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Who the heck is Bob Meyer?

by Scott Perry
Times Editor

Bob Meyer is neither a native nor a politician, but he is Floyd County's new judge-executive, and will be for the next eight months.

Meyer, 43, was sworn in Monday as Governor Brereton Jones' appointee to the post, left vacant by the February 25 death of Judge-Executive John M. Stumbo. In his first official act as judge, Meyer appointed Stumbo's widow, Pauline, as deputy judge-executive.

Though he has no background in politics, Meyer is no stranger to Floyd County government. Since 1985, he has been program director for the Big Sandy Area Development District, where he has worked with officials from the five-county region on a variety of projects and programs.

Meyer also served a stint during 1994 as the court-appointed custodian of Floyd County's solid waste program after that organization's board of directors was removed. He oversaw the privatization of that program. He has also been a key player in economic development projects in Floyd County, including the Mountain Arts Center now under construction and the development of an industrial development park at Ivel.

A Louisville native and a certified public accountant, Meyer came to Floyd County in 1976 as the director, Title VII Nutrition Program for Community Meals on Wheels, Inc. In that capacity, he implemented and managed a nutrition program for the elderly in the five-county Big Sandy region. In July, 1978 he moved to the Mountain Comprehensive Care Center as assistant to the director, leaving in 1979 to form Bentley Meyer Construction, in which he was a part owner and manager.

His educational background includes a Bachelor of Science degree in accounting from the University of Louisville, a year of law school at the University of Wisconsin, and successful completion of the Kentucky CPA exam.

Meyer, his wife Pamela, a Prestonsburg native, and daughters Kristin, 23, Emily, 11, and Ali, 6, live at Blue River.

Meyer to serve eight-month interim :

Don't expect miracles, judge says

by Susan Allen
Staff Writer

Floyd County's newly-appointed judge-executive hopes to get the ball rolling on several major issues facing county government, but has warned the public not to expect any miracles.

Judge-Executive Bob Meyer said Tuesday that one of his concerns with taking over the top spot in county government is that too much may be expected of him.

"What bothers me coming in is

that I have my own expectations and people seem to have fairly high expectations of myself," Meyer said. "I hope it's not unrealistic. In the next eight months I can't accomplish miracles. I will address the issues that I can and, obviously, there are some limitations."

Nevertheless, Meyer hopes to open the doors of county government to the citizens of the county; work toward speeding up the implementation of the 911 emergency service system; and to find out how the county

stands financially.

"I believe in an open government," Meyer said. "This is a public trust and the people have the right to know (about their government). One of the most significant things I've noticed is there is too much we/they and factionalism. There are a few folks with various and sundry agendas that have never been dealt with in (public).

"I want people to get to more of an open government," Meyer continued. "I want them to have a sense when

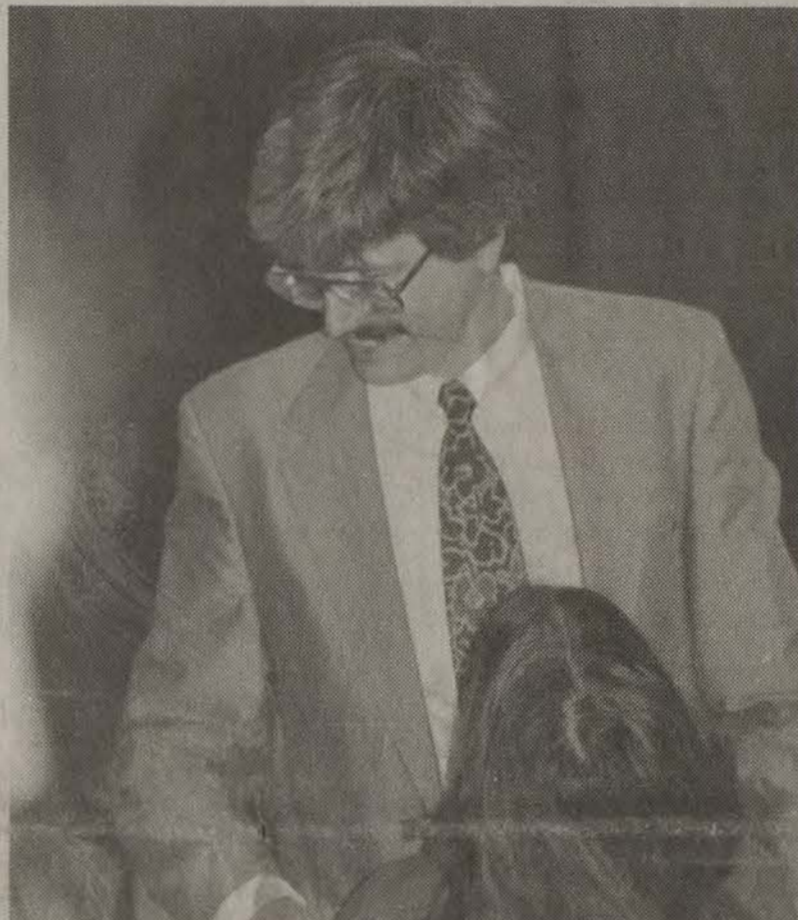
they talk to me or anyone else that there is real communication. That somebody is talking and listening to them."

Top priorities during Meyer's administration include getting the county's 911 emergency system up and running; continuing with the development of an industrial site at Ivel; finding ways to provide safe, clean drinking water for residents; and to determine whether the county can stand the financial strain of building a new \$15 million courthouse.

Meyer said he is not looking at the office beyond the eight months he has been appointed to serve and says he is not a politician.

"The political overtones (of the office) can be confusing," Meyer said. "Basically, that's not me. I've never been active in politics. (My getting the appointment) makes the most sense during this transitional period. The people can expect me to work hard and I have a fundamental belief

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Transition team

Bob Meyer, at right, was sworn in Monday as Floyd County Judge-Executive after being appointed to the post by Governor Brereton Jones. Meyer's first official act as judge-executive was to name Pauline Stumbo, at left, as deputy judge-executive. Stumbo is the widow of former Judge-Executive John M. Stumbo, who died last month. Meyer will serve as the county's chief officer until a successor is picked in the November general election. (photos by Scott Perry and Susan Allen)

KSP arson specialist an expert, judge rules

by Susan Allen
Staff Writer

A Kentucky State Police arson investigator will be allowed to testify as an expert in the murder trial of Lonnie Doug Neeley.

Floyd Circuit Judge John David Caudill ruled Friday that Barry McKenzie will be allowed to testify as an expert in the case, which is set for trial on May 8.

Neeley is accused of setting fire to a trailer at Prestonsburg in December 1988, which killed Tina Scott Kestner, 20. He was indicted in 1989 on a murder charge.

On February 24, a hearing was held before Judge Caudill and defense attorney Mike Williams argued that McKenzie did not follow standard police procedure during his investigation of the fire. Williams asked that McKenzie be prohibited from testifying as an expert during the murder trial.

Judge Caudill ruled that McKenzie has had extensive experience as an arson investigator and that the detective's experience, training and education "are matters to be considered by the jury in determining what weight and credibility to give his testimony."

At the February hearing, assistant commonwealth attorney Dan Rowland claimed that McKenzie had satisfactorily investigated the fire and he should be allowed to testify.

McKenzie testified that he took no samples of wood that remained after the mobile home had burned and that he was not certain what flam-

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Tax rate cut, but income is up

by Susan Allen
Staff Writer

Floyd County's board of education intends to lower the property tax rate this year, but the district will see an increase in revenues from property reassessments.

In special session Monday, board members declared their intent to set the property tax rate at 54.6 cents per \$100 valuation which includes 1.2 cents to make up for revenues lost due to exonerations. Last year's rate was 59.9 cents per \$100 valuation. Personal property rates will increase by 1.2 cents to 62.8 cents per \$100

valuation and motor vehicle rates will remain at 55.4 cents.

A public hearing on the proposed tax rates is set for 6 p.m. Tuesday,

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March 14 at Adams Middle School.

Superintendent Steve Towler told board members that the 54.6 cent rate will generate four percent more revenues from local taxes for the system.

the rates.

According to figures released by the Kentucky Department of Education, Floyd County's net assessment growth for 1994 is \$128,580,231,

which brings the total property valuation to \$813,611,397.

Also Monday, the board approved a \$1 million line of credit with Pikeville National Bank in order to meet the district's financial obligations until property tax revenues begin coming in.

Towler said that it could be mid-April or May before the district will see any revenues from property tax collections.

In other action, the board rescheduled the regular March board meeting from March 13 to March 14. The meeting is set to begin at 6:30 p.m. at Adams Middle School.

Soggy ground to blame for backup

by Janice Shepherd
Managing Editor

When it rains, it pours at the Floyd County Technical High School at Garth.

Thursday, the Floyd County Health Department investigated an anonymous report that sewage was overflowing in the school's bathrooms.

Russell Wallace, public health environmentalist at the health department, in his written inspection report on March 2 it indicated the problem occurred from surface water backing up through the drain field.

Principal Ronald Turner explained that surface water, not sewage, was backing up from drains in the bathroom floors.

Forest Porter, owner of Porter Plumbing Company, concurred with Turner and also explained that the commodes had overflowed due to recent heavy rainfall.

The rain and water run-off from a hill behind the vocational facility had saturated the school's sewage treatment system drain fields, causing the

commodes to overflow, Porter said. The principal had closed the bathrooms, he added.

Bathrooms in the nearby alternative school were available for student use, Turner said.

Previously, the run-off water from the hillside had flowed into a drain located behind the school and then out through a concrete culvert into a ditch. The constant flow of the run-off, though, eventually created its own path, Porter said.

To trace the run-off, Porter poured blue dye into the water and watched for it to surface. No blue dye flowed from the drainage line or surfaced in the septic system, but it did flow beneath the concrete drainage line, Porter said.

The concrete line passes near the septic drainage system and the heavy rainfall saturated the drainage field, he said.

"The septic tank can't leach. Once (the field) gets saturated, it lays in there and has nowhere to go," he explained.

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Drain opener

Mike Clifton, an employee of Porter Plumbing, shoveled dirt to uncover lines leading into a septic tank at the Floyd County Technical High School. The school experienced problems with its sewage system after run-off water saturated the lateral drainage field. Watching the work were the school's principal, Ronald Turner, in center, and Greg Adams, director of the facilities for Floyd County schools, right. (photo by Janice Shepherd)

Plea agreement is made in sex case

by Susan Allen
Staff Writer

A Floyd County man facing 86 sex-related charges has agreed to plead guilty to five charges.

Earl Rogers, 55, of Harold, was indicted last year on various charges of first degree sodomy, unlawful transaction with a minor, first degree sexual abuse and first degree rape for allegedly engaging in sexual activity with minors.

Rogers was set to go on trial Monday, but the start was delayed until Tuesday because of a conflict with Rogers' attorney, Floyd Circuit Judge John David Caudill said Monday.

Prior to the start of the trial, Rogers was offered a plea agreement which calls for him to plead guilty to two counts of first degree sodomy, two counts of second degree rape and one count of first degree sexual abuse. Rogers is to receive a 22-year prison term under the agreement.

Under the plea agreement, Rogers is to be sentenced to 10 years on each of the sodomy charges; five years on each of the rape charges and two

years on the sexual abuse charge. All other charges will be dismissed as part of the agreement.

The sentences on the sodomy charges will run concurrent, but consecutive to the other charges.

Formal sentencing has been set for March 24 before Judge Caudill.

Budget juggling is proposed by panel

by Alisa Goodwill
Staff Writer

Prestonsburg's finance and revenue committee met Monday at noon to discuss recommended changes for the 1994-95 fiscal year budget.

Council has asked each department to give \$1,000 toward the purchase of a new gas pump.

Estill Carter, chair of the finance and revenue committee, said the gas pump was not budgeted, but the old one needed to be replaced.

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Appeals court rules East Point couple live in Floyd

An East Point couple who have long contended they live in Johnson County lost another legal battle Friday, with the state Court of Appeals ruling that they reside in Floyd County.

The appellate court upheld a 1993 Johnson Circuit Court decision that concluded Bill and Malta Arms are residents of Floyd County. But an appeals judge indicated that the issue is far from over.

Johnson Circuit Judge Stephen N. Frazier based his May 1993 ruling, in part, on a survey conducted by Bocook Engineering, which found that the Arms home was located 497 feet inside Floyd County.

Frazier's declaratory judgment was the result of a federal lawsuit the Armses filed in 1992 against Johnson County election officials. They claimed their civil rights had been

violated because they were not allowed to vote in Johnson County elections.

As part of a settlement in that suit, a federal judge allowed the couple to vote until a circuit court decision was rendered determining their residency.

After his ruling, Frazier denied a request by the couple to establish the boundary line between Johnson and Floyd counties, saying he was "not

under an obligation" to determine the line for the entire East Point precinct.

In a 2-1 decision, the Court of Appeals said Frazier's findings "were not clearly erroneous." The court dismissed arguments by the Armses that Frazier failed to follow the federal court's directive, noting that the lawsuit by the county election board requested that the trial court establish

the boundary line between the two counties in relationship to the couple's residence, and to declare the Armses residents of Floyd County.

"That being so, it follows that once the trial court determined the limited issues which were raised by the appellee's pleading," the appellate court said, "all of the matters before it had been addressed and the court

did not err by failing to make additional findings of fact."

In addition, the court ruled that Frazier did not err in his failure to add additional parties to the suit, including Floyd County. The court said the Armses improperly presented the specific issue to the trial court.

But in a dissenting opinion, Judge A.M. Wilhoit said the failure to make Floyd County a party to the suit could result in future legal problems.

"It has been determined that the appellants are residents of Floyd County in an action to which Floyd County was not a party and by the judgment in which it cannot be bound," Wilhoit wrote. "The officials of Floyd County are still free to take the position that the appellants are not residents of that county, leading to an absurd situation and further litigation."

Budget

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The following changes are amendments to the budget recommended by the committee to reflect the gas pump purchase and for other needed transfers:

Public works may drop expenses for a garage addition, vehicle hoist, garbage truck and cart tipper until the next fiscal year.

The \$33,000 that would have gone toward those projects will be put toward the purchase of a backhoe; \$1,000 toward the gas pump and the remaining money into areas that need it.

The police department can shift \$1,000 from payroll for the gas pump.

The fire department can transfer \$7,500 from the volunteer firefighter fund for the gas pump and for the purchase of the fire chief's truck. This will leave \$5,577 in the volun-

teer firefighter fund to finish out the fiscal year.

The committee also recommended raising commercial fire subscription rates by roughly ten percent.

Other items discussed include the Goble Roberts drainage project and a conservation project at Archer Park and West Prestonsburg.

Mayor Jerry Fannin said the government grant for the Goble Roberts project must be shown in an updated version of the budget for this fiscal year.

The conservation project at Archer Park and West Prestonsburg, which will take care of erosion problems at these sites, is a joint effort between the USDA Soil and Conservation group and the city of Prestonsburg.

The project is 75 percent funded by a government grant and 25 percent from Prestonsburg.

The bids for this project have totaled \$327,000 which means Prestonsburg's share will be \$81,000.

Mayor Fannin said that money should come from other sources like the emergency road fund and FEMA. He also said the project must be completed by the end of the fiscal year according to the grant requirements.

Backup

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The plumbing company plans to correct the problem by compacting dense grade gravel underneath the drainage lines and building up the area around the septic tank.

Principal Turner and Greg Adams, director of facilities for Floyd County schools, said they plan to watch for a possible overflow from a dike also located near the drainage field.

Adams said the work on the septic system would begin Wednesday morning if the flash floods predicted Tuesday did not materialize.

Judge

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in honesty and objectivity."

Governor Brereton Jones appointed Meyer to the post Monday, replacing former Judge-Executive John M. Stumbo, who died last month. Meyer was administered the oath of office Monday afternoon by Floyd Circuit Judge John David Caudill.

Meyer will serve until the November general election when residents will choose his successor. Members of the Republican and Democratic executive committees will announce candidates for the post, who will square off in November.

Expert

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able substance was used to start the fire.

Police theorize that Neeley, who lived near the trailer, went to the residence two hours prior to the fire and doused the place with kerosene. Neeley, police allege, returned to the scene and ignited the kerosene while Kestner was in the home.

Firefighters did not discover Kestner's body in the remains until the following day.

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Schools should send teams of at least three people to be eligible for the grants. Forward in the Fifth Executive Director Ginny Eager said, "by sending teams of three to five people, schools will benefit more from this training session rather than just sending individuals." The workshop is limited to the first 150 people who register.

The workshop will feature speakers from the Prichard Committee, Kentucky Association of Schools Councils and Kentucky PTA. Other activities on the agenda include a panel discussion, site team brainstorming and breakout sessions on grant writing and other topics.

Forward in the Fifth has awarded parental involvement grants the past several years. The grants, along with this workshop, are designed to get more parents involved with education.

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The Public Notice for the Floyd County Board of Education in the classified section of this issue is incorrect, this is the revised version.

REVISED PUBLIC NOTICE

The Floyd County Board of Education will hold a public hearing at Adams Middle School on March 14, 1995 at 6:00 p.m. to hear public comments regarding a proposed general fund tax levy of 54.6 cents for real property and 62.8 cents for personal property.

The general fund tax levied in fiscal year 1993-94 was 59.9 cents and produced revenue of \$3,783,933. The proposed General Fund tax rate of 54.6 cents for real property is expected to produce \$3,477,706 and the rate of 62.8 cents for personal property is expected to produce 1,109,482 based on available information concerning collection rates.

The general areas to which revenue in excess of 1993-94 revenue is to be allocated are as follows: Approximately \$170,000 to fund additional construction and \$170,000 to fund added cost of instruction and equipment.

The compensating tax rate for 1994-95 is 51.4 cents for real property and should produce \$3,273,883 and 61.6 cents for personal property which should produce \$1,088,281 based on available information concerning collection rates.

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By: Gary Parsons, Division of Finance

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What about Bob?

by Scott Perry

In the movie *What About Bob?*, Bill Murray is a fruitcake who moves in with his psychiatrist and who proceeds to drive the shrink crazy while charming the daylight out of the rest of his family.

Bob Meyer, Floyd County's new judge-executive, is no nut case, but he's subject to drive the county's political establishment over the edge.

Meyer is not just a non-politician in a highly political position; he's a man of principle, integrity, and honesty.

He brings no political baggage along; he has no particular promises to keep.

He's shown a knack, too, for bringing a businesslike approach to resolving sticky situations.

His interim management of the Floyd County Solid Waste Program and the privatization of that program is a good ex-

ample of his abilities.

Don't count on Bob Meyer becoming Floyd County's knight in shining armor.

He doesn't have all the answers or enough time to implement them if he did.

If he accomplishes nothing more than opening county government to participation from the general public, he's done a great deal...and a great deed.

If you know Bob Meyer, you know that's a real possibility.

He works hard; he believes in honesty, objectivity and open government and he believes that the office he now holds is a public trust.

He wasn't elected and he won't be around all that long, but he may be with us long enough to charm you and maybe even spoil you on the way government of, by, and for the people ought to work.

Don't expect miracles. But count on a change of pace.

Letters to the editor

Letters To The Editor

Letters to the Editor are welcomed by the *Floyd County Times*. In accordance with our editorial page policy, all letters must include the signature, address and telephone number of the author. Letters must be received no later than 10 a.m. Tuesday for publication in Wednesday's issue and 10 a.m. Thursday for Friday's issue. Letters may be sent to Editor, The *Floyd County Times*, P.O. Box 391, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Letters may be edited for clarity and length.

Reader opposes PHS renovation project

Editor:

This is in support of the Letter to the Editor in the March 1, 1995 edition of the *Floyd County Times* written by Judy Combs. I am also outraged by the proposed renovation. When the renovation project was proposed we felt there was no other way to get a new school for the Prestonsburg area. Rumor has it that things have changed.

We have a strong reason to believe we can purchase quality, usable property within the existing city limits. When you talk about renovation of our existing school you really need to take a good look at the shape it's in.

There are asbestos tiles in the classrooms that have yet to be removed, windows that need to be replaced, leaks in the ceiling, cracks in the walls, exposed wiring, and uneven floors. This is NOT due to a lack of janitorial services. There is no handicap access to the school, there are ramps but they do not meet federal codes.

The problems have not occurred overnight but have taken place over a number of years. For the most part, parents don't realize the condition P.H.S. is actually in.

Therefore, I strongly urge all parents to attend the upcoming Prestonsburg High School PTO tour of the existing facilities, date to be announced in the near future by way of radio and Floyd County Times.

I also encourage everyone whose child is a current P.H.S. student as well as the parents of children who attend Adams, Allen and Auxier, to attend the next Floyd County School Board meeting to be held Tuesday, March 14, 1995 at 6:30 p.m. at Adams Middle School.

Our students deserve a better building than the criminals of Floyd County. In order to bring our kids into the 21st century our teachers need the proper tools, technology and laboratory equipment to enable them to steer our students in the right direction and prepare them for what is ahead. For the most part, P.H.S. and Floyd County has some of the best educators statewide. Let's give them a chance!

The decisions that will be made shortly will affect our children and community for the next 20-30 years. It is NEVER too early to become involved. If we do not act now it may be too late.

Vicki B. Brown
Prestonsburg

Out of step with sports

Editor:

In reference to Allen Osborne's letter dated February 24, 1995, in regard to "All-Tourney" trophies, I have discovered, also, that it is okay for "less intelligent people" to disagree on issues.

I played basketball in high school for four years back in the '60s and without receiving one trophy. Watching my teammates receive trophies did not slow me down one bit and without having any jealousy, I loved to play the game.

I have three daughters who play basketball, Misty (18), Jessica (13), and Kim (8), and these girls give it 110 percent, not just in practices or games, but also they get coaching at home. They lend their free time to their mom and me to hear what we have to offer in words to try to improve their game. To take away their trophies would be a tradition disgrace.

To me sports is a defense against drugs. It gives these kids something to do with their free time. If we can't replace this free time with say, sports, then believe me they will use it in a way that we, as parents, may not like, such as drugs.

If we cut anything, let's cut the size of the trophies and just maybe we can afford every player a trophy.

Mr. Osborne, I know you have heard the old saying, "Everyone is out of step, but my little Johnny (Allen). Let's don't take away those kids encouragement whether it be a blue ribbon or a trophy.

Gregory Clark
Betsy Layne

Thanks for making county grade school tournament a success

Editor:

The Floyd County Grade School Basketball Tournament hosted by Betsy Layne Elementary was very successful.

A special thank-you to all the hard working teachers, secretarial staff, and parents who voluntarily worked this tournament.

With the guidance and support of our principal, Karen Allen, we were able to host this county tournament in a professional manner with a tournament atmosphere.

Coaches, cheerleader sponsors, basketball players, and most impor-

tantly, fans, we thank you for your sportsmanship and loyalty to your team. You are to be commended.

Our sincere thanks to the First Commonwealth Bank for donating the trophies for the tournament. Thanks to Rax Restaurant and Food City for sponsoring the hospitality room. Thank you, Coca Cola and Pepsi Cola, for the donations of soft drinks.

It would be impossible to thank everyone who helped make this tournament a success, but we would like to thank Sandy Brooks, Debbie Hamilton, Delores Knauz, and the student council at Betsy Layne Elementary. Thank you, Ann Blackburn, for the beautiful artwork on the towels presented to each team.

Thank you, teachers, for volunteering your precious time to help assure this tournament would be the best ever!

We sincerely apologize for the parking difficulties and the problems with handicap parking. As you know, the construction of the new Betsy Layne Elementary has created many obstructions to parking. This will be corrected in the near future and we will again be proud to host the tournament at Betsy Layne in 1995-96. For your patience, we thank you.

Ed Taylor, what can we say about You? It was all said with the plaque presented to you by the Auxier girls basketball team. You are definitely loved by the student athletes in this county. Keep up the good work! We know that love is not taken lightly by you. You have proved your love and dedication to all Floyd County student athletes.

See you next year!

Dwight Newsome
Tom Pack
Tournament managers

Elementary is among places of the heart

Editor:

The John T. Arnett Elementary staff, P.T.A., and interested community members want to thank you for your recent publication of your editorial, "Places of the heart."

We are currently trying to prevent our elementary school from closing. The John T. Arnett Elementary has been at the current location since 1957. Our school is the most notable landmark in Southeastern Magoffin County. It acts as a community center for our whole neighborhood. When

(See Letters A 5)

EDITORIAL DEADLINES

WEDNESDAY EDITION:

Lifestyles, Business, all pictures 5 p.m. Friday
Obituaries, Calendar items 10 a.m. Tuesday
(Calendar items, reunions, meetings, special classes, will appear in the Wed. and Fri. editions only prior to the event.)

FRIDAY EDITION:

News copy, all pictures 5 p.m. Wednesday
Obituaries, Calendar items 10 a.m. Thursday
Note: News articles of events more than three months old will not be published. All copy will be edited for clarity and length.

Coffee Break

by Scott Perry

The balanced budget amendment appears to be history, meaning Congress won't be required by law any time soon to make their payouts match their income.

Just because the Constitution doesn't say they have to use fiscal responsibility to manage the fiscal affairs of the country doesn't mean Congress shouldn't...or can't.

All our leaders have to do is decide they're not going to spend more than they take in.

They'd be a lot more representative of the general public if they employed such financial judgment.

Of course if we knowingly write cold checks, we're subject to go directly to jail, without passing go, and so on and so on.

Our Congressmen, on the other hand, get paid to bounce checks and re-elected on their ability to make the most sufficient use of insufficient funds.

Odd, isn't it?

Just as the Constitution is no place for legislating common sense, it is likewise no place for mandating morality.

We tried that already with the 18th Amendment, which gave us 14 years of prohibition.

The moral issue of current favor involves an amendment that would legitimize school prayer, but it's really a political issue that has nothing to do with religion.

Those folks who are sincere about their faiths know full well that they need no congressional authorization to pray when and wherever they choose and that validation of their devotion by the United States government isn't likely to give anyone any extra pull with St. Peter.

Besides, when the time comes for that encounter, we suspect our

actions will speak louder than our words.

Anyway, we ought to be devoting more of our attention these days to what should be taken out of our schools rather than what we might put in.

Drug use is a serious threat that does not make a distinction between big cities and small towns.

The drugs kids are using these days are much more potent and addictive than ever before and experimentation just for the fun of it can easily lead to a life of misery.

School officials and parents need to realize that while we may be isolated from many of the problems faced by urban schools, we are not immune to them.

If we have just one crack cocaine user in our schools, we have the makings of an epidemic.

We can either face the facts now, or face the music later.

Let's apply some reason to this emotional debate over eliminating federal supervision of school meal programs.

Critics of the plan say that capping the amount of money for free lunches and breakfasts and turning management over to the states will cause hundreds of kids to go hungry.

They base that argument on the accurate premise that as food costs rise, less food can be purchased and distributed to needy children. Nutrition will suffer, too, they say, because states will have to purchase lower quality foods to meet needs and match available finances.

Well, all that is possible, but only if we allow it to be.

The U.S. is the number one producer and exporter of food in the world.

In 1993, the government paid out more than \$13 billion in subsidies of one sort or another to farmers.

So why can't we require them to allocate a percentage of their products toward a foodbank for the needy in exchange for government assistance?

Why can't we determine exactly how much food it will take to feed those who can't afford to feed themselves and just take it right off the top of our national production?

The way we figure it, it will take about three percent of our annual national food production to underwrite the school lunch and breakfast program.

That's about one egg out of every three dozen.

Contribute that to a food bank, and the only one who suffers is the hen.

