 29, at Mountain Manor Nursing Home, Paintsville. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, July 1, under direction of Paintsville Funeral Home.

## MARTIN COUNTY

■ Barbara Sue James, 66, of West Liberty, native of Warfield, passed away Thursday, June 11, at St. Joseph Hospital, in Lexington. Funeral services were held Saturday, June 13, at Potter Funeral Home Chapel, West Liberty.

■ William Lloyd "Bill" Hinkle, 83, of Inez, passed away Saturday, June 20, at Cabell Huntington Hospital, in Huntington, West Virginia. Funeral services were held Tuesday, June 23, under direction of Richmond-Callahan Funeral Home, Inez.

■ Thelma Jean Hensley, 59, of Lovely, passed away Wednesday, June 17, at her residence. Funeral services were conducted Friday, June 19, at Richmond-Callahan Funeral Home, Inez.



Clayton Bowman, Matthew Smith, Tiffany Salyers, Kara Caudill and Amanda Kiser were among the more than 20 PCSOM students volunteering during the two-day clinic.

# School of Osteopathic Medicine participates in RAM Expedition

PIKEVILLE — Pikeville College School Osteopathic Medicine (PCSOM) students, faculty and staff were among the 470 volunteers during one of the region's largest health care events. The 2009 Pike County Remote Area Medical® (RAM) Expedition provided

free medical, dental and vision services at a value of more than \$185,000 to 830 patients in the community. PCSOM third- and fourth-year medical students worked along with other medical volunteers to provide osteopathic manipulative treatment (OMT) and

cardiovascular, asthma, blood pressure and diabetes screenings. Student-doctors also triaged patients waiting to receive dental services. RAM is a non-profit relief corps dedicated to serving others by providing health care services and assistance to people in need

in remote areas of the United States and around the world. Randy Litman, D.D., associate dean for clinical sciences at PCSOM, and others in the health care community coordinated the medical component for the area's second RAM Expedition.

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## Police

certainly not victimless crimes. "Unfortunately, too many people don't understand that alcohol, drugs and driving just don't mix," he says. "Impaired driving is no accident, nor is it a victimless crime."

Jude also notes that although driving with a blood-alcohol level of .08 is illegal, you can also be arrested for lower levels if you are under 21 years old or operating a commercial vehicle. "If you are going to

drive, it's best not to consume alcohol at all," he says.

The American Automobile Association (AAA) projects in studies that approximately 37.1 million Americans will travel 50 miles or more away from home during the holiday period.

And even if they stay close by in areas where speed limits are lower, their chances are not greatly increased without defensive driving, according to KSP sta-

tistics.

"Crashes can happen anywhere," says Jude. "Three out of four happen within 25 miles of home at speeds of 45 miles per hour or less. About 40 percent of all fatal crashes occur on roads where the speed limit is 30 miles per hour or less."

Citizens can contribute to highway safety during the weekend holiday by reporting erratic drivers to the KSP toll-free hotline at 1-800-222-5555.

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## Fireworks

area, assess how many people will be watching the display and lay out a spectator area that is far enough away from the shooting site. The shooter should carefully read the label of each firework and understand exactly what it will do. Planning makes for a safe and fun backyard fireworks dis-

play.

Another safety concern involves illegal fireworks which may be appealing based on size and the promise of a spectacular explosion, but they are also very dangerous.

According to the council, illegal explosives are often wrapped with plain brown

paper. They are very unlikely to have any safety warnings or place of manufacture. Many of them are hand made in illicit factories and other unsafe environments. They may go by names such as M80, Quarter Stick, Cherry Bomb.

Consumer fireworks, if used in accordance with their

instructions, are very safe. Injuries from consumer fireworks have shown a dramatic decrease over the past 20 years, despite an increase in usage by consumers.

For more information on fireworks safety, visit <http://www.fireworksafety.com>.

# Obituaries

## Beatrice "Bea" Castle Combs

Beatrice "Bea" Castle Combs, age 86, of Wayland, widow of Virgil Combs, passed away Wednesday, July 1, 2009, in Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg.

She was born July 17, 1922, in Johnson County, the daughter of the late Ernest Castle and Clara Blair Castle. She was a member of the Wayland United Methodist Church and a homemaker.

Survivors include a daughter, Brenda C. (Boaz) Horne, of Wayland; one brother, Douglas (Juanita) Castle of Dayton, Ohio; three grandchildren, Roger J. (Jeanna) Horne, Angel (Tim) Stephens and Greg (Robin) Horne; five great-grandchildren, BreAnn, Austin, Dawson, Tanner and Brock.

Funeral services for Beatrice "Bea" Castle Combs will be conducted Friday, July 3, at 1:00 p.m., in the Hall Funeral Home, Martin, with Kendall Brian Combs and Jack Howard officiating.

Burial will follow in the Martin Cemetery, Wayland, under the professional services of Hall Funeral Home.

Visitation is after 5:00 p.m., Thursday, at the funeral home. (paid obituary)

## Edgal D. Newsome

Edgal D. Newsome, age 69 of Blue River, passed away Monday, June 29, 2009, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

Born April 6, 1940, in Pike County, a son of the late Ellis and Bertha Mitchell Newsome, he was a retired supervisor for General Motors Company, and was a member of Highland Avenue Freewill Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Peggy Hicks Newsome; one son: Gregory Newsome, of Rochester, New York; one daughter: Angela Claery, of Rochester, New York; two brothers: Joel Newsome, of Harold, and Paul Newsome, of Blue River; four sisters: Clara Cantrell, of Elkhorn City; Aileen Campbell, of Pikeville; Gwen Bentley and Peggy Newsome, both of Virgie; and three grandchildren: Melissa, Bridgett and George.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one sister, Mary Jean Newsome; and one half brother, Comas Bryant.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday, July 2, at 2 p.m., at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home in Martin, with Delmer Akers, of the Church of God in Jesus Name, officiating.

Burial was in the Newsome Family Cemetery, (Little Robinson) Pike County.

Visitation was at the funeral home. (paid obituary)

### Card of Thanks

The family of Ruby Douglas Samons Mullins wishes to express their appreciation, and to thank everyone for the kindness that was shown to us during this time of sorrow. We would like to thank the ministers, John Hopkins and Richard Kelley, for their comforting words; the sheriff's department for their assistance in traffic control; and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional services.

**THE MULLINS FAMILY**

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# For the Record

### Marriage Licenses

Kisha Rosemarie Hinton, 22, of Prestonsburg, to Timothy Edward Carr, 28, of Prestonsburg.  
 Tiffany Nichole Turner, 24, of Garrett, to Byron Stephen Hall, 27, of Hunter.  
 Tiffany Leigh Caudill, 19, of Prestonsburg, to Bradley Wayne Bond, 21, of Kings Bay, Georgia.  
 Katherine Leann Hale, 21, of Blue River, to Jonathan Mark Tackett, 24, of Allen.  
 Jessica B. Adkins, 18, of Van Lear, to Christopher T. Caudill, 20, of Hueysville.

### Civil Suits Filed

JP Morgan Chase Bank vs. Robert M. Williams; complaint.  
 Jennifer Stone vs. Courtney Grace; petition for child support and health-care insurance.  
 Bradford Hunt vs. Brandy B. Hunt; petition for custody.  
 Kaitlyn Ingles vs. Steven Ingles; divorce.  
 Taira Litsye vs. Joshua Ford; divorce.  
 Midland Funding LLC vs. Stephen Gearheart; complaint.  
 Renee Rogers vs. Chad Rogers; petition for healthcare insurance.  
 Credly Receivables Inc. vs. Carolyn Taylor; complaint.  
 Tidewater Motor Credit vs. Kelly Wallen; complaint.  
 Edward L. Bennett vs. Charles Edward Martin Jr.; complaint.  
 Rodney B. Hall Jr. vs. Melissa Hall; divorce.  
 Magic Media Inc. vs. Bluegrass State Home Showase Inc.; complaint.

Christina Bakaitis vs. Timothy New; complaint.

### Small Claims Filings

Richard Maynard vs. East Kentucky Auto World; debt collection.  
 Ralph Hamilton vs. Belinda Jarrell; debt collection.  
 Bobby Lowe vs. Elisha Calhoun; debt collection.  
 Robin Little vs. Brad Hamilton; debt collection.  
 Carrie Kidd vs. Jonathan Elliott; debt collection.

### Charges Filed

Wallace L. Rackey, 32, Prestonsburg; alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct, third-degree assault on police or probation officer, criminal mischief, resisting arrest, menacing, terrorist threatening.  
 Michael Landon Burchett, age unlisted, Prestonsburg; fleeing or evading police, first-degree wanton endangerment, failure of owner to maintain required insurance, driving while license suspended for driving under the influence, fourth-degree assault.  
 Ellis McCay Sexton, 32, Langley; five counts possession of a controlled substance, prescription in an improper container, public intoxication.  
 Terri L. Lackey, 23, Williamsport, two counts first-degree trafficking in a controlled substance, third-degree trafficking in a controlled substance.  
 Georgiann B. Browning, 58, Hi Hat; harassment.  
 Marlana J. Sturgill, 27, Martin; public intoxication.  
 Jason Hunter, 28, Wheelwright; public intoxication, failure to wear

seatbelt.  
 Jessica McKinney, 23, Hi Hat; improper lane usage, operating a motor vehicle was under the influence of alcohol or drugs, failure to or improper signal, obstructed vision and or windshield, failure to wear seatbelts, operating a motor vehicle on suspended or revoked license, inadequate silencer/muffler, failure to register transfer of motor vehicle, no or expired registration plates, no or expired registration receipt, failure to maintain required insurance, failure to produce insurance card, excessive windshield or window tinting, failure of installer or seller to apply tinting label, vehicle a nuisance, mossy, etc., improper equipment.  
 Christa Lynn Ward, 33, David; public intoxication.  
 Kris Rudder, 32, Martin; alcohol intoxication.  
 Jeremy Wayne Moore, 28, Hi Hat; alcohol intoxication.

### Other Inspections

Creek Commissary, Wheelwright, regular inspection. Violations noted: food not protected during transportation, non-food contact surfaces not properly constructed, non-food contact surfaces not properly maintained. Score: 97.  
 Osborne Elementary, Bevsinsville, regular inspection. Violations noted: hot water faucet found in need of repair, areas of flooring in restrooms found in need of repair, not easily cleanable, floors, walls, and ceilings found not easily cleanable due to disrepair, floors not easily cleanable, found spray cleaner on teacher's desk, all harmful

chemicals need to be locked up and away from student access. Score: 84.  
 Duff Elementary, Eastern, regular inspection. Violations noted: areas of floor tile in restrooms in need of repair, found not easily cleanable, floor and walls found with some areas of disrepair, damaged floors in hallway found not easily cleanable. Score: 93.  
 Allen Central High School, Eastern, regular inspection. Violations noted: some areas of restrooms found with broken or damaged flooring, walls and flooring in hallways found in need of repair, student desks found with heavy damage, not easily cleanable. Score: 94.

### Property Transfers

Duane Branham to Marshall A. Mullins, property not listed.  
 Leatrice Branham to Marshall A. Mullins, property not listed.  
 Jill Dotson Bryant to Southern Water and Sewer District, property not listed.  
 Randy L. Bryant to Southern Water and Sewer District, property not listed.  
 Edford L. Clark, Jr. to Ronnie M. Stone, property located at Crestwood Subdivision.  
 Robin K. Clark to Ronnie M. Stone, property located at Crestwood Subdivision.  
 Levi Hall to Billy Hall, property not listed.  
 Angela R. Howard to Brandon Kyle Salisbury and Jennifer Salisbury, property not listed.  
 James Ricky Howard to Brandon Kyle Salisbury and Jennifer Salisbury, property not listed.  
 United States of America to Floyd County Fiscal Court, property located at Martin.

## Golf

ed the effort to bring the course back to Jenny Wiley, saying rates would pay for the work needed to bring the course into compliance as an executive course.  
 This type of course would offer players, at least for the time being, both a par-34 venue and an executive course play.  
 Wes Jenkins, golf pro at Stonecrest Golf Course and also an advisor for the new Jenny Wiley course, said the general idea was to allow the public to get a feel for what they might want.

The executive course would have seven par-three holes and two par-two holes.  
 And that's important, according to Hughes, who told city council members in Prestonsburg that the money used to build new greens and add features to the course would be brought back to city coffers by rates that could bring in between \$4,000 and \$5,000 a month.  
 One new addition to the course will be classes for youth golf, Hughes has said. "This is part of an effort to get young people interested in

golf, affording them a course that is not quite as challenging as Stonecrest and then seeing them become regular golfers at both courses over time. The program would be affiliated with the national "First Tee" program.  
 The course will be open seven days a week and offer "very low family rates." Fees for adults will be \$10 for nine holes or \$18 for 18 holes. Students would pay rates of \$6 and \$10, respectively. Group rates are also available, as well as pull carts, golf-line-powered golf carts and club rentals.

