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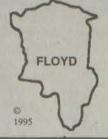
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Audit finds county clerk's office in red

Floyd County Clerk Carla "lapping scheme" in an attempt to "the worst of any clerk's records" \$200,000 in the red, according to State Auditor Ben Chandler, and her records are the worst he's ever

Boyd told the Associated Press Friday that she disagrees with the audit report and that she has a certified public accountant working on her records.

In an audit report released Friday in Frankfort, the clerk's office has a \$195,000 deficit and state officials cannot determine if the condition of the clerk's records. The report also said that Boyd had used personal funds to conceal a ment Friday that Boyd's records are

Robinson Boyd's office is almost hide the shortages. The scheme is described as taking money from new accounts to cover shortages in old accounts. The report said that \$44,000 apparently was transferred to cover shortages for 1991 and

> Out of \$570,000 in delinquent property tax collections in 1992 and 1993, \$103,900 was not distributed to local taxing districts and is not in Boyd's accounts, according to the audit.

The audit also reported that shortfall is greater because of the Boyd used \$11,704 of her own money to cover shortages.

Chandler said in a written state-

he has seen.

"The clerk's records are so bad that the auditor's office cannot issue an audit opinion as to the exact financial position of the clerk's office," Chandler said in his

The state auditor also said that the matter has been forwarded to the attorney general's office and the Kentucky State Police for further

A breakdown of the audit

• \$103,900 in unreported delinquent tax collections;

 \$2,600 in disallowed expenses; • \$13,099 in prior expenses paid from 1992 fees;

· \$23,904 in 1994 receipts deposited into the 1993 fee account; \$1,753 used to cover a 1991

overdraft \$3,943 from April 1992 receipts deposited into the 1991 fee

• \$15,078 in March 1992 receipts deposited to 1991 fee ac-

• \$9,504 in 1992 excess fees

owed to the fiscal court; \$1,978 overpayment of 1993

excess fees; and • \$15,093 in net posting errors in disbursement ledger.

The total of the alleged shortfall is \$196,197, less a \$1,071 bank balance in the 1992-93 fee accounts,

• \$9,211 owed for fish and game which leaves a \$195,126 deficit.

Delinquent property tax collections were accounted for in three ways-a receipts ledger, computer generated monthly reports and monthly reports prepared by hand and sent to taxing districts-which led to problems with that account, the audit said."These records contradicted each other for the 24 months examined and never did the three records agree for the amounts recorded for delinquent taxes collected," the audit said.

Most of the shortage was attributed to the unaccounted delinquent tax collections.

A call to Boyd Tuesday was not

Three arrested

in drug raid

At Weeksbury:

by Susan Allen

A Friday night raid by the

Mountain Area Drug Task Force

led to the confiscation of 36 grams

of suspected cocaine and the ar-

Task force agents executed a

search warrant at the home of Paul

Rogers of Weeksbury around 10

p.m. Friday and found what ap-

peared to be 36 grams of pure,

uncut cocaine, Floyd County Sher-

iff Paul Hunt Thompson said Tues-

It seems years of asking for

Contracts have already been let

water is going to pay off for some

customers of the Beaver Elkhorn

on projects at Weeksbury-Abner,

Doty Creek, Wilson Creek and

Salyers Branch, with work sched-

uled to be completed by August 16.

county judge-executive, said.

'These are not just plans any more.

the area is needed to make the pro-

being hooked up to the new water

lines in order to determine the

rates," Hale said. "The more cus-

tomers who hook on, the lower the

For that reason, Hale is sponsor-

"It's now a reality," Ben Hale,

But participation of residents in

"We need people to commit to

by Patti M. Clark

Staff Writer

Water District.

It's going to happen.'

jects cost effective.

rates for everyone."

rests of three Floyd County men.

Staff Writer



County Court Clerk Carla Boyd

day. The cocaine has an estimated

street value of \$16,000 to \$18,000.

"Chuckie" McCauley, 30, of

Melvin, and Darrell Bryant, 35, of

Weeksbury, were arrested during

ing in cocaine, a controlled sub-

stance; possession of marijuana;

possession of drug paraphernalia;

and prescription drugs not in prop-

Both will be held at 6:30 p.m.,

A third meeting has been tenta-

with one set for Melvin Grade

School and the other for the Mc-

tively set for 6:30 p.m. January 11

at Allen Central High School. Hale

said that meeting still has not been

it is important to be a part of this

project," he said. "They are starting

Hale, has agreed to work with cus-

tomers on the hook-up fee. The fee,

which averages about \$450, can be

paid in payments between now and

August, Hale said. He advised cus-

tomers who might have trouble

with the fee to call the water dis-

all customers to get them hooked

up," he said. "We know there are

"They have agreed to work with

Beaver Elkhorn, according to

work after the first of the year."

'We need to stress to people that

Dowell Senior Citizens Center.

Rogers is charged with traffick-

the raid.

er container.

going on.

confirmed.

County residents to get water;

town meetings set for Thursday

Rogers, 30, along with Charles

Race is

by Susan Allen Staff Writer

A Tram man is suing three Floyd County deputies claiming that a December 1 search of his residence was racially motivated, but Sheriff Paul Hunt Thompson says the lawsuit is groundless.

Curtis Gardner filed a \$1 million civil rights suit in Floyd Circuit Court last week, saying deputies Ricky Thornsberry, Ricky Newsome and Steve Toy broke into his home on December 1 without a search warrant and harassed a number of blacks at a road block during the same time. Gardner also claims that officers removed three antique guns from the residence.

Officers executed a search warrant at Gardner's residence on December 1 and confiscated some marijuana, drug paraphernalia and weapons, Sheriff Thompson said. Thompson added that deputies did arrest one man near Gardner's home on a driving under the influence charge.

"The officers had a valid search warrant," Thompson said Tuesday. "What they found, speaks for itself. There was no road block, but a deputy did arrest a man for driving under the influence of drugs because the man's vehicle was weaving on the roadway. There was another arrest when a man walked into Gardner's home

Thompson said that deputy Newsome was not involved in the

(See Lawsuit, page two)

Special meeting Thursday to focus on superintendent

Discussions by Floyd County school board members relating to the selection of the next superintendent are set to begin Thursday.

A special meeting of the board has been called for December 28 at 6:30 p.m. at the district's central office in Prestonsburg.

Four finalists chosen by the district's superintendent screening committee were interviewed by the board December 13-15. The board does not have to chose a candidate recommended by the screening committee.

Those finalists are: Jerry Austin, superintendent of the Harlan Independent school system; John L. Balentine, former superintendent of the Clarke County School System in Athens, Georgia; Judith A. Campbell, superintendent of the Bellevue City Schools in Bellevue, Ohio and Ora Cobb Jr., principal,

South Laurel Middle School, London. The board's discussions will be held in closed session.



One more way to give...

Bill Williamson, 60, of Prestonsburg (front) and Barry Bradford, 22, of Prestonsburg, were in the holiday spirit of giving when they donated blood Tuesday during the Central Kentucky Blood Center's annual Donorama '95 blood drive. Terry Prater (front), with the Prestonsburg Blood Center, and Steve Ferrell, with CKBC, assisted during the drive. (photo by Alisa Goodwill)

Blood donation flow stemmed during annual season of giving

by Alisa Goodwill Staff Writer

The Central Kentucky Blood Center has an urgent need for type O negative blood.

Georgia Sanders, coordinator of Prestonsburg Blood Center, said every year the area gets low on blood, especially O negative and positive, because not as many peo-

ple are donating.

Because type O negative blood is the "universal type" and can be given to anyone, it is also the type that is depleted most often, Marsha Berry, CKBC spokeswoman said

The Central Kentucky Blood Center (CKBC) is holding its annual winter drive, Donorama '95, December 26-29, to ensure an ade-

Filling a need

Members of the Floyd County Bar Association helped feed the hungry this holiday season by donating to

the county's food pantries. Among those pictured are, in back from left, Sr. Ida Marie Deville, Danny

Caudill, Johnnie Ross, Tammy Bragg, Gene DeCoursey, Marshall Davidson, and Donald Bragg. Beverly Carroll, center, shows the donations the group made to the pantries on Friday.

quate supply of blood for central and eastern Kentucky as the New Year's holiday approaches.

"People go on vacation or get sick," Sanders said.

"We hold the drive to ensure our inventory always has at least 2,400 pints of blood daily for hos-

(See Giving, page two)

ing two town meetings Thursday night to let people know what's (See Water, page two) Laid-off miners eligible for grant by Patti M. Clark Earlier this year, Rogers con-Staff Writer tacted Robert Reich, secretary of Floyd County residents who labor, and urged him to award the have been laid off from mines in grant to Kentucky due to a desper-Martin and Perry counties may be ate need for help.

The grant, which was awarded

those counties, but for employees of coal companies in those counties," Frank Maisano, a staff aid for

Other counties receiving aid include Harlan, Breathitt, Henderson

eligible for a retraining grant to help them train for other jobs and be able to support their families while doing so.

last week by the Department of Labor, is designed to help displaced coal workers find better jobs and is for more than \$5.2 million. The initial disbursement of \$1.7 million will immediately help 225 workers.

This is not just for residents of Congressman Hal Rogers, said.

"This is a helping hand that our coal miners need," Rogers said. "It will give our workers the opportunity to learn new skills and obtain new jobs."

The program will operate under the Economic Dislocation and Worker Adjustment Assistance portion of the Job Training Partnership Act. It will help former coal workers with retraining and also provide needs-related payments as income support during retraining.

Local workers have anticipated the grant since a representative from the Kentucky Department of Human Resources met with laid off

(See Miners, page two)



Benji

This Benji-type dog has already been spayed, had a heartworm check and her shots. All she needs is a loving home. She is just the right size to be a good pet for a child or a senior citizen. Please stop by the Animal Shelter or call 886-3189. Spay or neuter your pet to help pet over-

Celebrate smart this holiday season, says AAA

Wise party hosts will offer their drivers guests a variety of foods and nonalcoholic beverages this holiday season, says AAA, New Year's is the holiday with the highest percentage of alcohol-related fatalities. Last year, more than 16,000 people lost their lives as a result of alcohol-related crashes.

help their guests have a good time but return home safely by:

- · Offering non-alcoholic bever-
- slow the absorption of alcohol
- · Planning activities so drinking isn't the party focus
- Arranging rides home for tipsy

this all at once. That's why we're

having these meetings and working

with the water district. Our whole

idea is to bring clean drinking

up to 1,100 homes, but funding -

Water-

water to the county."

Partygoers who plan to drink alcohol should arrange in advance for a ride home. This may include appointing a designated driver before the party begins. Guests should also be responsible and know their limits.

AAA suggests party hosts serve Responsible party hosts can coffee or some other non-alcoholic beverage and snack about an hour before the party is over, allowing excess alcohol to clear the bloodstream.

Recipes for non-alcoholic · Providing plenty of food to drinks and party food along with tips for hosting a safe party are available in a free brochure from AAA. For a copy, call (606) 233-

loans — was calculated to serve

750, the number of homeowners

who said they were interested in

earlier surveys, according to Hale.

1980 when the district served 1,100

Beaver Elkhorn has been adding

Districts must be re-aligned before Raid candidates can file for election

Secretary of State Bob Babbage said his office is unable to accept regular session beginning January candidacy filing papers for legislative races until the General Assembly enacts a legislative redistrict January 30.

2. The filing deadline for races on the May primary election is 4 p.m.

(Continued from page one)

Blood drives are also being held

For more information call Mar-

in Lexington, Hazard and Somerset

this week during the Donorama

sha Berry, CKBC spokeswoman, at

(606) 276-2534. The phone number

for the local office is 886-1557.

Banner resident

Prestonsburg's blood drive is "We have a unique aspect of being held at the Prestonsburg Holseeing where the blood goes and iday Inn from 12-8 p.m. through really seeing how it is used in the hospitals."

Sanders said they have a crew of eight working and there are six beds set up.

Giving-

"We've been slow but steady today," Sander said Tuesday. "We should have more donors as the

The drive is being sponsored by the Prestonsburg police department, fire department and county volunteer fire departments.

"We've donated to the program since the beginning," Prestonsburg Fire Chief Tom Blackburn said.

Miners-

(continued from page one)

Wolf Creek Collieries miners in May. The grant will help miners laid off earlier this year from Wolf Creek whose unemployment benefits are starting to run out.

Since then, an additional 300 miners have been laid off at Wolf Creek alone with other mines also announcing lay-offs.

Occupations for retraining include: accounting, nursing, management information, electronics, medical assistant, computer science, radiography, automotive services, air conditioning, welding, child development services and

(Continued from page one)

people. About 2,000 customers receive water from Beaver Elkhorn

Hale said the contracts have been let and Bill McDonald is working as the engineer on the proThe General Assembly meets in ruled the 1991 legislative reapportionment plan invalid and directed that no legislative elections could be held after January 3, 1995 until new legislative district boundaries The Kentucky Supreme Court are determined by the legislature.

"This action prevents the Secretary of State from taking candidacy papers until new legislative district boundaries are drawn," Babbage explained.

The court action applies only to races for the 100 seats in the Kentucky House of Representatives and the 19 seats in the Kentucky Senate which are up for election next year.

Other offices up for election in 1996 include the President and Vice President, one U.S. Senate seat, Congress, some local school board seats, and two-year term city offices which were last elected in

(continued from page one)

McCauley is charged with possession of cocaine, a controlled substance; conspiracy to trafficking in a controlled substance; and carrying a concealed deadly

Bryant is charged with conspiracy to trafficking in a controlled substance, cocaine.

Sheriff Thompson said officers also confiscated more than \$3,000

McCauley remains lodged in the Floyd County Jail and Bryant and Rogers were released on a \$5,000 cash bond. The three are to be arraigned today (Wednesday) in Floyd District Court.

Deputies assisting were Shawn Roop, Steve Toy, Charlie Thompson, Matt Johnson and Jason Kendrick.

honored during **Abilities Month**

A Floyd County man is among the Kentuckians who are being honored throughout December, Abilities Month, for using their exceptional abilities to overcome or ignore physical or mental disabilities to achieve remarkable success.

Bobby Shepherd of Banner is one of eight men and women throughout Kentucky who are being recognized this month. Shepherd moved from poverty, abandonment and isolation into a world of friends, a good job at Lees Famous Recipe, a home and a loving

For more information about the January 31st Legislative Reception, Abilities Month, or the Kentucky Disabilities Coalition, contact KDC Toll Free (800) 977-7505, voice; and TDD (502) 875-1871 or FAX (502) 875-1982.





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Lawsuit

— (Continued from page one)

people out there who can't afford which will come from grants and

He said the projects could serve customers at a consistent rate since

Gardner's lawsuit, filed by attorney Eric Conn, claims that the deputies called a number of black people "boy" and used other slang

names while conducting a road

Gardner alleges that officers tar-

search and that he was out of town number of blacks were in town to attend a wake and that officers assumed that there was drug activity in the area because there were blacks from outside the area in the

> community. Conn could not be reached Tuesday to comment.

> Gardner is also seeking

block in the area. geted the Tram area because a \$100,000 in general damages. THE YEAR SERVICE SERVICES



Rhonda Sue Jennings and Erich E. Blackburn

request your presence at their celebration of love on Saturday, December 30, at 3:30 p.m., at the Salem United Methodist Church. Rhonda is the daughter of Sue Jennings of Pikeville and the late Ronald Jennings. Erich is the son of Eugene and Glenda Blackburn of Allen.

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Christopher Bailey, son of Neil and Mary Lou Bailey, of Prestonsburg, and Christy Campbell, daughter of Douglas and Teressa Campbell, of Viper, were selected as prince and princess at Alice Lloyd College

Degrees offered via distance-learning at PCC

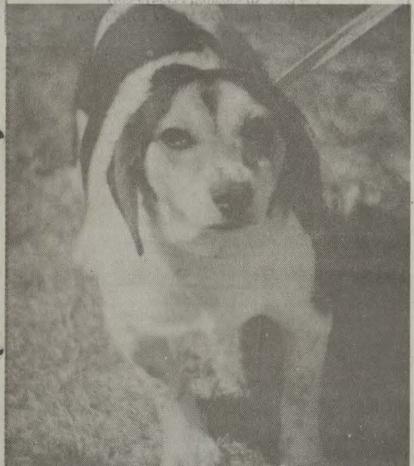
Prestonsburg Community College is one of five University of Kentucky community colleges offering KET telecourse students the opportunity to earn an associate degree via distance-learning technology.

Kentucky Educational Television (KET) and the Kentucky Telecommunications Consortium are pilot participants in the "Going the Distance" program, which offers busy, working adults and others the opportunity to earn an associate degree through distance-learning telecourses and other technologies. The five community colleges, lincluding PCC, are offering the Associate in Arts degree via distance learning as part of the University of Kentucky Community College System, a member of the KTC.

The other four community coldeges offering the Associate in Arts degree via distance learning are Ashland Community College, Madisonville Community College, Paducah Community College, and Southeast Community College. in Prestonsburg Community College's service area who are interested in this option for pursuing their AA degree may call PCC at 886-3863, ext. 206, for more information and to talk to a

Telecourses make up 75 percent of the 60 credit hours required to complete the AA degree and offer convenience and flexibility to students who cannot attend classes on a regular basis. Remaining credit hours may be completed through other technologies such as computers, interactive classrooms, satellite delivery, independent study, and traditional classrooms. Students may submit transcripts of previous college work for evaluation in meeting degree requirements.

General information about "Going the Distance" and a schedule of telecourses on KET for the 1996 Spring Semester may be calling 1-800-432-0970. Telecourses on KET are made possible by the Kentucky Council on Higher Education. Promotional materials for the program are supported in part by the Annenberg/Corporation for Public Broadcasting (CPB) Higher Education Project.



Spot

Hi, my name is Spot. I'm part beagle and probably would make a good hunting dog. I'm young enough so I should be easy to train. There are a couple of other beagle mixes that would also make good hunting dogs or pets, so stop by the Animal Shelter and see us.

AAA offers tips for safer driving on winter roads

Motorists who learn to overcome winter's poor visibility, skids and braking difficulties reduce their risk of involvement in a weather-related collision, reports AAA Blue Grass/Kentucky. "Studies indicate stopping dis-

tances are increased three to nine times on ice or snow. This makes defensive driving techniques especially important in winter weather," says AAA's Kathy Gross. AAA offers the following tips

to help motorists steer clear of winter driving trouble:

* Improve visibility by cleaning all snow from the entire carhood, roof, trunk, head and tail lights and windows-so the motorists can see and also be seen.

* Remember posted speed limits are set for ideal road and weather conditions. Slow down when visibility and road conditions are impaired by bad weather or traffic. * Avoid sudden starts, stops and

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technique for braking under snowy conditions is "threshold" or "squeeze braking," by applying the brakes firmly to a point just short of lock up, and then easing off the brake pedal slightly. With anti-lock brakes, motorists should depress the brake pedal firmly and hold it down until the vehicle stops.

* Anticipate potential danger such as bridges, snow-covered lane markings, stalled cars and poor visibility. Adjust speed, increase distance between your vehicle and other cars or change lanes to avoid trouble. Watch out for other drivers who may be unprepared for changing road conditions.

* In a skid, ease off the accelerator and don't lock up the brakes. Carefully steer in the direction you want the car to go and straighten the wheel as soon as the car begins to go in the desired direction.

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Home Energy Assistance Program to begin crisis phase

Applications for crisis aid from the Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP), will be taken at local Community Action Agencies beginning January 8 and will continue through April 30, or until the funds are exhausted.

The Big Sandy Area Community office is located on Route 1428 in Allen. Their phone number is 874-

The federally funded HEAP programs provide heating subsidies and crisis assistance to low-income households.

Applications for heating subsidies were taken in November and all eligible households which applied will receive a benefit, said John Clayton, commissioner of the Department for Social Insurance. DSI oversees the state's HEAP pro-

Clayton said \$4.2 million of Kentucky's HEAP grant is available for crisis assistance and \$7.9 million will be used for subsidies for more than 89,000 eligible households. Subsidies will average \$89 each.

"To assure we have sufficient funds for crisis assistance during the coldest months of the year, we have been waiting for the federal government to let us know the actual amount of our HEAP grant before determining individual subsidy amounts," Clayton said. "Those payments will be processed within the next two weeks.'

To be eligible for crisis assistance, a household must meet the same guidelines required for eligibility for a subsidy, which includes income and liquid asset limits.

In addition, the household applying for crisis assistance must either be totally without its primary heating fuel, or within 48 hours of running out of propane or fuel oil, or within 48 hours of having the home's primary heating source dis-

Each eligible household at or above 28 percent of the poverty level will also be required to make a co-payment to the fuel vendor toward relieving the crisis.

Floyd County 4-H stars organize club

by Mary Ellen Harpole 4-H reporter

The East Kentucky STARS 4-H club is starting a new year with new projects, activities, and new officers. The officers are: president, Joshua Lyons; vice president, Adam Cozort; project chairperson, Ellisa Thacker; and secretary, Mary Harpole. Members include Seth Collins, Rachel Collins, Erin Collins, Becky Collins, Miranda Lemaster, Leighann Lemaster, Wes Helton, Britni Thacker, Eric Volk, Todd Volk, Doug Volk, Amanda Yoder, Nathan Cozort, Erin Kizer, Jonathon Lyons, Tabitha Nunemaker, and Mike Looney.

Club members have chosen projects like woodworking, computers, dogs, cooking, sewing, veterinary science, babysitting, and managing power.

A field trip to the fire tower at Robinson Forest is planned for the spring. All of the East Kentucky STARS are home schooled.



Birth announced

Tony and Jolean Goble of Prestonsburg, announce the birth of their first child, Christian Anthony. He was born at Highlands Regional Medical Center on November 5, at 1:52 p.m. He weighed 8 pounds, 15 ounces and was 21 1/2 inches long. His maternal grandparents are Annie and Edward Wallen of David and the late Earl Hackworth. His paternal grandparents are Wanda McGuire Goble of Auxier and Billy Goble of Prestonsburg.

made directly to applicants. Crisis benefits may take the form of fuel delivery, service reconnection, blankets or sleeping bags, loaned space heaters or emergency shelter. Subsidies will be in the form of vouchers payable to the heating fuel

For more information, contact impaired.

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Enterprises

No HEAP payments will be your local Community Action Agency. You may also call the Kentucky Association for Community Action, 1-800-456-3452, or the Cabinet for Human Resources Ombudsman's Office, 1-800-372-2973.

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CINEMA 5 Cut Throat Island Held Over "R" Mon.-Sun. 7:00 Golden Eye "PG" Fri., Matinee 4:15 Mon.-Sun. 9:15 only Sat., Sun. 2:00, 4:15 CINEMA 6

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Prestonsburg Fire & Police Dispatcher Log

The following are excerpts from the Prestonsburg police and fire department dispatch logs for Tuesday, December 19 through Monday, December 25.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19

1:10 a.m. - Caller from Highland Avenue reported her breaker box had kicked off and she out injuries near Kentucky Power could smell wires burning; Kentucky Power has someone en route to location.

7:38 a.m. - Disturbance at Cliffside.

11:58 a.m. - EMS run to Wal-Mart; female subject may be having a heart attack.

1:37 p.m. - EMS run to Indian Hills.

4:19 p.m. - An accident without injuries at the mouth of Mays Branch beside Pizza Hut.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20

1:12 a.m. — Caller reported smoke in Wendy's coming from the vents. Business was shut down until problem was fixed.

several subjects were running up and down Cardinal Drive knocking and her van.

on doors.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21

1:34 p.m. — A possible

domestic dispute in progress on Burke Avenue.

1:44 p.m. - An accident with-

3:39 p.m. - An accident without injuries near SuperAmerica.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22

12:23 a.m. - EMS run to Prestonsburg Inn; female subject having chest pains.

5:08 a.m. - Officer found the front door open and a window that had been tampered with at a North Lake Drive business. Owner advised 11 batteries were missing.

10:45 a.m. - Caller advised she could not find her rottweiler and she though that maybe the police had confiscated it. Officer located the dog.

10:53 a.m. - Caller from 1:16 a.m. — Caller reported Green Acres advised someone had thrown food and stuff on her porch

Radio rangers

Ron Hayes (left), chief ranger at Jenny Wiley State Park and John

Uppole, a ranger with the Corps of Engineers, prepared a public ser-

Local agencies team

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Because of this partnership these

According to Corp Ranger John

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the public.

4:39 p.m. — Caller advised he 3:34 a.m. - EMS run to Mays heard shots fired from a house on Highland Avenue.

8:48 p.m. — Caller reported Prestonsburg Village parking lot between 8-8:48 p.m.

9:38 p.m. — Caller from Dixie Apartments reported an apartment was playing loud music.

9:42 p.m. — Caller on Graham Street reported carbon monoxide in his residence.

9:59 p.m. — Caller reported a vehicle in West Prestonsburg playing loud music.

11:25 p.m. — EMS run to Holiday Inn; several subjects were in a fight and need medical atten-

11:43 p.m. - Report of a disturbance at Dixie Apartments.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23

12:19 a.m. - Caller reported a male subject got out of his vehicle, urinated on the lawn and threw beer bottles out of the car.

3:08 a.m. - EMS run to county jail; male subject having chest

4:20 a.m. — A fight in

progress at Center Stage.

11:23 a.m. - EMS run to Food City; subject having seizures. 2:40 p.m. - An accident with-

his vehicle had been stolen from the out injuries at Prestonsburg Village parking lot.

3:07 p.m. - EMS run to West Prestonsburg.

5:17 p.m. — EMS run to Foodland; subject having a seizure. 5:40 p.m. — A possible disturbance in West Prestonsburg.

9:01 p.m. — A possible DUI leaving the bowling alley.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24

3:15 a.m. - Security check at Prestonsburg High School gym; a door on the football side of gym would not lock.

9:52 a.m. — EMS run to Irene Cole Church; male subject has passed out.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 25

4:19 p.m. — Caller from Archer Park advised there was a vehicle doing donuts in the parking

7:23 p.m. - An accident without injuries near Cliffside.

9:55 p.m. — EMS run to West

Otter Creek Correctional Center receives top honors

was honored as U.S. Corrections Corporation's Most Improved Facility of the Year at the company's recent annual holiday dinner.

Warden Don G. Sapienza accepted a certificate on behalf of the facility, and each of its 80-plus staff members will get an extra day's paid vacation for jobs well

"I'm extremely proud of the staff," Warden Sapienza said after the presentation. "They deserve this award for making Otter Creek a fully accredited institution with 100 percent compliance to ACA Correctional (American Association) standards."

Sapienza was formerly with the Commonwealth of Kentucky Department of Corrections for 26 years. He was hired by the USCC as the facility's Warden in August of 1994. "There's a work ethic in this staff that's unbeatable," he said. "They have professionalism, zeal and a 'glad to be at work' attitude."

Ninety-eight USCC employees and their guests attended the elegant semi-formal dinner, held at the private prison corporation's Louisville headquarters December 9. Hosts for the evening were USCC chairman Milton Thompson, president Robert B. McQueen and executive vice president J. David Donahue.

In other presentations that night, USCC's Marion Adjustment Center in Marion County was named

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Otter Creek Correctional Center Facility of the Year, and 11 employees from three facilities were recognized for 10 years of dedicated service. For their efforts, each employee received \$1,000 (after taxes) and a sterling silver ballpoint pen from Tiffany & Co.

> The retirement of Joan Cissell, USCC's comptroller since 1990, also was celebrated that night, and Ms. Cissell received a set of luggage from her corporate colleagues.