Courthouse News

PROPERTY TRANSFERS

Bill M. DeRossett Jr. and Malta DeRossett, David H. and Shirley DeRossett, Jeffery and Reva DeRossett, Michael and Shellia DeRossett, and Julia and Charles Patton to Charles D. and Eulavene Hunt, property on Left Fork of Bull Creek;

Draxie Slone to Jimmie Slone, property location not listed; Ernest and Patty Ann Collins to Emma Lackey, property location not listed;

Rita Gale Hamilton to David and Janice Marie Hamilton, property location not listed; Westmoreland Coal Sales Company Inc. to Knott Floyd Land Company, property location not listed;

Larney and Barbara Mercer and Carl T. and Betty Louise Patton to Larney and Barbara Mercer, commissioner's deed to property, location not listed;

Emma and Phillip Nelson to Malcolm Layne, property in the Rolling Acres Estates; Arnold and Eunice Hall to Michael and Jennifer Crum, property on Buck's Branch of Beaver Creek;

Beaver Baptist Church to Clifford and Draxie Reynolds, Marcum and Gilva Reynolds, Effort and Venis Reynolds, Evenlean Akers, Timothy Paul and Shirley May Reynolds, Kathryn and Paul Tackett, and Joseph Jr. and Charlotte Sue Reynolds, property location not listed;

Ronnie and Bonnie Sexton, Audary and Lowell Minnix, Betty and Don Burkett, Ralph and Mary Sexton, Clyde and Carolyn Sexton, Calvin and Betty Sexton, Arnold and Candy Sexton, Bonnie and Clyde Roberts, David and Lisa Sexton, and Sherra Sexton to Carrie Edsall, property location not listed;

Lowell Mitchell to Unisign Corporation, property location not listed; Cline and Georgia Mitchell to Unisign Corporation, property on Big Mud Creek;

S.S.S. & P. Inc. to Paul M. and Dianna K. Coleman, property on Mare Creek; Astor Clay to Jerry Thomas Case, property on Right Fork of Beaver Creek;

Nora Tackett, Hazel McAmore, Laura Jean Tackett, Haywood Tackett and J.B. Tackett to Jay B. Tackett, property at Mud Creek; Wesley and Marie Blackburn to Steven Blackburn, property location not listed;

Ronald Adis and Katrina Ousley, Loretta Ousley Patino, Carolyn Ousley Flores and Felipe Flores, and Millard Mayse Sr. to Roger and Margie Reynolds, property location not listed;

Pamela Jean Salisbury to Norma Jean Salisbury, property at the head of Sizemore Branch; Lorraine Martin and William Waun, Leonard L. and Jeannie Martin, and Marvin L. and Rene Martin to Windell E. and Lora Jean Stratton, property at Ivel; Dave Cooley to David Charles and Virginia Cooley, property on Right Beaver Creek at Estill; Thomas R. and Earlene Nelson to Timothy R. and Rhonda Nelson, property on Prater Creek;

Ismael and Anna Honeycutt to Gene and Shirley Honeycutt, property location not listed; Josephine Richardson to Phyllis A. Gamel, property location not listed; Bank One, Lexington, NA to Jeffrey L. and Gwendolyn Hall, property location not listed; Henry and Rethel Meade to Lana Kay King, property location not listed;

Thompson's Supermarkets Inc. to Paul Ward Thompson Trust, property in Wheelwright; The Diane S. Spradlin Revocable Living Trust to Larry L. Spradlin, property location not listed;

Jeannette Spradlin and James F. Craycraft Jr. to Larry L. Spradlin, property on Cliff Road; J & R Construction Company Inc. to Jerry and Sarah DeRossett, property in West Prestonsburg;

Ireland Donnie and Elizabeth Lowe to Tyrone and Patty Ann Morris, property up Blue River Branch; Paul Phillip and Bonnie Hughes and Estill Lee and Peggy Carter to Wantanee Chalothorn, property on corner of Davis Street and Short Street;

David C. and Janice B. Childers to Jim and Wanda Williams, property on Pinhook Branch; Mark D. Perkins to Lisa Diane Daniels, property at Garrett;

Gerald and Charlotte Gail George to John C. and Ruth Justice, property on Middle Creek; Della Frasure and William Hitchcock to Bobby W. and Scott Wells, property on River Plains Estates;

Marjorie E. Gunnell, Kathy Sue and William T. Goble, and Linda Lou and Michael Spradlin to David and Lois May, property location not listed;

Mearl Music and Bob and Greta D. Music to Robert W. and Lawanna Mullins, property on Little Point; Lucian Lafferty Jr. and Hettie Lafferty Delong to Ben M. Smith, property in

Prestonsburg;

Thelma Music to Big Branch Development Company Inc., property on Big Branch of Abbott Creek; Georgean and Hillard Cecil to Hillard Cecil Jr., property location not listed;

Robert Lee and Elaine Slone to Billy Joe Slone, property location not listed; The First Commonwealth Bank of Prestonsburg to Terry R. and Patricia J. Woods, property location not listed;

Clyde and Carolyn Meadows, Betty Jo and Glen Beverly, Edith and Jerry Butcher, Donna Sue and Bert Sturgill, Monroe "Monty" and Bambi Boyd, Beth Boyd Wilson and Timothy Wilson, and Brenda Spurlock as guardian of Shannon and Jamie Spurlock to Ralph B. Davis Jr. and Anna E. Davis; property in Prestonsburg;

Isabelle Prater to Elmer and Mary Prater, property on Right Beaver Creek; Donna C. Slone, Silas Slone, Brenda C. Hunter, Ron Hunter, Jeffrey D. and Cynthia Campbell to Thomas and Janice Hackworth, property at Allen;

Agnes Kidd to Edgar J. Crucey, property location not listed; Gale Collins to Birdie Collins, property on Frasures Creek of Left Beaver;

Don and Ellen Holbrook, Larry and Mary Holbrook, and Patsy and Don Wells to William C. and Angie Hart, property on Right Fork of Middle Creek, in Rough and Tough

Branch;

James L. and Gertrude Adkins to Clevetta Boyd, property location not listed; Earl and Maewood Mead to James and Sharon Mead, property location not listed;

Astor Clay Collins to Ralph and Joy L. Clark, property location not listed; Grace and Sam Leslie to Epp Banks, property location not listed;

Delmar and Lillian Baldrige, Patty and Bill Spradlin, Hattie and O.R. Howard, Bonnie and Paul Hughes, Barbara and Jerry Meek and Harold and Inez Baldrige to Roy E. and Monnette N. Sturgill, property on Alley Fork, East Point;

A. J. and Catherine D. Wright to Charlotte Rose Wright Nye, property on Bull Creek; M. L. Tackett to M. L. and Judy Tackett, property location not listed;

Ralph Allen, and Kent and Wilma Lambert to Pauline Allen, property location not listed; Donald Ray and Darlene Newsome to Kermit Newsome Jr. and Joella Gaye Newsome, property near Teaberry;

Cleo and Ruby Johnson to John T. and Dana L. Holland, property on Paint Creek; James Colonel and Audrey Cline to David and Linda Bowling, property on Abbott Creek;

Mary Baldrige to Earl Baldrige Jr., Linda J. Bowling, Billy W. Baldrige, Marvallene Lapp, and Ralph V. Baldrige, property location not listed.

The Numbers Game: Kentucky Lottery Results

Saturday's Results
March 4

LOTTO KENTUCKY 02-10-14-30-35-42

Next Estimated Jackpot \$2.5 million

POWERBALL 08-23-32-36-41 (40)

Next Estimated Jackpot \$3 million

-Letters to the editor

Reader is outraged by area gas prices

our school is closed, our students (K-6) will have to travel a long distance to the next elementary school at Royalton.

Recently while attending a P.T.A. meeting, a parent gave me a copy of your editorial and asked that I read it to the many community people who were so interested in saving their school-day memories, the memories of their children's school days, as well as the memories of their grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

My son found a brick outside that was a part of the original building. I held the brick as I read the editorial. This was a very moving moment. Many people had tears in their eyes as they remembered what our school means to them. We had many guests at our meeting: our county judge, magistrates, local board members, and members of the local school planning committee to name a few. I sincerely hope my reading of your editorial made an impact on them.

Thank you again for your beautiful editorial.

May your prayers be with us as we strive to protect our school. Our memories are important but not nearly as important as the future of the young people in our community.

Sherry H. Risner
Primary teacher
J.T.A. Elementary

Editor:

In reading the Ashland Daily Independent about Pikeville citizens group concerning the gasoline prices, all Eastern Kentucky should be concerned.

They have all our crude oil as far as Hazard. You can buy gas cheaper

in Virginia and Lexington than you can in Floyd and surrounding counties.

I think the leaders we send to Frankfort should take care of it. We send them there to look after our interest.

Hang in there, a lot of people in Floyd County are on your side.

W. T. Foley
Prestonsburg



The massive earthquake that shook much of the city of Kobe to the ground was the most destructive to strike Japan in 70 years. In 1923, an earthquake and fire killed 140,000 people in Tokyo and Yokohama

PTA draws awareness to inhalants

PTAs across the country are alerting parents, school officials and community leaders that inhalant abuse is on the rise among youth. The danger of the substance is the focus of the National PTA's 10th Annual Alcohol and Other Drug Awareness Week, March 6-10.

A study released by the University of Michigan in December shows a significant increase in the use of marijuana, cocaine, and inhalants among children. The recent statistics coincide with changing attitudes among teens that the risk in using drugs is minimal.

"The increase of inhalant abuse is especially alarming," says Kathryn Whitfill, president of the National PTA. "There are nearly 1,400 chemicals which can be 'huffed' or 'sniffed' in almost every child's home."

Inhaling daily household products to produce a quick high has become increasingly common, particularly among younger children. Inhalant use tends to occur early, with peak initiation rates in grades six through nine. Children as young as 10 are experimenting with inhalants without realizing the immediate and long-term dangers.

"Inhalants are often the first substance young people try because they are easy to get, inexpensive and difficult to detect," Whitfill adds. "Parents need to educate themselves on all substances so they can provide clear and consistent messages to their children about the dangers of inhalants and the fact that using them even once can be fatal."

The National PTA offers parents the following suggestions:

- *Be a positive role model by practicing responsible behavior in relation to alcohol consumption and use of over-the-counter and prescription medications.

- *Talk to your child about substance abuse issues that concern you.
- *Know your child's friends.

- *Educate your child about inhalant abuse, and that the ramifications of experimenting may include death.
- *Be clear on stating rules and limits.

- *Order the National PTA brochure, "A Family With Drug-Free Children and Teens" by calling your state or local PTA.

Drug and Alcohol Awareness Week is a reminder that substance abuse among children and youth requires our attention every single day of the year. Contact your local PTA for more information on how you can help children avoid alcohol and other drugs.

The National PTA and its nearly 7 million members work on behalf of children and families to help parents develop the skills they need to raise and protect their children. The PTA also encourages parent and community involvement in education and acts as a voice for families and children in school, the community and before governmental agencies.

Grants available to reduce energy use in existing buildings

Kentucky businesses and local governments can compete for nearly \$6.5 million in national financial assistance awards for projects that will reduce energy use in existing commercial buildings and multifamily residential housing.

The Rebuild America Program of the U.S. Department of Energy (USDOE) expects to increase energy efficiency in buildings across the country by the year 2005. The program is seeking applications from interested regional or community-wide public/private sector consortia for the approximately \$5.5 million to \$6.5 million that will be distributed nationwide among awardees.

The goals of the program are:

- * apply retrofit energy efficiency improvements to a large portion of the total floorspace in existing commercial buildings and existing multifamily residential housing within their community or region prior to the fifth year after the award date;
- * improve the energy efficiency of buildings treated by an average of at least 25 percent;
- * integrate and enhance existing capital investment resources and energy efficiency improvement programs in the community or region;
- * ensure that the activities initiated through the consortium will continue without further USDOE funding after the expiration of the term of the award.

Each consortium must include a state or local government organization. The Kentucky Division of Energy (phone numbers listed above) is willing to serve as a partner in any Kentucky consortium that submits an application.

A complete application packet may be obtained by sending a request by letter or fax to Matt Barron, DOE Golden Field Office, 1617 Cole Boulevard, Golden, CO 80401; Fax (303) 275-4790 or (303) 275-4788.

Applications are due by 3:00 p.m. Mountain Standard Time on April 28.

Student registration begins March 27 for summer sessions

All currently enrolled University of Kentucky students who plan to attend the 1995 Summer Sessions and/or Fall Semester should register March 27-April 14, according to UK registration officials.

Students who do not register for fall by April 14 must late register beginning the first day of classes and pay a non-refundable \$40 fee.

"Students should 'priority register' to have a much better chance of getting the classes they need and want, and to avoid the \$40 fee," said Lisa Collins, assistant registrar for registration.

Before registering, undergraduates must receive academic advising. Students registering in March and April should use UK-VIP, the telephone registration system, during the three-day registration primary window assigned to them.

For security, students must change their personal access code (PAC) from their birthdate to a four-digit code. Students should record their code for future use because registration officials cannot release that information over the phone, Collins said.

Those who do not register in advance may not register until the first day of classes.

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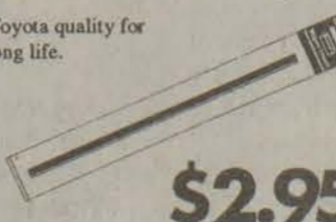
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P'burg dance team heads for nationals

Twelve members of the Prestonsburg High School Dance Cats competed in C.O.A.'s State-Wide Dance Team/Cheerleading Competition on November 12 in Lexington. Fifteen squads from across the state competed, with the Dance Cats beating all other dance teams that day.

The squad scored high enough to qualify for the national competition in Jacksonville, Florida in March.

Members of the dance team are Melissa Barrowman, Angelia Neeley, Leigh Billips, Kate Hyden, Lesley Stout, Tiffany Vaughan, Ginger Hall, Barbie Mullins, Leah Daniels, Jessi Burke, Shelly Price and Jilley Brown.

They are coached by Beth Hall.



Competes in finals

Michael Halfhill Jr., son of Mike and Peggy Halfhill of Prestonsburg, has been selected to compete in the finals of the Governor's School For The Arts. Over 1,400 applicants participated and only 400 were selected. The finals will be completed in March at Louisville's Kentucky Center for the Arts.

Council of math teachers will hold spring conference

The Eastern Kentucky Council of Teachers of Mathematics will hold its Seventh Annual Spring Conference on Thursday, April 13, at the May Lodge and Wilkinson-Stumbo Conference Center at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park.

Conference check-in time will begin at 3:15 p.m. with all sessions starting promptly at 4 p.m. Dinner will be served in the Conference Center at 6 p.m. and the after-dinner speaker will be Dr. Ed Reidy, Deputy Commissioner for the Bureau of Learning Results Services, Kentucky Department of Education. Dr. Reidy is Kentucky's foremost authority on assessment and K.E.R.A.

A registration form for the conference must be completed by each individual planning to attend and returned with appropriate fees (\$18 for teachers or administrators and \$15 for students) by Friday, March 24. There will be no on-site registration. All participants will be issued a certificate of attendance and the E.K.C.T.M. has the authority to award administrators leadership development credit.

In addition to Dr. Reidy, P-5 session speakers will be Linda Cannon a PRISM Instructional Technology Specialist in the Ashland Independent System and Debbie Head and Libby Pollett of Head-Pollett Consultants, co-authors of Opening Eyes to Mathematics.

The 6-8 grade level session speaker will be Jan Broyles from the Kentucky Department of Education. Jan is a former middle school math teacher from Oldham County.

Secondary session speakers include Ann Evans, Tammy Goble, and Mike Hughes all of whom are PRISM Instructional Technology Specialists. The college level session speakers are Dr. Roger Hammonds from Morehead State University and Dr. Jeff Laub from Alice Lloyd College.

Free vacations aren't really free, says BBB

Spring break is just around the corner, along with the traditional annual pilgrimage south. It is also the season for free vacation offers.

Typically, you are told by telephone or mail that you have won a free vacation for two, provided you pay a service fee of \$35 to \$75. Those taking the offer later encounter a variety of problems, such as additional fees, lack of transportation, inflated claims for inexpensive gambling coupons, and even ineligibility because of age.

Also, be careful about free or cheap vacations to Florida. Almost none of the trips pay your travel. Accommodations are usually not at the better hotels. Remember, if something seems too good to believe, it usually is.

Do yourself a favor and call your area Better Business Bureau at 1-800-866-6668, or call the Attorney General's Free Hotline at 1-800-432-9257.

Retail, restaurant and school inspections

Russell Wallace and John L. Bailey, health environmentalists, public health inspectors at the Floyd County Health Department

February 27-March 6

• Floyd County Technical High School, Garth (not rated): Responding to complaint concerning sewage overflowing in the restrooms. Problem was from surface water backing up through the lateral drain field and into the septic tank.

Correction will be that a new drain is installed to shed surface water. Investigation conducted revealed contractor Porter Plumbing taking care of problem.

• Lake View Mart, Prestonsburg (97 in deli) and (94 in retail): Salt stored on floor. No self-closing door and no covered garbage can in restroom. Floor in bad repair. Wall in walk-in cooler in bad repair.

• Conn Grocery, Banner (90 in retail): Meat display, refrigeration display case has no thermometer. Potatoes and other food items stored on the floor. Shelves of the walk-in cooler rusted and in bad repair.

No three-compartment sink in the meat processing section. Restroom had no self-closing door. Floors in bad repair. Floor of walk-in refrigerator in bad repair. Lights in meat processing area not shielded.

• KORC Cardinal Mart, Stanville (94 in deli) and (96 in retail): Refrigeration and freezer units have no conspicuous thermometer. Improper dish washing procedure — should be wash, rinse and sanitize.

Also three-compartment sink has no drain boards. Facility needs to procure chlorine test strips. Restroom has no self-closing door. Floors in moderate state of bad repair.

Inspector's note: Temperatures of all hot foods are either at or in excess of the requirements.

• Variety Mart, Tram (98 in retail): Floors in bad repair. Walls and ceilings in bad repair.

Inspector's note: Retail sales very limited. Facility operates primarily at a pawn shop and sells very little grocery items.

• Viola Bailey Memorial Community Center, McDowell Senior Citizens Center, McDowell (94): Proper hair restraints not in use. Chipped dishes observed in storage cabinet. Wiping cloths not in sanitary solution. No hand towels at the hand wash sink.

• Yates Grocery, Honaker (97): Refrigerator has no thermometer.

Floors in bad repair. Walls and ceilings in bad repair. Lighting not adequate — building is very old.

Inspector's note: Very limited grocery sales. Very small building.

• Maytown School lunchroom, Langley (89): Counter for food preparation in bad repair. Storage counter is in bad repair. Freezer door in bad repair. Freezer needs to be replaced.

Dishwash temperature on final rinse at 165° should be at 180°. Wiping cloth improperly stored on counter. Outside dumpster not covered. Floors in bad repair in food storage areas. Ceilings are in bad repair in food storage areas. Coats stored with wrapped food items.

• Maytown School (83): No lids on outside garbage dumpster. Bottoms rusted, out of two dumpsters. Floors in boy's restroom are in bad repair. Not all restrooms have towels. Restroom doors not self-closing.

Strong urine odor in downstairs boy's restroom. Ceilings are in bad repair in hallways. Area littered around garbage storage dumpster.

• Prestonsburg Dairy Queen (83): Critical violation — toxic items improperly stored or labeled. Windex was improperly labeled and stored.

Ice scoop has handle stored in the ice. Not all employees use hair restraints. Improper dishwashing methods. Oven needs to be cleaned. Tops of equipment and exhaust hood need to be cleaned.

Plastic spoons and cardboard cake plates improperly stored. Outside dumpster not covered. Floor and ceiling need repair.

• Vance Quick Mart, Hi Hat (80 in deli) and (99 in retail): Critical violation — potentially hazardous food. Hot foods not being held at proper temperature. Chicken held at 126°F, corn dogs at 120°F, and hot dog sauce at 100°F. Hot foods should be stored at 140°F or higher until served.

Critical violation — toxic items improperly stored or labeled. Toxic items were stored with food equipment in two separate areas of the food preparation area.

Not all refrigeration or freezer units have thermometers. Proper hair restraints not in use. Proper dishwashing procedure not being used. Should be wash, rinse and sanitize.

Facility has no proper method of

checking sanitization levels — needs chlorine test strips. Single service food trays stored on the floor. No towels at hand wash sink. Rubber rug on floor of food preparation area. Purses and coat stored on food equipment.

Critical violations must be corrected within ten days or a notice of intent to suspend permit will be issued.

J&P Market, Prestonsburg (98 in retail): No self-closing door in restroom.

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Harold Elementary reaching for the stars

by Geoff Belcher
Floyd County Schools

The following is the fourth in a series of four articles examining the dramatic increase in student performance at Auxier, Duff and Harold elementaries and Betsy Layne High School.

It's hard to improve on near-perfection but the staff and students at Harold Elementary School have done it by surpassing their already impressive academic record.

Harold Elementary is one of four Floyd County schools, along with Auxier and Duff elementaries and Betsy Layne High School, targeted by the Kentucky Department of Education to share in over \$260,000 worth of reward money for scoring above threshold on statewide performance tests last year.

The school's faculty will meet next week to determine how to distribute more than \$40,000 in reward monies earned for the students' increased testing performance. Harold's threshold was set at 39.4 during the 1991-92 school year testing period and its growth index for the 1993-94 school year was 48.0, giving it a combined 47.1 index over the biennium, or a total of 7.7 points above threshold.

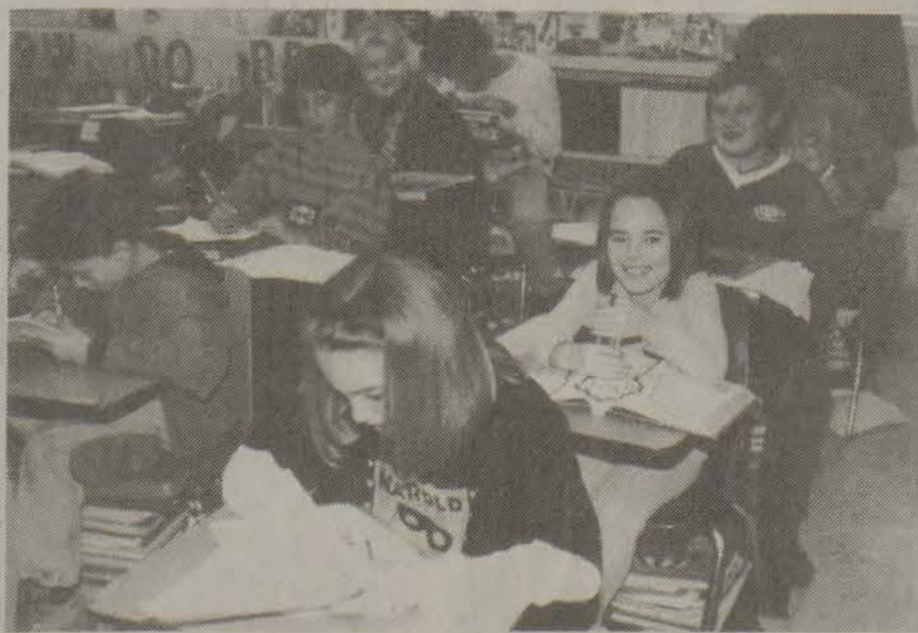
Harold Elementary's students posted excellent performance test scores in each of the testing periods, an accomplishment that school Principal Ronald Salisbury says was no easy task, especially considering that with only 305 students, 17 full-time teachers, four itinerant teachers and five instructional assistants, Harold Elementary is one of the smallest schools in the county. "In the beginning, we had the highest

threshold to meet because we had the highest baseline," Salisbury said Monday, "but we met those figures and exceeded them."

Salisbury feels the main reason that the school and its students perform so well in both academics and athletics each year is because of an incredible amount of hard work not only on the part of the faculty and students, but also the Harold community itself.

"I attribute this (recognition) to the staff....," Salisbury said, "and a good group of kids and a very supportive group of parents. Our parents are as supportive a group of parents as you'll find anywhere in the country. They're very concerned with their kids and really want them to achieve and we (the faculty) strive to meet those goals...."

"Basically it's because of devotion, I think, and I just don't believe you'll find a more supportive and dedicated group of people anywhere."



Striving for perfection

Harold Elementary students in CaSandra Williamson's classroom were busily honing their writing skills Monday as they prepare to once again break school records for performance assessment tests. (photo by Geoff Belcher)

Another factor in the school's perennial success, Salisbury said, is that Harold's faculty strove to meet many of the Kentucky Education Reform Act's goals long before KERA was even a glimmer in the Kentucky legislature's eye.

"We emphasize the acquisition of skills and try to apply them to everyday situations," Salisbury said.

"There has been no significant difference in the way we've taught (since KERA was implemented)," 4th/5th grade teacher Milford Stevens, a 33-year education veteran, said Monday. "Even before KERA was implemented, we demanded our kids write a little more."

Although Stevens said he is concerned about some of KERA's tenets, he added that he is happy that it provides for the recognition of those schools that perform well.

"I'm pleased that we're getting (the KIRIS assessment rewards) at Harold School," Stevens said. "It's a plus for us to be recognized for our achievements...but we've done well for several years."

Bonnie Ward, 7th/8th grade teacher at the school, echoes Stevens' sentiments.

"The students have worked extremely hard—almost too hard....," Ward said, "I think it is a good idea, rewarding people for doing a good job....I like the fact that we have more money to spend on classroom materials...I do think it has enabled our school to get the notoriety it has deserved for so long."

"Basically," Salisbury said, "we emphasize the importance of doing well, of being the best that you can be at whatever you do...Whatever these kids do—and whatever the staff does—they go at it whole-heartedly."



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Bluegrass music at the Sipp

The "Bluegrass At the Sipp" concert series continues Friday, March 10, at 7:30 p.m., at the Sipp Theatre in downtown Paintsville, with the theatre's first 1995 concert, featuring Larry Sparks and the Lonesome Ramblers, and Melvin and Ray, the Goins Brothers, two of country's best traditional bluegrass music groups.

Sparks, one of the most popular names in Bluegrass, began his career in the 1960's, performing with Ralph and Carter, the Stanley Brothers.

During the late 1960's, he formed the Lonesome Ramblers and began a recording career that, to date, has produced many albums and has established him, firmly, as one of the top names in the field.

His singing and playing are among the most copied in music, based on his brilliant musicianship and solid

rhythm, with driving support from his band, the Lonesome Ramblers.

His guitar playing is legendary for its hot solos and "lonesome instrumentals." He has established the standard for acoustical guitar playing in America.

Sparks' singing has earned him the reputation of "the most soulful voice in Bluegrass."

This will mark Sparks' second appearance at the Sipp in the last three years.

The Goins Brothers, originally from the Bluefield, West Virginia area, became members of the legendary "Lonesome Pine Fiddlers," during the 1950's.

After leaving the Lonesome Pine Fiddlers, Melvin and Ray began their own group and have toured the United States many times.

Still, they often perform Lonesome Pine Fiddlers' music, including the classic "No Curb Service Anymore".

Melvin Goins, in addition to his musical pursuits, has been nominated as one of the top musical promoters in the country on several occasions and continues to promote concerts and festivals throughout the country.

This will mark the Goins Brothers' first appearance at the Sipp since the early 1950's.

The historic Sipp Theatre was constructed in 1932 and has played host to various musical acts throughout

the years, including Tex Ritter, Flat and Scruggs, and Roy Rogers.

Recently, the Sipp played host to the "Main Street America" series of concerts, hosted by Big John Trimble of WRVA Radio, Richmond, Virginia.

Anita Belhasen, music coordinator at the Sipp, stated that additional concerts are being booked throughout 1995 and 1996 and that musical concerts will become standard fare for the newly restored theatre.

"We intend to bring to the people of Eastern Kentucky the finest musical talent available. While we are concentrating on Bluegrass at this time, we intend to add other forms of music and make this wonderful, old theatre available to the people of our region for various forms of music and other activities," said Belhasen.

The theatre also shows movies on a regular basis, with emphasis on family oriented, G or PG rated films, suitable for the entire family.

The Sipp Theatre is operated by the Sipp Theatre Foundation, a non-profit organization, established for the purpose of restoring the theatre and providing quality entertainment to the citizens of Eastern Kentucky. Belhasen stated that she expects the Sipp to take its place along with the Kentucky Theatre in Lexington and the Paramount Arts Center in Ashland in providing quality, live musical and theatrical entertainment.

Forest fire hazard season began March 1

The official "Spring Forest Fire Hazard Season" in Kentucky began on March 1.

Kentucky law designates March 1 through May 15 as "Forest Fire Hazard Season." During this time, the law prohibits burning within 150 feet of the woods or burning anything capable of spreading fire into the woods between the hours of midnight and 4:30 p.m. local time. This is called the "4:30 Burning Law." It is intended to prevent fires by allowing burning only during the time when typically the wind is calm and humidity is increased.

"Last year 1,800 forest fires blackened 50,263 acres of Kentucky's forests," said Mark Matuszewski, director of the Kentucky Division of Forestry. "Forest fires cause destruction of our forest resources such as timber supplies, wildlife habitat, scenic beauty and water quality. These are things that affect all Kentuckians."

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Kentucky employer committee receives national recognition

The Kentucky Job Service Employer Committee was recognized for outstanding achievement in 1994 at the March meeting of the Employers' National Job Service Council in Washington, D.C.

The committee, which is associated with the Kentucky Department for Employment Services, received a second-place award among all other state committees. Although the committee has only been in existence since 1990, this is the second time it has received national recognition. The committee won a first-place award in the same competition in 1992.

The main focus of the committee is to advise the Employment Services (DES) on how to improve or enhance service to both employers and job seekers.

Some of the activities the committee was recognized for were participation in the planning of the state school-to-work program, and an awards program to recognize local DES office for outstanding performance.

In addition to activities on the state level, local JSECs provide informational seminars to area employers on employment issues, as well as participate in local community projects such as school-to-work programs.