The estimated amount of revenue from fees per month was considered on a typical day of 17 rounds played a day, according to Hughes.  
 Jenkins said some of the new greens had yet to be finished and would most likely not be playable today as the course opens, adding that it could be another month before the course is completely finished as originally envisioned.

## Seats

"busted," officers can issue tickets for noncompliance.  
 "Seatbelts and even the seat of a car are made for adults, no children, says Sharon Rengers, a registered nurse with the Children's Hospital Foundation Office of Child Advocacy of Kosair Children's Hospital.  
 "Because the seatbelt doesn't fit correctly many times you see children who put the shoulder portion of the seatbelt behind their back or under their arm for comfort," Rengers said. "This removes all upper body protection for the child.  
 Beyond the age and size limitations, other tips have been offered for parents to know if their child may need to be in a booster seat.  
 Among these are to watch to see if the child's knees are bent at the edge of the seat, that the lap belt is across the child's hipbones or if the child

is slouching or scooting forward on the seat to make his or her knees bend over the edge.  
 "When children are too small for a seatbelt alone, you also see them slouch down, causing the lap belt to be across their stomach rather than their hip bones," added Rengers. "In the event of a crash, both situations could cause internal injuries or, worse yet, the child could be ejected from the car."  
 The new law KRS 189.125 also requires children under 40 inches tall to ride in an infant or child seat and all children over the age of 7 and over 50 inches tall must be secured in a seatbelt.  
 Following a ticket, parents can be fined \$30 for booster seat violations. However, if the violator provides proof of purchase of a booster seat after the violations, the court will waive the fine.



Highway Supt. Jerry Todd said the new cross drain on Route 40, between mile points 13 and 14 in Martin County, is made of plastic, a first for District 12. "The Transportation Cabinet just approved the use of these double wall plastic pipes for installation on state right of way," said. District 12 has a "plastic" walk bridge between River and Otter in Johnson County. Now the state highway department is using plastic drainpipes. "Plastic pipe has been around for a while," said Engineer Matt Moore, Section Supervisor for Martin County. "But it wasn't approved for use on state right of way until recently. The material won't rust, obviously, and it's much easier to install." Moore also said that plastic pipe is just as strong as its conventional metal counterparts. "It has to meet certain specifications as far as how much weight it will hold. What we used will hold just as much weight from vehicles as the metal drain pipes."

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# Viewpoint

Worth Repeating ...

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— Tom Stoppard

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## Guest View Here's why health care is so expensive

By any standard, American health care is the world's most expensive.

- We spend twice as much per person as the average of other large developed nations — \$6,714 in 2006, compared to \$3,414. In 2008, per-person spending is estimated to have reached about \$8,300, enough to buy a nice used Ford Taurus for every man, woman and child.
- Health spending consumes 40 percent more of our gross domestic product than the average of other industrialized countries. We devoted 16.2 percent of GDP — the total annual output of goods and services — to health care in 2007. The average in other nations is 9.26 percent.
- U.S. health spending has grown significantly faster than it has in other industrialized countries. And not just recently, either — the trend goes back to at least 1970. It's grown at twice the rate of inflation in recent years, down from nearly three times the inflation rate in the late 1990s and early 2000s.

This spending binge has important consequences. It is the reason why many Americans are uninsured, and it is why such a large portion of bankruptcy cases involve medical expenses.

It also is not because Americans are even older than ours, pinching many American families. When health costs are stable, wages rise more quickly. When health care costs rise, wages stagnate. High medical costs make American companies less competitive internationally. Businesses in Canada or Japan pay higher taxes, but they don't face insurance premiums that have doubled in the past 10 years.

Money spent on health care isn't available for other social needs, such as education or rebuilding the nation's crumbling infrastructure. So it is worth asking a deceptively simple question: Why is U.S. health care so expensive?

The answers may surprise you. It is not because of the aging population. Older people use more health care, but health spending is rising in all age groups. Besides, the population in some European countries is even older than ours. It also is not because Americans are insulated by insurance from the true cost of care — a favorite explanation of some people on the right. We pay substantially more out-of-pocket costs than residents of other developed countries, yet their national spending is lower. Americans don't seek care more often than people in France or England.

So what accounts for the difference? The first reason is that we're rich. Richer countries can afford to spend more on health care, and they do. But that is only part of the answer. Princeton University's Uwe Reinhardt, one of the nation's leading health care economists, calculated that U.S. health spending would be if the size of the economy were the only factor. Then he compared it to what we actually spent in 2008. The difference? A whopping \$650 billion.

That's almost six times what it would cost to reform health care and insure every American. Some of the extra costs are caused by the legal system, which can encourage doctors to practice defensive medicine. But other factors play a bigger role.

Higher prices are one. The same goods and services — drugs, for example — cost much more here than they do in other countries. Why? Because they can. Neither the government nor the free market controls them.

Another big reason is paperwork. We spent about \$156 billion on insurance company overhead in 2007. A study in The New England Journal of Medicine estimates that Americans spent \$1,059 per person on administrative costs, almost 3 1/2 times more than Canadians.

Americans are more likely to receive intensive treatment — often involving expensive, high-tech equipment and procedures — than people in other countries. Simply drive to Germany. You won't find that in Europe. But in Austria and Germany, average life expectancy is two years longer than it is in the United States. It's three years longer in France, and four years longer in Switzerland.

That raises another deceptively simple question: What are we getting for all that money we spend on health care?

— St. Louis Post-Dispatch

### FUEL FOR THOUGHT

A RECENT STUDY BY THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN TRANSPORTATION INSTITUTE REVEALS THAT OVERALL FUEL ECONOMY FOR AMERICAN VEHICLES INCREASED FROM 14 M.P.G. IN 1923 TO 17.2 M.P.G. IN 2006. AT FIRST BLUSH, THE STUDY SEEMS LIKE JUNK SCIENCE — HOW CAN YOU COMPARE THE WOOD AND CLOTH CARS OF THE 1920s TO THE STEEL AND PLASTIC VEHICLES OF TODAY WITH ALL THEIR GOVERNMENT-MANDATED SAFETY FEATURES? YET IF YOU PONDER THE FINDINGS, THEY SAY A LOT ABOUT THIS COUNTRY'S MISPLACED PRIORITIES. TECHNOLOGY HAS PROGRESSED SIGNIFICANTLY SINCE 1923, AND VEHICLES HAVE BEEN THEIR SHARE OF TECHNOLOGICAL ADVANCES. YET CONSUMERS AND THE AUTO-MAKERS HAVE COME TO EQUATE AUTO MOTIVE ADVANCE WITH HEATED CUP HOLDERS AND XM RADIO AVAILABILITY, NOT INCREASED FUEL ECONOMY. SURE, VEHICLES ARE MUCH LARGER AND MORE POWERFUL TODAY, BUT A 3-MILE PER GALLON IMPROVEMENT IN 83 YEARS IS PATHETIC NO MATTER HOW YOU SLICE IT. BESIDES, WE'VE GONE THROUGH COUNTLESS GAS PRICE SPIKES, AND GLOBAL WARMING ISN'T SOME BIG SECRET. SO THE ANEMIC ADVANCE IN FUEL EFFICIENCY IS ALL THE MORE DISGUSTING. WE CAN DO MUCH BETTER.

## Guest columns

### A legislative perspective

by HOUSE SPEAKER GREG STUMBO

During most special legislative sessions, the governor often narrows the agenda to a single, pressing issue. Sometimes, however, other items will be added if the governor and House and Senate leaders feel progress can be made.

That's what happened during the special session that ended last week. The General Assembly's first priority may have been overcoming a billion-dollar budget deficit, but there were more than a half-dozen other major accomplishments that, collectively, should help jump-start our economy.

To begin with, legislators largely followed Governor Beshear's plan for balancing the budget during the upcoming fiscal year, which began this month. We agreed to use more

than \$700 million in federal stimulus dollars, and we shielded classroom funding, postsecondary schools, Medicaid and PVAs from cuts. We also boosted the budgets of our prosecutors and our public defenders, as well as our parks.

While this will help us get through another difficult year, the other new laws from this session hold a lot of potential when it comes to speeding up our recovery.

One of the most noteworthy is the state income tax exemption we authorized for active-duty military pay. This recognizes the sacrifices our men and women in uniform have made for all of us, but it also will undoubtedly be a strong enticement for military families who are based here but may be looking at other states in which to live.

Other tax-incentive legislation will affect everyone from small business owners and filmmakers to those looking to buy a new house or car. For small businesses, especially those already located here, we streamlined

our incentive programs to encourage them to hire more workers and buy more equipment.

For new home and car buyers, we created programs designed to spur sales in both of these industries. The first will help current homeowners who buy a newly constructed home over the next year, which complements programs that already benefit first-time buyers, and it should help clear the backlog of new but empty homes. Historic home owners, meanwhile, will benefit from an expansion of a tax program that encourages them to protect their irreplaceable property.

For car buyers, Kentucky will for the next year credit the value of a trade-in when determining how much sales tax to apply. Before this change, car buyers would pay a 6 percent sales tax on the full price of a new car, no matter how much they may have actually paid after subtracting the value of their trade-in. This change puts us in line with more than 40 other states.

(See PERSPECTIVE, page eight)

### Senate week in review

by SEN. JOHNNY RAY TURNER

The House and Senate came to an agreement Wednesday, June 24, the final day of the Special Session, to reduce and balance the State budget and lay the groundwork for future economic development across the Commonwealth.

Much of what emerged from the final compromise reflected what we in the Senate passed last week, including the bulk of our budget savings. Under House Bill 4, education and Medicaid will be protected, while both prosecutors and public defenders will see small increases to offset the steep cuts that have affected their ability to serve our justice system properly. Our State parks, the envy of most other states, will also see a small increase.

The end result is a 2.6 percent cut for most State agencies, with the leg-

islative and judicial branch also putting money back into the State treasury to do their part. The General Assembly was able, however, to block the proposed unpaid holidays for State workers. We were also able to protect county PVAs from cuts, because those offices are the linchpin of local government revenues.

Our second piece of legislation, House Bill 3, included broad vision and targeted incentives for a wealth of economic opportunities. It offers incentives for homeowners and car buyers to immediately stimulate our economy, enticements to bring the film industry to the Commonwealth, small-business reinvestment and historic preservation credits, and ways for innovative and creative developers to get projects going through tax-increment financing.

HB 3 focused on helping Kentucky families weather this economic storm and stimulating our State's ailing financial situation. Tax breaks and financial incentives were designed to aid people struggling in this difficult

financial time and give our economy a boost by promoting sales and putting people to work.

HB 3 offers a \$5,000 tax credit for non first-time home buyers on the purchase of a home that has never been occupied. This program is directed at stimulating the real estate market by finding buyers for new homes sitting unoccupied. This will allow home builders to start new projects, which will mean jobs for Kentuckians and will create a turnover of money in our communities.

From September 1, 2009 to August 31, 2010, new car buyers with a trade in will not have to pay the six percent sales tax on the trade-in amount, but rather only on the difference between the price of the new vehicle and the trade-in amount. Kentucky law currently has this same provision for used vehicles. This sales allowance is an incentive for Kentuckians to buy new cars and will help the consumer as well as the businesses and the manu-

(See SENATE, page eight)

## Letters

### Tips for a safe and happy holiday at lake

Each year 1 million new boaters take to the waters across the United States. The number of boaters grows, but the amount of available water remains the same.

This year alone Dewey Lake will host approximately 1 million visitors.

It's nearly the Fourth of July and the holiday weekend is upon us, so please remember while visiting and boating on Dewey Lake to obey all regulations and pay close attention to navigational aids, buoys and signs

located on and around the water.

We welcome and hope that every visitor has a happy and safe holiday weekend, and with your help we can obtain this goal. Remember alcohol is prohibited on Dewey Lake properties and cliff diving and/or jumping is also prohibited on all Huntington District lakes.

The Floyd County Sheriff's Department and Kentucky Department Fish and Wildlife boating officers, in conjunction with COE Park Rangers, will be working in partnership to insure that all visitors are operating boats, Jet-Skis and vehicles in a safe and responsible manner.

Please insure your boat is equipped and ready for a safe weekend by checking that fire extinguishers, life

jackets, cell phones and other safety equipment are in good working order.

