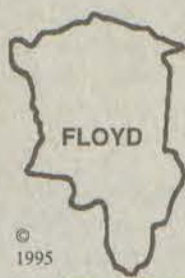


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Norman Carvalho, M.D.
Dr. Norman is currently in practice at the McDowell Professional Services Clinic. Dr. Norman is Board Certified in Pediatrics and is accepting new patients at this time. Dr. Norman, his wife Sayers and daughter Rosemary are awaiting the birth of their second child in early May. Dr. Norman and his family enjoy basketball and Rosemary is becoming quite a cheerleader. If you would like to schedule an appointment with Dr. Norman, please call 377-3427 Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. till 5 p.m. Dr. Norman and McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital, quality Pediatric healthcare — close to home.



Martin housing feud turns violent

Mayor assaulted, three arrested

by Patti M. Clark
Staff Writer

A political feud between a Martin Housing Authority member and the mayor of Martin turned violent Tuesday when the board member's stepsons attacked Mayor Alan Whicker.

According to arresting officer Jeff Powell, an officer with the Martin City police, James S. Robinson, and a juvenile, both of whom are Thomasina Robinson's stepsons, jumped out from behind a pop machine at Cash Saver grocery store and assaulted Whicker as he was getting into his car.

The two were arrested and charged with assault after Powell saw the incident. Robinson's husband, James L. Robinson, was charged with menacing after he

tried to interfere when Powell tried to break up the fight and arrest the juvenile, Powell said.

"He made threatening motions toward me and was interfering with my duty," the officer added.

The incident allegedly stemmed from a conflict between Whicker and Robinson over an appointment to the Martin Housing Authority Board.

Robinson said she voted to fire Bruce Coleman, executive director of the housing authority, at a meet-

ing of the authority March 12.

After that, she said Whicker approached her and told her she could change her vote or lose her seat on the board. She has served for at least 16 years on the board, she said. She said her appointment expired in June 1995.

"The mayor should have never tried to bribe me," she said. "I am going to continue to clean up Grigsby Heights."

Robinson said she hadn't told her husband or stepsons of the con-

flict until Tuesday morning. The incident occurred about 9:20 a.m. after she said she told them and while she was in the shower.

Whicker denied the allegations that he bribed Robinson with her position.

"Things have been building up over a period of time," he said. "When I found out her time was up, that her commission had expired, I advised her that I was going to ap-

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Thomasina Robinson

Dismissal of Jarrell theft case is okayed

by Janice Shepherd
Managing Editor

Charges against a Floyd County road foreman indicted in November by a Floyd County Grand Jury investigating allegations of county government corruption were dismissed March 13.

In November, county road foreman Mike Jarrell was indicted on charges of theft by failure to make required disposition involving misuse of county road gravel. Jarrell was accused of placing the county gravel on private property, including property owned by a coal company, between April and May in 1989.

Jarrell was one of six people indicted after a probe by a special grand jury into allegations of government corruption.

Friday, Floyd County Circuit Court Judge Danny Caudill dismissed the case after reviewing a motion to dismiss from Jarrell's attorney, Keith Bartley.

In his motion, Bartley argued that the language of the indictment failed to meet Kentucky statute under the charge against Jarrell.

The statute states that a person is "guilty of theft by failure to make required disposition of property received." The key word, according to Bartley, is the word "received."

Bartley said that there was no evidence in the grand jury transcripts that indicated Jarrell had received or obtained the gravel. A witness told the jury that Jarrell rode as a passenger with him to point out private property locations to dump gravel but, according to Bartley, no one said that Jarrell "received or obtained a single gravel."

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Free trees

Wesley Leon Hall of Martin received 30 white pines for his father from Thelma Merritt during a tree giveaway Tuesday sponsored by the Floyd County Conservation District. Approximately 4,000 trees were given away. (photo by Janice Shepherd)

Man jailed after vow to 'blow up' P'burg

by Chris McDavid
Staff Writer

A Floyd County man who threatened to "blow up Prestonsburg," pleaded guilty Tuesday to charges of terroristic threatening.

Terry Myers, 33, formerly of Elkhart, Indiana, was arrested Monday, March 18, after he called the Prestonsburg dispatch office at 9:51 p.m. and threatened to blow up Prestonsburg. He also threatened to kill everyone who got in his way.

Upon the arrival of Prestonsburg City Police officer Mike Conn, Myers said he had been drinking and wanted to go to jail. According to the police report, Myers said that if the officer did not take him to jail, he would have to do something so he could go to jail. Officer Conn

placed Myers in custody at 10 p.m. Myers pleaded guilty at his arraignment on Tuesday, March 19, and said he was "a little pickled and just wanted out of the apartment."

Clyde Combs, assistant Floyd County attorney, recommended a suspended seven-day jail sentence on the condition that Myers leave the county for one year. However, Floyd County District Judge James R. Allen would not accept the Commonwealth's recommendation and sentenced Myers to a ten-day jail sentence, which would have to be served, plus court costs.

"The court takes a threat like this very serious. It is my feeling that this was an unusual threat, and I feel he needed to spend some time in jail. He deserves some jail time for a statement like that," Judge Allen said.

Lottery scam, threat against judge top list

Floyd Grand Jury names 22 in indictments

by Patti M. Clark
Staff Writer

A Salyersville man was indicted Tuesday on charges that he kept \$2,800 in lottery winnings belonging to a Prestonsburg man, Donald Bliss.

The indictment against Lowell Wheeler was one of 22 the grand jury returned Tuesday.

Wheeler is charged with theft for keeping a portion of the proceeds of a lottery ticket Bliss bought September 6, 1995 at a store owned by Wheeler's wife, Concheate. Bliss apparently won \$10,000 on the ticket.

Bliss testified he asked Wheeler to drive him to Prestonsburg to pick up his winnings. He said Wheeler agreed to charge him \$35 for his efforts.

Bliss received a check from the lottery for \$6,800 and Wheeler gave him \$4,000. He testified that Wheeler told him the other \$2,800 was for taxes on the winnings, Bliss said. He later found out that the taxes had already been taken out.

Other indictments were also returned against:

- Price Hall, of McDowell, for threatening Judge Danny P. Caudill.

- Alex Johnson, of Prestonsburg, on charges of arson and wanton endangerment.

- Mark S. Hayes, of Prestonsburg, on charges of fourth offense, driving under the influence.

- Daniel Glen Bailey, of Harold, on charges of theft by unlawful taking.

- Darrin B. Kidd, of Harold, on charges of theft by unlawful taking.

- Jerry Dale Hall, of Galveston, on first degree assault charges for cutting Kenneth Hall with a knife.

- Mousie Carroll, of Printer, on first degree assault charges for cutting Elizabeth Crum with a knife.

- James Scott Maynard, of Deboard, on theft by unlawful taking charges for taking more than \$300 in jewelry from Hopson's Jewelry Store on November 21.

- Christopher Jenkins, of Hueysville, on charges of third degree burglary for entering Estill's Stop and Shop; theft by unlawful taking by taking beer valued at

under \$300 from the store; third degree criminal mischief for breaking the glass door of the store; and second degree unlawful transaction with a minor for causing a minor to engage in the burglary.

- John Drew Curry, of Hi Hat, on charges of first degree trafficking in a controlled substance, for selling Methadone.

- Clinus Newsome, of Beaver.

(See Indictments, page two)

Heating bills heat up commission meeting

by Patti M. Clark
Staff Writer

A disagreement over a gas bill turned into a full-fledged argument Monday night during the monthly meeting of the Wheelwright City Commission and at least one person was asked to leave the meeting.

Commissioners said they were concerned that the gas bill for the fire department is too high. It was listed in the bills for approval this month as \$151.86. Last month, it was \$171.

But firefighters said there is no insulation in the building which houses the volunteer unit and that the heater doesn't work right because it isn't vented correctly.

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City offers to relieve county of 911 costs

by Patti M. Clark
Staff Writer

The city of Prestonsburg still wants to go into the 911 business. This time, council members said they'd be willing to use county property to keep the system localized and run it without a cost to the fiscal court.

That's according to members of the city's ordinance committee that met Tuesday afternoon.

"Keeping the idea foremost that the city wants to have a county-wide 911, we could run it, locate it on the third floor of the courthouse, and the dispatchers would be our employees," Estill Carter, council member said.

He said the city could use the money that the county expects to receive from the 89-cent telephone surcharge on all phone lines in the county, the \$36,000 a year Floyd

County Sheriff Paul Hunt Thompson has said he will chip in, and an additional \$50,000 a year from the city coffers to make the system work.

The county-wide 911 system has been in progress for several years with the sheriff's department, city of Prestonsburg and surcharge funds expected to foot the bill.

Conflicts arose in the last few months, however, when the city said it would not contribute the \$94,000 that county officials said city officials originally said they would allocate to the project.

The city ordinance committee recommended offering \$60,000, but the city rejected that idea. The committee then recommended that the city contribute \$50,000 with the county picking up half of anything that goes over that amount.

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Carla Coburn, left, was hired as executive director of the Floyd County Chamber of Commerce. She replaces Ann Latta, who resigned in December to take a job as state tourism director with Governor Paul Patton. Paulette Johnson, right, will serve as secretary for the chamber, festival committee, and tourism department.

Chamber welcomes new staff members

by Patti M. Clark
Staff Writer

Carla Coburn left Floyd County to seek job opportunities. She came back to help create them for other people.

"I needed to be here," the new executive director of the Floyd County Chamber of Commerce said. "I wanted to create job opportunities for the people of this region."

The executive committee of the chamber hired Coburn to replace Ann Latta, who was appointed in December to Governor Paul Patton's cabinet as state tourism secretary.

Incoming chamber president Jim Kennedy emphasized that the appointment is pending formal approval of the full board at the April meeting.

He said Coburn will bring

"youthful exuberance" as well as a background in business administration, with an emphasis in recruiting and retention, to the position.

"We need to increase membership and I think she can do that," he said.

Coburn, who came home via Tennessee and North Carolina after being gone for two years, said she thinks so too. Her six-month goal is to increase membership for the organization using a strategic plan that the chamber has in the development phase.

"I am enthusiastic and I hope to get things accomplished," she said. "I'm motivated to get started."

The Wayland native has a degree from Alice Lloyd College in business administration. She and her husband have returned to Wayland. "This is where my family and

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Feud

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point another board member. That was all it was. It had nothing to do with her personally."

Martin City Council was to meet Tuesday night and Whicker said he would appoint Paul Spencer to fill Robinson's post.

After that, he said he's going to hold a meeting to get Coleman reinstated to his position.

The housing authority met March 12 and voted to fire

Coleman. The group held another meeting on Saturday and voted to rehire him. That meeting, however, did not meet requirements of the state's open meetings law and Robinson declared the action taken at that meeting invalid. She said she left before the vote. Members of the housing authority met again March 18 to approve the minutes of the March 12 meeting. Coleman, who has been executive director for 18

months, is expected to serve until March 29.

"I told them at a meeting on March 12 that I didn't think that Bruce Coleman had done anything that justified his termination," Whicker said. "I abstained from that vote because I didn't agree with it."

He said he will hold another meeting after the new board member is named and attempt to rehire Coleman.

Bills

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"I'm fed up with this," Sammons said to the commissioners and several people in the audience who were being vocal with their opinions. "You either shut up or you'll be escorted outside. That's all we're ever doing is fighting over this fire department."

Little said he doesn't like the image the firefighters project when they play rook with the door to the fire department open, but firefighters said they serve on the department on a voluntary basis and what they do with their time is their business. They said playing rook is just a way to pass time.

Another commissioner said he'd

rather have the firefighters sitting in the fire station than in their homes, saying that cuts down on response time if there is a call.

Commissioner David Boyd said the fire department saves residents money on their insurance bills because of the lower ratings the city receives. He said his mother saved \$300 a year on her bill.

The city had asked for a financial statement for the department, but the department didn't provide one. Tim Parker, city attorney, said he would ask for an attorney general's opinion to determine if the department is required to provide one since he said it is a private enti-

ty.

"Every meeting, this comes up," Parker said. "If you want me to get one, I will."

Either way, Sammons said he is tired of the fire department issue coming up in the commission meetings. He said he would insulate the fire department to help cut down on heat costs, but he wants the fighting to stop.

"This fire department thing is getting far out of hand," he said. "It belongs to the city. It'll be run by the city."

Sammons said the city needs to fix the heat, but "the bickering's going to stop. We're the laughing-stock of this county."

Indictments

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on charges of first degree trafficking in a controlled substance, for selling Percodan.

- Donald R. Halcomb, of Hi Hat, on charges of first degree wanton endangerment, for driving an automobile at Kentucky State Police Trooper Ronald Peppi II; and third degree assault on Peppi for hitting him.

- Anthony Salisbury, of Hunter, on charges of first degree wanton endangerment, for driving his car at Peppi; third degree assault for hitting Peppi; operating a motor vehicle under the influence; and resisting arrest.

- Ralph L. Jacobs, of Prestonsburg, on charges of theft by unlawful taking or disposition; criminal possession of a destructive device; and first degree wanton endangerment, for detonating a destructive device.

- Robert W. Allred, of Dorton, on charges of first degree wanton endangerment, for pointing a gun to the head of Phyllis J. Tackett

and threatening to kill her.

- Marion Kilburn, of Martin, on charges of driving under the influence, fourth offense.

- Kenneth Marsillett, of Auxier, on charges of driving under the influence, fourth offense.

- Maria Layne Campbell, of Prestonsburg, on charges of attempting to have a forged prescription or prescriptions in her possession filled at Reid's Pharmacy in Martin.

- Kevin Hutchinson, of Teaberry, on charges of receiving stolen property, by receiving and possessing a stolen four-wheel recreational vehicle valued at \$3,000.

- Ricky D. Branham Sr., of Pikeville, on charges of flagrant non-support.

Indictments are not an indication of guilt, but a determination by a grand jury that criminal charges merit further court action.

Dismissal

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Bartley also argued that "if the facts alleged were true," Jarrell should have been charged with misapplication of entrusted property, a misdemeanor. That law states: "a person is guilty of misapplication of entrusted property when he applies or disposes of property...of the government... in a manner which he knows is unauthorized."

Bartley pointed out that the Floyd County Circuit Court has no jurisdiction over a misdemeanor and if the allegations were true, then the misdemeanor charge would be barred by the statute of limitations.

In a rebuttal to Bartley's claims, special prosecutor Larry Fentress, assistant attorney general, said Bartley's argument was without merit and that the indictment "alleges every essential element" of the theft charge. Fentress said the language of the indictment "mirrors the language of the statute."

Bartley then filed documentation to back up his claim and also

supplied precedents to show that if both the theft and misapplication statutes applied, that the specific statute of misapplication would preempt the more general statute related to theft.

Jarrell has maintained his innocence since the charges were filed.

In a statement to the Times Tuesday, he said he "welcomed and appreciated an investigation by the special grand jury and the attorney general."

"This was the only way to absolutely dispel the false and malicious allegations made against me," he said. "I felt confident that I would ultimately be cleared of these false charges. Now that it is over, my family and myself will move on — trying somehow to put this terrible experience behind us."

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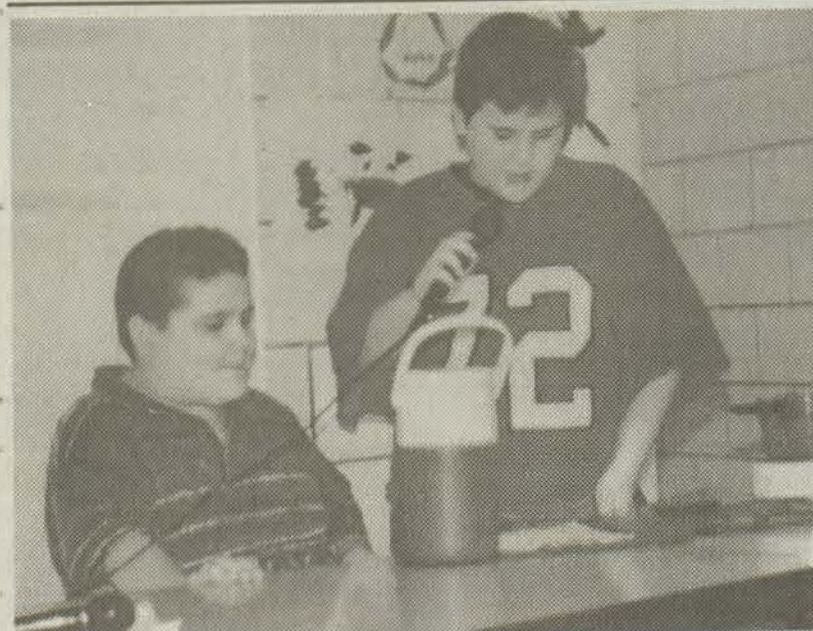
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ALLAN S. PERRY III—Publisher-Editor

Liberty of thought is the life of the soul—Voltaire

Just the facts

by Scott Perry

While we firmly believe in an individual's right to say anything they want, about anyone they want, anytime they want, as long as they are willing to accept the consequences, we can't always let them use the newspaper to vent their spleens.

In the past few weeks we have received a couple of letters from writers who are obviously upset with other individuals in this community, and they have expressed their displeasure with no small measure of vehemence.

Personal attacks on individuals, especially those that include allegations of impropriety must be supported by factual evidence to be published in our letters column.

Our decision to withhold publication of these types of letters isn't, as one writer suggested, because we have been "intimidated" by the subjects of their wrath or because we want to shield anyone from the writers' allegations.

We are not easily intimidated by anyone, including the authors of letters, who suggest that if we don't print their views we must have allowed ourselves to be censored by other powers.

Damned if we do, damned if we don't. Is that it?

No, it isn't. This newspaper is under no obligation to suffer the consequences of personal vendettas, which is exactly the risk we take when we allow individuals to attack one another in print.

If there is evidence to back up accusations, that's a horse of a different color.

If you want to express your views in our letters column, you are welcome to do so.

Stick to the facts, though, and avoid insinuations.

If you must get personal, well, do it face-to-face with your adversary.

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Letters to the editor

Letters to the editor policy

Letters to the Editor are welcomed by The Floyd County Times. In accordance with our editorial page policy, all letters must include the signature, address and telephone number of the author.

Letters must be received no later than 10 a.m. Tuesday for publication in Wednesday's issue and 10 a.m. Thursday for Friday's issue.

Letters may be sent to Editor, The Floyd County Times, P.O. Box 391, Prestonsburg, KY 41653.

Letters may be edited for clarity and length.

Thanks, Mike Jarrell!

Editor:

Would like to say thanks to Mike Jarrell for being so kind to bring the grader over to Dwale, to clear the snow off the road, so the family could get out to the highway, to go over to the funeral home when our mother and grandmother passed away.

The family of
Lottie Johnson
Dwale

Who pays?

Editor:

I am writing this letter to make parents aware of a situation in our schools. Recently, my son was injured during school hours under school supervision and I was told that my insurance was responsible for his care and that the school had no insurance.

Parents — open your eyes. If something like this happened on someone else's property, their homeowners insurance would have to pay.

It was quite a shock for me to find out that I entrust my son's care day in and day out to Floyd County Schools and they do not provide insurance when they are injured on school property.

Kathy Little
Wheelwright

Nurse makes response re P&B Ambulance

Editor:

In response to last week's letter regarding P&B Ambulance Service.

I am a registered nurse with 15 years experience. I work in an Intensive Coronary Care Unit. I am BLS and ACLS certified. I do know you stop CPR only when help arrives or if you know brain death has occurred.

As for the incident that occurred February 20, I began CPR immediately. There was never a palpable pulse or spontaneous respiration. CPR was carried on with the help of another R.N. who arrived at the scene later. We continued CPR although all efforts were useless. There was never a pulse.

I have some questions of my own to ask P&B Ambulance atten-

dants. Is it policy you drop all your clients from the gurney bed when there are three of you? Do you not have straps to hold arms in place on your bed instead of handcuffs? I have never in my nursing years seen electrolytes on the monitor or got a "flicker" on the monitor.