The state committee members are volunteers drawn from across Kentucky and represent various business backgrounds. To win the second-place award, they had to show ways they have helped local JSECs, employment services and employers.

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Obituaries

Kenneth Ray Spurlock

Kenneth Ray Spurlock, 44, of Printer, died Friday, March 3, at his residence, following an extended illness.

Born June 10, 1950 in Floyd County, he was the son of the late Frank and Ruth Johnson Spurlock. He was a disabled steel worker and a member of the Old Time Baptist Church at Printer.

Survivors include his wife, Marie Dotson Spurlock; two sons, Shawn Michael Spurlock and Kenneth Franklin Spurlock, both of Printer; eight brothers, Denver Spurlock of Printer, Woodrow Spurlock of Canton, Ohio, Ted Spurlock, A.C. Spurlock, and Darrell Spurlock, all of Columbus, Ohio, Charles Spurlock and Arnold Spurlock, both of Big Perry, Ohio, and Marvin Spurlock of Printer; and three sisters, Bonnie Sue Roberts of Columbus, Ohio, Ethel Mae Spurlock of Millersburg, Ohio, and Edith Humble of Eastern.

Funeral services were Monday, March 6, at the Old Time Baptist Church at Printer, with Denver Meade and Farley Howard officiating.

Burial was in the Spurlock Family Cemetery at Printer, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Earl "Rager" Marshall

Earl "Rager" Marshall, 85, of Prestonsburg, died Saturday, March 4, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin, following an extended illness.

Born July 16, 1909 in Floyd County, he was the son of the late Palmer and Dixie Burchett Marshall. He was a retired truck driver for H.B. Rainer.

Survivors include his wife, Flonnie Young Marshall; one son, John Earl "Bud" Marshall of Prestonsburg; five daughters, Betty Johnson, Ruby Burns, Edna Grace Holton and Myrtle Anderson, all of Prestonsburg, and Wilma Blair of Denver; two brothers, Palmer Marshall Jr. of Prestonsburg and Arthur Marshall of Titusville, Florida; one sister, Dorcia Conti of Detroit, Michigan; 11 grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

Funeral services were Tuesday, March 7, at 2 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, with Edgel Stevens and others officiating.

Burial was in the Ford-Mayo Cemetery at Lancer, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Paul Isaacs

Paul Isaacs, 68, of Ashland, formerly of Bevinville, died Saturday, March 4, in King's Daughters' Hospital in Ashland.

Born October 21, 1926 in Bevinville, he was the son of Bertha Compton Isaac Black of Ashland and the late Claude Isaacs. He was a retired employee of General Motors, a World War II Marine veteran, a member of the National Auto Workers Local Union No. 15, and a Baptist. He was preceded in death by his wife, Aloria Anderson Isaacs.

In addition to his mother, he is survived by one brother, Claude Isaacs Jr. of Sarasota, Florida, and one sister, Marie Rowlett of Ashland.

Funeral services were Tuesday, March 7, at p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Kenneth Walker officiating.

Burial was in the W.R. Hall Cemetery at Bevinville, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Johna B. Clark Billips

Johna B. Clark Billips, 77, of Rolling Hills, California, formerly of Floyd County, died February 17, at her home following an extended illness.

Born February 28, 1917 in Wayland, she was the daughter of the late John and Campbell Chadwick Clark. She spent most of her childhood in Prestonsburg.

She is survived by her husband, George C. Billips Jr.; and two sisters, Hellen C. Prater and Minnie McClanahan, both of Westland, Michigan.

Willie Graden Frasure

Willie Graden Frasure, 81, of Harold, died Saturday, March 4, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital.

Born April 29, 1913 in Harold, he was the son of the late George and Armina Frasure Martin. He was a retired coal miner, a U.M.W.A. District 30 member, he graduated from Pikeville College as an education major, and he attended the Mud Creek Missionary Baptist Church. He was preceded in death by his wife, Lizzie M. Keathley Frasure.

Survivors include two daughters, Lorraine Bryant and Norma Boyd, both of Harold; two brothers, Earl Martin and Oscar Martin, both of Harold; three sisters, Anna Martin of Harold, Pearl Smith of Jacksonville, Florida, and Nora Tackett of Dayton, Ohio; ten grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Tuesday, March 7, at 11 a.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel with the Missionary Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial was in the Keathley-Frasure Cemetery at Harold, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Serving as pallbearers were Willard R. Bentley, Robert Mayton, Duran Bryant, Steven Bryant, Forrest Bryant, David Boyd, Jeff Keeton, Wesley Keeton, Adam Bryant, Dan Rudyk, and Everett Bishop.

Causby Mae Osborn Reynolds

Causby Mae Osborn Reynolds, 75, of Pikeville, died Sunday, March 5, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital, following a short illness.

Born February 2, 1920 in Pike County, she was the daughter of the late Ellen Mullins Osborn and George W. Osborn. She was preceded in death by her husband, James "Pete" Reynolds. She was a retired nurse's aid at Pikeville Methodist Hospital.

Survivors include three sons, Thurmas Reynolds of Lexington, and Jimmy Dale Reynolds and Oliver Joe Reynolds, both of Pikeville; one brother, Ellis Osborn of Banner; one sister, Lilly Meeks of Dorton; and two grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, March 8, at 11 a.m., at the J.W. Call and Son Funeral Home.

Burial will be in the Osborn Cemetery at Dorton, under the direction of J.W. Call and Son Funeral Home.

Serving as pallbearers will be Ronnie Joe Meeks, Freddie Lee Osborn, Teddy Zane Osborn, Kenneth Ray Osborn, Larry Joe Osborn, Jimmy Osborn, Greg Osborn, Marvin Lee Miller and Jimmy Mullins.

Mildred Turpin "Turp" Combs

Mildred Turpin "Turp" Combs, 75, of Prestonsburg, died Saturday, March 4, at Sarasota Memorial Hospital in Sarasota, Florida.

Born March 15, 1919 in Irvine, she was the daughter of the late Jess and Nell Witt Turpin. She attended Eastern Kentucky University, was an active Alumni Association member, a member of the St. Martha's Catholic Church, Prestonsburg, the Prestonsburg Woman's Club, the Central Kentucky Woman's Club, and a member of the Kentucky Bar Association Auxiliary.

Survivors include her husband, Paul Churchill Combs; one son, Dr. Paul Stephen Combs of Lexington; one daughter, Mary Lynn Blackburn of Lexington; one brother, Charles Edward Turpin of Irvine; and two grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, March 8, at 11:30 a.m., at the W. R. Milward Mortuary-Broadway, Lexington, with the Rev. Harold Dorsey and Rev. Joe Muench officiating.

Burial will be in the Lexington Cemetery under the direction of W. R. Milward Mortuary-Broadway.

Contributions suggested to American Heart Association, 2365 Harrodsburg Road, Lexington, Ky. 40504 or the American Cancer Society, 160 Moore Drive, Suite 201, Lexington, Ky. 40503.

Patsy Ann Bushong

Patsy Ann Bushong, 47, of Emmett, Idaho, wife of Ronald E. Bushong, died Saturday, March 4, following a long illness.

Born January 31, 1948 in Hartley, she was the daughter of Arnold and Maggie Tackett of Virgie. After graduating at Virgie in 1966, she moved to Marion, Ohio, then Florida, Michigan and later to Emmett, Idaho. She and her husband were partners in a subcontracting business. She was a member of the Women of the Moose.

In addition to her parents and husband, she is survived by one son, Darrin Bushong of Emmett, Idaho; two daughters, Sharon Clark and Rhonda Bushong, both of Emmett, Idaho; two sisters, Faye Hohenhorst of Boise, Idaho, and Phyllis Soper of Emmett, Idaho; and two brothers, Paul Tackett of Prestonsburg and Billy Tackett of Varnell, Georgia.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, March 8, at 2 p.m., at the Potter Funeral Chapel in Emmett, Idaho with Pastor Jim White officiating. Burial will be in the Emmett Cemetery.

Information courtesy of R. S. Jones and Son Funeral Home, Virgie.

Olive Wicker Tufts

Olive Wicker Tufts, 68, of Wayland, died Friday, March 3, at her residence.

Born August 6, 1926, at Mousie, she was the daughter of the late Bee and Rose Bell Hicks Wicker. She was a member of the Pentecostal Holiness Church and a member of the D.A.V. auxiliary.

Survivors include her husband, Curtis Tufts; four sons, Kenneth Ratliff of Estill, Claude Ratliff of Leburn, David Reed of Hi Hat, and Arnold Wicker Jr. of Lackey; one daughter, Earnestine Manns of Estill; two brothers, Tom Wicker and Linze Wicker, both of Mousie; two sisters, Lucy Nichols of Lima, Ohio, and Ellen Wallen of Kendallville; 11 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services were Monday, March 6, at 11 a.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel with the clergyman Troy Poff officiating.

Burial was in the Martin Cemetery at Wayland, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Serving as pallbearers were Kenneth Ratliff, Claude Ratliff, David Reed, Arnold Wicker Jr., Jeremy Ratliff and Jimmy Hunter.

Elder Hobert Bates

Elder Hobert Bates, 77, of Topmost, died Tuesday, March 7, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg, following a long illness.

Born March 31, 1917 in Knott County, he was the son of the late Willie and Susan Smith Bates. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Clara Martin Bates. He was a retired coal miner, formerly employed by Inland Steel Company and Island Creek Coal Company. He was a member of the Regular Baptist Church since 1950, a minister of the church for 44 years, and a member of the Providence Old Regular Baptist Church at Topmost. He was also a member of the U.M.W.A. Local 5899 at Wheelwright.

Survivors include his wife, Margaret Hall Bates; one son, Robert Lee Bates of Lexington; five stepsons, Clearance Daniel Hall, Elder James Cluett Hall and Bert Hall Jr., all of Topmost, Charles David Hall of Hippo, and Arnold Ray Hall of Lebanon, Tennessee; three daughters, Lucille Sprinkle of Lincoln Park, Michigan, Susan Noble of Nicholasville, and Darlene Berger of Bevinville; one stepdaughter, Rexine Campbell of Prestonsburg; three sisters, Lida Jones and Dorothy DeMurray, both of Huntington, Indiana, and Ruth Huff of Bevinville; six grandchildren, two great-grandchildren and several step-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Friday, March 10, at 11 a.m., at the Providence Old Regular Baptist Church at Topmost, with the Regular Baptist Church ministers officiating.

Burial will be in the Buckingham Cemetery at Bevinville under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Phineas Roberts Jr.

Phineas Roberts Jr., 67, of Garrett, died Monday, March 6, at the VA Hospital in Huntington, West Virginia, following an extended illness.

Born December 3, 1927 in Wiborg, he was the son of the late Phineas Roberts Sr. and Desdie McKee Roberts. He was a retired Floyd County Road Department employee, a member of the Garrett Church of God, and a U.S. Army veteran of the Korean War.

Survivors include his wife, Martha Duff Roberts; two stepsons, Douglas Sexton of Garrett and Kenneth Sexton of California; two brothers, Kenneth Roberts of Garrett and Roy Roberts of Cleveland, Ohio; and one step grandchild.

Funeral services will be Thursday, March 9, at 2 p.m., at the Garrett Church of God at Garrett with the Church of God ministers officiating.

Burial will be in the Duff Cemetery at Hueysville, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Card Of Thanks

The family of Judge John M. Stumbo II, would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their help in the loss of our loved one: those who sent food, flowers, donations to the Scholarship Fund, or helped and supported us in any way. A special thanks to Clergymen Arnold Turner Jr., Jimmy Hall and Jim Stephens for their comforting words, Roger Recktenwald for the graceful manner in which he delivered the eulogy, Billie Jean Osborne and David Morris for the beautiful songs and music, the State Police for their assistance in traffic control, the Betsy Layne Rescue Squad, and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and efficient service.

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I would like to personally thank each and every one of my Aunt Mae's family and friends who paid tribute to her through your prayers, thoughts, blessings, gifts, and love. Friends and family are so wonderful at times of need.

Many people make up the list of family and friends and some were listed and many were not, but to my Aunt Mae "All" of her friends and family were of importance. These were not intentionally overlooked. But even more, the most special, of all those who don't need to be constantly reminded, for the true friendship has so long endured. But if for some remote occurrence someone may not know or question. I would like to at this time—til personally our paths cross—thank you so very much for the love and honor, and respect—we all have and will always share.

Also a special thanks to friends and family who traveled so far and to those so far away who were unable to be here in person; your warm thoughts and prayers, we thank you for.

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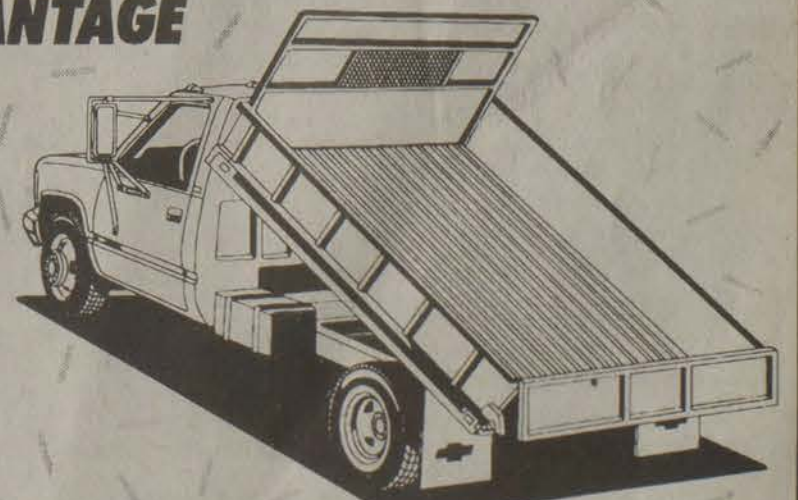
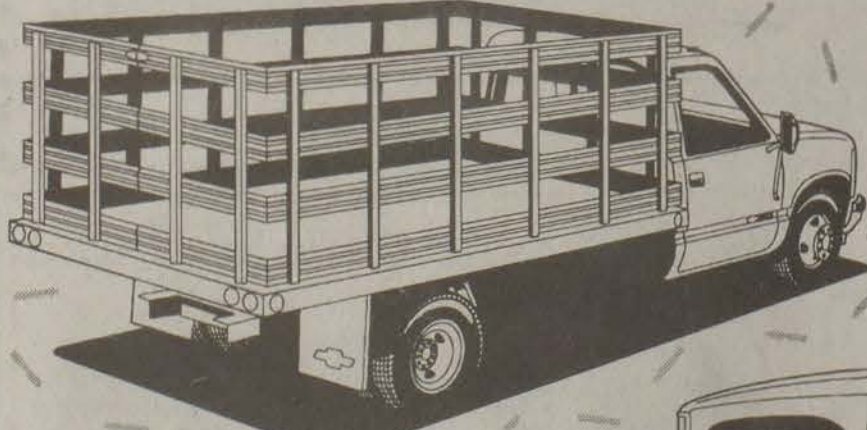
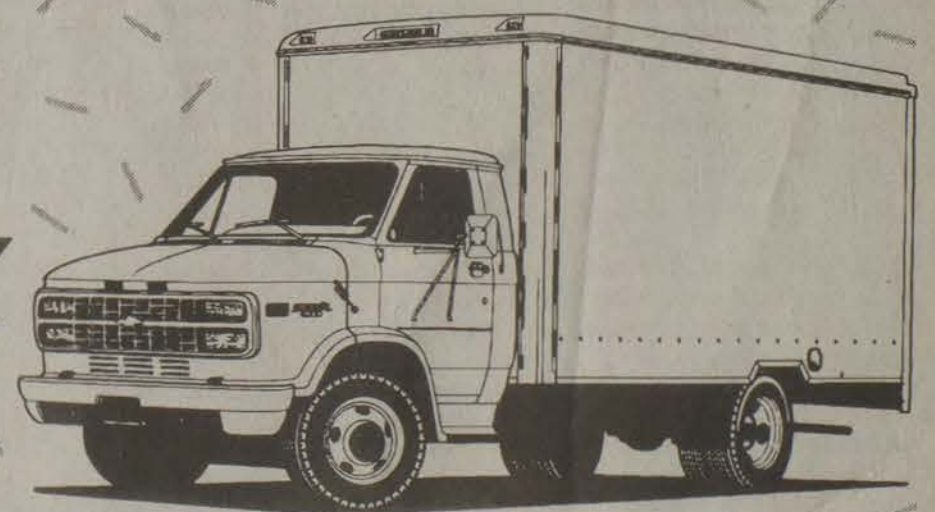
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Community Calendar

Editor's Note: As a service to the many clubs and committees that meet in our community, the *Floyd County Times' Community Calendar* will post meeting and public service announcements. Articles for the *Community Calendar* must be submitted in writing to the Times no later than 5 p.m. Monday for Wednesday's publication or 5 p.m. Wednesday for Friday's publication. These cannot be taken over the telephone.

Floyd County Literacy Council tutor training

Teach an adult to read by becoming a volunteer tutor. The Floyd County Literacy Council is sponsoring a two-day tutor training for volunteers on Saturday, March 4 and Saturday, March 11, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at St. Martha's Church, Watergap. All training and materials are free. To register, please call Mary Eve at 886-7323.

Prestonsburg Elementary Resource Center activities

March 15, the Floyd County Health Department will conduct fifth grade physicals for the students at the Prestonsburg Elementary.

Childbirth classes schedule

The Big Sandy Family and Childbirth Education Association will be offering prepared childbirth classes March 7-April 18 for those due through mid-June. The classes are taught on Tuesday from 7-9 p.m. at Paul B. Hall and Highlands Regional Medical Center.

Registering early is recommended. For more information or to register,

JOBS program provides job readiness skills and unlimited opportunities

Citing the success of Kentucky's JOBS program, Department for Social Insurance Commissioner John Clayton called it "the greatest piece of welfare reform in 20 years."

Clayton wasn't referring to a new or proposed program, but to 1988's federal Family Support Act, which established the Job Opportunities and Basic Skills program. JOBS is designed to move recipients of Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) off welfare and into the workforce by providing job readiness skills.

"No other program has been more effective in turning recipients into self-sufficient citizens," said Clayton.

Only 43 percent of JOBS participants have a high school diploma when they enter the program. In fiscal year 1994, 800 JOBS participants obtained GEDs or high school diplomas and 1,400 participants completed some type of post-secondary training. At any given moment, 25-33 percent of all participants are enrolled in a post-secondary program.

In 1994 alone, 2,300 people went to work, earning enough to go off AFDC.

Originally offered in 18 counties, the JOBS program is now available to AFDC recipients in 92 of the state's 120 counties, including Floyd.

Teresa Baxter, a Winchester mother of four, is a JOBS success story. She entered the JOBS program in Clark County in March 1993 when her youngest child was 7 years old.

Now 36, Baxter had her first child at age 15 and was the mother of two by the time she was 17. She completed her GED in 1980, but shortly after that, divorced and with no job skills, she turned to AFDC.

Through the JOBS program and the Job Training Partnership Act, Baxter was trained as a licensed practical nurse at Lexington's Kentucky Tech.

Now employed at Lexington's VA Medical Center, Baxter has plans to begin working toward a degree within the next two years and become a registered nurse.

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Pregnancy information class

The Big Sandy Family is offering a pregnancy information class on March 11, from 2-4 p.m., at Paul B. Hall Medical Center at Paintsville. Topics include fetal development, nutrition and exercise. For more information, call 789-3154, or 886-7615.

Clark Family Resource Center activities

•Fluoride mouthwash program every Tuesday for grades 1-5.

•Thelma Lafferty, RN, from the Floyd County Health Department, is in the center on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Services available: physicals for the 5th grade students entering the 6th grade in the 95-96 school year; pre-school, headstart, and kindergarten physicals, physicals for any student, age birth-21; blood pressure screenings, PAP tests, TB skin tests, baby shots. WIC check-ups and voucher pickup is also available. Call the center at 886-0815 for an appointment. These services are available to anyone in the community.

•After-school child care from 2:30-5:30 school days.

•Center hours are from 8-4, Monday-Friday. Evening appointments are available.

Duff Resource Center activities

•GED classes are on Tuesdays and Thursdays of each week at the school from 6-9 p.m.

• Line dancing classes are on

promising," she said. "Thanks to JOBS, I've turned my life around."

JOBS pays participants a transportation stipend and child care allowance while in training and JTPA paid her tuition. Baxter said the \$3 per day she was given for transportation doesn't sound like much, but with the baby sitting money and help with school supplies JOBS gave her, it made a big difference.

"But I wouldn't have made it without the emotional support of my worker, Teresa Brewer," said Baxter. "She was great, always offering encouragement when I was down; she wouldn't let me give up."

Baxter began working in November 1994 and now earns too much to receive an AFDC grant. She does remain eligible temporarily for child care assistance and a medical card under a plan that gives transitional benefits to AFDC recipients who go to work.

"My family is proud of me and my work gives me a sense of pride in myself," said Baxter. "Without JOBS, I wouldn't have had this chance. I hope other AFDC mothers will take full advantage of JOBS. It's a lot of work but it's worth it in the end."

Clayton says that stories like Baxter's are becoming more the rule than the exception with hundreds of recipients getting training, education and ultimately, a job.

"We want to give every AFDC recipient the same type of opportunities and support that Ms. Baxter has had," said Clayton, "so that in the future, they can provide their own support."

Thursday nights from 7-8 p.m. Beginners class only, free to Duff community.

•Fluoride rinse program for students grades 1-6, once per week, administered by staff and parent volunteers.

•Clothing distribution will be on March 18, from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. at the school.

•Special pap clinic will be held on March 8 and 9, at the center. It will be done by the Floyd County Health Department. Target age is 45 and older. Exam will include pap, breast exam, height, weight, blood pressure and cholesterol check.

•A special benefit for Betty Spencer will be held on March 4 at Paintsville Recreational Center. A line dance workshop will be held from 1-5 p.m. Admission is \$12 per person, children 12 and under admitted free.

Reunion tour

World War II veterans of the European Theater of Operations are scheduled to leave New York on May 15 for a Reunion Tour of Southern England, (London, Bristol, Salisbury, Portsmouth) and France (Cherbourg, The Normandy Beaches, Military Cemeteries, Caen, Paris) to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the allied victory in 1945. For details of this pilgrimage back to the ETP, call Sy Canton at 1-800-314-4499 or write Overseas Vets Ass'n, 465 Shore Rd., Long Beach, NY 11561.

Eastern Star District 5 school/banquet planned

A banquet will be held for members of District 5, Order of the Eastern Star on March 11, at 6 p.m., at the Wilkinson-Stumbo Convention Center, Jenny Wiley State Park. This will follow the District 5 school.

Following the banquet, a party will be held honoring Nancy Poskas, associate grand conductress, and Ronald Gullett, grand sentinel. Tickets to the banquet cost \$12 each. For tickets or more information, call 886-8765.

Registration underway

Registration for the Wearable Arts Weekend scheduled for Jenny Wiley State Park on April 7-8-9 is continuing. Call 886-2668 for more information.

Classic Home Cooking

Classic Home Cooking of WPRG TV5 with Chef Mark Sohn and producer "Dr." Don Bevin will air on March 14, at 11 a.m., and March 16 and 18 at 7 p.m. Mark Sohn will prepare a Lite and Luscious Dinner.

CPR class offered

Our Lady of the Way Hospital will be offering a CPR class on Friday, March 10, at the Seton Complex at Martin. The class is open to anyone wishing to become certified or recertified in CPR. Registration will start at 8:30 a.m. and the class will begin promptly at 9 a.m.

Instructors for the class are certified through the American Heart Association Heart Association. Registration deadline is Wednesday, March 8, and pre-registration is required.

Anyone interested should contact the Community Health Education Department at (606) 285-5281, ext. 301 or 342.

Town meeting set to discuss environmental issues

If you want to be a part of environmental planning for Kentucky, here's your chance. The Floyd County Con-

servation District will sponsor a "town meeting" on March 13, at 6:30 p.m., at the Big Sandy Area Development District for discussion of environmental issues identified by members of the Public Advisory Committee of the state's Comparative Risk Project.

Issues, listed partially through public surveys, include air quality, water quality/quantity (ground water, surface water and drinking water), land quality, protecting/maintaining biodiversity, food safety, indoor environmental quality and safety and waste.

The public is being asked to provide comments about these issues. The comments will help give the Public Advisory Committee some information about the local and statewide significance and importance of the various issues.

Food drive

Cub Scout Den 5 will be doing a door-to-door food drive in the Prater-Harold-Allen area, Saturday, March 11, from 10-2 p.m. All non-perishable items will be accepted.

Maytown Family Resource Center activities

•RN from the Floyd County Health Department is upstairs over the Maytown Fire Department every Friday. Now making appointments for kindergarten and headstart physicals. Other services offered: WIC physicals and vouchers, 6th grade physicals, well-child physicals, blood pressure checks, TB skin tests. Call 285-0321 to make an appointment.

•GED classes every Monday from 8:30-2:30 p.m. upstairs over the Maytown Fire Department. Classes are free.

•March 14, CPR demonstration for 7th and 8th grades.

Spring Fling Gospel Sing

A Gospel Sing featuring the Singing Cookes, the Sammons Family, and the Cooke Brothers will be held on Thursday, March 16, at 7 p.m. at the Mountain Christian Academy gymnasium.

Admission is free. Concessions will be available. All proceeds will benefit the academic programs of the school.

Meeting planned at Wheelwright to address needs of the elderly

The Big Sandy Area Development District will hold a series of public hearings to respond to the 1992 Kentucky General Assembly Senate Bill 306, which relates to the identification of the needs of the minority elderly.

The hearing will be held in the Wheelwright Senior Citizens on March 21 at 10:30 a.m.

Aging services staff of the Big Sandy Area Development District will be present to seek the following information from minority individuals:

•Identify problems experienced by the minority elderly in obtaining services for governmental agencies.

•Identify programs at the county or district level designed to specifically meet the needs of the minority elderly.

•Identify programs and services needed by the minority elderly.

•Are existing programs accessible to older minority persons? If problems exist, what are the problems?

•Is information regarding existing programs available and adequate?

•All interested individuals are encouraged to attend the hearings.

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THE FAMILY OF DELZIE CRAWFORD

Card of Thanks

The family of Victor Ray wishes to thank all those friends, neighbors, and family who helped them in any way upon the passing of their loved one. Thanks to those who sent food, flowers, prayers and words of comfort expressed. A special thanks to the Regular Baptist ministers for their comforting words; the sheriff's department for their assistance in traffic control; and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and efficient service.

THE FAMILY OF VICTOR RAY

Card of Thanks

The family of Marlene Elevyn Samons Stephens would like to extend their appreciation to all those friends, neighbors and loved ones who helped comfort them during their time of sorrow. Thanks to all who sent food, flowers, prayers or spoke comforting words. A special thanks to the Clergyman Troy Poff for his comforting words; the sheriff's department for their assistance in traffic control; and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

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These students not only have an opportunity to learn this important concept on a high level, but they also experience sophisticated technology as they do so. Students use keypads which record their responses which are then transmitted by computer modem to KET studios in Lexington. Schools from throughout the Eastern half of the United States participate in this exceptional learning opportunity.

Tom Graviss, the instructor, is recognized nationally as a Presidential Award Winner in Mathematics and Science. He offers expertise as well as wit to the instruction. Students may call Mr. Graviss and tutors if any difficulties arise for them.

The outstanding students taking advantage of this opportunity at AC for the 1994-95 school year are: juniors—Adam Coleman, Pam Goble, Jeremy R. Hall, Denise Hughes, Drema Kilgore, and Amanda Wallen, seniors—Joshua Flannery and Donnie Wallen.

Governor's Scholar Josh Flannery says: "This class has been an enlightening experience that has proved invaluable for preparing me for my future in mathematics."

Academic team member Donnie Wallen declares: "This class made me more aware of the statistics that are evident in the world around us."

Basketball player Drema Kilgore remarks: "This class has been hard work and has taught me responsibility and will better prepare me for college in the future."

Governor's Scholar nominee Denise Hughes says of this probability and statistics class, "Tom interconnects statistics with the experience of everyday life."

Junior basketball homecoming attendant Pam Goble declares, "This class has challenged my mathematical ability to the nth degree."

Band member Jeremy R. Hall declares, "I never knew a math class could be so difficult yet so interesting. It has really opened my eyes to a whole new world of mathematics."


Forensics and Band Member Amanda Wallen says that not only do you learn the material that will help you along the road of life, but you also get to associate with other students from different schools and different states. "The interaction among the students is very inspiring and useful," she says.

Football quarterback and basketball player Adam Coleman thinks "It's a cool class."

Seniors Becky Hayes, Jamie Fultz, and Veronica McKinney have decided to seize the opportunity to join the Discrete Math Class for the spring semester.