We would also like to remind you to please return any PFD's that you borrow from the Life Jacket Loaner Boards located around Dewey Lake, so others who need them may use them.

For more information on this matter please feel free to contact the Resource Manager or Ranger staff at Dewey Lake at (606) 886-6709 or stop by our office during normal business hours.

Once again the staff at Dewey Lake wishes you a happy and safe Holiday weekend.

Will Rutter  
Park Ranger  
Dewey Lake

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## Expo Center to host GFC 22

Severn tabbed as special guest

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

PIKEVILLE — The East Kentucky Expo Center will host Gladiator Fighting Championship 22 August 1. The main card will feature special guest Dan "The Beast" Severn. Downtown will provide music for the event. GFC 22 will also include a \$500 bikini contest.

Severn is a legendary mixed martial artist and professional

wrestler. He was a four-time All-American wrestler at Arizona State. Severn has fought and wrestled for many mixed martial arts and professional wrestling promotions, including UFC. The Michigan native is the only UFC Triple Crown Champion. Severn, a former WWE superstar, continues to train mixed martial artists and wrestlers.

For more information on the upcoming GFC card or to purchase tickets, call 606-855-7005. Several local fighters are on the GFC 22 card. A breakdown of the card follows:

Pro Fights: Josh Stepp vs. Rick

Borders; Adam Mays vs. Kerry Branlet; Eddie Trotter vs. Les Stapleton.

Am Fights: Juan Lee vs. Kevin Yeary; Liam Ferrell vs. Dustin Blakin; Aaron Marcum vs. Dan Brison; Brian McKenzie vs. Donnie Combs; Daniel Justice vs. JB Hamilton; Tanner McCowan vs. Chris Stamper; Robert Baker vs. Jason Keen; Bobby Seal vs. Adam Alan; Ricky Conley vs. Justin Hanssucker; Mike Wilson vs. David Walker; Darrin Adams vs. Heath Flanning; Matt Langdeau vs. John Stacy; Rodney Kilgore vs. Billy Poe; Joseph Turner vs. Jason Wolf; Nathan SESCO vs. Shan Hurley.

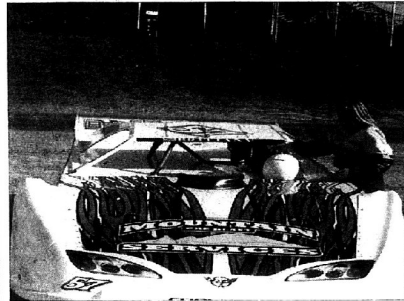


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## BRIT 57 RACING

Brittany McKinney and the Brit 57 Racing team plan to race in Montgomery County Saturday. McKinney claimed a Top 10 finish at Portsmouth Raceway Park in a feature (Ohio) race June 6. McKinney calls 201 Speedway — located at Sitka in Johnson County — her home track.

## Degrees few, far between among MLB players

by RICK BENTLEY  
TIMES COLUMNIST

I normally don't spend too much time looking at Sports Illustrated. I have nothing against it, I just don't invest a lot of time in it.



As a youngster both Cousin Brian and I were subscribers to its rival The Sporting News, which I preferred because it leaned heavily toward baseball and had a couple hundred words on each Major League team in every issue.

I've never subscribed to SI, and while I have purchased a copy now and then most of the time, it's not even the swimsuit edition — it's not a mag I see too frequently.

But one of our former coaches had a subscription and when she left she never bothered to change the address, so we've been getting it for a year now in her absence. This week Bill Watson brought it out from the mail room and tossed it in the car, telling me I could keep it.

I was pleasantly surprised to find two very good articles in it.

(See DEGREES, page SIX)



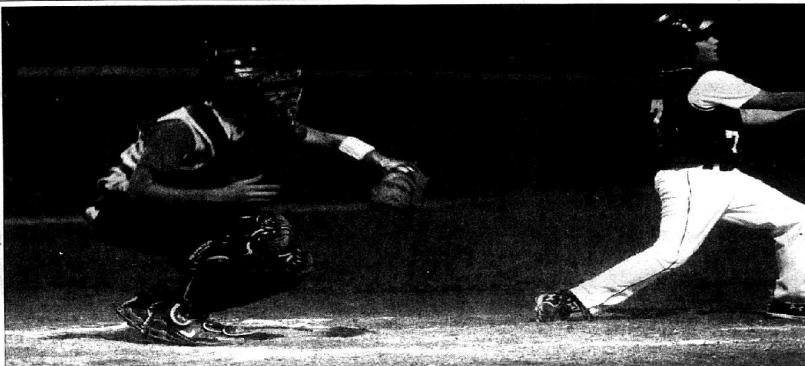
## STEPHANIE MCKINNEY Stephanie McKinney makes racing debut

TIMES STAFF REPORT

SITKA — Brother racing duos and father-son tandems have been common at 201 Speedway over the years. Sister racing duos haven't been so common. Another McKinney is now turning laps behind the wheel of a racecar. Stephanie McKinney made her racing debut on Saturday, June 20 at 201 Speedway. The sister of Late Model driver Brittany McKinney, Stephanie finished fourth in the June 20 201 Speedway Four-Cylinder feature race. The Four-Cylinder driver said she looked forward to getting to compete throughout the rest of the season and for years to come. Brittany, who raced at Portsmouth (Ohio) Raceway Park and 201 Speedway during the month of June, wishes her sister the best of luck with her racing career. One of the most improved Late Model drivers in Kentucky, Brittany started her racing career behind the wheel of a Four-Cylinder.

## INSIDE BRIT 57 RACING

The Inside Brit Racing Newsletter is available through the team and its sponsors.



THE BEAVER CREEK JUNIOR LEAGUE ALL-STARS ended pool play 4-0. Harold-Allen-Prater (2-1) and catcher Bryson Williams is pictured above.

## P'burg 11-12s move to 4-0

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG — The Prestonsburg 11-12-year-olds ended District 7 Little League Tournament pool play 4-0. Prestonsburg has posted wins over Virgie, Whitesburg, Beaver Creek and Belfry. District 7 Little League Tournament action resumed Thursday evening. A recap of each of Prestonsburg's four tournament wins follows.

**Prestonsburg 12, Virgie 1:** Prestonsburg plated two runs in the first inning and never trailed en route to the convincing tournament win over Virgie. Playing on its home field, Prestonsburg scored three runs in both the second and third innings.

Cleanup hitter Austin Jarrell scored Prestonsburg's first run on a home run.

Tyler Bays had a pair of singles for Prestonsburg.

Jarrin Hall and Garrett Hammonds each had a double in the winning effort.

Justin Bowling scored the only run of the district game for the Virgie team.

Prestonsburg plated two runs in the fifth inning to force the 10-Run Mercy Rule to go into effect.

**Prestonsburg 10, Whitesburg 0:** Pitcher Garrett Hammonds tossed a shutout as Prestonsburg blanked Whitesburg.

Offensively, Travis Powers went 2-for-3 with a double and a triple for Prestonsburg. Leadoff hitter Scott Stapleton connected for two singles while Jarrin Hall and Tyler Bays provided one double each.

Prestonsburg scored eight runs in an offensive-heavy second inning.

**Prestonsburg 5, Beaver Creek 0:** Prestonsburg scored two runs in the fifth inning and three in the sixth stanza to get past Floyd County rival Beaver Creek. John Cooksey scored two of Prestonsburg's five runs. Travis Powers belted a home run for the Prestonsburg club.

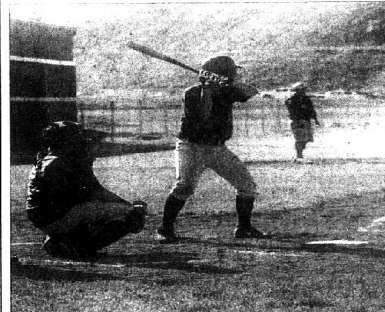
**Prestonsburg 6, Belfry 5:** Prestonsburg edged longtime rival Belfry Wednesday night to remain undefeated, outlasting the Pike County team in seven innings. Each team led in regulation as the sixth inning ended in a 4-4 deadlock.

Travis Powers pitched and claimed the win for Prestonsburg. Powers recorded the win after Belfry plated one run in the top half of the seventh inning.

John Cooksey was also extremely active at the plate for Prestonsburg. Cooksey clubbed two home runs for Prestonsburg. Scott Stapleton also had a home run for the winning squad. Jarrin Hall went 3-for-4 (2B, 1B) and scored three times for Prestonsburg in the victory.



HAP (Harold-Allen-Prater) and Beaver Creek Little League players are among the hundreds competing at StoneCrest in District 7 Little League Tournament games.



## ODDS ON FAVORITE...

Bacon Hill Bandit knows nothing but winning. The 8-year-old gelding has the most wins for a single horse at the current Thunder Ridge meet. Leading driver Terry Cullipher is pictured driving the gelding. Top trainer Brian Loney (Martin) trails Bacon Hill Bandit.



## Kinzer to race at 201 Speedway

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

ALLEN — Brandon Kinzer and the Kinzer Motorsports team are scheduled to return to action on Saturday at 201 Speedway as the Battle of the Bluegrass DirtCar Series visits for a \$5,000-to-win feature race. Kinzer is closing in on the chance to get a rare opportunity to race close to home.

Following a weekend off, Kinzer and the Kinzer Motorsports team invaded Lernerville Speedway in Sarver, Penn., June 26-27 for the annual Firecracker 100. The World of Outlaws Late Model Series sanctioned the two-day event, which boasted a \$30,000 top prize. The race drew many of the nation's top drivers. Kinzer timed in 31st fastest last Friday night in WOOLMS qualifying. The Kentucky driver ran fifth in his competitive heat race. The Floyd Contain needed to post a top-three finish in his B-Man on Saturday to gain access into the Firecracker 100 main event. Unfortunately for the Allen native, his fifth-place effort in the consolation race left him out of the coveted 100-lap feature. However, Kinzer was eligible for the \$3,000 to win "Uncle Sam 30" for non-qualifiers and finished sixth in the race's final rundown.

## Harris owns most Bluegrass wins at Johnson track

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

SITKA — Veteran Late Model driver Paul Harris has won a series record three Battle of the Bluegrass DirtCar Series feature races at 201 Speedway. Harris, one of the winningest Late Model drivers of all-time, crossed the finish line first in a Battle of the Bluegrass feature races at 201 Speedway during the 2004, 2005 and 2007 seasons. Historic 201 Speedway will host the Battle of the Bluegrass DirtCar Series Saturday for a \$5,000-to-win feature race.

Harris is expected to race for his fourth Battle of the Bluegrass feature race victory Saturday night.

Ticket prices for the Battle of the Bluegrass event at 201 Speedway are \$20 for general admission and \$35 for the pit area.

The O'Reilly Battle of the Bluegrass DirtCar Series Super Late Model division has made sixteen previous appearances at 201 Speedway. Previous winners of events at 201 Speedway in addition to Paul Harris include Eddie Carrier, Jr. (2002, 2003), Aaron Hatton (2003), Tyrel Todd (2004), Wayne McQuary (twice in 2005), Mike Jewell (2006), Chris Combs (2006), Rod Evans (2006), Justin Rathiff (2007), Victor Lee (2008), Tim Tungate (2008) and Josh McQuary (June 2009).

The A-Main purse for the 201 Speedway event is as follows: 1st- \$5,000, 2nd- \$3,000, 3rd- \$2,000, 4th- \$1,500, 5th- \$1,000, 6th- \$800, 7th- \$750, 8th- \$700, 9th- \$650, 10th- \$600, 11th- \$550, 12th- \$500, 13th- \$450, 14th- \$450, 15th- \$425, 16th- \$425, 17th- \$400, 18th- \$400, 19th- \$350, 20th- \$350; 21st through 24th- \$300.

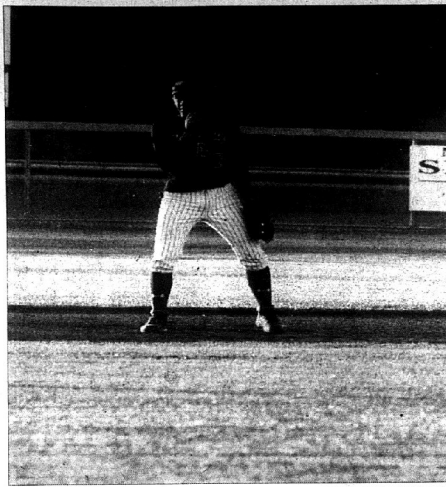


photo by Jamie Howell

**HAROLD-ALLEN-PRATER SHORTSTOP CONNOR RISNER** awaited a pitch during a recent District 7 Little League Tournament game.

