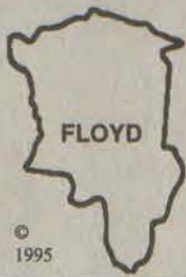


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## Kenneth T. Grimes, M.D.

Dr. Grimes is currently practicing Radiology at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital. Dr. Grimes was recently awarded the American Medical Association's Physician's Recognition Award in Continuing Medical Education on February 1, 1996. In his spare time, Dr. Grimes enjoys vacationing in foreign countries. Dr. Grimes provides routine Radiological services Monday - Friday including but not limited to CT Scan, Ultrasound and Mammography and is on call for after hours services, if needed. Dr. Grimes and McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital, quality health care — close to home.



## Abuse victims finding they're not alone

by Patti M. Clark  
Staff Writer

Editor's note: The Floyd County Times does not identify victims of sexual abuse. The name of the mother in this story has been changed to protect her daughter's identity.

When Amy's four-year-old daughter told her that her stepfather had touched her in a private place, she didn't want to believe her daughter.

"He tried to make me believe that it was an accident," Amy said. "He said she fell out of bed

and he might have accidentally touched her when he was putting her back. He tried to make it sound so innocent."

Just a few days later, her daughter told her that her stepfather's fingernail had hurt her. That's when Amy said she knew something had happened.

"I didn't want to believe her," she said. "But my instincts as a mother told me I should believe my daughter."

Amy said her daughter, who is now ten, remembers at least four or five incidents when her stepfather allegedly abused her. A doctor in Lexington, who examined her when the case began, said there was some small scarring to

indicate the abuse, but "children heal fast," at least physically, according to Eileen Recktenwald, administrator of the Rape Victim Services Program with Mountain Comprehensive Care.

Today, her ex-husband is in LaGrange. He was convicted last summer of sexually abusing the child.

### The numbers

Amy is not alone. In Floyd County between July 1, 1994 and June 31, 1995, there were 446 reports of child abuse to the Department of Social Services, according to Ron Sammons with the district office of the department. He said about half of those are reports of

child sexual abuse. Not all, however, were substantiated.

According to statewide statistics compiled by Kentucky Child Assault Prevention, there were 29 abuse-related child fatalities in Kentucky in 1994 with more than 100,000 child abuse reports. The statistics also show that more than 43 percent of children who are abused are under the age of six.

When it comes to incest — sexual abuse by a family member — the numbers are even more startling. Statistics show that incest occurs in one of every ten homes, but that 50 to 80 percent of the cases go unreported. One in three girls and one in four to six boys are

sexually abused by the time they are 18, according to records.

"It's almost always someone in the family," Recktenwald said. "That person knows the child, has access to the child and is well-loved by the child."

### Don't give up

Amy and her daughter saw a counselor at MCCC when their case began nearly four years ago. "I was brought in to talk about court and what would happen," Recktenwald said. "Little did we know that the case would take four years."

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## Cutbacks are much higher than projected :

# First, second-year teachers lose jobs

by Patti M. Clark  
Staff Writer

Sixty-nine Floyd County teachers received their pink slips late last week and early this week.

Superintendent Dr. John Balentine hand delivered most of the non-renewal notices to the first and second-year teachers in the district. Twenty-one more teachers' con-

tracts were not renewed than was originally called for in the deficit reduction plan approved by the state Department of Education earlier this year.

"We initially began with 48 teachers (who weren't going to be renewed)," Balentine said. "But there were several people who had the same hire date so we decided to send them all a letter."

Balentine said he plans to start calling back as many teachers as possible as quickly as possible and still needs to look at transfers to fill some of the holes left at some of the schools.

Employees will be called back according to their hire dates. "That hire date is an important issue," he said. "It is absolutely critical that we enter the correct date into our computers."

He said the lay-off plan is customary for Floyd County. "In the past, they've laid off the first, second, and even third-year teachers first and that's what we've done," he said. "We're following the same pattern used in the past. We hope to call back as many of those as we can."

He emphasized that the notices don't mean that all those people won't have jobs in the fall.

The next notification date is May 15 and mainly affects employees at the central office, Balentine said. "Those will be mostly reduction in time or reduction in pay," he said.