> USCC was founded in 1983 and opened the nation's first privately designed, built and operated prison, in January 1986. Otter Creek opened in November 1993, and is among seven USCC prisons and one full service jail in Kentucky, Ohio, Florida and Texas.

Stumbo is guest speaker at Farm **Bureau convention**

Kentucky Supreme Court Justice Janet Stumbo of Floyd County, was a guest speaker for the Bureau Farm Kentucky Federation's 76th convention held December 6-9 in Louisville.

Justice Stumbo spoke December 8 before a delegation of Farm Bureau representatives during the Women's Luncheon and Awards Program.

More than 2,000 farmers, family members and guests were expected to attend the four-day meeting at the Galt House Hotel. The overall theme for the convention was 'Growing, Serving, Leading."

Delegates representing the 120 county Farm Bureaus debated policy proposals and elected officers and directors during the conven-

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A Look At Sports:

New Year in view as '95 slips out

I trust that everyone had a joyous Christmas and that you got everything you wanted. Now begins the long process of return-

ing what doesn't fit, or is the wrong color.

As Christmas passes, we turn our thoughts to a new year as 1996 fast approaches. Sunday This night we will



Sports Editor

close out the old year and, the Lord willing, will welcome a new one on Monday.

The local sports scene in 1995 has seen several changes. We've had changes in coaching positions and changes in the way things are done in the county.

The year started with the high school basketball season well underway and Allen Central boys and girls being the top teams in the county. Coach Gordon Parido's Prestonsburg Blackcats were putting a scare in county teams with their outside shooting. South Floyd was having problems in finding ways to win and Betsy Layne was under second-year coach Keith Henry.

On the girls' side, Coach Bonita Compton had her Lady Rebels in first place in the conference and looking toward the girls' All-A Classic. Betsy Layne was enjoying a good season under coach Bill Newsome. Prestonsburg was the surprise team of the 58th District under first-year coach Harold Tackett. Coach Jimmy Hopkins was still experimenting to find a winning combination at South

Allen Central Rebels fell to Paintsville in the finals of the boys' Class A regional in overtime. The Lady Rebels made it three in a row and captured their third Class A regional championship and went on to Bowling Green for the state meet. The Lady Rebels posted an opening-round win, the first time for a regional team.

The Allen Central boys won their third consecutive 58th District tournament after finishing 6-0 in conference play and receiving a number one seeding in the tournament. The Rebels edged Prestonsburg for the district title.

Coach Johnny Martin's team fell to Paintsville in the semifinals of the regional tournament at Sheldon Clark.

Coach Bill Newsome's Lady Cats won their second straight district tournament. Betsy Layne opened flat in girls' regional play and failed to repeat as the 15th Regional champions.

Baseball opened in late March with some good weather and it didn't take long for Coach Junior Newsome's Bobcats to show they were contenders to repeat as dis-

trict and regional champions. The Bobcats got some good pitching and timely hitting from players who weren't counted on to produce during the regular season. Betsy Layne defeated Allen Central in the championship game of the district tournament.

After an opening game win in

the regional tournament the

(See A Look at Sports, page 7A)

One month later....

Let's tell it like it is when it comes to the basketball season

Sports Editor

High school basketball in Floyd County has just completed its first full month and there are still some questions to be answered concerning each team.

In a county that has, for the past four years, been a dominating force in the 15th and lend a helping hand. Region, we find our teams are finding victories hard to come by.

There have been surprises this season and we want to take a look at those surprises - and not all are good ones.

· Allen Central Lady Rebels (3-2). Sophomore Misty Scott has had to carry the offensive load for the Lady Rebels after the

team has had defections as well as suspensions. Coach Bonita Compton's ballclub is 3-1 (as of Wednesday, December 27) and has not been that active on the basketball

As the month of January approaches, the Lady Rebels will definitely be needing someone to step into the offensive picture

Scott has been the go-to player for Allen Central, but she needs help somewhere. That help may have to come from some promising freshman, like Jennifer Hopkins or Janice Thornsbury.

Junior center Amanda Samons has been, and still is, on a five-game suspension, leaving the Lady Rebels without a legitimate

the team before the Christmas break. Coach Compton is having to dip into the grade school ranks for players.

Allen Central will be playing in the Johnson Central Invitational this week. More hustle from this team is definitely needed. No one seems to play hard. Let's tell it like it is.

* Betsy Layne Lady Cats (2-4). Expected to be one of the top contenders in the region this season, the Lady Cats are not purring like they should. A pair of junior guards are having to saddle the load as they try to turn things around for Betsy Layne and they need some help down low.

Ashley Tackett has not yet helped out on

post player. Freshman Delenda Howard left offense like she is capable. Tackett is the key to this ballclub winning and must, repeat, must become more involved offen-

The inside game for Betsy Layne is in the hands of Rachel Thompson, Crystal Gearheart and Heather Kidd. All three are capable, but so far have proven inconsis-

Gearheart is the team's leading rebounder and has shown some spark on offense lately, scoring in double figures. Thompson is a steady defensive player with 12 block shots. But needs to be more active around the basket on offense. She's a good scorer

(See One Month, page 6A)



Two of 25

Allen Central's Misty Scott (33) scored two of her 25 points on this drive to the basket against South Floyd Thursday night. Scott led her team to a 48-43 win over the Lady Raiders to improve the Lady Rebels to 3-1 on the season. (photo by Ed Taylor)

Allen Central survives South Floyd scare

Sports Editor

Shhhhh! Don't tell the South Floyd Lady Raiders they were not supposed to even be in the game with Allen Central's Lady Rebels last Thursday night.

Don't tell them they were not to be in front at the halftime by a score

Don't let them know they almost pulled off a major upset in high school basketball before falling 48-

Let them alone and let their confidence grow as the second month of the season is about to start.

Coach Henry Webb's Lady Raiders overcame a slow first-quarter start and then climbed back into the game to give Coach Bonita Compton's team a scare just before the holiday break.

Sophomore Misty Scott poured in 25 points to lead the Lady Rebels to their third win of the season against one defeat. Shauna Moore added eight points as no one else scored in double figures for Allen Central, Jennifer Hopkins finished

with five points. The Lady Rebs were without the services of their junior center in Amanda Samons. Samons is serving a five-game suspension and will not be eligible to return until after the first of the year.

Coach Compton had to go to the youth on her club and played several eighth graders.

SOUTH FLOYD (43) 3pt fta-m tp fg players 8-5 Cr. Tackett 1 2-0 0 Meade 0-0 Holbrook 1 2-2 0-0

Newman 0 M. Tackett 2 C. Tackett 2 2-2 0-0 Berger Compton 4 10-6 14 0 0 1-0 11 2 25-15 43 totals ALLEN CENTRAL (48)

players	fg	3pt	fta-m	tp	
Scott	4	4	10-5	25	
Nichols	1	0	0-0	2	
Moore	3	0	4-2	8	
Wallen	1	0	0-0	2	
Th'bury	1	0	1-0	2	
Hopkins	2	0	6-1	5	
Howell	2	0	2-0	4	
totals	14	4	23-8	48	
C Cloud	0	15	6	13.4	

Senior Tiffany Compton led South Floyd with 14 points. Melissa Tackett and Chrissy Tackett scored seven points each and Crystal Tackett scored six points.

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Allen Central had to hold off the Lady Raiders who refused to go away even though it was a home game for the Lady Rebels.

With 6:02 left to play in the third period, South Floyd held a 26-25 lead. But the Allen Central defense forced the Lady Raiders into four

See South Floyd, page 8A)

Betsy Layne defeats host Greenup Co. to capture invitational tournament

Sports Editor

Coach Junior Newsome's Betsy Layne Bobcats improved to 5-2 on the season with a pair of big wins in the Greenup County Invitational Tournament this past weekend.

The Bobcats posted an opening game win over Williamstown 56-43 and then handed host school Greenup County a 50-44 setback in the championship

Betsy Layne has been playing very good basketball in the first month of the season and the Betsy Layne coach said he righted themselves in the third

"We're playing better right now," Newsome said. "Our players are getting more confidence. We still have room to improve and I think we will get better."

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players are getting more confidence.

Tackett led the Bobcats' scoring in the championship game against the Musketeers. Newsome had 14 points and Tackett tossed in 12.

The Bobcats got off to a sluggish start in the first half, but believes his team will get better." period when they outscored Layne mentor said. "He had 12 Greenup County 16-10 to lead by five, 34-29, after three periods.

Greenup County and Coach Randy Ward are known for their defensive prowess instead of

Betsy Layne to face Cordia in Shelby Valley Invitational

The Betsy Layne Bobcats will be playing in their second consecutive invitational basketball tournament this week when they take part in the Shelby. Valley Invitational beginning tonight.

Coach Junior Newsome's ballclub is coming off a recent championship at Greenup County and next week will be playing in the Pikeville Invitational.

Betsy Layne will face Cordia tomorrow night (Thursday) in a 6 p.m. tip-off time. Cordia is the

home of Tad Brewer, the state's eighth leading scorer. Brewer is averaging 28.5 points per game.

Jimmy Keith is one of the leading rebounders in the state with more than 12 caroms a game. Cordia ranks seventh in the state in scoring average as a team. They will bring an 84.5 points-per-game average to Shelby Valley.

"Cordia has a very good basketball team," Betsy Layne

(See Cordia, page 7A)

Betsy Layne Bobcats coach putting points on the boards. Betsy Layne, though short in

-Junior Newsome

stature, is one of the better rebuilding teams in the area. Newsome was all smiles

when 6' 10" Jonathan Newman was named the tournament's Best Defensive Player. "He deserved it," the Betsy block shots for the tournament,

but altered several others that you don't read about. He is getting more and more confidence as the season goes on. He's just getting better.' Chris Hamilton, who came off

the Betsy Layne bench, tossed in eight points in the championship game, as did Willie Meade. Newman scored five points and Craig Johnson came in to hit a three for three points.

"We were very flat when we came out against Greenup County," Newsome said. "I think it was the bus ride down there.

"Jason played an excellent game for us in the finals. Craig came in and played well for us off the bench.'

Coach Newsome said his

(See Betsy Layne, page 8A)

Knott upends P'burg

by Ed Taylor Sports Editor

April Newsome scored a game-high 21 points and had six assists, but got little support from the rest of the cast as the Prestonsburg Lady Blackcats continued to struggle in dropping a 58-51 non-district game to Knott County Central just before the holiday break last

The loss dropped Prestonsburg to 4-5 on the season. The Lady Blackcats return to the hardwood on January 6 when they travel to Harlan.

The only other double-figure scorer for Prestonsburg was Jessi Burke with 13 points. Burke also pulled down six rebounds in the game. Crystal Layne returned to the Prestonsburg lineup after a round of the flu sidelined her from the Shelby Valley game. Layne did score six points in the game. Shelly Greathouse tossed in five points, but had

(See Blackcats, page ?A)



Up for two

South Floyd's Tiffany Compton (52) went up for a shot over Allen Central's Karen Wallen (25) as Jenny Meade (23) looked on. Compton scored 14 points in the game, but her team fell 48-43. (photo by Ed Taylor)

One month

down low, but has trouble getting on defense as they did in their first can do it. But it will take more in how a team plays. If this one This ballclub needs to play better

on defense. Let's tell it like it is. Prestonsburg Lady Blackcats (4-5). Definitely a disappointment so far this season and no one is to blame but the players. Much was expected of the Blackcats, but they

have not produced as first thought. This ballclub has as much talent as anyone in the 15th Region, but seems to lack that floor leadership that was there last year. Senior April Newsome and junior Crystal Layne must be the two who take that leadership role. They must.

Coach Harold Tackett's club is not working together as a team on offense. They are a solid defensive ballclub, but the chemistry is not there on offense. Too much individual play. That's right. Too much "I" on the floor.

This team could still be a top regional team if they can come together and put personal ambitions behind them and work harder.

More scoring is definitely needed from Jessi Burke, Amber Leslie and Ladonna Slone the "Big-3" under the basket. Shelly Greathouse is a little too unselfish. She needs to take her shot. Kimi Nunnery and Crystal Slone must play more and get involved in the offense.

The team is not working as hard win at the conference level. They

doors and want an opportunity to

learn some new skills, improve old

skills, or just enjoy the camaraderie

three games. A definite improvement from the free throw line is needed. The team should be 8-1 right now. Let's tell it like it is.

· South Floyd Lady Raiders (1-6). I must admit I have seen an improvement in the way this club has played this year. But they should. They are a veteran team. They are no longer a "kiddy corp."

Coach Henry Webb's team is more aggressive on both offense and defense. But still the team lacks the ability to take care of the basketball, and shot selection, as well as execution, is still lacking.

Senior Tiffany Compton doesn't seem to get the ball as often as she needs to. Point guard Chrissy Tackett is feeling the pressure on the outside and no one seems to be moving to the ball to relieve the pressure.

I like the way they are going to the boards. I've seen some very strong offensive board work. Jenny Meade has been a strong worker there. But Meade needs to add some points. She has the ability to do so.

But it all comes down to taking care of the basketball. It's like they don't see the court or the ball that

Look for South Floyd to post some more victories, but they must

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University of Kentucky, will conduct How many times have you three of these workshops in 1996. wished you knew the basics about The first workshop will be at outdoor and wildlife-related activi-Kentucky Dam Village State Resort ties, but didn't have the first notion Park January 19 - 21, 1996. The of where to learn? If this sounds workshop fee is \$150 and includes like something you want to do, conlodging, a reception, banquet, transtact the KDFWR Information portation to and from sessions off Division at (502) 564-4336 for registration. Or, mail in your \$25 the park grounds and instructional materials. Participants must be 21 deposit and receive a registration years old to attend. form. But don't wait - space is Sessions scheduled include limited!

determination.

· Allen Central Rebels (5-2). Surprise, surprise, surprise. That's what the Rebels have been through the first seven games this season. When you analyze their game, it is hard to find very many flaws. Their defense is good. The offense is fifth best in the state with a 55 percent shooting average. They are one of the best shooting teams around the

What's happened?

Junior All-State candidate Thomas Jenkins is having an allstar season. He is averaging a little less than 30 points per game and pulling in 14 rebounds. Well, we knew that it would be a super year for the junior, but with the loss of some key personnel, Allen Central has had to search for someone to stand up.

That someone has been some unexpected players. Sophomore Todd Howard has been on fire this season and playing the best basketball of his career. A definite reason the Rebels are 5-2. Junior Jason Baker has moved his game up a notch or two and is making noise.

After some suspensions to three starters, Brian Crawford has shown what he is capable of doing and has been a very pleasant surprise for Coach Johnny Martin.

The problem with this team is their inability to hold a big lead. Turnovers late in the game have been a problem.

· Betsy Layne Bobcats (3-2). Coach Junior Newsome's Bobcats are one of the better rebounding team around the county or region. They go hard to the boards, especially the offensive boards. Junior Rocky Newsome is remarkable in the way he has played this season. The former Allen Central Rebel is averaging near 24 points per game. Coach Newsome is searching for the right combination and in the Bobcats' last game before the break, inserted 6' 10" Jonathan Newman in the line-up.

Willie Meade will have to show some floor leadership for the Bobcats. Chris Hamilton needs to be more in control of himself and listen to the what the coach has to

This team could very well be a dark horse in the 15th Region. They are certainly going to have a lot to say as to the outcome of the 58th

Attitudes make all the difference

adjusts just a little bit, they will be strong. Let's tell it like it is.

· Prestonsburg Blackcats (0-5). This ballclub should never be 0-5 at the Christmas Break. But they are. Why? Many are wondering that. Just some observations I have seen.

No one is seeing the court well. Not seeing the court well usually results in turnovers Prestonsburg certainly has had their share of them in their first five

Sophomore center/forward Andy Jarvis must want the basketball. He must want it. Regardless. His teammates must then get the ball inside to him. They must. I believe if Jarvis wants the ball, I mean really wants it, and his team can get the ball down low, he could carry a 20plus average.

The guard play must shoulder some offensive responsibility. By that I mean they must be consistent. It's one thing to have a good night on the hardwood and then disappear

This is a good basketball team and I still contend once they get things in order the way they should be, it will be a team to reckon with.

. South Floyd Raiders (3-3). I like this ballclub. They play very hard. They know their roles and are a very good offensive team.

But they are lacking on defense. Mental breakdowns on defense has been a problem in all six games they have played. Even in

But Coach Rose's ballclub will get better. T.T. Pack, Terrence Mullins, Bear Stephens and Jason Shannon are four of the better players in the county - offensively. But they are not playing any kind of defense. Rebounding, blocking needs to step up some.

I look for a strong January and even stronger February from our county teams. The first month is hard to really gauge a team. Some key district games are on tab in the month of January and look for practices to become a little more difficult. But look for some good

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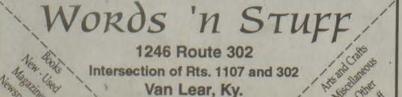
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A Look at Sports - (Continued from page 5A)

Bobcats came back and picked up a second-round win to move into the finals against Pikeville. The Bobcats fell to the Panthers in the championship game.

It was a very warm summer for athletes in the county as they took to the diamonds in the youth leagues. More than 70 teams were involved in athletics during the summer months around Floyd County.

Girls' softball gained in popularity as new youth programs got underway.

Once school resumed in August, football practice began. Coach Glen Reeves had his Allen Central Rebels in gear as they finished with a 4-6 regular season record, and made the state playoffs for the first time ever in the school's history.

Betsy Layne, the winningest team in the county, was the only one of the four that did not make the state playoffs. Coach John Derossett's ballclub finished with a fine 6-4 record, but because they were aligned in the same district with Allen Central and Prestonsburg, they failed to make the playoffs. The Bobcats fell to Allen Central and Prestonsburg in the regular season.

Prestonsburg finished with a losing record of 4-6 during the regular season in a year that definitely was a rebuilding one for Coach Bill Letton. Prestonsburg fell in the first round of the state playoffs to Russell, the second time in two seasons the Red Devils took the Blackcats out of the play-

Coach Donnie Daniels got his Raiders off to a quick start and, despite a bad ending, South Floyd made the playoffs. It was the first time ever Floyd County had three teams in the state football playoffs.

Two coaching changes occurred when Prestonsburg basketball coach Gordon Parido decided not to return to the Blackcat program for the '95-'96 season. Saying he wanted to spend more time furthering his education, the veteran coach stepped down and former Wheelwright coach Jackie Pack was named the new head mentor at Prestonsburg.

Keith Henry's tenure as head varsity coach was a short two-year stay as former Bobcat coach Junior Newsome decided to return to the program and was hired after a meeting with the site-based council.

Coach Johnny Martin's Rebels were not expected to contend as a district or regional power during the '95-'96 season, but when the school took a holiday break, the Rebels were still number one in the county with a sparkling 5-2 record.

Rebel Thomas Jenkins was number seven in the state in scoring and fifth overall in rebounding.

South Floyd was off to a good start, something they did not have in their first two seasons. Coach Rose's ballclub was 3-3 over the holiday break.

Prestonsburg was struggling big time and had Blackcat fans wondering and scratching their heads over a team loaded with talent. The Blackcats were off to a 0-5 start and made their trip to Florida this week.

Betsy Layne, a surprise in the district this year, was perhaps the most-improved team in the county. The Bobcats were 3-2 at the break and impressive even in their two loss-

Three of the four county women's programs were expected to challenge for a regional title this year but the break found all three struggling. Allen Central owned a 3-1 record while Prestonsburg, Betsy Layne and South Floyd were

playing on the losing side of the ledger. After the school holiday break, the second month will begin with some important conference games on tap. The months of January and February could prove very interest-

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Coach Junior Newsome said. "Brewer is rated as the top player out of the 14th Region. We will have our work cut out for us."

The tournament tips off tonight with two games. Phelps will face Buckhorn at 6 p.m. in the evening's first game. At 7:30 p.m. host Shelby Valley will entertain Wolfe County.

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South Floyd

consecutive turnovers and Allen play to cut the lead to four, 47-43. Central took a 27-26 lead on a rebound basket by Moore. The Lady Rebels never relinquished the

A layup by Scott made it a 29-26 game. The basket by Scott was the first of ten straight points by the Lady Reb guard. Scott hit back-to-back three-pointers and hit a short jumper as the third quarter ended. Allen Central led 37-30 after three quarters.

After a rebound basket by Compton kept South Floyd close at 40-36, Allen Central scored the next four points to lead 44-36 with 3:09 left in the game.

Baskets by Compton and a steal by Crystal Tackett cut the margin to six points, 46-40. After Allen Central missed two front ends of three-pointer with 30 seconds to the first quarter.

South Floyd put Misty Scott on the free throw line down the stretch where she made only one of four attempts. But the Lady Raiders could not close the gap, missing two straight bonus shots.

The Lady Rebels jumped to a quick lead after South Floyd took the initial lead on a basket by Deana Holbrook. The Lady Raiders led 5-2 following a three-point basket by Melissa Tackett. But Allen Central took advantage of four straight South Floyd turnovers and scored the next seven points to lead 9-5.

After a Tackett basket, Scott went on a 7-0 run and Shanna Howell hit a basket that gave Allen Central an 18-7 lead, their biggest of the game. Compton's two free bonus shots, Misty Berger buried a throws made it an 18-9 game after

second period and it didn't take South Floyd long to get back in the midst of things. Compton scored six unanswered points for the Lady Raiders and it was an 18-14 game.

Allen Central failed to take care of the basketball as Chrissy Tackett sank two free throws and Tina Newman connected on two with 2:20 left in the half to bring the Lady Raiders to within two points, 20-18. Chrissy Tackett tied the game from the charity stripe with two free throws at the 2:03 mark and South Floyd took the lead at 22-20 on a basket by Crystal Tackett with 1:39 showing on the clock. Compton gave South Floyd a lead of three points by hitting one of two free throws. A free throw by Chrissy Tackett with five seconds

Allen Central's shot selection left in the half sent the Lady Raiders was anything but good to start the to the locker room believing with a 24-22 lead.

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South Floyd took their biggest lead of the game in the third period when Melissa Tackett stole the ball and scored to give the Lady Raiders a 26-22 lead. But Allen Central scored the next five points to regain the lead at 27-26.

Misty Berger added five points for South Floyd. Holbrook finished with two points as did Tina Newman.

Lori Nichols, Karen Wallen and Janice Thornsbury scored two each for Allen Central. Howell tossed in four points.

Allen Central (3-1) will return to the hardwood tonight when they take part in the Johnson Central Lady Eagles Invitational.

South Floyd (1-5) will visit Betsy Layne Wednesday, January 3.

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Blackcats

four assists in the contest. Amber Leslie, who did not score, pulled in three rebounds and dished off four assists.

Jessica Watts led Knott County Central with her 20 points. Stacy Conley added ten points for the Lady Patriots.

Knott County, who placed nine players in the scoring column, led 14-9 after the first quarter. Prestonsburg opened cold. Newsome had a three-point basket for the Lady Blackcats. Burke

scored four first-quarter points.

Prestonsburg trailed by seven points, 28-21, going to the locker room at the half. Newsome had two three-pointers and scored ten points in the second quarter. Kimi Nunnery had the other two secondperiod points.

It was a horrible third stanza for Prestonsburg as they could only manage three field goals, being outscored 13-6. The Lady Patriots got an assist from the Prestonsburg bench when Coach Tackett was

William

called for two technical fouls. Watts attempted six free throws in the third period and made only one. The Lady Patriots were horrendous from the free throw stripe hitting just 14 of 34 attempts.

Layne, Nunnery and Ladonna Slone were the only three who could muster field goals in the third as Prestonsburg trailed 41-27 after three quarters.

Newsome scored eight points in the fourth quarter as Prestonsburg made one of its usual runs. The Lady Blackcats narrowed the lead to two points, 53-51. But Stacy Taylor completed a three-point play and Rebecca Hampton hit two free throws to-put the game in the win column. Prestonsburg outscored Knott County 24-17 in the final quarter.

Newsome finished with three three-point baskets. Greathouse hit one. Burke was a perfect five of five from the charity stripe as Prestonsburg connected on seven of 13 attempts. The Lady Blackcats had 16 assists in the game.

PRESTONSBUG 51)					
players	fg	3pt	fta-m	tp	Ī
Newsome	5	3	4-2	21	
Gr'house	1	1	1-0	5	
Layne	3	0	0-0	6	
Burke	4	0	5-5	13	
Leslie	0	0	3-0	0	
Nunnery	2	0	0-0	4	
Slone	1	0	2-0	2	
totals	16	4	15-7	51	

KNOTT COUNTY (58) players Amburgey 3 0 0-0 6 Blair 2-1 Conley 0 1-0 10 Watts 0 9-4 20 Bentley 0 11-4 6 Dobson 7-2 2 McIntosh 1 0-0 North 0 0 1-0 0 Hampton 2 0 2-2 6 0 Taylor 1-1 22 0 34-14 58 Prestonsburg 9 12 6 24-51 Knott County 14 14 13 17-58



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Allen Central's Jennifer Hopkins dished off the basketball as the Lady Rebels faced South Floyd in a conference game at Allen Central Thursday night. Hopkins scored five points in the game, but her team had to hold off the Lady Raiders to preserve a 48-43 win. (photo by Ed

Betsy Layne

team more than held its own on the opening game against the boards against the taller Musketeers.

County has a very good ballclub. They have been playing some super basketball," he said. Willie Meade led the Bobcats

with ten rebounds.

Betsy Layne didn't take very many shots, but the ones they did take didn't go for naught. The Bobcats hit 59 percent of their shots from the floor.

"We shot the ball extremely well," the Betsy Layne coach said. "The reason for that was because we took good shots. When you take good shots you will shoot a high percentage and win some ball games.

"Our defense was very good, holding Greenup County to just 44 points. It was an excellent game for us. I'm pleased with this team, but we still have more work to do."

to go with his 14 points. Hamilton was the leading rebounder with seven. Newman finished with six boards.

"He didn't score a lot for us but he did play some good defense for us," Newsome said.

Newman's effort on defense in the two games of the tournament earned the tournament's best defensive player award and Chris Hamilton was named the tournament's best offensive player.

Hamilton scored 18 points in

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Williamstown on Friday night. He did not start the game, but "We rebounded very well was effective off the bench. against a team that had a front Newsome finished with 11 line of 6-7, 6-5, 6-4. Greenup points in the first game while picking up seven assists. Meade pulled down six rebounds for the winners.

> Newman finished with nine points, Tackett scored six and Brandon Castle had four points.

Betsy Layne, who led 24-21 at the half over Williamstown, outscored the opponent 18-4 in the third period to put the game away and led by 17 points, 42-25, after three quarters.

"We picked up on our defense in the third quarter," Newsome said. "We put more pressure on the ball then."

Williamstown committed nine turnovers against the Betsy Layne press in the third period.

'They are a patient team," he said. "They like the slow tempo and we let them control the game in the first half. We came Newsome had seven assists out and pressured the ball better and forced them to speed their game up."

Betsy Layne will continue holiday tournament play by playing Cordia in the first round Shelby of the Valley Invitational Thursday night at 6

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Over Betsy Layne, 54-26:

Music tosses in 26 as Allen wins

Sports Editor

Coach Ashland Gearheart saw his Allen Lady Eagles go into the holiday break with a convincing win in grade school basketball last Wednesday night.

Ramanda Music scored a gamehigh 26 points to lead the Lady Eagles to a 54-26 win over the Betsy Layne Lady Cats. Beth and tossed in eight points.

"She is just a sixth grader," Coach Gearheart said. "She played really hard for us tonight with some good hustle."