## Degrees

The cover story is on Minnesota catcher Joe Mauer, who will be well ahead of the field in batting once he meets the minimum number of plate appearances thanks to his near-.400 average. It's a terrific story on a native Minnesotan who loves his hometown, his team and his homemade cabin in the woods.

There's also a nice revisit of last year's story about the young lady who tore an ACL after hitting a home run in a college softball game in the Northwest. The hitter and the opposing first baseman, whose idea it was to carry her around the bases, have formed a non-profit and spend a lot of time on the speaking circuit, using the fees to sponsor scholarships for young people who show high character.

But the thing I want to get at was found in a one-sentence note in a section in the front, where several numbers are listed along with their significance to sports. For example, one told the number of times brothers had homered in the same, big-league game, because the LaRoche brothers

recently did that (they're Pittsburgh teammates). One told the number of times brothers had faced off as opposing pitchers in a game, because the brothers Weaver recently did.

Another, the last one on the list, startled me and in my discussions around the office while Andrew Joyce and Joe Kinzer were visiting. I found I wasn't the only one who picked up on it and was caused to pause.

The number was 26. It's significant? Out of 1,042 players and managers in the majors this season, only 26 have college degrees.

I'll pause while you re-read that or let it sink in.

It's amazing. It's less than one per team. In fact, it's less than 2.5 percent of all major leaguers and their managers. If you go see a major league game, odds are you'll see fewer than two college graduates among the 52 people who qualify.

I was completely appalled by this.

I know a lot of big leaguers are drafted right out of high school and the next opportuni-

ty is after three years of college, but that still blows me away. Seriously? That's all?

As I told Andrew this week, there was nearly that many degrees on The Sports Guys Monday night.

I'm still stunned by that. In a profession where the league minimum is more than \$300,000 per and the average salary exceeds \$3 million, fewer than one guy on a club has a degree. And really it's less than that because the number also includes the skipper on said teams, and I know one of them qualifies because Tony LaRussa is an attorney.

This is crazy. I guess I'm astonished in part because of where I work. At Pikeville College degrees are so common at least one guy on our maintenance crew has one. And in my family it wasn't "if" I was going to college but where.

Yet of all the players and managers in the major leagues, only 26 have graduated from college.

I hope I'm not the only one amazed by this. I hope others are equally startled and I also hope it embarrasses some big

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leaguers who have three or four years of college but no degree.

I can't imagine that figure being true. I'm sure it is, but I'm simply overwhelmed by it.

If nothing else, this week's SI needed only one sentence to illustrate that sometimes sports and its stars can be surprisingly disappointing.

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## UK women's basketball program hires Pillow as assistant coach

### TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — University of Kentucky women's basketball head coach Matthew Mitchell has announced the hiring of former Tennessee standout Shalon Pillow (pronounced, Shu-LON) to its coaching staff. Pillow will be responsible for the post players.

The Addyston, Ohio native, comes to Kentucky after spending one season as an assistant coach at Hofstra University in Long Island, N.Y., and three seasons at the University of South Florida in Tampa, Fla.

"Shalon is a tremendous addition to our coaching staff," Mitchell said. "I've known her since her college playing days at Tennessee and I have followed her coaching career with a lot of interest because I've thought so much of her and her family. It was very important to get someone that could help us build on the momentum in our post game. After visiting with Shalon, it was clear that she has a passion for teaching post players. Couple that with her knowledge at the position and I think she will be great with the progression of our post players. She has the personality and ability to recruit that we were looking for as well. She connects so well with people and

she is a perfect fit for our program."

At Hofstra, Pillow coached the post players and helped the Pride compile a 16-14 record, which ranked as one of the top turnarounds in women's college basketball last season. Hofstra's 11-game improvement from the 2007-08 season ranked fourth-best nationally. At USEF, Pillow was the director of basketball operations for one season before being promoted to assistant coach during the 2006-07 and 2007-08 seasons. She was responsible for scouting opponents and individual player development, and also assisted in the evaluation of potential student-athletes. She was also in charge of the team's academic program and helped organize coaches' clinics.

"I'm really excited about the opportunity to work with Coach Mitchell and work in the Southeastern Conference after playing at Tennessee," Pillow said. "The sky is the limit for UK and that is one of the biggest reasons I decided to come. Watching from afar, it has been great to see Kentucky's growth over the last few years. They are beating teams like Tennessee and it wasn't like that when I was playing in the SEC. UK's reputation is totally different now and I can't wait to be a part of it."

Prior to her coaching stints at Hofstra and USEF, Pillow was Camp Director and Event Operator for the Ohio Girls Basketball Report (OGBR), where she was responsible for directing the largest 8-10th grade summer camp in the Midwest. She also directed the Top 64 Showcase, and handled pre- and post-camp evaluations. In addition to her position with the OGBR, Pillow served as a guest services representative at the Argosy Hotel in Lawrenceburg, Ind., from 2003-05, where she assisted in the facility's marketing and promotions.

Pillow, a 6-3 center, was a four-year letterwinner (1998-2002) at Tennessee under legendary coach Pat Summitt. She played in 108 career games and helped the Lady Vols advance to four National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Tournaments, including two Final Four appearances. In her collegiate career, the Lady Vols recorded a remarkable 124-5 record and a 53-3 slate in the SEC. She graduated from UT in 2002 with a bachelor's degree in general psychology and a minor in communications.

Following graduation, Pillow played for the Tennessee Fury of the National Women's Basketball League during its inaugural

season and appeared in 20 games. She also served as an assistant coach with the varsity team at Taylor High School in Cincinnati, Ohio from 2003 to 2004 and worked the Lady Vols' summer camps from 1998 through 2001.

The 28-year-old was a highly decorated player coming out of Taylor High School, earning Nike and Parade Magazine All-America honors after averaging 22.4 points, 11.2 rebounds, 4.1 blocks and 3.0 steals per game as a senior. She was also tabbed by the USA Today as one of the top 20 scholastic players in America and was a finalist for the Naismith High School Player of the Year Award.

### Spots available in John Calipari Basketball School

#### TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — The upcoming Overnight/Wildcat Serious Skills Camp will combine some of the country's best coaches with the enthusiastic University of Kentucky basketball staff.

The camp will feature former Wildcat greats Tony Detk and Scott Padgett. Campers will enjoy individual attention and instruction to sharpen all

of their basketball skills. The shooting, ball handling and passing drills will help make them better players as they will be challenged to achieve their best.

The Overnight/Wildcat Serious Skills Camp will take place Sunday-Wednesday, July 26-29, 2009.

Twitter followers of UKCoachCalipari that put their twitter username on the registration form will be guaranteed a spot.

For more information, go online to [www.ukathletics.com/camps](http://www.ukathletics.com/camps). Fans can also contact UK's Jason Walberg at [jason.walberg@uky.edu](mailto:jason.walberg@uky.edu).

East Kentucky Shooting Stars Basketball Camp to tip off Wednesday: The East Kentucky Shooting Stars Basketball Camp, under the direction of 2002 Kentucky Mr. Basketball and former University of Kentucky Wildcat Brandon Stockton will be held July 8-10 at the Knott County Sportsplex from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. each day. Other former college and professional players will be on the camp staff. A camp application is available online at [www.knottcountysportsplex.com](http://www.knottcountysportsplex.com).

The camp is for boys and girls ages 4-16. Group/team discounts (15 or more players) are available. For more information,

email [slsports@suddenlink.net](mailto:slsports@suddenlink.net) or call 606-794-6409.

### No. 3 Chevrolet to be part of '09 Goodwood Festival

#### TIMES STAFF REPORT

WELCOME, N.C. — The Richard Childress Racing No. 3 Chevrolet that seven-time Cup Series champion Dale Earnhardt earned his 76th and final victory with will participate in this year's Goodwood Festival of Speed in England July 3-5.

Taylor Earnhardt, 20, Earnhardt's youngest child, will drive the car in demonstration runs during the festival. It is her inaugural turn behind the wheel of a stock car. She will be accompanied by her mother Teresa Earnhardt, president and CEO of Dale Earnhardt Inc.

Earnhardt drove this particular No. 3 Chevrolet to victory in the 2000 Winston 500 at Talladega. It has been on permanent display at the RCR Museum since its grand opening in May 2003.

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## SPORTS FAN OF THE WEEK



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THE PRESTONSBURG 9-10-YEAR-OLD ALL-STARS will resume play in the District 7 Little League Tournament tonight. Prestonsburg has reached the tournament semifinals. Members of the Prestonsburg 9-10-Year-Old All-Stars are Nick Gaudin, Nick Rowe, Dylan Poe, Ethan Bingham, Justin Rowe, Dylan Stone, Chandler Nelson, Tanner Hicks, Phil Cornett, Ryne Stone and Micky Taulbee.



ON BASE...

A BEAVER CREEK player eyed a pitch to a teammate from second base earlier in the week during a District 7 Little League Tournament game at StoneCrest, Prestonsburg and the StoneCrest fields are playing host to all of the District 7 Little League Tournament games.

NASCAR THIS WEEK

# Consistency pays off for Crafton

by MONTE DUTTON

One of this season's mild surprises has been the emergence of Matt Crafton as a title contender in NASCAR's Camping World Truck Series. Crafton, who drives the No. 88 Menards Chevrolet, has finished outside the top 15 only five times in 29 races since winning for the first time at Lowe's Motor Speedway in May 2008.

Consistency has been the 33-year-old driver's distinguishing virtue this year, which is why Crafton ranks second, only 36 points behind Ron Hornaday Jr., in the point standings. Prior to Hornaday's Milwaukee victory, Crafton led the standings. He's finished in the top 10 in eight of the series' 10 races.

Yet, in Crafton's career, he has won only once in 207 attempts.

"It's hard to believe," he said. "It's hard to get wins in the Truck Series and to have only one after running as well as we have the past two years ... it took so long to get that one. It's not every day you get a truck as good as we had there (at Texas, where he finished second) and not be able to win it."

"They've got that team in position to get some more wins," said Ray Dunlap, part of Speed's telecast team. "I wouldn't be surprised to see Crafton win another race or two this season. They're definitely due. ... There are a lot of tracks coming up soon where they could do really well."

But Crafton, from Tulare, Calif., knows the championship prize favors those who are consistent.

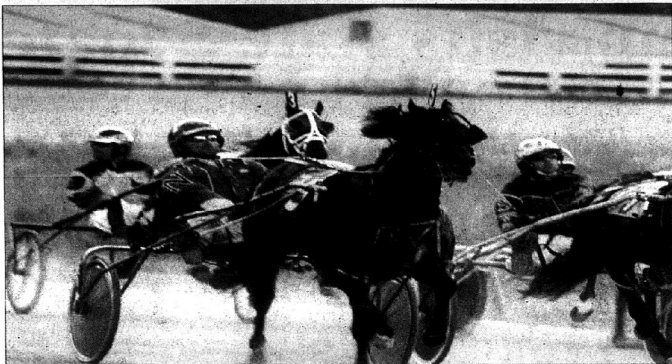
"We've got to do what we've been doing all year and

put ourselves in contention and not do anything ridiculous," he said. "That's how you win races and championships."

"It's the team working together. It takes people a while to jell. My crew chief, Bud Haeffel, had never 'crew chiefed' at this level and ... the guys had to build this up — build new trucks and make them better each and every time. We ran well before, but not great like the last couple of years."

Unlike most Truck Series teams, ThorSport (owned by Duke Thorson) bases its operation in Ohio. The great majority of teams in NASCAR's three major touring series are headquartered in the Charlotte, N.C., area.

"I see advantages," Crafton said. "It's honestly a benefit to be where we are."



THUNDER RIDGE will continue its latest meet this weekend. Driver and trainer titles remain on the line at the Floyd County track.



photos by Amanda Wotke

# Newman commits to compete in all four August races at BMS

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

BRISTOL, Tenn. — Ryan Newman put his name in the record books at Bristol Motor Speedway in March of 2003 when he set the track record during qualifying.

During August raceweek, the 31-year-old NASCAR Sprint Cup star again will be making his mark at BMS, while also etching his name in the NASCAR record books as he makes history by competing in NASCAR's top three divisions, as well as the Whelen Modified Series, at the same track in the same week.

fun and a challenge and I'm looking forward to it. I just hope that I can put on a good show for all of my sponsors and all of the fans out there who will be supporting me."

The fact that he will be making history by competing in all four events isn't lost on Newman.

"It's an honor to be the first NASCAR driver to run in all four Series in one weekend," he said. "Being the first to do this wasn't really my goal when I decided that I wanted to compete in all the races at Bristol, but it's pretty cool to have that recognition. For me, it's just about racing and having a good time and hopefully having some really good finishes along the way."