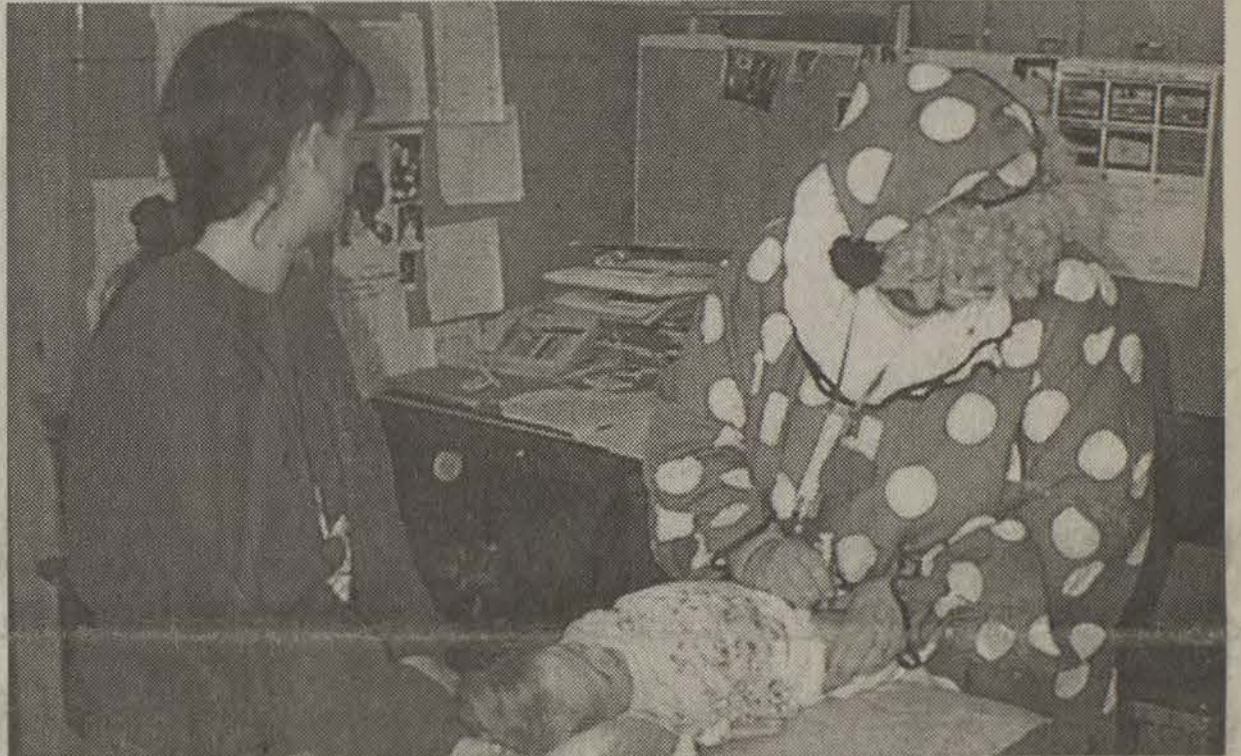
Personnel being transferred must be notified by July 15. Classified personnel who won't be rehired will get a 30-day notice," Balentine said. "State law doesn't stipulate a specific date."

The superintendent said he was not surprised by the reactions of the teachers.

"People are upset. They are emotional and angry," he said. "I expected all those levels of emotion, but I am going to try hard to make sure this does not happen again while I am here."

He said he decided to hand deliver the non-renewal letters so he could put faces with names.

"I hand delivered them because I wanted these teachers to know this had absolutely nothing to do with their ability to teach," he said. "I wanted them to see me; to ask me questions. I wanted to talk to them."



The Floyd County Health Department has planned activities throughout the week at the main office and Wheelwright branch to raise awareness of the importance of immunizations. Monday, April 22, two staff workers participated in a costume contest at the main office. Carrie Branham dressed up as a clown and Jeannie Lafferty was a gypsy. Branham and Lafferty tied in the contest and both will be awarded a small cash prize. Pictured is Branham giving immunization shots to Patricia Conn, 21 months, of Martin. Also pictured is Conn's mother, Janet Miller. (photo by Chris McDavid)

## Court takes cemetery roads into system, alleviates tension

by Chris McDavid  
Staff Writer

The Floyd County Fiscal Court adopted 56 roads — 51 of which are cemetery roads — into the county road system Friday, April

19, to legalize road repairs, recoup revenue, and to alleviate growing tensions between the county judge and magistrates.