Courtney Harris added six points and Brooke Coleman scored five in the win. Amilia Conley also netted five points.

Devon Reynolds and Brandis Bradley scored eight each to lead Betsy Layne. Kim Tackett finished with six points. Crystal Williams and Jessica Slone scored two each.

Allen jumped out to a 22-4 firstquarter lead with Music scoring 14 points in the period. Music set out Joseph came off the Allen bench the second quarter and had 12 points in the third period and did not play the fourth.

Chrissy Nelson and Rachael Mitchell scored two points each for



Floor general South Floyd's Chrissy Tackett (34) handled the basketball against Allen Central last Thursday night. Tackett scored seven points in a game her team dropped 48-43. (photo by Ed Taylor)

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NASCAR Connection

By Ben Trout

NASCAR FANS NEED TO MAKE RESOLUTIONS

Another year gone by. Time to look in the mirror, take a deep breath, and make your annual resolution for the new year. You know the deal. Out with the old, in with the new.

Now your resolution might include dropping a pound here and there, treating your spouse a little kinder, or attaining some lofty goal.

with this. How about some NASCAR resolutions? You know as well as I do, that we all love our sport dearly. But one must admit there are some changes we would like to see. Here are some 'fantasy' reso-Winston Cup racing.

Out with the old points system....in with a new one. The grand sport of Winston Cup racing has become so competitive that the current points system could use a fixing up. As things are, drivers are rewarded for their consistency. Yes, that's very important. But off. other factors should be taken into account when dealing out ticket prices...in with a more points.

deserve a boost in the points. ets, \$100, Talladega tickets, How about ten points for a win. Did you know this was Shirts and souvenirs of your the first season since 1990 that favorite drivers, expect to play the winner of the most races no less than \$30. NASCAR is won the championship?

bonus for winning the pole? Qualifying is a very important race a year, let alone three or aspect of the game. Maybe a four. With many tracks nearing three-point bonus for leading seating for more than 100,000 at the half-way. Think about fans, surely the ticket prices all the drivers who lead during the race and later fall out due to mechanical problems or ing off-season and weekends accidents. The current points without racing...in with yearsystem is comparable with the ever-popular NCAA Bowl Coalition, is the national champion, really a national champion. Know what I mean?

Out with the speed limit on pit road...in with an openspeed pit lane. Okay, I know Year.

that NASCAR has a big concern with safety. But don't you miss those days when a driver would barrel into the pits, change four tires, grab a can of Unocal, and head back onto the track beating a competitor out of the pits? How about this, keep the speed limit under yellow-flag periods when pit road is over-crowded, but drop the speed-trap during green-flag stops.

Out with the media that

But we can have a little fun shove a microphone in a driver's face following an accident....in with a kinder, gentler media. Ask yourself this question. Have you ever been so mad that you spouted off at the mouth, only later to regret everything you said? Or how lutions for the world of about this. Have you ever been driving down the road, and have someone pull out in front of you for no reason whatsoever, and you follow the action up with a barrage of harsh words? So why put a microphone in the face of a driver who unwillingly was put out of a race? Give them time to cool

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players	fg	3pt	fta-m	tp
Reynolds	3	0	4-2	8
Tackett	3	0	0-0	6
Williams	1	0	2-0	2
Bradley	4	0	0-0	2 8
Slone	1	0	0-0	2
totals	12	0	6-2	26
	ALL	EN (54)	17 14
players	fg	3pt	fta-m	tp
Music	12	0	3-2	26
Conley	2	0	5-1	5
Harris	3	0	0-0	6
Coleman	2	0	4-1	5
Nelson	1	0	0-0	2
Mitchell	1	0	1-0	2
Joseph	4	0	2-0	8

KDFWR Commission approves wildlife, fisheries items

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The Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources (KDFWR) Commission approved several new actions affecting hunting and fishing sports for the next

The rabbit and quail season will change for 29 counties in Western Kentucky in the fall of

Next year's season for rabbit and quail will begin the day following the close of modern gun deer season and continue through January 31 in the following counties: Allen, Ballard, Butler, Caldwell, Calloway, Carlisle, Christian, Crittenden, Daviess, Fulton, Graves, Hancock, Henderson, Hickman, Hopkins, Livingston, Logan, Lyon, Marshall, McCracken, McLean, Muhlenberg, Ohio, Simpson, Todd, Trigg, Union, Warren and Webster.

The season in these counties was changed to permit farmers in West Kentucky to harvest their crops before the season opened.

No changes in the rabbit and quail season were made elsewhere. Hunting for these species will be open November 1 through the end of January, except during the modern gun deer season in the remaining 91 counties.

The commission amended the regulation controlling private boat docks on stateowned lakes to provide for waivers, hearings, appeals.

The department was directed to produce a migratory bird permit. This federal permit will be required for migratory bird hunters (dove, woodcock, crow, etc.) not possessing a waterfowl stamp.

Requiring this permit' allows the comprehensive collection of waterfowl and migratory bird harvest information. The permit will cost

The commission also endorsed the "Teaming with Wildlife" program. This concept has been adopted by several states to raise additional money for management of non-game and endangered species, land acquisition and education.

Hunters and anglers have historically supported these programs through license purchases and federal excise taxes on hunting, shooting and fishing equipment and sup-

"Teaming The Wildlife" approach will create opportunities for all outdoor enthusiasts by broadening existing user fees to include a wider array of outdoor recreation equipment. Hikers, bird watchers, nature photographers and campers can team up with hunters and anglers in managing wildlife.

For further information about the commission meeting, call 502- 564-4336, or write Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources, Information & Education, #1 Game Farm Road, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

The next meeting of the KDFWR Commission is scheduled for March 1, 1996.

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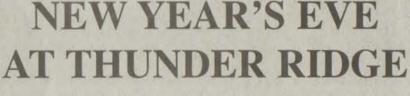
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BROWN TO PLAY AT ALC SECOND SEMESTER; MOORE COULD MISS REST OF SEASON

Alice Lloyd Lady Eagle Basketball Coach John Mills got some bad news and good news just before the Christmas break.

The bad news being that leading scorer Staci Moore could be lost for the rest of the season with a severe knee injury. Moore injured the knee in the Lady Eagles' final game before going home for Christmas.

"It was early in the game," Moore said. "I was bringing the ball up the floor and my knee went out from under me. It was very painful. One part went this way and the other went that way."

The good news for the Lady Eagles is that former Allen Central standout Marsha Brown will suit up the second semester. Brown sat out the first semester in making up her mind to play college ball or not.

"I just didn't know if I could play as good as I used too," Brown said. "But I have decided to play this semester."

The Lady Eagles return to the hardwood on January 5 and 6 on the road before returning home on January 6 for a home date with Clinch Valley.

SAMONS ON SUSPENDED LIST

Allen Central junior center Amanda Samons has been suspended for five games for a violation of team rules. Samons suspension could hurt the Lady Rebels as they prepare for the Johnson Central Invitational.

Samons could return to the ballclub January 1 against Pike Central.

MOORE RETURNS AS ASSIS-TANT

Anthony Moore, one-time boys' assistant for Allen Central, returned to the familiar position, but as an assistant to Coach Bonita Compton's girls' team.

"She called me and asked me to take the position," he said, "and I was pleased that she asked."

The vacancy came about when then assistant Jalenda Shepherd decided to resign the job. Dalenda Howard, a freshman and sister to Jalenda, also left the team.

"There was no hard feelings or anything like that," Moore said. "It was that Dalenda didn't want to play basketball anymore."

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Jennifer Isaac (30) listens as Allen Central coach Bonita Compton gives instruction to her team during a time out. Isaac is the youngest player to be a member of a varsity team. She is a fifth grader at Martin. (photo by Ed Taylor)

standout Shelby Howell is studying at Lexington Community College and will enter the therapist field. She was home for the holidays and says she is enjoying the school and looks forward to getting out.

WHO'S EXCITED?

Ever wonder who is the most excited about Christmas, the parents of children or the children themselves.

according to former Prestonsburg Boys' Coach Gordon Parido.

Parido, who is frequently seen at the girls' basketball games as well as other games, says his two year old daughter was looking forward to Christmas, but he and his wife Karen were more excited about it than their daughter.

"I know her mom is more excited about it," he said recently. "We both are. She doesn't really understand it all yet."

Says Prestonsburg Athletic Director Ron Hampton, "I have a young daughter and we are excited about Christmas for her."

JENKINS STILL IN TOP

TEN...HOWARD MAKES LIST According to the latest stats released by the Kentucky High School Athletic Association, Allen Central's Thomas Jenkins continues to be the seventh leading scorer in the state with a 28.6 average.

Another Allen Central player has moved into the state stats. Sophomore Todd Howard is hitting Well, in this case, it is the parents, more than 91 percent of his free throws this season, good enough for seventh best in the state. Howard has attempted 24 charity tosses and made 22.

Jenkins is the tenth best rebounder around the state, averaging 12.1 per game. Paintsville's J.R. Vanhoose leads the state with 15 rebounds per game.

As a team, Allen Central ranks tenth in the state from the free throw line. The Rebels have hit 94 of 130 attempts for 72.3 percent.

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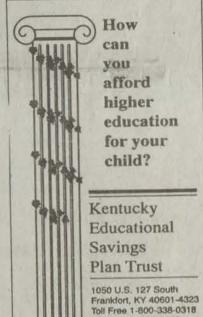
Not only will safety courses teach new or soon-to-be boat owners the nautical "rules of the road," but it is also an excellent "refresher" for experienced boaters. Also, many insurance companies offer discounts on boat insurance premiums for completed safety courses.

An added bonus to completing an approved boating safety course by September 1, 1996, is a complementary one-year membership in BOAT/U.S. (which includes a subscription to their magazine). Approved courses include those offered by the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, U.S. Power Squadrons, American Red Cross, and state

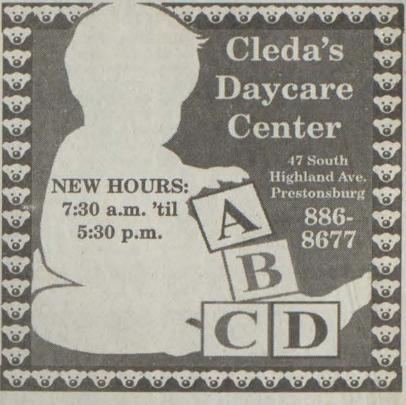
To qualify for the complimentary membership, send a copy of a course completion certificate with your name, address and daytime telephone number to BOAT/U.S. Member Services, 880 S. Pickett St., Alexandria, Virginia 22304.

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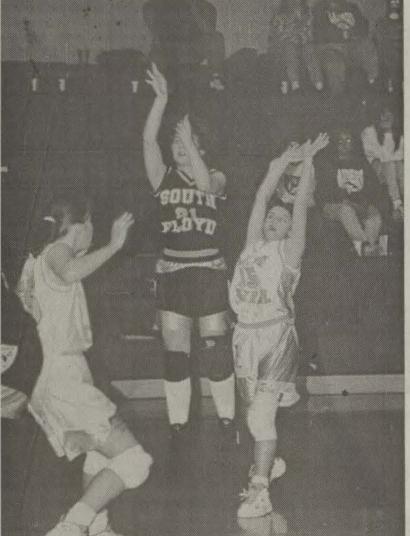
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Short jumper Melissa Tackett (21) of South Floyd put up a shot against Allen Central's Janice Thornsbury (15) when the two teams met in conference play at Allen Central last Thursday night. Allen Central posted a 48-43 win. (photo by Ed Taylor)

Wild peregrine found in Lexington

peregrine falcon sighted in down- fiy before it was freed. town Lexington.

One" now resides in the city, after ready for flight, so the peregrine being released from the Kentucky Utilities E.W. Brown Generating Station this summer. Its favorite hangouts are the Radisson Hotel and the Kincaid Tower.

M/L was not one of the birds days and was set free. purchased by the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources (KDFWR) for the agency's peregrine falcon restoration program. Louisville Zoo staff recovered the young bird from an Indiana road last July. Biologists decided the bird should be returned

Buoys on rivers to be removed

The warning buoys which mark the Restricted and Danger Area boundaries at the navigation dams on the Ohio and Green rivers have been removed to prevent their loss or damage during the upcoming high-water season. The buoys will be reinstalled in May 1996.

The restricted areas can still be clearly identified by signs which are mounted on the riverward lockwall and downstream face of the dam. The restricted areas are also shown in the current issues of the Louisville District Navigation Charts. Vessel operators are urged to consult these charts prior to approaching a lock and dam struc-

The buoys located above and below the dams at Locks 1 through 4 on the Kentucky River will not be removed. Therefore, boaters should heed caution when approaching the Kentucky River locks, since the buoys may become lost or moved during high flow conditions.

On Friday, December 1, biolo- to the wild, but they wanted to gists confirmed the identity of a make sure the falcon was ready to

The bird needed to be monitored Female M/L, nicknamed "Wild until it demonstrated that it was was sent to the KDFWR's release site in Mercer County. It was placed in a hack box, an artificial nest with removable bars. "Wild One" remained in the box about three

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Bassin with the Pros

DON'T OVERLOOK VIBRATING PLUGS FOR EASY FISHING

Many of the bass pros have a saying that if you simply want to catch some fish in a hurry tie on a vibrating, swimming plug and start casting. Sooner or later you'll catch

One of the pros who feels this way is Larry Nixon of the Evinrude Outboards Pro Staff, a former world champion and the top money winner in professional bass fishing competition.

"I always have some of the vibrating, swimming plugs in my tackle box," Nixon says, "especially if I'm fishing over submerged grass. I don't believe there's a better lure for working that type of covers, but these lures will really catch bass in nearly any type of situation."

Many manufacturers now offer these lures in a variety of sizes and colors. Nixon likes half-ounce models in both chrome and gold

"Basically, the way to fish these lures is to cast and simply crank them back, sometimes alternating with a stop and go retrieve, or possibly ripping them through the water with a sweep of your rod tip," Nixon explains.

"The lures are streamlined and have a very tight vibration so they're easy to feel, especially if you use 10-, 12-, or perhaps 14pound test line. They sink so you can work them at a variety of depths, and you can even jig them

"I know several pros who fish them just like jigging spoons."

The Evinrude pro says the only drawback to fishing these lures is that they're not weedless so they can't be used very effectively

· Be prepared! Dress warmly,

carry a survival kit (make sure you

have waterproof matches, a candle,

water, emergency ration and even a

pair of dry wool socks in a sealed

plastic bag) and consider hunting

with a buddy so you aren't out there

• Dress in layers. It is much eas-

ture if layers can be removed or hours in advance of closure via

ier to regulate the body's tempera-

remove a layer or two, and when

keep yourself dry from the outside

It is possible to work up a sweat

even on a bitterly cold day. As per-

spiration dissipates, it cools the

body naturally, and can make the

body more susceptible to the cold.

body needs plenty of liquid. Do not

drink alcohol. It can speed up heat

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around wood cover, such as trees and brush piles.

"That's why they're so good around vegetation," Nixon explains. "When they snag on a limb or branch, you can't pull them free, but you pull them right through most vegetation."

Nixon isn't sure why these types of lures catch so many bass, but he thinks one reason is because they bring reaction strikes from bass that think the lure is a small baitfish trying to escape.

"I've seen major tournaments won by anglers using these lures over grass, casting and then reeling them back as fast as they could," Nixon says. "To me, those were reaction strikes, because the bass couldn't really see the lure.

"The fish simply heard this vibrating object speed by, and went after it without any hesitation."

Because the lure does generate those types of strikes, Nixon says, it can be used along shorelines. beside bluffs, and over points, as well as over deeper grass.

"Fishermen can cover a lot of water in a hurry with these lures and often locate bass, simply by casting and reeling. Once they do catch a bass or two, they can slow down and perhaps use other lures to work the same water more efficiently."

DON'T OVERLOOK TOPWATER BASS LURES THIS WINTER

Of all the lures in a bass fisherman's tackle box, the one that gets the least attention in winter is actually one that can be one of the most effective.

It's a minnow-imitation topwater

"Topwater fishing in winter can be surprisingly good," explains Johnson Outboards Pro Staff angler

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Public hunting will close on

David Wharton, a former guide on Sam Rayburn Reservoir in Texas and now a full-time tournament professional.

"There are times, often in February and March, when many lakes fill with rainwater and bass move shallow, and when they do, a surface lure may draw a lot of

"At other times, fishing topwater lures over shallow vegetation can attract bass on even the coldest days."

Basically, says Wharton, the best approach to most winter topwater fishing is to use lures that do not make any noise or commotion in the water, such as the minnow-imitation floater\divers that dart a few inches under water and then float back to the surface.

These are generally known as "twitch baits" because of the way they are worked with short, quick rod tip movements. They're avail-

able in various sizes and are made by several manufacturers.

"When I cast, I let the ripples disappear entirely before I move the lure at all," explains the Johnson pro. "Then, I just barely do move my rod tip so the lure wiggles underwater and floats back up.

"One of the keys with this lure in the winter is to fish it extremely slow. In the spring, summer, and fall it's usually more effective worked fast, but just the opposite is true in winter."

Another key, Wharton says, is looking for baitfish movement, because whenever he sees minnows swimming or skipping over the surface he knows bass will be nearby and it's a good place to begin cast-

"Normally, afternoon fishing will be better than early morning action," he continues, "because on a sunny day the water will be a few degrees warmer in the afternoon.

Bass will actually move more shallow as the water warms, then go deeper when it cools overnight."

Thick vegetation like moss may hold some bass shallow all year, continues the Texas pro, and noisy topwater lures like poppers and chuggers can bring them up.

"Again, the key is working the lure slowly," Wharton says, "but the difference when fishing vegetation like this is to use a lure that makes a lot of commotion each time you move it.

"It's surprising how good the topwater fishing can be in winter, especially if you find the right conditions."

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IT HAPPENED IN RURAL WEST VIRGINIA...OR SO I HEAR

Without mentioning any names, I'll admit I do have some strange friends. Like the one, for instance, who tells of the time his car broke down on a rural road over in West Virginia.

Since this fellow is not much on humor and usually averages about one smile a year, I don't think he was trying to pull my leg when he told this story. Anyway, here it is. You decide for yourself whether or not to believe it.

He said that after, for no apparent reason, his car just quit running he started walking in the direction he'd just come, and after about four miles, came upon a farmhouse and knocked on the door. When the farmer answered the door, my friend told him his problem and the farmer agreed to call the

"I got the garage," the farmer said when he returned to the front door, "but the guy said it might be two or three hours before he can get out here.'

Since he had little choice, my friend said he'd

"Listen," the farmer said, "we're just getting ready to sit down to eat a bite and you're welcome to come and eat with us."

Since my friend hadn't eaten in several hours, he accepted the invitation.

The farmer took hold of my friend's arm and stepped out on the



porch and closed the door behind him. Then, in whispered tones, he said, 'There's just one thing. It's my 18year-old son. He's a big, handsome boy,

but he's got one little problem. He was born without ears. Oh, he can hear okay, but he just don't have any ears. He's very sensitive about it, so please don't mention it. He's forever more thinking that people are poking fun at him."

My friend assured the farmer that he'd never in a million years even so much as look at the boy, and they went to the table to eat.

A minute or two after they'd started to eat, the farmer's son looked across the table at my friend then said, "Why are you staring at me? What are you lookin' at, anyway?'

"Why," my friend answered, "I was just looking at your hair." Looking anywhere except the vicinity of the young man's head, he continued. "It's so nice and thick. It must be nice to have all that hair. I used to have a lot of hair, but as you can see, I'm bald now. You want to take good care of your hair."

They are some more, then the boy said belligerently, "What is it now, Mister? You're still staring at me. What is it this time?"

"Why, son," my friend said, "it's your nose. It's so nice and straight. As you can see, mine's all crooked where I got it broke playing football. You want to take care of that nose.'

After a few more minutes, the boy snapped. "You're still staring at me."

"Why I was just admiring your pretty white teeth. They're so nice and straight. I used to have nice teeth, but now I wear dentures. You want to take good care of your teeth, boy.'

They got through the rest of the meal and were just finishing dessert when the boy jumped up. "He's still staring at me, pa. What are you lookin' at this time, Mister?'

"Why your eyes, son. Your pretty blue eyes," my friend said. "They're so sparkling and clear. You want to take care of your eyes, boy - 'cause there's no way on this earth you could ever wear

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The Floyd County Times

Lifestyles

Pursuing the James Gang

by Alice Brooks Jones Contributing Writer

To the casual observer, Fred and Joy James appear to be an unassuming couple, quietly enjoying their retirement, engaged in the pursuit of their mutual hobby of genealogical and historical research. But, as either James proudly admits, they are also gang members.

And this is no ordinary gang. This is the nortorious James and Younger Gang, of which Fred and Joy have been members since June of this year.

"People look at the name Jesse James and say he was a crook, he was a bandit, he was a murderer," says Fred, "and the real Jesse James they haven't found out about."

The real Jesse James is someone that Fred likes to tell people about not just as an historical figure, but also as a family member. "Jesse's grandfather and my great, great grandfather were brothers," says Fred, "and that makes us second cousin's three times removed."

"Family members had said for a long time that we were kin," says Fred, "but we didn't have the proof."

Proof came after Fred took up research into the family history, began by his sister, the late Mary Irene James Spears. Now, both Fred and Joy pursue the subject with enthusiasm. "It's not just a hobby," says Joy, "It's an obsession.

Aside from their own family research, Fred and Joy are also members of the Floyd County Historical and Genealogical Society of which Fred is vice president and Joy is secretary/treasurer, as well as the Big Sandy Historical Society, the Johnson County Historical Society, and Pike County Historical Society. Fred is also a member of the Bucks County Historical Society in

Pennsylvania. A native of Prestonsburg, Fred is the son of the late Ballard M. and Ginevra James, both of whom were history buffs with Ginevra being interested in genealogy. "I guess it's bred into me," laughs Fred. After Joy Jones, born in Wheelwright, married Fred in 1981, she joined in his research. "I know more about the Jameses than the Jones," laughs

Joy. The James' have just returned from Kearney, Missouri, where they attended the funeral and reinterment of Jesse's remains on October 28. Stories have circulated for years that Jesse faked his murder and that the body contained in his grave was that of someone else.

To put to rest those stories, Jesse's own rest was disturbed in the Mt. Olivet Cemetery. Bones, and other material, were collected by a team of forensic scientists led by Dr. James Starr and were sent to be analyzed. Dr. Starr will present the results of those tests to the National Convention of Forensic Scientists in Nashville Tennessee on February 28th, 1996. He has said that 95 percent of the evidence shows that the body is indeed that of Jesse James and he expects the testing to confirm the other 5 percent.

One interesting fact of James' original burial is that he was apparently buried face down. "There's a reason for that," laughs Fred, "but I don't know if I should say." Joy adds, however, "It was so his enemies could kiss his butt."

During his study of Jesse's life, Fred learned



The James gang

Fred and Joy James, at their kitchen table, utilize books and documents in their historical and genealogical research. In the foreground are ribbons issued to James family members to gain entrance to the burial service for Jesse James. Joy James says license plates from 29 states were counted in the crowd of on-lookers.

that during the Civil War, Jesse's brother Frank rode with Quantrill's Raiders, a type of advance "shock troop" of the Confederate army. Federal militia, in looking for Frank, went to the farm of Jesse and Frank's mother, Zerelda, and their stepfather, Dr. Reuben Samuel.

When the Samuels provided no information, fifteen-year-old Jesse was beaten with a bullwhip and left to die while his stepfather was hanged. Though he survived the hanging, Dr. Samuel suffered permanent brain damage due to the lack of oxygen to

After the attack on his family, Jesse went to join Frank with Quantrill. He rode for Bill Anderson, one of the leaders of the Raiders. Anderson would say Jesse was the best horseman he had.

At the end of the war the Raiders came from Texas to Missouri to turn themselves in under a

When the group came in range of the fort, however, the federal troops opened fire, shooting Jesse through the lung and, for a second time, he was left to die. Jesse survived though he was plagued throughout his life by the injury.

Soon after that, the Union Pacific declared its intent to take the farm belonging to Jesse's mother and stepfather and use the land to extend the railroad. The Samuels refused to abandon the proper-

The Union Pacific engaged a representative of the Pinkerton Agency to persuade the Samuels by way of dynamite, which was thrown into the home. As a result, Jesse's nine-year-old half brother was killed and his mother lost her right arm up to the elbow.

"The war and all was really what turned those boys to the life they led," says Fred, "I don't know where I wouldn't have done the same thing if I were them."

The Union Pacific, aside from owning the Pinkerton Agency, also owned several banks,

which shipped money on the railroad, as well as Wells Fargo, all of which provided targets for the wrath of the James and Younger gang.

However, Jesse also led another life, one in which he was known as Mr. Howard, Jesse had a wife and several children and raised thoroughbred

Governor Crittenden of Missouri put a \$25,000 reward out for Frank and Jesse. Later he granted the brothers amnesty but Frank and Jesse were prevented from turning themselves in because the reward had not been lifted.

The reward was later reduced to \$5000 for Jesse, dead or alive. While visiting Jesse at home, Bob Ford, who rode with the James and Younger gang, shot the unarmed James in the back of the head, as he straightened a picture of his thoroughbred, Stonewall. In a deal worked out before the killing, Ford was later pardoned by Governor Crittenden and collected the reward.

Fred and Joy say Jesse's notorious reputation is due in part to "dime novels" which were popular at the time the James gang rode. "They didn't write the truth about them," says Fred, "and anytime anybody would hold somebody up, they would say it was Jesse and Frank, but it wasn't. They didn't commit half the crimes they were accused of." Joy adds, "He wasn't a Robin Hood but he wasn't a villain."

One of the rewards of their research, Fred and Joy agree, is the people they have met. "We've met some wonderful people," says Joy. Fred adds, "They've been some of the finest people I ever

Their research has also brought them closer to a family member, and to the concerns family members have for one another. "At the funeral, during the eulogy, a portion of a letter Jesse wrote to a friend of his, was read," says Joy, "and he confessed his belief in God. We thought that was real good, real nice."

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FROM THE MOUNTAINS by Tadon Gibson



Heavenbound but afraid of heights

Violence frequently erupted in East Tennessee, Kentucky and in Southwestern Virginia in the years following the Civil War. Several churches sent additional preachers into the area to dissuade residents from holding to their bitterness-ill feelings which often led to bushwhacking.

Rev. H. C. Neal was one of these having been appointed to an area including Scott County, one of the westernmost counties in Virginia. Neal had heard tales of Natural Tunnel, a natural formation in Scott County, and looked forward to visiting the area.

Natural Tunnel, where Stock Creek emerges, is one of the most scenic and impressive sites in North America. The million-year-old tunnel was formed by groundwater oozing through cracks and crevices which slowly dissolved the surrounding limestone. After the cave was formed, Stock Creek took the path of least resistance through the cave on its way to the Clinch River.

The cliffs of the huge basin are nearly vertical and just straight upward in places to a height of 500 feet. The Virginia Park Service has constructed a wellmaintained walking trail with a railing along the high ridges but in the early and mid-1800s it was overgrown with shrubs and trees will low-hanging branch-

One clear Sunday in 1866 found Rev. Neal preaching in Gate City. When he mentioned his plans to call on some residents living to the north the following day Thomas Barger mentioned that he would be near Natural Tunnel.

"Reverend, you'll be passing so close you should stop and see it," Thomas Barger said.

"Splendid," the middle-aged preacher replied. "Oh, want to do that.