Also, fans can enter the "Rocket Ryan's Pick 'Em" contest. Fans will pick where they think Newman will finish in each of the four races and prizes will be awarded for first through fourth-place finishes. Both contests will begin online Monday, July 6.

First prize is two suite seats for every NASCAR event at BMS in 2010, second prize is two grandstand tickets for every NASCAR event at BMS in 2010, plus Half-Mile Club hospitality, third place is two grandstand tickets for every NASCAR event at BMS in 2010 and fourth prize is two grandstand tickets to the weekend of your choice at BMS (March or August) in 2010.

Newman will start his marathon during the wildly popular August race week at the World's Fastest Half-Mile with the UNOH Perfect Storm 150 Whelen Modified race and the O'Reilly 200 Camping World Truck Series event Wednesday, Aug. 19. On Friday, Aug. 21, he will compete in the Food City 250 Nationwide Series event and run the final leg, the Sharpie 500 Sprint Cup Series race, Saturday, Aug. 22.

When asked why Newman stands to make an astounding 1,100 laps, traveling more than 586 miles around the .533-mile oval over three nights and could be in the seat for nearly seven hours. It will definitely be a challenge, one Newman is looking forward to meeting.

Newman began thinking about going for the Bristol grand slam back in early March.

"I'm not sure how this whole deal really came together," he said. "When I was in Bristol earlier this year, we were talking about how I was running the Modified, Truck and Sprint Cup race in August, and someone said it would be really cool if I could find a car and compete in the Nationwide race, too. I thought about it, and was like 'No, that would be pretty cool.' So, a lot of people started working on trying to get a Nationwide ride for me."

"Luckily, Scott Wimmer, Fastenal and JR Motorsports, were willing to trade races so that I could drive the No. 5 car at Bristol, and I really appreciate that. They have given me an incredible opportunity and I can't thank them enough. Hopefully, I can get win for them in the Nationwide race on Saturday at Bristol as a way to thank them."

Newman is planning to pilot the No. 7NY Aggressive Hydraulics ride in the UNOH Perfect Storm 150, the No. 2 Pringles truck, owned by Kevin Harvick Inc. in the O'Reilly 200, the No. 5 Fastenal Nationwide car owned by JR Motorsports in the Food City 250 and the No. 39 U.S. Army/Haas Automation ride, owned by Stewart-Haas, in the Sharpie 500.

Ticket packages for the Sharpie 500 and the Food City 250 are currently available, starting at just \$145. Tickets also are on sale for the Wednesday night doubleheader — the UNOH Perfect Storm 150 and the O'Reilly 200 — for \$30 and tickets for the Food City 250 begin at \$45.

Anyone purchasing a package for the Sharpie 500 and Food City 250 will be eligible for the buy one, get one free Wednesday night ticket. Tickets may be purchased by calling the BMS ticket office at 423-989-6900 or by visiting [www.bristoltrix.com](http://www.bristoltrix.com).

"It is going to be a challenge to compete in all four races, but I am really looking forward to it. It's a lot of miles, a lot of laps," said Newman. "I have done the Nationwide and Cup races on the back-to-back nights in August before, and that can be difficult. Throw in the Truck and the Modified race on Wednesday, and it's like I am running a second Cup race there. So, I know it is not going to be easy."

"I know it's going to be hot and sticky at Bristol. And always, Bristol is a very physically demanding track. I will have to be sure to stay hydrated and loose, and Bristol is as much a mental racetrack as a physical one. It's going to be

throughout the course of the weekend."

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## 2009 NASCAR SPRINT CUP 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 (Jeff Gordon)
  - April 18 — Subway Fresh Fit 500, Avondale, Ariz. (Mark Martin)
  - April 26 — Aaron's 499, Talladega, Ala. (Brad Keselowski)
  - May 2 — Crown Royal Presents the Russell Friedman 400, Richmond, Va. (Kyle Busch)
  - May 9 — Southern 500, Darlington, S.C. (Mark Martin)
  - May 16 — x-NASCAR All-Star Challenge, Concord, N.C. (Tony Stewart)
  - May 24 — Coca-Cola 600, Concord, N.C. (David Reutimann)
  - May 31 — Dover 400, Dover, Del. (Jimmie Johnson)
  - June 7 — Pocono 500, Long Pond, Pa. (Tony Stewart)
  - June 14 — LifeLock 400, Brooklyn, Mich. (Mark Martin)
  - June 21 — Toyota/Savemart 350, Sonoma, Calif. (Kasey Kahne)
  - June 28 — LENOX Industrial Tools 301, Loudon, N.H. (Joey Logano)
  - 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 — Turns Fast Relief 500, Martinsville, Va.
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  - 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 DRIVER STANDINGS:** 1. Tony Stewart, 2,524; 2. Jeff Gordon, 2,455; 3. Jimmie Johnson, 2,355; 4. Kurt Busch, 2,254; 5. Carl Edwards, 2,157; 6. Denny Hamlin, 2,132; 7. Ryan Newman, 2,127; 8. Kyle Busch, 2,108; 9. Greg Biffle, 2,106; 10. Matt Kenseth, 2,054; 11. Mark Martin, 2,052; 12. Juan Pablo Montoya, 2,049; 13. Kasey Kahne, 2,048; 14. David Reutimann, 2,037; 15. Clint Bowyer, 1,955; 16. Jeff Burton, 1,941; 17. Brian Vickers, 1,852; 18. Marcos Ambrose, 1,798; 19. Dale Earnhardt Jr., 1,764; 20. Casey Mears, 1,747.

STEPHANIE MCKINNEY is following the lead of sister Brittany McKinney. Stephanie McKinney finished sixth in her first Four-Cylinder feature race at 201 Speedway. The race was held June 20 at the Chuckie May-owned Johnson County dirt track.



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# Bristol Dragway to host junior dragster competition

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

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This classic event is a hit with every racer because participants gain more time on the track in preparation for the July 6-11 NHRA Jr. Drag Racing League Eastern Conference Finals.

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# GMSCPP summer camp visits state Senate

FRANKFORT — On June 15-19, the Office of Cultural Diversity held their annual GMSCPP Summer Camp.

The Governor's Minority Student College Preparatory Program (GMSCPP) is an initiative of the STEM Project, (science, technology engineering and mathematics). Big Sandy CTC employees chaperoned the students on their trip.

During the week of camp, the students participated in educational classroom set-

tings, educational trip to Frankfort's Capital and various locations trips in Louisville.

The GMSCPP is a program designed for minority students in the sixth-to-eighth grades.

If your child is interested and you would like to learn more information about our program, contact the Office of Cultural Diversity Director, Tina Terry @ 606-886-7374 or terry0025@kctcs.edu e-mail



Sen. Ray S. Jones II, D-Pikeville, and Sen. Johnny Ray Turner, D-Drift, honored students and staff of the Governor's Minority Student College Preparatory Program (GMSCPP) on the floor of the Kentucky State Senate on June 17th. GMSCPP is a program of the Office of Cultural Diversity at Big Sandy Community and Technical College. Pictured from left to right are Margarita Hampton (employee), Victoria Hampton, Marcus Johnson, Erick Mullins, Imani Mullins, Tina Terry (employee), Sen. Johnny Ray Turner, Christian Johnson, Shantale Collins, Vera Joiner (employee), Anna Kowalok, La'Niece Mullins, Xavier Adkins, Erick Mullins, Devon Joiner, (BSCTC student), Handy Roberts (employee) and Sen. Ray S. Jones II.

## Perspective

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These new laws will also help attract a NASCAR Sprint Cup Race and the Breeders' Cup horse race to Kentucky; clear the way for Kentucky to compete for a next-generation battery factory in Hardin County; and make Kentucky more attractive as a location for the entertainment industry.

Another major accomplishment this legislative session is the progress we made on funding "mega" road projects that cost more than \$500 million. This legislation now enables us to move forward on building - and paying for - the twin Ohio River bridges in Louisville and the proposed I-69 bridge in Henderson.

This was a successful session, but I believe it could have been even better if we had given our signature horse industry the ability to compete while using money from expanded gaming to fund a round of school building unlike anything Kentucky has ever seen.

The plan the House of Representatives approved would not only have made us more competitive, it also would have funded more than

\$1 billion worth of construction for our elementary, secondary and postsecondary schools, including more than \$28 million for Floyd County schools. Overall, this plan would have jump-started our economy and completely replaced those school buildings that have outlived their usefulness. That would have included McDowell Elementary, which once housed the high school where my mother and father attended.

While I regret that this issue is still unresolved, the legislature was nonetheless able to cover a lot of ground in a short amount of time, and I believe what we were able to do will make a difference for years to come.

I want to thank everyone who contacted me, and want to encourage you to continue letting me know your views. The legislature may be done for now, but the legislative process always continues.

You can leave a message for me or for any legislator at 800-372-7181. For the deaf or hard of hearing, the number is 800-896-0305.

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facturers.

Although no State funds are used, we also gave authorization to Jefferson Community and Technical College, our State's largest two-year institution, to buy needed land at an attractive price. The University of Kentucky also received two significant approvals - one to move forward with the final phase of a new and improved medical center, and the other to upgrade several of its athletic facilities in conjunction with private financing. We also endorsed the acquisition of a 1,550-acre site in Hardin County that we hope can be used for an advanced battery factory that will further aid our State's auto manufacturing sector.

Finally, after several years of effort, we were able to pass a tax relief for military families. Pay for active military duty will now be free from State income tax - a small sum in the overall State budget, but a real boon to military families that are already sacrificing so much for our freedom and

well-being.

The one item left unresolved is a plan to help our horse industry, from the world-famous race tracks to the low-paid workers who muck out the stalls. We can all agree that Kentucky's signature industry is in trouble and we must protect it. However, the debate over how to do that remains ongoing, but I will remain committed to helping the horse industry. The debate will probably not be resolved soon, and will most likely still be with us when we return to Frankfort in January for our 60-day regular session.

Between now and then, I will attend hearings on issues we will be dealing with, from health care to ethics. I hope you will stay in touch, because our democracy only works if the people make their voice heard. You can always call our Legislative Message Line at 1-800-372-7181 or e-mail me at johnnyray.turner@lrc.ky.gov to let me know how you feel, or follow the General Assembly's work online at <http://www.lrc.ky.gov>.

Unfortunately, some parents skip important step number three: Booster seats. Because their children have outgrown toddler seats, they mistakenly assume a safety belt is the next step. However, safety belts alone can be dangerous for kids who are under 4'9". Because safety belts don't fit these children properly, they can cause serious injuries to their face, neck and abdomen during a crash or sudden stop. In fact, kids 2-5 who wear

***the four safety-belt steps are not magical ...they're critical.***

safety belts alone are 4 times more likely to suffer head injuries than kids in car seats and booster seats. In addition, children 4-7 who use booster seats are a whopping 59% less likely to be injured in a crash than those only restrained by a safety belt. Booster seats raise your child up so that a safety belt (designed for adults) will fit and protect them properly. Remember, 4'9" is the magic number. Until then, kids really need to be in a booster seat. Booster seats work like...well, you know.

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## MOVIES FROM THE BLACK LAGOON

### 'The Ultimate Warrior'

by TOM DOTY  
TIMES COLUMNIST

The future looks pretty bleak in this sci-fi yarn that pits an aging warrior against a band of cutthroats in the pitted remains of New York City.



Tom Doty  
Times Columnist

The story opens in Manhattan in the year 2017. It quickly establishes that mankind is on its last legs. Government is a thing of the past and society consists of gated communities that compete for the ever-diminishing supplies of canned goods.

One band has an edge. They are led by the professorial Baron whose daughter, Melinda, is married to Cal, the only living botanist on the island. Cal has managed to cultivate five vegetables in his rooftop greenhouse, but the resulting seeds need a larger pasture if they're ever going to bring back a green planet. Leaving their compound, however, is a dicey proposition, as the outlying streets belong to a ruthless gang helmed

(See LAGOON, page three)



# YARD OF THE MONTH

## 16 years of work pays off with recognition

by JARRID DEATON  
FEATURES WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Jeff Hicks' yard at his Goble-Roberts home has been a work in progress since 1993, but the years of dedication to yard work and landscaping recently paid off when the Prestonsburg Women's Club selected it as the June Yard of the Month.

"When I first got the house, there wasn't anything but grass and a yard," Hicks said. "I spend around five or six hours a week working on the yard."