The county is prohibited from doing any work on a road unless the road is adopted into the county

road system, Floyd Judge-Executive Ben Hale said Monday.

Once a road is adopted by or donated to the county, the county can maintain the road, Joe Morris of the Department of Local Government said Monday.

Some area residents at the meeting questioned Hale as to why he is adopting only some of the cemetery roads. Hale explained that the list of cemetery roads is just a beginning. "Right now, we are playing catch-up," he said.

The roads adopted by the fiscal court are roads residents have previously asked for assistance with, Chris Waugh, Floyd County assistant judge-executive, said Friday. "Until we have these cemetery roads placed on the county road map, we cannot legally repair or maintain them," Waugh said.

One woman at the meeting asked Hale why the fiscal court couldn't just adopt all the cemetery roads in Floyd County onto the county road system. Hale explained that the law states that each road adopted by the county must be assigned a name or number.

"We can't do a blanket resolution (adopting all roads)," Hale said in the January fiscal court meeting. "That's why I appointed the road committee and why I want our county map up to date. It seemed pretty cut and dry to me. Either we own it or we don't own it. I'm just trying to do everything right and protect everybody. I'm not saying I don't want to do it. I want to do it correctly. I want to do things correct and legal as county judge."

Hale and some magistrates have been at odds recently over the judge's refusal to allow road work or snow removal on roads not included in the county's road system.

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### WHERE THE PINK SLIPS WENT

School	# laid off	School	#
Adams Middle School	9	Melvin Elementary	4
Allen Elementary	1	Osborne Elementary	6
Auxier Elementary	3	Prater Elementary	1
Betsy Layne Elementary	6	Prestonsburg Elementary	2
Clark Elementary	2	Stumbo Elementary	1
Duff Elementary	1	Allen Central High School	3
Harold Elementary	1	Betsy Layne High School	5
Martin Elementary	1	Prestonsburg High School	5
Maytown Elementary	1	South Floyd High School	5
McDowell Elementary	6	Garth Alternative School	2
		Itinerant instructors	4

## High winds miss most, but not all

by Patti M. Clark  
Staff Writer

Most Floyd County residents got off easy last weekend when a storm whipped across the state and left trees down and roofs in tatters.

But two businesses and at least one homeowner reported damage from the straight-line winds that

### Parking space cut to enhance appeal of downtown area

by Patti M. Clark  
Staff Writer

Despite anticipated opposition from downtown merchants, the Prestonsburg City Council Monday approved a plan to eliminate 12 parking spaces from Court Street.

"We are going to be competing for the tourists' dollars," council member Hansel Cooley said. "We are going to be graded at a higher level than we've been in the past."

The council approved a plan that includes the widening of the sidewalk on the left side of the second block of Court Street with the addition of landscaping in that area. The first phase of the project

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came through Floyd County about 7 a.m. Saturday morning.

The building housing River City Insurance on the Lancer-Water Gap Road received damage to its roof in the storm, according to Tommy Lafferty with the insurance company.

Lafferty said he doesn't have the estimates on the amount of damage to the building, but an entire section of roof was ripped off the building.

"We're still in business and taking care of residents' needs," Lafferty said Tuesday. "We're putting the roof back on today."

He said there was some water damage inside the building as well.

Brock McVey lost a plate glass window at its building on South Lake Drive.

"We had some cut carpet from the glass and a crushed table," Adrian Slone with Brock McVey said. "Other than the glass it was nothing major."

The window was replaced Tuesday, Slone said.

Lon May, disaster and emergency services director, said the storm winds were estimated at 30 to 40 miles per hour and from the pattern of damage, were probably straight-line winds rather than a downburst or tornado.

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## 'Dootney' is dead at 69

by Janice Shepherd  
Managing Editor

The man who once confessed to murder to get a free ride home to Floyd County, yet on another occasion risked his own life to rescue victims of a tragic bus accident, has died.

Donald L. "Dootney" Horn, whose ideas were often scorned but whose vision brought economic changes to Floyd County, died April 22 at the age of 69 following an extended illness.

Horn was a "rare American original," his friend Geoff Belcher said Tuesday. "He was a reclusive entrepreneur raconteur. He was a rascal."

"He made a million dollars a dozen times over — lost it, got it back, lost it, got it back, and lost it again," Belcher said.