"Reverend Neal, ever since I was a little boy I've heard about Lover's Leap there above the tunnel," Barger offered. "A Cherokee maiden named Winnoah and a Shawnee warrior named Cochessa jumped from the top of the cliff above Natural Tunnel to their

"They had fallen in love and Cochessa went to Winnoah's father who was the chief, and asked permission to marry. The chief wouldn't allow it because of warring between the two tribes.

'The following morning Winnoah and Cochessa climbed to the highest rim of the basin with the rising of the sun and jumped to their death."

"That's an intriguing story," Rev. Neal replied. "I do want to see it but I'll confess that I am not very fond of heights. I fell out of the barnloft when I was a kid and I've been ill-suited for roofing or anything else involving heights since.

Neal laid awake for an hour or more that night thinking about Winnoah and Cochessa before failing

Later the following day Rev. Neal rode his horse which he called Sneezer through the branches toward where he was told he could view Natural Tunnel. He had acquired Sneezer prior to relocating in the westernmost reaches of Virginia and he was told that the horse was given the monicker because of his frequent

The preacher rode along through the bushes when all at once Sneezer started down an incline before stopping abruptly. It happened so quickly that Rev. Neal wasn't aware that he and his mount had reached the edge of the chasm. In fact, he peered forward and downward and further downward and began to get a

queasiness in his stomach. "Holy Jesus in heaven," he exclaimed. Sneezer started and when he did his feet slipped six inches or more leaving the horse and rider at a steep angle just inches away from the edge. The preacher heard his heart beating fast and loud when he looked down and saw two or three small pebbles fall from the ledge and out of sight.

'Five hundred feet," he said under his breath in disbelief. "It must be at least a thousand and I've seen

all I want to see. Sneezer, let's get out of here." He spoke with more authority to his mount as he attempted to use the reins to turn the horse.

Sneezer attempted to respond but the loose, moist, dirt caused him to slip again-right to the very edge of the cliff overlooking the chasm below. The emptiness seemed to be pulling them. Rev. Neal knew they were in great peril and when he noticed the horse trembling he then knew that Sneezer was as frightened as he was.

"Easy does it," he said softly. "Easy does it. Dear Lord, don't let him sneeze now.'

When the preacher noticed pebbles falling into the abyss again, he thought about jumping off his horse and grabbing a nearby branch but then Sneezer sat back on his haunches. Rev. Neal reached for a limb and grabbing it he then stepped off the horse.

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included Diana Crider, Nancy Shortridge, Theresa Garrett, Patty

Wilson, Rick Branham, Brenda

Crouch, Zyndal Adams, Jody Ryan

Scott, Johnie C. Adams, Kari

Shepherd, Scott Perry, Jodi

Blackburn, Jenny Ousley, Shawn

Hamilton, Teresa Cochran, Becky

Crum, Tim Burke, Mike Burke,

Susan Allen, Tammy Goble, Alisa

Goodwill, Ed Taylor, Janice

Shepherd, Patti Clark, David

Hereford, Jimmy Goble, Hannah

Adams and Willie Conley. Among

the guests attending were Polly

Ward, Corey Allen, and Jesse

Visits from Atlanta

Atlanta, Georgia is spending the

Christmas holidays with her par-

ents, Tom and Mary Jo Hereford on

Christmas poinsettias

sanctuary of the First United

Methodist Church in Prestonsburg

on Sunday, December 24, in memo-

ry and in honor of the following

Betty Roberts by Leslie Roberts

Tucker; C.E. Roberts by Leslie

Roberts Tucker; Caitlin, Taylor and

Robin Clark by Eddy Clark; Dick

and Stella Spurlock by family; Dr.

and Mrs. George P. Archer by

Emily, Margaret and Aaron Damron; loved ones by W. J. May;

Mr. and Mrs. William J. May by

and Mary Jo Hereford; Thomas and

Inez Hereford by Tom and Mary Jo

Hereford; Carlos Haywood by fam-

ily; Katherine L. Stephens, Cecil

and Edith Kendrick by Danny and

Kathy Lowe, Brandon, Josh and

Kate; Russell May by family; Robert L. May by Martin Osborne family; Walter Dieball by

Martin Osborne family; Shirley

Callihan by Bill, Mary Jo, Ann and

Bill Bob; Hannah Benton (mother

of Shirley Callihan) by Bill, Mary

Jo, Ann and Bill Bob; James Carter

Bill and Shirley Callihan by Tom

individuals and families:

William J. May;

Poinsettias were placed in the

the Abbott Road, Prestonsburg.

Mary Callahan Hereford of

Society News

Attend Christmas party

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Schoolcraft of Prestonsburg attended the MAPCO (Pontiki Coal) Christmas Party at the Carriage House in Paintsville last Saturday

Cato Christmas party

The Cato Company held its Christmas party for its staff and employees at the Glyn View Plaza store on Saturday, December 16. Present were Phyllis and Wade Hamilton, Mert and Dave Colins, Mary Ousley, Wanda Sexton, Carol and Okie Sparks, Linda Ousley and Lillie Nelson.

Adah Chapter meets

Adah Chapter No. 24, Order of the Eastern Star held its regular meeting on December 11.

Guests and members present were Janie Curry, worthy matron; Donald Willis, worthy patron; Joyce Hall of Stone Chapter No. 533, D.G.M.; Johnnie Belcher, Anna O. Young Chapter No. 28, Pikeville, D.G.P.; Nancy Poskas, Freeburn Chapter No. 418, Grand Conductress of the Grand Chapter of Kentucky; and Kaye Stone, Magoffin Chapter No. 562, Grand Martha.

Other visitors were Wilma Short, Pine Mountain No. 247; Ruby Rasnick, James Rasnick, Wanda Robinson, Robert W. Bartley, Conrad Jones and Patricia Belcher, all of Anna O. Young Chapter No.

Adah No. 24 members present were Patsy Evans, John Evans, Paulena Owens, Mable Jean LeMaster, Violetta Wright, Lorena Wallen, Pauline Sparks, Mag Gray, Burieta Gearhart, Mary Zemo, Judy Johnson, Rebecca Rasnick, Belle Conn and Holly Blanton.

The D.G.M. and D.G.P. gave instructions for W.G.M. and W.G.P. and discussed the district school to be held on April 13. The next meeting will be held Monday, January 8, at 7 p.m. at Adah Lodge.

Members were urged to remember the Past Masters Banquet on Saturday, January 6, at the Prestonsburg High School cafeteria and to bring a dessert.

Attend party in Louisville

Mr. and Mrs. Richie Schoolcraft attended the PIA Merchandising Christmas Party at the Hurstbourne Hotel in Louisville last week. After dinner the guests enjoyed a Comedy Night at the hotel. Their son, Christopher, spent the weekend with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Mack Livingood in Morehead.

Rebekahs hold December meet

The regular meeting of the Miriam Rebekah Lodge No. 31 was held on December 5. Mrs. Paulena Owens, noble grand, presided.

Members on the sick were remembered in prayer. Bills and communications were disposed.

Plans were made for the Christmas party and a report of the district meeting, held on Paintsville on December 2, was given. According to the report, the district meeting was interesting and a crowd was in attendance.

Members present for the December meeting of the Rebekahs were Paulena Owens, Hope Whitten, Sue Moore, Susie Clifton, Violetta Wright and Mabel Jean LeMaster.

Rebekah Christmas party

The regular meeting of the Miriam Rebekah Lodge No. 31 was held December 19 at 6 p.m. This being the night for the Christmas party, the members enjoyed refreshments and an hour of fellowship in the dining room after which they moved into the lodge room and participated in the exchange of gifts.

Paulena Owens, the noble grand, presided over the meeting. After the regular business was transacted, the lodge deputy, Jean Hickman, installed the musician, Debbie Johns and outside guardian, Dora Johns into their respective offices.

A report was given on the visit to Mountain Manor Nursing Home on December 17. Attending were Beverly Hackworth, Paulena Owens, Willa Mae Branham, Mable Jean LeMaster and Mr. and Mrs. Nelson. They sang several songs and visited with the residents.

Present for this meeting were Paulena Owens, Lorena Wallen, Dora Johns, Susie Clifton, Mary Zemo, Violetta Wright, Claudine Johns, Hope Whitten, Jean Hickman, Debbie Johns and Mable Jean LeMaster. The next regular meeting will be January 2.

Friday, 10:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.

Sunday, 1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Newsome-Conn wedding

Amy Rebecca Newsome and William Frederick Conn were united in marriage on Saturday afternoon December 23 at the Wheelwright Freewill Baptist

A reception followed in the church cafeteria.

Amy is the daughter of Gary and Sandra Newsome of Melvin. William is the son of William and Maggie Conn of Dana.

Birthday dinner

Angela Senters celebrated her 22nd birthday Sunday with a dinner given by her family at Jerry's Restaurant.

Her friend, Lee Schoolcraft, was home from college to help her cele-

Historical Society award dinner

Members of the Floyd County Historical and Genealogical Society held their first award dinner and charter night on December 18 at May Lodge, Jenny Wiley State Resort Park.

Charter members were recognized and given certificates. The new officers for the 1996 year were presented to the society. Officers are James Daniels, president; Sam D. Hatcher, vice president; Brenda McKenzie, secretary; and Betsy S. Lambert, treasurer.

Plaques were given to Fred and Joy James, who served as the first vice-president and treasurer and were instrumental in founding the historical society.

Times staff Christmas party

The staff and management of the Floyd County Times held their annual Christmas dinner last Thursday in the Times' dining

A bountiful dinner was served. Sports editor Ed Taylor said grace before the meal.

Times' employees attending

Call David Hereford 886-3057

by Geneva, Susan and Jim;

James Garvey by Alice Garvey, and Mrs. Calvin Herrick;

Bill Baird and Judy and John Wade;

Eugene Wells and Ray Stephens by Stewart and Betty Stephens; Amy Kay Cooley by Pete and Susan Greene, Laura and Christy Cooley; loved ones by Raymond Bradbury;

Carter and Leo Carter by Jack

Betty Roberts by her best friend;

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Mary Alice Carter and grandchildren; Sue May by Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Herrick; Eleanor Horn by Charles and Carlos Wells and Charles B. and Sheila Wells; Carl R. Horn by Eleanor Horn, Charles and Carlos Wells and Charles B. and Sheila Wells; parents by Mr.

Virginia and Luther Shivel, Josephine and Tom Fields, Anna Mae and Willie Mellon and Doug and Roy Perry by Kay and Bill Baird and Judy and John Wade; May K. and Dick Roberts and Lack and George Roberts by Kay and

Ernest Hopkins and loved ones by Effie H. Hopkins; loved ones by Vivian Hale, Barbara, George and Laura Letton; Thomas and Inez Hereford by David, Tom and John; granny and granddaddy by Laura Goble and David Hereford II; Palmer Crisp by Tincy Crisp; Mr. and Mrs. A.C. Carter, James J. Carter; Sarah Clay Stephens Archer, Dr. and Mrs. O. T. Stephens and Dr. Raymond Stephens by Jack

Sandra Robertson by her family; Holton and Luca Hamilton by Lora Hamilton; Samuel L. Wells, Jeff B. Wells and Lora E. Wells by Lora Hamilton; Marvin Dixon Sr., Marvin Dixon Jr. and James Richard Dixon by Anna Onkst; Cloyd Johnson by Sue and Ted Nairn; and Sylvia Nunnery Purdy and James H. Nunnery Sr. by Jim Nunnery.





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Will wed Sunday

Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Smith of Hippo announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Elizabeth George Smith, and Robert Williamson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Williamson of Prestonsburg. Miss Smith is a 1995 graduate of Prestonsburg High School and is Prestonsburg Community College. She is employed by Food City. Mr. Williamson is a 1994 graduate of Prestonsburg High School and is also attending Prestonsburg Community College. He is also an employee of Food City. The wedding will be held December 31 at 3 p.m. at the Fitzpatrick First Baptist Church Prestonsburg.

Baileys celebrate wedding anniversary

John and Tommie Bailey of David recently celebrated their wedding anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Bailey were married on December 8, 1984. The couple celebrated with a dinner at Shoney's Restaurant in Paintsville.

John Graham Chapter conducts business meet

John Graham Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, met Monday, December 18, at noon at May Lodge, Jenny Wiley State Park, for a business-luncheon meeting. The regent, Mrs. Carl R. Horn, presided and conducted the rituals.

Treasurer Karen Ousley reported on the state and national contributions, magazine subscriptions, and Sixth District advertising.

Recording secretary Frances Brackett distributed the 1995-1998 yearbooks. Announcement was made that the 1995-96 DAR Good Citizen essay chapter winner was Prestonsburg High School Cora Jane Meece. Her essay has been sent to the Sixth District Director to be judged in the district. Press clippings were sent to the Sixth District press chairman.

Society News

The application of the Reverend Julie Ann Hager Love was accepted. She will join the chapter under the Revolutionary War soldier Richard Wells. She is the daughter of Paul and Joy May Hager of Berea and granddaughter of the late Opal S. May.

The next regular meeting will be held January 8 and will be a business meeting only. The meeting place will be announced later.

Special guest was Jennifer Ousley, a Morehead State University junior and a prospective member. She is the daughter of the chapter treasurer, Karen Ousley.

> Experience enables you to recognize a mistake when you make it again

To our readers

(Continued from B 2)

This is the Christmas and New Year's holiday week and families and friends will get together to share the holiday

We, at the Times, would like to hear from you about the guests you've hosted or the parties you may have attended.

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ber, "Christ is the Reason for the Season."

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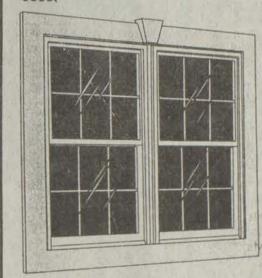
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Hall and Moore to wed

Thomas L. and Barbara Hall of Martin, announce the engagement and upcoming marriage of their son Travis Craig and Leslie Dale Moore of Lancaster. Hall is a graduate of Allen Central High School and Eastern Kentucky University where he received a Bachelor's Degree in Paralegal Studies. He is currently pursuing a Masters Degree in Administration at Central Michigan University. Craig is a sargeant in the United States Army, and serves on the staff of the undersecretary of the Army at the Pentagon in Washington, D.C. He is the grandson of Mrs. Verna Mae Conn of Dana, and Eunice Hall of Martin. Ms. Moore is a 1990 graduate of Garrard County High School and will graduate December 15 from Eastern Kentucky University with a Bachelor's degree in Occupational Therapy. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Holton, of Somerset, and Mrs. Leshan Moore of Columbus, Ohio. An open church wedding is scheduled for 2 p.m. January 6, at the United Methodist Church in Lancaster.

Watchnight Service

at the

Auxier Freewill Baptist Church

> December 31st beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Everyone Invited

CARD OF THANKS

The family of Ray "Cotton" Walters 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 clergyman Ted Shannon for his comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and efficient service.

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County Kettle

ONE-STEP CHEESE SAUCE

I cup cold milk

2 tablespoons Gold Medal ies, crushed Wondra quick-mixing flour

1/4 teaspoon salt

1/4 teaspoon dry mustard

1/8 teaspoon pepper 2 tablespoons margarine or but-

1/2 cup shredded Cheddar cheese (2 ounces)

Heat all ingredients except cheese to boiling over medium heat in 1-quart saucepan, stirring constantly. Boil and stir 1 minute. Stir in cheese until melted. 1 cup sauce.

•To microwave: Mix all ingredients except cheese in 1/2-quart microwavable bowl. Microwave on High 2 minutes; stir. Microwave 1 to 3 minutes longer, stirring every minute, until thickened. Stir in cheese until melted.

POPOVERS

A great bread to serve with the holiday meal, popovers are light, easy and so impressive.

I cup Gold Medal Wondra quick-mixing flour

1/2 teaspoon salt I cup milk

2 eggs, slightly beaten

Heat oven to 450°. Generously grease six 6-ounce custard cups or 8 medium muffin cups. Stir all ingredients with fork just until smooth (do not overbeat). Fill custard cups 1/2 full, muffin cups 3/4 full. Bake 20 minutes. Decrease oven temperature to 350°. Bake 20 minutes longer or until deep golden brown. Immediately remove from cups; serve hot. 6 to 8 popovers.

•To keep popovers warm, turn off oven; leave popovers in cups in oven no longer than 15 minutes.

*To reheat popovers, heat on cookie sheet in 350° oven about 5 minutes.

· To freeze popovers, immediately remove from cups. Cut small slit in side of each to allow steam to escape; cool. Wrap and freeze no longer than 2 weeks. To serve, heat frozen popovers on cookie sheet in 350° oven about 10 minutes.

PINEAPPLE CAKE

2 cups all-purpose flour

2 cups sugar 2 eggs

2 teaspoons soda

1 20-ounce can crushed pineap-

1 1/2 cups chopped nuts Combine first 5 ingredients and 1/2 cup nuts in bowl; mix well. Pour into greased 9x13-inch cake pan. Bake at 350 degrees for 45 to 55 minutes or until golden brown. Spread hot cake with Cream Cheese Frosting. Sprinkle with 1 cup nuts.

CREAM CHEESE FROSTING

Yield: 12 to 18 servings.

8 ounces cream cheese, softened 1 cup confectioners sugar 1/2 cup margarine, softened

2 teaspoons vanilla extract Combine all ingredients in mixer bowl. Beat until fluffy.

MOCHA MYSTERY CAKE

1 2-layer package yellow cake

1/2 cup packed brown sugar

1/2 cup sugar 1/4 cup cocoa

1 cup cold strong coffee

Prepare cake mix according to package directions. Pour into greased 9x13-inch baking pan. Combine sugars and cocoa in bowl. Sprinkle over batter. Pour coffee over top. Bake at 350° degrees for 40 minutes. Serve warm with whipped cream. Yield: 18 to 20 servings.

Note: May substitute white, chocolate or spice cake mix for yellow cake mix.

BLACK BOTTOM CUPCAKES

1 1/2 cups flour

1 cup sugar

1/4 cup cocoa

1 teaspoon salt

1/2 teaspoon soda

1/3 cup oil

1 cup water

1 teaspoon vinegar

1 teaspoon vanilla extract

8 ounces cream cheese, softened

1 egg 1/3 cup sugar

1/8 teaspoon salt

6 ounces chocolate chips

Combine five dry ingredients in bowl. Add oil, water, vinegar and vanilla; mix well. Fill greased muffin cups 1/3 full. Beat cream cheese, egg, 1/3 cup sugar and 1/8 teaspoon salt in bowl until well blended. Stir in chocolate chips. Place 1 heaping teaspoonful in each muffin cup. Bake at 350 degrees for 30 to 35 minutes or until cupcakes test done.

BUSTER BAR DESSERT

1 16-ounce package Oreo cook-

1/2 cup melted margarine

1/2 gallon vanilla ice cream, softened

I 16-ounce jar salted Spanish peanuts

2 cups confectioners sugar

2/3 cup chocolate chips 1/2 cup margarine

I 13-ounce can evaporated milk

Combine Oreo crumbs and melt-

ed margarine in 9x13-inch dish; press evenly over bottom. Spoon ice cream over crumbs. Sprinkle with peanuts. Freeze until firm. Combine confectioners sugar, chocolate chips, 1/2 cup margarine and evaporated milk in saucepan. Bring to a boil over low heat. Simmer for 10 minutes. Cool completely. Pour over frozen layer. Freeze until firm. Let stand at room temperature for several minutes before serving.

CHERRY CAKE

2 cups all-purpose flour

3/4 cup sugar

1 teaspoon soda

1/2 teaspoon cinnamon 3/4 cup oil

2 eggs

2 teaspoons vanilla extract

1 21-ounce can cherry pie filling 6 ounces chocolate chips

Combine flour, sugar, soda and cinnamon in bowl. Add oil, eggs, vanilla and pie-filling; mix well. Stir in chocolate chips. Pour into stantly. Boil and stir 1 minute.

two greased and floured cake pans. Bake at 350° degrees for 35 to 40 minutes or until cake tests done. Remove to wire rack to cool. Frost with whipped cream or whipped topping. Yield: 8 servings. Note: May bake in loaf pan.

KETTLE GRAVY

Heat broth in 1-quart saucepan until hot. Stir flour into water; gradually stir into broth. Heat to boiling over medium heat, stirring conSeason as desired. 1 1/4 cups gravy.

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It's a girl!

Kristin LaShea Frazier was born at Highlands Regional Medical Center on October 31, at 4:28 p.m. She weighed 6 lbs. and one ounce and she was 19 inches long. She is the daughter of Wayne and Anna Marie Frazier of Hi Hat, granddaughter of Ervin and Lois Hamilton of Hi Hat and great-granddaughter of Willie Wright of Corn Fork. She is also the granddaughter of Bill and Rosemary Frazier Prestonsburg and the great-

granddaughter of Angie Bell

Justice of Prestonsburg.



"Bubba" turns three Clyde Walker Hamilton II A.K.A. "Bubba" turned three-years-old on December 15. He celebrated with family and friends on December 9th with a Lion King party. Clyde is the son of Clyde W. and Shirley "Possom" Hamilton of McDowell. He is the grandson of Clyde and Linda

Hamilton of McDowell and Elder Billy Ray and Sarah Jones of

Lower Burton.

Mountains

(Continued from B 1)

Holding to the tree he pulled on the reins of the trembling horse. Slowly Sneezer responded and climbed back to level ground. Rev. Neal didn't stop there however. He continued walking slowly for another hundred feet or so with his horse in tow before pausing for a long rest.

Although his travels took the reverend to the ground floor of Natural Tunnel on several occasions he never again ventured to the top of Lover's Leap.

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mention the fact that Paul Revere ious mixtures such as cutlebone, was a practicing dentist. A student brown sugar candy, saltpeter and gunpowder, butter and bread tist to come to America, Paul not crumbs. We don't know if it sold too well.

How far back does the use of

nitrous oxide (laughing gas) go in the annals of _entistry? In 1884, Dr. Horace Wells, an American dentist, demonstrated the properties of nitrous oxide by using it on himself while having his own tooth extract-

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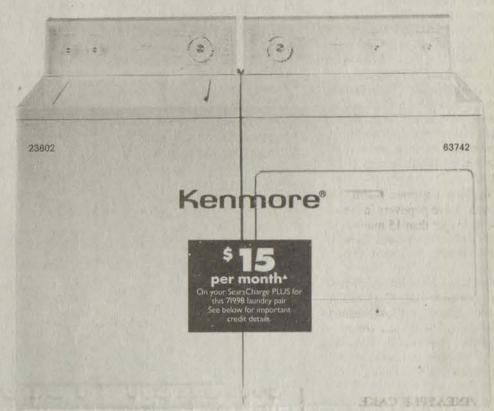


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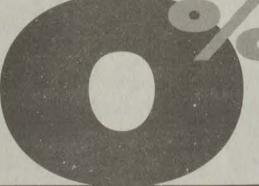
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Mr. and Mrs. Columbus Jacobs

Celebrate golden wedding anniversary

of Columbus and Myrtle Jacobs, married November 30, 1945, was commemorated Saturday, November 25 at Jenny Wiley State Park in Prestonsburg. Relatives and friends from both far and near gathered between 2 and 5 p.m. to help the couple celebrate this rare and precious moment in their lives.

Colors chosen for the occasion were white and gold. Various hues of these selections were reflected in ornate flower arrangements by Barbara Porter of Florida and a beautiful, tiered wedding cake baked by Syrilda Martin of Hueysville.

Serving as emcee for the gala event was Curtis "Ted" Martin, Jr., a nephew of Myrtle's. The invocation was given by Pastor Randy Osborne of Garrett First Baptist Church

Following the invocation, testimonials honoring the couple were invited from the assembled guests. Among those honoring the two with touching tributes were Lawrence Baldridge, Rondall Hayes, Sharon Lavender, Bessie Draughn, Claudia Jacobs, Danny O'Quinn, Willie Martin, Jr., Curtis "Ted" Martin, Jr., Maxine "Mack" Martin, Daniel Jacobs, Jerry Martin, Patsy Patton, Andrew Slone and Dottie G. Yabroff.

Remembrances included "going to see them was like going home"; "You could hear the rattle of dishes ten or 15 minutes after you entered the Jacobs home; and, if you left hungry it was your own fault"; "I'm still working on a jar of hot peppers Myrtle gave me"; "Columbus grows plants and Myrtle objectsstill Myrtle is the first one out with seed catalogs in the spring"; "My Dad always headed for Columbus and Myrtle's when he was feeling depressed"; "you could always see Kimberly Garrett. Music was prothe love and concern for each other vided by Barry Combs.

The golden wedding anniversary in their eyes, especially in times of sickness;" "I appreciate them because they had two wonderful sons I was privileged to teach", "there may be another couple as good as these two in Floyd County, but you won't find any couple any better." Frequent nods of agreement from other guests followed these loving praises.

Columbus responded by thanking all those who had honored them with their words and presence. He attributed the couple's enduring marriage to three beings: Columbus, Myrtle and God.

A renewal of vows followed the words of Columbus. Officiating at this service was Jeffrey Fugate, a pastor from Lexington.

A blessing followed the renewal of vows after which those present enjoyed a social hour with good food and comraderie. Cutting of the cake and a toast to "50 more years of marital bliss" for the couple came next. Presentation of a family portrait preceded the opening of gifts. Included in the portrait were Mr. and Mrs. Columbus Jacobs, their two sons and their sons' wives Jimmy Ray and Claudia Jacobs and Bobby Don and Nancy Jacobs; Jimmy Ray and Claudia's twin daughters and their husbands Kimberly Kay and Chris Garrett, Jennifer Lynn and Mitchell Hines; Bobby Don and Nancy's three children, Timothy, Lisa and Jeffrey; Timothy's wife Patricia; two greatgranddaughters, Christy Kay and Brittany Garrett, the children of Kimberly Kay and Chris Garrett.

Arrangements for the golden wedding anniversary were under the direction of Katherine Deriet, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Ray Jacobs, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Don Jacobs, Lisa Jacobs, Jennifer Hines and

CARD OF THANKS

The family of William Pershing Spears 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 Bennie Blankenship 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.

The family of William Pershing Spears

CARD OF THANKS

The family of Charles Glendall Hicks would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their help during the loss of our loved one: those who sent food and flowers, or just spoke comforting words. We deeply appreciate you all, A special thanks to the clergyman Steve Whitaker 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.

The family of Charles Glendall Hicks

CARD OF THANKS

The family of Charlie Johnson would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their help during the loss of our loved one: those who sent food and flowers or just spoke comforting words. We deeply appreciate you all. A special thanks to clergymen Bee Johnson, Claude Justice, and Vernon Slone for their comforting words, the Prestonsburg High School Football Team, Dance Team and Coaches, Floyd County Head Start. Faculty and Staff, the Prestonsburg Elementary and Clark Elementary Faculty and Staff, Joan Chaffins for the beautiful music, honorary pallbearers: Ballard Boyd, Jr., Harmon Johnson, Marvin Johnson, Irvin Shepherd, Paul Hunt Thompson, and David Joe Willis, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

The family of Charlie Johnson

Old Christmas trees provide shelters for fish

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at Dewey Lake in partnership with the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife will be collecting Christmas trees from December 26 until January

Trees may be dropped off in front of the Eastern Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife office at Dewey Lake. These trees will be used to create fish habitat. The protective cover provided by these trees will assist small fish in escaping predation and thus hopefully increase the anglers' chances at a better harvest.

This is an excellent opportunity to recycle your used trees for the betterment of the fishing at Dewey Lake. Donators are requested to remove all decorations and only live (non-artificial) trees will be

For more information, contact the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Resource Management Office at Dewey Lake at 886-6709 or 789-4521 or the Eastern Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Fisheries Division at 886-9575.