Hicks' many cats wonder around the neatly landscaped yard and appear to enjoy the nooks and corners around the flowers and garden statues, including a stone feline gardener that Hicks purchased in

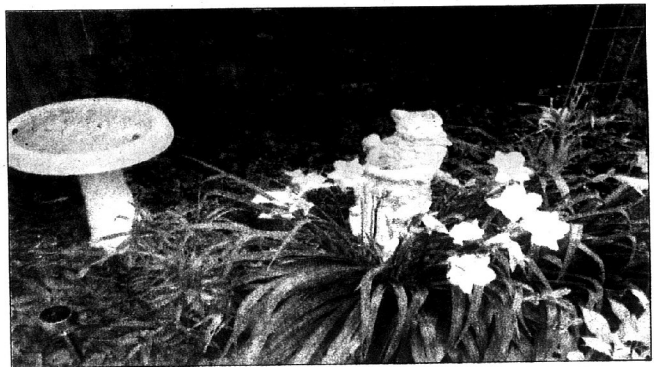
Lexington.

Adding to the look of the backyard, Hicks has placed a wooden privacy fence around the area which complements many of the flowers and plants, providing an interesting pathway and backdrop along with the statues and furnishings in the yard.

"I think it's a pretty neat yard," Hicks said. "Greg Coleman also helped me with the work, and we also help our neighbors if they need some landscaping."

While the Yard of the Month title will be removed from Hicks' yard on July 6, that won't stop him from continuing to improve and work on his ongoing project.

"I have a lot of things planned," Hicks said. "Plus, I'm always willing to help out the neighbors."



### DINNER DIVA

## Top 10 worst foods



I am usually the prolific procurer for listing the top healthiest foods so you can be healthier and thinner. So it's a bit of a departure, to see the least to be the bearer of bad tidings. I must admit though, it was kind of fun to be a naughty girl—even if it was just a one list stand.

Here's my top 10 world's worst foods to be avoided at any cost. Brand names aren't listed, but you will know which stuff to steer clear of next time you're making the rounds in the grocery store.

**Don't Do Donuts.** Check it out: white flour, white sugar and deep fat fried. 'Nuf said.

**Marginal Margarine.** Mostly just dyed, flavored shortening, margarine is the king of the hydrogenated oils. There are new brands without the trans fats although "marginal" at best as an alternative to real butter. At least we know what butter is.

**Cereal Killer.** I'm talking about the artificially dyed, flavored, chocked full of sugar and guaranteed to make the milk turn purple in the bowl kind. That's not cereal; that's chemical warfare.

**Thirst for Ad-venture.** Why would we drink sports drinks the same color as toilet bowl cleaner and anti-freeze? Could

have something to do with the marketing, I think.

**You're Toast.** Speaking of marketing, check out the wide variety of "toaster pastries" available. Defying logic on all fronts, the two inches worth of ingredients on the packages contain things I bet you couldn't identify in a line up.

**Chip on Your Shoulder.** Another fatty, too salty and artificially flavored, colored and enhanced product, most chips are a nutritional nightmare and pile on the pounds, while completely ignoring any-

(See DIVA, page two)

## This Town, That World

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

### THOUGHTS ON INDEPENDENCE DAY

We who are more or less satisfied with things as they are, and shy away from change, are no more, no less guilty of the apathy that killed many "good" folks back there in 1776, and during the years leading up to that climactic event, which we now celebrate as Independence Day.

Those who were critical of the Mother Country, the king, Parliament, taxation, and the like, were, in the minds of many solid citizens of the day, very low fellows, trouble-makers, no less.

Why protest taxes? We must carry our share of the load. Why gripe about taxation, without representation? They're spending more on us than they collect from us.

And that dumping of the tea into Boston harbor—now that was downright outlawry. But wasn't Sam Adams always up to some sort of mischief? Those fellows, who were meeting in secret, plotting against the king, gathering arms, and drilling men for battle—traitors, no less.

Those Tories, whom most of us have, at one time or another, scorned, were of the "respectable" class. They foresaw hard times ahead if the colonies rebelled, and there were such times. The expression, "not worth a Continental," described the value of the colonial currency, and remains today.

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# Chlamydia usually presents no symptoms

annual average closer to two million. Chlamydia is frequently called a "silent" disease, because about three quarters of infected women and about half of infected men present no symptoms. When symptoms do occur, they often come on one to three weeks after exposure. Some symptoms of Chlamydia include burning during urination, lower abdominal pain, vaginal discharge, pain during intercourse and irregular bleeding.

Since the infection frequently presents no symptoms, it can go untreated for long periods of time. In women, this can cause the infection to spread to the fallopian tubes and other reproductive organs. The fallopian tube infection, called pelvic inflammatory disease (PID) often scars the fallopian tubes, which can lead to chronic pelvic pain, infertility

or potentially fatal ectopic pregnancy (pregnancy outside of the uterus). Women infected with Chlamydia are up to five times more likely to contract HIV if exposed to it.

Infected pregnant women also can pass Chlamydia to their unborn babies. This increases the risks for premature delivery, and it can cause respiratory and/or eye infections in the newborn.

Men also can be infected with Chlamydia. They, too, often present no symptoms, although they occasionally experience urinary burning or discharge as a result of the infection. If their partner is diagnosed with Chlamydia, men should seek treatment to avoid infecting or re-infecting their partners.

Chlamydia is easily treated with common antibiotics. So yes, you should take the ones your doctor pre-

scribed. You also should make sure your sexual partner gets tested and treated, if necessary. I would recommend abstaining from sexual contact until you both complete treatment, to avoid re-infection. Doctors often encourage re-testing three or four months after treatment.

Prevention is always preferable to treatment. Safer sex practices, such as using condoms, can decrease the likelihood of contracting Chlamydia again in the future.

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**Q** My doctor's office called and told me they had found a Chlamydia infection when I had the annual gynecology checkup. They called in some antibiotics for me, but I am not sure I should take any symptoms. I feel fine. Do you think this diagnosis could be a medical error?

**A** Unfortunately, I have no reason to think your diagnosis is incorrect. Chlamydia usually does not cause any symptoms, and it is most commonly found during

annual gynecological exams. Although the symptoms typically are absent or mild, the infection can cause serious, irreversible damage to a woman's reproductive organs, if left untreated.

Chlamydia is a very common infection, caused by the bacteria Chlamydia trachomatis, and is spread through sexual contact. The more sexual partners a person has, the more likely he or she is to become infected. There are more than one million cases of Chlamydia reported annually, which leads disease experts to put the

**GOOD HEALTH**

## Stress tests help detect heart disease

**DEAR DR. DONOHUE:** I had an EKG in preparation for surgery. The doctor said it was abnormal. I was sent for a stress test. I could not do the physical stress test, so I had a chemical one. I was told that the results were OK.

No one told me why the EKG was abnormal. I am very concerned. Is it OK just to go on living as I have been, or do I need to do something?

I have searched the Internet for information but can find none. — M.D.

**ANSWER:** A resting EKG is a good test, but it's not the ultimate heart test. Things can look strange on a resting EKG. In order to find out if those strange-looking things are significant, the next step is to do a more sophisticated heart test, one that is more sensitive in detecting true changes and more specific in eliminating EKG changes that look odd but don't truly represent heart disease.

That's where a stress test comes in. During a stress test, the person exercises, usually on a treadmill. All during the test, an EKG runs. It shows changes if the stressed heart isn't getting enough blood when it has to pump harder. You didn't have the treadmill variety of a stress test; you had one where a drug stressed your heart. The end result is the same.

Your stress test must have removed the suspicion of heart disease that arose from the resting EKG. Do you play cards? Your stress test trumped your resting EKG.

It's OK for you to go on living just as you have been. If something was wrong, the doctor would be obliged to tell you so.

Stress tests are done to detect coronary artery disease, the illness that brings on heart attacks. The booklet on that subject explains what coronary artery disease is, how it's detected and how it's treated. Readers can obtain a copy by writing: Dr. Donohue, No. 101W, Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. Enclose a check or money order (no cash) for \$4.75 U.S./\$6 Canada, with the recipient's printed name and address.

Please allow four weeks for delivery. □ □ □

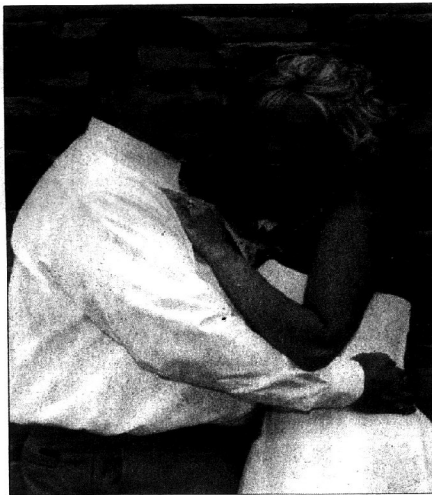
**DEAR DR. DONOHUE:** I was recently diagnosed with the swallowing disorder Zenker's diverticulum. I am scheduled for surgery. Can you discuss it and its treatment? I am interested in the recovery process because I am a teacher and use my voice all day. My doctor has chosen surgery that involves going through my mouth. — B.H.

**ANSWER:** A Zenker's diverticulum is a pouch that bulges from the lower part of the throat. The pouch can cause swallowing problems. Food can get caught in it and remain there. When it finally leaves the pouch, it has a most unpleasant odor.

There are many surgical procedures to remove the pouch and shore up the throat tissue. Scopes are used by some doctors. Recovery is quicker with the scope. After surgery, you will not be allowed to eat or drink for a day or so, longer for the standard operation. The results are almost always excellent. The voice is not commonly affected.

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*Dr. Donohue regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters, but he will incorporate them in his column whenever possible. Readers may write him or request an order form of available health newsletters at P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475.*



**Ronnie Lloyd Staniford Jr. and Michelle Leann Powers were united in marriage on June 13, 2009. Michelle is the daughter of Darrell and Leesa Powers of West Van Lear (formerly of Auxier) and is employed by BB&T. Ronnie is the son of Ronnie and Aileen Staniford of Paintsville and is employed by Greg's Construction.**

### Diva

thing having to do with nutrition.

**Chickening Out.** Chicken nuggets are a happy meal for most children and plenty of adults like them, too. But the sorry truth is that most of these commercially prepared, deep fried pieces of poultry are paltry in the nutrition department and contain a lot of ingredients you want to avoid, like hydrogenated oils.

**Carbon Nation.** Soft drinks are among the worst of the worst. Nine teaspoons of sugar per can, calcium robbing phosphorus and a pound packer,

this is one drink to pour down the drain.

**Don't Give Me Your Bologna.** Literally, Bologna and its kin, the hot dog, are made from who-knows-what, sodium nitrates (known carcinogens) and enough fat to lube your Buick. This one belongs in the dog house.

**What a Crack Up.** Unless you get them at a health food store, crackers aren't the healthy snack they are cracked up to be. Just basically white flour and hydrogenated oils, the list gets worse the more "colorful" and "flavorful" the cracker

Take a crack at whole grain bread instead.

Cosh, this list wasn't even hard. This was easy... maybe I have an inner "Mr. Bad Food" in me just waiting to get out. Then again, maybe I didn't write this. Maybe it was my evil twin, Ms. Unhealthy Food. Yeah, that's the ticket. I bet you've seen her. She's the one with the grocery cart piled to ceiling with frozen pizzas, diet soft drinks and Ding Dongs. Wears sunglasses at night to keep the paparazzi at bay and stretch pants are standard issue. Stay tuned...

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## Salome's Stars Weekly Horoscope

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) Get your facts together and become familiar with them before you have to face up to that interview. The better prepared you are, the easier it will be to make that important impression.

**TALOS** (April 20 to May 20) New information might warrant changing your mind about a recently made decision. Never mind the temporary confusion it might cause. Acting on the truth is always preferable.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) Creating a loving atmosphere for those you care for could pay off in many ways. Expect to hear some unexpected but very welcome news that can make a big difference in your life.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) Stepping away from an old and seemingly insoluble problem might be helpful. Use the time to take a new look at the situation and perhaps work out a new method of dealing with it.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) You're still in a favorable goal-setting mode. However, you might need to be a little more realistic about some of your aims. Best to reach for what is currently doable. The rest will follow.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) A setback is never easy to deal with. But it could be a boon in disguise. Recheck your proposal, and strengthen the weak spots. Seek advice from someone who has "been there, done that."