Ed Kuss, a close friend, said that Horn "was a millionaire five times and was broke five times."

"He was one of a kind Eastern Kentucky entrepreneur," Kuss said.

Horn initiated many ventures in Floyd County. He started a carpet business where Ray Howard's Furniture Store No. 2 is located near Adams Middle School. But Horn left that behind and reached for new horizons. Often his former employees be-

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# Victims

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She said an indictment and an arrest in the case came early, but then that indictment "laid in a drawer. It was difficult to know what was happening," Recktenwald said.

For Amy the not knowing was frustrating, but finally things began to move forward.

"I would like to tell all mothers not to give up," she said. "Believe your child and support them all the way."

She stayed at the abuse shelter for six weeks and said her ex-husband even asked her to come back home once.

"But that would have been awful for her," Amy said. "My love for her made me do the right thing."

Lafferty and Recktenwald describe Amy as strong. They say she made it easy for her daughter to come forward and tell her story.

Because of her strength, Amy's daughter is strong as well, Lafferty said.

"She started having dreams about two or three years into this," Amy said. "And she's had dreams that she's been raped by someone she doesn't know. I just try to help her deal with that."

Amy has also moved on. She is married again. "Picking up my life was hard, but it is so much harder for her," she said. "She had problems with me dating, but I think she's finally worked her way through that."

### Cases in the future

Recktenwald is a member of the Attorney General's Task Force on Child Sexual Abuse. The group worked diligently for several years to get some changes made in the way the cases are handled.

One of the biggest is the addition of the Victim's Advocates. Formerly, victim advocacy was provided solely by the Rape Victim Service Program through MCCC. Due to the legislative package developed by the Child Sexual Abuse Task Force, funding was made available for prosecution-based advocates through out the state.

Kathy Lafferty has served in that role in Floyd County since last spring. Her office is in a renovated house just down the street from the courthouse and it gives the family members of victims a place to stay while the trial is going on.

But her job is different than

Recktenwald's was when she served as advocate. Recktenwald said she was "outside the system" and didn't have access to information.

"Kathy's job is easier because she has access to that information," Recktenwald said. "She can let her victim know in an instant where the case stands."

Recktenwald said the job is also easier because Lafferty is dealing with a commonwealth attorney who has said moving the cases through the court system is important.

"John Earl Hunt has said these are a priority," Lafferty said.

"We want people to realize that we're getting to a point in Floyd County, especially with the prosecution pushing these cases, that this kind of behavior is not going to be tolerated," Recktenwald said. "They are not going to get away with it so they might as well not do it."

But that doesn't make the cases any easier to deal with.

"When I first met Eileen, I was totally frustrated with the system," Amy said. "Now that things are changing, I have more faith in the system. I really had no faith at the beginning."

Both Recktenwald and Lafferty said they would like to see cases move through the court system in six months rather than four years.

"Six months to a year is a wonderful time period," Recktenwald said. "Sometimes, however, you just can't get around those delays."

Because of the interest of area judges, however, the delays are shortened and the advocates can be with the children in court, two things for which Lafferty and Recktenwald said they are grateful.

### Dealing with the victims

Helping people get on with their lives after they have been victimized is what Lafferty and Recktenwald do on a daily basis.

But they say it is never easy. "You don't want to believe that someone has deliberately hurt a child," Recktenwald said. "You just don't want to believe it's happening. But it is."

She described child sexual abusers as the one person you'd never expect to commit such a crime.

"It's someone who you'd really, really like," Recktenwald said. "It's the last person you'd think would hurt a child."

Because of the believability factor for most offenders, Lafferty and Recktenwald try to help the children get over their biggest fear, that they won't be believed.

Lafferty said knowledge is her only weapon. "Knowledge is the best cure for fear," she said. "I am like an arm extended to a person who is drowning."

She emphasized that parents shouldn't be so hard on themselves, as long as they stand behind the child after the abuse is reported.

Amy said she felt "like I was doing a bad job" after her daughter told her about the abuse.

"I kept thinking that I should have known. How could I have missed it?" she asked. "But hindsight is 20/20."

### Helping others help themselves

Recktenwald said she got involved in helping victims because she wanted

to know that she had made a difference.

"I needed to do something that really made a difference when I went home at night," she said. "I needed to feel like I'd accomplished something. And I didn't want this to happen to my kids. But, if it did, I wanted the services to be in place to help them."