I did not disturb the crime scene—I am not in the wrong. I do know when someone is dead or alive.

As for the client's family being for you; I don't think so. The client's wife is having a very hard time dealing with this. The things you told her were all false hope. She knows that now. She is not glad of the things you did to her husband or to her.

Also, the lady EMT who wrote the letter last week for P&B failed to mention she worked for P&B.

Alma Akers
Registered Nurse
Martin

No personal attack intended by Click

Editor:

My apologies to Mr. Keith Bartley. Also, to his family, friends, and anyone else who was offended by thinking that I was making a personal attack against him. I had no intentions, whatsoever, to attack Mr. Bartley personally, or in any other way, shape, form, or fashion. It is without doubt that he is of impeccable character.

Furthermore, so I've been told, he is honest and hard working, and will do his job as county attorney in a most professional manner.

However, I still believe the Floyd County Democratic executive committee made a terrible mistake; not that they chose Keith Bartley per se, but rather they didn't choose Eric Hall. Keith was incidental to my remarks. I would have said the same thing if any one of the other contenders for the office had been selected. My remarks were not directed toward any individual, but rather toward the system. I quoted Keith because of what he said about the county attorney's office having become the laughing stock of the state. I agree with him, and in my opinion, of which I have an inalienable right to have, this statement can be said about the rest of the county government. There are a few exceptions to this opinion, namely one, Ben Hale, the county's judge executive. I think, thus far, he has done an excellent job, considering those he has to work with.

On a personal note: My grammar, in speaking or writing, may not furnish itself to what is to be preferred and what to be avoided in inflection and syntax. However, I do not believe that what I say and write is conspicuous to those who do not have a biased feeling, whether they are Christian, Jew, Agnostic, Atheist, or whatever.

Dallas G. Click
Martin

EDITORIAL DEADLINES

WEDNESDAY EDITION:

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

FRIDAY EDITION:

News copy, All pictures 5 p.m. Wednesday
Obituaries, Calendar items ... 10 a.m. Thursday

Note: News articles of events more than three months old will not be published. All copy will be edited for clarity and length.

Coffee Break

by Scott Perry

Whether you're a Paintsville Tiger fan or a sworn enemy, you can join the celebration that arises from the team's state title win.

First, it proves once again that opening the tourney to all comers...small schools and large schools...is better than a class-based system.

Small schools have now won the state title three times in the 90s...Paintsville this year, Breckenridge last year and University Heights in '92.

We have some reservations about UHA, though. The private school may have fewer than a hundred students enrolled, but it can recruit athletes while others schools are prohibited from that activity.

But then UHA didn't make the Sweet Sixteen this year, did they?

We can also share the pride that Paintsville's win provided in ending the 42-year drought the 15th region has endured in the Sweet Sixteen.

The Tiger team has proven to all youngsters in this neck of the woods that their

dreams of someday becoming champions may really come true.

Today is the first day of spring, but if the weather forecasters are correct, you probably won't notice it.

March has become notorious for its nastiness, meteorologically speaking, and this one has been no exception to the rule.

As a result, we've decided to ignore the calendar and to proclaim that spring officially begins on opening day of baseball season or any day you can get a red neck that isn't caused by your temper or the wind chill factor.

The U.S. Supreme Court has agreed to decide if lower courts can create "no-speech zones" as a means of providing distance between protest groups and people who don't want to listen to them.

The idea is to create a floating zone, 15-foot wide, between demonstrators and their unwilling audiences.

Interesting concept, but not really necessary.

If opposing groups would just apply the no-hear zones already used to perfection by teen-agers to tune out parental advice, there would be no need to get the courts involved.

Don't have to reinvent the wheel, you know.

There's another interesting concept sneaking into the realm of education which suggests that kids learn more in school when the boys are separated from the girls and vice versa.

The idea is that in single-gender classes, girls don't have to dumb themselves down to keep from scaring off the guys; and the guys don't have to act goofy to impress the girls.

In the few schools that are trying the split class approach, early results indicate that both groups are doing better than they were before, in mixed-gender classes.

Don't look for the separate-but-equal method to take root, though.

Someone is certain to claim it's discriminatory for kids to get smarter in such a fashion.

Ignorance is bliss, we suppose, as long as it is an equal opportunity.

You didn't think you were gonna get out of this column without reading something about that college basketball team from Lexington, Kentucky, which shall remain nameless for superstitious reasons.

No jinxes here.

Instead, we'll just say...

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Prestonsburg Fire & Police Dispatcher Log

March 11
 1:27 a.m.— Two back doors and the gates were reported open at the high school.
 6:37 a.m.— Caller reported a structure fire. A pump house was on fire next to a house on Auxier Road.
 9:16 a.m.— McDonald's reported that they may have a counterfeit \$20.
 11:49 a.m.— Traffic stop at Glyn View.
 3:52 p.m.— Caller advised of two accidents in front of Neeley Apartments.
 4:30 p.m.— Report of a hit-and-run with a parked car in Porter Addition.
 5:32 p.m.— Caller reported that a truck had run off the road, flipped, and hit a tree at the back entrance to Prestonsburg Community College.

March 12
 2:00 p.m.— Caller reported a female shoplifter at Wal-Mart.

March 13
 3:34 a.m.— Officer advised of a vehicle just off the road at a four way stop. The female driver was slumped over in her seat.

March 14
 3:58 p.m.— Caller reported that three boxes were on fire at Wal-Mart.

10:04 p.m.— Caller advised of a possible accident with injuries at Knotly Hollow curve.

11:20 p.m.— Report of a female having chest pains at Highland Terrace.

11:42 p.m.— Caller reported that an elderly female had been assaulted in her room at Prestonsburg Inn. Caller advised that occupants had been having problems all day.

March 15
 3:53 a.m.— Report of possible DUI driver heading toward Mountain Parkway. The subject said a lot of trouble had been going on with the person who called it in.

8:59 a.m.— Report of a truck blocking traffic on Court Street.

4:18 p.m.— Caller at Prestonsburg Community College reported that someone had busted the window out of his vehicle and stolen his car phone.

4:37 p.m.— Caller at Bank Josephine reported that someone had busted the window out of her vehicle and stolen her car phone.

8:29 p.m.— Caller advised of an accident on Route 3.

9:52 p.m.— Report of an accident with injuries on Route 3.

March 16
 12:31 a.m.— Disturbance call. Caller reported that two male subjects were arguing in the dining room at Hardee's.
 11:30 a.m.— Kentucky State Police asked for assistance in locating a white Buick Lesabre. Advised that a male subject had been holding a shotgun out of the window and pointing it at traffic.
 7:35 p.m.— Caller reported that

a female subject, possibly drunk, came into Rite-Aid and tried to forge a prescription.

8:02 p.m.— Caller advised of a disturbance at Dixie Apartments.

March 17
 2:28 a.m.— Disturbance call. Caller advised that she heard a loud noise around Quality Carpet. Advised that it sounded like a fight.

City of Wheelwright will clean up its act

by Patti M. Clark
 Staff Writer

The City of Wheelwright is ready to clean up its act.

Residents learned at Monday night's commission meeting that the time has come to make Wheelwright look nice.

"We're going to clean up the town and everybody might as well get ready and start bringing their stuff out," Mayor Marlee Sammons said at the meeting.

"It's going to be cleaned up if we have to pass an ordinance to do it. This junk, it's pitiful," he added.

Sammons said prisoners from Otter Creek will be out working in the community on days when it isn't raining or snowing.

"We're going to start Monday," Sammons said.

He also said the city is going to be cleaning out the old library building during the clean up.

"We're going to be doing this for a month," Sammons said. "Anyone who has any garbage of any kind, metal, wood, shingles, whatever, should pile it up and we'll pick it up."

He said the county has agreed it will pick up the trash during its annual clean-up day sometime this spring.

Glen Thornsbury of Glens Paving offered to put the trash on his property until it can be hauled away so it will be out of sight, but Sammons pointed out that the county might not be able to pick the trash up on private property.

Thornsbury also volunteered to

clean up a parking lot for residents and do some volunteer work at the local city park to help with the clean-up.

In addition to the clean-up, Sammons said there will be a special project this summer where college students come to Wheelwright to help paint the houses and buildings.

Officers will begin enforcing a junk-car ordinance and owners will be required to move the vehicles off the street or they will be towed.

Public forum slated April 1

Parents of students at Maytown and Martin elementaries should mark April 1 on their calendars. A public forum is scheduled at Allen Central High School gymnasium.

Dr. John Balentine, Floyd County superintendent, will hold a question-and-answer open session to discuss the new school and its opening date and related issues at 6 p.m. that day.

To be discussed will be whether to move into the new facility when it is completed in the fall or to wait until the fall of 1997 to merge the two schools. The anticipated completion date is sometime in October.

Balentine will also hold a public forum at 6:30 p.m. March 26 to discuss the Prestonsburg High School renovation project. That forum will be held at Prestonsburg High School.

Chamber (continued from page one)

friends are. They say that home is where the heart is," she said. "This is where I want to be."

Coburn is being joined by another new member of the chamber team. Paulette Johnson was hired as chamber secretary. She will also work with the tourism department and the festival committee.

"They are going to be very different," the Wheelwright native said of the three positions. "But the most important will be the chamber and bringing in more members."

Johnson replaces Lisa Burchett, who is working with the Mountain Arts Center.

Kennedy said the Coburn-Johnson duo should help revitalize the chamber, especially since they are both from Floyd County.

"I am delighted we got folks from Floyd County," Kennedy said. "This should encourage us a great deal in the future. They will be the catalyst of change."

He said that change needs to begin soon. "I feel this is an important organization to Floyd County. We need to do whatever it takes to get to that point."

But that isn't beginning from scratch, according to Kennedy. "We are not starting over, we are revitalizing," he said. "We need to get back on focus. That's our mission and we've got to do that."

He said that's why Coburn is

here, to help revitalize the chamber and make it more useful to it's members.

Coburn said she wants to do that by improving the overall impression of Floyd County for Floyd Countians and for the rest of the area. "I'm real excited to be back (in Floyd County) and to be in this position," she said. "I want to affect Floyd County in a positive way."

The Numbers Game: Kentucky Lottery Results

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March 16

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CINEMA 7 If Lucy Fell Starts Friday Mon.-Sun. 9:00 only	Homeward Bound II "G" Mon.-Sun. 7:00 Fri. Mat. 4:00 Sat.-Sun. 2:00 & 4:00
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Conn charged with assault

by Chris McDavid
 Staff Writer

A Maytown man has been charged with second degree assault, following an incident last week.

Shawn Conn, 19, was arrested Thursday, March 14, for assaulting Tessie May Harvey of Martin.

According to police reports, Conn caused serious physical injury to Harvey by hitting her with a piece of lumber. Floyd County deputy Bobby Hackworth was the arresting officer.

At Conn's arraignment Tuesday, he pleaded not guilty to the assault charge and a \$7,000 or ten percent cash bond was set.

A preliminary hearing will be held on March 27 at 2:30 p.m. in Floyd County District Court.

Health fair set at Jenny Wiley Park

Billy R. Maynard, LUTCF President of Big Sandy Life underwriters Association, recently announced sponsorship of the company's health fair to be held at Jenny Wiley State Park, Prestonsburg, on Saturday, March 23, from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. The booths will be set up in the J.M. Stumbo Convention Center.

Many companies will be showing individuals the latest in home health care items and technology. Demonstrations will be held throughout the day. There is a modest \$1 charge at the door which will be given equally to the non-profit organizations for participating in the fair.

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Council members want SOP for dispatchers

by Patti M. Clark
Staff Writer

Slow response time by the Prestonsburg City Fire Department has caused city council members to ask for a standard operating procedure.

At least one of those instances involved a potential fire at First Commonwealth Bank several weeks ago.

"There have been at least two situations at the bank," council member Robert Allen said during a

meeting of the administration/personnel committee Tuesday morning. "Do you do what the business wants or do we set the procedure for answering these calls?"

Doug Wells, dispatch supervisor, said the businesses usually determine how dispatchers answer calls for help.

"The hospital, for instance, wants to call the fire department, then keep a line open until they are sure there is a fire," Wells said.

He said when the call came in from the bank, dispatchers tried to

call the bank personnel to find out if there was a fire, as the dispatcher thought she was supposed to do. No one answered because the building was evacuated.

"I think it's better if the city set the standard procedures and have the businesses follow them," Allen said. "That way, everybody's protected."

Both Tom Blackburn, city fire chief, and Darrell Conley, city police chief, said there is more to the problem than that.

"I'd give our in-house training a D+," Conley said. "They do a great job dispatching the police department, but we need to work on in-house training."

He said all dispatchers don't dispatch all calls the same way because they don't have a specific procedure to follow.

Blackburn agreed, saying every dispatcher should be trained the same way. City dispatchers receive training when they are hired and the recertification training they need each year, but that apparently isn't enough.

Wells said he had started a procedure manual at least twice, but both times it had been removed from the computer hard drive in his office.

"We need to go back to that (a procedure manual)," Blackburn said. "We are losing a room every five minutes we're not responding. We are increasing the damage to

property and risking lives."

The addition of new fire tax districts has also necessitated more training on the part of the dispatchers, according to council members.

"Do they know the city limits and the tax district boundaries?" council member Billy Ray Collins asked. "That's where we're falling flat every day. Our in-house training is where we're crushed."

Council member Hansel Cooley suggested taking dispatchers out into the streets to see where things are. "They need to get familiar with things," he said. "And they need to relay information in an orderly fashion as soon as possible. If you don't have that, you don't have a good system and it doesn't look like we've got a good system."

Blackburn, Conley and Wells are to work together for the next 30 days to prepare a dispatcher manual. They are to report back to the committee on April 17.

Blackburn asked that he have support from the council for any changes he might suggest, citing an instance when a dispatcher told him that a memo was no good after 30 days. He was told he would have the support.

"And if that doesn't cure it, we'll change the personnel," Collins added.

"The personality problems have to go," Cooley added. "The important thing is getting assistance as quickly and efficiently as possible."

Deputy sheriffs want merit system of pay

by Patti M. Clark
Staff Writer

Deputy sheriffs in Floyd County want more security in their jobs, but members of the fiscal court indicated at Friday's meeting that they aren't sure if that's a good move for the county to make.

Deputy sheriff Rick Thornsby, who has been with the department for ten years, made the request that deputy sheriffs be hired under the merit system.

"It's our basic right to have more security in our job," Thornsby told the court. He asked that the request be put on the agenda for the next meeting.

But at least one magistrate, Jackie Owens, said he'd like to see members of the road department get that security first.

Judge-Executive Ben Hale said he needs to examine the proposal.

"I need to see what the legal aspects of this are," Hale said. He didn't say if the issue would be on the agenda for the April meeting of the court.

Floyd County Sheriff Paul Hunt Thompson told the court he supports the request by his deputies, which would allow them to participate in a state fund. Deputy sheriffs can only participate in the fund if they are on the merit system, Thompson said. It would add about \$2,500 a year to their salaries.

"It wouldn't affect the operation of the sheriff's office. It would be a step forward in professionalizing the department," he said.

But magistrates asked "What would the next sheriff want?" They also asked how current deputies could be removed if the next sheriff doesn't want them on his or her staff.

Those politics are exactly what Thornsby would like to see removed from the positions.

"We lay our lives on the line on a constant basis," he said. "This would help deputies do their job without worrying about politics. When sheriffs change, deputies usually change."

Thornsby said he is one of the

lucky ones. He served as a deputy under Henry Hale, and then, even after campaigning against Thompson, was kept on the force.

"This would keep the sheriff from coming in and saying 'I don't like the way you look today. You're fired,'" Thornsby said.

"Deputies serve at my pleasure," Thompson said. "If they're fired, they can sue, but they've never won a case."

He told the court that if funds aren't available to maintain the number of deputies they can be laid off under the merit system.

Thornsby explained that the city police have a policeman's bill of rights that allows them some recourse if they feel they are wrongly dismissed. But the state constitution allows deputies to be fired "at the will of the sheriff" unless they are under the merit system. Only 15 counties in the state now use the merit system, according to Thompson.

"If we are politically ousted, we could go to the merit board," Thornsby said. "If the board doesn't agree with us and we are terminated, then we'll still have civil recourse. Now we don't."

Both Thornsby and Thompson pointed out the numerous hours of training that can be lost if a deputy is dismissed when a new sheriff steps in.

"You would be protecting your investment in these people," Thompson said. "This would offer some continuity with the system. They aren't trying to get ahead. They are trying to get up to equal. It just so happens to be called the merit system."

"To throw all this away would be a big waste," Thornsby said of the weeks of training, especially in the DARE program, he has received at the expense of the county. "We're not politicians, we're police officers. I'm a cop. This is what I've done for ten years now. If we get a new sheriff, I'll be looking for a job the next day. This would take the politics out and give us due course."

Floyd County man charged with rape

Editor's note: The Floyd County Times does not identify the victims of alleged sexual crimes.

by Chris McDavid
Staff Writer

A Floyd County man has been charged with first degree burglary and first degree rape.

On March 17, Douglas Gene Webb, 41, of Hi Hat, allegedly committed the offense of burglary in the first degree when he unlawfully forced entry into the home of the alleged victim at Hi Hat and proceeded to commit the offense of rape in the first degree, police records say.

The Kentucky State Police received a call at 8:52 p.m. on March 17 from a relative of the alleged victim. According to trooper Bobby Day, the alleged victim and Webb were acquaintances. "He allegedly forced entrance into the home and forcibly raped this lady," Day said.

When Webb was taken into custody, he was in his apartment.

A preliminary investigation is ongoing by Kentucky State Police detective Ken Slone and trooper Day. The investigation will continue. Evidence has been sent to

police labs, but the results are pending, Day said.

At Webb's arraignment on Monday, March 18, not guilty pleas were entered to the felony charges. Floyd County District Judge James R. Allen set a \$15,000 cash bond.

Webb's preliminary hearing will be held on March 27 at 2:30 p.m. in Floyd County District Court.

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An Open Letter From Keith Bartley, Democratic Nominee For Floyd County Attorney, To The Citizens Of Floyd County.

I want to take this opportunity to thank the many people who have encouraged me and supported me as the Democratic Nominee for Floyd County Attorney. Since my nomination, I have been contacted by literally hundreds of people, and I want to acknowledge what I hope to accomplish for Floyd County.

TO THE CITIZENS OF FLOYD COUNTY, let me say that it is my goal to restore integrity to the office of County Attorney, and to let the people know that the trust they place in me will not be treated lightly. As your County Attorney, I'll tell you the truth as I see it. I'll say what I mean and mean what I say. I may err from time to time, because I'm human. But, any mistakes I make will be honest ones. I'll never make a decision nor offer advice that is not in the best interest of Floyd County. I will do my best. You are entitled to no less.

TO MY MANY PRIVATE CLIENTS, I will continue to carry out my obligations to you, and to future private clients. All county attorneys that I know continue to carry on a private practice after they assume public office, and I and our law firm intend to do the same. We will continue to provide the legal advice and service you require in civil matters.

TO THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY NOMINATING COMMITTEE, I express my deep appreciation and gratitude for your having selected me over a number of other qualified lawyers. I will do my utmost to insure that your reliance in me was well placed.

TO MY FAMILY, thank you for all the support and encouragement provided to me over the years as I have had the opportunity to grow up in Floyd County. My parents worked hard to make sure I could have an education if I wanted to work for it. They taught me the difference between right and wrong. I will take the lessons they taught me and apply them to the Office of Floyd County Attorney.

Finally, let me say that Floyd County has always been, and will always be, my home. When I finished my education, I decided that I wanted to return to Floyd County and serve the people in some way with my education and training. Now, I have a unique opportunity to do so. I promise that my actions will be guided by the law. Democracy demands that public officials be subject to the same rules as everyone else. Only then can the public place its trust in our government.

Again, thanks for all the calls and letters of encouragement and support, and I look forward to talking to as many of you as possible in the months ahead.