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) Coming up with a new way of handling a

tedious job-regulated chore could lead to more than just a congratulatory memo once the word reaches the "right people." Good luck.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) What you might call determination someone else might regard as stubbornness. Look for ways to reach a compromise that won't require a major shift of views on your part.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) You're still in a vulnerable mode vis-a-vis "offers" that sound too good to be true. So continue to be skeptical about anything that can't be backed up with provable facts.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) Thrift is still dominant this week. What you don't spend on what you don't need will be available for you to draw on should a possible (albeit temporary) money crunch hit.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) Staying close to home early in the week allows for some introspection about your social life. Sort out your feelings before rejoining your fun-time follows on the weekend.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) It can be a bit daunting as well as exciting to find yourself finally taking action on a long-delayed move for a change. It helps to stay with it when others rally to support you.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** Your love of home and family provide you with the emotional support you need to find success in the outside world.

### Allen

descriptive of anything that is worthless. The economy, these Tories argued, as men do today, was of first importance. Please don't rock the boat.

It was these Tories who winned and dined Sir Henry Clinton, the British commander, in New York, while those who were foolish enough to rebel, were starving and freezing at Valley Forge. Traitors, these Tories? They were loyal to the government, they assured themselves and others; it was those rebels who were the traitors.

And Patrick Henry? A hot-head and a loudmouth. "Give me liberty or give me death" didn't thrill a lot of folks, those days. He and his ilk, many said, were tearing the country apart, destroying the economy, laying the land open to retaliation from the most powerful empire on earth.

So went the reasoning of lovers of the easy chair. But there were those who counted the cost, looked the grim future in the eye—and never looked back.

So it went, this revolutionary movement that today finds us rejoicing in the daring and the patriotism of those who made of this fourth day of July, more than a mere date on the calendar, and this country more than a territorial vessel.

Somebody has said, "All that is needed for tyranny to reign, is for good men to remain silent."

Who's a Tory now?

#### THE DARK PLOT

If you will bear in mind that the "o" in the key word is to be pronounced long-o, you will get the point of this little more epistemologically known as an anecdote.

This Polish woman had married a Yank and was living in the United States, having troubles with the language and maybe, some with her husband. Anyway, she turned up at

police headquarters one day to report.

"My husband" he gonna do away with me."

The police sergeant asked why she thought so.

"Because," she said, "I see him buying a can which said,

"Polish Remover."

Ugh.

#### DOOR TROUBLE

I have suffered some wrist damage at various times over the last two years, trying to get out of the courthouse here, and at long last rise to make a remark or so. You go in by pulling, the right side of the door. You leave, if you will keep your mind on your business and concentrate, by pushing the left side. Trouble is, I hit the wrong side.

Mark Twain once wrote about a rhyme running through his head to the clackety-click of the wheels of the train which he was riding. While he watched the conductor, the words kept

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running over and over in his mind.

"Punch, brother, punch, punch, with care,

Punch in the presence of the passengear."

This door thing almost got me in the same frame of mind, and I started out.

"Push on the right,"

and then the muse fled as I had a practical idea. Why in the mischief doesn't somebody put up a sign?

#### IT HAS ITS POINTS

There is scarcely anything that is an unmix blessing or curse. Take the Japanese beetle, for instance. Abhorred by gardeners, devourer of growing things, it would seem a blight to make a Pharaoh blanch. But it has its points. Ask Neil Allen. He fished a Dewey Lake hole with the critters as bait, the other day, and the bluegill greeted them with open mouths, if not open arms.

## HOME FIRES

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# It's hard to be an early adopter of new technology

by TOM and RAY MAGLIOZZI

**Dear Tom and Ray:**  
I'm tired of waiting for the American auto industry to come up with an affordable all-electric car, so I'm looking seriously into buying a Chinese-made Flybo. I know it has a top speed of 43 mph, and lacks a lot of basic safety and comfort extras (no air bags, no heat ...) but the same is true of the '87 Dodge Raider I'm driving now. I want an electric car not only because of the price of fuel, but also because of environmental issues. My question is, how easy (or difficult) will it be to service this car? I will need to have this auto shipped from Michigan to Wyoming. And I don't know of any Flybo dealerships in the U.S. What could go wrong with this car, and how can it be fixed? — Kate

**RAY:** Kate, you are about to join the wacky fringe. You know those guys who live in yurts, feeding them-

selves off their own homemade acorn granola and squirrel yogurt? Ask them about their Flybos.

**TOM:** We admire your environmental ambitions, Kate. And we agree with you that electric propulsion is probably where cars are eventually heading. But it's very difficult to be an early adopter. Especially when you're adopting something that has no serious support network. So, unless you're married to a very handy electrical engineer, who happens to live in a yurt, you're almost certainly sentencing yourself to years of trouble in finding parts and people willing to work on this thing.

**RAY:** Here's what we'd recommend instead. Adopt the best available, widely supported current solution. Hybrids like the Toyota Prius, and Honda Insight and Civic Hybrid are getting 40-50 miles per gallon. And they're doing it with all of the latest and greatest safety equipment.

**TOM:** If that's not good enough,

there are a number of people who offer plug-in conversion kits for those cars, which will turn your Prius into a car that can be plugged in at night and operate only on electric power much of the time. That's pretty close to what you're looking for now, isn't it? With warranties, air bags, dealer networks and heat! So take it a step at a time, Kate.

## Removing gas cap is no magic trick

**Dear Tom and Ray:**  
When my husband and I first got married (18 years ago), I noticed that when his car was low on gas, he would remove the gas cap, saying it would make the gas last longer until he could get to a station. I am a college-educated woman, and this seemed preposterous to me ... but then I noticed other people doing it. My husband has since stopped doing this, due to my nagging. But is there any truth to this, or is it just some urban legend? — Tina

**RAY:** When the power goes out at

your house, does your husband also run outside and disconnect the electric line from the pole so he can suck more electricity through the house's wires and catch the end of the ballgame?

**TOM:** He's nuts, Tina. I imagine his thinking (or his father's or grandfather's thinking, more likely) is that getting fuel from the gas tank to the engine is like pouring soda out of a two-liter bottle. And while it gurgles-glugs out, if you were to punch a hole in the bottom of the bottle with an ice pick, you'd allow more air in, and the soda would pour out more quickly.

**RAY:** But the gas tank is not a soda bottle. First of all, nothing "pours" out of the gas tank. The gasoline is "pushed" out by an electric pump that sits right at the bottom of the tank.

**TOM:** And second, the pressure inside the tank is carefully managed by the fuel-tank ventilation system. That's done so that gasoline vapors don't constantly waft into the atmosphere and make everywhere on Earth look like Los Angeles.

**RAY:** In fact, if you drive with your gas cap off, or even loose, your Check Engine light will eventually come on. The computer will conclude

that the fuel system can't hold pressure, and will warn you that you need to have the car serviced.

**TOM:** We make a lot of money on that at the garage. Some guy comes in with his Check Engine light on, we walk around the car, tighten up his gas cap and stick out our hand for some money.

**RAY:** Actually, it's unethical for us to charge him for that, and we don't. But while he's here, no one says we can't sell him shocks and tires!

**TOM:** In the old days, gas caps had pinholes in them and gas was sucked out of the tank by mechanical fuel pumps driven by the engine. So that's probably where this theory originated. Even then, I'm dubious that removing the gas cap would have made any difference. But nowadays, it's absolute bull feathers, Tina. And you were right to hound him until he stopped doing it.

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Talk Cars

# Strange ... but true

by SAMANTHA WEAVER

It was American astronaut Buzz Aldrin, the second man to set foot on the moon, who made the following declaration: "I believe that every human has a finite number of heartbeats. I don't intend to waste any of mine running around doing exercises."

If you're like the average American, you will spend approximately 8,760 hours of your life -- that's one full year -- just watching commercials on TV.

Talk about bad luck: A 26-year-old man was walking down a street in the town of Windhoek, Namibia, when he was struck by lightning. As if

that weren't bad enough, the bolt of lightning caused him to fall into the street, where he was struck by a car. The poor man didn't survive, though it's not clear which stroke of bad luck dealt the fatal blow.

You may be surprised to learn that the first Caesar salad was actually created in Tijuana, Mexico.

Every seed you find inside an apple has a genetically different makeup from every other seed inside the same apple.

According to the Oxford English Dictionary, the word that has the largest number of different meanings is "set" -- it takes 26 pages to detail them all.

According to the record-keepers at Guinness, Robert Ardito holds the world record for the most punches thrown in one minute: 702.

In Pennsylvania, a man was stunned when he returned home one day to find a deer taking a bubble bath. It seems that the unfortunate animal had stumbled into the house and in its frenzy to find a way out again, ended up in the bathroom, where its antlers accidentally turned on the water and knocked over a bottle of bubble bath.

## Thought for the Day

"Politeness is the art of choosing among your thoughts." — Madame de Staël

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the action front, while also offering up a fitting demise for Carrot, involving a putrid sewer line and a pack of subway rats.

What makes this effort work is its deliberate approach to the material. There is little melodrama, and that's apparent in how things got so bad in the first place. This time there was no nuclear war (too often the root cause in these types of films). Overpopulation merely led to overtaxed resources.

The talent involved helps sell the material. First off, you have a director, Robert Clouse, who is mainly known for action flicks with more punch than smarts ("Black Belt Jones"). Here he avoids the use of flashy fight scenes and concentrates on the narrative. The brawl feature low-key sound effects that mimic the muffled volume of hands pounding on flesh.

The actors are also well chosen. Yul Brynner ("Westworld") is in top form as Carson. Brynner may seem an odd choice for Clouse, after working with Bruce Lee on "Enter the Dragon," but he is totally believable here. He also

handles the action well for a guy who was 55 years old. He's even better in the quieter moments, where he is won over by the optimistic Baron (well played by Max Von Sydow).

William Smith steals every scene he's in as the menacing Carrot. This guy can play tough, grin his sleep, but he's also an accomplished thespian who has gone toe-to-toe with the likes of Nick Nolte ("Riich Man, Poor Man") and Clint Eastwood ("Every Which Way but Loose").

Add in some very subtle humor (the film was made in Burbank, so Yul is named after it's favorite citizen, Johnny Carson) and you have the perfect time-waster.

The disc also includes a bonus film, "Battle Beneath the Earth." The downside is it's a true stinkburger. The far-out narrative finds America under attack by the Chinese, who are digging a tunnel straight up to us, or is that down?

Best line: "Your room will be dry and free of rats." 1975, rated R.

# Rental Central

by TOM DOTY  
TIMES COLUMNIST

None of the films that joined the DVD ranks this week were memorable, though a couple were at least entertaining.

**"Street Fighter":** Legend of Chun-Li! — Even diehard video game fans of the "SF" series will hate this bargain basement sequel that focuses on the titular character and ignores the tournament setting employed by previous entries. Here you get a trite tale of a concert pianist who ends up following in her father's footsteps and becoming a tournament fighter. We too many plot threads here and nowhere near enough fighting.

**"12 Rounds":** Action fans will get a kick out of this effort which has nothing to do with the "sweet science." It centers on a cop, John Cena, who must jump into action when a crook he put away kidnaps his girlfriend. Nothing new here but Cena makes for a likeable hero and his 12 challenges add up to a better "video game" type of film than the previous entry. Aiden Gillen, the power hungry Mayor of Baltimore in HBO's "The Wire," does a nice job here as the villain and Director Renny Harlin ("Die Hard 2") knows how to stage an action set piece.

**"Tunnel Rats"** — Director Uwe Boll is back with yet another stretch for his limited abilities after abandoning a career of making film adaptations of video games (or at least we hope he's abandoned that theme). Here he

offers a straightforward story about tunnel fighting during the Vietnam War. Unfortunately, he doesn't have much of a story here, though some of the action sequences are well executed. All in all, this is a ho-hum effort but infinitely better than his takes on "Alone in the Dark" and "House of the Dead."

**"Header"** — This one deserves credit for being the first film to adapt a story by horror writer Edward Lee. Unfortunately, this is not a very good film, though the subject matter (an ATF agent succumbs to his personal demons during an investigation) is compelling.

Next week look for Nicholas Cage in "Knowing" and check out Chris Evans in "Push."

## Lagoon

by the brawny and cunning Carrot.

Hope appears in the form of a lone warrior, Carson, who shows up one day and stands atop a wrecked vehicle to announce that his services are available for hire. Baron is able to purchase the warrior's protection with a promise of three squares a day and a "vermin-free" apartment.

Carson jumps at the offer. He gets his first mission when a couple is captured by Carrot's men while foraging for powdered milk. Carson efficiently dispatches Carrot's goons with his trusty knife. Unfortunately, he's too late to save the couple or their infant daughter.

Things get worse when Carrot's men invade Baron's compound to steal vegetables (you gotta love a movie that illustrates that it would take the end of the world to get us to appreciate eating our greens). Carson shows up in time to thrash most of the thugs, but he's too late to save Cal from getting tossed off a four-story roof.