Education is what you get from reading the small print. Experience is what you get from not reading it. -Carl Albert



A daughter is born

Bryan and Gina Hall of Winchester recently announced the birth of their daughter, Rachael Elizabeth Hall, on September 20 at Humana Hospital in Lexington. She weighed 5 lbs. 10 oz. and was 19 1/2" long. The baby is the granddaughter of Ralph and Barbara Wells of Prestonsburg, William Russell Hall of Wheelwright and Constance and Wes Gearheart of Price. She is the great-granddaughter of Douglas and Gabe Sanders of Weeksbury; Pluma Colleen Hall of Lower Burton and the late Willie Hall; Henry and Norcie Elliott Miller and the late Russell Elliott; and Alma Wells of Prestonsburg and the late Eugene Wells.

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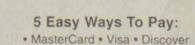
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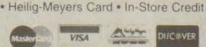


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Obituaries

Jake Layne

Jake Layne, 72, of Martin, died Friday, December 22, 1995, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg.

Born January 8, 1923 at Manton, he was the son of the late Taylor Layne and Martha Hale Layne. He was a retired coal miner and member of the U.M.W.A. Local No. 9845 at Martin. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army.

Survivors include his wife, Pauline Patton Layne; two sons, John Phillip Layne of Martin and Bert Ricky Layne of Pikeville; three daughters, Brenda Layne Burton of Stanton, Glenda Kay Merion of Means, and Kathy Layne Burchett of Pikeville; two brothers. Charlie Layne of South Whitley, Indiana, and Bert Layne of Eastern; seven sisters, Bessie Patton, Irene Hughes, Cassie Slone, and Georgia F. Layne, all of Martin, Hazel Firesheets of Anacoco, Louisiana, and Anna Dove and Imogene Miller, both of Indiana; and 13 grandchildren.

Funeral services were Sunday, December 24, at 11 a.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel with the clergyman Gary Allen officiating.

Burial was in the Richmond Cemetery in Prestonsburg, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home. Serving as pallbearers were

Charles Colin Layne, John Wolhford, Everett Patton, Mike Smith, John Phillip Sammons, and Al Patton.

Scott Edward Layne

Scott Edward Layne, 56, of Langley, died Friday, December 22. 1995, at his residence, following a long illness.

Born July 28, 1939 in Martin, he was the son of Curtis R. Layne of Martin and Virginia Compton Nichelson of Albion, Michigan. He was a former heavy equipment operator and mechanic. He attendde ed the Rock Fork Freewill Baptist Church at Garrett. He was a member of the John W. Hall Masonic Lodge No. 950, a 32nd degree Scottish Rite Mason, a member of the Shrine, the Order of the Eastern Star No. 447 at Wheelwright, a Kentucky Colonel, and a U.S. Air Force veteran.

Survivors include his wife, Glorania Click Layne; three sons, James Edward Layne and Johnny Everett Layne, both of Langley, and Richard Eugene Layne of Topmost; two brothers, Robert Eugene Layne of Bronson, Michigan, and Eddie Dean Layne of Albion, Michigan; one sister, Rose Anne Patrick of Fritz; and five grandchildren.

Funeral services were Sunday, December 24, at 2 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel with the clergymen Brodie Amburgey and Ted Shannon officiating.

Burial was in the family cemetery at Gunnels Branch, Banner, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Serving as pallbearers were Curtis D. Patrick, Jimmy Patrick, Timmy Patrick, Doug Patrick, Jeff Layne, David Layne and Jeff Blackburn.

Honorary pallbearers were members of the John W. Hall Masonic Lodge and Wheelwright Masonic Lodge.

Gary Vance

Gary Vance, 37, of Topmost, died Thursday, December 21, 1995, at the University of Kentucky Medical Center, Lexington, following a brief illness.

Born November 11, 1958 in Letcher County, he was the son of the late Ironton and Lillie Mae Honeycutt Vance. He was a selfemployed carpenter.

Survivors include two sons, Michael Vance of Topmost and Derrick Vance of South Carolina; two daughters, Stephanie Vance and Kelly Vance, both of South Carolina; one brother, Ironton Vance Jr. of Topmost; and four sisters, Katherine Vance Caudill of Auxier, Pat Turner of Indianapolis, Indiana, Sue Harvey of Hindman and Rhonda Vance of Columbus, Ohio

Funeral services were Sunday, December 24, at Providence Old Regular Baptist Church at Topmost, with the Regular Baptist Church ministers officiating.

Burial was in the Reen Hall Cemetery at Topmost, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Pallbearers listed for Elder Lewis Jr.

Serving as pallbearers for the funeral of Elder Lewis Jr. were his grandsons.

Icie Mae Cox

Icie Mae Cox, 85, of Wayland, died Sunday, December 24, 1995, McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital.

Born March 20, 1910 in Alabama, she was the daughter of the late J. C. and Virginia Smith Cooley. She was a member of the Wayland United Methodist Church. She was preceded in death by her husband, Clinton C. Cox.

Survivors include two daughters, Virgie Lee Bryant of Hamilton, Ohio, and Sybol Bentley of Wayland; five grandchildren, ten great-grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Tuesday, December 26, at 11 a.m., at the Wayland United Methodist Church with Bob Green officiating.

Burial was in the Cox Cemetery at Lackey, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Serving as pallbearers were Butch Bentley, Randy Bentley, Bruce Scott, Kevin Hall and Tommy Murphy.

Ollie Mae Coffee Allen

Ollie Mae Coffee Allen, 89, of Greenup, died Friday, December 22, 1995, at Our Lady of Bellefonte

Born April 28, 1906 in Oldtown, she was the daughter of the late George and Laura Johnson Coffee. She was of the Baptist faith.

Survivors include one son, Lloyd H. Allen of David; three daughters, Blanche Turner of Greenup, Thelma Bartram of Xenia, Ohio, and Dorothy Garthee of Lexington; one brother, Roy Coffee of Greenup; six grandchildren and seven great-grandchil-

Funeral services were Tuesday, December 26, at 1 p.m., at the Reed Funeral Home in Greenup, with the minister Jack Edwards officiating. Burial was in the Boggs Cemetery at Warnock.

Homer B. "Hobert" Shepherd

Homer B. "Hobert" Shepherd, 80, Radeliff, formerly of David, died Monday, December 25, 1995, at the VA Hospital in Lexington, following an extended illness.

Born November 20, 1915 in Goodloe, he was the son of the late Frank and Lola "Odie" Allen Shepherd. He was a disabled veteran of World War II.

Survivors include one son, Kenneth Shepherd of Vincennes, Indiana; one brother, Brunie Shepherd of Radcliff; and four grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Thursday, December 28, at 10 a.m., at the Carter Funeral Home Chapel.



Burial will be in the Frank Shepherd Cemetery at David. Visitation will be from 5-9 p.m. today

(Wednesday) at the

funeral home.

Anne Helen Klauk Showers

Anne Helen Klauk Showers, 83, of Drift, died Saturday, December 23, 1995, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg.

Born January 22, 1912 in Lexington, she was the daughter of the late Christopher "Teddy" and Nora O'Neil Klauk. She was a member of the First Baptist Church at Martin for 50 years and a member of the Drift Womans Club. She was preceded in death by her hus-

band, G. W. "Dick" Showers. Survivors include two daughters, Betty Wood Showers Meade of Langley and Georeanne Showers McKinney of St. Albans, West Virginia; one half-sister, Lucille Gilkerson of Paintsville; six grandchildren and four great-grandchil-

Funeral services were Tuesday, December 26, at 2 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel with Bob Green officiating.

Burial was in Davidson Memorial Gardens at Ivel, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Serving as pallbearers were Brian McKinney, Joe Bostic, Jim Bailey, Shawn Bailey, Chris Bailey and Donnie Meade.

Pallbearers listed for Virgil Hamilton

Serving as pallbearers for the funeral of Virgil Hamilton were Todd Stapleton, Bo Lakin, Kyle Cordial, Rusty Hamilton, Clarence Hayes, Darvin Conn, Quincy Caines and Jerry Bliffen.

Otis Garfield Foley

Otis Garfield Foley, 81, of Betsy Layne, died Friday, December 22, 1995, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg, following an extended illness.

Born March 16, 1914 at Thomas, he was the son of the late John T. and Mary Ethel Hall Foley. He was a carpenter and painter.

Survivors include three sisters, Lois Walters of Johnstown, Ohio, Madelyn Stoker of Chelsea, Michigan, and Norma Patrick of Richmond.

Funeral services were Monday, December 25, at 11 a.m., at the Floyd Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Ellis Cornett officiating.

Burial was in the Ferguson Cemetery at Boldman, under the direction of Floyd Funeral Home.

Barbara Newsome

Barbara Ellen Newsome, 77, of Thursday, Pikeville. died December 21, 1995, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital, following an extended illness.

Born August 16, 1918 in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late Eveline and Will Newsom.

Survivors include five sons, Lonnie Newsome of Dundee, Michigan, Frank Newsome of Cedar Grove, West Virginia, Tennis Newsome of Thomasville, North Carolina, and Ishmael Newsome and Forester Newsome Jr. of Columbus, Ohio; three daughters, Allene Stacy and Wanda Buckley, both of Vandalia, Ohio, and Ramona Campbell of Pikeville; one half-brother, Richard Newsome Jr. of Columbus, Ohio; 18 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Sunday, December 24, at I p.m., at J.W. Call and Son Funeral Home with the minister Windell Hamilton and others officiating.

Burial was in Davidson Memorial Gardens at Ivel, under the direction of J. W. Call and Son Funeral Home.

Albert Wells

Albert Wells, 85, of Logan, West Virginia, formerly of Auxier, died Sunday, December 24, 1995, at Logan General Hospital, following an extended illness.

Born January 2, 1910 at Auxier, he was the son of the late Elbert Green and Ella Reed Wells. He was a retired coal miner.

Survivors include several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, December 27, at 1 p.m., at Carter Funeral Home with Calvin Setser officiating.



Burial will be in the Richmond Memorial Cemetery Prestonsburg, under the direction of Carter Funeral Home.

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Martha Emogene Rose Lawson

Martha Emogene Rose Lawson, 67, of Honaker, died Monday, December 25, 1995, at Highlands Medical Regional Center, Prestonsburg.

Born July 25, 1928 at Tram, she was the daughter of the late George and Katie Shepherd Rose. She was a member of the Little Mud Church of Christ for 50 years.

Survivors include her husband, Fay Lawson; five sons, Earl Lawson and Eddie Lawson, both of Harold, Bobby Lawson and Fay Edward Lawson, both of Honaker, and Roger Lawson of Banner; six daughters, Patty Fannin, Ozella Kidd and Brenda Gail Stanley, all of Honaker, Kathryn Collins and Anna Mae Asher, both of Harold, and Wilma Kidd of Lorain, Ohio; three brothers, Georgie Rose of Ohio, Jimmy Rose of Dana, and Roger Rose of Cincinnati, Ohio: two sisters, Thelma Brown of Harold and Stella Sexton of Pikeville; 20 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, December 27, at 11 a.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel with Junior Kidd, Richard Burton and Elder Lawson officiat-

Burial will be in the Lawson Cemetery at Honaker, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Elster Eugene "Booger" Meade

Elster Eugene "Booger" Meade, 65, of Clyde, Ohio, died Wednesday, December 20, 1995, at Memorial Hospital in Fremont, Ohio, following an extended illness

Born June 3, 1930 at Harold, he was the son of the late Clay and Nancy Riley Meade. He worked as a coal miner for many years and most recently had been employed at Kelsey Hayes Company in Fremont, Ohio.

Survivors include three sons, Terry Meade of Fremont, Ohio, Ronald Meade of Clyde, Ohio, and Robert Meade of Castalia, Ohio; one daughter, Peggy Newsome of Clyde, Ohio; one brother, Sam Meade of Stanville; one sister, Lorene Akers of Harold; and four grandchildren.

Funeral services were Saturday, December 23, at 10 a.m., at the Foos & Son Funeral Home with Rev. Gerald G. Moore officiating. Burial was in the Greenlawn Memory Gardens in Clyde, Ohio.

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The family of Roy Gayheart

CARD OF THANKS

The family of Martin Preston Yates wishes to thank all of those who were so kind and considerate during our time of grief. We want to thank those who sent food, flowers and gifts of love. We especially want to thank the clergymen Junior Kidd and Bennie Blankenship 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.

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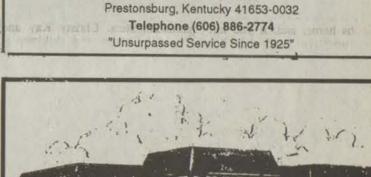
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The Prestonsburg Elementary School faculty and staff presented Sue Martin a silver tray and floral wreath to commemorate her retirement from the Floyd County Schools. Mrs. Martin has taught 29 years. Most of them in Floyd County. Her retirement plans include travel and substitute teaching.

Statewide survey indicates strong support for community colleges

A statewide survey commissioned by the University of Kentucky Community College System shows that the majority of Kentuckians give high marks to the community colleges with nearly 79 percent expressing either excellent or good ratings for the quality of education provided to students and that by a two-to-one margin, Kentuckians believe that the Community College System should remain a part of the University of Kentucky

The survey was done by the Preston Group, a Lexington firm, in late October and early November.

Not only were Kentuckians pleased with the quality of higher education in the state, the survey said, but they also were in agreement that the universities and the community colleges deserve more state funding from the legislature. Statewide, the figures showed 66.5 percent favored more funding. This included 29.8 percent who strongly agreed and 36.7 percent who somewhat agreed.

"Obviously, we are extremely pleased with the results of this survey," said Ben W. Carr Jr., chancellor for the UK Community College System. "Not only are the people of Kentucky pleased with the work of the community colleges, but they strongly approve more state fund-

Kentuckians consider cost, i.e. tuition, a prohibited factor in attending college. Some 55 percent said the cost of a college education means "most people in this area cannot afford to attend school." However, Kentuckians do not have a problem with "access" or geographical factors. When asked if most people in the respondents' area of Kentucky "don't have easy access to a college or university because they are too far away," only 27 percent strongly or somewhat agreed.

Some 67.5 percent of the citizens viewed program expansions by the Community College System as "community responsiveness" as opposed to a mere 11 percent who claimed the system was "empire building." This included the consideration of the system's plans to merge Lees College with Hazard Community College and the identified need for families in Muhlenberg and Harrison counties.

One interesting result of the survey was the number of people in Kentucky who know an employee, student or graduate of a UK community college. This figure totaled some 40 percent of all Kentuckians.

When asked which state agency should control post secondary education-including that which is vocational/technical or degree oriented-nearly 70 percent of those surveyed favored the Council for Higher Education as the agency best prepared to coordinate post secondary education, as opposed to the Cabinet for Workforce Development.

The survey also pointed out that community college employees are good ambassadors for the university and the Community College System. Those people who personally know someone associated with community colleges had a more favorable impression of UK, the Community College System and other state universities.

When asked what the mission of the Community College System should be, Kentuckians were split nearly evenly between "completing the first two years of a four-year college degree," and "providing technical career programs leading to two-year college degrees." The breakdown was 30.4 percent thought technical training was most important and 32.3 percent thought completing the first two years of a four-year degree most important. About one-fifth (19.6 percent) thought "community education" was most important for the citizens of the Commonwealth and 10 percent volunteered that they thought all three were equally important.

The survey polled those households in the state in which someone had voted in at least three of the last five general elections. The statewide sample was 806. Those respondents who were employed by an institution of higher learning and/or the Workforce Development Cabinet were eliminated. The number of completed surveys on the UK community college-related questions was 690. The maximum sample error was plus or minus 3.7

Free facts on college admission

Kentucky seniors who have not received a free copy of Getting In 1995-96 should request one from their high school counselor. Getting In is published by the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEAA), a state agency, and provides important information about Kentucky colleges and vocational-technical schools including facts on admission, costs, and financial aid.

Completion of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is required to apply for financial assistance from several major federal and state aid programs which are described, in Getting In. Students may obtain the form from their high school guidance counselor or the financial aid officer of the institution where they plan to attend. For the 1996-97 academic year, the FAFSA should be

filed as soon as possible after January 1 and before March 15, to assure the best chance of receiving all aid for which the student is eli-

Students who are interested in other sources of financial aid can also consult Affording Higher Education. This KHEAA publication lists hundreds of financial aid programs for Kentucky students and can be found at high school guidance counselor offices and public libraries throughout Kentucky.

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Kentucky's workers' compensation system out of balance, study shows

Kentucky's workers' compensation system is out of balance and poses a serious threat to the state's economic future unless it undergoes a major reform.

Those are the findings of the Research Institute, which released its recommendations for change

"Worker's compensation misuse is the most critical issue facing Kentucky businesses," said Billy Harper, president of Paducah's Harper Industries and a member of the institute's board of directors.

"The system is unfair, expensive and an impediment to economic growth. During the upcoming session of the General Assembly, business needs to push for significant changes that will reduce the enormous cost of workers' compensation insurance for employers and ensure that those employees who are injured on the job are appropriately compensated," he said.

The Institute is an employerbased association which conducts ongoing evaluation of Kentucky's workers' compensation system to identify potential problems and propose solutions. The organization's 1993 report became the basis for changes enacted by the 1994 legislature. Those changes, however, did not address the core cost drivers, Harper said.

The group noted that Kentucky's cost-per-worker for workers' compensation was \$519 in 1993.

A 1994 study by the University of Kentucky's Center for Business and Economic Research found that

Editor's Note: Following are

Q-I was wounded when I

for 10 months. I was marched from criteria.

bailed out of my plane and subse-

one camp to another in Germany

for 86 days. After being liberated, I

was so happy to get my discharge

that I did not make any claims, but

now I need medical treatment for

diabetes and arthritis. Can VA help

(POWs) are eligible for hospital

care for any disability within the

VA health care system. Whether

they have a VA adjudicated service-

connected disability or not, former

POWs are exempt from VA's

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other nonservice-connected veter-

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care may also be provided at the

hospital's discretion depending on

Q-A friend served on active

duty in Germany in the late 1950s.

He is destitute and may be losing

his sight. He presently has little or

no health insurance. Would he

qualify for any VA medical ser-

A-Veterans whose annual

vices?

its available space and resources.

A-Former prisoners of war

representative questions answered

percent increase in the number of workers' compensation claims filed and the average award for injuries has more than doubled.

That dramatic jump is not due to state's Workers' Compensation an increased frequency of accidents, but rather a broadening of what is deemed a compensable injury, according to a recent report by the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce Workers' Compensation Task Force.

> Harper blamed many of the system's problems on a lack of clear, objectives criteria for defining injury and disability, which has led to increased litigation and high attorney fees for workers' compensation claims.

"During the first six months of 1995, plaintiff attorneys in Kentucky made \$23.1 million out of injured workers' claims. That is money that should be going to people who have legitimately been injured on the job," Harper said.

"Those injured workers are the true victims. Their benefits are being lowered because of excessive use of the system."

Harper noted that if significant changes in the system are not made soon, the economic cost to Kentucky could be high. This rampant cost of workers' compensation insurance already frightens away new businesses and stymies the growth of existing industries.

The institute's legislative agenda will include five specific recommendations for change:

· Define injury. Close gaping loopholes that encourage abuse and

inpatient care and outpatient care.

The dollar limits change annually

for care at their nearest VA hospital

for a determination of how their

particular circumstances and med-

National Guard transportation com-

pany were deployed to the Persian

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Persian Gulf Registry health exam-

A-Any individual who served

with a National Guard or reserve

unit in the Persian Gulf theater dur-

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special examination if they served

the time for which they were called

to active duty, no matter how

automatically eligible for VA pen-

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rently qualify for a pension, veter-

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permanently and totally disabled

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sion benefits at age 65?

O-Are World War II veterans

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since 1987 there has been a 400 penalize those with genuine workrelated injuries.

> · Define disability. Make the system fair; set criteria that give similar awards for similar injuries.

· Reduce litigation costs. Compensate deserving workers; tie attorney fees in contested claims to the amount of increase granted over the original offer, not the total

· Set limitations. Set a two-year limit on when a claim can be reopened; no limit currently exists.

· Set objective black lung standards. Tighten up the loose evaluation system; adopt black lung standards based on actual disabilities.

The institute will work in con-

junction with other groups in seeking sweeping legislative changes in the state's workers' compensation system. One such key partner will be the Economic Progress Initiative Council, which includes the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce, Kentucky Economic Development Corporation, the Kentucky Coal Alliance, the National Federation of Independent Business, the Kentucky Staffing Services Association, and the Northern Kentucky, Lexington and Louisville Area Chambers of Commerce.

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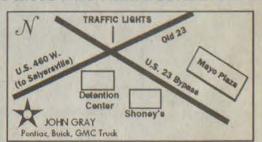
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Business Opportunity

INSURANCE APPRAISERS: Eastern Kentucky territory for sale. For information call 606-886-6265.

Mobile Homes For Sale

MOBILE HOME LOANS from Green Tree Financial. Sellers/Buyers/Owners. 5% down payment. Refinance/equity loans; land and home loans; realtor calls welcome. Call 1-800-221-8204. (TFN)

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Legals

PUBLIC NOTICE TO ALL CUSTOMERS OF SANDY VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

Sandy Valley Water District is a non-profit organization whose rates are among the lowest, if not the lowest, in the state of Kentucky. Customers of all districts adjacent to Sandy Valley have rates higher than Sandy Valley's. While maintaining these low rates involve efficient management, the general public can play a part in assuring that their rates continue to remain low by reporting to our office any unauthorized use of water. We have found that one of the major losses of water comes from the unauthorized use of water from fire hydrants. The cost of this loss is passed along to you, the customer. While some request the metering of usage from these hydrants and some use is for fire departments, for the most part the use is not authorized by Sandy Valley Water District. We are, therefore, requesting the public report to our office any use of water from hydrants in our district. At the office we will determine if the use is authorized or unauthorized. All conversations will be kept confidential and we will not

be asking for your name,

just the location of the fire hydrant. This will help to keep our rates at the lowest possible levels and save you, the customer, those hard earned dollars.

E.H. Stumbo Sandy Valley Water District Commissioner

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-8039

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Old Circle Coal Company, Inc., P.O. Box 3127, North Mayo Trail, Pikeville, KY 41502 has applied for a permit for a coal processing facility affecting 5.18 acres located 0.5 miles south of McDowell in Floyd County.

The proposed facility is approximately 0.5 miles south from KY 122's junction with KY 680 and located directly east of the Left Fork of Beaver Creek. The Latitude is 37 degrees 26 minutes 56 seconds. The Longitude is 82 degrees 44 minutes 19 seconds.

The proposed facility is located on the McDowell U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle maps. The surface area is owned by J.C. and Sarah Cooley. The operation will affect an area within 100 feet of an unnamed county road. The operation will not involve relocation of the unnamed county road.

The application has been filed for public at inspection the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 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.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Garrett Fire Protection District will be holding an election at the Fire Station on Stonecoal

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Shauna Lynn Taylor

Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653

HC 70 Box 559

P.O. Box 158

Fleming K. Stiltner

Eastern, Ky. 41622

902 Emma Road

Emma, Ky. 41653

Stacie Ann Stapleton

Road, January 3, 1996 at 7 p.m. for the purpose of electing two board members to serve on the Fire District Board of Directors. All board members must live within the Fire District that they serve. For more information call 358-9303 or 358-2261.

NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS **OF PRESTONSBURG CITY UTILITIES** COMMISSION

Due to collection increases, it has become necessary for Prestonsburg City Utilities Commission to increase gas deposits from \$100 to \$150. This increase will be effective January 1,

Seldon Horne Superintendent Prestonsburg City **Utilities Commission**

PUBLIC NOTICE The Mud Creek Water District hereby gives notice that during the time period of January 1, 1994 through June 30, 1995 the water supply failed to comply with certain monitoring requirements as required by the Kentucky Public and Semipublic Drinking Water Regulations, 401 KAR 8:010 through 8:700

inclusive. The specific violations for the time period are: October 1994, failure to submit an adequate number of bacteriological samples. Only 2 submitted of 3 required.

Any potential adverse health effects to any segment of the population could not be determined due to failure to comply monitoring the requirements.

In most cases, monitoring violations do not require the public to seek alternative water supplies or take preventive measures. If alternative water supplies or preventive measures are needed, the public shall be notified immediately.

The Mud Creek Water District will take the necessary action to reduce or eliminate monitoring violations. For more information contact Denzil McKinney, 606-587-2455, at the Mud Creek Water District.

NOTICE OF **PUBLIC SALE**

The following item listed will be offered for public sale on January 12, 1996 at 11:00 a.m. at 362 North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653:

1990 Chevrolet S-10, e r i a

#1GCCS14E8L2142527. All items are sold "as is where is." Seller reserves the right to bid and to reject any or all bids. Items are to be paid following the sale, or satisfactory arrangements are with made seller. Announcement at sale takes priority over ad. Purchaser to pay all taxes and transfer fees.

Terry Sizemore Asst. Vice President The Bank Josephine Prestonsburg, KY 41653

NOTICE OF **PUBLIC SALE**

The following item will be offered for public sale on January 5, 1996 at 11:15 a.m. at 362 North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653: 1987 Pontiac 6000,

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NOTICE (OF FILING OF SETTLEMENT)

I, Frank Derossett, Jr., Clerk of the Floyd District Court, do hereby certify that the following settlements of estates have been filed in my office. Anyone desiring to take exception to said settlement must do so on or before January 29, 1996, at 9:00 a.m.

Settlement	Case Number	Estate of:	Fiduciary	Date Filed
Final	95-P-00237	Katrina Lynn Tussey	William Tussey	10-30-95
Final	94-P-00072	Ella Belle Moore	Robert N. Moore	10-30-95
Final	94-P-00069	Edna Blackburn	Ronnie Blackburn	11-13-95
Final	86-P-120	Jane Ann Kendrick	William S. Kendrick	12-07-95
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LEGAL NOTICE (NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT)

I, Frank DeRossett, Jr., Clerk of the Floyd District Court, do hereby certify that the following persons have been appointed fiduciaries by the District Court, and all persons indebted to an estate should settle with the fiduciary within six (6) months from the date of appointment.

te of Appt.	Case Number	Estate of
-28-95	95-P-00406	Russell D. Bandy
		197 Copperas Lick
		Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653
28-95	95-P-00407	Alva May Flanery
		Langley, Ky. 41645
-28-95	95-P00408	Wilma G. May
		477 Warco Rd.
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		Box 2 Weddington Ln.
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-28-95	95-P-00410	General Delivery
		Wayland, Ky.
-28-95	95-P-00411	Ricky Conn, Jr.
20-33	301 00411	Box 4 Valhalla
		Pikeville, Ky. 41501
-29-95	95-P-00412	Jessie Eunice Honaker
The Title		P.O. Box 18
		Tram, Ky.
-29-95	95-P-00413	Dewey Spears
		201 Spears Branch Toler Crk.
		Harold, Kentucky 41635
-30-95	95-P-00414	John W. Lackey
		100 Lackey Road
		Tram, Kentucky 41663
-01-95	95-P-00415	Oscar C. Martin
		Box 214
		Harold, Ky. 41635
-05-95	95-P-00419	Mitchell Dotson
		4599 Mtn. Parkway
00.05	DE D 00400	Prestonsburg, Ky. Billy Joe Hunter
-06-95	95-P-00420	835 Goble Branch
		Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653
-06-95	95-P-00421	Shawn Thacker
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		East Point, Ky.
11-95	95-P-00422	Kendall Evans
		419 Mink Branch Road
		Craynor, Ky.
12-95	95-P-00424	William Ervie Boyd
		Estill, Ky.
-13-95	95-P-00425	Garnett Mayo
		55 Harris Street
		W. Prestonsburg, Ky.
-14-95	95-P-00426	Janet Jean Morrison
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Veronica Lynn Murray

Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653

HC 70 Box 559

Linda Stiltner

P.O. Box 158

Eastern, Ky. 41622

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902 Emma Road

Emma, Ky. 41653

Attorney-Address James G. Lemaster P.O. Box 1808 Lexington, Ky. 40593 Cliff Latta 8 N. Amold Ave. Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653 Cliff Latta 8 N. Amold Ave. Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653 Ronnie M. Slone P.O. Box 909 Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653 J. Drew Anderson 76 University Dr. Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653 J. Drew Anderson 76 University Dr. Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653

Clyde Combs, Jr. P.O. Box 311 Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653

Hon, Jerry Patton P.O. Box 1300 Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653

Hon. William Francis P.O. Box 700 Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653 Hon. David C. Stratton P.O. Box 851 Pikeville, Ky.