Facilitator/Math teacher Pam Frasure says the class is an excellent

opportunity for high school students. "Tom Graviss teaches the core concept of data at a high level. These KET courses allow schools to broaden their curriculum without additional staff members. They're great assets for students that want to go the extra mile and are interested in learning for learning's sake," she says.



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"Duff students eligible for Duke's new MAP program"



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MAP stands for Motivation for Academic Performance and is aimed at 4th and 5th graders who possess high academic ability. To be eligible a student must score above the 95th percentile on an achievement or aptitude test.

There are many benefits to being accepted into the MAP program both currently and in the future.

Eligible at Duff were Tyler Green, son of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Green of Hueysville, in Charlotte Case's fifth grade class and Sarah Noble, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ron Noble of Garrett, in Helen Martin's fifth grade class.

These students were identified by their guidance counselor, Kitty H. Frazier.



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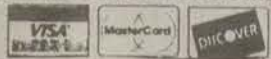
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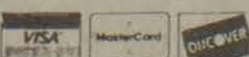
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**A
Look
At
Sports**
by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

**58th District
Tournament will
return to South
Floyd in '99**

Happy birthday, belated...
A belated Happy Birthday wish to Allen Central's Thomas Jenkins. Thomas turned 16 last Friday and is a member of the Allen Central Rebels basketball team.
Happy birthday, Thomas!

**District tournament
was greaaaaaat!**

For the first time in almost 44 years, the 58th District tournament was held at South Floyd's Raider Arena and it has to be labeled as one of the best tournaments we have had in recent years.

They are all great, but this one was special. The folks on Left Beaver deserved a chance to show what they could do and what a job Al Osborne and his crew did.

The games were all interesting games, (well almost all of them). The finals for the boys and girls were exciting and went down to the wire.

Three radio stations and two cable crews were covering the games. There was excitement each session as large crowds gathered on Raider Mountain.

South Floyd will once again host the tournament in 1999. And I am sure that it will just as nice.

Next year the tournament moves to Allen Central, then Betsy Layne in 1997 and Prestonsburg in '98.

A big crowd was there Thursday night to take in the girls championship game between Betsy Layne and Allen Central.

Girls' basketball is certainly on the 'upswing' in the region and more fans are becoming interested in the girls' games.

That is because of the exciting style of play the girls' games bring. The girls seem to enjoy playing more than some men's teams.

Again, in Floyd County we have some of the best coaches in the region and that is why we have three of the top region teams in the district.

If you think girls basketball was strong this season, wait until next year. I wouldn't hesitate in ranking Allen Central, Betsy Layne and Prestonsburg in the top five, region-wise.

Keith Smallwood did an excellent job on the PA keeping cars moved and trying to announce over the playing bands.

Let me say this about the bands. They obeyed the request not to play during live ball situations.

They were wonderful in the support of their teams. Our band directors do a good job.

Teddy Shannon. No one sings our National Anthem like she does. I love to hear her sing it out. I still get chill bumps when I hear our National Anthem. Makes me love America that much more.

Ahhhhh, baseball!

Baseball season is next and I love the outdoor sport. High school games are fun and enjoyable to attend. I meet a lot of people around the region and

(See A Look At Sports, B 4)

**Allen Central faces Pike Central in
defense of title; Blackcats face Belfry**

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

The boys' 15th Regional basketball tournament gets started at Sheldon Clark High School tonight as defending champion Allen Central makes a quest for a repeat from last year.

Coach Johnny Martin's ballclub will face a good Pike Central (19-9) team that was runner-up to Pikeville in the 59th District.

Thursday night, coach Gordon Parido will lead his Prestonsburg Blackcats (11-15) onto the court to take on Belfry (21-5) in the first game Thursday night.

Allen Central (24-5) will be coming off a thrilling 90-88 win over the

Prestonsburg Blackcats in the 58th District finals.

The Rebels faced the Hawks earlier in the year at Mullins High School, home court of Pike Central. Allen Central came home with an 82-66 win.

The Hawks can boast of having one of the better big men in the region in Lance Bowman (6' 4" senior). Bowman is strong down low and will be a challenge to Matt Baker (6' 5") in the middle.

Pike Central also has a top guard in Jamie Hamilton (5' 10" junior). Hamilton scored 26 points in the first meeting of the two teams.

Evan Charles (6' 5" senior) gives the Hawks added inside height and is one of the top rebounders for Pike

Central.

Jeremy Hall (25ppg) will lead the offense for Allen Central, scoring 27 points the last time the two teams met. Hall, still nursing a sore right hand, performed well against Prestonsburg last Friday night, totaling 29 points.

But the strong inside play of Matt Baker was the story against Prestonsburg. Baker grabbed 16 rebounds while scoring 20 points and that kind of effort will be imperative against Pike Central.

Baker has been a work horse on the boards for the Rebels since transferring from Shelby Valley. But he is starting to be more comfortable with

(See Allen Central, B 3)



Boys' All-District team

Kneeling: T.T. Pack, South Floyd. Standing: Jeremy Hall, Allen Central; Ryan Ortega, Thomas Ratliff, Toby Robinson, Prestonsburg; and Kevin Stumbo, Allen Central. (photo by Ed Taylor)

Rebels three-peat in district

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

Happy birthday to Thomas Jenkins by way of Matt Baker and Jeremy Hall!

Jenkins celebrated his 16th birthday this past Friday, which just happens to be the day of the finals of the boys' 58th District tournament.

What a gift he got, despite fouling out in the fourth quarter.

Matt Baker, the newest member of the Allen Central Rebels' basketball team, didn't take long to become a fan favorite with the Rebels' faithful. Baker's popularity improved greatly after the Rebels edged a very good Prestonsburg team 90-88.

"It was the best birthday present that I have gotten in my life," said a happy Jenkins. "I was so happy when I saw Matt's shot go in."

"I've never sweated one out on the bench before. I'm used to being in there playing. But I'm very happy with the win."

The two teams matched up in the championship game of the 58th District Tournament, played at South Floyd's Raider Arena Friday night before a packed house.

Baker dropped in a layup with seven seconds left to play that gave the Rebels a 90-88 lead that held up.

Allen Central had tried all night to stop the penetration of the Blackcats, and Rebel coach Johnny Martin confessed they failed.

"We couldn't stop them," he said. "We never stopped them all night long. They just went out there and did what they wanted to do."

It was the first time in 33 years that a Floyd County team won three consecutive district titles.

Under Don Wallen, the Wheelwright Trojans posted consecutive wins in 1960, '61 and '62 to become the last team to accomplish the feat.

The victory was even sweeter for Coach Martin.

"First time in 33 years," he shouted. "First time for a boys' team in 33 years. It was a big win for us and it is something that I have dreamed about. It was a really big win as far as I'm concerned."

The Allen Central coach said that it just showed how tough it is to win in this district.

"It is hard enough to win one in the county then go on and win three. It was a great game."

The great game and greater win came with some heads-up play on the part of point guard Jeremy Hall.

Allen Central had just tied the game at 88 on two free throws by Hall with 59 seconds left to play. Prestonsburg, with possession, turned the ball over when Jason Baker stepped in and intercepted a pass to the middle.

The Rebels in control with 45 seconds to play ran the clock down to 21 seconds when Hall signaled for a time-out.

"I called time-out because I was afraid we were going to get out of synch and not get the last second shot off," he said.

In the Rebel huddle Coach Martin laid the final strategy for the last shot. Hall was to keep control of the basketball and go for the last shot.

But things did not develop as planned, even though Hall did have the last shot.

"Coach decided to run a little 1-4 offense and let everybody clear out for Jeremy," explained Baker.

With the spread offense, Hall drove the baseline on the right side instead of the middle lane.

"I was told to drive the lane if it

was there. So, I went to the baseline. I was going to shoot the ball but I saw my big man, Matt, wide open. I dropped it off to him and he hit the shot," said Hall.

"Jeremy did an excellent job of driving the baseline," said Baker. "He spotted me wide open and got the ball to me. That was the game."

While the last basket did give the Rebels the 90-88 lead, Prestonsburg still had possession with five seconds left to play. The Blackcats called time-out.

Once the ball was inbounded and the ball was at three-quarter court, Prestonsburg signaled for their final time-out. When play resumed, it was Thomas Ratliff to whom the Blackcats looked.

"We wanted to use Toby (Robinson) as a decoy," admitted coach Gordon Parido. "We want to try and get Thomas the ball. I told Thomas if they didn't come out on him, he could take the three or he could take to the hole."

"He took it to the hole and got off a great shot but it didn't go in. But that's the way it goes at times."

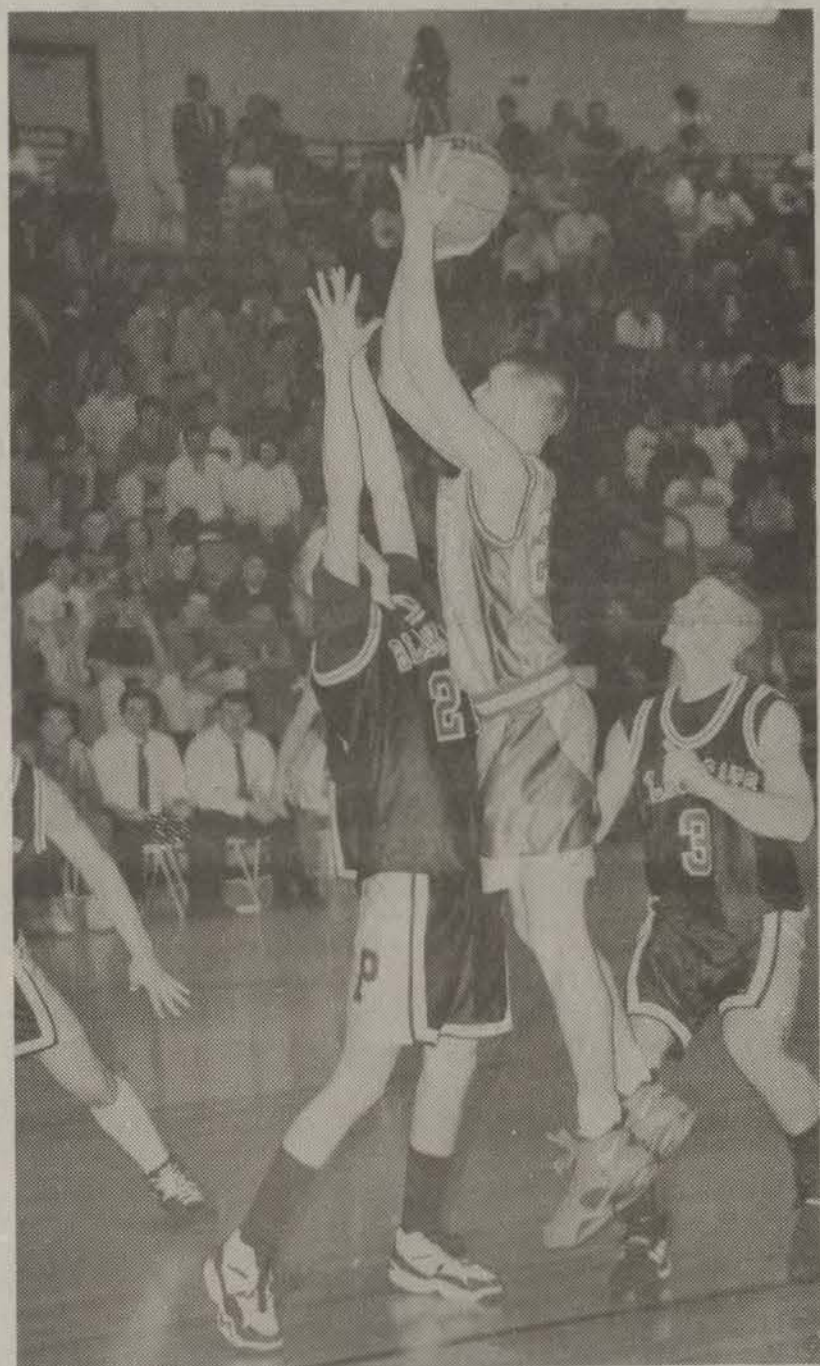
Coach Martin said that their game plan was for Hall to hold the ball until eight seconds remained in the game.

"Jeremy left too soon," he said. "He left with 11 or 12 seconds to play. He left too soon with too much time on the clock."

Prestonsburg was a thorn in the side of Allen Central all year, in spite of the Rebs winning all three meetings.

"They scored 88 points against us," said Coach Martin. "Every time

(See Rebels, B 3)



In between!

Kevin Stumbo, Allen Central, put up a shot between Prestonsburg's J.P. Skeens (21) and Ryan Ortega (3). Allen Central won over the Blackcats 90-88 on a last second shot by Matt Baker. (photo by Ed Taylor)

**"Twin Towers" power Betsy
Layne past A.C. Lady Rebels**

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

Melena Gearheart and Jessica S. Hamilton shook the first game jinx and combined to lead the Betsy Layne Lady Cats to a 60-52 win over Allen Central in the championship game of the 58th District tournament at South Floyd Thursday night.

Gearheart led the scoring parade in double figures with 16 points. Hamilton and Jessica Johnson scored 13 apiece and senior point guard Misty Clark finished with 11. Penny Tackett scored seven.

Veronica McKinney led Allen Central with 14 and Jennifer Mullins and Misty Scott scored 12 each.

Betsy Layne went on an 11-0 run in the final three minutes of the game to snap a 49 tie to win by eight. Mullins drilled a three-point basket for Allen Central with eight seconds left for the final 60-52 count.

Gearheart and Johnson led the Lady Cats in the final three minutes. Johnson busted a three-pointer with 2:45 left and Gearheart scored consecutive baskets to give Betsy Layne

a 56-49 advantage with 1:36 to play.

Johnson went under for a layup and Jessica S. Hamilton hit one of two free throws for the 60-49 lead. Mullins then hit her trey.

It was a game of spurts for both ballclubs as the lead kept exchanging hands.

Allen Central jumped out to a 6-2 lead early, but Hamilton hit one of her patented "swoop" shots, scored on a rebound basket, and Johnson hit a basket that was left spinning for a few seconds before falling through, to give Betsy Layne a 8-6 game.

The game was tied at 8 and 10 before Johnson's three-point basket gave Betsy Layne a 15-10 lead. Misty Scott scored on a short jumper as the Lady Cats led 15-12 at the first stop.

Baskets by McKinney and Amanda Samons wrestled the lead back at 16-15, but Betsy Layne, led by Gearheart, scored the next six points for a 21-16 lead.

Penny Tackett hit a trey to give Betsy Layne a seven-point cushion, 24-19. Seventh-grader Natalie Cooley hit a long jumper just before the horn as Allen Central trailed 24-19 at the

half.

Betsy Layne coach Bill Newsome was visibly upset with his team allowing the Lady Rebels to score in the closing seconds.

Allen Central found the middle lane clogged as they failed to get the ball into the middle to Sammons or McKinney.

McKinney was having to come out on the wing to receive the ball and she did hit from the outside.

In a game of contrasts, Betsy Layne could not buy a basket underneath against Prestonsburg and could not miss against the Lady Rebels.

A 7-2 Allen Central run to start the third period allowed the Lady Rebels to tie the game at 26.

Allen Central led 33-30 on a three-pointer by Scott and Lisa Stumbo's layup with 2:49 to play in the third.

Tackett's second trey of the game tied the score at 33, but Stumbo went in for an easy basket and Sammons scored on a rebound to take a 37-33 lead.

(See Betsy Layne, B 3)



Good for two!

Betsy Layne's Melena Gearheart (34) scored on this short jumper over Allen Central's Misty Scott (33). The two teams met in the finals of the 58th District tournament with Betsy Layne repeating after a 60-52 win over the Lady Rebels. (photo by Ed Taylor)

Allen Elementary cheerleaders, county's best

The Allen Elementary cheerleaders won first place in the recently-completed county cheerleading competition at Betsy Layne Elementary after the completion of the grade school basketball tournament.

Also, the Allen cheerleaders took home first place for their overall cheerleading in the tournament itself.

The group has won many awards this year including: T.E.A.M. Award at NCA summer camp and most spirited squad voted by camp instructors.

They took first place in the Adams Middle School sectional tournament, first place in the cheer division of the at-large competition and dance category.

The squad took first place in the Ray "Shag" Campbell Invitational as well.

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A Sweet 16 legend in his own time

U.S. victories aren't the only sweet memories of Richie Farmer's basketball career...

When Hollywood made a movie about Indiana high school basketball, it was called "Hoosiers." If the filmmakers ever decide to focus on the phenomenon of 'prep hoops' in Kentucky, they'll probably call it "Richie."

Richard Dwight Farmer II played his first Sweet 16 for Clay County in 1984. His state championship highlights include breaking Wah Wah Jones' all-time state tournament points record and scoring a tournament record 51 points in the title game his senior season. He only added to this fame by signing a letter-of-intent to play for the Kentucky Wildcats.

"Richie Farmer is unique -- there has never been anyone else like him," said Earl Cox, the longtime Courier-Journal sportswriter. "He's the only person I've known who became a legend while he was still in high school."

"I think Richie represented hard work and dedication to the game," observed Scott Davenport, the head coach at Ballard High School in Jefferson County.

Davenport can testify to this since Farmer led Clay County to the 1987 Sweet 16 championship over Davenport's Bruins. "He wasn't the quickest or couldn't jump the highest, but I think Richie was able to lead his team, spiritually and statistically, to win the state championship," Davenport added.

Not many people know more about Sweet 16 history than Bob White, a writer for the Courier-Journal. White thinks Farmer's 51-point performance in the '87 championship game ranks with Laurel County's Paul Andrews' game-winning shot in the 1982 finals as an unforgettable tournament moment.

"Richie wasn't 6'8", and this made the common man really adopt him as his favorite player," White said. "Richie did an awful lot with (the talent) he had, but his charisma made everyone take notice."

So how did it feel to be a legend in your own time?

"It was something that I never really did pay attention to," said Farmer, who now works in the insurance business with his father, while also keeping busy in the personal endorsement field. "I just tried to stay focused and take one game at a time. I wanted to get the other guys on the team involved in the game and play winning basketball."

"Sometimes it got to the point where it was a little embarrassing to get so much attention, but I always remembered the most important thing was to go out and win."

Clay County made seemingly annual visits to the state tournament, but the Tigers had very limited suc-

cess until Farmer came along.

Farmer will never forget his Sweet 16 performances and his continual fear of tripping onto the slightly raised floor at Rupp Arena during a game.

As a freshman, Farmer started at point guard. He made the all-tournament squad, but the Clay County team lost in the championship game to Hopkinsville.

In Farmer's case, familiarity bred adoration. "(The fans) really appreciated how well and how hard he played," retired Clay County coach Bobby Keith said of Farmer's appeal to fans. "The way he led a ball club, enabled them to do things that other teams couldn't have done."

Keith describes Farmer as a "once-in-a-lifetime" athlete, one for whom success was never in doubt.

And Keith's admiration for Farmer is no greater than the respect of the player for his coach.

"I think he's one of the greatest coaches, if not THE greatest high school coach of all-time," said

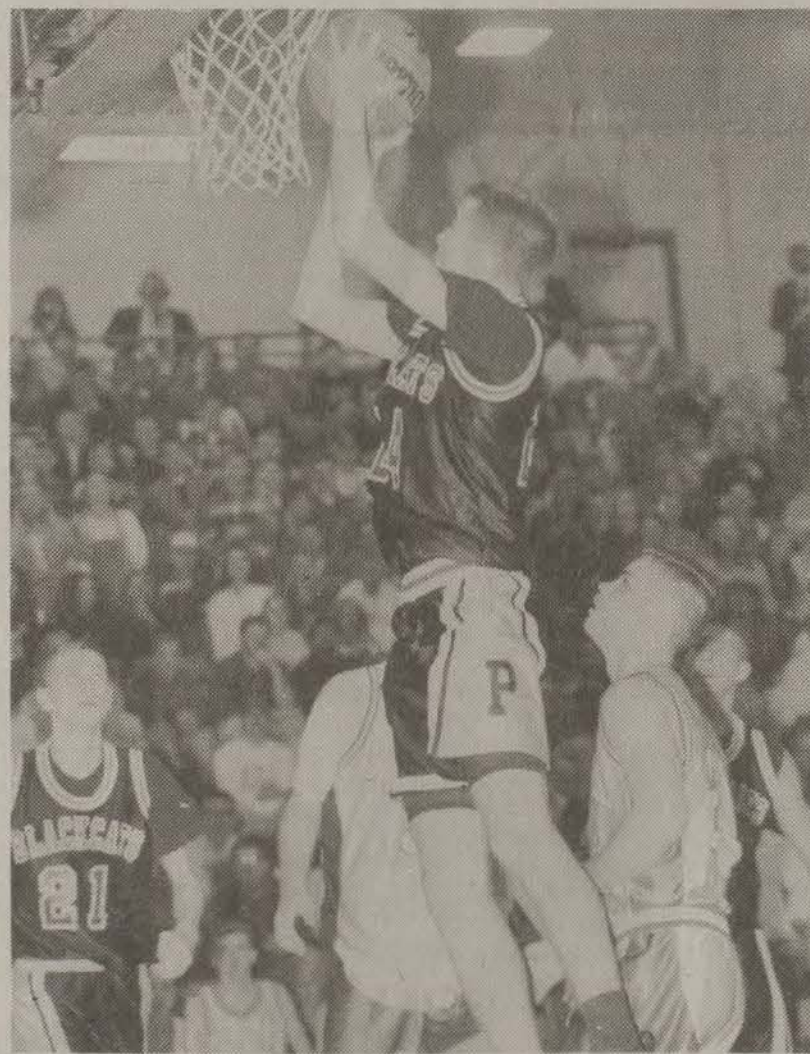
Farmer. "His work ethic is unparalleled."

"I always felt he and Coach Pitino have a lot in common," said Farmer. "Both are great motivators. Coach Keith could make you believe you could run through a wall or that you could play for the New York Knicks."

For Farmer, it's the relationships with teammates and coaches that stand out when he recalls his storied high school career.

"Now, I see that high school basketball was the most fun. On the college level, it's more of a business with the whole country watching," he said. "In high school, it's just about playing team ball, having fun and winning."

As for his record-setting performance in his high school finale, Farmer says the memory is hazy. "You've heard people talk about being in a zone, I think that night I was in a zone. I never had any idea that I had 51 points."



Jarvis on the offensive boards!

Frestonsburg's Andy Jarvis (24) scored on this putback against Allen Central last Friday night. Jarvis is one of several promising freshmen in the county this year. (photo by Ed Taylor)

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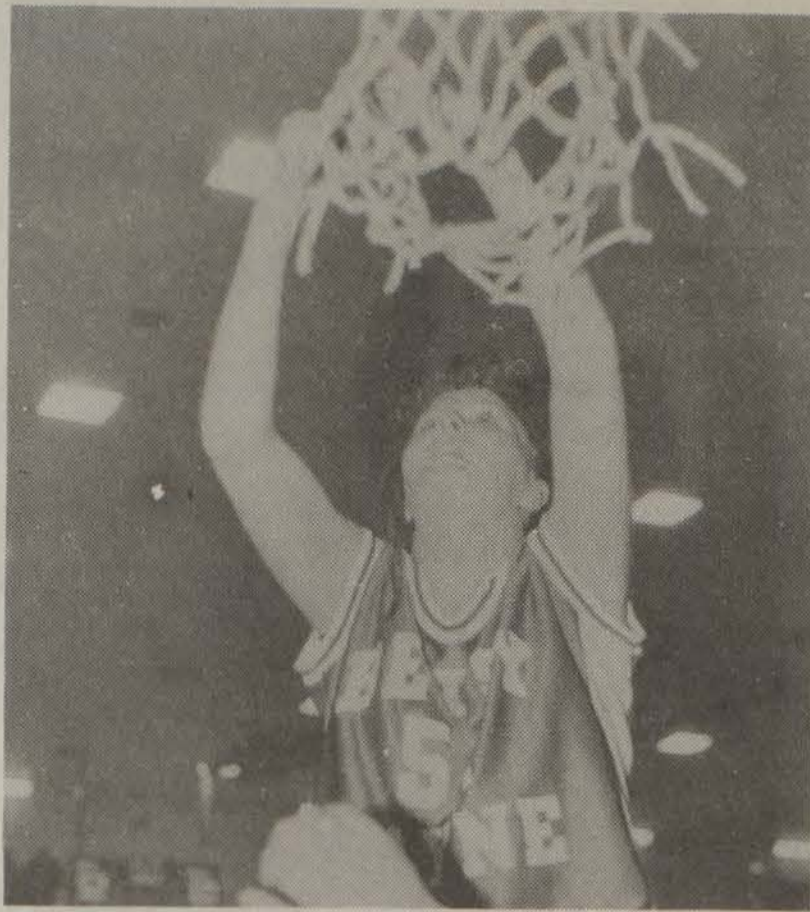
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Net cutting time!

Jessica S. Hamilton of Betsy Layne cut the net after the Lady Cats defeated Allen Central 60-52 in the championship game of the girls' 58th District Tournament at South Floyd last Thursday night. (photo by Ed Taylor)

Allen Central (Continued from B 1)

the Rebels' offense and it has shown in the last two weeks.

Thomas Jenkins (17 ppg) will use his slashing drives to the basket while Kevin Stumbo (18.5 ppg) may come up with another follow-through dunk.

Stumbo has been a main clog in the wheel that turns the Rebels. He has been the most consistent player lately.

Jenkins always goes quietly scoring his points. Enough credit hasn't been sent Rocky Newsome's way, and he has been one of the top assist players on the Rebels team.

A very good three-point shooter, Newsome looks for the open man. He is a solid player who knows his role.

Defensively...
Allen Central will have to cut down the three-point shooting of Hamilton and Jeremy Eplin.

Working out of the matchup zone, Allen Central has been vulnerable to the three-point shot.

Controlling the boards will be a must, as well. Jenkins, Baker and Robinson must block Bowman off the offensive boards, not allowing the putbacks.

Prestonsburg could be Cinderella...

Coach Gordon Parido likes the bracket that his Blackcats will be playing in. The Cats face a Belfry team that defeated them by two points earlier in the season.

But this is a much improved Prestonsburg team that could run all the way to the championship game Saturday night.

The Blackcats' quickness makes it hard for a team to matchup. Coach Martin at Allen Central said that his team just could not defend them.

Not only are the Blackcats a dangerous foe because of their quickness, but this team seems to have found a new attitude that makes even more formidable.

They execute very well on offense (lately) and their shot selection is much better.

No longer forcing the shots from the outside, the biggest find has been the vastly improved play of senior center Thomas Ratliff.

Ratliff had an excellent district tournament (22 points versus South Floyd and 27 versus Allen Central) and it has been the inside/outside play of Ratliff that seems to have sparked the rest of the team.

Ratliff can take the ball low or step and nail the trey. His work down low has drawn the opposition into foul trouble.

Toby Robinson, who has to be more involved in the offense, can burn a team from the outside. Robinson was held to 12 points in the game against Allen Central, but the senior guard makes it miserable for the opposition from the outside.

Ryan Ortega is no doubt a much underrated basketball player. There cannot be many in the region who are quicker or jump higher than Ortega.

He is just a great athlete who can perform anywhere on the court. He stays out of foul trouble and plays heads-up basketball.

Another one that can jump out of the gym is Clint Shutts and he is the

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one who can pose more of a problem for Belfry than any other Blackcat.

His ability to score from the outside (three-point circle), plus his quickness in taking the ball to the basket could be a problem for the slower Pirates.

Shutts complements Ortega and Robinson so well on the outside. His defensive ability is often overlooked.

Brett James, point guard, gives Coach Parido and the Blackcats another three-point threat outside. James just runs the ballclub and, if the shot presents itself, then he will take it.

Off the bench will come J.P. Skeens, who doesn't seem to have to get warmed up. He seems to contribute right off the bench. A good outside scorer from 10-12 feet.

One of the most promising freshmen in the region is Andy Jarvis. It is remarkable what this season has done for this 6' 5" frosh.

Jarvis just has a eye for the basketball when it is put up. He is a very good worker on the offensive boards and gets the garbage baskets for the Blackcats.

Jarvis, along with some others coming into the program, will make the Cats a top regional team in the next three seasons.

Other games...
While dwelling on the two county teams, there are some other top teams in the tournament that bears recognizing.

The Paintsville Tigers are playing as well as any team in Kentucky. The Tigers could be on a collision course with another date against Allen Central (fourth if it happens).

Paintsville (24-5) will face Elkhorn City (13-15) in the second game tonight. J.R. Vanhoose and company will carry a heavy favorite's role against Randy McCoy's ballclub.

With three division one prospects, the Tigers are the clear choice to many to win it all and advance to Rupp Arena next week.