Lafferty said that although it is a difficult job, she enjoys her work. "It's not that hard when you're helping people," she said. "The tiniest thing makes the biggest difference."

But those helping hands and the services they offer aren't small, according to Amy. Those hands pulled her through four years of court struggles and red tape before her ex-husband ended up in prison. She talks about Recktenwald and Lafferty as her life-line.

Lafferty said, however, that she hopes that eventually the need for her job in the Victim's Advocate office will be over.

"I would like to be out of a job because there are no more victims," she said.

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# Freeze

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"I froze them the minute I found out they had not been spent," he said Tuesday. "I am allowed to do that because of the emergency situation (in which) we find ourselves. I have the right to freeze that instructional money."

But the teachers said the denied requests are depriving students of an education.

"...The children did not create the money problems of this district and therefore, should not be expected to pay for them by getting less of an education," the letter also states.

Balentine said he had considered some requests to buy materials from teachers and had purchased some materials, but most — like the science department's — have been turned down.

"Those monies are set aside for students who are students this year," Balentine said. "If they haven't been spent by now, in many instances those supplies won't even be here until after the school year is over."

The instructional monies are funds that come from the state as part of the SEEK formula and are required under the Kentucky Education Reform Act to be set aside for instructional purchases. If those funds, however, aren't used, they revert to the general fund, according to Balentine.

"I'm interested in our people spending the money available during the year it is allocated," Balentine said. "I want it spent for kids who are students now."

The Floyd County Education Association expressed its concern about the frozen funds at the April

meeting of the school board. Gary Hopson asked at that meeting if teachers would again be required to buy paper and chalk for their own classrooms as many did before KERA took effect six years ago.

But Balentine defended his actions Tuesday, saying the freeze is necessary to get the school district's financial problems solved even though some teachers say the freeze isn't fair to the students.

"It's fair to get the spending under control in this district," he said. "Those monies will go to help reduce the deficit in the school district and this is part of getting that spending under control."

Balentine hand delivered 69 non-renewal letters late last week and early this week to first and second-year teachers in the system. The layoffs were part of a state-approved deficit reduction plan.

"I don't think there has been any serious suffering on the part of the students," Balentine said. "But I am serious about getting our financial situation straightened out."

He advised teachers to put in their purchase requests early next year.

"I would advise them to purchase supplies in a timely fashion to benefit current students," he said. "It is wrong to save money for children who will be in school next year."

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## Cemetery

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On Monday, Hale also said there is another reason why the county should adopt each road separately instead of using a blanket resolution. "When the county adopts all the roads and updates the county map, then the county will receive a portion of the money spent on the maintenance and upkeep of the roads through the County Rural and Secondary Road Aid Program," Hale said. The program provides the county with money to be spent each year for the maintenance of the roads in the county. The amount the county receives depends on the number of miles of county roads in the system.

In the past, the county has done road repairs for some of these roads at the taxpayers' expense even though they (the roads) haven't been on the county map, Hale said.

"I want to do things in a correct and legal matter," Hale said. "And by adopting the roads, the revenue spent on the maintenance of the roads can be regenerated back into the county."

Waugh said a road must offer public access and be built before the county will adopt it into the system. "We are not going to adopt a cemetery road that is not already built," he said.

"Once the roads are adopted into the county road system, we will be able to legally grade or gravel a cemetery road when the need arises," Hale said.

"I want to take Floyd County into the 21st century," Hale said. "I have no control over things that have been done in the past. But, there are laws and statutes that are specific, and as the county judge-executive, I am trying to take us (Floyd County) forward."

When Hale opened the floor to hear comments from the public, the following issues were raised:

• Conley Smith, Sam Hill Branch, petitioned the court to work on that roadway. He said the road needs gravel, a ditch line, and drains. "We would also like

to have some blacktop," Smith said.

• Glenda Pitts, Spurlock, appeared to be angry and upset because her trash was not being picked up, but she was being billed for the service. She said she had her road widened when she was told her road was too narrow for garbage trucks. "But they still won't pick up my trash. They said they can't drive on private roads," Pitts said.

Pitts said she should not have to pay, and would not pay the garbage bill when she has to hire someone to haul off her trash. She told the court to "get it straight."

Hale advised Pitts that the county no longer runs the garbage system and to contact Rumpke.