Sincerely,
Keith Bartley

Paid for by Keith Bartley, Democratic Nominee for Floyd County Attorney

911

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The county and city were to meet on the contribution amount, but at least two planned meetings have been canceled.

"There would be no monetary obligation from the county that way," Carter said of the latest idea. "All they would do would be provide us the space and 911 monies will renovate that space. They won't have to."

The idea was just a discussion between the four members of the ordinance committee, but those council members said they'd like to see the idea come before the council at the noon meeting of the full body March 25.

"We need to put this before the council and the county that this is our offer," council member Dick Clark said. "If the county doesn't want to accept it, we'll do 911 ourselves."

Carter said he knows some people don't want the facility in city hall. "I have no problem with it being in the courthouse," he said. "We would have the responsibility. The county would not be obligated."

"How can they turn that down?" Billy Ray Collins, council member asked.

"They won't be out any money and it will still be in the courthouse," Carter emphasized.

The 911 surcharge was enacted, however, through an ordinance adopted by the Floyd County Fiscal Court. The city has no authority, County Judge-Executive Ben Hale has said, to collect or administer those surcharge funds.



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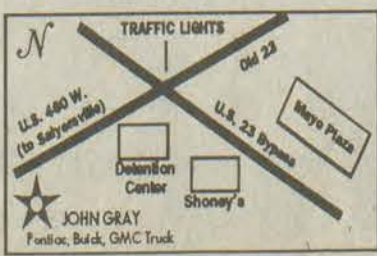
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Young musicians

The Floyd County gifted music students recently went to the Lexington Philharmonic Concert Hall at the University of Kentucky to see and hear the sights and sounds of a symphony orchestra in concert.

Gifted and talented event slated for Saturday in Perry County

Gifted and talented fourth graders from Floyd County schools will have the opportunity to weave dreams during an arts and humanities extravaganza this Saturday, March 23, at Perry County Central High School.

The event, "Enlightened Encounters in Education," which begins at 9 a.m., will be presented by Region 8 as a part of its Gifted and Talented "Dream Weavers" project. The Region 8 service area includes the following school systems: Floyd, Breathitt, Knott, Leslie, Martin, Magoffin, Perry, Pike, Wolfe, Lee, Letcher, Owsley, Johnson, Morgan and Lawrence Counties, and Hazard, Jenkins, Pikeville, and Jackson Independent School Districts.

The goal of the "Dream Weavers" project is to focus on a specific area of giftedness in a concentrated effort to provide Eastern Kentucky children with opportunities that students in other

areas of the state often take for granted. The "Dream Weavers" project is centered around KIRIS goals and expectations and will culminate with an open-response task or performance task which will assess student learning. During Saturday's event, students will have the opportunity to participate in four out of eleven mini-sessions in the arts and humanities areas. The sessions will be conducted by the local talent of Region 8. Jesse Wells, Brandon Daniels, and Dee White of Mel-O-Dee Music will be demonstrating to students how to identify the great variety of musical instruments utilized in producing classical and traditional music. Ryan Allison, Casey Castle, and Seth Ferguson will teach the students about what to do or not to do in editing video productions.

In other sessions, staff members from WYMT will be giving students the basic of broadcasting.

Jason Ward will present a session on The Governor's School for the Arts. Paul Hale will show the art of making ancient pottery. Pike County Performing Arts will host a session on dance and voice. Joe Clark will host a session on drama.

In addition, there will be a Zap Shot session presented by Susan Arnett. Appalshop will be instructing students in the traditional Appalachian talent, the art of storytelling.

For the students who have an interest in improving their environment, Ellen Trimble will hold a session on Recycle Arts. Students can learn tips on improving their video presentations in Video Techniques session to be taught by Justine Richardson.

Saturday's event is the beginning of a much broader effort that will expand to include all grade levels and involve more students in activities that expand into additional areas of the curriculum.

Appalachian strategy for economic growth offered as new model for rural America

Jesse L. White Jr., federal co-chairman of the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC), said March 14 that the time has come for a new model for economic development in rural America, one which places an emphasis on "home grown, self-sufficient, locally controlled, entrepreneurial economies."

The ARC, whose membership is made up of Dr. White and the governors of the 13 Appalachian states, unanimously adopted such a strategy last month. Under this new approach, the Commission will give greater focus to laying the "fundamental building blocks nec-

essary for the creation of economically vibrant and dynamic communities in Appalachia."

"For too long, rural economic development has been characterized by outside investments and control of resources," Dr. White said in a presentation at the National Press Club. "In much of rural America, this pattern took the form of the great 'buffalo hunt' for branch plants, or in an over-reliance on extractive industries like coal and timber. This turned our rural communities into branch plant economies. And none of our states has escaped the devastating impact of branch plant closings—decisions

made outside the region with staggering impacts on local folks."

"Appalachia is not unique in that regard," he said.

The ARC economic development strategy outlines five broad goals covering education and training, basic infrastructure, civic leadership capacity, financial and technical resources, and community health care.

The goals include an emphasis on expanding the export-trade capability of small- and medium-sized businesses, deploying modern telecommunications, and building local leadership and community participation.

"The benefits of 'buffalo hunting' are limited and waning." The time has come, he said, "to build our strengths from within, to build strong entrepreneurial communities, and to empower our enterprising people."

"This is what we are doing in Appalachia," Dr. White said. "And I invite the rest of the country to come and take a look for yourselves."

Copies of ARC's new strategic plan, titled "Setting A Regional Agenda," is available free of charge by writing: ARC, 1666 Connecticut Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C., 20235.

26 Floyd County students named to PCC President's List

The President's List for the 1995 Fall Semester at Prestonsburg Community College includes the names of 26 students from Floyd County. The President's List recognizes those students who achieve a perfect 4.0 grade point average.

Floyd County students on the President's List for the recent Fall Semester include:

Euginia Dawn Fields and Crystal Gail McCown of Allen; Michon Kade Miles and Margaret Sue Risner, of Auxier; Surekha G. Maddiwar of Banner; James V. Stratton of East Point; Randall Todd Turner of Garrett; Tina Lynn Adkins, Diana S. Friend, and Rita B. Maynard, all of Grethel; Stephanie Ann Lawson of Hi Hat; Olive Duff Martin of Langley; Terry DuMaurier Garten and Karen Henrietta

Stone, of Martin; Stacy Lea Knott-Paige of Minnie.

Erica Courtney Branham, Della R. Mullins, Charles Raleigh Nelson, Clara Alison Newsom, Elizabeth Mae Reed Justin Dean Reichenbach, Andrea Diane Spears, Bradley Elliott Wells, all of Prestonsburg; Tammy Lynn Hunt of Stanville; Denise Renee Blevins and Irene Stanley, of Weeksbury.

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Floyd receives award from Virginia Tech

Dr. Deborah L. Floyd, president of Prestonsburg Community College, recently was presented with an Outstanding Alumna award from Virginia Tech in Blacksburg, Virginia.

Dr. Floyd was among a group of outstanding female alumnae who were honored by Virginia Tech during a dinner on March 2 in Blacksburg. The awards ceremony was part of a weekend event called "Celebrating Generations of Women Leaders," held in observance of the 75th anniversary of the admission of the first women to Virginia Tech.

The group of approximately 50 women honored by Virginia Tech represented backgrounds ranging from engineering and aerospace to a school superintendent and a former Miss America. Dr. Floyd was one of two college presidents who received an award.

"I am very humbled to be honored," Dr. Floyd said. "Virginia Tech invested in me through financial aid and quality faculty leadership. I am pleased that they believe their investment was worth the effort."

Dr. Floyd received her doctorate in 1979 from Virginia Tech, where she studied community college education, counseling, and psychology. Her dissertation was about small and rural community colleges.

Correction:

In last week's edition of the Times, an article regarding the heart and lung transplants of Delores Spurlock said the VFW Club at Martin held fund-raisers for Spurlock. The fund-raising activities were held by members of the American Veterans Club at Martin, not the VFW Club.

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Obituaries

Charlie Clark

Charlie Clark, 75, of Fairborn, Ohio, formerly of David, died March 8, 1996, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Dayton, Ohio, following an extended illness.

Born July 4, 1920 at Glo, he was the son of the late Earnest and Betty Tussey Clark. He was a retired coal miner from Princess Elkhorn Coal Company at David. He belonged to Local Union No. 7788.

Survivors include his wife, Leona Kilgore Clark; one daughter, Betty Clark Childers of Louisa; two sons, Gene Clark of Fairborn, Ohio, and Eddie Clark of Dayton, Ohio; two sisters, Dorothy Clark Ratliff of Lebanon, Virginia, and Patty Clark Mollette of David; one brother, Bill Clark of Lexington; and six grandchildren.

Funeral services were Monday, March 11, at 1 p.m., at the Burcham Funeral Home Chapel in Fairborn, Ohio, with the minister Edward Caudill officiating.

Burial was in the Byron Cemetery in Xenia, Ohio, under the direction of Burcham Funeral Home.

Estill Riddle

Estill Riddle, 81, of Slick Rock, Prestonsburg, died Thursday, March 14, 1996, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, following an extended illness.

Born September 7, 1914 in Prestonsburg, he was the son of the late Jack and Linnie Jarrell Riddle. He was a retired carpenter.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Moore Riddle; three sons, Chester Riddle of Romulus, Michigan, and Wendle Riddle and Jimmy Moore, both of Prestonsburg; three daughters, Vernie Lewis and Helen Fields, both of Prestonsburg, and Anna Cornwell of Winchester; 15 grandchildren and 30 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Sunday, March 17, at 2 p.m., at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home Chapel with Buddy Jones officiating.

Burial was in the Jarrell Cemetery on Slick Rock, Cow Creek, Prestonsburg, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Ruth E. Akers

Ruth E. Akers, 70, of Ravenswood, West Virginia, died March 17, 1996, at Charleston Area Medical Center, following a long illness.

Born April 12, 1925 in McDowell, she was the daughter of the late Fayette and Virgie Hall Hopkins. She was a Protestant.

Survivors include her husband, Vadis Kyle Akers; sons, Roger Collins of Starke, Florida and Jack Collins of Hazard; daughters, Sue Jones of McDowell and Linda Mahan of Millwood, West Virginia; stepsons, Sonny Akers of Brookpark, Ohio and Gary Akers of Berea, Ohio; stepdaughters, Bernice Feiler of Rocky River, Ohio, Jenny Davis of Independence, Missouri, and Sharon Knight of Mosheim, Tennessee; a brother, Blaine Hopkins of Martin; 12 grandchildren, ten step-grandchildren, four great-grandchildren, and ten step-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, March 20, at Casto Funeral Home, Ravenswood, West Virginia, with Rev. Darrell Johnson officiating.

Burial will be in the Ravenswood Cemetery, under the direction of Casto Funeral Home.

Clifford Pittman

Clifford Pittman, 76, of Euclid, Ohio, formerly of Estill, died Wednesday, March 13, 1996, at the Euclid Meridian Hospital in Euclid, Ohio.

Born March 25, 1919 in Letcher County, he was the son of the late Frank Pittman and Annie Elicadee Pittman. He was a millwright, formerly employed by Park Drop Forge of Cleveland, Ohio, a U.S. Marine veteran of World War II, and a member of the Freewill Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Agalean Pittman; one daughter, Nancy Pittman of Cleveland, Ohio; four sisters, Beulah Collins of Lackey, Helen Collins of Louisville; Gladys Pittman of Virginia, and Pauline Pittman of Florida; two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Monday, March 18, at 11 a.m., at the Martin Branch Freewill Baptist Church at Estill, with the clergymen DeWayne Stephens and Red Morris officiating.

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

Serving as pallbearers were Johnny Pezzarossi, William Henegar, Bobby Slone, Eddie Slone and Steven Pittman.

Dakota Moore

Newsome

Dakota Moore Newsome, 90, of Louisville, formerly of Teaberry, died Sunday, March 17, 1996, at the Twinbrook Nursing Care Center in Louisville, following a long illness.

Born October 8, 1905 in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late Henry and Hattie Hall Moore. She was a retired assistant postmaster and merchant at Teaberry for 25 years. She attended the Old Regular Baptist Church. She was preceded in death by her husband, Casey Newsome.

Survivors include one son, Lee Newsome of Louisville; three daughters, Genevieve Roberson of Snellville, Georgia, Arzella Henson of Aiken, South Carolina, and Sylvia Corey of Hendersonville, North Carolina; one brother, Henry Moore of Whitley City; two sisters, Gustavia Alley and Lexie Martin both of Grethel; nine grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, March 20, at 11 a.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel with the clergyman Dan Heintzelman officiating.

Burial will be in the Lucy Hall Cemetery at McDowell, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Jonah Hall

Jonah Hall, 88, of Prestonsburg, died Monday, March 18, 1996, at the residence of his daughter.

Born July 22, 1907 at Ponceon, he was the son of the late George and Elizabeth Johnson Hall. He was a retired owner of Hall Electric Company in Prestonsburg and a member of the Community United Methodist Church in Prestonsburg.

Survivors include his wife, Lura Howard Hall; one son, William A. Hall of Prestonsburg; one daughter, Joane Hensley of Prestonsburg; one brother, Bill Hall of Jackson, Ohio; one sister, Mary Hall of Dayton, Ohio; one half-brother, Frank Hall of Ohio; three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Thursday, March 21, at 1 p.m., at the Floyd Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Raymond Snider officiating.

Burial will be in Davidson Memorial Gardens at Ivel, under the direction of Floyd Funeral Home.

Serving as active pallbearers will be Bryan Grizzell, Paul D. Harris, Ronnie Meade, Junior Collins and Mark Fitzpatrick.

Pallbearers listed

for Millie Spurgeon

Serving as active pallbearers for Millie Spurgeon were Barry James Slone, Chris Slone, Todd Neal, Dee West, Tim Ricky West, Tommy Rorrer, Dave Fogarty, Paul West, B. J. Slone, Matt Wells.

Fruit trees benefit from pruning annually

"Pruning helps control pests and promote high-quality fruit production," said Jerry Brown, extension fruit specialist for the University of Kentucky College of Agriculture.

"Prior to spring growth, prune out dead, diseased, or insect-infested wood, which often harbors pests, to reduce problems during the growing season," he said. "Pruning also increases air movement within the tree canopy. This cuts the time foliage remains wet from rain or dew and reduces the chance of diseases that develop under wet conditions. When spraying is necessary, spray coverage is better with an open canopy than one that is heavily shaded."

Pruning also promotes production of high-quality fruit, according to Brown.

"As fruit tree wood becomes older, it loses the ability to produce the fruit volume and size of younger wood," he said. "Pruning older wood encourages the growth of new wood with the capability to produce a good crop of quality

fruit. Moderate pruning each year also allows sunlight to penetrate the plant canopy, encouraging the formation of fruit buds and promoting high fruit quality."

Moderate pruning also helps maintain fruit tree size to keep the specimen within an area; however, it's not practical to rely on pruning to maintain tree size well below what it normally would attain.

"Wait to prune fruit trees until after the worst of the winter weather is over," Brown said. "Avoid leaving stubs because they serve as an entry point for diseases and can slow down the healing process. Pruning cuts will heal more quickly if no wound dressing is applied."

"Remember that the amount of pruning done to young trees affects the onset of fruiting. If you prune too severely, it will delay the time trees start to produce a crop."

For more information on producing and maintaining fruit trees, contact the county extension office.

Lula Howard

Lula Howard, 89, of Wheelwright, died Thursday, March 14, 1996, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital, following an extended illness.

Born September 24, 1906 in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late Belvins and Nancy Ratliff Patton. She was preceded in death by her first husband, Bill Bailey, and her second husband, Hamlet Howard.

Survivors include one son, Fred Bailey of Swanton, Ohio; three daughters, Susann Hill and Emma Perry, both of Wheelwright, and Nellie Parsons of Toledo, Ohio; 36 grandchildren, several grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Sunday, March 17, at 11 a.m., at the Joppa Old Regular Baptist Church at Melvin, with the ministers of the Old Regular Baptist Church officiating.

Burial was in the Newman Cemetery at Hi Hat, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

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Card Of Thanks

The family of Mary Mae Wallen wishes to gratefully acknowledge the thoughtfulness and kindness of friends, relatives, and neighbors in the loss of our loved one. Thanks to all who sent food, flowers, prayers or spoke comforting words. We are especially grateful to the Clergyman Jerry Manns 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 MARY MAE WALLEN

Card Of Thanks

The family of Oliver Newman wishes to thank all of those who were so kind and considerate during our time of grief. We want to thank those who sent flowers and gifts of love. We especially want to thank the Regular Baptist ministers for their comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control, and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

THE FAMILY OF OLIVER NEWMAN

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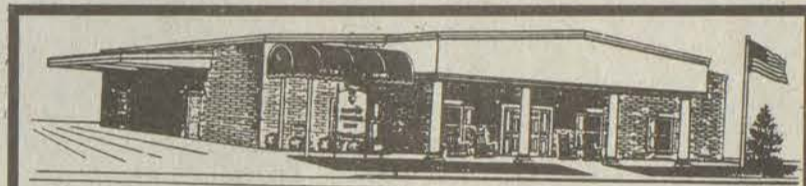
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THE FAMILY OF JOHN G. HALL

Card Of Thanks

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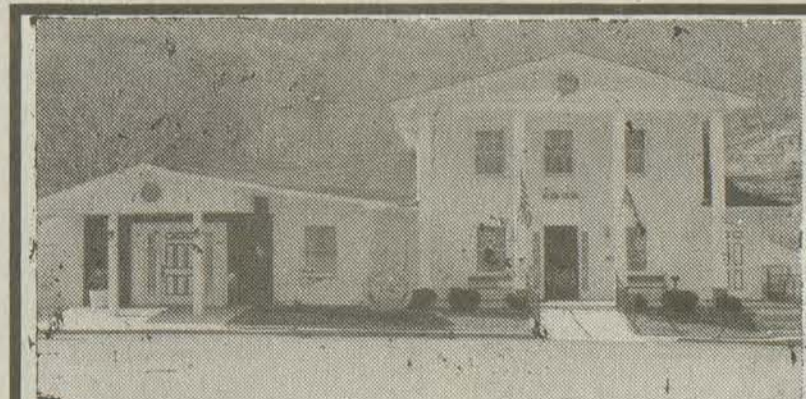
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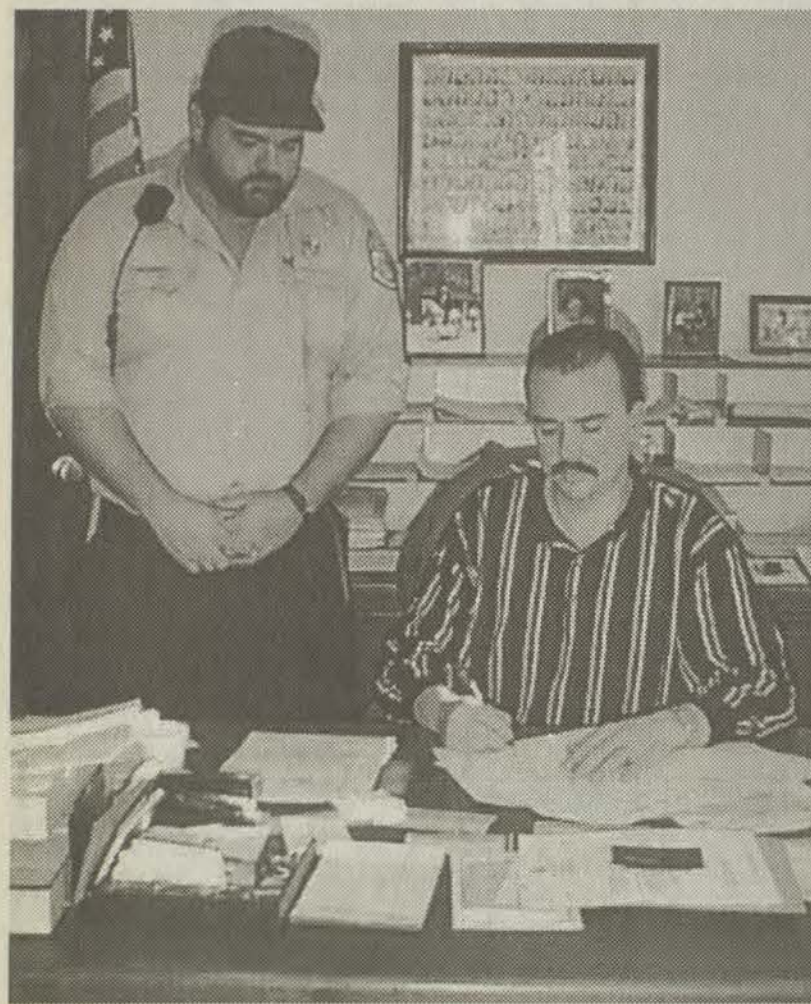
Editor's Note: As a service to the many clubs and committees that meet in our community, the Floyd County Times' Community Calendar will post meeting and public service announcements. Articles for the Community Calendar must be submitted in writing to the Times no later than 5 p.m. Monday for Wednesday's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

Prestonsburg Elementary Resource Center activities

- Fluoride treatments are presented to the students each Wednesday by the resource center and parent volunteers.
- Free GED classes each Wednesday from 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. For more information, contact the resource center at 886-7088.