Pikeville (14-13), a surprise winner in the 59th District over Pike Central, will face Danny Adams' Magoffin County Hornets (11-11) in the second game Thursday night.

Coach Adams may have a .500 ballclub, but you can bet that the Hornets will be set to sting when they take to the hardwood.

No team is more feared than Magoffin County when it comes tournament time. Coach Adams has his team geared for the long run.

Pikeville's year has been termed a success after the Panthers got off to such a horrible start. Coach Kevin Garris has his team peaking at just the right time.

WMDJ, WQHY, WXXZ will be the local radio stations that will cover the tournament. WPRG, Channel 5, will have their cameras rolling, as will CableVision of Prestonsburg.

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Rebels (Continued from B 1)

we play them they score in the eighties. They had 87, 86, and now 88 points in the three games we played them. We just can't stop them."

Coach Parido said that his team put forth a strong effort.

"I was real pleased with the way they played," he said. "We took excellent shots throughout the game. You couldn't ask for a better effort."

"We played a great game. We had a great shot at the end, but it just didn't go in."

Kevin Stumbo brought the Rebel faithful to their feet (or better yet, kept them on their feet) when he had a follow through dunk that tied the game at 78 in the fourth quarter.

Rocky Newsome had missed a open layup when Stumbo, trailing him, went high for the ball and in the same motion slammed it through the goal.

Stumbo said that both teams wanted this win and that is why it was so close.

"Both teams came firing," he said. "We both like to play the uptempo game and both teams wanted it just as bad as the others."

"We played our game and that's what we're going to stick with in the regional tournament."

Coach Martin, during the last Prestonsburg time-out, instructed to his team to be on guard for the trey, according to two guard Rocky Newsome.

"Coach Martin told us to defend against the three," he said. "He wanted us to make sure they didn't get off a last second shot and beat us one point. He told us not to foul."

It was destined to be a high-scoring game the way the two teams opened up the first quarter. There were nine lead changes in the initial period. Neither team led by more than four points. Allen Central led 28-24 after at the end of the first quarter on a three-point basket by Stumbo.

Allen Central took a four point, 42-38 lead in the fourth period and led 44-41 at the end of the first half.

A 9-5 run by Prestonsburg at the start of the third period netted them a 50-49 lead. The score was tied at 53 and 55 before Prestonsburg led 58-55 on a three-point play by Ratliff.

Prestonsburg extended the lead to the biggest of the night when they went on top 62-57 on a basket by Robinson.

A three-point basket by Ryan Ortega with 1:23 left in the third quarter gave the Blackcats a 69-62 lead.

After Robinson picked up his fourth personal foul with 48 seconds left in the third period, Allen central got a rebound basket from Baker, a

three-point play and three-point basket from Hall to give Allen Central a 70-69 lead after three quarters.

Ratliff led Prestonsburg with 17 points while Ortega finished with 21. Clint Shutts added 15 points and Robinson was held to 12 points, eight coming in the first half.

Hall's 29 points topped the Rebels and Baker netted 20 points. Stumbo scored 19 and Jenkins finished with 16 before fouling out.

Baker pulled down 16 rebounds in the game.

Allen Central (24-5) will face Pike Central (19-7) in the first game of the boys' 15th Regional Tournament tonight (7 p.m.). Paintsville faces Elkhorn City in game two.

Prestonsburg (11-15) will take on the Belfry Pirates (21-5) Thursday night in game one (7 p.m.). Pikeville faces Magoffin County in game two.

Betsy Layne (Continued from B 1)

Allen Central led 39-38 after three quarters on a basket by McKinney.

Sammons started the fourth quarter leading 41-38 on Sammons layup, but two crucial turnovers by the Lady Rebels allowed Betsy Layne to grab the lead at 42-41 on baskets by Hamilton and Clark.

Sammons was fouled after scoring underneath with 5:37 to play, and gave Allen Central the lead back, 43-42.

Clark buried a three-pointer, but again Sammons scored underneath to tie the game at 45, and was fouled. She missed the free throw attempt.

The game was tied at 47, and again at 49, before the Lady Cats made a third final run.

There were nine ties in the game with the lead changing hands seven times.

Gearheart had 12 rebounds in the game for Betsy Layne and is currently averaging 14.4 rebounds per game.

Sammons pulled down 10 for Allen Central and McKinney had eight.

It was the second consecutive district title for Betsy Layne, defeating Allen Central in last year's district finals.

Both ballclubs had a starter out of the game. Crystal Martin, Allen Central's second leading scorer with a 13-point average, suffered an injured knee in a practice and missed the entire tournament.

Betsy Layne improved to 21-6 while Allen Central fell to 19-7.

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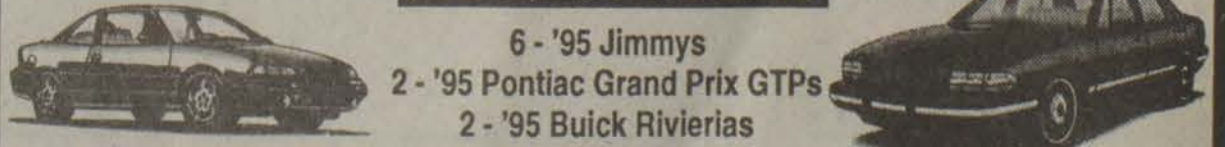
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BOYS BASKETBALL The Pairings

This is the week most upsets will begin to occur. Perhaps the top matchup in the state will have already been held by the time this release is in distribution. Arguably the top two teams in the Third Region will square off in round one tonight as Muhlenberg North and Breckinridge County meet. Breck County beat the defending regional champ North Stars last month on the road after shooting 77 percent from the field. This meeting developed due to the fact archrival Muhlenberg South upset North 54-49 in the 10th District final. It was South's first win in 13 attempts for the school and it ended the Stars 19-game win streak.

The lower bracket in the 10th Region will be one to watch starting Thursday. Defending champ Mason County will host Clark County at 5 p.m. Thursday. And always tough Harrison County, which ended Mason County's home winning streak last month, will play Deming in the nightcap. The two winners will meet in the semifinals. Nearly as tough is the 11th Region, where Lexington Catholic, Bryan Station and Madison Central all are in the upper bracket. Catholic will face Woodford County while the other two tangle in the first round. Bryan Station, which has been ranked No. 1 in some polls this season, has beaten top-ranked Catholic twice during the regular season.

Defending Regional Champions

In the boys' regional brackets, only two schools will be unable to defend their regional titles. Covington Holy Cross (9th) and Warren East (4th) were both eliminated in district play last week.

Fairdale, the defending state champs, will try and win its fourth title in six years.

Records

Of the 64 teams in the boys' state tournament bracket, 25 own .500 records or below. In both the 13th Region and the 15th Region, three teams have advanced with even or

losing records.

Best Record

The best record in postseason belongs to the Franklin County Flyers. Franklin County is now 27-1 headed into the 11th Region tourney. The Flyers only loss came at the hands of Lexington Catholic in December.

Harlan, at 28-3, has the most wins of any team in the boys' tournament. The Green Dragons won the All "A" Classic last month.

Worst Record

The worst record in regional tournament action belongs to Seneca, which owns a 4-17 mark. In the draw, Seneca will face Moore, a semifinalist in last year's Sweet 16 but the only team this year to win a district with a losing record. The Mustangs are 11-15. Also from Louisville, Shawnee owns a 5-23 mark and must face powerful PRP on Wednesday.

Grudge Match

Boyd County and Ashland met for the third time this year, after splitting the first two meetings, and Boyd County took home the 64th District belt, winning 73-53. Chad Stevens poured in 26 points and Frank Lee added 25 as the defending 16th Region champs cruised. Casey Sparks also had 12 rebounds and 10 assists for the winners.

Top Scorers Gone

Whitley County, which led the state in scoring during the regular season with a 91.1 ppg mark, fell early in its district tournament to hot Corbin, 100-89.

Also, the state's top individual scorer, Leslie County's Tim Couch, was ousted from postseason play when his Eagles fell to defending 14th Region champ MC Napier. The 6-5 junior averaged 36.3 ppg this season and once scored 60 points in a game. It wasn't a good week for the football/basketball star. Leslie County football coach Mike Whitaker decided to leave his alma mater to take the head job at Corbin, a position that came open after last season when Cotton Adams stepped down as the Redhounds coach. Couch, the state's all-time leading passer, is the only starter returning on offense next season for the football Eagles.

As a side note, Ron Stidham, the Leslie County basketball coach, registered his 300th victory in the Eagles' 69-68 win over Clay County during the last week of the regular season.

Western Storm

Western finished the regular season winning 10 of its last 12 games.

This comes after opening the season losing nine of 11. During the winning stretch, Chris Perry, a 6-4 guard, averaged 27 points and 10 boards per game. Western will advance to the

6th Region tournament with a 14-12 mark and will face talent-laden Central in the first round.

Mr. Baseball?

Brad Wilkerson, a 6-0 senior guard who has signed to play baseball for the Florida Gators next fall, set a single season assist record for Apollo this year. Through 27 games, he had dished out 170 assists, breaking the old mark of 159. He also finished just out of the state's top 10 in free throw percentage this season with an 82 percent average (110/133).

Big Man

Freshman sensation JR Vanhoose scored 32 points and pulled down 14 boards to lead Paintsville to a 96-62 pasting of Johnson Central in the 57th District semis. The 6-9 Vanhoose also had four blocked shots.

Way To Rebound

After falling behind 19-3 to start the game, Bourbon County clawed back and took the lead with 1:14 left to play as the Colonels (5-20) shocked rival Paris 62-61. Bourbon's Eric Morton, a 5-11 senior, led all scorers with 24 points. Paris fell to 19-10.

Rare Feat

South Hopkins finished the regular season at 21-4, the first back-to-back, 20-win seasons in 25 years for the Tomcats. Craig Offutt had a school record nine three-point shots in a 102-52 win over Providence. The Cats also finished the regular season averaging 89.0 ppg, second in the state.

Belated Congrats

Ballard ended Jeffersonville, Indiana's home win streak of 55 games. Scott Davenport's Bruins scored a 68-67 win over the perennial Indiana power to close out the regular season. No team had won at Jeff since Ballard accomplished the feat four years ago.

David Olsen, a 5-11 senior for the Bruins, broke Allan Houston's school record for threes in a season. He had 71 through 27 games at the end of the regular season. Houston's total was 64 set in 29 games.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Defending Regional Champions
In the girls' regional brackets, four defending regional champions, including the defending state champi-

ons. Henderson County (2nd), Bryan Station (11th), MC Napier (14th) and Russell (16th) were all eliminated from postseason play during district competition. MC Napier was the defending state champs and once again, the school is scheduled to close at the end of this school year

Records

Thirty-one girls' teams who qualified for the region have .500 records or below. In each of the 6th, 10th and 11th Regions, four teams have qualified with even or losing records.

Best Record

Easily the best record in girls' action belongs to the only undefeated team in the state, Whitesburg. The Lady Yellowjackets finished their district tournament with a perfect record of 29-0. They also own the distinction of having the most wins of any team in the girls' tournament.

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This Week's Picks

- Allen Central vs. Pike Central (B)
- Paintsville vs. Elkhorn City (B)
- Belfry vs. Prestonsburg (B)
- Pikeville vs. Magoffin County (B)
- Johnson Central vs. Elkhorn City (G)
- Shelby Valley vs. Allen Central (G)
- Vanderbilt vs. LSU
- Alabama vs. Tennessee
- Auburn vs. South Carolina
- Florida vs. Mississippi
- Western Kentucky vs. New Orleans
- Old Dominion vs. James Madison

This Week's Consensus

- Allen Central
- Paintsville
- Belfry
- Magoffin County
- Johnson Central
- Allen Central
- Vanderbilt
- Alabama
- Auburn
- Florida
- Western Kentucky
- Old Dominion

In the final week of the 'Hoop' picks a four-way tie exists between Mike, Becky, Jodi and Tammy. March Madness continues to grow as the tournament action heats up this week. The boys and girls regional basketball tournament is in full swing with some interesting matchups. Allen Central and Paintsville look to be on a collision course for the fourth time this season. Belfry gets the nod over a good Prestonsburg team while Magoffin County wins over Pikeville. On the girls level, Johnson Central and Allen Central should advance to semifinal play. The SEC tournament gets underway in Atlanta tomorrow.

A Look at Sports

(Continued from B1)

just enjoy talking about the national pastime.

The major league babies are still crying. It doesn't appear that we will have what we call a 'major league season' with all the players and owners so far apart.

The owners seem bent on breaking the players' union if it means suffering through a season with replacement players.

It's a big joke — replacement players. But I don't like the demands of the real players, either. I have always said they are overpaid and no one is worth a million dollar contract to play baseball.

But "you reap what you sow" holds true here and the owners are reaping what they sowed earlier when they started the bidding war for players' services.

Needed!

High school baseball and softball schedules are needed for our information.

Opening of the season is just over two weeks away and we need to make out our schedule. If we don't know when you play, we can't cover the games.

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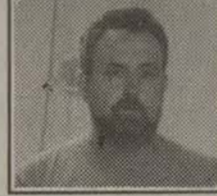







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Sports in Kentucky

Bob Watkins

The stunned expression on Dick Weiss's round face took on a glow like the one Norm Peterson wears when Sam Malone slides a cold on down the bar.

Chris Harrison had just pulled up on the right side and let go another three. Swish, again. Rupp Arena was rocking. No, thundering. Dale Brown turned his back, rubbed the back of his neck. Somebody calls a time-out. And Weiss stared, mouth hanging open.

Three rained in Rupp Saturday. Outside the sun was shining. March had come again frocked in familiar garb and an attitude we call madness. Fans held up placards with Seattle-bound on them. Never mind, the SEC Tournament in Atlanta and NCAA regionals after that.

"I love coming here," said Weiss, a native Philadelphian. "No place like it in the country. It's such a special place for basketball."

Dick 'Hoops' Weiss, columnist for the New York Daily News and author of *Full Court Pressure, A year in Kentucky Basketball*, was in Lexington for Saturday's UK-LSU game. He got an eye-full, along with 24,325 loonies and a CBS-Television audience.

"I'm getting out to see some of the teams around the country before the NAAs," he said, having just arrived from North Carolina. "Tomorrow I'll go over and see UCLA-Louisville."

Near the end of the LSU smashing, as Andre Riddick jacked up his third three try, Weiss waxed analytical. "This is incredible. With the way Kentucky plays defense, if they shoot like this in the tournament, I don't know anybody who can beat 'em. Unbelievable."

VISIT WITH PITINO...

On Friday, Weiss visited Rick Pitino for a feature he was doing for Saturday's Daily News editions.

"I see Rick is very, very comfortable here now," he said. "The man is enjoying what he's doing and I think he's here to stay, no doubt now. I mean he sees what's happening in the NBA these days, how the players are behaving. How hard it is to coach. I don't think he'll ever go back to that."

The Boston Celtics? "Not a good job anymore," Weiss said. "That franchise has really gone down and it's going to be a long time coming back. Besides they would never pay Rick what he's getting here. No, when Rick turned down the LA Lakers job a couple of years ago, I think that was the end of pro ball for him. He's getting far more enjoyment in an atmosphere like this one. And let's face it, there's not a better college job in the country than this one. Not anywhere."

UK PEAKING...

Kentucky basketball. When it is pretty, it is beautiful. When the orchestra sections are hitting their marks, the music is to the ears of Wildcat fans what Pavarotti is to Kennedy Center regulars. Exquisite and promising.

In a glitter that has illuminated the last two weeks, starting with Florida and peaking in Georgia Coliseum, Rick Pitino's team has shown remarkably clear signs of fulfilling the hanging participle on its media guide cover -- *The Stuff dreams are made of.*

And, UK has fired a shot across the bow of rivals whose sights are set on Seattle in April. The come-togetherness is an interesting study in force of personality, Pitino's, and confidence, maturity and the delights that come with watching puzzle pieces slide together efficiently if not perfectly.

Pitino's skill for elevating impetuous boys from macho mouthing teenagers to battle hewn manliness begs for another how-to book and/or a testimonial tour singing the praises of a few good men who have come to recognize the difference between Vitale PT silliness and QM -- quality minutes.

Andre Riddick has learned to dance, sort of, and enjoy himself. "Andre wanted to quit after his freshman year," the coach said after the Georgia game. "Said he didn't like basketball. But (being at Kentucky) has made him a man."

Mark Pope helped too. Spelling Riddick with weaponry the 6-9 New Yorker lacked, the good-natured and team-man Pope, stings foes with threes and putbacks and gives his

platoon-mate freedom to play loose and hard for short bursts. And the combine gives Pitino 10 fouls.

Jeff Sheppard and Anthony Epps. In the absence of a point guard, these two have galvanized their talents into a kind of arsenal that drives opposing coaches crazy keeping up with which one's in the game, and adjusting for it. On nights when Sheppard is throwing bricks from the perimeter, Epps is frequently not. And vice versa.

If this team has a Pitino personality it is best illustrated in Sheppard, a youngster who has metamorphosed from a timid Rex wanabe into an iron-jawed, hard charging, defense-playing demon who might be at his best wearing a band-aid. Wounded!

Tony Delk. If Sheppard, the Georgian is UK's transmission, the Tennessee is its heart. In his zone (at Arkansas and Vandy), Delk is a marvelous shooter. If only partly zoned, he is still a sweet scorer whose nose is in the wind at crunch time. Bonus: Chris Harrison.

Walter McCarty and Jared Prickett. Platoon III. The former is a dazzling and colorful star-in-the-making for whom NBA scouts are lathered up knowing the happy Hoosier could be an NBA image makers' next dream addition to the Grant Hill class. Bonus: Scott Padgett.

Prickett has rediscovered a jump shot from 12 feet in and remains a tiger effective rebounder. He and McCarty give Pitino 10 more fouls and leverage applying all-court pressure.

Rod Rhodes. The mercurial one seems finally to have surrendered to the reality he is not a carrier of teams. At his best Rhodes uses a wonderful first step to create good things for teammates and/or himself on the free throw line. Consistency remains a problem. But, at worst he is a skilled mercenary trying to impress, passing through here from New Jersey on his way to city lights on the NBA highway. Bonus: Antoine Walker.

Heading into the SEC Tournament only two teams are playing as well as Kentucky in all facets and neither UCLA or revived Arkansas can match Pitino's depth, defense, chemistry, or, dare to be mentioned? Yes, consistency.

Perhaps most heartening of all for UK optimists is this: the Wildcats have five performances that can be judged excellent to sterling. And four in a row in the NAAs like Kentucky played the last two weeks would land the Wildcats in Seattle in April.

RICK PITINO SPIN DR.

Rick Pitino rendered another skilled spin last week. Virtually on the eve of the SEC Tournament, UK's coach stopped short of saying, "Rodrick Rhodes is persona non grata at Kentucky after this season," but spun his remarks to say the NBA is the best next stop for Rhodes.

Curious (and convenient) the timing of Pitino letter writings to NBA general managers to say Rhodes is ready for the draft. Even as NBA scout and talent prophet Marty Blake says he is not. Days before NCAA tournaments, when a team is playing

at top, a coach chooses to pitch his pet player to NBA administrators.

Rhodes, Da Coach reckons, could be a legitimate draft pick at 20th or 21st which is a turnover or two from the lottery zone big money. So why bother? Because Pitino knows a good gamble.

• While Rhodes's track record is spotty, he could react nicely to (NBA scout) show time.

• Derek Anderson, waiting in the wings, demonstrated at Ohio State he can be every bit the player Rhodes is and has better savvy and far more consistency.

• Ever efficient, Pitino used the media once more to send a message to Ron Mercer before his March 3-4 visit to UK. Special player he is, Mercer sees the vacancy sign flashing clearly on a team that is, well...see next item.

• Renown for being three moves ahead of the competition, Pitino must have recognized some weeks ago, this UK team, with nine regulars returning next season (with Anderson and without Rhodes), could be one of the finest teams ever assembled in college basketball even in an era of parity. And a joy to coach as well.

• With nine veterans returning, a coach can afford 'shopping' Rhodes before the tournaments and two months before the NBA's June draft.

• Downside to all this? Rhodes might go into the NCAA tournament dancing to his own tune which could upset what has become a delicate and balanced chemistry on this team.

However it turns out, marketing Rod Rhodes while cryptically recruiting his replacement, is masterful spin doctoring.

READERS (RIGHT) WRITE

Jim Porter, Franklin, Ohio. (UK's number one fan in the Buckeye state). "If (Rod) Rhodes plays well as he did against Florida and Alabama, I think he's got a chance."

Herbert Jackson, Frankfort, Ky. writes about small high school gyms. "I played for Frankfort High in 1930-32 and our gym was the basement which would hold 250-300 spectators. Baskets at each end were on the out-of-bounds lines. And we had mats on the concrete walls at the end lines. There was room around the upper floor for people to stand and watch."

Kavanaugh won the game in seven overtimes, Jackson writes. "The went on to win a big high school tournament in Chicago."

Kavanaugh, coached by Earle Jones, lost to Ted Hornback-coached Corinth in the finals of the state tournament, 22-20, Jackson went on to college at the University of Kentucky. And 65 years later, "...my blood still runs blue and I live and die with UK."

COMMENT: Herbert will be 81 years old in April.

Reader in Meade County: "Just watched UofL-DePaul game and am

disgusted about the official's foul call (on Tick Rogers that led to a 4-point play that cost Louisville a victory). "I would like to see something done about bad calls at the end of games."

COMMENT: The unspoken rule is, except for obvious fouls or violations, game officials swallow their whistles in the last seconds of a close game, allowing the players to decide the outcome. However, the UofL-DePaul game and UK-UCLA are examples of how the home team gets 'friendly whistles' at the end. But it was old news.

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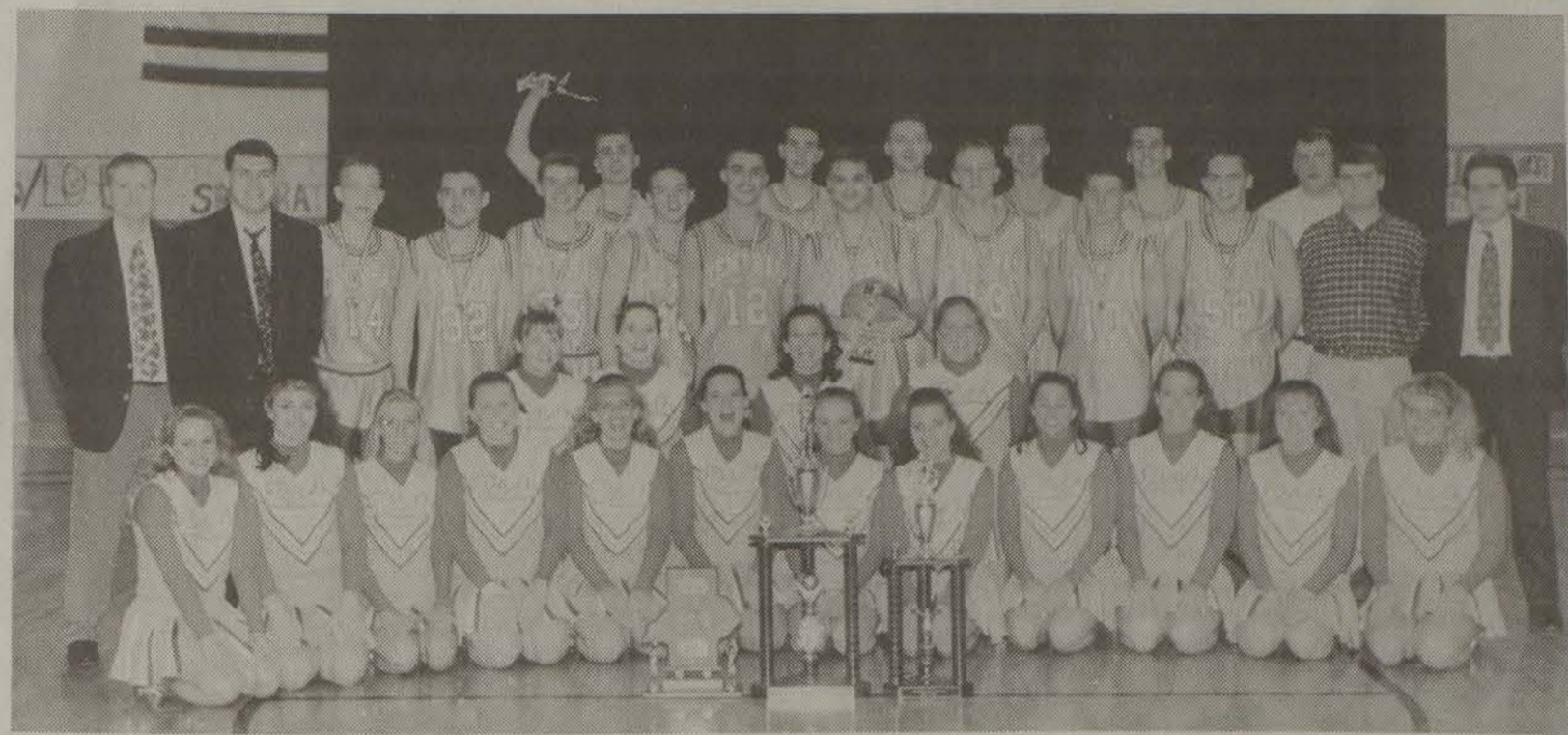
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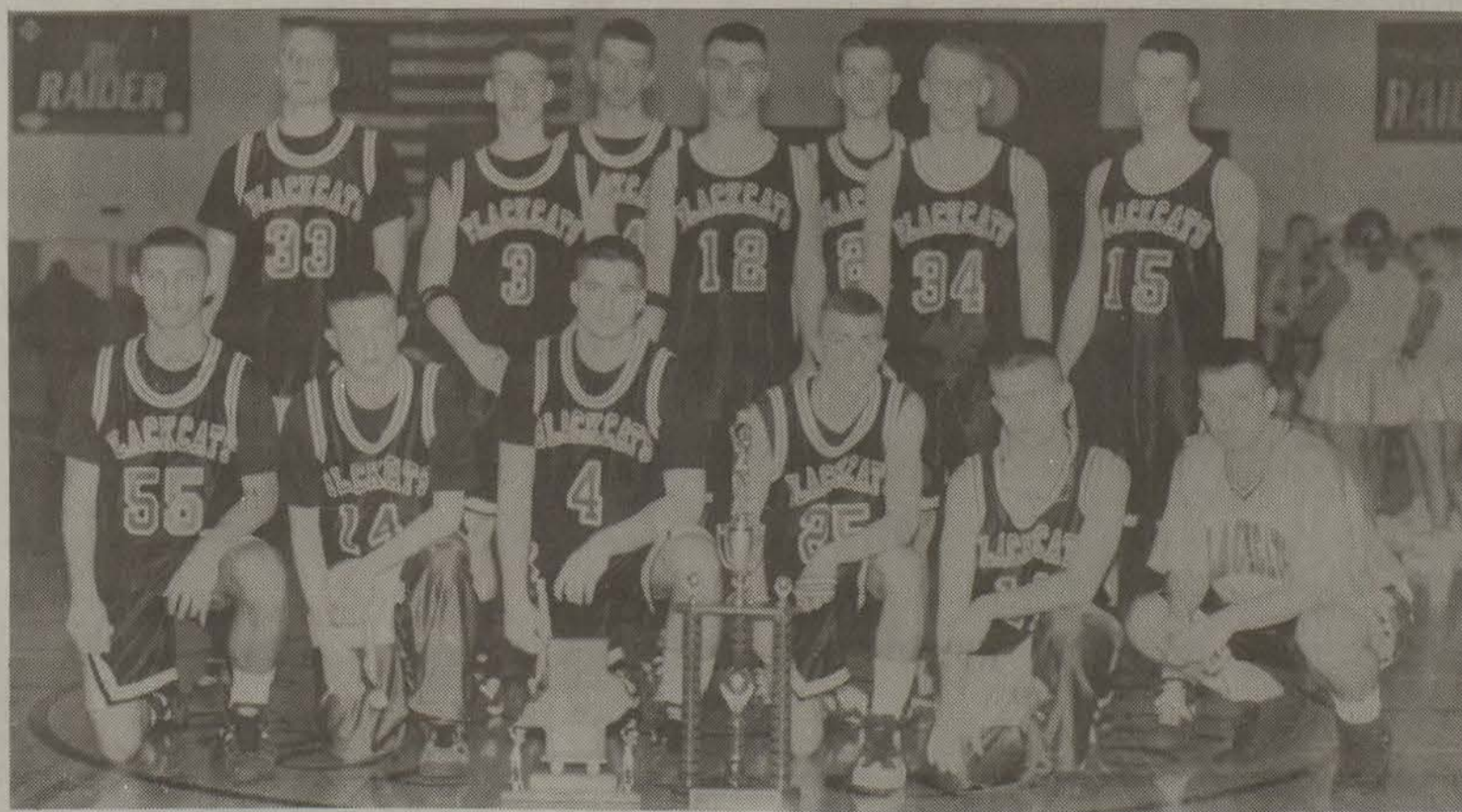
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Betsy Layne eliminates Paintsville 61-44

Tackett leads 3rd quarter charge

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

The Betsy Layne Lady Cats, fresh off winning their second consecutive district tournament, took the first step toward defending their 15th Regional title from last year.