B. D. Nunnery P.O. Box 511 Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653 J. Logan Griffith 1238 S. Lake Dr. Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653 Janice Porter P.O. Box 372 Allen, Kentucky 41601 Roy S. Jones, II P.O. Box 231 Pikeville, Ky. 41502 Don Kidd P.O. Box 511 Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653 Bobby Rowe Prestonsburg, Ky.

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT **DIVISION 1** CIVIL ACTION NO. 91-CI-079 Mellie Jean Mullins, Petitioner

VS. James A. Mullins, Respondent NOTICE OF SALE

By virtue of an Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court rendered at the November 3, 1995 Term, in the above styled cause, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Courthouse door in Prestonsburg, Kentucky, to the highest and best bidder, at public auction, on January 11, 1996 at 9:00 o'clock a.m., same being a day of the regular term of the Floyd Circuit Court, on a credit of thirty (30) days at the rate of 12% per annum, the following described property

to-wit: BOUNDED DESCRIBED as follows: Beginning at a cross on a rock cliff above the road (highway #979) opposite James A. Mullins' home, approximately 60 ft. on the mountain from the highway to the rock cliff running up the point near the center of a marked hickory; thence up said point to another marked hickory, standing on the lower edge of a bench; thence running up said point to three hickories, marked, standing together; thence running on up the point to a marked hickory on top of the point; thence from said hickory to B.F. Parson's line known as the lke Parson line; thence down the hill or point running toward the creek, with said Parson's line, to the line known as the Harrison Hamilton line; thence running with said Hamilton's line to a planted stone at the lower edge of the old County road near a mulberry tree; a corner to Hamilton's property; thence South 6 degrees, 45 minutes, West 280 ft., to Big Mud Creek, thence running up Big Mud Creek with the meanders of same to a planted stone at the creek opposite an ash tree; thence running ft. to a planted stone;

straight across the bottom a distance of 125 ft. from said planted stone to the Ash Tree: thence running from the ash tree in a southern direction or in the direction of a meadow 86 thence running from said planted stone across the bottom toward highway 979, 109 ft. to another stone above where the barn now stands; thence running from said planted stone to the branch in front of first parties home a distance of 100 ft; thence running up said branch to an iron post standing on the bank of the branch; a corner to second party's property; thence running with the line of second parties across the lawn to an iron stake in the bottom; thence from said iron stake on across the bottom and up the hill with second parties' line to a planted stone at Highway 979; thence crossing said highway and running with the upper side of the highway to a stake straight from the cross on the cliff above the road or highway; thence running a

period of their natural life, second parties shall have the right to the use of a road leading from highway 979, across the end of the bottom down to first parties homes. This bottom is known as the Clover Field. whoever purchases this property hereafter shall have the same right to use said road.

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Being the same property conveyed to JAMES A. MULLINS AND MILLIE MULLINS by BILLIE MULLINS and BURNIS

MULLINS by deed dated October 10, 1972, recorded in Deed Book Page _____, records of the Floyd County Clerk's Office.

The amount of money to be raised by this sale shall include costs of advertising of this sale and the fees and commissions for conducting this sale.

For the purchase price the purchaser must execute bond with approved surety or sureties, bearing legal interest from the day of sale until paid and having the force and effect of a judgement with a lien retained upon said property as a further security. Bidders will be prepared to

comply with these terms. GIVEN UNDER MY HAND, this 18th day of December, 1995

EARL MARTIN MCGUIRE Master Commissioner Floyd Circuit Court P.O. Box 1257 Prestonsburg, KY 41653 Phone: 606-886-8140 Fax: 606-886-9755 W-12/20, 12/27, 1/3

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT **DIVISION 1** CIVIL ACTION NO. 90-CI-00700 Consol of Kentucky, Plaintiff

VS. Roger Reed, et al., Defendants NOTICE OF SALE

By virtue of an Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court rendered at the November 17, 1995 Term, in the above styled cause, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Courthouse door in Prestonsburg, Kentucky, to the highest and best bidder, at public auction, on January 11, 1996 at 9:30 o'clock a.m., same being a day of the regular term of the Floyd Circuit Court, on a credit of thirty (30) days at the rate of 12% per annum, the following described property to-wit:

The surface of a certain tract or parcel of land situated on Main Salyers Branch of Floyd County, Kentucky, and being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning on a marked elm standing at the edge of the little drain which leads up to what is known as the black oak gap thence up the point a southeast course to a marked Buckeye thence up the point with the center of the point to the cloud Rao line thence a north east course down the point with cloud raws line to main Salyers thence across said Branch a Northeast course with the fence to opposite a linning beed marked thence around hill a northwest course 100 feet from the Building to a small beech marked standing in the edge of a drain thence down said drain to main Salyers Branch thence up said Branch to the corner of fence to the garden thence with said fence to a drain with said drain to the beginning containing

twelve acres more or less. Being the same property conveyed to Gold Reed and Sarah Reed, his wife, to Clarlice Reed, et al., by deed dated May 9, 1926, recorded in Deed Book 72. page 349, Floyd County Clerk's Office.

The amount of money to be raised by this sale shall include costs of advertising of this sale and the fees and commissions for conducting this sale.

For the purchase price the purchaser must execute bond with approved surety or sureties, bearing legal interest from the day of sale until paid and having the force and effect of a judgement with a lien retained upon said property as a further security. Bidders will be prepared to comply with these terms.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND, this 18th day of December, 1995

EARL MARTIN MCGUIRE Master Commissioner

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OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT **DIVISION I** CIVIL ACTION NO. 94-CI-00642 **United Companies** Lending Corporation, Plaintiff

VS. Bobby N. Osborne, Administrator of the Estate of Ada Osborne, deceased, et al., Defendants NOTICE OF SALE

By virtue of an Order of the Floyd Circuit Court rendered at the November 7, 1995 Term, in the above styled cause, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Courthouse door in Prestonsburg, Kentucky, to the highest and best bidder, at public auction, on January 11, 1996 at 11:00 o'clock a.m., same being a day of the regular term of the Floyd Circuit Court, on a credit of thirty (30) days at the rate of 12% per annum, the following described property to-wit:

TRACT NO. 1: Located in South Martin, Kentucky, BEGINNING at a stake on corner at first street and second cross street opposite hospital and running with said street 80 feet to a stake; thence turning left, and running 60 feet to a stake at corner of Milton and Mildred Ryan's property; thence turning left and running 80 feet along Milton and Mildred Ryan's property to a stake on first street; thence a straight line 60 feet to the beginning, this being a correct description of the description given in Deed from W.J., Ryan, and Lucille Ryan, his wife, G.D. Ryan, Jr., and Alice Ryan, his wife; Milton and Mildred Ryan, his wife of dated June 4, 1951, recorded in Deed Book 147, Page 598, Floyd County Clerk's

Office on June 6, 1951. TRACT NO. 2: Located in South Martin, Kentucky, BEGINNING at a stake on First Street at a corner of Wes Halbert's line and running with said line a distance of 80 feet to a stake, thence turning right and running a distance of 50 feet to a stake, then turning right and running 80 feet along the line of Lettie M. Ryan's property to a stake, located on First Street; thence a straight line 50 feet to the begin-

THERE IS EXCEPTED AND RESERVED FROM THIS CONVEYANCE:

The portion of Tract II sold to James Stephens by deed dated March 1985, of record in Deed Book 294, Page 289, in the aforesaid Clerk's

Being the same property conveyed to Ada M. Osborne by Milton Ryan and Mildred Ryan, his wife, by deed dated May 10, 1965 and recorded in Deed Book 187, Page 566, Floyd County Court Clerk's Office and being the same property conveyed to Ada M. Osborne by Affidavit of Descent of Charles L. Osborne, dated March 26, 1985, and recorded in Deed Book 291, page 235, Floyd County Clerk's Office, and being the same property conveyed to Ada M. Osborne by Bobby Neile Klora Osborne and Osborne, his wife; and Jackie R. Osborne, single, dated March 26, 1985, and recorded in Deed Book

The amount of money to be raised by this sale shall include costs of advertising of this sale and the fees and commissions for

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County Clerk's Office.

conducting this sale. For the purchase price the purchaser must execute bond with approved surety or sureties, bearing legal interest from the day

of sale until paid and having the force and effect of a judgement with a lien retained upon said property as a further security. Bidders will be prepared to comply with these terms.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND, this 18th day of December, 1995

EARL MARTIN MCGUIRE Master Commissioner Floyd Circuit Court P.O. Box 1257 Prestonsburg, KY 41653 Phone: 606-886-8140 Fax: 606-886-9755 W-12/20, 12/27, 1/3

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION I CIVIL ACTION NO. 94-CI-00350 **Nadine Gamble** Howard, et al., **Plaintiffs**

Kirk Shepherd, et al., Defendants NOTICE OF SALE

By virtue of an Order of the Floyd Circuit Court rendered at the September 16, 1995 Term, in the above styled cause. I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Courthouse door in Prestonsburg, Kentucky, to the highest and best bidder, at public auction, on January 11. 1996 at 10:30 o'clock a.m., same being a day of the regular term of the Floyd Circuit Court, on a credit of thirty (30) days at a rate of 12% per annum, the following described

property to-wit: Two (2) tracts or parcels of land lying on Lick Fork Creek of Salt Lick Creek on Right Beaver Creek in Floyd County, Kentucky, consisting of approximately fifty (50) acres and more particularly described as

TRACT NO I. Lying and being on Lick Fork of Salt Lick Creek of Right Beaver Creek. Beginning on a poplar tree on right side of creek as you go up the creek at lower end of Garden: thence up the hill with the line of Dolly Bradley to top

to a pine tree where three wire fences join, thence up point with wire tence to top of ridge or point with wire fence to top of ridge or point to a bunch of chestnuts corner of Tilden Shepherd's line to Wanda Vanderpool's line; thence down the point to Harrison Handshoe's line; thence with Harrison Handshoe's line to a poplar above road and cross fence and across road to main Lick Fork; thence up Lick Fork to a beech tree and rock on Right of Branch as you go up opposite upper end of Harrison Handshoe's house; thence crossing Lick Fork with Harrison Handshoe's line to top of point; thence down center of ridge to Dolly Bradley's line; thence down the point with Dolly Bradley's line to a small drain; thence with drain and Dolly Bradley's line to Lick Fork; thence down Lick Fork around lower end of Garden to the Beginning, containing 100 acres more or less. It is

hereby conveyed. The same conveyed from A.J. Shepherd to Tilden Shepherd by deed of April 28, 1931 recorded in Deed Book 89, page

understood that oil and

gas, coal and mineral is

hereby excepted and not

TRACT NO II Beginning on a stake at the creek at the rocky point between the clover field and the wheat field; thence up center of the point a strait (sic) line to top of point; thence up the point to a pine tree where three wire fences join at lower end of Peach Tree Cove thence down the point with fence to poplar tree; thence a strait (sic) line to Lick Fork Creek; thence down said creek to the beginning.

The same conveyed from Dollie Bradley and Kendle Bradley to Tilden Shepherd by deed of March 6, 1937 as recorded Decent of Neutrine Dillion in Deed Book 107, Page

There is excepted from the above described property the following tracts which had been deeded by the decedent prior to his death: Five (5) acre tract deeded to Stephens and Shirlie Stephens, by deed of

494; and Ten (10) acre tract deeded to Kirk Shepherd by deed of September 5, 1952, recorded Deed Book 164, Page 374; and

March 26, 1948 recorded

in Deed Book 137, Page

Thirty (30) acre tract deeded to Elbee Neeley and Danty Neeley by deed of March 31, 1955 recorded in Deed Book 159. page 98; and

Thirty (30) acre tract deeded to Kirk Shepherd and Della Shepherd by deed of May 2, 1964 recorded in Deed Book 197, page 518.

All of the foregoing are of record in the office of the Floyd County Clerk.

The amount of money to be raised by this sale shall include costs of advertising of this sale and the fees and commissions for conducting this sale.

For the purchase price the purchaser must execute bond with approved surety or sureties, bearing legal interest from the day of sale until paid and having the force and effect of a judgement with a lien retained upon said property as a further security. Bidders will be prepared to comply with these terms.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND, this 18th day of December 1995. EARL MARTIN

MCGUIRE Master Commissioner Floyd Circuit Court P.O. Box 1257 Prestonsburg, KY 41653

Phone: 606-886-8140 Fax: 606-886-9755 W-12/20, 12/27, 1/3

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION 1 CIVIL ACTION NO. 90-CI-00845 Dallas Lee Dillion, Plaintiff

Mont Collins & June Collins, his wife; Richard Fairchild & Beryldene Fairchild, his wife; and Mae Hale, Defendants NOTICE OF SALE

By virtue of an Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court rendered at the July 24, 1995 Term, in the above styled cause, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Courthouse door in Prestonsburg, Kentucky, to the highest and best bidder, at public auction, on January 11, 1996 at 10:00 o'clock a.m., same being a day of the regular term of the Floyd Circuit Court, on a credit of thirty (30) days at the rate of 12% per annum, the following described property to-wit:

Being the same property

conveyed to the parties of the first part from Celia Dillion, widow, by deed dated February 22, 1973, of record in Deed Book 211, Page 448; further, being the same property conveyed to the parties of the first part from Delilah Merritt, et al., by deed dated July 24, 1942, of record in Deed Book 120, Page 288; further, being the same property inherited by the parties of the first part from Lee Dillion by Affidavit of Decent 1/26/96 dated August 15, 1989, of record in Deed Book 330, Page 133, furthermore, being the same property 9:00 inherited by the parties of the first part from Celia Dillion by Affidavit of Decent dated August 15, 1989, of record in Deed

the office of the Floyd County Court Clerk. For futher sources of title see the following: Affidavit of Decent of Dallas Dillion dated August 15, 1989, of record in Deed Book 330, Page 129; further, Affidavit of

Book 330, Page 135; in

dated August 15, 1989, of record in Deed Book 330, Page 131, and furthermore, Affidavit of Decent of Sam Dillion dated August 15, 1989, of record in Deed Book 330, Page 127, in the office of the Floyd County Court Clerk.

Being a certain tract or parcel of land situated on Sugar Loaf Creek, of the Big Sandy River, in Floyd County, Kentucky, containing 200 acres more or less, which is more particularly described as follows: BEGINNING on a sugar

maple; thence a straight

line across the bottom to a sharp rock; thence a straight line up the hill to the top of the point, thence with the ridge to the top of the hill to Mont Goble's line; thence with his line around the top of the ridge to K.T. Harris' line to the line of William Hubbard; thence down ridge with said Hubbard's line to the line of Albert Burchett; thence down the ridge to the BEGINNING. Deed of January 5, 1910 is referred to and a part hereof.

The amount of money to be raised by this sale shall include the costs of advertising of this sale and the fees and commissions for conducting this sale.

For the purchase price the purchaser must execute bond with approved surety or sureties, bearing legal interest from the day of sale until paid and having the force and effect of a judgement with a lien retained upon said property as a further security. Bidders will be prepared to comply with these terms

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND, this 20th day of November, 1995. EARL MARTIN

MCGUIRE Master Commissioner Floyd Circuit Court P.O. Box 1257 Prestonsburg, KY 41653 Phone: 606-886-8140 Fax: 606-886-9755 W-12/20, 12/27, 1/3

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Addington Enterprises, Inc., 1500 North Big Run Road, Ashland, Kentucky 41101 has applied for Phase Release Bond Increment No. 2 of permit number 836-0244, which was last issued on 12/16/94. The application covers an area of approximately 507.68 acres located 2.7 miles south of Odds

in Floyd County. The permit area is approximately 0.40 miles west from KY 881's Jct. with Hurricane Branch Road located 0.20 miles east of Brushy Fork. The latitude is 37g 37' 59" and

longitude 82º 26' 31." The bond now in effect for Increment #2 is a surety bond in the amount of \$702,600. Approximately 60% of the original bond amount of \$702,600 is included in the application for release.

Reclamation work performed on increment 2 includes backfilling, grading and revegetation and was conducted on or about Fall 1992.

This is the final advertisement of this application. 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, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601 A public hearing on the

application has been scheduled for 1/30/96 at a.m. at Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Prestonsburg, Drive, Kentucky 41653-1397. The hearing will be cancelled if no requests for a hearing or informal conference is received by 1/26/96.

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NOTICE OF **BOND RELEASE**

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.093 notice is hereby given that Stanford Elkhorn, Inc., Box Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 (606-886-6582) intends to apply for a Phase II bond release for Permit No. 436-0068 which was last issued on September 20, 1994. The permit covers a surface area of approximately 26.1 acres and no underground area. The operation is located approximately 2.8 miles south of Allen in Floyd County.

The permit area is approximately 5.0 miles south of the Junction of KY 1426 and U.S. 23, and is 1.0 mile west of Prater Creek.

The Latitude is 37° 34' 11" and the Longitude is 82º 42' 49", and is located on the Lancer 7 1/2 minute USGS quadrangle maps. The performance bond (Surety) now in effect for the operation is \$59,700 which approximately 85% is to be included in this application for release.

Reclamation work thus far performed includes: backfilling and grading, sampling and testing, liming, fertilizing, seeding and mulching, and was completed in the fall of 1991. Results thus far achieved include: establishment of the approved post mining land use plan.

Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, Hudson Hollow Complex, Frankfort, KY 40601 by Feb. 2, 1996, which is within 30 days of the final advertisement of this application for bond release.

A hearing date for this bond release request has been set for February 6, 1996 at 11:00 a.m. at the Department for Surface Mining and Enforcement's Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a hearing must be filed with the Director of the Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex. Frankfort, KY 40601.

The scheduled public hearing will be canceled if the Cabinet does not receive a request for the public hearing within thirty (30) days of the final advertisement of the final advertisement, which is February 2, 1996.

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NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE In accordance with the

provisions of 350.093, notice is hereby given that Stanford Elkhorn, Inc., Box 1394, Prestonsburg, KY 41653 (606-886-6582) intends to apply for Phase II and III Bond Releases on Increment 1 of Permit No. 436-0105 which was last issued on July 7, 1995. Increment 1 of the operation involves a surface area of approximately 5.78 acres, and no underground area. The operation is located approximately 0.7 miles southeast of Allen in Floyd County.

The permit area is approximately 0.9 miles southeast of the junction of KY 1427 and U.S. 23, and is 0.6 miles south of the Levisa Fork of the Big Sandy River. The Latitude is 37º 35'

57" and the Longitude is 82º 42' 02," and is located on the Lancer 7 1/2 minute USGS quadrangle maps. The performance bond

(surety) for Increment No. 1 is \$9,360.00, of which 100% is to be included in this application for release.

For Increment No. 1, reclamation work thus far performed includes: backfilling and grading, construction of roads. power/telephone buildings, etc., of 1994. Results thus far achieved include: establishment of the approved post mining land use plan which is commercial for Increment No. 1.

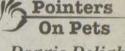
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Doggie Delight (NAPS)—When it comes to choosing a snack

for their pets, many of

America's 36 million dog

owners may soon be bark-



Your dog may flip for a new snack treat

Research shows that consumers like to indulge their pets with a variety of snacks. However, soft, chewy treats are increasingly preferred over biscuits or rawhide because they're perceived to be much more indulgent. Some consumers use treats as a reward; others use them as part of the reunion with their pet at the end of a long work day. Most people, however, use treats to bond with their dogs and to show their love and affection

An especially delightful treat for dogs is Kibbles 'n Bits jerky strips. It's the first soft treat with three flavors in the same pouch The beef pack includes beef, beef & cheese and beef & bacon strips. The bacon pack includes bacon, bacon & cheese and beef & bacon strips. The jerky strips offer all the qualities consumers want in an everyday indulgence for their dog-variety,

taste and fun. Results from consumer tests showed that Kibbles n Bits jerky strips were liked significantly more than the leading jerky strips. Who knows-the variety, taste and fun that these treats provide may have dogs doing things never thought possible Ever see a Great Dane do

HIGHWAY ASafety

a somersault?

Sharing The Road With Motorcycles (NAPS)-Learning to

share the road with motorcycles can help put automobile drivers on the road to safety. Here are some tips from the Motorcycle Safety Foundation that can help drivers prevent accidents:

•Keep a conscious eye out for motorcycles in traffic, especially when you are crossing an intersection. It's easy to think a motorcycle is farther away than it is.

· Give the motorcyclist the whole lane even though the motorcycle only takes up a portion of a lane. Motorcyclists may ride in the left, center or right portion of the lane to avoid oil or potholes, or to be seen.

Don't assume that a motorcyclist is going to turn just because the signal is on. The turn signals on most motorcycles don't cancel automatically

It's important to remember that motorcyclists have the same rights on the highway as other vehicle operators. Please drive

Give a motorcyclist the whole lane even though the motorcycle takes up only a portion of it.



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Wednesday
December 27, 1995

Leonard graduates from MSU after years of parenthood, welfare Page Three

Staying fit after 65

College offers free fitness classes for senior citizens

Area senior citizens, listen up and loosen up. Vim and vigor isn't only for the young. It's for anyone who wants it and, at Prestonsburg Community College, it's free for anyone over age 65.

During the 1996
Spring Semester,
Prestonsburg
Community
College will offer
five credit courses
in fitness designed
especially for
senior citizens.

One of the courses is KHP 145:
Concepts in Health and Fitness, a three-hour class in which seniors will be instructed in the fundamentals of a healthy lifestyle and healthy activities, including aerobics, weight training and other age-appropriate forms of exer-

cise. Students in this course will have access, at no additional charge, to all of the facilities of the PCC Wellness Center, where they can exercise under close supervision by the Wellness Center staff.

The other course is KHP 124:
Beginning Conditioning, a onehour class which will be taught at
the Prestonsburg, McDowell,
Wayland, and Betsy Layne
Senior Citizens Centers.

Students in the conditioning course will be instructed in chair aerobics and other activities they can enjoy while sitting, or without exerting a high level of energy.

Christopher G. Fleming, project health coordinator and instructor at PCC, said 46 seniors have already registered for the three-hour course while 66 have registered for the one-hour courses. He said registration for these courses will remain open through January 17.



Senior citizens may attend these courses tuition-free, on a space-available basis, under the University of Kentucky's Donovan Scholars Program. This program is funded by an endowment that reimburses the college for the tuition of anyone 65 or older who wishes to take classes at PCC.

Fleming said seniors who have registered for the fitness courses have taken advantage of the Donovan program to enroll in other fitness-related classes,

including walking and weight
training and conditioning, as well as
courses in other
fields, such as
computer science,
public speaking
and Sociology.

Open registration is scheduled for Thursday,
January 4, from 9
a.m. to 7 p.m.,
and Friday,
January 5, from 9
to 11 a.m. and 1

to 3 p.m. in Room 102 of the Johnson Administration Building on the Prestonsburg campus.

Late registration begins Tuesday, January 9,

and runs through Wednesday,
January 17, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
each day except Friday, January
12, when hours will be from 8
a.m. to 3 p.m. only, and Monday,
January 15, when offices will be
closed for the Martin Luther King
Jr. Day Holiday.

Monday night classes may be added through Monday, January 22. Classes begin on Wednesday, January 10. For more information on the senior citizens fitness courses and a chance at regaining some of the mobility of youth, call the PCC Wellness Center. Flex those finger muscles and dial (606) 886-

3863, extension 356.

It's never too late to loosen up.

TRATEGIES
FOR SURVIVING THE '90s

Beyond strolling

Measure your time. Start by timing how long it takes you to walk a mile comfortably, probably between 15 and 20 minutes.

Weasure several courses.
Use your car's odometer or the rule of 10 city blocks to a mile to measure different routes. Two miles per course is enough for a start.

Measure your intensity.
Figure your maximum heart rate by subtracting your age from 220. Multiply the result by 0.6 and 0.9 to get your target zone.

Set a goal of three to five times a week.

Keep it up. Walk first thing in the morning before other commitments crop up.

SOURCE: Health Magazine; research by PAT CARR

Just walk

Walking regularly is a very effective strategy for keeping fit and healthy. Here are Health Magazine's tips for starting a walking program:



For maximum benefit

Posture: Lean slightly forward – from the ankles, not the

Arm swing: Keep your elbows bent at a 90-degree angle and swing from the shoulder, ending the forward swing with your hand at breastbone height.

Stride: Long, smooth.
Keep your supporting leg
straight as your body
passes over it, and let the
hip rise and relax. Keep
other foot on the ground for
as long as possible before
pushing off.
For more information:

Write Rockport Walking Institute, Malboro, Mass. Next week: Remodeling costs

advertised in the classified sections of local newspapers, says Johnny Cantrell, financial counselor with Consumer Credit Counseling Service (CCCS).

The offers to clear up bad credit are normally blind ads from companies who falsely promise to remove bad information from your credit report for a fee, Cantrell says.

Be alert if you are told that information on your credit report can be changed or erased by the credit repair company, especially if they ask for a large sum of money in advance, Cantrell warns.

Even a money-back guarantee will not protect you if the company is dishonest. The bottom line about credit reports is, if it is factual and can be proven by the creditor, then it cannot be taken off, he said. However, according to Cantrell, there are ways you can correct mistakes on your credit report.

Review your credit report for any mistakes or information more

Credit repair scams are usually than seven years old (ten years for a matters, you can file a written statebankruptcy), he advises. This information should be deleted from your records. If you do not understand something, ask. The credit bureau is required by law to explain your report to you.

> If there are mistakes you can take the following actions:

· Notify the credit bureau of the problem and provide as much information as you can about what is wrong with the report. The credit bureau, at no charge to you, will reinvestigate the disputed information. It then must correct any mistake or delete any information it cannot verify. At your request, the credit bureau must send a corrected copy of your report to anyone who received the incorrect version within the past six months.

· Sometimes, it is also helpful to contact the creditor directly to ensure that the creditor's records are correct.

* If these steps do not resolve

ment of up to 100 words with the credit bureau explaining your side of the story. This explanation will be included in your credit report each time a creditor pulls your credit report to view it.

Prime Times

· Remember — you can do anything a credit repair company can do - for free or for only a few dol-

For more information about credit repair scams or credit counseling, contact Johnny Cantrell, CCCS credit counselor, at (606) 432-5337. Ask for a free video tape.