Maytown Family Resource Center activities

- A "Spring Talent" competition at the Maytown Family Resource Center is open for participation



Arbor Day

Floyd County Judge Executive Benjamin Hale signed a proclamation declaring April 5 as Arbor Day in Floyd County. Forestland comprises 80 percent of Eastern Kentucky land area and provides the raw materials for a wide range of products. In his proclamation, Hale urges citizens to plant trees to beautify the county. (photo by Janice Shepherd)



Words of Life

WHO CAN UNITE US?

by Rev. David Powers, Sch.P.
Pastor St. Martha Catholic Church

Most of us have been following, with varying degrees of interest, the presidential candidates as each of them tries to convince us that he is the best choice. One of the central themes that each of them stresses is that he is the one who can "unite" this country. I must beg to differ.

As we reflect upon all the efforts that are being made to develop unity and solidarity among people, we must ask ourselves on what values these efforts are based. Otherwise, we risk falling into the danger of the rhetoric of empty words. At the same time, we must ask ourselves in the name of what ideals it is possible to bring together cultures and peoples so different as represented by the citizens of the United States.

Christians must understand that the central point is that we must first look to Christ, with all our attention. We know that God's plan is "to unite all things in him" (Eph 1:10), by means of the exceptional nature of His person and His salvific destiny of life and death. During these times, in which we are again living His blessed passion, all this becomes more evident. Christ shows Himself to us, in fact, with features that are even more similar to those of our weak human nature. While some men may point to the person acclaimed by this caucus or that primary, the Church points out to us Jesus raised on the cross, "a

man of sorrows and acquainted with grief" (Is 53:3); but also risen from the dead. "He always lives to make intercession for us" (Heb 7:25).

Here, then, is the one to whom we should turn: Christ crucified for our sins and risen for our salvation, who becomes a universal and irresistible point of convergence: "and, I when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all men to myself" (Jn 12:32). That cross has become for us all a "royal banner." Every day and in every circumstance, we must continue to be imbued with the wisdom and strength which comes to us only from Christ's paschal cross. We draw from that experience an ever purifying energy. The cross is the pressure point to act as a lever for our human service, so as to transmit to so many others the immense joy of being Christians.

Allen Central Youth Service Center activities

- Clothes closet will be open to students and the public upon request.
- Country and western line dancing classes will be held every Tuesday night at 7 p.m.
- Adult CPR Class, March 27, at 3 p.m. Pre-Registration required. The charge is \$20.
- Lifeguard Certification Classes begin March 23.

For more information about classes or community activities call 358-3048.

South Floyd Youth Services Center activities

The Adult Learning Center (ALC) is open Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. Learn new job skills, earn your GED, prepare for college or voca-

tional entrance exams, get leads on good jobs, learn computer skills, brush up on your reading, writing, and math skills, learn job success tips, and find help with housing, food, clothes and more. This service is free and open to the public. Instructor is Mitzi Crisp. The ALC is sponsored by the David School. For more information contact Mitzi Crisp, Keith Smallwood, or Mable Hall. Phone 452-4904 or 452-9600, ext. 145.

- The Clothing Bank is open to students upon request.
- Cancer support group meets monthly. For more information call Georgia Smith at 452-4115 or the SFYSC at 452-9600, ext. 145.
- South Floyd Youth Service Center is open 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. Mondays through Fridays. The center is located in Suite 232 at South Floyd High School. For more information contact Keith Smallwood or Mable C. Hall, 452-9600, Ext. 145. Fax 452-9303.

Allen Central plans reunion

The Allen Central High School class of 1986 is planning its tenth year reunion. Letters concerning the reunion plans are being sent to all graduates for whom addresses are available. Graduates who would like to receive more information may write to Class of 1986, P.O. Box 168, Eastern, KY 41622 or contact: Mandy Cooley Hicks or Amy Mayo Halbert at Allen Central.

Mud Creek center will meet March 25

- The regular meeting of the Mud Creek Community Family Resource Center Advisory Council will be held at 4:30 p.m. on March 25, in the John M. Stumbo Elementary library.
- Basic CPR class will be offered March 23.
- Fitness classes will be offered on Thursday nights between 7:00-8:00 p.m. Classes are free.
- Clothing bank open to students and public upon request.

Spring N' Free

The First Baptist Church of McDowell will hold a youth-sponsored revival "Spring N' Free" March 29 through March 31. On Friday and Saturday nights, the services will begin at 7 p.m. and on Sunday morning, the service will begin at 11 a.m. The special speaker for the revival will be Craig Tackett. Robbie Shelton will serve as the music leader and some of the special music will be brought by Becky Castle, Chris Hedges, and Chad Caddell. There will also be a

creative ministries team from Morehead State University Baptist Student Union.

There will be an "After Glow" each night after the services. Nursery service will be provided.

McDowell Family Resource Center Activities

- Parents, if your children are enrolled in the fifth grade and have not had their sixth grade physical, call the McDowell Family Resource Center, 377-2678, to schedule an appointment.
- Joy Moore from the Floyd County Health Department is at the Center each Monday to see patients. She will administer well-child exams, school physicals (head start, kindergarten, and sixth grade), immunizations, and T. B. skin test. She will also see established W.I.C. patients. Call for an appointment, 377-2678.

- Child Care Training: The McDowell Family Resource Center will be sponsoring free child care training on March 21, at the center. The training will be by E.K.C.C.C. and the topic discussed will be "Creative Storytelling." The training will be worth four hours credit. Call the McDowell Family Resource Center to register, 377-2678.

- G.E.D. class is held each Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Anyone interested in earning their G.E.D. should stop in and talk with Joyce Hall (instructor).

Organizational meeting

An organizational meeting for the second Hueysville/Bosco Homecoming on Labor Day weekend will be held at the Hueysville Church of Christ Saturday, March 23, at 1:30 p.m. For more information, call Dr. Richard D. Howard at (606) 744-3752.

Alzheimer's support group

The Big Sandy Alzheimer's Support Group will meet on Thursday, March 21, at 7 p.m. in the Floyd B Room in the basement of Highlands Regional Medical Center, on Auxier Road. The meeting, which deals with coping with the devastation Alzheimer's Disease brings to family members of AD sufferers is free and open to

the public.

Any person who is affected by Alzheimer's Disease is urged to attend. Call (606) 789-5775 to get questions answered.

Representative of Hal Rogers in town

A representative of Congressman Hal Rogers will be at Prestonsburg City Hall council room on Monday, March 25, at 2 p.m. Anyone who may have a problem with Social Security, Black Lung, Veterans Administration or any other agency of the federal government, should plan to contact the representative March 25.

PHS council to meet

The Prestonsburg High School site-based decision making council will hold a special meeting on Tuesday, March 26, at 7 p.m.

Free income tax forms

State and federal income tax forms are now available at the county extension office. These forms can be picked up between 7:30 a.m. and noon and 1 p.m. and

4 p.m. Monday-Friday. The office is located at 670 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg.

Pruning demonstration

A fruit tree demonstration will be held on March 21, at 1 p.m. at the Floyd County Extension Office at 670 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg. Pruning, grafting and pest control of fruit trees will be covered. Call the extension agent, Pat Spicer, at 886-2668 to register.

Pesticide training

Restricted use pesticides can legally be purchased and used only by persons who have become certified. Private applicator certification training will be held at the Floyd County Extension Office on March 21, at 6 p.m. Please call the extension office at 886-2668 to register.

Childcare training

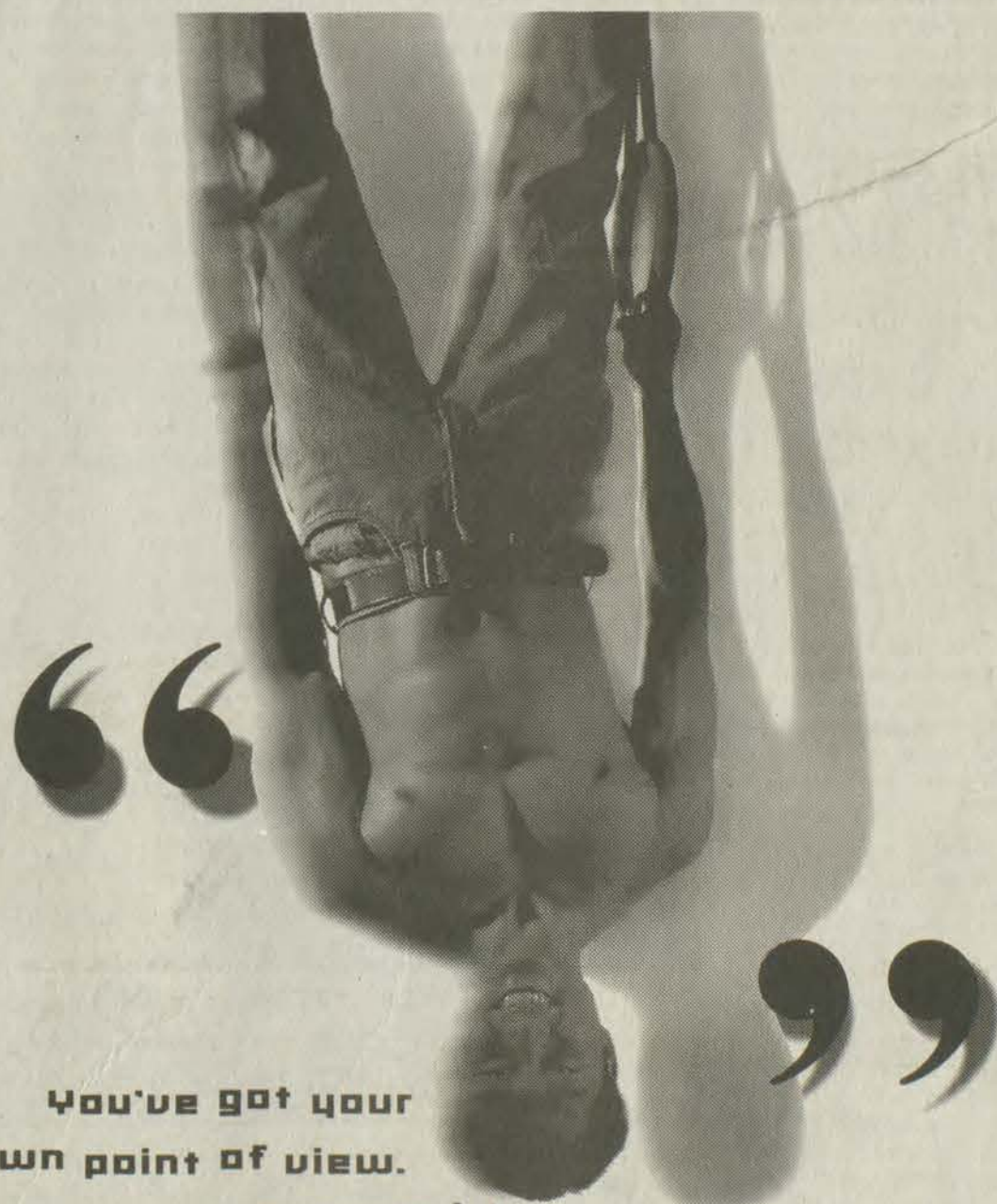
Childcare training at the McDowell Family Resource Center will be held on Thursday, March 21, from 8:30 to 1 p.m. The training is free of charge for anyone interested. Call 377-2678 to register.

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Courthouse News

MARRIAGES

Belinda Walker, 19, of Weeksbury and Chad P. Hall, 22, of Berea; Melissa A. Lowe, 22, of Pikeville and Billy L. Shields, 18, of Prestonsburg; Judith S. Meade, 47, of Martin and James R. Akers, 48, of Martin;

Jessica Ann Holbrook, 20, of Bypro and Wilmer Lee Johnson Jr., 25, of Bypro; Lavinne Louise Slone, 24, of Blue River and David Joe Wallen, 26, of Prestonsburg; Vivian Diaz, 18, of Prestonsburg and Anthony Fresneda, 21, of Prestonsburg;

Melissa Dingess, 19, of Chapmanville, West Virginia and Ray Allen Lovejoy, 23, of Danville, West Virginia; Jessica Renea Tussey, 19, of Prestonsburg and Donald G. Osborne, 28, of Prestonsburg;

Polly Fay Smith, 18, of Eastern and Terry L. Mitchell, 21, of McDowell.

Sabrina Truitt, 18, of Auxier and James M. Henderson, 23, of Auxier; Sunshine Renea Clemons, 18, of Prestonsburg and Farish Timothy Bradley Jr., 18, of Martin; Susan E. Freeman, 55, of East Point and Carl Thomas Patton, 57, of East Point;

Kimberly M. Martin, 25, of Jackson, Tennessee and James D. Frazier, 26, of Jackson, Tennessee; Gina Ann Hall, 17, of Craynor and David Dean Newsome, 20, of Teaberry; Erica Roberts, 19, of Harold and Heath W. Murray, 18, of Banner.

Correction: Last week's marriages listed Maria Chesher as 31 years old. She is 21.

PROPERTY TRANSFERS

James G. Gibson and Noretta Gibson, Joyce Ann Gibson, Charles B. Gibson and Deborah Gibson, Michael Glenn Gibson, and Stephanie Gibson, Betty Lois Ousley, Miley Ousley, Clark Shelton, Stephen J. Hicks, Kevin M. Shelton, Amy E. Shelton, Keith

E. Shelton, Leonard D. Gibson and Janet Gibson, David S. Gibson and Anita Gibson to Darlene Scott Howard, property at Langley;

E. L. Cline Jr. and Bertha Cline to Elcaney Cline and Maltie Cline, property at Sugarloaf; DFM Incorporated to Costain Coal, Incorporated, property at Spradlin Branch; David May and Lois May, to Costain Coal, Inc., property on Spradlin Branch; Mont Collins and June Collins, Richard Fairchild and Beryldene Fairchild, and Mae Hale to Joe Burchett, property at Sugarloaf;

Cloyd Meade to Gertrude Ruth Meade, property at Prestonsburg; Lorie Ousley to Derek Shaun Walls, property on Clover Field Branch of Caney Fork of Middle Creek; Elizabeth Miller to Charles L. Sergeant and Debra Sergeant, property at Spradlin Branch; Blaine Slone and Zella Slone to Jeffrey Slone, property on Mink Branch of Big Mud Creek;

Progress Land Corporation to Jerry M. Tackett, property at Weeksbury; Jerry DeRossett and Sarah DeRossett to Paul Burke and Edith Burke, property at West Prestonsburg; Norman E. Goble and JoAnne Goble to Robert N. Goble and Kimberly Goble, property at Cow Creek; Huey Darby and Earleen Darby to Earleen Darby, property location not listed;

Kenneth D. Brown and Kathy Brown to Bobby Eugene Terry and Clementeen Terry, property location not listed; Wayne Wright and Barbara Ann Wright to Ronald Wright and Loretta Wright, property on the Left Fork of Beaver Creek; Huey Darby and Earleen Darby to Earleen Darby, property location not listed;

Roger McKinney, Vanessa McKinney to Jim Walters Homes, Incorporated, property on Tolers Creek; Roger Lee Castle to Linda Foster Castle, property location not listed; Wanda Conn and Leonard

Conn to Jerome Kinzer, property on Haws Branch of Prater Creek.

Adrian B. Rector to Brent Keathley and Wanda Keathley, property at Garrett; Junior Martin and Mildred Martin to Junior Martin and Mildred Martin and Terry Michael Gibson, property on the Right Fork of Beaver Creek; Ruby Meadows Ousley, Judy Meadows Shepherd Seiffert and Eric Seiffert, Opal Meadows Calhoun and Estill Calhoun, Oma Meadows Rose and Ben Rose, and Amie Meadows Burke to Edith Burke, property at Middle Creek;

Mearl Dean Kidd to Phillip Ray and Tonya Ray, property on Little Mud Creek; Fred Dials, Dallas Dillion and Lula Dillion, property at Brandykeg Creek; Lola Roberts and Robert Wesley Roberts, Patty J. Roop and Ralph Roop, Rosemary Tackett, Vicky R. Ratliff, Johnny K. Tackett and Lula Tackett, Donald R. Tackett to Clyde Tackett Jr., Stephen R. Tackett, and Gregory K. Tackett, property location not listed;

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Kathryn Youmans to Robert Duane Youmans and Brenda England Youmans, property location not listed; Bryon K. Sturgill to Christina Lowe Sturgill; property in Old Laynesville near Harold; Lucille Wallen and Don Wallen to Mary Alice Blair, property at Prater Creek; J. R. McClung to J. R. McClung and Wilma McClure McClung, property at Prestonsburg; Irene Campbell to Jimmy Key and Shannon Key, property at Allen; Polly Dingus to Virginia S. Viers and Jim Viers, property located on Left Beaver Creek;

Sola Williams to Hank Williams and Esta Kaye Williams, property

on Morgan Fork of Little Mud Creek; Hank Williams and Esta Kaye Williams to Sola Williams, property on Morgan Fork of Little Mud Creek; Fannie H. Goble and James Goble, to Melvin Webb and Priscilla A. Webb, property location not listed; James Ed Goble Jr. and Michelle Goble to Melvin Webb and Priscilla A. Webb, property location not listed;

S.S.S. & P., Inc. to Bobby Johnson and Missy Michelle Johnson, property on Mare Creek; Levi Tackett and Onas Tackett to Larry L. Tackett, on Mud Creek; Jake Messer to James E. Craft, property on Stone Coal Creek; Jennifer Jones and Phillip Jones to Edith Jones, property location not listed; Charles E. Wright and Rita Wright to Margaret Thompson, property at Cow Creek; James R. Cox and Ruth Cox to Magnolia Partnership, property at Harold.

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Social Security beneficiaries who plan to submit their earnings reports by the April 15 due date should note that the reports can be one of the most important retirement planning documents available

to them. It may be used as a basis for determining how much they will receive in benefits and how much they can earn without affecting their benefits, according to Jim Kelly, District Director for the Big Sandy Area Social Security Office.

Kelly said beneficiaries who work and earn over the exempt amount are required to submit earnings reports on how much they made the previous year and how much they expect to make during the current year. The amount of benefits they receive will reflect any excess earnings reported.

The annual limit in 1995 was \$8,160 for persons under age 65, and \$11,280 for persons between age 65 and 69. Benefits are reduced \$1 for every \$2 in excess earnings for people under 65, and \$1 for every \$3 in excess earnings for

people between 65 and the ages of 69. If you are still working at age 70, the earnings limits do not apply.

The annual limits for 1996 are \$8,280 for persons under age 65, and \$11,520 for persons between age 65-69. People who are overpaid by Social Security are required to return the money, either in a lump sum or by having their benefits reduced to cover the overpayment.