Coach Bill Newsome's Lady Cats held off a good Paintsville Lady Tiger team and posted a 61-44 win to advance on to the semifinals next Monday night.

The two teams met in the opening game of the girls' 15th Region basketball tournament at Shelby Valley.

Penny Tackett, who finished with 15 points, scored 12 in the third quarter to lead a Betsy Layne run that netted them 16-point lead, 39-23, after three quarters.

"Penny played a great game for us," said Coach Newsome. "She wasn't feeling well tonight, but it

didn't seem to bother her that much. She came through when she needed to."

It was a sloppily played game at the onset as neither team could get in the flow of the game.

Betsy Layne had trouble handling the basketball and had 10 turnovers in the first quarter. Paintsville held onto the basketball, but could not connect from the floor.

Betsy Layne held a 10-7 lead after the first period.

"We started out fast and I thought we let up some and we finished sluggish," said Newsome. "All year we have been playing according to our competition."

"I told the girls that I would be tickled to death if they kept up that pattern. We've been coming out on top an awful lot this year."

Paintsville refused to quit and stayed close to the Lady Cats until the third period when Tackett went into their act.

"These girls didn't really take Paintsville seriously, I'm sorry to say," said Newsome. "They had two

wins over them during the season, but they knew that it was going to be a sloppy game. They talked about that in practice. The last time we played them it was sloppy."

"It all goes back to the fact that how we play is determined by who we play. If we play a good team, we raise our level of play."

Paintsville was held to only three field goals in the third period as Tackett doubled that output herself.

Tackett, the shortest player on the floor, grabbed a rebound, put it back in and was fouled completing a three-point play to start the third quarter. With 5:56 to play in the period, she completed another three-point play for a 30-17 Betsy Layne lead.

It was a comedy of errors for both teams in the next two minutes as they just exchanged turnovers. Paintsville had five consecutive turnovers and the Lady Cats turned the ball over five consecutive times, as well.

Tackett hit a layup and Melena Gearheart followed with a basket for a 34-19 Betsy Layne lead. Tackett's rebound basket made it a 39-21 game until Susan Russell hit a short jumper to make it 39-23 after three quarters.

Betsy Layne biggest lead came in the fourth period when they rolled out to a 48-29 lead on a basket by Clark. Paintsville could get no closer than 14 points after that.

Karen Hall, held to two points in the first half, turned up her offense in the fourth quarter for Paintsville. Hall, who had 13 points for the game, scored 11 of those in the final period. She attempted four free throws in the fourth period, but missed all four.

Cassie Cooper led the Lady Tigers with 16 points. She had a three-

point basket in the second quarter and hit one on the fourth.

Betsy Layne placed four players in double figures led by Jessica S. Hamilton's 16 points. Tackett had 15, and Jessica Johnson, off the bench, tossed in 13. Melena Gearheart netted 10 points. Misty Clark, held to two points in the first half, finished with seven.

"Misty always starts slow, but she finishes fast," said Newsome. "She arises to the occasion when the need is there."

While Coach Newsome said that he had no preference as to who his team will face in the semifinals, they will play Pike Central, a come-from-behind winner over Belfry in the second game.

"I have no preference at all who we play," said Newsome before the outcome of game two. "We'll just focus on who we do play. We play them one team at a time."

Betsy Layne and Pike Central faced each other three times in the regular season with the Lady Cats winning two of the three.

Betsy Layne was cold from the free throw line, hitting only 11 of 23 attempts. They committed 25 turnovers in the game.

Paintsville hit two of 10 attempts from the charity stripe and had 19 turnovers in the game.

Betsy Layne, after a few days of rest, will return to the hardwood Monday night at 6:30 p.m.

LADY CAT NOTE:
• Starting forward Ashley Tackett will be lost to the Lady Cats for the remainder of the season.

The sophomore forward injured her knee and will require surgery after the season is over.



Floor leader!

Coach Bill Newsome of the Betsy Layne Lady Cats said that Misty Clark (3) gets things done on the court when it needs doing. Clark scored seven points as Betsy Layne opened defense of their regional title with a 61-44 win over Paintsville. (photo by Ed Taylor)



Moving through!

Prestonsburg's Ryan Ortega (3) drove to the basket against Allen Central in the finals of the boys' district tournament game Friday night. Ortega scored 21 points in his team's 90-88 loss to the Rebels. (photo by Ed Taylor)

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Pike Central stops Belfry in second half; wins 55-42

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

The Belfry Lady Pirates, a co-favorite to win the girls' 15th Regional title, built an 11-point half-time lead against the Lady Hawks of Pike Central only to see it disappear in the second half.

Coach Cindy Stewart's ballclub looked sharp in opening the game. Early foul trouble for Pike Central's big center Claudette Gillespie did help the Lady Hawks.

Gillespie was whistled for her third personal foul in the first period shortly after picking up her second foul.

But it was Gillespie who returned in the second half to lead the

Lady Hawks' comeback. Belfry scored 33 points in the first two quarters, but could manage only four field goals in the second half, scoring only nine points.

Pike Central outscored the Lady Pirates 14-5 in the third period and 19-4 in the final stanza.

Gillespie led all scorers with 16 points, all in the second half. Pam Pinson tossed in 12 points.

Jamie Helflin led Belfry with nine points.

The Lady Pirates closed out their season at 17-8 while Pike Central improved to 18-9.

The Lady Hawks will face Betsy Layne in the first semifinal game on Monday.

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NASCAR Connection

by Ben Trout

RICK HENDRICK FOILS STEREO TYPE OF MULTI-CAR OWNERS

For years, it has been said that it is virtually impossible for a car owner to field more than one team and be successful on the Winston Cup Series.

However, supporters of this statement have to eat their words when it comes to car owner Rick Hendrick.

Currently, Hendrick fields not two, but three teams in NASCAR's elite division. The trio of drivers that call the Hendrick stables home are: Jeff Gordon, driver of the DuPont Chevrolet; Ken Schrader, who pilots the Budweiser Chevy; and Terry Labonte, who guided his Kellogg's Chevy to a victory in last Sunday's running of the Pontiac Excitement 400 at Richmond.

Just three races into the '95 season, and already two Hendrick drivers have claimed a victory. Gordon's win at Rockingham and Labonte's victory last Sunday, upped Hendrick's stats to seven wins since April of '94 when Terry Labonte won at North Wilkesboro.

Another impressive stat that really stands out is all three of Hendrick's teams finished in the top eight in the final Winston Cup point standings last year. What makes the Hendrick teams so successful? How can they accomplish what many seem to think impossible in today's high-tech competitive world of Winston Cup racing?

Several factors contribute to Hendrick's fruitful accomplishments as a Winston Cup multi-team car owner.

First of all, Hendrick is extremely knowledgeable in the arena of motorsports. Before launching his first Winston Cup team in 1984, Hendrick was a national boat-racing champion and world record holder.



Ben Trout
NASCAR Columnist

He is definitely familiar with the aspects of speed and intense competition.

Hendrick's high-speed knowledge has enabled him to gain the reputation as one of the most respected individuals when it comes to a Winston Cup racing engine. Although Rick doesn't build the engines himself, he has a definite input and he possesses the know-how of getting extra horse-power out of the 358 cubic inch V-8 power plants.

The 45-year-old, North Carolina native is also an accomplished businessman. He currently is the sole owner of Hendrick Management Corporation, which oversees more than 40 auto and truck dealerships in 10 states.

There's little doubt his business skills come in handy in today's world of racing which requires a large amount of financial backing from corporate sponsors.

Finally, the key ingredient that fuels the success for Hendrick Motorsports is the cooperation among the three teams. All important research and development information is shared among the teammates so that they may improve on the track.

In only 11 years as a Winston Cup car owner, Rick Hendrick ranks third in the all-time standings with over \$17 million in prize money from 697

entries in 294 races.

In the young '95 season Hendrick drivers have posted two wins and five top 10 finishes. And with 28 races remaining on the 1995 schedule, and drivers like Gordon, Schrader and Labonte behind the wheel, you can rest assured that Rick Hendrick will add to his already impressive stats.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Questions and comments about "The NASCAR Connection" may be addressed to Ben Trout, P.O. Box 504, Belfry, KY 41514.

KHSAA to conduct makeup on rules clinic March 11

The Kentucky High School Athletic Association (KHSAA) will hold a makeup on rules clinic for coaches and officials for baseball and softball. The clinic will be held Saturday, March 11 at 8:30 a.m. at Pikeville High School.

In addition, there will be a fast pitch softball umpires clinic on the same day from 8:30 a.m. until 4 p.m. at Pikeville High School.

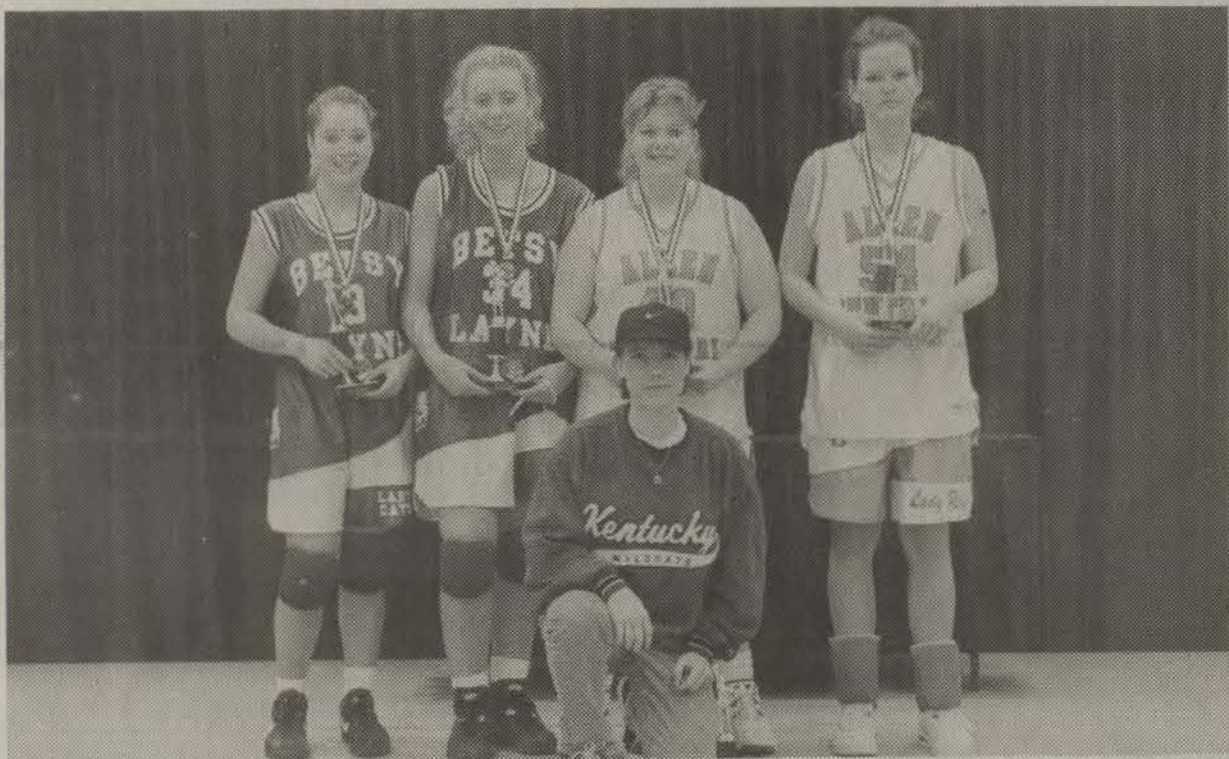
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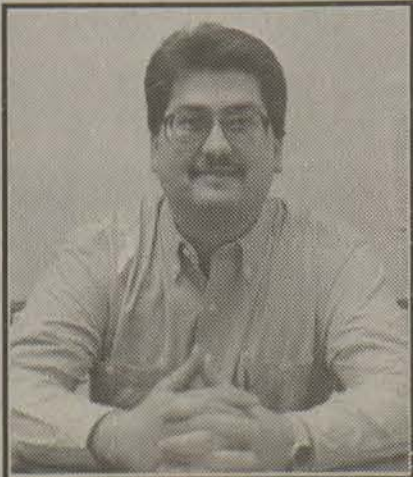
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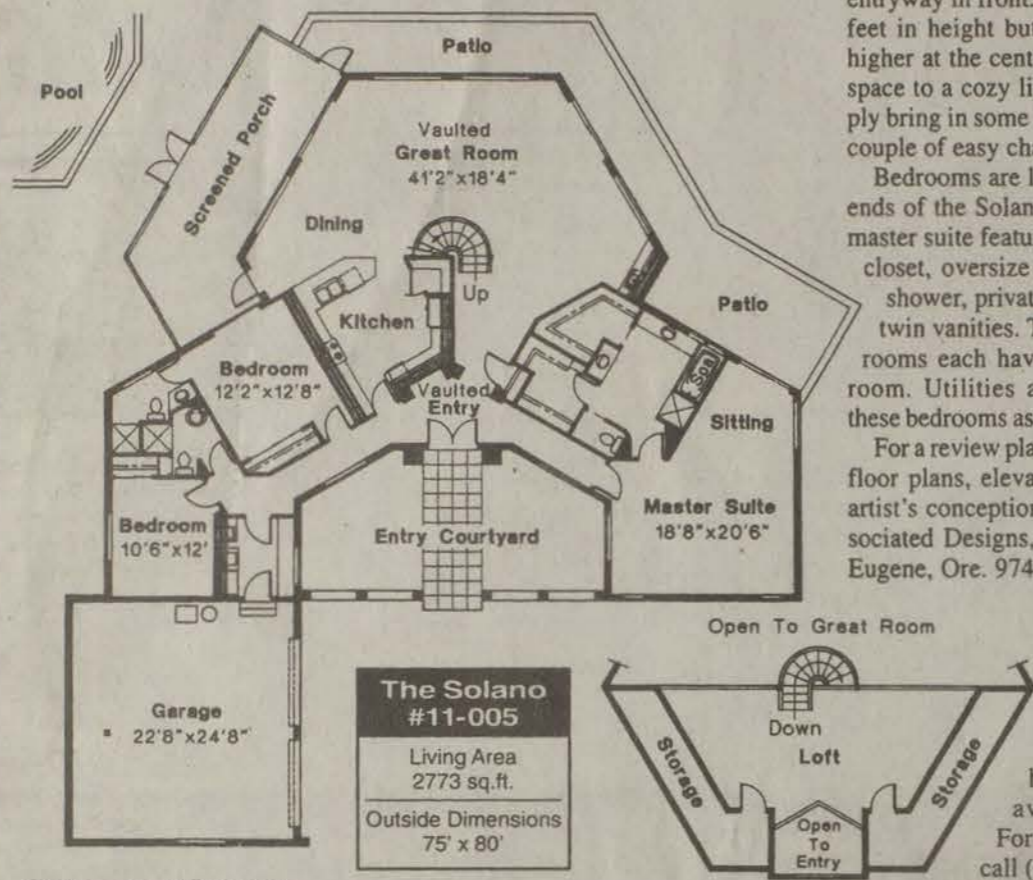
In the front, a low stucco wall separates the driveway from a lushly planted entry courtyard. Stately columns flank the lofty gabled entryway. Viewed from the rear, the Solano is equally attractive. The exterior of the hexagonal great room, graced by high-arched multi-paned windows on three sides, has a carousel feel to it. A patio adds to the effect, wrapping around the entire back expanse.

The spacious country kitchen is open to the vaulted great room, with only an eating bar between. Other amenities include generous counter and cupboard space, a step-in pantry, built-in range and oven, and an additional oven and microwave combination.

At the juncture of kitchen and great room, an open stairwell spirals up to a wide vaulted loft that is open to the great room at the rear and the entryway in front. Side walls are six feet in height but the loft is much higher at the center. To convert this space to a cozy library retreat, simply bring in some bookshelves and a couple of easy chairs.

Bedrooms are located at opposite ends of the Solano. The sumptuous master suite features a huge walk-in closet, oversize spa tub, skylight, shower, private water closet and twin vanities. The other two bedrooms each have their own bathroom. Utilities are convenient to these bedrooms as well as the garage.

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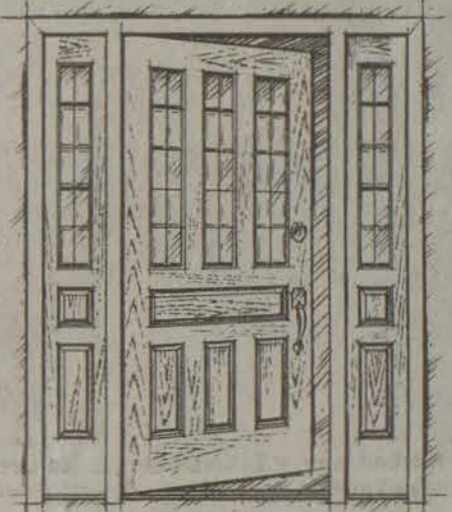


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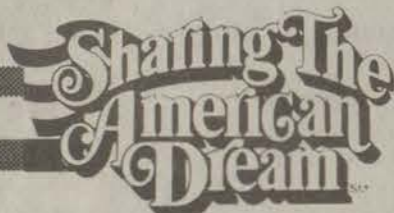
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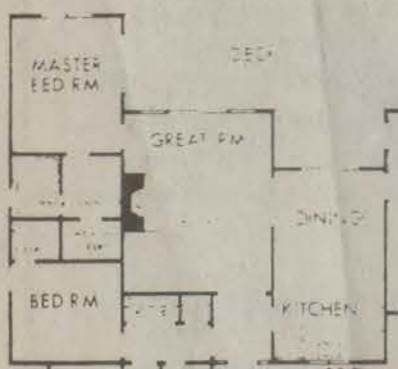


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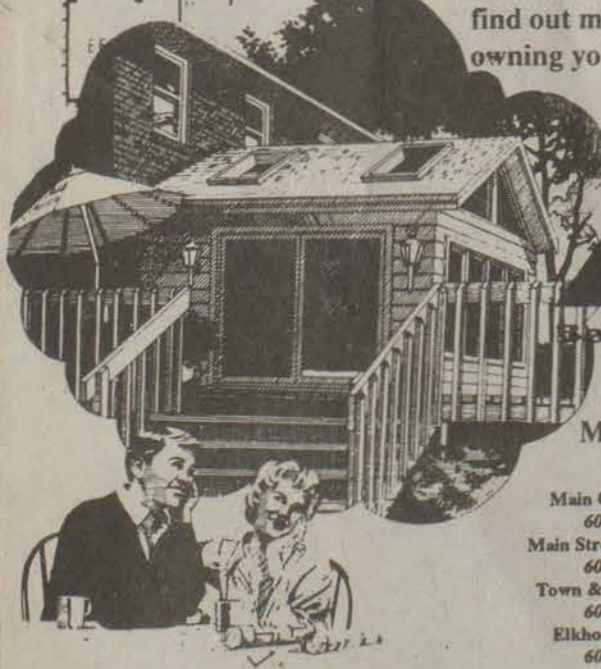
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"March Madness" keeping WPRG on the move

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

Area basketball fans are getting a treat from WPRG-TV, Channel 5 out of Harold.

The local cable station has been airing basketball games on a steady basis since the beginning of March Madness back on February 27.

"We have covered or will have covered around fifty games this year," said P.D. Gearheart, one of the several play-by-play personnel for Channel 5.

The station has covered three of the four districts that make up the 15th Region. Only the 57th hasn't been on the tube. But next year that will change.

"Hopefully, we will be able to cover the 57th District next year," said Gearheart. "We didn't get to this year, but next year we want to."

With the increased popularity in women's basketball, the station is looking to air a 'Game of the Week' next season.

"We're going to try and put on at least one girls' game a week," said

Gearheart. "Time slots are a problem for us. We feel the little station is max out now. Finding time to put all the games on the air is the problem."

Presently, the games are taped and played back the same night. Then they are repeated the next day.

"We have to put the games on the same night we tape them," Gearheart explained. "If we don't, then it becomes old stuff."

"With the church programs we have on, fiscal court meetings and board of education meetings, it is pretty well filled."

This past Saturday the station aired basketball games all day, giving fans a look at all the district games played in the 58th, 59th and 60th districts.

"We have the same this weekend," said Gearheart. "We're covering both boys' and girls' regionals and we're going to have a lot of basketball on the air."

The local cable currently goes into 25,000 homes in Floyd, Pike, and Magoffin counties, as well as in Mingo County, West Virginia and Hurley, Virginia.

"We would like, sometime in the near future, to put another local channel on," stated Gearheart. "That then would free up this little station some to where we could do more."

Gearheart said the games are more of a public service than anything else.

"We enjoy doing them. The elderly who can't get out to the games say they enjoy watching them," said Gearheart. "It's only human to want to see yourself on television, so people go home from the games in hopes of getting a glance of themselves on television."

But the games aired serve another purpose as well.

"We like to think that some college coach has seen a particular player on television and it has led to a scholarship for them," said Gearheart. "Also, we like to give the kids in our area a little recognition."

Three crews are sent out during tournament time and two during the regular season.

Working hard all season has been Dr. Don Bevins, station manager and cameraman. Doing play-by-play are

Darren Gearheart, Pete Grigsby, Jr., Bill Bevins, Chuck Scoville, Adam Gearheart, along with P.D. Gearheart, Brian Lee and Mark Love also work on the camera crew.

Plans are in the planning stage for a girls' invitational tournament on the scale of the WYMT Mountain Classic in Hindman. WPRG will be part of the sponsorship of the tournament.

"We really want to do more girls' games," said Gearheart. "We know that some folks enjoy watching their daughters play, as well as their sons."

HAP to conduct Little League meeting, Mar. 13

The Harold-Allen-Prater Little League will hold an organizational meeting Monday, March 13, on "The Hill" at Betsy Layne High School.

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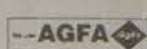
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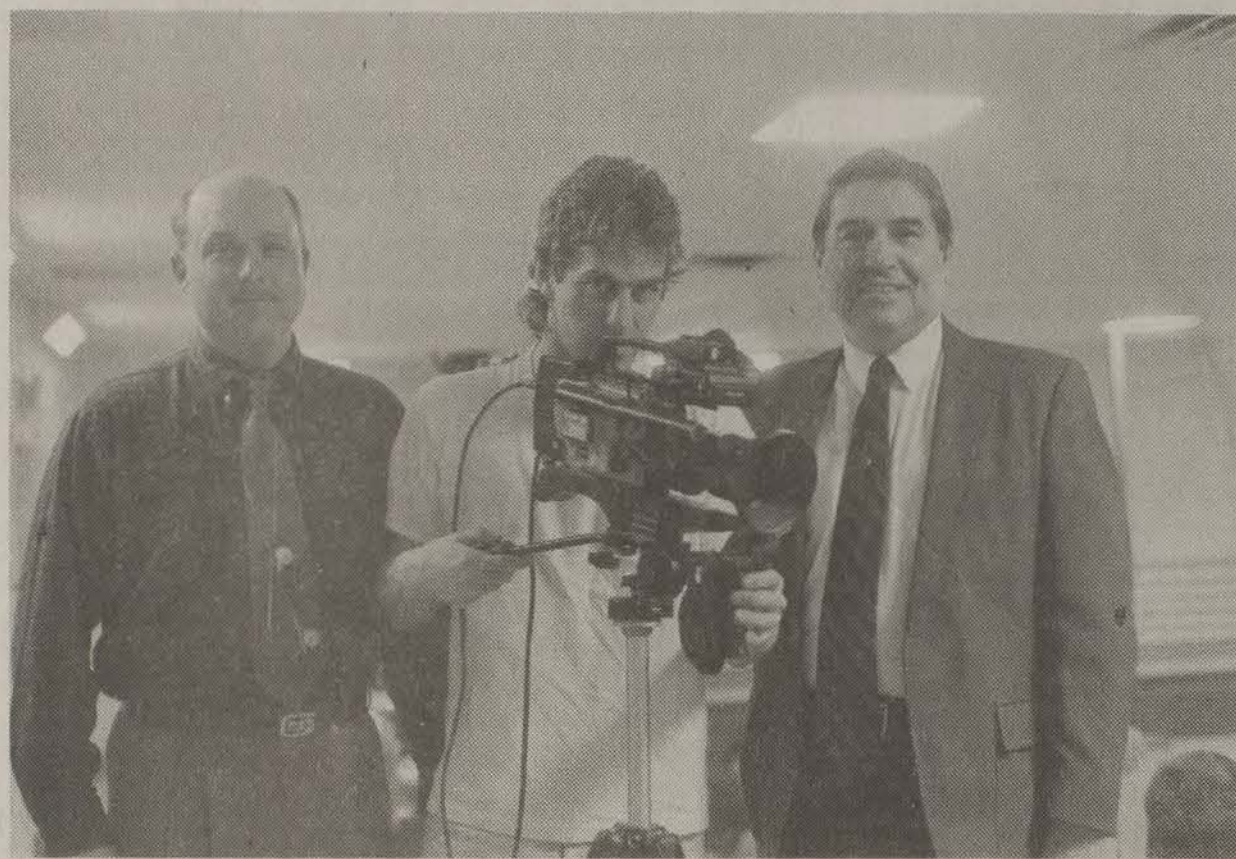
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WPRG-TV, Channel 5 of Harold has carried nearly 50 games this basketball season into living rooms of basketball fans. P.D. Gearheart, Brian Lee, and Pete Grigsby Jr. were on hand for the boys' and girls' 58th District Tournament at South Floyd. (photo by Ed Taylor)

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We need to reverse the pecking order

The times, as they say, are a changin'. That's as it should be, I guess, but here's one that's hoping, at least in some instances, that they hurry and change back.

When I was a teenager in the 1950's, my father still worked in the coal mines. He'd come home dog tired with his face so black you could see nothing but the whites of his eyes and a little pink around his mouth.

While Mom fixed his bath water, he'd sit down on the back porch, take off his muddy steel-toed work shoes, and roll himself a Bugler. Even as he sat there, though, as dirty and tired and bruised as he was, there was never a doubt in my mind that he was in charge.

He was the boss. He was, as they say, the head honcho. That was simply fact. I didn't question it. As far as I know, neither did anyone else.

Perhaps that's why I'm somewhat amused every time I pick up the paper and read where some college

professor with a list of degrees as long as your leg has published the results of another study about the deterioration of the American family. These so-called experts with all their Ph.D.'s hanging out are constantly blaming the fall and decline of family life on everything from violence on TV to working mothers.

While these intellectuals are changing theories—some of which I'll admit to having at least a degree of validity—it doesn't take someone too awfully bright to spot at least one major flaw in this little scenario. I

mean, anyone with two eyes, two ears and a vague memory of how it used to be, knows that one of the problems today is that nobody knows who's in charge.

I suppose I have a slight advantage over most adults. Not that I think I'm smarter or anything, it's

just that having been a high school teacher for more than 30 years, I lived among teenagers for six hours a day. As a result, I became very enlightened as I overheard conversations from time to time that were simply hard to believe.

Teenagers talk freely about things they've done, places they've been and people with whom they've associated. They openly discuss their not getting home until three in the morning, sleeping until three in the afternoon, and their parents writing excuses for school with the explanation that they were too sick to attend classes.

Maybe the experts are right. Maybe "NYPD Blue" and the fact that mother's got a job has really done away with family values. Maybe it's just as the teenagers say, "Hey, man, this is the nineties."

I'll tell you something else it is. It's scary. I'm for progressive change as much as the next man, but if there's not a reversal in the pecking order pretty soon, by the time today's teens become parents, they'll have to ask their children's permission to use the family car.