Consumer Credit Counseling Service is a non-profit organization that provides a free service to the community. CCCS can help people prevent bankruptcy, with a payment reduction to their creditors. CCCS can also put people on a budget and teach them to live within a budget. CCCS is located at 334 Main Street, in the Bank One building in

Senior citizens beware of tax scams, says IRS

The IRS asks you to call your

an individual or group that you sus-

local IRS Inspection office to report telephone directory, call toll free 1-

Leasing your phone

800-829-1040.

fide tax-exempt organizations.

by Esther Peterson

One morning, not too long ago,

I read a story that truly surprised

Senior citizens are prime targets for scams where people impersonating Internal Revenue Service employees collect additional taxes or request donations for bogus charitable organizations.

The IRS has advice for people who are contacted by someone claiming to be an IRS agent; be sure to ask for IRS identification. All IRS employees are required to carry and present identification when calling on taxpayers. But generally, the IRS uses mail and telephone to contact people who may owe additional tax. Beware of anyone claiming to work for IRS who comes to your home unannounced, tells you that you owe additional tax and that they will be

Also, beware of bogus organizations requesting contributions for charity. While there are many legitimate organizations that have received tax-exempt status from IRS, there are some fraudulent groups who prey on the elderly by posing as representatives of bona

me. It seems that millions of Americans are spending hundreds, and in some cases, thousands of dollars to lease telephones they could purchase for as little as \$25. glad to accept your tax payment. Many are older Americans who continue to lease telephones from Prior to the breakup of AT&T in

1984, all Americans leased their telephones. According to a Washington Post story, the rental cost of a Touchtone telephone is \$6.45 per month or \$77.40 per year. For someone renting a telephone since the AT&T breakup, that cost comes to \$777.40, when they could have purchased a phone for a one-time cost of \$25. For older people, living on fixed incomes, the potential savings are

AT&T has stated that the average age of their leasing customers is 55 years old. Advocacy groups including the Gray Panthers, the National Council for Senior Citizens and United Seniors Health Cooperative are concerned enough to ask federal regulators to step in. They believe that leasing compa-

doesn't make sense

nies have an obligation to disclose

the rental amount paid over the life

pect are involved in tax scams. If a

local listing is unavailable in your

of the agreement and the estimated replacement cost.

I agree and have petitioned federal regulators to address this issue. In the meantime, all consumers should take the following steps:

· Check monthly bills for leasing charges. Compare them to the cost of buying a telephone at your local discount store.

· Shop for telephones and telephone services like other consumer products. Compare prices and services and choose which is appropriate for you.

· Consider joining a long distance calling program. If you spend more than \$10 a month on long distance, you could save money.

 Follow traditional savings strategies. Make long distance calls on weekends and during off-peak

Esther Peterson is former White House Counselor on Consumer Affairs and currently serves as vice-chair of the United Seniors Health Cooperative. For more information call the USHC's Telephone Awareness Project at (800) 280-0905.

Turn your old car into new

ting your old car with new parts. Some of the new parts on the market can actually rejuvenate older cars by overcoming old wiring, weak batteries and cranky motors.

A revolutionary new spark plug, for example, provides quicker starts in all weather conditions, quicker throttle response, smoother idle, improved gas mileage and performance durability.

The performance difference of the AC Rapidfire spark plug, according to experts, is in the electrodes. "The conical, multi-point center electrode improves startability," according to Dale Hostetler, an engineer for Delphi Energy and Engine. "The specially shaped nickel-silver ground electrode promotes longer electrode life, is cooler running, and provides a smooth idle and faster, more reliable starts."

The AC Rapidfire performance spark plug is designed for the average driver in everyday road condi-

(NAPS)—Save money by outfit- tions. Rapidfire can markedly improve the drivability of cars that are three to 15 years old. It can give drivers peace of mind that their cars will start more quickly and have improved throttle responsiveness when merging into traffic, while also providing smoother idle with greater fuel economy. This new spark plug can save consumers \$31 or more within the expected life of the plug (based on up to two percent greater fuel economy, 30,000 mile change interval, 22 miles per gallon, and \$1.15 per gallon for unleaded gas).

Research turned up three key areas where successful design adaptation would allow increased delivered energy:

would otherwise not fire; and

3. moving the spark location toward the center of the cylinder to enhance flame convection and reduce contact with the chamber walls, which can flow or quench flame growth.

Older citizens can learn while they earn!!!

The Big Sandy Area Community Action Agency is taking applications for the senior training program.

Applicants must be 55 years of age or older. Senior citziens selected will get paid while they

For more information,



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named of the second of the last are alike.

They say that no two snowflakes are alike ... each is unique ... special in its own way.

At ARH, we also understand that no two patients are alike. That's why our staff prides itself on treating our patients as they should be treated: as unique individuals with their own special needs and concerns

We also realize that our patients are the parents, children, spouses, friends, colleagues, or neighbors of someone. Each is special, and cared about by others. Our job is to determine how we can best meet each patient's unique needs, as well as the needs of that person's friends and family, while he or she is under our care.

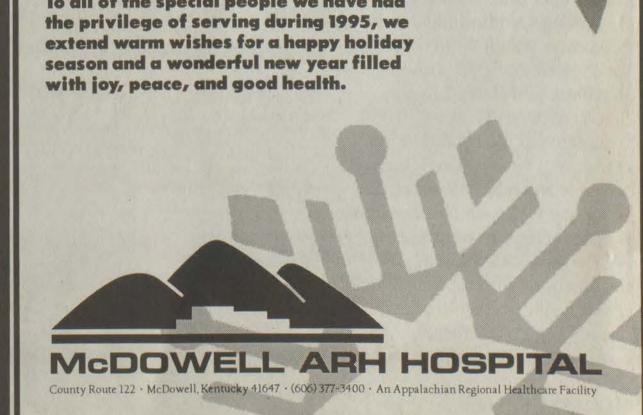
Quite simply, we understand the value of quality health care with a personal touch.

To all of the special people we have had the privilege of serving during 1995, we season and a wonderful new year filled with joy, peace, and good health.



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one graduate at a time."



BREAKFAST SCONES

3 1/4 cups all-purpose flour 1/2 cup sugar

1/2 tsp salt

2 1/2 tsp baking powder 3/4 cup (1 1/2 sticks) mar-

12 oz pork sausage 1 1/2 cups shredded cheddar cheese (6 oz.)

3/4 cup buttermilk

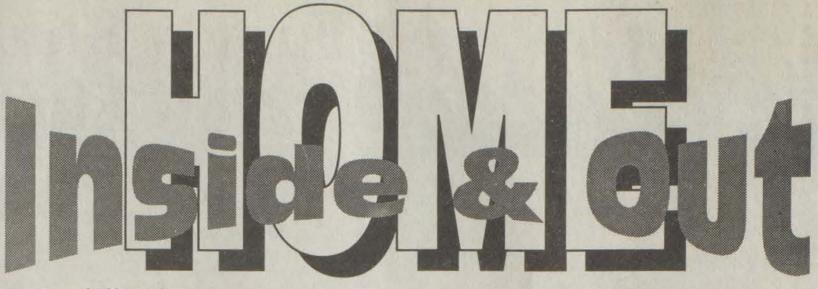
In a skillet, cook the pork sausage until lightly browned. Drain and set aside. In a large bowl, mix the flour, sugar, salt and baking powder. With a pastry blender, cut in the margarine until the mixture resembles crumbs. Sprinkle the shredded cheddar cheese and the drained sausage over the flour mixture and toss lightly. Add the buttermilk to flour mixture. If the dough is too sticky, add a little extra flour to the mix. Flour your hands and knead the dough about 20 times, adding flour if you need to. Let the dough rest for about five minutes. With one-half of the dough into a circle, sealing the edges as you work the dough. Use a 2 1/2 inch biscuit cutter dipped in flour to cut out the scones. Repeat with remaining dough. Place on an ungreased cookie sheet and bake in a preheated 425 degree oven for 10-12

This winning recipe, as well as the delicious creations from the other national finalists in the Bed & Breakfast Recipe Competition, are available in a recipe booklet offered by Jones Dairy Farm. To receive a free copy, mail a postcard with your name and address and a proof of purchase from any Jones product to "Free Bed & Breakfast Recipe Booklet," Jones Dairy Farm, P.O. Box 952, Grandville, Michigan, 49468-0952. Supplies are limited.

RAVISHING ROAST CHICKEN

(NAPS)-Older Americans are cooks your meal. becoming more health conscious all the time-53 percent of lowfat, low calorie, healthy foods are purchased by today's over 50s and 47.8 percent participate in some sort of fitness and exercising. In striving for a healthier way of life, many have discovered a tasty way of cooking that's high in nutrients one-pot meals, or they can be prebut very low in fat.

The secret rediscovered by



these mature health-conscious adults is clay cooking pots which date back to ancient times.

Clay pots, such as the wellcrafted Romertopf Nature's Oven, seal nutrients in and help cut down on fat. Surprisingly, some of today's most popular cooking the counter surface floured, press techniques can either deplete nutrients in food (as in oversteamed vegetables) or add fat (as in frying meat or fish).

> Cooking in a Romertopf Nature's Oven avoids over-cooking while it eliminates the need for

> Here's how it works. You soak the clay pot in water before it's placed inside the oven, allowing it to create and maintain moisture that cooks recipes to perfection, but prevents nutrients from escap-

Clay cooking not only saves nutrients, it also saves time. Simply soak the pot in water for 5-10 minutes, place ingredients inside and place the whole pot in a cold oven set at 400-450 degrees. Then just walk away. Plan your next trip, plant some flowers in the garden, play with the kids or grandchildren or soak in the tub for 45 minutes to an hour while the Romertopf Nature's Oven

Before cooking, meats can be trimmed of all fat. Even poultry cooked without skin comes out moist, tender, flavorful and browned with no need for basting.

Meat, potatoes, rice and vegetables can all be cooked together to make nutritious and flavorful pared separately.

This ingenious single cooking



vessel can serve as a soup kettle, a roaster for meat and poultry, a stew pot, a meat loaf pan, a fish poacher, a vegetable steamer, an container for all-purpose microwave cooking, a deep-dish pie pan, a souffle dish and even a little brick oven for bread that is crusty on the outside and soft on the inside.

Most recipes can easily be adapted to clay cookery. Romertopf clay pots are available in a variety of sizes, from the Maxi which holds a 17-lb. turkey to a 2-4 lb. capacity pot. They are unglazed to ensure perfect absorp-

ROAST CHICKEN AND **PEPPERS**

1 3 1/2 lb. oven ready chicken

7 oz. small onions

1 small red pepper, seeded and

1 green pepper, seeded and sliced

1 garlic clove

4 oz. baby corn 4 oz. button mushrooms, sliced

4 oz. string beans 1 Tb. tomato puree

Salt and freshly ground black

3-4 sprigs fresh thyme (or 1 tsp. dried thyme)

6 oz. red wine or chicken stock cornstarch

SOAK THE ROMERTOPF

Place the chopped garlic, sprig of thyme and salt & pepper inside the chicken. Place chicken in the Romertopf and surround with onions, peppers, more sprigs of thyme and sprinkle with salt &

Mix the tomato puree with the wine or stock and pour over the chicken.

Place Romertopf in cold oven, set to 400°F and cook for 45 min-

Remove the pot from the oven, add corn, mushrooms and string beans. Place the pot back in the oven and cook for another 30 min-

Remove the chicken and vegetables and keep warm. Strain off the sauce into a saucepan and reduce if necessary. The amount of sauce can be increased by adding 5 oz. of chicken stock to the sauce and thickening it with 2/3 tsp. cornstarch dissolved in 3 Tb. cold water. Whisk well until the sauce is brought to boil and thickens.

Adjust seasoning and serve with the chicken and vegetables. Boiled potatoes sprinkled with parsley are a delicious accompaniment to this meal.

HOPPIN' JOHN

Serves 6-8

1/2 lb. (1 cup) dry Blackeyes I cup chopped onions

2 Tbsp. olive oil or vegetable

1/2 tsp. garlic salt 1/2 tsp. oregano

4 cups chicken stock 4 cups hot cooked rice

Sort and wash Blackeyes. Combine onions, seasonings, chicken stock and Blackeyes in a pot large enough to hold the Blackeyes when rehydrated. Cover and cook slowly until the Blackeyes are at desired tenderness (about 60 to 75 min.). Tilt lid, if necessary, to prevent boiling

over. While Blackeyes are cooking, prepare the rice according to package directions. Serve 1/2 cup Blackeyes and their liquid over 1/2 cup rice.

BLACKEYE CHILI

1/2 lb. (1 cup) Blackeyes 1 lb. ground beef* 11/2 cups chopped onions

11/2 cups sliced celery 11/2 cups tomato puree

I tsp salt 1/8 tsp pepper

1/8 tsp garlic powder I to 2 Tbsp. chili powder *Ground chicken or turkey may be used as a substitute

Sort and wash Blackeyes. Brown meat, add onions and celery and cook slightly. Add tomato puree, seasonings and Blackeyes with about 1-1/4 cups water. Cook over low heat about one hour or until chili is thick and Blackeyes are tender, stirring occasionally. Add water if necessary to maintain desired consistency. By some standards this is a mild chili. If you want it "Texas Hot," use the full measure of chili powder and add hot pepper sauce to taste.

PUMPKIN PIE WITH BROWN SUGAR TOPPING

Filling ingredients: 2 eggs, lightly beaten

1 16 oz. can pumpkin (solid

1/2 cup brown sugar 2 tablespoons light molasses

1/2 teaspoon salt

1/2 teaspoon cinnamon

1/2 teaspoon pumpkin pie spice 1 12 oz. can Evaporated Milk

1 9-inch pie shell (unbaked, deep dish) Topping ingredients:

1/3 cup brown sugar 1/2 cup flour

1/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon Dash of salt

3 tablespoons butter (softened) For Topping: Combine sugar, flour, cinnamon and salt. With pastry blender cut butter into dry

ingredients until mixture resembles coarse crumbs; set aside. Preheat oven to 425°F. Combine filling ingredients in order. Pour into pie shell and bake for 15 minutes. Sprinkle with topping and return to oven. Reduce oven temperature to 350°F, bake for 45 minutes or until knife

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Medical Adviser

Some resist the concept of brain death

Q: We are in the holiday season, and I just hope you can remind people of the biggest gift an individual can give another. There is an incredible shortage of organs for transplantation. Donor cards are readily available; they just need to be signed to communicate a dying wish to others. Reluctance to sign these cards stems from personal or religious benefits, but often the real concern is the definition of brain death. Please explain what criteria are used to proclaim someone dead? Has anyone ever been proclaimed brain dead who then survived?-Concerned doctor, New York City

A: Guidelines for proclaiming an individual "brain dead" generally require proof that all functions of the brain, including the brain stem, are irreversibly gone. Experts say they believe the guidelines and practices in the United States are stringent and free of conflict of interest, and they say an incorrect diagnosis of brain death has never been made in any adult in the United States.

"Irreversible loss of all brain function is easy to diagnose in adults. A well-trained neurologist, neurosurgeon or critical care physician can do so at the bedside on the basis of (patient) examination alone," writes Dr. Stuart Youngner, professor of psychiatry and biomedical ethics at Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine in Cleveland. "No patient with irreversible loss of all brain function has either regained consciousness or "lived" for more than hours, days or, in a few instances weeks-despite the most aggressive treatment possible." Youngner published his study in the May issue of Archives of Neurology. He and other experts are careful to distinguish between adults and children because children have different recuperative powers.

Every year approximately 85,000 adults in the United States suffer serious head injuries. Many are taken to hospitals and severely brain-injured patients may need to be placed on ventilators and other equipment to keep their hearts and lungs working.

It was these relatively recent advances in equipment that can keep a body functioning, along with the ability to transplant organs, that created the need for a term such as "brain death." Families and healthcare facilities were increasingly burdened by severely brain-damaged patients. And transplant specialists needed a system that would let them take organs from hopelessly injured people. In response, a committee of physicians, attorneys and bioethicists met in 1968 at Harvard Medical School in Boston and put forth a new definition of death: the total and irreversible loss of functioning of the whole brain. They reported their conclusions in the Journal of the American Medical Association.

Just one year earlier, in 1967, the first heart-transplant surgery had been performed. Since then, heart, heart-lung, kidney, liver and other organ transplants have gained popularity and success.

Yet, as with many things, technology has outpaced the develop-

The definition of brain death

Here are generally agreed upon guidelines used to establish brain death.

Several doctors must review the case. One should be a specialist with expertise in intensive care of severely brain-damaged patients. No doctor associated with the transplant team should participate. The problem is considered irreversible when the physicians have

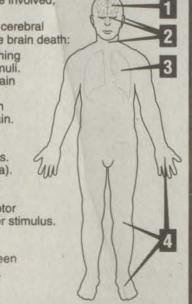
established the cause of the patient's coma, when that cause is sufficient to account for the loss of brain function, when there is no chance any brain function will return, and when all brain functions have been absent for an appropriate period (usually 24 hours or more).

There are cases that require special consideration: when drug intoxication, hypothermia or shock are involved, and when the patient is a child. Physicians look for the absence of cerebral and brain stem functions to determine brain death

There must be deep conset to stimuli there is no brain response to stimuli There must be deep coma, meaning Confirmation may require use of a brain blood-flow study and/or an electroencephaologram (EEG), which measures electrical activity in the brain.

2 An experienced physician using adequate stimulation finds no responses to eye, ear and throat tests. Breathing must be absent (apnea). This test must be done carefully. There should be no relieved spontaneous movements; no motor spontaneous movements; no motor start as a spontaneous movements. responses of any kind to pain or other stimulus.

ho's counting: Since 1992, 537 medical articles have been published on organ transplantation. KEVIN BOYD — MEDICAL INFORMATION SERVICE DISTRIBUTED BY UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE



is applied. As a result, the demand for organs is far greater than the supply. For instance, every year approximately 20,000 patients are in need of a heart transplant, but only about 2,000 suitable donor hearts become available. The demand for organs could be met if all the people who eventually end up with irreversible brain damage had agreed to donate their organs.

Why don't people donate more? Studies show that the reasons for reluctance cited most often are:

-a fear of being declared dead improperly, such as you expressed -religious beliefs

-concerns of members of ethnic minorities that the organs are directed to the white population

—a general feeling of uneasiness about the issue "The subject of brain death has

three components-medical, ethical and philosophical," Youngner said in an interview. "To medically identify that a brain stem is irreversibly destroyed is rather straightforward, but the ethical and philosophical issues surrounding the brain death are complex and interrelated."

Before respirators arrived, dying was defined as the time when the heart stopped beating, he continued. "Now, with modern technology, we find ourselves teasing apart the dying process. The brain may be dead, but the heart and other systems still alive. To accept the idea of brain death, we have to be willing to declare someone dead even in the face of signs of life. Where you are willing to draw that line is a philosophical issue. Ethically, our obligations to the living are different than to the dead. When is it permissable to stop treatment and allow a person to die, and when is it permissible to take organs from a living person? You solve some of the ethical and philosphical issues by redefining death,"

As our society has become ment of a philosophy about how it familiar with the issues, both the 1999.

legal and medical communities have come to officially support the concept of brain death. But studies point out numerous areas where the concept is still difficult to accept.

For instance, even when a patient has been proclaimed brain dead, and all involved agree that only machines are keeping the body functioning, half of the physicians noting time of death on a death certificate will write the time the heart stopped beating-not the time when brain death was determined, a study has shown.

And our everyday use of language continues to support the term "brain death" as if it were different from being legally dead. You never hear the term heart dead. reports often speak of brain dead people being "kept alive" on "life support" equipment until organs are removed or the life support is stopped and the patient can "die."

The United Network for Organ Sharing, a private nonprofit organization operating under contract with the Division of Organ Transplantion, a division of the U.S. Department of Health Resources and Services Division, develops and maintains a national organ allocation system and a computerized system to match organ donors with recipients. UNOS makes available donor cards, brochures on organ donation and brochures for potential transplant recipients. UNOS can be reached by calling 800-243-

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Grounding the flu bug

Just as you can count on those beautifully colored autumn leaves that fell from the trees, you can count on the flu. Influenza will affect up to 50 million Americans this flu season, October to May. So, how do you avoid the aches, chills, fever, sneezing and coughs associated with this annoying disease?

'A good way to avoid the flu is to get a flu shot," says Spencer Turner, M.D., director of the University Health Service. "To be covered for the flu season, you should get your shot in October or early November since it takes up to 30 days for the shot to become fully

Influenza is a highly contagious viral infection of the respiratory system that is easily transmitted through sneezing, coughing, or contact with contaminated areas, such as doorknobs and telephones. Classic symptoms include general malaise, shaking, chills and fever, headaches and a dry cough. These symptoms can last up to a week and vary in severity from person to per-

The flu virus frequently changes and new strains develop from year to year. At the end of each flu season, experts at the Centers for Disease Control make an educated guess about which strain will be prevalent the following season. Since this year's shot only deters this year's virus, you need to be vaccinated every year.

Anyone who is not pregnant, allergic to eggs, chickens, feathers

wants protection from the flu can get a flu shot. High risk groups, including persons over the age of 65, those with long-term health conditions or immune deficiency, and health care workers who have contact with high-risk individuals should also be vaccinated. Unfortunately, the vaccine is only 70 to 80 percent effective in detering the virus, although studies have shown that vaccinated individuals who contract the virus experience less severe side effects.

If you are unfortunate enough to succumb to the flu, your doctor can prescribe one of two antiviral drugs, rimantadine (Flumadine) or amantadine (Symmetrel), which can shorten your illness by preventor gentamicin (an antibiotic) and ing the virus from reproducing.

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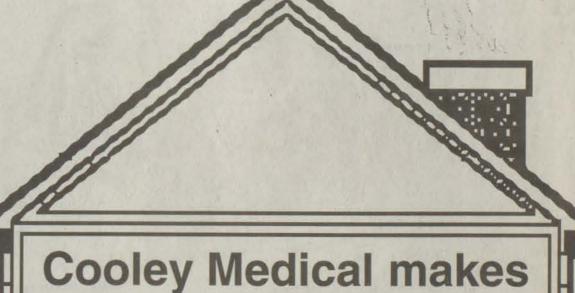
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Tis the season to lose weight...and keep it off

you made it through the holidays. If tips you're like most people, however, you're beginning the year with a few extra pounds, the result of too many holiday parties and too little

An estimated five million people will counter their over-indulgence with a New Year's resolution to lose weight. For most people these resolutions are short-lived. An estimated 75 percent will abandon their resolution by the end of January.

Weight management expert Jenny Craig, whose first-ever cook-Jenny Craig Cookbook—is due out just in time for the New Year, said most people are not prepared to manage the psychological challenges related to weight management. "We generally know which foods are healthy and which are not, and we know to limit calories and fat," she said, "but all this wisdom is futile unless we can control the emotional and environmental situations that can lead to overeating.'

To help people succeed with

(NAPS)—Congratulations— Jenny Craig offers the following at the kitchen or dining room table

Set reasonable goals. Don't make your resolution any more demanding by trying to achieve a weight that may be too difficult. And don't develop an "all or nothing" attitude. Even small amounts of weight loss can bring substantial health benefits.

Be patient. Don't expect to lose weight too rapidly. Experts say a reasonable amount of weight loss is 1-2 pounds per week.

Don't starve yourself. Contrary to many opinions about dieting and weight loss, you don't have to forsake all of the foods you enjoy. Just eat them less often and in smaller

Dish out your food before bringing it to the table, and use a smaller plate to make your portions look

Focus on changing your eating behavior. You must break the habits that led to your weight gain. Plan your meals ahead of time. Write your shopping list when you're not

instead of nibbling while doing other things.

Share your resolution with others. Friends and family are excellent sources of motivation and support. If they know you're serious about managing your weight, they'll be less likely to foil your resolution by tempting you with unplanned visits to the pizza parlor or bringing unwelcome gifts of food to your home or office.

Exercise. Along with proper nutrition, exercise is the most beneficial activity you can do to manage your weight. You'll not only burn calories but you'll reduce stress and divert your attention from eating. There are plenty of opportunities to exercise this time of year despite inclement weather. Take a walk, go dancing or build a snowman.

These simple suggestions can help you fulfill your New Year's resolution to lose weight. Credible weight management programs, such as the one offered by Jenny Craig, can also help. To reach the nearest Jenny Craig centre, call tollfree 1-800-43-JENNY.

hungry, and shop for groceries on a those resolutions to lose weight, full stomach. Eat only when sitting Caring counts

ing person you know?" The Caring Institute, a national non-profit organization, asked this question of 250,000 people, including our nation's political, civic, artistic and journalistic leaders. Eleven extraordinary individuals have been selected to receive the 1995 National Caring Award, following extensive research on all of the nominees. They are remarkable in the diversity of their approaches, yet they are unified by a common devotion to service and an understanding of the value of caring.

Former president Jimmy Carter and his wife, Rosalynn, are among those who have been selected to receive a National Caring Award. Some of the others include:

• Billy Shore and Stan Curtis, the

(NAPS)-"Who is the most car- have attacked the problem of viable solutions to some of our hunger—one by raising \$26 million to fight hunger; the other by raising 216 million pounds of food annually to feed the hungry;

> · Corla Hawkins, a Chicago teacher whose entire life is dedicated to giving her children a step up and out of the ghetto;

. Nancy Mintie, the founder of a Skid Row law practice, which serves 3,600 clients annually and has never lost a housing case in its 15 years; and

· Joe Carroll, the hustler priest who has created an entire village within a city to care for the home-

"These people represent the best of the best," said Caring Institute president Bill Halamandaris. "Through their selflessness and founders of two organizations that dedication, they are providing

nation's worst problems."

For more information or to nominate a caring person, contact the Caring Institute, 320 A Street, NE, Washington, DC 20002.

Growing young

(NAPS)—"Let me grow lovely growing old," reads a poem by Karle Wilson Baker. "So many fine things do: laces, and ivory and gold, and silks need not be new."

That admirable sentiment is echoed in a book which teaches women to look their very best during what can be their finest years.

Look Like A Winner After 50 (Golden Aspen Pub./Nat'l Writers Press, \$15.95) "is dedicated to women who have spent most of their lives nurturing others-and now recognize the need to nurture themselves," said Jo Peddicord.

self-conscious of their teeth to

show them-much less show them

off. But after orthodontic treat-

ment, many patients-male and

female, from children to people in

their 30s, 40s, 50s and older-have

a reason to show off their brighter,

thing could be done to improve her

appearance and bad bite. But cor-

rective jaw surgery and a period of

time in braces changed every-

people whose outlook-and

looks-have improved dramatically thanks to the art and science of

Today, she is among countless

"Properly aligned teeth look

better and generally function bet-

ter, too," emphasizes Dr. Clifford

Marks, a Miami orthodontist and

Rene Sorrell didn't think any-

healthier smiles.

Look Like A Winner shows women how to increase self-confidence and self-esteem by revitalizing fading face and hair and by selecting colorful, comfortable fashions. A great gift idea, the book is the perfect pick-me-up for any woman not totally convinced that beauty is truly ageless. Step-by-step details with photos and illustrations inspire the reader to make it happen.

president of the American

(AAO). "But that's only part of the reason that the practice of this dental specialty is so satisfying-it's impossible to measure how much orthodontics can improve a patient's self-confidence. Many people are eager to tell

Bracing for better oral health

how braces have changed their lives. Here are just three of them:

Joe Miller

Lighten

(NAPS)—Some people are too Association of Orthodontists

Miller originally sought orthodontic treatment to rid himself of difficulties he experienced with eating. In fact, his teeth and jaws were so badly out of alignment that he didn't look forward to meals.

Today, Miller is emphatic when he says orthodontic treatment has been the "single most significant improvement in my health.