This development spurs Baron to go for broke with a plan to save the earth. He instructs Carson to take the seeds, and the nine-month pregnant Melinda, out of the city. Baron opts to stay behind with his people, who are not in the plan. He stresses that the seeds are most important and to save them over Melinda if the situation demands it.

Carson agrees to the scheme but Baron pays a heavy price for being so selfless when he's stomped to death by his own people, who are too hungry to share his benevolence.

It all leads to a superb finale which finds Carson charging through the subway system with Melinda. Along the way he must take out Carrot's hoods, deliver a baby and chop off his own hand, but he's up to the job.

The final battle with Carrot is a humdinger and delivers on

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**HE WOULD YOU WANT TO KILL HIM?**

Cycling is one the best ways to improve your health, protect the environment and reduce consumption of foreign oil. But even if you don't ride a bike, you can help do your part by watching for cyclists on the road and driving with care. In Kentucky, bicycles have the same rights to use roads and highways as cars and trucks. But keep in mind that cyclists are at greater risk of injury or death in the event of a wreck. That is why it is important to use caution and courtesy when you encounter a bicycle. Pass them only when it is clear, give them a few extra feet when passing, and never do anything to startle a cyclist, such as blowing your horn, passing too close or yelling at them.

**Save a life. Share the road.**



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FLOYD COUNTY



# Faith and Family



## KIM'S KORNER Wheelwright invades Riverview

by KIM LITTLE FRASURE

Having the opportunity to visit Riverview Health Care Center recently brought a surprisingly feeling of home. Home, as in Wheelwright.

Several of the center's employees make the trek daily from good ol' Left Beaver to care for the residents at Riverview. Getting to see them was such a pleasure.



Kim Little Frasure was an entire

group of Wheelwright folks. Talk about feeling like you had just walked in on a reunion, I did.

There was Lois Curry, Ruby Bates, Phyllis Stone, Barbara Tackett, Pat Johnson, Jean Fick and Sissy Hall. As we stood talking and laughing, in walks another "Wheelwright person" delivering the Center's mail, Roy Haley.

"What in the world?" was the expression appearing on Roy's face as he walked in on all of us standing there catching up with one another. "Yep, Left Beaver's invaded Prestonsburg," I said.

There is something so special about babies and senior citizens. And when it comes to senior citizens and taking care of them, the love, compassion and activities planned for them amazes me when it comes to the likes of people like Missy Allen and Lois Curry.

Missy, administrator of Riverview Health Care Center, and Lois, director of Wheelwright's Senior Citizens, are two of the most remarkable women I have ever encountered.

What a blessing it was to witness both of them under the same roof. So many people have no idea the amazing activities that take place for Riverview's residents and senior citizens. Things such as helicopter rides, go-cart races, trips to Red River Gorge, mouthwatering breakfasts prepared for the residents, quilts that are handmade and absolutely beautiful, and these are but just a few examples.

It so warms the heart to witness and know there are people in this world engulfed with the love and compassion to care and share life and its glory with our senior citizens.

We truly do have angels on earth!

'Til next week, God's blessings.

## Group provides audio Bibles for troops

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — Fourth of July is when Americans celebrate their freedom and gather for cook outs, parades and fireworks. It's also a time to honor our nation's troops.

Faith Comes By Hearing, the world's foremost Audio Bible ministry, is honoring America's military through the Military BibleStick project.

"We felt burdened to bring the Word of God in audio to our troops," said Morgan Jackson, the ministry's international director. "So, we developed a special, portable Audio Bible for the military, loaded it with the entire New Testament and sent them to chaplains who contacted us and requested them."

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In fact, receiving free Audio Bibles has stirred many troops to write back. For example, an Army Sergeant in Iraq

said, "Thank you for sending the Audio New Testament. It's a fabulous idea. I enjoy listening when I need a quiet moment to reflect upon the Lord's words."

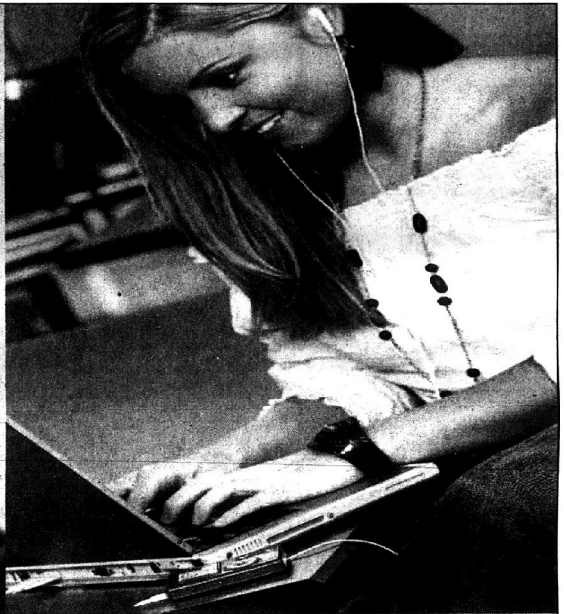
"Deployed troops live in cramped quarters," added Jackson. "It's difficult to get time alone. You're always around other people. Putting in earbuds and listening to the Bible can help you get away. Plus, it's dramatized with sound effects, music and multiple character voices."

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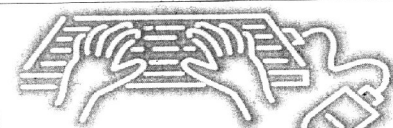
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358-3072 10am-6pm Mon-Sat.

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**NOTICE OF INTENTION**

**TO MINE Pursuant to Application No. 636-5036 Renewal No. 5**

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Premium Elkhorn Coal Corporation, P.O. Box 1028, 131 Big Bridge Road, McDowell, KY 41647, has filed for renewal of a permit for an underground coal mining operation, located 2.6 miles southeast of East McDowell, in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 2.22 surface acres, and will underlie 459.00 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 461.22 acres.

The proposed operation is approximately 0.9 mile east from KY 1929's junction with Ned Fork Road, and located 0.01 mile east of Ned Fork. The latitude is 37 degrees, 25 minutes, 13 seconds. The longitude is 82 degrees, 41 minutes, 22 seconds. The proposed operation is located on the McDowell U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Alvin

Gayheart and the Orbin Moore Heirs, c/o Nancy Hall. The operation will underlie land owned by Alvin Gayheart, Henry Keathley, John & Ida Mae, Keathley, Donna Terry, Wavis Alley, Ervin Page, Hazard Collins, William Blankenship, Ambrose Hall, Premium Elkhorn Coal Corporation, Samuel Hamilton, Curtis Tackett, Carmel & Marie Clark, and Dinah Martin. The operation will affect an area within 100 feet of Ned Fork Road. The operation will not involve the relocation of the public road.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, KY 41653-1410. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, No 2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, KY 40601-4321. This is the final advertisement of this application.

The proposed operation is approximately 0.15 mile southeast from Frasure Branch Road junction with KY Route 979, and located in Frasure Branch of Mud Creek. The proposed operation is located on the McDowell U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The operation will use the contour strip and high wall/auger method of mining. The surface area is owned by The Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC, Miller Bros. Coal LLC, et al., Charles & Melvina Tackett, Denzil Hall, Eric Frasure, Elisha Hall, Glenn Spradlin, Silas & Lona Akers, Doc Jr., & Debbie Reynolds.

tion; all comments, objections, and/or requests for a permit conference must be received within thirty (30) days of today's date.

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application No. 836-0362**

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Miller Bros. Coal, LLC, 1801 Watergap Rd. Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, has applied for a permit for a surface coal mining and reclamation operation, affecting 298.1 acres, and will underlie an additional 30.8 acres, located 0.8 mile southeast of Grethel, in Floyd County.

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Maggie Mitchell, Willis & Joyce Newman, Delmer & Orma Frasure, Milford Adams, Ed Moore and Betty Carol. The operation will underlie surface area owned by The Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC, Miller Bros. Coal LLC, et al., Charles & Melvina Tackett, Denzil Hall, Eric Frasure, Elisha Hall, Glenn Dale Spradlin, Silas & Lona Akers, Doc Jr., & Debbie Reynolds; Maggie Mitchell, Willis & Joyce Newman, Delmer & Orma Frasure, Milford Adams, Edgel Moore, and Betty Carol.

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**NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE Permit No. 836-0334 Phase I**

Gwen Justice, of 20 Sally Stephens Branch Road, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, hereby declares intention(s) to apply for a Retail Beer license(s). The business to be licensed will be located at Rt. 404, Blue River, Ky. 41607, doing business as Stop & Shop. The Owner, Principal Officers and Directors, Limited Partners or Members are as follows:

Owner, Gwen Justice of 20 Sally Stephens Branch Road, Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653. Any person, association, corporation, or body politic may protest the granting of the license(s) by writing the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control, 1003 Twilight Trail, Frankfort, Ky. 40601-8400, within 30 days of the date of this legal publication.

**Increments 3, 4, 23, 33, 34 Phase II Increments 2, 5, 8, 10, 19, 20, 21,**

In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Miller Bros. Coal, LLC, 1801 Watergap Rd. Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, has applied for Phase 1 Bond Release on permit number 836-0334. Increment Numbers 3, 4, 23, 33, 34 and Phase 2 bond releases on permit number 836-0334. Increment Numbers 2, 5, 8, 10, 19, 20, 21, which was last issued on 09-29-08. The application covers an area of approximately 849.28 acres located 2.79 miles northeast of Hueyville in Floyd County.

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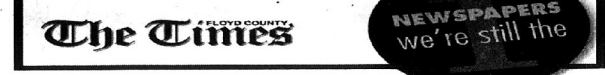
Bobby Boyd, DBA Bob's Bar-B-Q, 918 Clubhouse Drive, Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653, hereby declares intention(s) to apply for a Restaurant liquor by the drink license(s) no later than 07-17-09. The business to be located at 918 Clubhouse Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, doing business as Bob's Bar-B-Q. The owner's principal officers and directors, limited partners, or members are as follows:

Owner: Bobby Boyd of 307 Kati Street, Pikeville, Ky. 41501. Any person, association, corporation, or body politic may protest the granting of the license(s) by writing the Office of Alcoholic Beverage Control, 1003 Twilight Trail, Frankfort, Ky. 40601-8400, within 30 days of the date of this legal publication.



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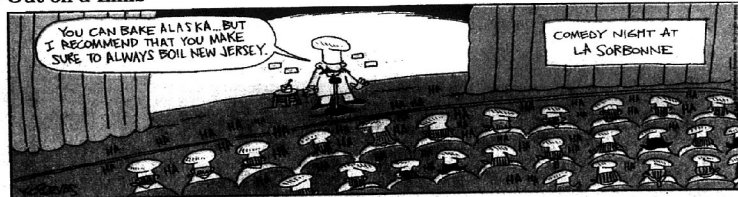
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Trivia test by Fifi Rodriguez

1. ASTRONOMY: The adjective "Jovian" is used in reference to which of the planets in our solar system?
2. TELEVISION: Who is the voice of Moe the bartender on "The Simpsons"?
3. MOVIES: Who plays the human mother of Spock in the 2009 movie version of "Star Trek"?
4. MYTHOLOGY: In Greek mythology, who rules the underworld?
5. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Which U.S. president died of pneumonia only 32 days after taking office?
6. LITERATURE: When was the novel "Goodbye, Columbus" by Philip Roth published?
7. FOOD & DRINK: What kind of food is a peanut (which isn't really a nut)?
8. EARTH SCIENCE: How much of the Earth's surface is covered by the oceans?
9. LANGUAGE: What is another name for a lexicon?
10. MATH: How many different symbols are used in Roman numerals?

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Answers

- AX NMY JARL
- WMGIDJQAQL DVG D
- WMODAQYL XMC KAJLI
- KAZVD DVG D KGLR NMY
- G JMQZIVMCLKGO?

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Trivial Test Answers

10	Seven
9	Dionotary
8	71 percent
7	Lesgume
6	William Henry Harrison
5	1959
4	Hades
3	Victoria Kade
2	Hank Azaria
1	Jupiter

King Crossword

Solution time: 25 mins.

2	6	4	1	9	3	8	7
6	3	5	7	2	8	6	1
7	8	1	6	3	4	9	5
5	2	3	8	4	9	7	6
8	1	6	2	7	3	5	4
4	7	9	5	6	1	2	3
1	6	4	3	8	7	1	9
1	9	7	4	3	8	6	2
3	5	8	9	1	2	4	7

Answer

Weekly SUDOKU

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answer  
if you like coastlines that continue for miles, might that make you a longshoreman?