• Virginia Lowe asked the court if county road workers would be fired if a commission government passed and when the county records will be open to the public. Hale assured Lowe that the records are open to the public with the exception of personal, private information of employees.

• Eric Ratliff, Big Sandy Area Development District, represented the Betsy Layne Senior Citizens group and requested that land the senior citizens have been paying interest on be put in the organization's name so it would

### Special board meeting set for Thursday night

There will be a special meeting of the Floyd County Board of Education Thursday night.

The meeting is slated to begin at 6:30 p.m. and will be held at Adams Middle School. A workshop meeting will begin at 5:30 p.m.

The board said at its last meeting it would hold a special meeting to discuss reciprocal agreements with other school systems. Other items might also be on the agenda.

be eligible to receive a Community Development Block Grant to build a six-unit elderly housing complex.

The fiscal court declared the land surplus and instructed the county attorney to take necessary steps to get the project underway.

• Ollie Leslie represented the citizens of Dwale and inquired about road repairs in that area.

• Elmer Lee Johnson briefly spoke to the court about educating the county on the advantages of a commission form of government for Floyd County. Johnson was cut off when Hale said, "We can't take up the time of the fiscal court while you campaign. Some people here really have problems." Johnson is the spokesman for a group called United We're Strong, which is promoting a change in the county's form of government.

In other action Friday:  
 • The fiscal court sold a three-piece wood bedroom suit to Patricia Witten for \$200.  
 • Hale appointed Delbert

## Winds

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He said straight-line winds and downbursts can do just as much damage as tornadoes. He said it had been a while since a tornado was actually reported in Floyd County.

May said he'd like to set up a network for reporting damage from storms like the one that went through the county Saturday. "We really don't have a good reporting system," he said.

May asked that residents who had storm damage give him a call to report the damage, but emphasized there are no state or local funds available for repairs right now.

"There's no money available now, but on down the road, we might be able to get some mitigation if there is much damage," he said.

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*Liberty of thought is the life of the soul—Voltaire*

## Task force must survive

by Scott Perry

Whatever the outcome of a federal investigation into the operation of the multi-county Mountain Area Drug Task Force, it's reasonably safe to assume that the task force will have a tough time surviving the ordeal.

In the realm of law enforcement, even a perception of wrong-doing can wreck an agency's credibility.

Ask the L.A. police department and O.J.'s defense team if you don't believe us.

Of course no one is above the laws in this country, particularly those responsible for enforcing them, and bad cops should get the same attention as any other crook.

Unfortunately, the accepted rationale that "one bad apple doesn't spoil the whole bunch" doesn't always hold true under circumstances such as these.

Trust is a commodity that law enforcement agencies can ill afford to lose, but suspicions tend to spread like a bad case of the flu when any cop goes bad.

That distrust can grow, as well, even when the final diagnosis provides a clean bill of

health.

What troubles us most about the federal probe of the Mountain Area Task Force is that a lot of good work and a number of good people will be lost, perhaps forever, either because of the misdeeds of a few or because of the infectious nature of a scandal.

Lifetimes of honorable service can be tarnished. Careers can be destroyed.

The rest of us stand to lose our front line of defense against the spread of drugs through our communities should the task force fold.

If there is one chance to save the task force from self-destructing, that's one chance worth taking.

Federal investigators should resolve their concerns quickly, file charges if necessary and clear the innocent before they are considered guilty by association.

We have no other organization like the task force that has demonstrated the cooperation or dedication toward battling street level drug dealing.

If we lose it, we lose too much.

## 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.

### Organ donations— a gift of life!

Editor:

Last year at this time I was on the waiting list for a lung. On July 1, 1995, I received mine. I was very lucky. People are dying every day waiting for a transplant. I would be gone now if I had not received mine. A wonderful donor family gave five life-saving organs. I received the left lung; Hallie Gail Roberts of Stanton received the right lung, and Pikeville attorney Bruce Levy received the heart. The three of us have formed a special bond that can never be broken. I have a larger family now.

I believe organ donation is the greatest thing ever invented. I am living proof that it works. A transplant does not last forever, but it does give you hope and a chance for tomorrow. I pray to God every day that he will keep me strong so I can care for my wonderful son and my four-year-old niece.

I urge all my family and friends to think about organ donation and to make a decision. Talk it over with your family and let them know what you want, because they have the final decision when you are gone. Also, I want to thank all the people who thought about me and prayed for me during my stay in Lexington last July. I will never forget.