There is a substantial penalty for not filing an annual report of earnings on or before the April 15 due date.

It's easy to report excess earnings and other events that would cause you to be overpaid. Visit the nearest Social Security office or call the toll-free number, 1-800-772-1213, business days between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m.



Birth announced

Mr. and Mrs. David K. Trent of Lexington, announce the birth of their daughter Kaitlin Danielle on March 7. She weighed 6 lbs. and was 18 inches long. Maternal grandparents are Red and Susanne Gullett of Allen. Paternal great-parents are Mary Steigerwald of Lexington and the late Jim Hale.

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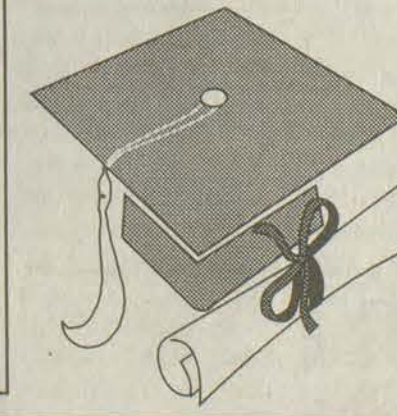
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By
Ed Taylor,
Sports editor

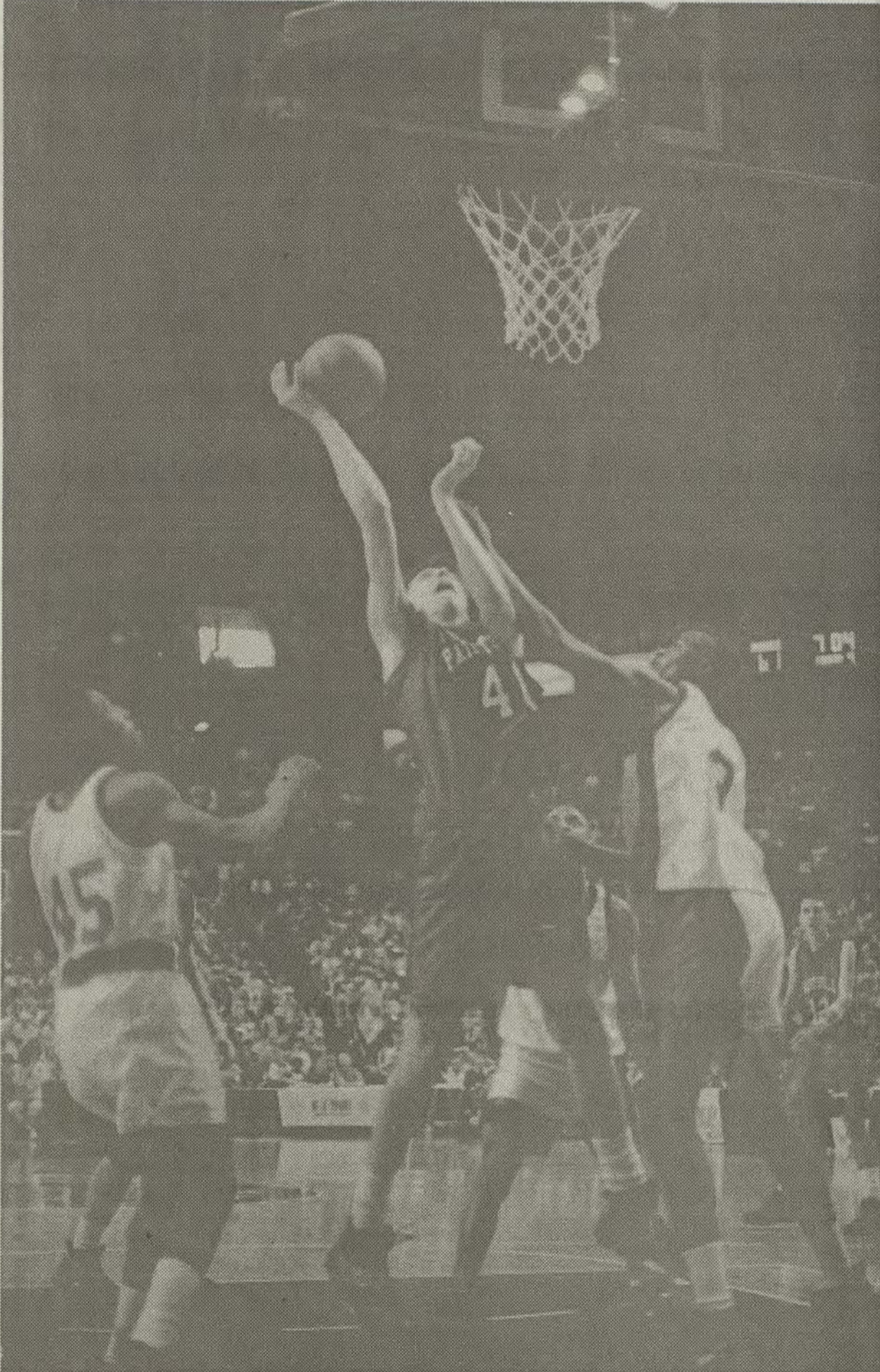
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Paintsville state champs



Big man in the middle!

Paintsville's J.R. Vanhooze (40) grabbed a rebound against the Ashland Paul Blazer Tomcats in the championship game of the boys Sweet 16 state tournament Saturday night at Rupp Arena. Vanhooze set a new single game rebound record in the semifinals with 27 rebounds against Lexington Catholic. The Tigers posted a 71-53 win over the Tomcats to win their first state championship. (photo by Harold Ratliff)

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

Coach Bill Mike Runyon's talented Paintsville Tigers did something that no other 15th Region basketball team has been able to do since the Inez Indians did it in 1954 — win the Kentucky State High School Basketball Tournament.

When Paintsville handily posted a 71-53 win over the Ashland Tomcats this past Saturday night, the Tigers put a light to the shadow that has followed every 15th Region team into the Sweet Sixteen, an early exit.

It was a dream come true for a group of young men who found a way to grow up during the second season. The Tigers struggled during the regular season, but seemed to find themselves at Magoffin County when the ball was thrown up to start the 57th District tournament. The Tigers breezed through the district and the regional tournament at Prestonsburg to return to the Sweet Sixteen, causing senior forward Craig Ratliff to say this year's regional win was "more gratifying than last year's."

Sophomore center sensation J.R. Vanhooze was voted the tournament's most valuable player after a stellar state tournament. Vanhooze broke the state tournament single game rebounding record of Wes Unseld, Louisville Seneca, who pulled in 25 rebounds on two separate occasions. Vanhooze had 27 against tournament favorite Lexington Catholic in their semifinal game Friday night.

Vanhooze compared the feat to the relationship of metal and a magnet.

"It was like we were playing with a metal ball and I had magnets on my hands," he said.

Craig Ratliff had to pick up the scoring for the Tigers in the championship game with Vanhooze, who finished with nine points and 13

rebounds in the title game, saddled in foul trouble and on the bench. Ratliff pumped in a game-high 30 points and had ten boards after deciding earlier to step up his game.

Junior Josh McKenzie netted 17 points and pulled in 11 rebounds, with nine coming off the defensive end.

Paintsville only hit four of 15 attempts beyond the three-point arch. But with the inside presence of Vanhooze, Ratliff and McKenzie, the Tigers pounded the ball into the paint area. Matt Ratliff added eight points and sophomore Todd Tackett scored seven.

While Vanhooze was not having the stellar game of the previous three outings, his presence inside on the defensive end presented a problem for the Tomcats. Vanhooze caused several shots to be altered and had four block shots for the game.

Ashland and Paintsville battled to a 19-14 game in the first quarter with the Tigers holding the five-point cushion. But the Tigers opened hot to start the second quarter and went on a 15-0 run in burying the Tomcats 34-18. Ashland, behind the play of Chris Lynch, who led Ashland with 17 points, made a run at Paintsville and trailed 38-30 at the half.

Taking a page out of the Kentucky Wildcats' play book, the Tigers had another run left in them and that came in the third period when they outscored Ashland, 13-2, to open up a 19-point, 51-32 lead. The Tigers never looked back as they extended the lead to 24 points in the final period and won by 18.

Ashland was as cold as the coldest day of winter from the floor, converting only one of 14 shots for a dismal seven percent shooting in the third period.

The 6' 10" Vanhooze, the attention of many major colleges, did nothing in the tournament to cause them to think any different. All he

did was be named the tournament's Most Valuable Player, have the third best total in rebounds in the Sweet Sixteen with 69. He scored 88 points in the four games for an average of 22 points per game.

After falling behind by 16 points in the second quarter, Ashland employed a tight full-court pressure man-to-man defense that rattled the Tigers. The Tomcats climbed back into competition with their defense.

(See Champs, B 2)

State title just another gem for city of Paintsville

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

The excitement that an Eastern Kentucky basketball team won a state high school basketball tournament is still very much in the air.

The people of Paintsville will be on cloud nine for months as they relish the accomplishment of a group of young men who believed in themselves and set out to accomplish a goal they had set earlier.

But the City of Paintsville has had other accomplishments to cherish and remember from past years. Try this on:

• In 1990 head baseball coach Charlie Adkins guided the Tigers to a state title in baseball in one of the stronger teams to come out of Eastern Kentucky.

• A young man by the name of Johnnie Lemaster made a name for himself by signing with the San Francisco Giants where he played shortstop for the professional team. He also had a tenure

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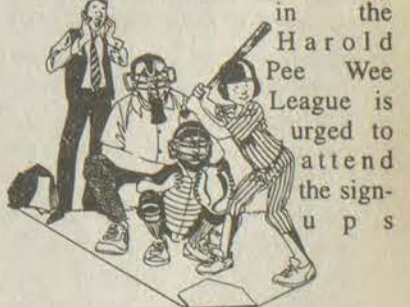
Harold Pee Wee League signups, Thursday

The Harold Pee Wee League will conduct baseball signups for former and new players tomorrow (Thursday, March 21) at the D.W. Howard Fieldhouse in Betsy Layne.

Signups will begin at 6 p.m. for ages (boys) 5-9 and (girls) 5-10 years old.

A \$15 sign-up fee will be required of each player.

Anyone interested in coaching in the Harold Pee Wee League is urged to attend the signups



MCA raises \$\$\$ for Easter Seals

The Mountain Christian Academy (MCA) of Martin recently participated in the 16th Annual Wildcat Basketball Shootout for Easter Seals. Chaired by coach Rick Pitino, the event raises funds for Easter Seal programs throughout Kentucky.

Eleven students at MCA raised \$346.15 for Easter Seals by soliciting sponsors for each basket made during a three minute peri-

od. These students were awarded prizes based on the amount of money raised.

The top boy and girl fundraisers at MCA were Carlo Repuyan raising \$100 and Kristyn Buckley raising \$39.90 for Easter Seals.

The boy and girl who raised the most money statewide had the opportunity to sit on the player's bench at a late-season Wildcat

home game. Schools such as MCA have raised more than \$1 million in 15 Shootouts.

Of those funds, 99 percent stayed in Kentucky, and 79 percent were spent on direct hands-on services to thousands of children and adults with disabilities. Last year, more than 33,000 Kentuckians received Easter Seals services.

A Look At Sports :

Thanks, Paintsville Tigers

Finally!
A Kentucky State Tournament championship trophy has finally found its way to Eastern Kentucky and a 15th Region team for only the second time in the great history of the Sweet 16.
The only other 15th Region team to bring home the coveted trophy was Inez in 1954. The last Eastern Kentucky mountain team to accomplish the feat was the Hazard Bulldogs in 1955.
I am proud of the Paintsville Tigers and what they pulled off this past weekend. Coach Bill Mike Runyon is very proud of his team, a team that looked as if it was destined for only one maybe two games in the tournament.
But desire, heart and pure determination made this Paintsville team a winner. The overall regular season record wasn't anything to really shout or write home about.

They had the third worst record in the state tournament this year at 22-10 (Fairdale was 20-11, Harrodsburg, 20-11). But as the adage goes, "throw the records out the window when it comes tournament time."

It was amazing how a sophomore like J.R. Vanhooze (6' 10") dominated every phase of the game. This kid is something to watch. He does so many things well. But what I like about him is he knows how to handle it all. No one deserved the MVP more than J.R.

I have always been a Craig Ratliff fan. I have always felt he is an underrated basketball player on the state level. Hopefully, his performance in the state tournament will open some college coaches' eyes. He can play division one basketball. Craig is a senior and the Tigers will miss him next season.

Todd Tackett is going to be a good one. He is just a sophomore and is destined to be one of the best to come out of Paintsville. He does a lot of good things on the floor besides score.

Matt Ratliff, an unsung hero. Not much

press playing in the shadows of the others, but he gets the job done when it is needed.

I like the hard-nosed play of Josh McKenzie. I must admit that he surprised me this year (as he did many others). I really didn't think he would contribute as much as he did this season. Josh had a great year and was a big, big part of the Tigers' team make-up.

Coach Runyon didn't go very deep off his bench this season, especially at tournament time, but there were those who sat there and contributed when called on.

I understand the celebration will linger for a few more days, but if I know this bunch, the celebrating will never stop.

Confidence is important when playing in a tournament of this magnitude. I feel the first two games Paintsville played (an 80-78 overtime win over Owensboro and a two-point shaving of Allen County-Scottsville), paved the way for easy wins over Lexington Catholic and Ashland.

The first two games allowed the Tigers to grow up a little bit and gain confidence that they could play with the "bigger

teams." A blowout of Catholic only served to increase that confidence for the championship game.

Other areas the Tiger championship proved:

• Smaller schools can compete with the bigger ones. Fifteenth Region teams do not have to go to the state thinking they'll come home after the first round.

• With hard work, good things will come to a program.

• A complete team effort is required, even if "I don't get to play."

This will be a day that the Paintsville Tigers players, fans and coaches will remember long after their playing and coaching days are over. They deserve it.

Congratulations Paintsville Tigers, Kentucky State High School Basketball champions!

GIRLS STATE THIS WEEK...

While the boys are through for the season, the girls' state tournament will get underway this Wednesday at Western Kentucky University in Bowling Green.

The Belfry Lady Pirates will represent

the 15th Region and coach Cindy Stewart's ballclub has a very good chance to bring home yet another state title to Eastern Kentucky and the 15th Region.

This has been a great year for Stewart and her Lady Pirates. I wish Cindy and her ballclub nothing but the best in their quest for a state title.

ATTENTION AAU TEAMS....
Got games this weekend? Give me a call with time and location.

JASON BLANTON....RICK BENTLEY
It was good to see and work with Jason Blanton during all the tournaments we have just gone through. Jason is a very good friend and a good sports person.

Recently I got to see my good buddy Rick Bentley (former News-Express Sports Editor) who is out of the reporting arena. I missed these two. They have been a tremendous help to me over the years.

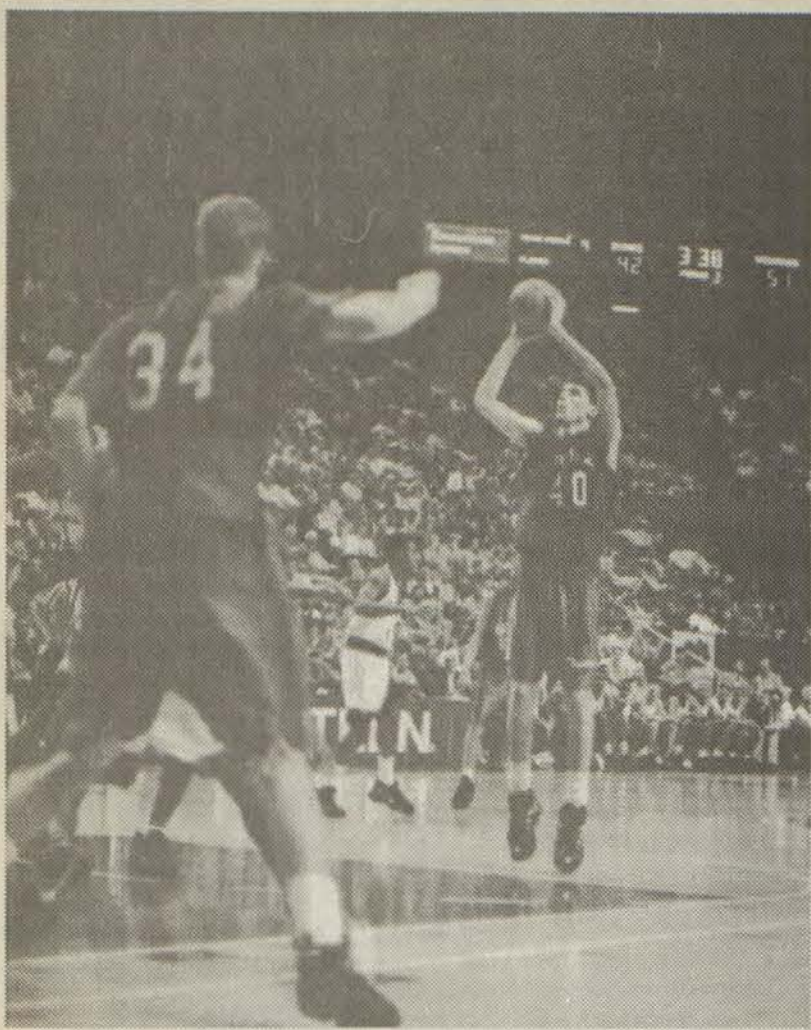
COACHES....

I still need some softball and baseball schedules for the upcoming season.

Until Friday, good sports everyone and be good sports!



Ed Taylor
Sports
Editor



On offense!

Sophomore sensation J.R. Vanhooose of Paintsville (40) put up a shot from 15-feet out against Ashland Saturday night as teammate Craig Ratliff (34) looked on. Vanhooose had 66 rebounds and scored 88 points in the four games of the state tournament that Paintsville won over Ashland. (photo by Harold Ratliff)

Champs

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Ashland had 23 points off 18 turnovers by Paintsville.

The Tigers shot 54 percent for the game, hitting 25 of 46 field goal attempts. They connected on 17 of 22 free throws.

Todd Tackett led the Tigers in assists with six. Matt Ratliff had two of three from the three-point circle.

Coach Runyon went with his usual five starters most of the way and with 30 seconds left to play, he gave his far end of the bench players a thrill of state tournament competition by inserting five new players. Mike Short was used extensively off the bench and played a little more than ten minutes.

Vanhooose, after being named the tournaments MVP, was joined on the all-tournament team by fellow teammates Craig Ratliff and Todd Tackett.

TIGERS OPEN AGAINST OWENSBORO

Paintsville opened the Sweet Sixteen with a thrilling victory over number nine Owensboro on a put back by Vanhooose and a missed shot by Tackett with two seconds on the scoreboard. With the clock winding down, Tackett put up a 14-foot jumper that fell short, hitting the front lip of the rim. Vanhooose grabbed the errant shot, while surrounded by a throng of Owensboro players. His put back ended the season for Owensboro.

Vanhooose completely dominated the paint area finishing with 25 points and pulling in 20 rebounds.

TACKETT DOESN'T MISS AGAINST ALLEN COUNTY

In the quarterfinal game, Vanhooose hit Tackett with a backdoor play with three seconds left to play and Tackett didn't miss on this attempt that sent Paintsville into the semifinals with a breathtaking 78-76 win over Allen County. Vanhooose finished with 25 points and nine rebounds in the win over Allen County.

TIGERS UPSET TOURNAMENT FAVORITE CATHOLIC

Paintsville hit 50 percent of their shots and 84 percent from the free throw line in upending tournament favorite Lexington Catholic in the semifinals of the Sweet Sixteen, 79-55. Vanhooose had 22 defensive rebounds finishing with 27 for the game to go with his 29 points.

Craig Ratliff finished with 17 points, McKenzie 15, and Tackett ten.

The Tigers won their last nine games and finished 28-10 on the season.

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Early spring fishing, unrivaled in quality

Kentucky is known for a lot of exciting combinations.