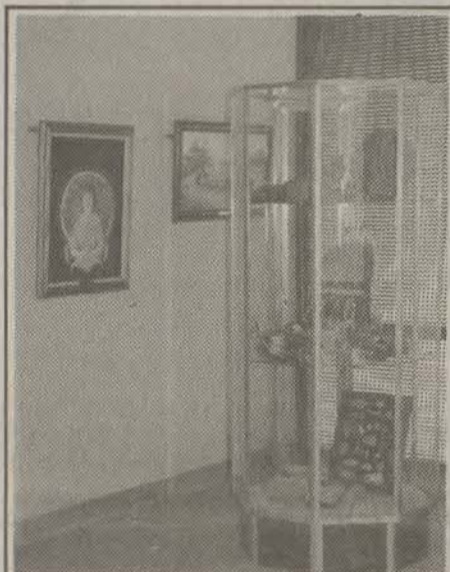
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Lifestyles

Auxier Historical Society exhibit showcases town's rich heritage



A tribute to the past

Indian artifacts, including arrowheads, a smoking pipe and a colorful feather headdress were on display in a glass case. The portrait hanging at the left is of Rosa Lula Viers, a young Auxier woman who was mysteriously murdered in 1916. (photo by Polly Ward)



Mapping the town

Old original blueprints of Auxier and framed photograph collages of prominent Auxier families were a major portion of the historical society exhibit. (photo by Polly Ward)

by Polly Ward
Times Feature Writer

The Auxier Historical Society exhibit at Prestonsburg Community College art gallery last week was a microcosm of the history of Auxier.

Indian artifacts, Civil War bullets, blueprints of the

town, coal samples, and significant landmarks depicted in oil paintings by local artist David Wallen were just some of the memorabilia that led gallery visitors on a historical tour of the small town.

The artifacts that were on display are a fraction of the items the historical society actually possesses.

"All the North East Coal Company records were

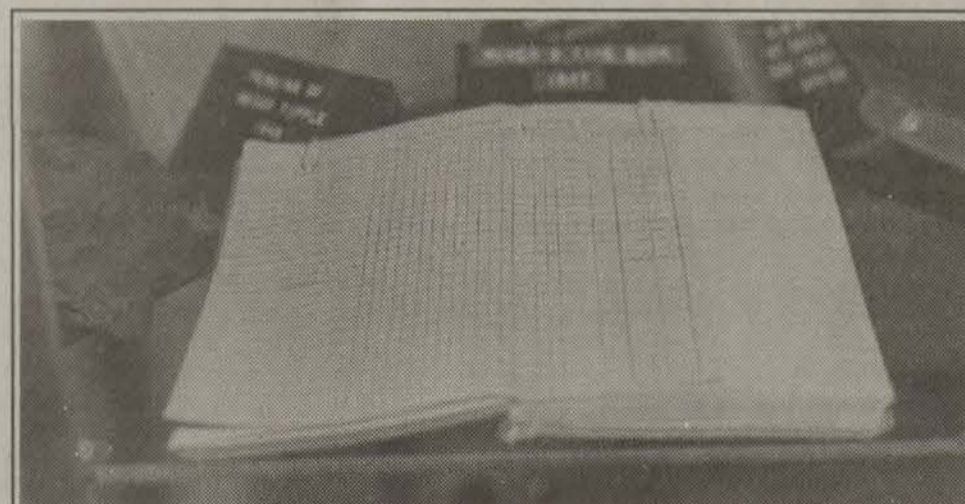
given to the society," said Auxier historian and resident Robert Castle. "...We have a big building stacked high with records."

In the past, the historical society has set up exhibits at Prestonsburg and Paintsville. Soon, however, the society plans to display its various collections in a permanent facility at Auxier.



A landmark

The former Necco Boarding House in Auxier is the subject of this David Wallen painting. (photo by Polly Ward)



Keeping the books

This coal company ledger was one of the items enclosed in a glass case that contained coal mining memorabilia. (photo by Polly Ward)

The Saga of Floyd Collins



The Louisville Courier-Journal summed up the widespread interest in the Floyd Collins rescue attempts in 1925, as follows:

"It isn't that news of the day didn't reveal many tragedies of far greater peril and destruction of human life. Ships have been swallowed up by the sea. Miners by the hundreds have been imprisoned in the bowels of the earth. Fires and floods have swept populated areas while volcanoes have blighted countrysides and cities. Earthquakes have devastated miles of inhabited territory.

"None of these calamities has so riveted and held a universal interest as the fight for this single life in a Kentucky cave.

"The outcome was awaited and watched because the world is a world of human beings. Every fellow-being, with a spark of imagination, could and did put himself in Floyd Collins' place.

"Day after day millions of people read reports from the scene of the horror. Newspapers far and wide presented all of the details about it that could be obtained. Even papers thousands of miles away issued extras to keep their readers posted as to what was going on in a remote spot in Kentucky.

"That is why the story of Floyd Collins unfolded for seventeen days in the newspapers of this country—a

news serial with the most sustained interest of any story ever printed."

Miller won a Pulitzer Prize, one of the youngest winners ever, for his reporting of the rescue efforts.

Homer Collins went on a tour of theaters across the country raising money to have his dead brother's body removed from the cave and given a proper burial.

His father renamed the family cave 'Floyd Collins Crystal Cave' and began a tour of theaters to capitalize on the tragedy. It led to squabbles with Homer who contracted to have W. H. Hunt and six other miners remove Floyd's body.

They succeeded in finding Floyd's body on April 17 and it was raised to the surface on April 23. Hunt and his fellow workers gathered around the corpse for pictures.

Floyd received a proper funeral on April 26, 1925. Six pallbearers wore sashes on their arms with the words Sand Cave printed on them. Floyd was buried near Crystal Cave with a large stalagmite for a head stone.

Tourism dollars dried up in the following months and Lee Collins sold Crystal Cave to a local dentist who already owned two other caves. With the title, Dr. Thomas received authorization to move Floyd's body.

He had successfully experimented with stringing

electric lights through his caves. After acquiring Sand Cave Dr. Thomas commissioned a mortician to make Floyd's corpse presentable. He was then put in a glass-covered coffin.

On June 13, 1927, amid much fanfare, the coffin was placed in the middle of the tourist trail where visitors could pass by and look in at Floyd. A red granite tombstone listed pertinent information and concluded by calling Floyd the "greatest cave explorer ever known." Thousands came in the years that followed.

Floyd's brothers filed suit to stop the public exhibition. But after a lengthy legal battle the judge ruled that the corpse would remain in Sand Cave. After hearing the testimony of Lee Collins, the judge decided that the cave and Floyd's body had been legally sold. Lee Collins later said he was simply trying to stay out of the poorhouse.

Dr. Thomas never admitted that he displayed Floyd's body for financial gain.

"It's there for anyone to see if they want to see it," he said. "I believe that is what Floyd would have wanted."

On the night of March 18-19, 1929, the corpse was

(See Collins, C 7)



by Joe Adams

FATHER AND SON KNOW HOW TO KEEP HEADS IN BALLGAME

The smack of a bat. A ball popping into a glove. Playing baseball until the lightning bugs are the only light.

The images flashed over and over in our minds as we signed up our 5-year-old son for T-ball recently. But our kid had a different image playing in his young mind.

"That ball's going to hit me in the head and it's going to hurt," he said to me on sign-up day.

Imagine such a fear.

Old dad didn't have to try very hard, actually.

When I was 12 a sizzling ground ball darted off a pebble, bashed me between my nose and upper lip and knocked me out cold in practice. I wore a "seam" mustache for a week.

Of course, I sensed another time might be better to share such a precious memory with my son.

"Sure, the ball may hit you every now and then but you'll be catching it like a pro before you know it," I assured him. "The main thing is to try again. You'll get the hang of it."

Guess entering the world of hard balls, hard slides and hard helmets can be scary to a kid.

It scared me, too, when we went to a sporting goods store and I saw the prices on the equipment.

A new top-of-the-line glove during my Little League days would soak you for \$13 or so. Now you almost have to mortgage the farm to pay for one.

And the \$50-plus price tags on some of the bats we saw had me ready to persuade our boy that power-walking was the sport for him.

Just wading through those rows of expensive ball gloves sent my head a pounding. And my son was pain enough already.

"This one hurts my little finger," he told me time after time in his whining voice.

Finally, Joshua sank his hands into an autographed Dion Sanders glove and gave me the magic words: "This one doesn't hurt, Dad."

I can't remember a time I was so relieved to part with \$31.

When it came time for us to try out his new glove. I figured we'd skip the hard ball—at least until he figured out what he was doing. We opted for the lighter and kinder tennis ball.

"Keep your eyes on the ball, big guy," I told him.

Persuading the ball to land in his glove proved to be a harder task. His little fingers didn't quite extend far enough into the black leather glove for him to have much control in opening and closing it.

His timing did him no favors either. The ball bounced off the stiff glove toss after toss.

"I'm never going to catch one," he told me.

When he finally did, he had his eyes closed and was probably more surprised about the catch than I was.

"Having a glove is just like having another hand," he told me.

The kid suddenly found the groove with his new "hand." He caught six tosses in a row at one point. The big leaguers must have heard footsteps behind them.

Then it happened.

I threw a lob toward him. His glove went up—but not far enough fast enough.

The tennis ball bopped him in his right eye. Tears followed. Just the experience the boy needed given his fears of getting hit by the ball.

"Sometimes it happens, son," I told him. "But you're doing a great job. Your eye will feel better soon."

"But I can't open it," he said.

Fortunately, that part of his nightmare-come-true didn't last long. But his eye was bloodshot the next day.

The first time I got to see Joshua practice took me back to my growing up days of Little League when I didn't need much more than playing baseball to live. Now my son's getting his turn at the experience:

"Bat high."

"Level swing."

"Watch the ball."

Joshua watched the ball a lot that day. He watched it go through his legs, over his head and around his bat. All players have to learn the basics. Some things never change.

But others do.

One of the first things Joshua did that practice was play catch with Chris. That's as in Christen with pony tails, the little girl who can slap the ball as well as any hitter on the team.

I'm still not sure who had more fun that day: him as a player or me as a daddy.

But I am certain our boy probably has valid reason to worry about getting hit in the head with the ball.

That sort of thing apparently runs in his mother's side of the family.

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Society News

Call David Hereford
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Nanna Lee Allen

Presents "DAR Good Citizen" award

John Graham Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution held their regular monthly meeting, February 13, at May Lodge, Jenny Wiley State Park.

The meeting was called to order by acting Regent Eleanor Horn at 4 p.m. Mrs. Norma Stepp led the Devotional and Virginia Goble led the flag salute and American Creed.

The DAR Good Citizens award was presented to Nanna Lee Allen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmo B. Allen of Prestonsburg. Nanna Lee is a senior at Prestonsburg High School. She was selected by her class and faculty members for her good citizenship ideas. These qualities for "DAR Good Citizen" are leadership, dependability, service and patriotism, for which she is an excellent example.

Mrs. Goble, chairman for Good Citizen chairman of John Graham Chapter, presented Nanna Lee with a certificate, a wallet size card, DAR Good Citizen pin and a \$50.00 check from chapter. Nanna wrote an essay, completed a questionnaire and other forms to qualify for this honor.

House guest returns home

Mrs. Edith Burchett of Cow Creek had as her house guest her daughter, Sue "Peggy" Holden of Apple Valley, California. While here Sue visited her aunts, Mrs. Lizzie Goble and Mrs. Delcie Settles and several other friends and relatives. Sue has now returned to her home in California.

Visits in Pikeville

Myrtle Chaffins and Wanda Rodebaugh of Prestonsburg were business visitors in Pikeville last week.

Home from hospital

David R. Cooley of Third Avenue, Prestonsburg, returned home Saturday from Central Baptist Hospital in Lexington where he underwent surgery last week. Members of his family have been with him. His many friends and family wish him a speedy recovery.

Eagles concert

Leslie Fannin of Prestonsburg and Coleen Lyons of Hyden attended the Eagles Concert at Rupp Arena in Lexington Friday night. There were over 16,000 fans attending.

Celebrate 74 years

Jesse and Flosse Holbrook of Ada, Ohio recently celebrated a milestone in their married lives: their 74th wedding anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Holbrook were married February 10, 1921 in Prestonsburg. Both 92 years old, they were treated to an anniversary dinner by members of their family. Mrs. Holbrook is the sister of Joe Snavely of Little Paint and the aunt of Wilma Messer and Walter Snavely of Prestonsburg.

Hackworth retires

Congratulations to Bobby Hackworth on his retirement after 31 years of running the wrecker for Music-Carter-Hughes car dealership. He was presented clothing and a portrait by his fellow employees. Mayor Fannin presented him the key to the City of Prestonsburg. Hackworth and his wife Lydia reside on Abbott Road.

Woman's club to meet

The Lackey-Garrett-Wayland Woman's Club will meet Monday, March 13, 7:00 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Maxine Martin in Wayland. Ruby Akers of Drift, chairman of the KFWC Energy Conservation Committee will be the guest speaker. LaFay Hughes, president, urges all members and guests to attend this informative meeting.

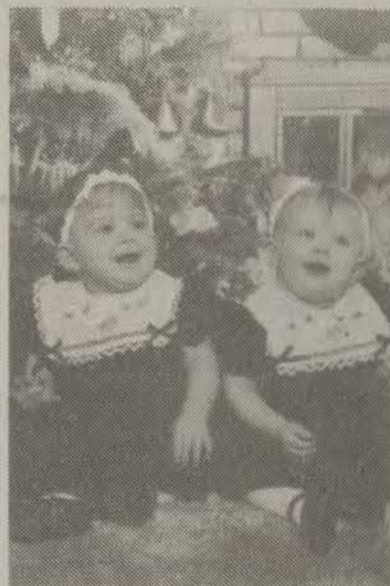
Ladies Fellowship

The Parkway Baptist Church Ladies fellowship held their first meeting on March 2.

Those in attendance were Jo Ann Lyon, Minnie Hackworth, Rue Hager, Cassie Justice, Orpha Justice, Linda Ousley, Carrie Ousley, Nancy Taylor, Nancy Ousley and Thelma Honsell.

Officers elected were Jo-Ann Lyons, president; Rue Hager, vice president; Carrie Ousley, secretary/treasurer.

The ladies' goals are to help missionaries and other families in need. The next meeting will be April 3 at 7 p.m. at the church at Ivyton.



One-year-old twins

Holly and Haley Donohoe celebrated their first birthday on February 6. They are the daughters of Randy and Sandy Donohoe, now of Prestonsburg, and the granddaughters of Daniel and Alleen Campbell of Allen, and the great-granddaughters of Beulah DeLong of Allen.

Visits grandparents

Tabor Allen of Morehead visited his grandparents Winston and

Carolyn Ford and Vera Ford in Prestonsburg over the weekend.

His parents, Kelli and Steven Allen attended the Eagles Concert at Rupp Arena in Lexington Friday night.

Celebrated birthday

Wanda Lea Rodebaugh celebrated her birthday at her home on Westminster Street, February 23. Four of her children were with her. Attending were Dewana Kay Robinson, Susie Rodebaugh, Rayana Lee Spradlin, Dewayne and Kay Rodebaugh and sons Joshua Michael and Kaleb Wayne. Johnny Rodebaugh of Perrysburg, Ohio and Aloha Jean Setser of Germantown, Ohio were unable to attend, but called their Mother to wish her a happy birthday.

Flannery-Ross wedding

Fayette Renna Flannery, daughter of Bobby Joe and Edith Flannery of Wheelwright was united in marriage to Christopher Paul Ross, son of Ledford and Wanda Ross of Hi Hat on February 4 at the Pine Grove Baptist Church in Price.

Attend Martin funeral

Esta Mae and Edward Murton of Columbia, South Carolina and Jimmy and Joyce Burchett of Sarasota, Florida were called here due to the death of their aunt, Mae Banks Martin.

Birthday dinner party

Tommy Slone, Jr. of Prestonsburg was honored on his birthday with a party and dinner at Fazoli's Restaurant on March 1 by his family and friends. Attending were Libby Owens, Wanda Lea Rodebaugh, Margaret McGrew, Angela Williamson, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Slone, Lorene Slone, Cleo Rowe, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Sammons, Mr. and Mrs. James Kunath, Mr. and Mrs. Terry Music and Austin, Connie Ford, Laura Ford, Julia Ann Ford, Paula Robinson, Christopher Slone, Pauline Slone and Terry Slone. Junior said it was the best birthday he ever had.

Wedding announced

Miss Belinda Kay Blankenship and Timothy Paul Hamilton will be united in marriage on March 18 at the Samaria Regular Baptist Church at Teaberry. The gracious custom of an open wedding will be observed.

Shepherd returns home

Thelma Shepherd of Buckeye returned home Saturday from the University of Kentucky Medical Center. She underwent quadruple bypass surgery on her heart Monday at the hospital.

Visits great-grandmother

Ashley Wright and Elizabeth Meade of Pikeville visited their great-grandmother, Kathleen Parker and their aunt, Elizabeth Burchett Saturday afternoon.

Valentine party held

A Valentine Party was held by the members of Miriam Rebekah Lodge #31 on February 21, a little late due to the bad weather. The members enjoyed refreshments and games prior to the business session. Routine business was conducted with communications and bills being disposed of. The sick members were recorded and also those who had lost a loved one.

A monetary gift was allowed for the Educational Loan Fund of the Odd Fellows and Rebekahs of the state.

Discussion and partial plans were made for the Odd Fellows District Meeting and dinner to be held here on March 11 at 6:00 p.m.

Members present were: Wanda Elste, Paulena Owens, Hope Whitten, Sue Moore, Claudine Johns, Lorena Wallen, Dora Johns, Beverly Hackworth, Deborah Johns, and Mabel Jean LeMaster.

Games were conducted by Deborah Johns and prizes were awarded by her.

Attend Auxier exhibit

A large group of interested persons attended the Auxier Picture and Memorabilia Exhibit at the Prestonsburg Community College last week.

Attend coin show

Thomas Hereford and son, Tom, attended the Tri-State Coin Show in Charleston, West Virginia, Saturday.



1st birthday

Alex Wade Mullins will celebrate his first birthday on March 11. He is the son of Alicia Mullins and grandson of Buck and Ruth Keens of Melvin.

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by Beverly Carroll

"There's only two things people have to do. Pay taxes and die."

Every legitimate wage earner today can attest to the element of truth contained in that statement. Taxes are nothing new. They have been around, in one form or another, practically since time began.

We all recall having read in the Bible about taxes. In the days of the Old Testament people were admonished to give of their harvest and their live stock. In the New Testament the Master Philosopher admonished the people of his day to render unto Caesar that which is Caesar's. Just recently I finished reading a biography about the renowned band leader who was presumably lost while flying over the English Channel. Glenn Miller, in the 40's was concerned about taxes. And right now, unless we are among the fortunate few who have already completed and submitted our taxes for monies received in 1994, we are having to deal with the haunting reality that April 15 will be here before we are ready for it. Fortunately, this year, we have a couple extra days to get them done. And, fortunately, again this year, the AARP is here for us.

Everyone, and especially senior citizens who do not keep abreast of changes in the tax structure from one year to the next, feel overwhelmed. Most senior citizens who do not work outside the home are only too happy to complete the short form, get it in the mail before the deadline, and have that chore out-of-the-way and off their minds for another year. Filling out the forms, even those that have been "simplified" are stressful to many. Some feel it is more important to get them done and mailed off than painstakingly do the paperwork involved to claim any refund or monies they may have coming from the government. Senior citizens, if you had a child living with you for six months or more last year it might be well that many of you think twice about your taxes and how you should file them.

I fear many, in a hurry to get them done, might be cutting themselves short. There might be money there that is legally and rightfully yours, in the form of Earned Income Credit (EIC), but if you don't request it you probably won't get it. It's not that the IRS wishes to cheat you. It's that they don't know you are entitled to it if

you don't tell them. If, after reading this, you learn you are entitled to EIC but you did not file for it this year, or even last year if you were qualified, you may be eligible for retroactive EIC benefits. If you have questions about this call the IRS toll-free hotline, 1-800-TAX-1040. To receive a free publication and a form for filing EIC call toll-free, 1-800-TAX-FORM.

I also wish to inform senior citizens in The Floyd County Times media area about the fantastic services offered again this year by the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP). Because you are a senior citizen this fine organization will assist in doing your taxes free of charge. Call your local library to see when the AARP will be doing taxes in your area. If there is not an AARP Chapter in your county, call the Floyd County Public Library to see when AARP representatives will be there to do taxes. People associated with the AARP attend seminars every year to keep abreast with changes in the tax laws that affect you and me. This is a most worthwhile service provided to the people of Eastern Kentucky by this goal-oriented organization. I would also encourage you to become involved in your local chapter of the AARP. The American Association of Retired Persons is in the forefront, nationwide, and is a tremendous force in Washington when it comes to lobbying for senior citizen rights, and issues that affect people over 55. It is composed of our kind of people.

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Golden Ages

Wheelwright Senior Citizens Center Menu

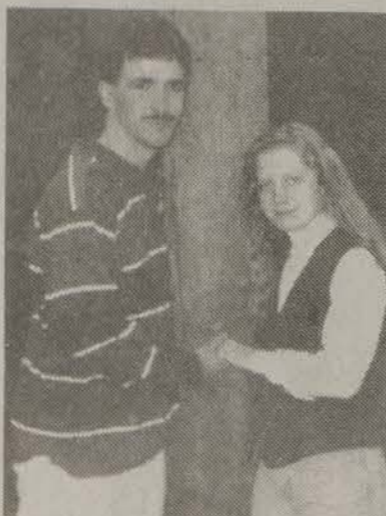
Monday, March 6: Roast beef w/ gravy, mashed potatoes (enriched w/ vitamin C); peas and carrots; white bread; margarine; ice cream and 2% milk.

Tuesday, March 7: Pimento cheese sandwich, vegetable soup, brussels sprouts, crackers, sandwich slices, margarine, fruit cocktail and 2% milk.

Wednesday, March 8: Oven friend chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans, dinner roll, margarine, pudding and 2% milk.

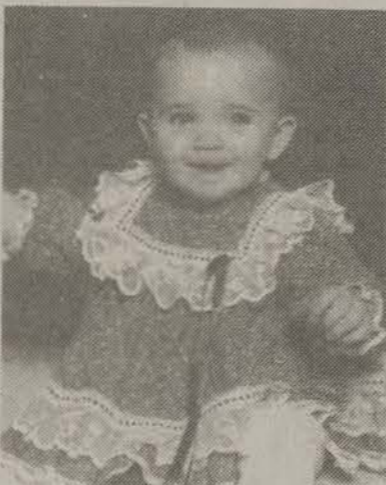
Thursday, March 9: Navy beans (1 cup), greens w/vinegar, oven browned potatoes, cornbread, margarine, cookies and 2% milk.

Friday, March 10: Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, okra, tomato, onion mix, white bread, margarine, fresh fruit and 2% milk.



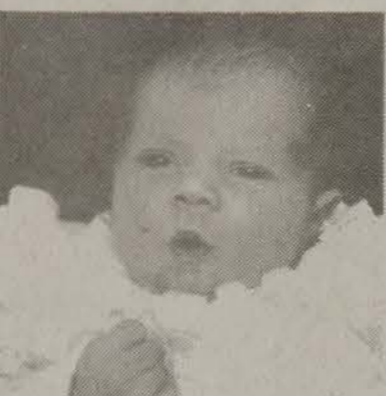
Will wed Saturday

Lucille Yates of Wayland and Danny Ray Yates of Martin announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Teresa Lynn Yates to Jeffery Glen Dye, son of Rebecca Dye of McDowell and the late Woodrow Dye. The wedding will be held Saturday, March 11, at noon at the Martin Methodist Church. The custom of an open church wedding will be observed.



Allison is one

Allison Ann, the daughter of John and Billie Conley of Martin, celebrated her first birthday on February 23. She is the granddaughter of Bill and Theda Hackworth of Martin and Rebecca Conley of Goose Creek.



Rebekah Suzanne is born

Rachel E. Allen announces the birth of a daughter, Rebekah Suzanne, at Highlands Regional Medical Center on February 7. She weighed 7 lbs. 6 oz. and was 20 inches long. She has one sister, Christine Elizabeth, 21 months old.

The maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert R. Allen of Prestonsburg. Rebekah's great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow W. Burchett of Cow Creek, and Mr. and Mrs. John Allen of Prestonsburg.

Commodity distribution Thursday and Friday

The Big Sandy Area Community Action Program, Inc., will be distributing USDA Commodities on Thursday, March 9, from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m., or until commodities are gone.

Distribution will continue on Friday, March 10, during the same hours at the Community Action Office or until the supply is gone.

The distribution locations are Mud Creek Clinic, Grethel and the Swimming Pool Building, Convention Center, at Allen Park.

Commodities to be issued are Apple Juice, Orange Juice, Corn Meal, Pears, Apple Sauce, Tomatoes and Peanut butter.

Persons will be limited to picking

up commodities for themselves and two other households. All persons picking up commodities for another household MUST have the following information before commodities will be released to them.

There will be no exceptions.

- The Social Security Card for the person the commodities are being picked up for, also acceptable is a Medicare Card or Drivers License.

- A signed dated statement from the person giving permission for you to pick up their commodities. This statement must also include the number in the household, total households income for the previous month (February) and complete address.

Births

HIGHLANDS REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

February 13: A daughter, Chelsea Paige Mullins, to Angela Jayne Compton of Hager Hill.

February 14: A son, William Lee Joseph, to Deborah Louise and Carlos Gene Rogers of Betsy Layne.

February 15: A daughter, Chelsea Michelle, to Kimberly and Richard Hardy of Hager Hill.

February 16: A daughter, Kayla Elizabeth, to Marissa Dawn and Richard Edward Fitch of Garrett; a son, Joshua Austin, to Shelia Marie and John Edward Conley of Hager Hill; and a son, Alexander Christopher, to Mary Ann and Eric Zabolski of Thealka.

February 17: A son, Christopher Douglas, to Michael and Kathy Harless of Leander; a daughter, Ashley Renea, to Pamula Doreen and Billy Joe Blanton of Falcon.

February 19: A daughter, Victoria Marie, to Myra Denise and Edsel Harold Preece of Paintsville; a son, Paul Tate, to Myra Denise and Edsel Harold Preece of Paintsville; a daughter, Shelly Dawn, to Naomi and Craig Slone of Wheelwright; a daughter, Miranda Nichole Franklin to Laura Miranda Cobern of Nippa; a son, Max Edward, to Debby Lynn and Homer Edward Bailey, Jr., of Galveston.

February 20: A son, Steven Andrew, to Sherry Lynn and Glenn Marcus Francis of Salyersville.

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Farm & Family

Tips to clean up and green up your lawn

What do liquid dish soap, chewing tobacco and ammonia have in common? They're all ingredients in Jerry Baker's tried-and-true home remedies for what ails your lawn and garden.

For more than 30 years, America's Master Gardener, Jerry Baker, has been teaching people how to clean up and green up their yard and garden ("yarden," as Baker calls it) with his Grandma Putt's homespun recipes and down-to-earth advice.

For a happy, healthy yarden that is the envy of all your neighbors, Baker suggests you follow these five easy steps.

1. Shampoo your lawn. "Do unto your yarden as you would do unto yourself. Bathe your lawn to eliminate winter residue and daily pollution," says Baker.

Washing your garden also allows Baker's other homespun remedies to penetrate the soil and do their job more effectively.

To mix up Jerry's Yarden Shampoo, combine the following ingredients in a 20-gallon hose-end sprayer and spray over 2,500 square feet of yard and garden area once every three weeks.

1 cup of chewing tobacco juice
1 cup liquid dish soap
1 cup antiseptic mouthwash

2. Rid your lawn of dandruff. Thatch, which Baker refers to as the earth's dandruff, is one of the biggest gardening problems. To get rid of unsightly thatch, Baker recommends combining the following ingredients in a 20-gallon hose-end sprayer, filling the remainder with water and spraying over 2,500 square feet of lawn. Be sure to repeat throughout summer and into fall, since thatch is a recurring problem.

1 can of beer
1 can of regular (non-diet) cola
1/2 cup liquid dish soap
1/2 cup antiseptic mouthwash

3. Feed your yarden a balanced meal. "Yardens, like people, need to eat a balanced diet. It is just as important to feed your lawn as it is to water it," Baker says.

To give your lawn that much-needed energy boost, combine the following in a 20-gallon hose-end

sprayer. It will cover 2,500 square feet.

1 can of beer
1 cup liquid dish soap
1 tablespoon molasses or clear corn syrup

1/2 cup household ammonia
1 cup liquid lawn food

4. Eliminate pesky weeds. Do as America's Master Gardener does and combine the following in a 20-gallon hose-end sprayer and apply between 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. on a bright, sunny day. Spray only on the weeds. Baker recommends following up with either a liquid or dry weed-control product.

1 cup liquid dish soap
1 cup ammonia
1 teaspoon instant granulated tea dissolved in a cup of water

5. Give unwanted guests the boot. Warmer weather brings hungry insects that eat your plants, and spoil your fun, warns Baker. Get rid of them by combining the following ingredients in your 20-gallon hose-end sprayer, filling the balance with warm water and spraying over 2,500 square feet of your yarden.