As of March 1996, almost 45,000 Americans were registered with the United Network for Organ Sharing waiting list for donated organs, including nearly 300 people on the waiting list in Kentucky. Every year, an estimated 3,000 people die while waiting. Seven to nine die each day. Transplantable organs include the kidney, heart, liver, lung, pancreas and small bowel. Acceptable donors range from newborn to senior citizens. One individual donor can provide organs, bone and tissue for nearly 200 people in need. In 1995, about 19,000 successful organ transplants were performed. It is estimated that twice as many could have been performed if more people donated organs. There is no extra expense for the family donating organs or tissues. KODA pays all costs related to organ and tissue donation. All major religions approve of organ and tissue donation.

If anyone is interested in more

information or would like to have a Kentucky Organ Donor Affiliates representative talk to your group, you can contact Donna Slone, education coordinator, Kentucky Organ Donor Affiliates, 2201 Regency Road, Suite 601, Lexington, Kentucky 40503. The phone number is (606) 278-3492 or 1-800-525-3456 (24-hour).

Terry Lynn Marsillett  
Prestonsburg

### Floyd Co., 'emigrant' discovers pleasure in Times' writings

Editor:

Thank you for making the "Our Yesterdays" print larger so we octogenarians can read the entries. Here is an unsolicited suggestion: In that column—and possibly in society and other reported items—emphasize the names of persons whose doings (bornings, marryings, dyings, even felonizing) earn a mention in your—our—great newspaper. Our local papers do that, and I find that, as well as Bridge and Dear Abby, to be their most appealing attributes.

On a more serious subject: I temporarily lost, and have now found, your excellent recent editorial decrying the exporting of our \$200,000,000.00 to Bosnia. It would be a mighty step forward if the citizens could know and be guided by a recognition that:

"...our foreign policy, which basically involves selling weapons to countries so they can blow each other up and then sending money to fix the damages, dictates our involvement."

Your writings and my backward looks are ongoing and recurring pleasures for this Floyd County Emigrant.

J. D. Bond  
Deland, Florida

### Boards Association urges teachers support

Editor:

Job No. 1 for school board members in Floyd County and elsewhere is to ensure a quality education for our children. It follows, therefore, that Job No. 2 for board members is to support the daily work of professionals charged with providing first-class instruction for our students.

The week of May 5-11 is National PTA Teacher Appreciation Week and Tuesday, May 7, is designated as National Teacher Day across the nation. On behalf of Kentucky's nearly 900 locally-elected school board members, we would like to encourage the readers of this newspaper to take the opportunity to give new life to the phrase "Thank a teacher."

The past six years of change in Kentucky's system of public education have resulted in achievements by and burdens upon parents, students, administrators, board members and taxpayers, too. And there is little question about the significant challenges of education reform have fallen upon Kentucky's teachers.

The members of the Kentucky School Boards Association, locally and statewide, join the thousands of other supporters of public education to express gratitude to the teachers in this community's public schools for their demonstrated dedication to the children of the community, our state and our nation.

David L. Keller  
Executive Director  
Kentucky School  
Boards Association  
Frankfort

### County attorney should clarify law

Editor:

In the past weeks Floyd County Judge-Executive Ben Hale has been under fire for not cleaning church parking lots, family cemetery roads, school parking lots, etc.

My understanding is the law prohibits Judge Hale from doing these favors with county materials and manpower.

Ben Hale or any other elected official should not be asked to do anything that is against the law, even if it was done in the past.

Wasn't our motorcade here in Floyd County meant to send a message to our elected officials, we were tired of corruption, and law breaking?

I would like to see our new county attorney inform us as to the law concerning this matter, and then we all will know what to expect or what not to expect from our officials.

Roger Rowe  
Corn Fork

## Coffee Break

by Scott Perry

Looks like another parent has been caught in the web of a goofy, discriminatory state law that prohibits interested and knowledgeable people from participating in school-based decision-making councils.

This time, Paintsville businessman Mark Grim was knocked out of the running for a seat on the Paintsville High school council because his wife is a teacher at Paintsville Elementary.

The law says parents can't serve on school councils if they have relatives employed anywhere in the same school district and, as you might recall, two parents in Floyd County attempted to challenge that provision recently, but lost.