Thoroughbreds and a fast track, Rick and the Cats, Denny and the Cards come to mind.

Another exciting combination that gets less attention but is nonetheless unrivaled in quality is fishing and Kentucky's state parks. From the state resort parks located around Kentucky's lakes — Barren River, Lake Barkley, Kenlake, Kentucky Dam, Lake Cumberland, Rough River and Dale Hollow (in 1997) — launching ramps, lodging, supplies, great food and great fishing are available.

On many lakes, guide services are available through local bait shops and the state park marina.

Without a doubt, late winter in Kentucky means hot times for crappie in two of the state's most productive and scenic reservoirs.

Although many crappie anglers generally think April is tops, veteran Kentucky and Barkley lake fishermen know that late winter fishing holds the most potential for cashing in on the biggest fish of the year.

When those first few inklings of spring come 'round in February — with occasional warm afternoons here and there, anglers throughout the nation start making their way to the vast expanses of Kentucky and Barkley to wet a line for quality slabs.

Working main lake and creek channel drop-offs with bright-colored jigs and the ever reliable minnow, anglers regularly connect with slab-sized crappie averaging more than ten inches.

The same tactic also works well on other major reservoirs in late winter, especially spots like Barren River Lake, Nolin and Rough River lakes.

Another fantastic fishing trip in late winter is fishing for the big striped bass in the clear, deep

waters of Lake Cumberland.

Its winter and spring striped fishery has blossomed into one of the premier rockfish fisheries anywhere in the south.

Some of the most productive areas of the lake for stripers, February through April, are the creeks in the lower portion of the lake.

These major tributaries are easily accessible from Lake Cumberland State Park, one of the state's finest park facilities.

Anglers will score on heavy, tough fighting stripers, using either artificial or live bait.

Casting jig-and-twistertail combinations off points during low light periods and at night is highly productive.

Topwater plugs in the heads of creeks and off secondary creek points are also a good bet in late winter.

Live shad are also effective when drifted and trolled along creek channels where schools of baitfish congregate.

Other tips include keeping a full spool of line on your fishing reel and using heavier test line to withstand long runs and hard strikes.

Other late winter and early spring quality fishing trips in Kentucky include walleye runs in the headwaters of Cumberland and Laurel River, sauger fishing below the locks and dams of the Ohio River, smallmouth bass fishing at Dale Hollow Lake and many, many more.

All these fantastic opportunities are a short "cast" away from a beautiful Kentucky State Park.

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NASCAR Connection

By Ben Trout

Labonte: The Hard-Charger

He has been labeled with names such as "The Iron Man," "The Ice Man," and "Texas Terry."

However, after witnessing the performance of Terry Labonte in the season's opening four events, I choose to call him "The Hard-Charger."

Let me throw these numbers at you. With four races complete, a total of 1,698.90 miles of Winston Cup competition have been run.

Terry Labonte has led a whopping 465.82 of them. Now a little quick math will show that 27 percent of the time, the number-five Kellogg's Chevrolet has been at the point.

When you consider that a least 40 other drivers have been vying for the top spot each week, one must admit this is pretty darn impressive stat.

And when you take into account that in all of last season's 31 races, Labonte led 336.41 miles, the stat looms even larger.

But Labonte's early dominance hasn't come without its share of

complications.

At Daytona, Labonte led 44 of the first 77 laps before his engine began to lose power.

It appeared as though an electrical problem was choking the horses under the hood of his Chevrolet.

However, later, a plastic bag was found wrapped around the air cleaner which cut down on his engine's air intake and its ability to breathe.

Then at Rockingham the following week, Labonte started from the pole and led 198 of the race's first 234 laps.

He clearly had the dominant car on the track before his engine suffered internal damage from overheating problems.

Two races complete, and Labonte found himself trying to dig his way out from a 30th place spot in the point standings.

Then things began to take an upswing. At Richmond, Labonte led again. But this time it was only for three laps.

The important stat from this event was the fact that he did indeed finish the race. Labonte recorded his fifth straight top-ten finish at the Richmond track with an eighth place showing.

Then at Atlanta, Labonte led 100 laps en route to an impressive second place effort that greatly improved his standings in the chase for the coveted Winston Cup.

Labonte now finds himself in the seventh place spot among the NASCAR front-runners some 166 points back of leader, Dale Jarrett.

One shouldn't be surprised to see the Texas native at the front.

The 1984 Winston Cup champion has claimed a spot in the final top-ten point standings 13 times in 17 complete NASCAR seasons.

As Labonte continues to charge forward, he is rapidly closing in on Richard Petty's all-time record of 513 consecutive starts.

Barring any unforeseen circumstance, Labonte is set to break 'The Kings' Mark at the Goody's 500 at Martinsville on April 21.

This event will be NASCAR's answer to baseball's Cal Ripken, Jr. breaking the all-time consecutive starting mark of Lou Gehrig. In speaking of the achievement, Labonte said, "As I've gotten closer to the record, it's made me think more about how early I really did start at the top level in our sport than about how long it has taken to get this close to Richard's record."

The 39-year-old Labonte added, "I hope that people won't think of me as being older than I am just because I've reached this amount of races. I started young and I've been lucky to have been with good teams and in the kind

of equipment it takes to win in this sport."

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EKU to hold kicking academy in June

The Eastern Kentucky University football program will hold its annual Kicking and Long Snapping Academy, June 14-16, at EKU's Roy Kidd Stadium.

Academy Director Rick Sang, a former punter for the EKU Colonels, and head coach Roy Kidd began the academy 13 years ago as the state's first kicking instructional school.

Committed to providing athletes the best learning opportunities available, Eastern has expanded the curriculum to now include "long snapping."

"We have always stressed how important the kicking game is to a successful football program," Kidd said.

"With kicking and long snapping now involved with our practice sessions, the entire snap-to-kick sequence will be covered with our instruction."

Back as the chief instructor will be Ray Guy, 14-year veteran of the National Football League's Oakland Raiders and a member of the NFL's All-Time Team.

Guy was a seven-time Pro Bowl choice and played a key role in each of the Raiders' three Super Bowl victories.

Guy, who led the NCAA in punting with a 46.2 yard average while a member of the University of Southern Mississippi football team, went on to average 42.4 yards punting in 14 pro seasons.

He also knows about long snapping, having received successful snaps to record 619 consecutive punts without a block (second on the NFL all-time list).

The academy will include a concentrated program of instruction, focusing on the specific skills of kicking (straight-on and soccer style), punting and long snapping.

Individualized instruction, with an unique step-by-step teaching method, and an extensive videotape analysis will be available to participants.

An instructional guide, loaded with valuable skill techniques and developmental drills, a training video, personal evaluations and demonstrations by outstanding kicking specialists will be given to each academy member.

All athletes, age 10-18, are eligible to attend and will be checked into camp at O'Donnell Hall on campus from 2-4 p.m., Friday, June 14.

The academy conforms with all pre-high school and high school National Federation rules and players may participate without jeopardizing any eligibility.

The cost of the camp is \$200 for overnight participants and \$150 for commuters.

Those interested in attending the EKU Kicking/Long snapping

Academy may write or call for a brochure at: EKU Football Office, Room 218, Begley Building, Richmond, KY 40475-3105. Phone (606) 622-2146.

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Kentucky Afield

New fishing regulations effective now

Several new lake-specific fishing size and creel limits went into effect on March 1 with the beginning of the new hunting and fishing year.

At Cave Run Lake, the size limit on largemouth and small mouth bass has been modified to a protective 13-16 inch slot limit.

On Guist Creek Lake, the centerline on monohull boats, except canoes, cannot exceed 22 feet.

Lake Malone anglers should be aware that a protective slot limit of 12-15 inches will be effective March 1 on largemouth bass.

On Lebanon City Lake, boaters may use only electric motors on their water craft. Fishing limits on this lake are as follows: 15-inch size limit on largemouth and small mouth bass, nine inch size limit and 15 creel limit on crappie, creek limit of 30 on blue gill and shell crackers, and creek limit of five on channel catfish.

Nolin River and Rough River lakes will both have a 15-inch size limit on largemouth and small mouth bass, except one fish under 15 inches may be kept as part of the daily limit.

Anglers interested in a summary of the fishing regulations for Kentucky waters should obtain a copy of the 1996 Kentucky Sport Fishing Guide. These free booklets are available from hunting and fishing license agents and sporting goods stores, as well as regional offices of the department of fish and wildlife. New year licenses are required by March 1, 1996.

KDFWR COMMISSION APPROVES DEER SEASON LAWS

The Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources (KDFWR) Commission approved several new actions affecting deer hunting for this fall.

The tagging process for harvested deer and turkey has been altered to accommodate the new automated licensing system. Before moving the carcass, hunters required to have a license must now cut, punch or permanently mark with ink, the date the animal is taken on the carcass tag portion of the deer or turkey permit. The hunter will also be required to attach the tag to the carcass while transporting the deer or turkey by vehicle or whenever the hunter is not in physical possession of the carcass.

The commission also approved deer hunting zones for the 1996-97 season.

This year's special youth deer hunt day was expanded to include a full weekend. During the fourth

weekend (Saturday and Sunday) in October, junior hunters may use firearms or archery equipment to take either sex deer in Zone 1-4 counties and antlered deer only in Zone 5-7 counties.

Junior deer hunters (under age 16) shall comply with hunter education and hunter orange clothing requirements and be accompanied by an adult who will be able to take immediate control of the junior hunter's firearm at all times.

Adults accompanying junior hunters during the Youth Hunt Weekend shall not carry firearms and shall comply with the hunter orange clothing requirements.

Deer taken during this two-day hunt count toward the two-deer statewide limit.

Changes were also made regarding deer hunting on several wildlife management areas (WMAs). Archery dates at Beaver Creek WMA were changed to October 1-November 1 and November 19-December 31.

This fall, a youth quota hunt will be held at Cyprus Amas WMA, in Breathitt, Knott and Perry counties, on October 26-27. Successful applicants will be required to attend a training and safety seminar in addition to buying an area user permit for this bucks-only hunt.

A mandatory check-out time of 6 p.m. will be implemented for all deer hunters at Grayson Lake, Pennyrite Forest and Tradewater WMAs.

Lastly, beginning this fall, unless exempted from buying a hunting license, persons shall have a deer permit in their possession while hunting deer, wild hogs or coyotes during seasons or wildlife management hunts where firearms are allowed for deer hunting.

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

The next meeting of the KDFWR Commission is scheduled for June 14.

1996-97 OUTDOOR CALENDAR IN THE WORKS

Planning for the 1996-97 Kentucky Afield Outdoor Calendar is underway. So outdoors enthusiasts should plan to subscribe to the Kentucky Afield - The Magazine to ensure they receive a copy of this popular calendar.

The calendar, the July-August issue of Kentucky Afield, is so popular with the public that extra copies are sold out very soon after the publication is released, leaving many non-subscribers wishing they had subscribed to the magazine.

The calendar uses some of the best nationally known photographers to create a visual image of the Kentucky outdoors. The monthly

calendar also offers a complete year (July-June) with information about times and dates of a broad range of topics, including but not limited to hunting, fishing, wild-flower blooming seasons, dates of events and the department's conservation efforts.

It also has space for writing in reminders about family events, appointments and special outdoor trips.

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Prestonsburg Homecoming Queen

Samantha Heater, 17-year-old daughter of Kenneth and Mary Heater of Prestonsburg, was named basketball Homecoming Queen '96. She plays softball, a JV cheerleader for two years, a student council member and worked on the annual staff. She plans to attend Eastern Kentucky University and major in Pre Dental.

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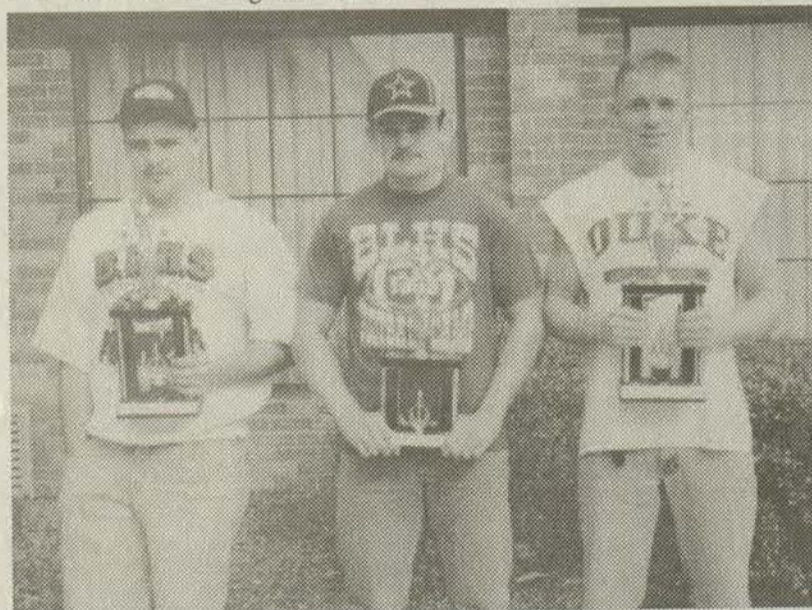
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Places in meet

Three from Betsy Layne High School placed in a power lifting meet held at Lexington Catholic High School February 24. From left to right, Darrin Reynolds placed third overall in the 220-pound class. Jarred Newsome placed fourth overall in the 185-pound class with Tim Nunnemaker placing third overall in the 165-pound class.

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Crankbaits have the look to hook fish

For the past couple of years, imported crankbaits with incredible finishes have been all the rage among tournament anglers. Unfortunately, these premium crankbaits carried premium price tags and not too many weekend anglers cared to shell out the bucks for a lure that could be lost on any cast.

Fenwick's line of Methods lures changed all that. Methods lures have the premium finishes that made the expensive imports so desirable, but at an affordable price.

New lures have been added to the popular line this year, resulting in a quality crankbait for almost any situation.

Gem

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with the Pittsburgh Pirates and Oakland Athletics. Lemaster today is head baseball coach at Pikeville College.

• Even in football the Tigers are known. Former head football coach Walter Brugh is still the winningest coach in the state of Kentucky.

• Former Paintsville Tiger John Pelphrey was named Mr. Basketball in the state and later starred for "The Unforgettables" at the University of Kentucky.

• Joey Couch went on to become a standout football player for the Wildcats.

Paintsville High School, with less than 300 students, has earned its place in Kentucky's sports history.



Captures

free throw contest

Justin Allen, son of Ronnie and Dottie Allen of Georgetown, formerly of Middle Creek, hit ten of ten free throws to capture first place in a free throw competition. Justin is the grandson of Ed and Ava Lee Allen of the Middle Creek Road in Prestonsburg and Elmer Stone of Salyersville and the late Irene Stone.

The new Yo-Zuri Tobi-Minnow Jr., available from Fenwick, is a floating minnow perfect for spring fishing when fish are shallow and active. It's available in eight colors and is three and a half inches long, weighing five-sixths of an ounce.

The Yo-Zuri Emperor Minnows are sinking minnows. Like the Tobi,

these minnows have a humped back which gives them a different action than regular minnow-baits. Rattles and prism finishes add to the strike-triggering qualities of these baits, and they come in three sizes and 15 colors.

Yo-Zuri Altima Arc Minnows have an opening for small, replace-

able light sticks, making them self-illuminating. The lures have a beautiful pearlescent finish and replacement light sticks are available. These are deadly lures for dark, overcast conditions or murky water. Great Lakes anglers will find them an effective lure for down-rigger fishing.

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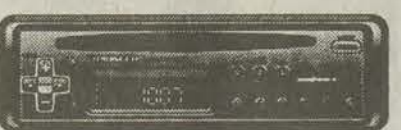
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Amanda Wright, Dennis E. Mayo, Christopher G. Martin, Paul D. Prater, Elizabeth Holbrook, Shawn K. Tussey, Nikki Queen, Stella R. Click, Shelley R. Ward, Ellis M. Sexton, Shawna L. Coburn, Traci D. Gibson, Christopher Reffitt.

Chris Thornberry, Crystal G. Yates, Amy L. Crum, Chad J. Martin, James E. Robinson, Christopher McKinney, Pamela S. Goble, Veronica Flannery, Candice M. Osborne.

Regina Sexton, Malinda Joseph, Jennifer Shepherd, Christopher Smith, Lisa L. Hagans, Tracy L. Stephens, April L. Howard, Polly Smith, Jonathan L. Scarberry, Richard T. Bingham, Sabrina D. Teel, Amanda Samons, Leslie S. Allen.

John C. Moore, Jamie G. Carroll, Amanda M. Holbrook, Jeanette Hurd, Timothy Bellamy, Jonathan B. Allen, Heather Lyons, James Potter, Jamie R. Hunt, Susan Jacobs, Ronnie Adkins, Christopher Bailey, Anna L. Cline, Scott E. Yates.

JUNIORS

Allison R. Conley, Kristopher B. Tackett, Kathryn K. Fultz, Tara E. Shepherd, Tracy R. Davis, Donna L. Gibson, Kyle E. Turner, Hannah C. Halbert, Sabrina K. Hancock.

Alta Sparkman, Greta M. Halbert, Amy S. Howard, Steven Hamilton, Kelly D. Martin, James G. Thornberry, Amanda D. Conn, Emily R. Combs, Mary E. Baldrige, Travis Buskirk, Xavier M. Scott, Anand N. Doshi, Patricia G. Meadows.

Courtney B. Scott, Jason D. Sexton, Andrea L. Patton, Michael B. Sexton, Jessica D. Salisbury, Regina D. Frasure, Kellie R. Dingus, Shannon M. Halbert, Dreamia L. Isaacs, Stacy Slone, Joanie L. Salisbury, Mary E. Johnson, Summer R. Lyons.

Jennifer L. Prater, Vanessa Shepherd, Matthew D. Varney, Daniel B. Bentley, Jessica N. Slone, Rodney B. Hicks, Matthew L. Wells, Caroline J. Bradley.

Katrena R. Moore, Derek Conley, Philip N. Robinson, Jamie

R. Scott, Melody A. Conn, Marcus E. Varney, Heather S. Conn, Randall D. Adkins, Sheila M. Tackett, Maranda K. Combs, Jonathan B. Scott, Jami M. Banks, Thomas M. Jenkins.

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Allison Johnson, Matthew Hagans, Jay Prichard, Kerrie D. Patton, Elizabeth Hoover, Karri Moore, Michelle Prater, Jeremy T. Howard, Miranda Slone, Helen R. Flannery.

Gordon E. Reeves, Jesse E. Robinson, Billy Caudill, Kelvin D. Batley, Byron Patton, Johnathan A. Goble, Kevin W. Sword, Lori Nichols, Jennifer M. Brown, Matthew Moore.

Jerry L. Stanley, Tina Castle, Misty Scott, Jason Edwards, Jennifer Flannery, Brooke Mullins, David M. Rayburn, Courtney Collins, Amy J. Reynolds, Kristie Hall, Kami A. Baca, Tina M. Blevins.

Jennifer Dingus, Michael Combs, April D. Hardy, Michael Pack, Rory D. Patton.

FRESHMAN

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Jessica Reynolds, Susan M. Scarberry, Chanda Stephens, Jennifer Hopkins, Carolyn Ousley, Tiffany Conn, Matthew Hall, Shannon Bailey, Elizabeth Howard.

Benny Sword, Jamie Shepherd, Kasey Craft, Christina Hedrick, Jenny Wells, Earl Bevins, Brittney Biliter, Christina Bays, Kelly Conley, Sabrina Harris, William Salisbury.