Plus, Miller discovered an unexpected benefit after treatment-he had less trouble keeping his teeth clean. "I cannot help but believe," Miller says, "that (treatment) will ultimately extend the life of my teeth." He now looks forward to bringing his children for treatment.

Sally Borla

Borla, retired and in her 50s, didn't dream she'd ever wear braces. Now she can't imagine why she didn't start earlier. "I'd always related braces to young people, but I guess I'm living proof that it doesn't matter how old a person is," Borla says. "When I look in the mirror, I can hardly believe that the smile looking back at me is mine."

Borla's dental treatment team advised her to have an orthodontist evaluate and correct her bite-otherwise her teeth, she recalls, "would soon be lost."

"The need to preserve my teeth has convinced me that treatment was one of the wisest choices I've ever made," Borla says. "After all, good dental health is every bit as important as my overall physical health." Borla continues to wear a retainer to maintain her attractive

and healthy results. Rene Sorrell, Joe Miller and Sally Borla are among thousands in the United States and Canada who are grateful they sought orthodontic treatment. And today, they're confident they have a smile that's good for life.

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Medicare tactics

ries that were bandied about earlier this year about how House Speaker Newt Gingrich and his Republican colleagues were looking to cut the school lunch program and thus deprive millions of poor youngsters of their daily bread?

Turns out GOP lawmakers had actually proposed an increase in school lunch funding during the next seven years, albeit less than what the Democrats wanted. But the Republicans-as-Scrooge myth made for a much better story and they took a pounding in public opinion polls until the truth became generally known.

Well, similar scare tactics are driving the Medicare debate, as some Democrats are demagoguing the GOP's proposal to save \$270 billion during the next seven years by slowing the program's projected growth from 10 percent to 7 percent

Never mind that the GOP's market-based approach could save even more, while delivering quality health care to seniors. Democrat alarmists warn of Draconian cuts that will compel many Health Maintenance Organizations to dump their Medicare patients. The one. common canard is that frazzled, middle-age married couples will have little choice but to send Grandma packing to the nearest nursing home.

In terms of credibility, the Medicare bogyman is right up there with the starving of schoolchildren. So suggests Matthew Miller in the December 11 edition of The New Republic, which should be required reading for retirees as well as those who are still working for a living.

Miller's fascinating article points out that the federal govern-

Remember the bogus horror sto- ment is paying far more for medical services than private insurers in many American cities. For instance, he found that a common catheter procedure to measure urine flow cost private plans 43 percent to 62 percent less than Medicare in San Diego, Phoenix, Cleveland and Research Triangle, North Carolina.

In fact, he found that discounted prices paid by HMOs and other forms of managed care are causing a downward trend in health care costs. California's large private carriers, for instance, have gained an unprecedented 14 percent price rollback during the last two years. That helps explain why many of these carriers are projecting overall premiums to drop 20 percent by century's end.

Having chided Democrats for their disingenuousness on the Medicare debate, Miller scores Republicans for engaging in their own brand of social engineering by shepherding patients into Medicaresanctioned HMOs.

He believes that GOP lawmakers should have faith in their free-market principles and enable seniors to choose their own private carriers without the aid of a federal chaper-

This could, he reasons, bring about even greater savings in a program that currently accounts for 12 percent of the federal budget.

Miller concludes that the purported Medicare-payment gap being portrayed by President Clinton and Democratic political strategists is akin to John Kennedy exploiting the fictitious "missile gap" during his 1960 presidential campaign.

Gingrich and GOP lawmakers should stand firm on this issue because the facts are on their side.

As millions of Americans ring in the new year, they will make resolutions about what they want to accomplish in their work and personal lives. According to William L. Roper, M.D., chief medical officer of The Prudential HealthCare System and former director of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the most promising resolutions are aimed at improving one's health through changes in lifestyle or habits.

"Making New Year's resolutions to take on a healthier lifestyle needn't be seen as unpleasant," said Dr. Roper. "Within a short time, feeling healthier with more energy convinces people that a new approach to behaviors like diet and activity is worthwhile and improves one's quality of life." He offers the following tips to ensure a healthier and happier 1996:

· Don't smoke. According to the American Cancer Society, 46 million Americans smoke today, despite the fact that it increases the risk for a number of deadly diseases. If you want to quit smoking, smoking cessation programs can provide the support and reinforcement needed during the difficult withdrawal period. Check with your employer or health plan to find out if these programs are

 Watch your diet. Routine physical inactivity and overeating can lead to obesity and high blood cholesterol-major risk factors for heart disease. To help reduce risk, limit intake of foods containing saturated fat, such as meat and dairy products. On average fat intake should represent no more than 30 percent of your total daily calories. And daily cholesterol intake should be limited to 250 to 300 milligrams. Regular exercise—ideally at least three times a week-can also help strengthen and condition the heart.

 Schedule routine screenings. If you are a woman aged 50 and above, the National Cancer Institute recommends that you get a routine mammography screening every one to two years. However, if you are under 50 and have a family history of breast cancer, check with your health care provider to see if you fall under the increased risk category for a routine, periodic mammography. Initial blood pressure and cholesterol screenings are also highly recommended.

· Manage your stress. Stress can have a negative impact on your health. Stress-related disorders, such as alcoholism, heart disease, ulcers, hypertension and emotional distress, have become common among Americans. However, stress management programs, offered by many employers, teach a variety of strategies and behaviors to help achieve and maintain happier, healthier and more productive

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However, community hospitals often lack the technology that can improve heart attack victims' chance of survival.

Many patients must wait until they can be transferred to a major medical center, risking further damage to their hearts, and even death.

According to recent medical sources, a device known as the Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump (IABP), can improve the outcome for some heart attack victims by reducing the work load of the heart and, at the same time, increasing the blood flow to that damaged heart.

When the heart lacks sufficient oxygen, due to blocked coronary arteries or other problems, it must work harder to provide vital blood

IABP therapy assists the heart during both its rest and work phas-

In the rest phase, the balloon inflates, increasing the supply of oxygen-rich blood to the coronary arteries.

deflates, decreasing the work load of the heart.

In the work phase, the balloon

Despite excellent results in hospitals with cardiovascular centers,

(NAPS)-A new medical pro- many community hospitals have traditionally been unable to use the intra-aortic balloon pump because they lack back-up technology or do not have physicians and nurses with training or experience in the use of balloon pumps.

In answer to this problem, Datascope Corporation, the market leader in balloon pumping, is developing Cardiac Survival Networks (CSN), which facilitate training, communication, and use of IABP therapy and build working relationships between community hospitals and full-service cardiac receiving centers to save more lives.

The program offers training and technical support to the community hospitals from the major medical centers to which they refer.

Unique telecommunication capabilities built into the Datascope pump allows cardiac specialists

through their on-line computers at the receiving hospital, sometimes many miles away, to view data from the intra-aortic balloon pump in a patient at a community hospital.

If patients receive timely IABP support at community hospitals, they are more likely to arrive at major medical centers in more stable condition.

Dr. Robert J. Freedman, an interventional cardiologist and Clinic Assistant Professor of Medicine at Tulane Medical Center in New Orleans, states: "We expect the time to treatment for acute myocardial infarctions with cardiogenic shock patients to be improved with the widespread implementation of CSNs." Dr. Freedman is the cooriginator of the CSN concept.

For more information, call Datascope at 1-800-777-4222.

Medicare premiums reduced for New Year!

Big Sandy area residents will not have to pay as much for Medicare in 1996 as they did in 1995, according to Jim Kelly, District Director for the Social Security Administration.

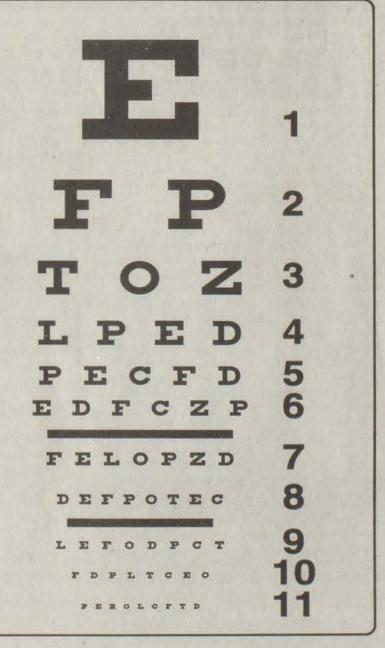
The amount held out of the Social Security checks for the Medicare premium will be reduced from \$46.10 to \$42.50 beginning with the January 3rd check, Kelly

People drawing Social Security are automatically enrolled in Medicare at age 65 and mailed their Medicare card.

People drawing Social Security Disability are automatically enrolled in Medicare after they have been entitled to checks for 24 months, Kelly said.

Anyone having questions regarding Medicare can call 1-800-772-1213.

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Touring the ports of Alaska or the islands of Hawaii from a ship means unpacking just once, then simply setting in for the show.

AN ALASKAN ADVENTURE

More than 20 ships, from luxury liners to small expedition vessels, ply Alaskan waters from May to September.

Most sail along the Inside Passage, a meandering thousandwaterway between Vancouver, B.C., and Skagway.

The SS Universe, floating campus of the University of Pittsburgh for eight months of the year, carries 550 passengers on two-week summer sailings from Vancouver. It makes eight ports of call-more stops than any other Alaskan cruise.

Those with Elderhostel tastes feel right at home. The Universe boasts an extensive library on Alaska, along with a cadre of experts who lecture on the anthropology, history, biology and geology of the 49th state.

Classical music, light opera, pop vocalists and fitness workshops round out shipboard activities. But the star attractions are Elghways Byways

Alaska and Hawaii: Sightseeing by sea

sions.

In Jueaneau the "pilot's choice" helicopter safari lifts you smoothly through a mountain pass to the immense Juneau ice fields. The pilot may choose to land on Taku Glacier, where you can walk on a river of icy crevasses thousands of years old.

Skagway, at the northern extreme of the Inside Passage, offers the opportunity to visit a salmon hatchery or retrace the route of Yukon gold prospectors via van, bus or rail.

Downtown buildings have been restored to their turn-of-the century appearance as part of Klondike Gold Rush National Historical

One popular Skagway optionthe Eagle Preserve Float Trip with Flight Seeing-takes you via a circuitous route over Glacier Bay

some 40 optional shore excur- and the Takihinsha Mountains to request a cruise brochure, phone Haines.

Several dozen eagles typically are on hand for your raft float through the Chilkat Eagle Preserve and past Klukwan Indian

On arrival at Glacier Bay, rangers board the ship to provide commentary on whale antics and

idles a few hundred yards from massive glacibooming thunderclaps echo across the bay each time a huge ice chunk splits off and crashes into the chilly waters below.

Sitka, called New Archangel while it was the capital of

an intriguing rain forest walk where you'll find colorful Tlingit and Haida totem poles standing like sentinels among the trees. A jet boat takes a 50-mile tour

ful sea otters and other wildlife.

Ketchikan, described by residents as "five miles long, four blocks wide and two blocks up Deer Mountain," is the wettest town in Alaska-precipitation averages 160 inches a year. Cruise visitors enjoy nearby Indian villages and the boutiques of Ketchikan's colorful Creek Street, a boardwalk on pilings that was a busy red light district until 1953.

cabins at \$2,895 and \$3,695. To

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The Independence and the Constitution, both recently refurbished historic ocean liners, sail every week out of Honolulu on seven-night voyages to Hawaii's majestic glaciers. While your ship most famous destinations. You'll

have plenty of time for sight-seeing when the ships tie up at ports-plus a wide choice of guided shore excursions at each

Maui has so much to offer that your ship docks for two days at the port of Kahului.

Be sure to reserve one day for a tour around the almost undeveloped eastern shore—a wonderland of rugged cliffs, rampant vegetation and spectacular

Delight in freshwater ponds to splash in and a little town called Hana that time forgot.

The most enjoyable way to visit is by rental car, but you must feel at ease driving a narrow, winding road.

Check on the weather, and make sure the rental agency allows you to take the vehicle on this excursion-not all of them do. In any case, you can join a guide van tour.

On your other day on Maui, take a morning ride up Haleakala, the volcano that dominates the island. In the afternoon, browse the historic sights of old Lahaina, a great spot for shopping and people-watching.

It's from Hilo on the Big Island's tropical rain-forest side that a highway climbs Mauna Loa, the lofty domain of the fire goddess at Hawaii Volcanoes National ous moonscape of steam-belching fissures. Be sure to take sweaters on this trip into the volcano's chilly cloud cap. Right outside Hilo, you'll find the Hani Mau Gardens.

two-mile-wide crater, a mysteri-

Park.

On the sunny resort coast of the Big Island, the ship ties up at Kona. Here you can relax on palm-fringed beaches, go deepsea fishing or enjoy snorkeling in the crystal waters of the Kealakekua Marine Bay Sanctuary.

The unforgettable visit on Kauai is to Waimea Canyon, a gorge almost the size of Arizona's Grand Canyon and equally rich in

You also can ride a riverboat to the island's famous Fern Grotto and witness tidal waterspouts erupting from gashes in lava slabs washed by the Pacific.

the brakes. Check your eyes?

Be sure to spend at least one extra day on Oahu before or after A road circles Mauna Loa's your cruise. The USS Arizona Memorial at Pearl Harbor is a

The viewing gallery above the sunken battleship is accessible only by Navy launch, a pilgrimage so popular you may have to wait in line for hours and sometimes won't get on at all. Your best chance is to join a Roberts motorcoach tour that gets reserved places on the launch.

Another attraction you don't want to miss is the Polynesian Cultural Center, a 42-acre outdoor museum of South Pacific civiliza-

Cruises cost \$995-\$3,000 per person, plus airfare. For a cruise brochure, call American Hawaii Cruises at 1-800-474-9934.— George S. Bush. (This article first appeared in Mature Outlook Magazine, which is a benefit of the Mature Outlook organization.

A complete eye exam by an eyecare professional can make a driving vacation safer, says the Better

Vision Institute (BVI), since drivers rely on their eyes to make most driving decisions.

"Good vision enables drivers to determine safe passing distance, see curves or sharp turns in the road and judge braking distance," says Harold Davis, an Illinois-based optometrist and a BVI Advisory Council member.

A professional eye exam can detect vision problems that may hamper driving habits, and often these conditions can be easily corrected with glasses, contact lenses

(NAPS)—Check the oil. Check or vision therapy.

Keeping Your Eyes On The Road

Here are some safe driving tips from BVI:

· Clean car windows and remove obstructions for all-around visibili-

· Try to limit driving at night,

dawn, dusk and in adverse weather conditions.

· Avoid driving when feeling tired or while taking medications that cause drowsiness.

· Move eyes frequently to avoid visual fatigue.

For more information, write The Better Vision Institute, P.O. Box 77097, Washington, DC 20013 or call 1-800-424-8422 from inside the U.S. or 703-243-1528 outside the U.S.

Bear necessities

by Joe Bower

You might not have "Meet a bear" on the list of things to do on your next vacation, but such encounters occur in nearly every state outside the Great Plains, says Tom Puchlerz of the U.S. Forest Service. It's important you learn the bare essentials about such bear encounters.

To obtain a copy of the free brochure, "Living With Wildlife in Bear Country," send a selfaddressed, stamped business-size envelope to: Colorado Division of Wildlife, Department of Nature 6060 Broadway, Resources, Denver, CO 80216-1000.

BEAR ADVICE

Tom Puchlerz of the U.S. Forest Service and Kathi Green of the Colorado Division of Wildlife suggest taking the following actions:

-If you spot a bear before it spots you, retreat while talking to alert it to your presence. Speak slowly and quietly to communicate you mean no harm.

-Walk away slowly-never turn your back on a bear. Don't approach a bear or run away. Sudden movements can provoke a

-If you're hiking on a trail, step off on the downhill side.

-Avoid direct eye contact, which can be seen as threat.

-If attacked, fight back. This tactic has been successful in driving away bears.

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Russian Alaska, boasts museums, bookstores and galleries. Its National Historic Park has

from Sitka Harbor to Salisbury Sound for a close-up look at play-

The SS Universe Alaska cruises cost \$2,495-\$4,195 per person double occupancy, with single

Health Tips Peace Of Mind For Holiday Travelers

(NAPS)-Imagine waking up in an emergency room in a strange city. What began as a great vacation has become a life-threatening experience. Planning against that possibility makes sense-especially for people with medical

For example, for Martha Bryan, a traveler from Pacific Palisades, California, Medic Alert was a life-saver. While touring Germany, only her Medic Alert bracelet protected her from being treated for pneumonia with penicillin-a medication to which Bryan is so violently allergic even a small dose could have caused her death. "They were automatically set to give me penicillin," she confirms. "I couldn't speak German, not to mention the fact that I was too sick to speak up. If the doctor hadn't seen my emblem and called Medic Alert, I would have died-not from pneumonia but from anaphylactic shock brought on by

The Medic Alert emblem has been recognized around the world for saving lives and speeding medical treatment since 1956.

Smart travelers know that medical conditions need not limit an active lifestyle that includes travel. Planning ahead-such as taking an extra set of eyeglasses or contact lenses-can make a big difference when you travel, no matter how far away your destination.

If you are planning a a holiday vacation and someone has a medical condition, send for a free brochure on healthy travel. Call the nonprofit Medic Alert Foundation at 1-800-ID-ALERT.

Kentucky's scenic byways program begins

Kentucky, one of the most scenic roadways. states in the nation, just added to its officially designated Scenic Byway Program a 14th Scenic Byway -U.S.-62, the Midway-Versailles Road. This byway, six miles in length, begins at Parrish Avenue in Midway, a town named for its location midway between Lexington and Frankfort and Versailles and Georgetown, and extends to the junction of U.S.-60 in Versailles. Views include a variety of large open pastures, woodlands and ponds. The route runs by beautifully landscaped farms including Fawn Leap, Shadowlawn, Adena Springs, Stonewall and Lane's End and by several historic sites including the Offutt-Cole Tavern. A mixture of old stone fences and wood plank fences blends the historic qualities of the roadway with the current working farms of the area.

Developed by employees within the Cabinet's Division of Transportation Planning, the Scenic Byway Program provides a unique opportunity to preserve some of Kentucky's most scenic and historic

(NAPS)-Some of the nation's

top truck drivers with more than

100 million accident-free miles

among them are offering useful

safety tips to help motorists and

spots" and keeping a safe distance

between your automobile and a

truck are just two of several safe

driving tips suggested by a select

group of truck drivers to make the

from a survey of 45 recent

inductees of America's Road Team

of the American Trucking

Association and 15 life members of

the National Private Truck

Council's Driver Hall of Fame.

The safe driving advice comes

Staying clear of a truck's "blind

truckers share the road.

nation's highways safer.

reviewed by the Division, the appropriate Highway District Office and the Scenic Highways and Byways Screening Committee, made up of representatives from the Kentucky Heritage Council and the Transportation and Tourism Cabinets. Consideration is given to routes which have aesthetic, cultural, historical, or archaeological value worthy of preservation, restoration, protection and enhance-

Based on strong local and/or regional support and commitment, the program encourages local citizen's groups to submit routes for possible designation as a Scenic Highway or Byway.

Transportation Secretary Don C. Kelly said the cooperation and enthusiasm exhibited by the sponsoring groups has been outstanding.

"This is exactly the kind of public participation we were hoping for," he said. "These partnerships are serving to protect the unique characteristics and resources of Kentucky while promoting tourism

Applications are and maximizing the potential of little travelled or bypassed roads. I'm extremely proud of our employees' work in the development of this program."

Applicant groups oversee the

The program began with the announcement of the first ten offi-

service to the traveling public.

cial scenic byways in October, 1994 including Cordell Hull Highway, Old Kentucky Turnpike, River Road, Riverboat Row, Big Bone Lick, Old Frankfort Pike, Pisgah Pike, Boone Creek, Shakertown and Duncan Hines Highway. Three additional routes were recommended and approved in May, 1995 and included US-68, the Great River and Pine Mountain Road.

New guide to Big South Fork describes trails for hikers, bikers, and horse riders

published a new edition of its popular guide to the Big South Fork National River and Recreation Area in Tennessee and Kentucky. The complete Trails of the Big South Fork, A Guide for Hikers, Bikers, and Horse Riders covers all trails in the recreation area, adding trails for horseback riders and mountain bikers to new and more-complete descriptions of the hiking trails covered by previous editions.

Authored by Russ Manning and Sondra Jamieson, long-time hikers in the Big South Fork area, the pocket-sized guide gives directions to 89 trails and contains sections on park history, plants and animals, geology, and human history. It also contains numerous maps and black and white photos.

A prime southeastern whitewater river, the Big South Fork carves a deep gorge as it sweeps north across the Cumberland Plateau from Tennessee into Kentucky before joining the Cumberland River. The river flows through remote backcountry west of I-75 between Oneida and Jamestown in east Tennessee and Stearns/Whitley City and Monticello in eastern

The Big South Fork NRRA has quickly developed a national reputation as one of the best outdoor recreation areas in the Southeast, with visitation approaching one million visitors a year. The recreation area is remarkable for its

Kentucky.

Mountain Laurel Place recently secluded trails and backcountry camping. The 300 miles of trails meander by high rock walls, numerous rock shelters, and natural sandstone arches in a land once hunted by the Cherokee and Shawnee. Abandoned jeep trails and the old O&W Railroad bed are ideal for mountain bicycling. The park caters to horseback riders, providing stables and numerous horse

Camping is permitted nearly everywhere in the park's backcountry. In addition, Bandy Creek Campground next to the Visitor Center in Tennessee has 150 sites, and Blue Heron Campground near the restored historic Blue Heron Mining Community in the Kentucky section has 45 sites. A new horse camp has opened at Station Camp East in Tennessee, and another is to open soon at the Bear Creek Scenic Area in Kentucky.

Anyone needing a bed can find one in the restored Victorian inns and homes of nearby Historic Rugby, Tenn., the last English colony in the Americas, founded in the 1880s and now on the National Historic Register (423/628-2430). Charit Creek Lodge in the backcountry offers the visitor a bunk and three meals a day (423/429-

Tennessee's adjacent Pickett State Rustic Park has a 40-site

campground and several rustic cabins (615/879-5821

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The survey taken in conjunction Department "Sharing The Transportation Road" public service program asked truck drivers what advice they had for motorists. These were

the most frequently given sugges-· Avoid tailgating.

· Stay out of the blind spots to the sides and the rear of trucks. This is known as the "No-Zone."

Safety Tips From Truck Drivers

 Do not exceed speed limits. · Use turn signals. · Maintain speed when passing

. Do not pull in front of a truck unless it is visible in your rear-view

"It is important for motorists to realize how dangerous some unintentional driving behavior can be," Federal Highway Administrator Rodney E. Slater said. "This survey clearly identifies areas where all drivers can work together to avoid accidents."

An informative brochure about the No-Zone and sharing the road with trucks safely is available free by calling the No-Zone hotline at 800-644-1744.

monitoring and protection of the scenic qualities of adjacent land areas along the route. The Cabinet provides signage and promotion of the system of roadways, assurance of the system's integrity, technical

support, funding, and above all, security of the roadway's safety and

Floyd native graduates from MSU after years of parenthood, welfare

by Patti M. Clark Staff Writer

Patricia Leonard is "getting on with her

Leonard, a native of Floyd County, was a high school drop out. She left school three months before her graduation and moved to Cleveland, Ohio.

She started working in a factory where she met her husband. After starting a family, she decided to stay home with her

Eighteen years later, she moved back to Floyd County. As a divorced mother of ten children, she ended up on welfare.

But things have changed for the better for Leonard. She earned her GED and on December 16 earned her associate's degree in sociology from Morehead State

"Before I went back to school, it was awful," she said. "I was on welfare and it was pretty rough. But I got my GED and here I am.'

Leonard decided to get her GED because of new requirements that say aid recipients should have a high school diploma or its equivalent to qualify for

She earned hers at MSU's Adult Learning Center. The ALC offers adults Green Thumb placed her with the Office on with my life."

their basic education skills, prepare for the Continuing Education, where she serves GED test or prepare for admission to a post secondary institution.

While at the ALC, Leonard was recruited into MSU's Job Training Partnership Act program by Dorothy Walter, the JTPA coordinator.

"I was there looking for people who were interested in coming to MSU for a college education and she was very eager," Walter said.

Leonard enrolled in a two-year degree program at MSU, taking classes in criminology and sociology.

"I was very determined to go back to school so I could be independent," Leonard said. "I couldn't even see myself in college until Dorothy encouraged me."

Through JTPA, Leonard was identified by the Green Thumb program as a potential participant.

Federally funded under Title V, the Older Americans Act, Green Thump provides part-time employment and training opportunities for people who are 55 years old or older and are economically disad-

The job experience must be with a nonprofit corporation.

Since Leonard was already on campus,

the opportunity to learn to read, improve of Community Development and as Walter's administrative assistant, working 20 hours a week.

She has only 90 days left in the program and is looking for a job, hopefully back home in Floyd County. She was coming to town for the Christmas holiday and had several interviews lined up.

"I'd love to work in Floyd County," she said. "After the New Year, I'll be back to look some more."

She said she wants to work with abused children. She has applications in at the Baptist Children's Home. "I got that idea after living in the projects at Martin," she said. "It was bad because it bothered my kids, they were made fun of. That's one of the reasons I went back to school, to make a better life for my kids."

Leonard's kids range in age from 18 to Three of them went to college.

She said she wants to thank Walter for her support. "She recruited me and stood behind even when the going got tough," she said. "I want to thank her."

She didn't go to her graduation December 16. She said all she wanted was that piece of paper. "I didn't need a cap and gown to know I'd made it," she said. "It feels good to be off welfare and getting

Graduates from MSU

Patricia Leonard, left, dropped out of school and now not only has her GED diploma, but graduated from Morehead State University December 16. While a student, she worked under the Green Thumb program in the Office of Community Development and Continuing Education as an administrative assistant to Dorothy Walter, right, who is coordinator of the Job Training Partnership Act pro-

Smoke and Stroke: A deadly combination

Need a good reason to quit smoking? Try this one: Smoking speeds up the thickening of the walls of your arteries, thus increasing your chance for a stroke.

A stroke, or brain attack, is caused when an artery leading to the brain becomes blocked, thus stopping the flow of oxygenrich blood.

Stroke is the third leading cause of death in the United States and the No. 1 cause of disability.

The American Heart Association points out that strokes killed 143,640 people in 1992 and accounted for about one of every 15 U.S. deaths. Many who do survive a brain attack find that the quality of their lives is lessened significantly by the aftereffects.

major risk factor for stroke is to not smoke.

Especially if you are older, smoking increases the chances of having a stroke and heart disease. As people age, their artery walls gradually thicken.

Cigarette smoking accelerates this process. In fact, studies show that smoking can add ten years of age to your arteries and increase the chances that they will become

The clogging process occurs as cigarrette smoke causes the platelets in the blood to become sticky and cluster.

This situation, in turn, can lead to atherosclerosis, which means the artery walls have become thickened due to deposits of fat, cholesterol and other substances. That

One of the easiest ways to eliminate a reduces the flow of blood in the narrowed

Need further convincing? The nicotine in tobacco smoke can increase your blood pressure temporarily, while carbon monoxide reduces the amount of oxygen the blood supplies to the body.

Obviously, just as smoking is tied to brain attacks, it is also linked to heart disease, the nation's number one killer. Even worse, smoking-related illnesses accounted for the deaths of about 417,000 Americans

To learn more about the dangers of tobacco or obtain information about brain attacks, contact your nearest American Heart Association, or call 1-800-AHA-USA1 (1-800-242-8721).