1 cup lemon-scented liquid dish soap
1 cup chewing tobacco juice
1 cup lemon-scented ammonia

"After tasting this tonic, the bugs will be so busy in the bug bathroom doing the green apple shuffle, they won't have time to come around and bother you or your yarden again," says Baker.

Realizing that people don't always have time to concoct his homespun remedies, Baker has bottled the active ingredients in his most popular remedies. The tonics are Yarden Shampoo™, Thatch Buster™, Yarden Activator™, Broadleaf Weed Killer™ and Yarden Insect Spray™, cost between \$6.99 and \$9.99.



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	pen 78 lbs.	\$34.00
	pen 81 lbs.	\$39.00

Seed distribution program begins at Allen Park

The Big Sandy Area Community Action Program Inc. will distribute vouchers for free seeds beginning March 20 at the Allen Park Convention Center.

Garden seed vouchers will be issued to eligible households to purchase seeds of their choice through local merchants in the area. Vouchers will be distributed on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Households meeting the 100 percent poverty income guidelines will be eligible for the program. Households must bring social security numbers for all household members and proof of income for the prior month.

Applications for the program will be taken from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. March 20 through March 31, or until all funds have been expended.

The seed distribution is part of a garden seed program available through the Community Services Block Grant Program funded by the Cabinet for Human Resources, Department for Social Services.

Any merchant interested in accepting these vouchers should contact the Big Sandy Area CAP at Allen at 874-2965 by March 17.

Ten free shade trees from National Arbor Day Foundation

Ten free shade trees will be given to each person who joins The National Arbor Day Foundation during March.

The free trees are part of the non-profit Foundation's Trees for America campaign.

The ten shade trees are Red Oak, Weeping Willow, Sugar Maple, Green Ash, Thornless Honeylocust, Pin Oak, River Birch, Tuliptree, Silver Maple, and Red Maple.

The trees will be shipped postpaid at the right time for planting in April or May with enclosed planting instructions. The six to twelve inch trees are guaranteed to grow or they will be replaced free of charge.

Members also receive a subscription to the Foundation's bimonthly publication, "Arbor Day."

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Health Matters

by Christopher Fleming



Shepherd-Kendrick

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Shepherd of Prestonsburg, announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Latesha Renee, to Jason Russell Kendrick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim McCarty of Staffordsville, and grandson of Edna Kendrick of Prestonsburg. Latesha is presently studying Respiratory Care at Lexington Community College and Jason is employed as dispatcher for the Prestonsburg Fire and Police. The marriage will be Saturday, May 13, at 4:30 p.m. at Pleasant Home Baptist Church, Watergap Road. The gracious custom of an open church wedding will be observed.

Census bureau to collect employment data here

The U.S. Census Bureau will collect data on employment, income, and migration from area residents the week of March 19-25, according to Susan Hardy, director of the bureau's Charlotte regional office.

The additional data on income and migration will be used to provide a comprehensive study of poverty, median family income, and year-to-year mobility of the Nation's population.

Information supplied by individuals to the Census Bureau is kept confidential by law. Only statistical totals are published.

These disorders of the upper extremities are related to cumulative trauma to a body part over an extended period of time. These disorders develop over months and in many cases years. All have a genetic factor that influences the worker's susceptibility to them as well as behavioral factors.

Many affected workers mistakenly place all the blame on their employer instead of taking partial responsibility themselves to modify behaviors that may place them at risk for Cumulative Trauma. Many crafts, such as sewing, may place you at risk for Cumulative Trauma Disorders. The craft activities in addition to work activity may lead to a Cumulative Trauma Disorder that would not have occurred otherwise.

Oral contraceptives and other factors such as menopause and pregnancy that affect hormonal regulation disrupts estrogen regulation and places women at higher risk for Carpal Tunnel Syndrome. It has been theorized that disruption in hormonal regulation may inhibit the healing process or may increase the damage from repetitive motion. While changing these risk factors may not be realistic, it is important to realize, if you do have one of these risk factors to limit other risks as much as possible.

Moderate exercise decreases risk for Cumulative Trauma by increasing blood flow to muscles, tendons, and ligaments. This ensures an adequate supply of oxygen and other nutrients vital for the healing process. The exercise program should consist of stretching, cardiovascular activity (such as walking), and calisthenics three times a week.

Individuals who do highly repetitive tasks at home or work and/or have a family history of Cumulative Trauma Disorders should take the following advice to reduce their risk. When performing repetitive tasks at home, work, and school, limit move-

ments of the wrist. This can be achieved by using ergonomically correct tools, rearranging work and home activities to limit the movement of the wrist, and performing work and home activities at the proper height. When possible at work and play, a brief rest interval should be taken when performing repetitive motions. This provides recovery time for your body to heal. You can achieve this rest by interspersing the tasks that you do that are not repetitive or that place stress on different muscle groups throughout the day.

As you can see, many factors play a role in Cumulative Trauma Disorders. Many of these factors can be eliminated or reduced without significantly affecting work and play and cost relatively little to achieve. But you must decide to make the change. You certainly can make appropriate changes in the way you perform craft and recreational activities that may place you at risk. Most employees can make changes that reduce risk for Cumulative Trauma without costing their employer a dime. An example of this is adjusting your chair so that your wrist is not bent while performing work such as typing. If you remember that your risk for Cumulative Trauma comes from all areas of your life and that you have the ability to reduce your risk by making small changes in your home and work activities, you will understand that you have the power to reduce your risk for Cumulative Trauma.

Tip of the Week: Meats should be limited to 4-6 ounces daily.

Christopher G. Fleming is the Project Health Coordinator at Prestonsburg Community College. He has a bachelor's degree in Health and Physical Education, a master's degree in Education, and a Master's plus Thirty with emphasis in Exercise Science. Fleming is also a certified American College of Sports Medicine Health Fitness Instructor.



Sarah is born

Sarah Elizabeth Akers was born February 2, at 7:52 p.m. at Central Baptist Hospital in Lexington to Keith and Conni Conley Akers of Allen. Sarah weighed 7 pound 14 ounces and was 21 inches long. Maternal grandparents are Lillian J. Conley of Falcon, Kentucky, and the late Robert E. Conley. Maternal great-grandmother is Suzie Johnson of Salyersville. Paternal grandparents are Evelean Akers of Allen, and Clifford Akers of Ironton, Ohio. Sarah has a brother, Michael Akers of Nashville, Tennessee.

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Crisp and Goble will wed at Pleasant Home Church

Rhonda Crisp of Willis, Michigan, and Frank Goble, of Willis, Michigan, both formerly of Prestonsburg, announce their engagement and forthcoming marriage.

Ms. Crisp is a graduate of Allen Central High School and the University of Kentucky's College of Nursing. She is a registered nurse formerly employed with Our Lady of

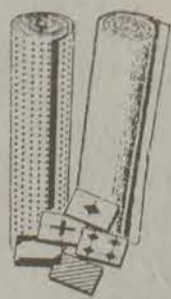
the Way Hospital, Martin.

Mr. Goble is a graduate of Prestonsburg High School and is employed with the Ford Motor Company at Milan, Michigan.

The wedding will be held April 15, at 6:30 p.m. at Pleasant Home Baptist Church, Lancer-Water Gap Road, in Prestonsburg. The gracious custom of an open ceremony will be observed.

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 1 tsp. sugar
 1 tsp. cumin
 Grated cheese (optional)
 Chopped onion (optional)
 In medium saucepan, combine all ingredients. Simmer over medium heat for 5 minutes or until warm. Garnish with grated cheese and onions, if desired. Makes 4 one-cup servings.

VEGGIE LASAGNA

Makes 12 servings
 1 package (15 ounces) no fat or reduced fat ricotta cheese
 2 cups shredded part-skim mozzarella cheese
 2 tablespoons grated Parmesan cheese
 2 teaspoons dried basil leaves
 1/2 teaspoon black pepper
 1 can (15 ounces) spinach, drained
 1 can (8 ounces) 50% less salt whole kernel corn, drained
 1 can (4 ounces) sliced mushrooms, drained
 Herbed Tomato Sauce (recipe follows)
 2 packages (9 ounces each) refrigerated lasagna noodles
 Mix cheeses, basil and pepper; combine vegetables. Spread 1 cup Herbed Tomato Sauce in bottom of 13 x 9 x 2 inch baking pan; top with 1/4 of the uncooked noodles. Spoon 1/3 of the vegetable mixture over cheese. Repeat layers 2 times, ending with noodles and 1 cup sauce on top. Bake, covered, in preheated 350°F oven 1 hour. Cut into squares.

HERBED TOMATO SAUCE

1 cup chopped onions
 2 large cloves garlic, minced
 1 tablespoon olive or vegetable oil
 1 1/2 teaspoons Italian herb seasoning
 2 cans (16 ounces) no salt added whole tomatoes, undrained, coarsely chopped
 1 can (8 ounces) no salt added tomato sauce
 1 to 2 teaspoons red wine vinegar
 1 to 2 teaspoons lemon juice
 1/2 teaspoon salt
 1/2 teaspoon black pepper
 Saute onions and garlic in oil in large saucepan until tender; stir in herb seasoning and cook 1 minute. Add tomatoes and tomato sauce; heat to boiling. Reduce heat and simmer; stir in lemon juice and vinegar to taste; stir in salt and pepper.

LIME MERINGUE PIE

Crust
 2 egg whites
 1/4 tsp. cream of tartar
 1/2 cup granulated sugar
Filling
 2 eggs, separated
 2 egg whites
 3/4 cup water
 2/3 cup granulated sugar
 1 tbsp. grated lime rind
 1 envelope unflavored gelatin
 1/3 cup lime juice (about 2 large limes)
Crust: In a bowl, using an electric mixer, beat the egg whites with cream of tartar until soft peaks form. Beating constantly, gradually add the sugar, a tablespoon at a time, and beat until stiff, glossy peaks form.
 Spread the meringue in a foil-lined 9-inch pie plate, pushing the mixture at the sides to come about 1 inch above the edge of the plate. Bake at 275 degrees for about 65 minutes or until lightly golden and dry to the touch. Carefully remove the foil, then place on a rack to cool.
Filling: In a non-aluminum saucepan, whisk the 2 egg yolks lightly; add water, half of the sugar and the lime rind. Cook over low heat, stirring constantly, for 10 to 15 minutes or until the mixture thickens slightly and coats a metal spoon. Remove from the heat. Sprinkle the gelatin over the lime juice; let stand for 2 minutes to soften. Stir the gelatin mixture into the yolk mixture until the gelatin dissolves. Cover and refrigerate for about 10 minutes or until thickened slightly.
 Meanwhile, in a large bowl, beat the 4 egg whites until soft peaks form. Beating constantly, gradually add the remaining sugar and beat until stiff peaks form. Fold into the lime mixture. Spoon into meringue shell and refrigerate for about 3 hours or until set.
 Each of the eight servings contains 1 gram of fat and 146 calories.

JOHNNY MARQUESETTE

2 lbs. hamburger
 5 pieces of celery
 1 can spaghetti sauce with mushrooms
 1 can tomato paste

2 lg. onions
 1 green pepper
 1 can tomato soup
 1 can water

Brown hamburger, simmer with other ingredients until tender. Add 1 tsp. sugar for taste. Cook noodles separate (1/2 pkg.), after mixing noodles and other ingredients, simmer 3 to 5 minutes. Add pieces of cheese to above.

NUTMEG BREAD

Vegetable oil spray

1/2 cup acceptable margarine*
 3/4 cup sugar
 1 egg, well beaten
 2 cups sifted all-purpose flour
 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
 1/2 teaspoon baking soda
 1 tablespoon freshly grated nutmeg or 1 teaspoon ground nutmeg
 1 cup low-fat buttermilk
 Preheat oven to 350°F. Lightly spray a 9-x-5 inch loaf pan with vegetable oil.

In a mixing bowl, cream margarine and sugar with mixer. Add egg

and mix well.

In a separate bowl, sift dry ingredients together twice.

Add flour mixture and buttermilk alternately to egg mixture, beginning and ending with flour.

Pour batter into prepared loaf pan and bake 45 to 60 minutes, or until toothpick inserted in center comes out clean. Cool 10 minutes and remove bread from pan to cooling rack.

Note: This bread freezes well. Serves 16; 1 slice per serving
 *Select margarine with liquid oil

as the first ingredient and no more than 2 gm of saturated fat per tablespoon.

ORANGE SWEET POTATOES

4 medium sweet potatoes, unpeeled (about 1 pound)
 1/4 to 1/2 teaspoon grated orange rind
 1/2 cup orange juice
 2 tablespoons firmly packed brown sugar
 1/4 teaspoon cinnamon
 2 dashes angostura bitters (op-

tional)

Vegetable oil spray
 Boil potatoes 30 minutes or until tender. Remove skins and discard. Mash pulp, add remaining ingredients and whip until fluffy.

Preheat oven to 350°F. Lightly spray a 1-quart casserole with vegetable oil spray.

Place potato mixture in the prepared casserole. Cover and bake 25 minutes or until thoroughly heated. Serves 6.

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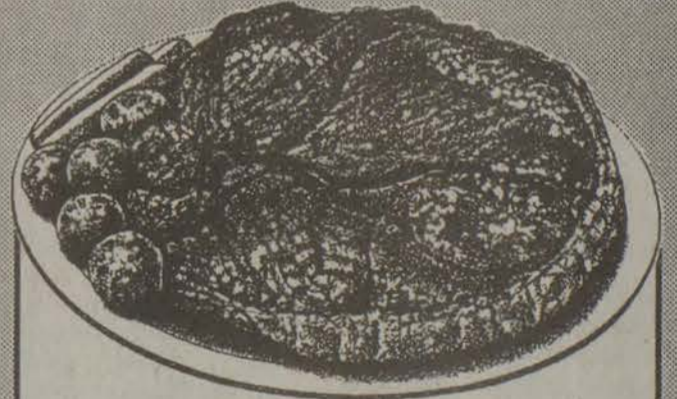
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Business/Real Estate

Cable Vision promises to get its customers back on-line with nationwide on-time guarantee program

Cable Vision this week announced that it will take part in the cable industry's nationwide On-Time Guarantee program, to be effective March 1. The initiative is designed to promote across-the-board standards for quality and timely customer service. Additionally, Cable Vision has expanded upon the national program by including their own Customer Satisfaction Guarantees.

Dan Perry, system manager of Cable Vision, noted that "the cable

industry and our company are committed to making customer service and satisfaction our number one priority.

At Cable Vision, the guarantees include the following:

- A customer's installation, re-connect or upgrade will be performed when promised, or the customer will receive their connection for free or a \$20 credit, whichever has the greater value.
- If a customer calls before 4 p.m.

concerning a service or reception problem that requires a visit by a Cable Vision technician, the technician will arrive no later than the next business day (Monday through Friday; statutory holidays excepted) within a four-hour appointment window. If he doesn't arrive on time, the customer will receive a \$20 credit.

• The company automatically credits all subscribers for a complete service outage that affects an area or the entire cable system for more than four hours from the time the first subscriber informs Cable Vision about the outage until service is restored. Outages caused by scheduled maintenance of the cable system are excluded. (Customers who do not have a street address must call Cable Vision to ensure that they receive the credit.)

• New Cable Vision customers' satisfaction is guaranteed. If a new basic cable service customer disconnects all services within 30 days of the initial installation date, they will receive a complete refund of all amounts they have paid. This is limited to one refund per customer or address per calendar year and new basic cable subscribers only.

• If the cable company turns off (disconnects) a customer's service in error, the customer will give them their choice of a \$20 credit or one month of a Deluxe ValuePak premium channel package, which includes HBO, Cinemax and The Disney Channel.

These guarantees exceed the cable industry's national standards which state that as of March 1, every cable system in the country should be prepared to offer:

- on-time installation appointments or the installation is free
- on-time service calls or the customer receives \$20.

"We've created this program after carefully studying our service record, listening to the needs of our custom-

ers and working carefully with our employees," Mr. Perry said. As of Wednesday, March 1, if we make a mistake and miss a deadline, or if our customers experience a lengthy service interruption, the customer will be compensated."

Cable Vision provides information and entertainment programming to over 3,200 cable television subscribers in Prestonsburg and Floyd County.

Small business smorgasbord

A full platter of representatives from government, business and industry will be on hand during a small business smorgasbord at the Wilkinson-Stumbo Convention Center at Jenny Wiley State Park Wednesday, March 8, from noon to 8 p.m.

Special seminars will be presented by Prestonsburg Community College faculty throughout the day. A seminar outlining financing your business will be held from 1-2 p.m. Marketing Your Products begins at 2 p.m. and Business Planning starts at 3 p.m.

CEED CEO will be guest speaker at labor meeting

Big Sandy Area Labor Management committee will sponsor a breakfast buffet on May 5, beginning with registration at 8:15 a.m., Wilkinson/Stumbo Convention Center, Jenny Wiley State Park.

Keynote speaker will be Steve Miller, President and CEO of the Center for Energy and Economic Development (CEED), based in Alexandria, Virginia. CEED is a non-profit corporation, established by the coal and rail industries, dedicated to preserving the coal option for America's future energy needs, through the use of research, education and advocacy programs.

Prior to joining CEED, Miller was a senior associate with the communications/media consulting firm of

Greer, Margolis, Burns and Associates in Washington, D.C., where he worked on political and public issue campaigns. Miller previously served as a key member of Kentucky Governor Brereton Jones' successful campaigns for Governor and Lieutenant Governor as well as executive officer of the then-Lieutenant Governor Jones' office. Additionally, he was a consultant to West Virginia Governor Gaston Caperton's winning re-election campaign.

Miller was the Kentucky Organizational chairman for the Clinton for President campaign and was one of two people responsible for national strategic media-buy planning for the Clinton campaign.

In 1992, he was selected as one of four outstanding young Kentucky leaders. He has served as state president of the Kentucky Jaycees and was the National Vice President of the United States Jaycees.

Miller attended the University of Kentucky, where he received a bachelor's degree in political science in 1975 and was selected to membership in Phi Beta Kappa. Miller is also a graduate of the University of Kentucky Law School.

He is married to Pat Lacy Miller, director of the Commonwealth of Kentucky's Washington, D.C. office. They reside in Arlington, Virginia.

Big Sandy Area Labor Management committee members have tickets available at \$15.00. Call Rebecca DeRossett at (606) 886-0510 or send requests for tickets to 105 South Cardinal Drive, Prestonsburg 41653.

Valley National Gases acquires A L compressed gases

Valley National Gases recently announced the acquisition of A L Compressed Gases of Ohio, a Cincinnati based company.

According to Lawrence E. Bandi, chief executive officer of Valley National Gases, Inc., the acquisition of A L Compressed Gases, "continues our Corporate mission of extending the benefits of membership in the Valley family to welding suppliers throughout the region." Valley National Gases is the parent company of Valley Welding Supply Co., which operates 32 locations in 7 states, and is headquartered in Wheeling, West Virginia.

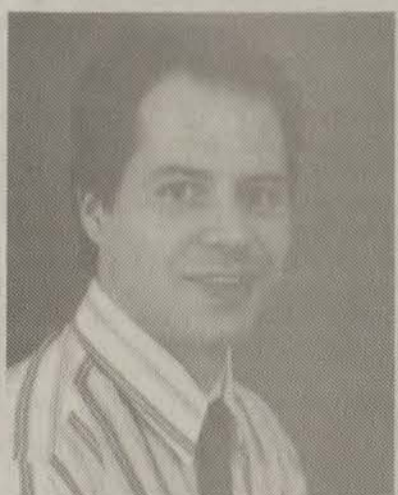
The Cincinnati facility becomes a part of District IV. Mr. Ron Westerman is the manager of this district.

The diversified operations of Valley Welding Supply includes divisions specializing in medical, cryogenic, bulk and cylindrical industrial gases, welding equipment, supplies and accessories, rare and specialty gases, fire safety, and propane.

Eckler opens new PDA office

Chester Eckler will open a new PDA office in Prestonsburg, Larry Jordan, president of Property Damage Appraisers Inc., recently announced.

Eckler also owns the PDA office in Lexington and will be bringing knowledge of the insurance industry into the Prestonsburg area. He will be offering appraisals for automobiles, trucks, trailers, motorcycles, farm equipment, fire trucks, snow mobiles, and boats.



Dr. Norman Carvalho

Pediatric board certification

Norman Carvalho, M.D. Pediatrician, has received certification from the American Board of Pediatrics and is now a Board Certified Pediatrician.

To be eligible to take the examination for board certification, a physician must complete three years of pediatric training as a physician above and beyond the training required in medical school.

Dr. Norman is employed by McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital and has an office in the McDowell Professional Clinic Building.

Collins

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stolen and removed from the coffin and cave. Authorities with bloodhounds scoured about the countryside looking for Floyd. His remains were found with the left leg missing, not far from the cave entrance. The following day Floyd was again on display in the cave but security precautions thereafter were much more stringent. The missing leg was never found.

Several books were written about Floyd and a song about his entrapment and death, became popular. One nine-verse song concluded with, "Young people oh! take warning from Floyd Collins' fate. Get right with your Maker before it is too late. It may not be a sand cave in which we find our tomb. But at the bar of Judgment we too must meet our doom."

Floyd Collins was finally put to rest on March 25, 1989.

"Mammoth Cave, Ky.—AP—The

body of cave explorer Floyd Collins was laid to rest on March 25, 1989, 64 years after his entrapment and death in a cave.

"Collins was pronounced dead February 16, 1925, 18 days after he entered Sand Cave in Kentucky. For many years Collin's casket was included on tours of the cave. Until around 1948, visitors were allowed to view the body through a window in the casket lid. The U. S. Park Service bought and closed the cave in 1961."

Floyd Collins, undoubtedly, was the greatest cave explorer ever known.

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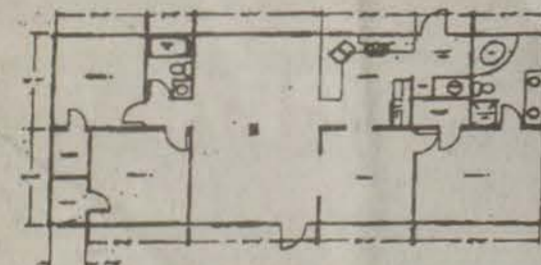
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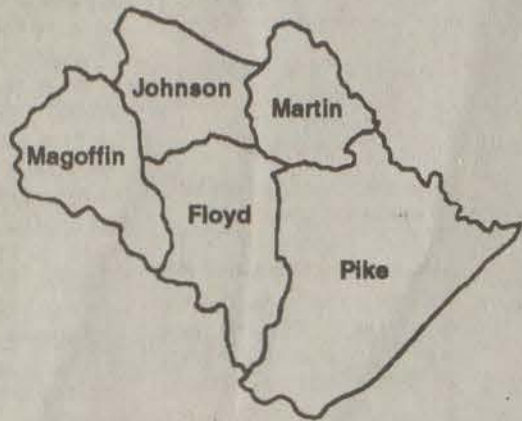
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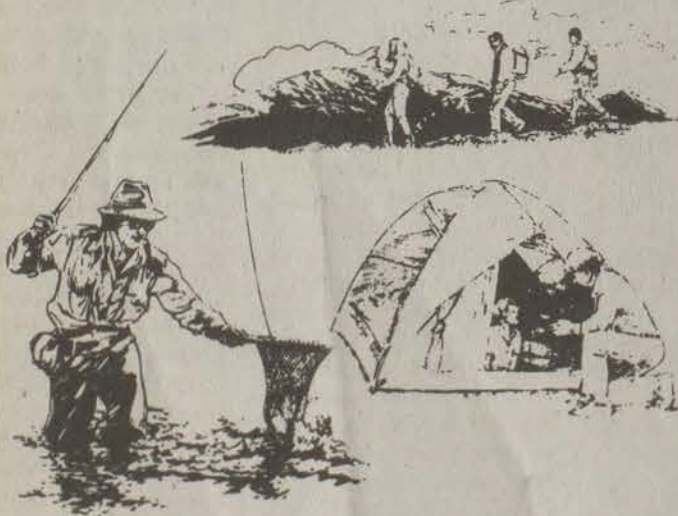


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W-3/8, 3/15, 3/22

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Larry Tackett, H.C. 77, Grethel, Kentucky 41631, has filed an application with the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet to construct a shop building on the East Bank of Mud Creek. The property is located two miles south of Grethel on Ky. Rt. 979, 0.2 miles East of Rt. 979's junction with Rt. 680. Any com-

ments or objections concerning this application shall be directed to: Kentucky Division of Water, Water Resources Branch, 14 Reilly Road, Frankfort Office Park, Frankfort, Ky. 40601; phone (502) 564-3410.
F-3/3, W-3/8

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that T.J. and Juanita Compton, P.O. Box 44, Martin, Ky. 41649, has filed application with the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet to construct a fill. The property is located on the south side of the Right Fork of Beaver Creek located at the junction of KY 80 and Route 122 in the City of Martin.

Any comments or objections concerning this application shall be directed to Kentucky Division of Water, Water Resources Branch, 18 Reilly Road, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. Phone (502) 564-3140.
W-3/8, 3/15

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application Number 836-5220 Renewal
In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that, FCDC Coal, Inc., 452 Town Mountain Road, Pikeville, Kentucky 41501, has applied for renewal of a permit for an underground coal mining operation located 0.75 miles North of Dana in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 6.69 surface acres and will underlie 1029.33 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 1036.02 acres. The proposed operation is approximately 3.2 miles South from U.S. 23's junction with County Road 1426 and located 0.00 miles West of Prater Creek. The latitude is 37° 33' 51". The longitude is 82° 41' 40".

The proposed operation is located on the Harold U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Turner Elkhorn Mining Company.

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The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.
W-2/22, 3/1, 3/8, 3/15

The bond now in effect for Permit Number 836-5268 is a surety of \$64,100.00. Approximately 60 percent of the original bond amount of \$46,100.00 is included in the application for release.

Reclamation work performed includes: backfilling, final grading, seeding and mulching completed in the fall of 1994. All disturbed areas have been seeded as to provide adequate vegetative growth for plant species and provide appropriate conditions for the surrounding wildlife.

Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by April 1, 1995.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

March 23, 1995 at 10:00 a.m., a 1995 Atlantic 14 X 60 Mobile Home, S/N 21959237642, will be sold to the highest bidder for cash "as is where is" at the Alpike Mobile Home Park, Lot 25, at Allen, Kentucky to satisfy the unpaid balance of a Security Agreement signed by Rhonda L. Prater on October 26, 1994. The mobile home may be inspected before the sale. The bank reserves the right to bid. The buyer will pay all taxes and transfer fees.

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NOTICE TO BID

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

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Richard E. Layne
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W-3/8, F-3/10

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Sandy Valley Transportation Services, Inc. (SVTS), will conduct a public hearing on Friday, March 17, 1995 at 10 a.m., in SVTS' office, 80 Resource Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky. The purpose of the public hearing is for the consideration of an application for federal funds for capital purchases and operating assistance for the time period of July 1, 1995 through June 30, 1996, for rural public transportation services for the residents of Floyd, Johnson, Magoffin, Martin and Pike counties in Kentucky. There is no significant environmental impact and all policies and regulations regarding individuals with disabilities and the elderly will be complied with accordingly. Comments may be made in person, or through written submissions. The application will be available for public inspection at SVTS' office, 80 Resource Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, on April 3, 1995. W-3/8, 3/15

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Kentucky May Coal Company, Inc., 572 Village Lane, Hazard, Kentucky 41701, has applied for Phase I Bond Release on Permit Number 836-5268 which was last issued on June 15, 1993. The application covers an area of approximately 424.36 acres located 2.50 miles east of Drift, Kentucky and approximately 2.50 miles west from State Rte. 979 junction with Frasure Branch Road.

The permit area is approximately 2.50 miles west from State Rte. 979 junction with Frasure Branch Road and 2.50 miles east of Drift, Kentucky being on Lower Wolfpen Branch of Mud Creek. The latitude is 37 degrees, 28 minutes, 48 seconds. The longitude is 82 degrees, 42 minutes, 17 seconds.

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6' Steel Hinged Patio Door (promo door)

- Security of steel
- Insulated glass
- Screen, lock extra and figures
- Model 45-500

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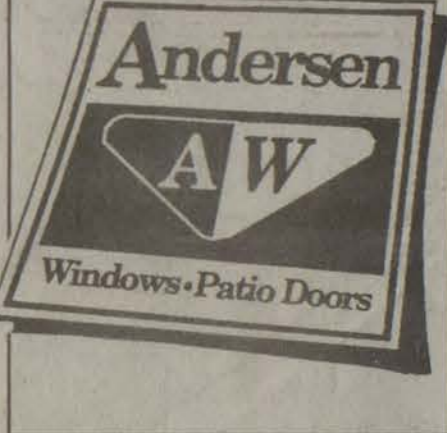
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