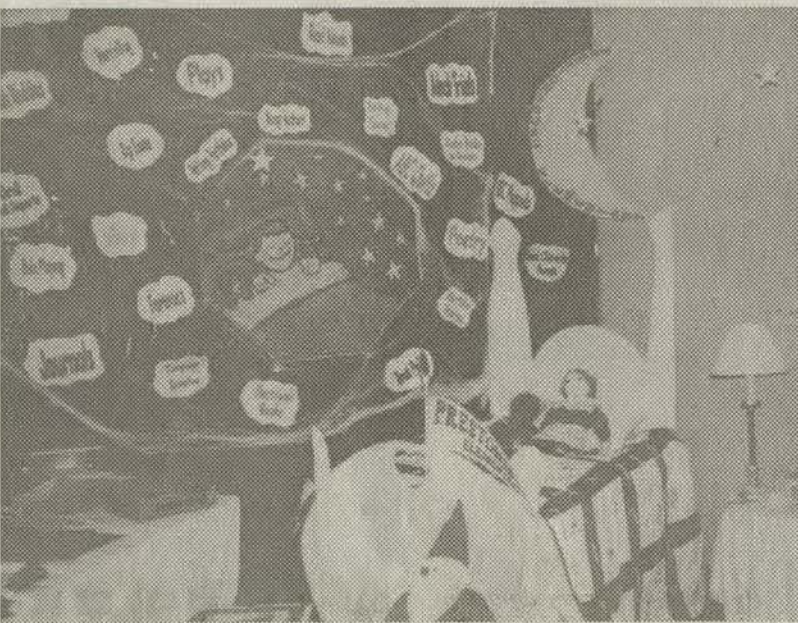
Scott Slone, Keesha Flannery, Sonya C. Stephens, Eric Combs, Brandy Marshall, Shanean Spencer, Rebecca Bryant, Nicholas Martin, Brandy Samons, James Seward.

Heather Shepherd, Jesse Hall, Shellie Hackworth, Jennifer Nelson, Leroy L. Prater, Stephanie McKinney, Gary Hunter, Stephanie Gray, Karrie A. Lovins and Sara Slone.



Making pizza

Prestonsburg Elementary students are shown making pizza. From front to back, Gary Cole, Josh Whitaker, Eric Gibson, Josh Johnson, Ronnie Stephens, and Charles Hicks with host Eric Fleming.



Flights of imagination

Prestonsburg Elementary's display was one of many at the Language Arts Expo '95, which was held at the Wilkinson-Stumbo Convention Center on December 4 and 5. The theme for this year's projects was, "Let's Put Our Heads Together and Dream the Same Dreams." The purposes of the Expo were to show parents and community members some happenings in our school, and to work together as professional educators. Prestonsburg Elementary's coordinator was Betty Minix, kindergarten teacher.

Prestonsburg Elementary announces honor roll

Mrs. Crisp, 4th grade...All A's—Courtney Branham and Jarred McGuire.

B Honor Roll—Ashley Akers, Terry Cesco, Jeremy Jarrell, Ashley Milburn, Denise Dixon, Brandy McCoy, Sabrina Risner, Heather Spriggs, Jeana White, Brady Wright, Marc Williams, Zachary McCoy, Jimmy Patrick, and Sabrina Shortridge.

Mrs. McGuire, 4th grade...All A's—Shane Hatfield.

B Honor Roll—Tyler Burke, Ariel Calhoun, Stacy Clark, April Collins, Tara Goebel, Sam Hale, James Knox, Hollie Lafferty, Joshua Lemaster, Larry Marsillett, Misty Martin, James Meade, Michael Morrison, John Music, and Kevin Ross.

Mrs. Parsons, 4th grade...All A's—Amanda Adkins and Cody Branham.

B Honor Roll—Christopher Spears, Robert Risner, Melinda Ramey, Brittany Meade, Rebecca Lott, Jason Hughes, Corey Grimm, Crystal Craft, Angel Boyd, Tiffany Allen, and Nicholas Hughes.

Mrs. Walker, 4th grade...All A's—Katherine Adams, Kory Caudill, Jonathan Collins, Lindsay Cooley, and Daniel Neeley.

B Honor Roll...Savannah Collins,

Matt Crisp, Danielle Harris, William Lafferty, Kate Lowe, James Mullins and Kelly Stephens.

Mrs. Adams, 5th grade...All A's—Balin Loftus and Melissa Slone.

B Honor Roll—Wamie Allen, Joshua Caudill, Tess Collins, Nicholas Francis, April Jennings, Kevin Powers, Rebecca Spurlock, and Gary Whitt.

Ms. Holland, 5th grade...All A's—Jenna Humphrey, Josh Ochala, and Stephanie Webb.

B Honor Roll...Brittany Branham, Sarah Hill, John Hunt, Johnna Wilson, and Melissa Yates.

Mrs. Skeens, 5th grade...All A's—Nick Chaffin and Ashley Fish.

B Honor Roll...Lowell Brock, Heath Chaffin, Courtney Conn, Adam Dixon, Miranda Morris, Whitney Parsons, Rachel Salisbury, Brian Slone and Joey Willis.

Mr. Tackett, 5th grade...All A's—Amanda Goble.

B Honor Roll...Jessica Bryant, Justin Cottrell, Chessa Gayheart, Jason Goble, Joshua Hayton, Wesley Jenkins, Danny Layne, William Miller, Ashley Mitchell, Joshua Pennington, Rudy Pennington, Cathy Robinson, Amy Sammons, Don Shepherd, and Joshua Stephens.

Honor roll at Clark school

Osborne: A—Jason Ison; B—Jason Adams, Zach Hackworth, Nathan Music, Trista Music, and Amanda Thompson.

Smith: Louanna Calhoun and Heather White; B—Erica Bradford, Ashley Conn, Thomas Fannin, Megan Little and Shawn Whitt.

Madden: A—Matthew Francis; B—Samantha Allen, Brittany Bates, Brook Buckley, Sarah Reffett, Belue Sturgill and Kyle Wicker.

Hunsucker: A—Mallory Ousley,

Tommi Tussey, Kristi Barrowman, Rae Isaac, and Miranda Lafferty;

B—Shane Dingus, Tara Little, Joshua Nelson, Mallory Ousley, Savannah Robinson, Chris Hall, Charlie Johnson, Shannon Slone, Wes Smith, and Jeremy Troxell.

Leslie: A—Shonda Music and Amanda Webb; B—Crystal Hamilton, Tosha Jacobs, Greta Ousley, Amanda Slone, Kenneth Smiley, Amanda Stephens, Micheal Warrix and Brandon Blackburn.

James A. Duff honor roll

The following students in grades 4-5 have been named to the James A. Duff Elementary School Honor Roll for the second nine weeks grading period.

Charletta Martin 4th grade: Loretta Slone, Natasha Shepherd, Joshua Conley, Whittney Hayes, Crystal Barnett, Paul Mullins, Johnathan Vanderpool, Jocelyn Issac.

Billie O'Quinn 4th grade: Brandon Allen, Brittany Bailey, Whitney Boyd, Robert Burchfield, Leavodis Casebolt, Samantha Caudill, Austin Francis, Ryan Mullins, Daniel Martin, Brittany Murphy, Chris Prater, Tyler Smith, Dyron Ward, Brett Watson, Sheena Wright.

Helen Martin 5th grade: Neil Allen, Sarah Clark, Bonnie Collins, Delbert Conn, Amanda Crisp, Eva Duncan, Paul David Francis, Megan Handshoe, Kristy Howard, Misty Samons, Ross Samons, Kelli Sizemore, Michael Nolan Slone, Amy Sparkman, Tiffany Turner and Brett Whitaker.

Janet Mullins 5th grade: Amy Combs, Brittany Combs, Heather Deaton, Amanda Devers, Kristie Fitzpatrick, Kari Hicks, Daniel Johnson, Felisha Jones, Rachael Martin, Jenna Patton, Marsha Patton, Amber Scott, Joshua Scott, Rodney Watkins and Heather Wireman.

The following students at James A. Duff Elementary School in grades 6-8 have been named to the honor roll for the third six weeks grading period.

Wava Turner's sixth grade: Chad Webb, Kyle O'Quinn, LeDonna Bragg, Eric Wallen, Rebecca Bolen and Joseph Thornberry.

Charollette Case 6th grade: Beth Combs, Megan Conn, James Elkins, Robert Fitzpatrick, Kayla Gearheart,

Tyler Green, James Hall, Kayla Hagans, Johnna Ison, Miranda Holthouse, Leslie Martin, Gladys Moore, Sarah Noble, Amber Hall, Tiffany Prater, Daniel Ratliff, Jeremy Rister, Elizabeth Thornberry and Heather Watkins.

Carolyn Bellamy 7th grade: Michelle Bentley, Angela Collett, Scott Halbert, Rodney Scott and Andrew Cook.

Mary Murphy's 7th grade: Stephanie Baker, Tabitha Bays, Scott Bradley, Laura Chaney, Tracey Cooley, David Crum, Tabatha Hagans, James Hunter, Debbie Meade, Kevin O'Quinn, Jessica Poston, Aaron Thorpe, Jamie Vance, Victoria Wells, Jamie Tackett, Misty Scott and Kristopher Fultz.

Sally Hotelling's 7th grade: Nathan Bartrum, Kevin Bellamy, Eric Conley, Krystal Deaton, Carey Fitzpatrick, Jennifer Goble, Heather Handshoe, Holly Hunter, Tomma Martin, Kari Osborne, Kyra Osborne, John Slone and Travis Francis.

Sheilah J. Ratliff's, 8th grade: Lisa Anderson, George Banks, Samantha Bradley, Lisa Bryant, Rebecca Chaffins, Christina Crase, Jessica Goble, Ashley Handshoe, Jonathan Martin, Ronda Owens, Nikki Patton, Shena Ratliff, Rosanna Slone, Cristy Tackett, Amy Terry, Jessica Sparkman, Dustin Owens, Mary A. Mullins, Jamie Gunnell and Johnny Paige.

Greg Nichols' 8th grade: Melissa Howard, Drucella Scott, Brandy Terry, Charles Bentley, Rachel Hall, Sarah Nichols, Luther Slone, Natasha Ramey, Virginia Shepherd, Natalie Cooley, April Sexton, Ryan Manns, Ashley Hall, Kevin Shepherd and Sheena Skeens.

Osborne school announces honor roll

Mrs. Jan Akers, 4.0—Adam Hicks, Josh Johnson and Brandon Michael Little.

3.0-3.99—Hope Adkins, Joel Allen, Brandy Anderson, Brittany Bates, Chris Caudill, Landon Hall, Chandra Jackson, Amanda Jo Johnson, Amanda S. Johnson, Logan Johnson, Shelly Matthews, Loren May, Brandon Meyers, Melissa Meyers, Lesley Mullins, Clarissa Parker, Shaun Reed, Natasha Slone, Justin Smallwood, Angel Tackett and Ashley Tackett.

Mr. Dale Pack, Fourth and Fifth grade, 3.0-3.99—Jessica Osborne, Kayla Meyers, Jessica Hall, Andrew Isaac and Katrina Isaacs.

Mrs. Rita Caudill, Fifth Grade, 4.0—Charles Ray and Chariti Tackett.

3.0-3.99—Jeremy Burke, Todd Caudill, Jordan Curry, Justin Gilliam, Heath Hall, Justin Hall, Michael Hall, Cynthia Isaac, Jennifer Lackey, Chad Mullins, Jessica Mullins, Jequetta Parker, Matthew Slone, Dustin Stanley, Christina Tackett, Edgar

Tackett, Nicole Tackett, Veronica Tackett and Elizabeth Vance.

Mr. Jeff Castle, Seventh and Eighth Grade, 4.0—Glenn Rackey and Jason Tackett.

3.0-3.99—Pam Kentrick, Shannon Hall, Dwayne Reynolds, Ricky Slone, Freda Hunter, Steven Newsome and Thomas Johnson.

Mrs. Tammy Meade, Eighth Grade, 4.0—Margaret Morgan, Bridget Yonts, Lindsey Hall, Sam Little, Jarrod Johnson, Myra Forman and Leslie Compton.

3.0-3.99—Brad Mullins, Tracy Williams, Brad Meade, Regina Johnson, Keith Reynolds, Tim Johnson, James Walker, Rachel Tackett, Jessica Hall and Chassity Tackett.

Ms. April Bradford, Sixth Grade, 4.0—Bryan Stewart and Amy Morgan.

3.0-3.99—Kermit Dailey, Mary Beth Little, Jordan Clements, Lekita Johnson, Becky Issac, Randall Mathews, Chasity Mitchell, Brittany

Boyd, Josh Johnson, Brittany Bailey, Michael Little, Jared Allen, Sheena Hall, Amy Tackett, Tabitha Berger, Lana Lackey, Justin Eagle and Kandice Mitchell.

Mrs. Susie Tackett, Sixth and Seventh Grade, 4.0—Brandi Damron, Shane Newsome and Maggie Cook.

3.0-3.99—Nelson Cook, Talina Kendrick, Chad Little, Jimmy Perry, Josh Newman, Tara Miller, Misty Hall, Brandi Hill, Mary Stanley, Stacia Stanley, Kendra Slone, Hazel Collins, Holly Hall, Jessie Tackett, Amanda Williams, Danielle Caudill and Amanda Williams.

Correction:

On the academic page, on March 8, the parents of Anthony Newsome were incorrectly identified. Anthony Newsome is the son of James and Elaine Newsome of Bevinsville.

MCA lists honor roll

These students were honored for their academic achievements the second quarter of the 1995-1996 school year at Mountain Christian Academy.

Third Grade: High Honor Roll—Molly Burchett and Jessica Jarrell.

Honor Roll—Caitlin Clark, Chance Bradley, Grant Campbell, Lauren Preston, Samantha Farthing, Kelly Key, Michael Sapienza and Thomas Bryant.

Fourth Grade: High Honor Roll—Lora Gibson and Tessa Shepherd.

Honor Roll—Shawna Peters, Kristyn Buckley, Clinton Halbert, David Hicks, Chayla Reid, John Langefeld, John Langefeld, Aaron Snider, Derek Slone and Andrew Greer.

Fifth Grade: High Honor Roll—Dustin Stumbo, Jessica Combs, Trent Bradley and Heather Leslie.



Places seventh

Terry Wayne Cesco, son of Glenna Combs of Prestonsburg, placed seventh in the annual District Spelling Bee recently. The district finals were held at Duff Elementary on Wednesday, February 21. A fourth grade student at Prestonsburg Elementary, Terry competed with students through the eighth grade. He is the student of Gina Crisp.



Winners

Several Duff Elementary students placed first overall in district competition. Pictured in back row are April Sexton, Natalie Cooley, David Crum, Kris Fultz, Natasha Ramey, Jessica Goble, and Kevin O'Quinn. In front row are Kyle O'Quinn, Johnna Ison, Tyler Green, Virginia Shepherd and Kyra Osborne.



Kiss the pig

The Martin Elementary Jr. Beta Club held a Valentine's Dance on February 10 to raise money for the Beta Club. They held a "Kiss the Pig Contest" during the dance. Mrs. Mosley raised the most money and had the honor of kissing Wilber the Pig. Wilber is a pot-belly pig owned by Jr. Beta Club members Brandon and Shannon Sizemore of Martin. The Martin Family Resource Center worked with the Beta Club to hold the event.

Up a Tree

THE FOSSIL TREE

Strolling along the streets of Prestonsburg, one might occasionally notice a very unique tree with fan-shaped leaves. The ginkgo tree (also called the maidenhair tree because of its resemblance to the maidenhair fern) was at one time thought to be extinct, until travellers discovered it growing in Asian temple gardens. Today it is a very popular ornamental species that can be seen in parks and along streets across the United States. It can be easily identified in the summer by its highly unusual, fan-shaped leaves that turn a vivid green color in the autumn. It is a dioecious tree, meaning that the individuals have either all male or all female reproductive organs, not both. The female trees produce a plum-like fruit that has a very disagreeable odor.

The ginkgo is the only species in its family and genus, its closest relatives long extinct. Therefore, it is also sometimes referred to as "the fossil tree." The only native habitat for ginkgo is in China, near Mt. Tianmushan, and it is believed that the trees growing in Buddhist temples in other parts of Asia were planted there by Chinese monks who brought the seeds from their homeland. The ginkgo was considered a sacred tree by many Asian peoples. This belief may be due in part to the long life span of this tree: some ginkgos are said to be more than 1000 years old.

Though used mainly as an ornamental tree today, the ginkgo is useful to man in other ways. The word ginkgo itself is derived from the Chinese and Japanese words for "silver apricot," which is an accurate description of ginkgo seeds. These small, silverish seeds are considered a delicacy when roasted. The wood of the ginkgo, although very weak and of little economic value, nevertheless has an attractive color and is used for artistic endeavors such as sculpting and furniture-making. On a more scientific note, recent studies have shown that a compound derived from the leaves of ginkgo has proven to be highly effective in the treatment of heart disease and high blood pressure.

For a street tree, the ginkgo is ideal because not only is its leaf shape unique and its fall color brilliant, but it is also very resistant to disease and air pollution. It can grow as high as a hundred feet tall and some ginkgos have reached three feet in diameter. If you're looking for a unique tree to plant in your yard, the ginkgo is an excellent option.

**Editor's Note: Phillip Meeks is a Service Forester for the Kentucky Division of Forestry in the Eastern District. Anyone with a question or comment concerning trees or forestry can contact a Service Forester at 1-800-866-0048.*

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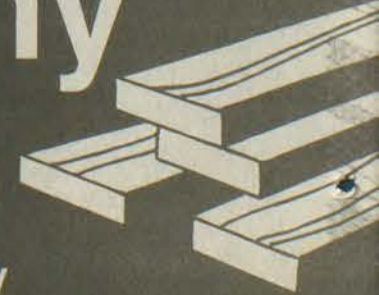
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EXERCISING AND RELAXING HELP WITH STRESS MANAGEMENT

What is stress? Is stress an inevitable consequence of living or is it preventable? Stress is defined as a mental or physical response to the human body experiences as a result of any type of change. The event that triggers a stress response is referred to as the stressor.

Is stress always negative? The answer is no. An excellent example is the response to an athletic stressor (the game-winning basket) by a world-class athlete. The great athletes will rise to the occasion and make the basket.

So can there be positive stress in our lives? The answer is yes. A positive stressor presents an opportunity for personal growth while a negative stressor causes a debilitating stress or strain on the body. However, too many positive stressors may also be negative because the body's ability to adapt is overwhelmed.

Then what happens when there is too much negative stress in your life? Many of today's major medical problems are stress-related. These include ulcers, migraine headaches and high blood pressure. The level of stress our bodies can withstand before developing stress-related disorders is influenced by many factors. Factors that may place an individual at higher risk include poor diet, lack of exercise, unhealthy lifestyle choices and heredity.

So how can you better manage the stressors in your life? Regular exercise has many positive physiological and psychological effects. A regular cardiovascular exercise program may reduce your stress levels. Adequate sleep also enables an individual to handle daily stressors better. Most individuals require seven to eight hours of sleep per night. However, sleep needs can vary from as few as five to as many as 10 hours per night. Generally, sleep patterns change with age.

Lifestyle choices may also positively or negatively influence stress levels. Such choices include eating habits and nutrition, as well as work habits. A major lifestyle choice that may negatively affect an individual's ability to cope with stress is drug and alcohol abuse. Interestingly, moderate consumption of alcohol (1 oz. or less per day) may increase lifespan. To reduce stress, avoid alcohol or drug abuse, as well as other negative lifestyle choices.

Regular use of relaxation techniques may increase the body's ability to cope with stress. The techniques may allow an individual to reduce the initial and long-term negative responses by the human body to stress. Many excellent relaxation programs may be purchased or a psychologist may develop a personalized program.

In conclusion, stress can be both a positive and negative part of life. Stress is also unavoidable. However, we may influence the level of stress in our lives as well as our ability to handle our stress levels. Regular exercise, proper nutrition, and adequate sleep may help an individual better cope with stress.

Tip of the Week: Limit fat intake to under 56 grams per day.

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New arrival

Caleb and Karla Stumbo Dean of McDowell, announce the birth of their second child, a son, Arthur Blake, born February 15 at Highlands Regional Medical Center in Prestonsburg. He weighed 7 lbs. 10 oz. and was 19 1/2" long. He was welcomed home by his six-year-old sister, Heather Renee. His maternal grandparents are Clark and Carolyn Stumbo of McDowell. His paternal grandparents are Mary Dean of Booneville and the late Arthur Dean.

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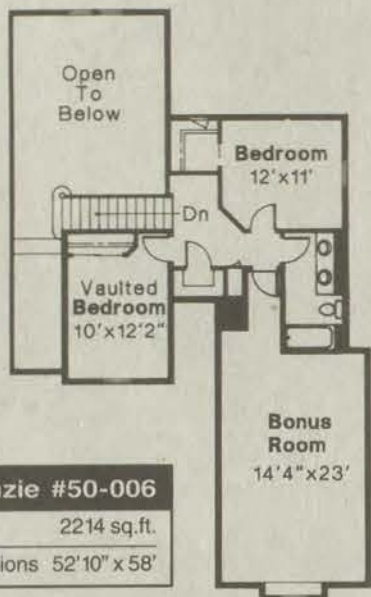
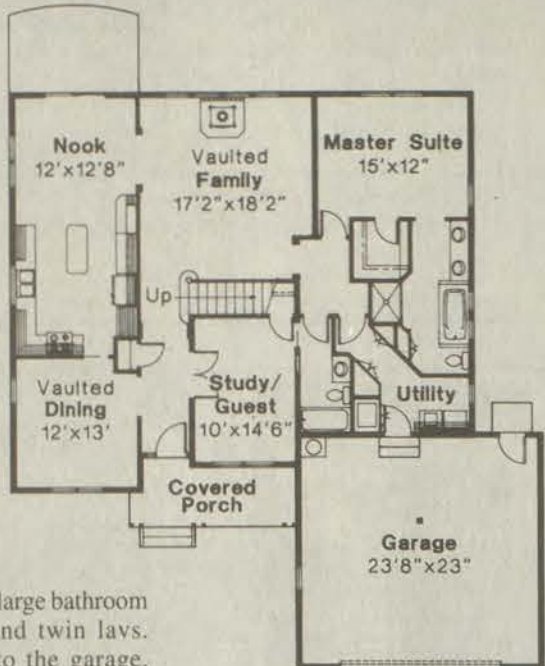


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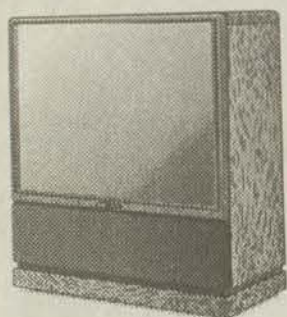
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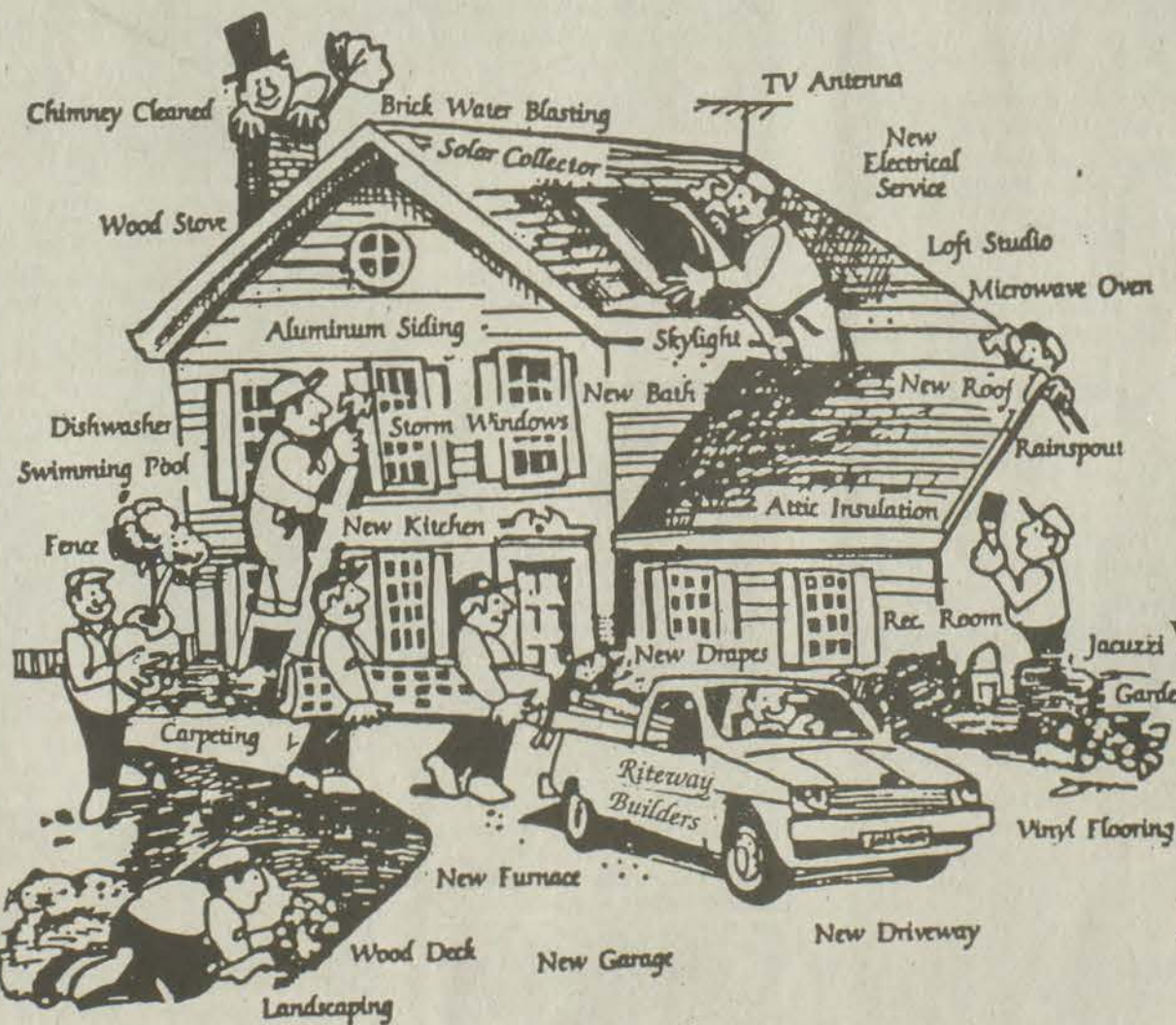


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As a result, the Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development has joined forces with the Morehead State University/Pikeville Small Business Development Center, U.S. Small Business Administration, Dayton Electronic Commerce Resource Center, Kentucky Finance and Administration Cabinet and the U.S. Department of Defense-

Defense Logistics Agency to present "Business Opportunities with Federal and State Governments." This workshop will be held at the Morehead State University Prestonsburg Extended Campus in Prestonsburg, on March 26, from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Each year, the federal government spends nearly \$200 billion in contracts for everything from construction jobs to paper towels. Many of Kentucky's businesses are missing out on these contracts because they do not know how to market themselves to the federal government or how the federal electronic procurement system works. This workshop will show business representatives, particularly those interested in doing business with the federal and state government, how Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) and Kentucky's Vendor Information Program (VIP)

can save time and money as they conduct their transactions.

EDI is an online computer system for business transactions that uses standardized formats and eliminates the paper exchange that recent studies have shown can cost as much as \$50 per exchange. Besides controlling costs, EDI can greatly reduce the amount of time transactions take by-passing the mail and eliminating the need to duplicate information. Robert Elliott, from the U.S. Department of Defense Electronic Conference Resource Center, will explain how to select computer hardware, software, and communication services to help business executives decide what's best for their company. Expanding the market through EDI also will be explained and demonstrated.

Kentucky's Vendor Information Program (VIP) is an electronic

interface that gives access into the heart of the state's Division of Purchases and provides a clearing-house for information from other areas of state government and local purchases. Michael Mulligan, director of the state Finance and Administration Cabinet's Division of Purchases Vendor Information Program, will give an overview of the system and provide free software to use to access the system. Part of his presentation will include an on-line demonstration of the VIP system. It will allow vendors to register with the state by computer, view and download current bid documents and to research current and past state contracts.

To register for "Business Opportunities with Federal and State Government," call the Pikeville Small Business Development Center at (606) 432-5848. Seating is limited.



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Auxiliary members at Highlands Regional include, in back row, Jane Back, Kathleen Setser, Shirley Nelson, Margaret Harris, Annis Clark, Dorothy Stover, Maxine Martin, Garnett Fairchild, Danese Amburgey; and in front row, Elizabeth Ramey, Myrtle Burchett, Patty Pack, Sarah Laven, Susie Burchett and Aileen Fitch.

Auxiliary purchases equipment for nursery

The Highlands Regional Medical Center Auxiliary recently donated the funds to purchase a Natus, Algo 2 Newborn Hearing Screener, for the Newborn Nursery.

The equipment will be used in the Neo-natal unit as well as the regular newborn nursery. Nancy Hall RN, director of Obstetrical Nursing stated "The ability to screen all newborns' hearing in the beginning of life will facilitate the early intervention and treatment of hearing deficits. When hearing problems can be detected and treated early, infants have less developmental problems later. On behalf of the obstetrical/nursing staff, I thank the HRMC Auxiliary."

Highlands' Auxiliary had donated

ed numerous pieces of equipment to the hospital since the founding of their organization in the early '70s. Most donations have been made from the operations of the Gift Shop. The auxiliary members play important roles in the delivery of quality patient care and serve as good will ambassadors to the patients, visitors and employees.

Kathy Allen, director of Volunteer Services, stated, "Our auxiliary members contribute an array of services. Some auxiliary assignments include assisting in the Emergency Department, providing coffee services for family members of surgery patients, volunteering in various offices, making cough pillows for surgery patients, assem-

bling newborn baby baskets, knitting finger puppets for children having lab tests and providing monetary contributions to the hospital through their fund-raising efforts. Our facility and the community greatly appreciate all the contributions made by and through the auxiliary."

Pikeville College seniors attend Spotlight on Employment

Pikeville College seniors Brad Hall, Gary Humberston, Jody Johnson, Andy Little, and Gina Wolfe, along with Brenda Maynard, an associate professor of Business Education and Career Development Director at Pikeville College, recently attended the 11th annual Spotlight on Employment held in Louisville.

Sponsored by the Association of Independent Kentucky Colleges and Universities (AIKCU), Spotlight on Employment provides a unique opportunity for juniors and seniors to learn about a variety of career and internship possibilities in a concentrated, one-day format.

The Spotlight Program was developed in response to the increasing difficulty that many smaller colleges have encountered in their efforts to draw corporate job recruiters to their campuses. According to AIKCU President Fred Mullinax, "This one day, multi-college forum allows recruiters to meet with a number of students without the expense and hassle of individual

International coal testing conference held

The International Coal Testing Conference is requesting papers from coal industry professionals who want to participate in the 12th Conference, September 8-11, in Cincinnati, Ohio.

One-page abstracts for both technical paper presentations and panel discussions are being accepted. The deadline for submission is May 15.

A special day of presentations will be set aside for the topic: The Changing Needs of the Electric Utility Industry.

Address questions or abstracts to: International Coal Testing Conference: Attn: Tamra H. Broam, P.O. Box 1970, Ashland, KY 41105-1970. Telephone: 606-325-1970 ext. 10 or FAX: 606-325-2689.

BellSouth grant program

The BellSouth Foundation announced plans to make \$15 million in grants over the next five years as part of a new strategy that will focus exclusively on stimulating education improvements from preschool through high school in Kentucky and throughout the Southeast.

Since its establishment a decade ago, the BellSouth Foundation has funded more than \$25 million to organizations for programs aimed at addressing a broad range of education needs, including teacher education, education leadership and the use of technology as a learning tool.

"Much of what we have done in the past decade—especially in the areas of teacher education and leadership development—positions us to have an even stronger impact going forward," said Leslie Graitcher, executive director of the BellSouth Foundation.

In Kentucky, the foundation has funded 26 grants totaling \$2.28 million, including one to the University of Kentucky/University of Louisville that employed CD-ROM technology to develop teacher communities and networks for professional development.

"Teachers anywhere can use three CD-ROM case studies and

can also have conversations via the Internet with other teachers about the case content," said program co-director Dr. Traci Bliss, of the University of Kentucky. "Because case studies capture true accounts of how teachers implement reform, they are an ideal tool to help teachers overcome isolation, particularly when dealing with major change."

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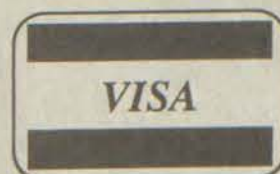
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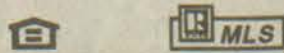
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NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Richardson Fuel, Inc., Catlettsburg, Kentucky 41129 has applied for Phase II bond release on permit 836-5193 which was last issued on 11/11/93. The application covers a sur-

face area of approximately 17.46 acres located 0.2 miles west of Northern in Floyd County.

The permit area is approximately 1.3 miles west from SR 550 junction with SR80 and located 0.1 miles south of Right Fork of Beaver Creek. The Latitude is 37° 30' 34". The Longitude is 82° 49' 10".

The original bond that was in effect for permit 836-5193 was a surety bond of \$25,800. Approximately 25% of the original bond amount of \$25,800 is included in the application for release.

Reclamation work performed includes: Backfilling and grading, redistribution of the available topsoil, revegetation and planting of trees in accordance with approved plan completed. Results achieved include stabilization of backfilling, seeding of permanent vegetative species and planting of tree species completed on March 18, 1994.

This is the final advertisement of the application. Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601 by April 19, 1996.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for 9:00 a.m. on April 19, 1996 at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653-1410. The hearing will be canceled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by April 19, 1996.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application No. 836-8005, Renewal

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that East Kentucky Paving Corporation, P.O. Box 368, Grayson, Kentucky 41143, has applied for a renewal of a permit for a coal processing facility affecting 11.25 acres located 1 mile east of Lancer in Floyd County.

The proposed facility is approximately 0.5 mile southeast from State Route 1428's junction with State Route 3 and located 0.1 mile south of the Levisa Fork. The latitude is 37° 40' 08". The longitude is 82° 43' 23".

The proposed facility is located on the Lancer U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by East Kentucky Paving Corporation and Chesapeake and Ohio Railway.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

This is the final advertisement of this application; all comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be received within 30 days of this date.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application No. 836-9011, Renewal

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that East Kentucky Paving Corporation, P.O. Box 368, Grayson, Kentucky 41143, has applied for a renewal of a

permit for a refuse disposal coal processing facility affecting 14.98 acres located 1 mile east of Lancer in Floyd County.

The proposed facility is approximately 0.5 miles southeast from State Route 1428's junction with State Route 3 and located 0.2 mile south of the Levisa Fork. The latitude is 37° 40' 00". The longitude is 82° 43' 07".

The proposed facility is located on the Lancer U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area is owned by East Kentucky Paving Corporation.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

This is the final advertisement of this application; all comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be received within 30 days of this date.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-5293, Major Revision #3

In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Mineral Resources, Inc., 631 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, has applied for a major revision to an existing underground coal mining and reclamation operation located 0.90 miles west of Woods in Floyd County. The major revision will add 0.00 acres of surface disturbance and will underlie an additional 40.00 acres making a total area of 450.15 acres within the revised permit boundary.

The proposed major revision area is approximately 1.52 miles East from KY 194's junction with KY 1428 and located adjacent to Cow Creek. The latitude is 37° 38' 10". The longitude is 82° 40' 04".

The proposed major revision is located on the Lancer U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. No surface is to be affected by this major revision, however the revision area will underlie land owned by Leonard T. Ruth and Coal Mac, Inc.

The major revision proposed the addition of 40.00 acres of underground mining within an unnamed branch of Cow Creek, within a previously surface mined area permitted by Cow Creek Mining, Inc. permit number 436-0102.

The major revision application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653-1397. 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.

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Senior citizens, I understand that some of you are really getting into this idea of building your "second" career. That's wonderful!

At our age, we have a lot we can contribute to society. There's still a lot of things we want to do. Unfortunately, our fixed incomes won't allow for extras. The last two weeks in Sunshine Lines I shared some money-generating ideas with you. Hopefully, you've found ways you might be able to boost your budget.

Those ideas were: child care; homebound care for invalids; house sitter; pet-sitter; plant-keeper; paper-catcher; mail-grabber; and, light-switcher. Today let's consider a few other jobs that could supplement your income.

There are people in this area who would love to have a housekeeper come in once or twice a week. Consider the general things a working mother has to do in the evenings and on the weekends. Besides providing a taxi service for her children and attending school functions she must cook, do dishes, vacuum, dust, change the beds, do the laundry, write out the checks to pay the bills and try to find time to mop, wax, do windows and wash cabinets and woodwork. Let's not fail to mention that she must also find time to do the blinds and take the kids to the doctor and the pets to the vet. This is what society has come to expect of today's working Mom.

I liked my late aunt's philosophy about housework. She would say, "If the windows are so dirty that I can't see out, I don't have to worry about the neighbors looking in." Another saying was, "Why bother scrubbing. They'll just go right back out and track mud in again." Admittedly, my beloved Aunt was not a good housekeeper. But I must admit I have grown to appreciate the wisdom in her words. So often, in my earlier years as a working mother, I was a slave to my housework. Looking back, when my girls were growing up, weekends were not as pleasureable as they could have been for us because housecleaning was an every-weekend priority. If only, back then, I would have heeded the advise of another older woman when she said, "Don't worry about the housework. It will still be there when the kids have grown."

A working mom and grandmother owes it to herself, her spouse, and to her children and grandchildren to hire someone to come in once or twice a week to go over her house. This small investment frees up precious time better spent doing things with the family. So, yes, senior citizens, there are working women out there who will pay to have their houses cleaned. This just might be

the kind of job you need so you can afford those little "extras" you want in life.

There are some people who do not want a permanent-part-time housekeeper but they do look for people to help them with special, time-consuming projects around the house. I knew one woman in Missouri who had someone come in one day a month to thoroughly clean her kitchen. This included cleaning the oven and defrosting the refrigerator. You might consider

a second career as a "Kitchen Specialist." People pay for this service. Another service that people are willing to pay for is window cleaning.

Another BIG need in the mountains is transportation for older Americans and those who don't drive. People need transportation to get them to the same places that you and I need to go. Affordable transportation for many of our senior citizens is simply not available. However, be sure to check with

your insurance company before charging someone for providing them transportation. Also, remember that it is always wise to check with an attorney before starting any "self-owned" business.

I'll share one more money-generating idea with you before bringing this series to an end.

Almost everywhere there is a need for seamstresses. There are people who are willing to pay a good seamstress good money for making them good clothes. Seamstresses are

also needed to make repairs on clothing brought to the dry cleaners. Better men and women's retail clothing stores need people who can sew well to do quality alterations.

Senior citizens, I trust that you have gotten some ideas about how you might be able to supplement your income. Remember the advise I gave in earlier columns. Before you start your "second" career it would be wise to consult with your doctor, lawyer, insurance company, CPA, etc. Their advice and intervention in

the beginning of your new endeavor could save your health as well as many dollars and much grief down the road.

Next week I'll share a true story about a senior citizen who refuses to retire.

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Melvin TIP Students



Shanna McKinney
Erica Tackett

Melvin Grade School had two students who qualified to participate in the Talent Search sponsored by Duke University's Talent Identification Program. The program identifies mathematically and verbally advanced seventh grade students by their scores on the K.I.R.I.S. test.

Shanna McKinney is the daughter of Jack Bartley of Weeksbury and Shonna Phillips of Price. She is the granddaughter of James and Joann McKinney of Melvin and Jack and Judy Bartley of Bypro.

Erica Tackett is the daughter of Eric and Donna Tackett of Melvin and Phyllis Mayes of Granite Falls, North Carolina. She is the granddaughter of Acie and Arizona Tackett of Melvin and Jackie Gilliam of Lenoir, North Carolina.

They took the A.C.T. assessment, normally taken only by college-bound juniors and seniors, on February 10.

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