Those nepotism restrictions don't apply to teachers or administrators elected as representatives on school councils...just parent reps...and the state Court of Appeals has said that selective, biased approach is just fine with them.

We might agree that a parent should not be permitted to serve on a council at the same school where a relative is employed, but spreading the restriction out over an entire district, without equal enforcement for

all school council members, suggests that parents can't be trusted.

No wonder so many schools are having a tough time meeting education reform's mandate to get more moms and dads involved in their schools.

We bid fond farewell this week to one of the finest country gentlemen ever to draw a breath or exhale a southern drawl in these mountains.

If you didn't know Edd Redd, or know of him, well, that's too bad, because he was truly one of a kind.

He was, perhaps, the first friend our family had as newcomers to the Big Sandy area some 32 years ago, adopting us one and all with open arms and no strings attached. He made us feel welcome and comfortable in our new home, and we were always welcome in his.

We will forever cherish his friendship and the memories it served up over all those years.

And, we'll miss him, deeply.  
Farewell, old friend.  
Until we meet again...



We'll issue a formal apology to any of our bus-driving readers who took offense at an editorial cartoon (above) we published last week which suggested bus drivers were undereducated illiterates.

While the cartoon was not directed at bus drivers, but at our national system of education, its point could easily be misconstrued.

It was a poor effort, a poor choice and we did a poor job by selecting it.  
Won't happen again.

Can't fling a rock these days without hitting somebody standing in an unemployment line.

In Floyd County, pink slips are going out to about 100 school employees this week, while in Johnson County nearly everybody once employed by county government is taking an unexpected vacation.

The announced cause for these cutbacks, of course, is a lack of dollars. But we wonder if the real culprit isn't a lack of sense.

Not everyone is put out by the money crunches, though:

The frogs are happy.

The cupboard is apparently so bare in the Floyd County School System that officials can't even spare a thousand bucks out of a \$42 million budget to buy specimens for one high school biology class.

Geez.

What a sad story.

Maybe we can reach a happy ending, though.

If we all start kissing frogs today, maybe one will turn into the Prince Charming we need to lead us out of this mess.

It's got to be worth a wart or two to find capable leadership.



# Enhance

includes the replacement of the sidewalk on the right side of the second block of the street.

The second phase is the renovation of the left side of the second block and phase three includes renovation and landscaping of the left side of the first block.

After the sidewalk renovations have been completed, a new layer of blacktop will be put down on the street.

"This will be the first time in 40 years that Court Street will look different," council member Estill Carter said.

Cooley recognized there will be a loss of parking spaces, but emphasized that 89 new spaces had been added a half block away in the new city parking lot and that many of the original 12 spaces were taken by employees and owners of businesses in the area and had not been reserved for customers.

"This is going to be a big improvement for the area," council member Billy Ray Collins said. "This will help open up downtown."

He said he knows some of the business owners in that area will object to the loss of the parking spaces, but he is not concerned about that.

"I don't care that we've taken two or three parking spaces because we've made improvements in the area," Collins said. "This is a change for the positive. This change will improve every business downtown."

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came new owners of those businesses.

"He got more people started in the business of making dollars that he never took credit for," Kuss said.

Horn's life was so diverse that a movie company was interested in producing a film about his life. Horn had contacted local writer Geoff Belcher to begin writing a book about his adventures. Although four chapters of the book were written, the book was never completed because Horn never finished the interviews or the project.

But that was typical of his business ventures. His projects were grandiose and his active mind seemed always to be conceiving new ideas, so he rapidly moved from one enterprise to another.

Horn was involved in everything from "crop dusting to coal mining," Belcher said. One of his latest projects that garnered the support of the City of Prestonsburg and the Christian Appalachian Project was a coal mining museum.

Horn had hoped to build a museum that not only displayed artifacts but also showed an old-style working mine. Prestonsburg Mayor Jerry Fannin and Father Ralph Beiting with Christian Appalachian Project offered Horn assistance with the project if financial backing could be found.

Several years ago, he had hoped to start another living museum and proposed the Old-Style Mining Project within city limits. Horn wanted to have donkeys haul coal from the mine as was done in the early days of mining. Although the Prestonsburg City Council agreed to allow the mining operation within city limits, the project fell through and, instead, Horn and his business partner, Tom Kuss opened Uptown Mining, an underground mine within Prestonsburg City limits.

Horn was also an inventor, according to Belcher. His inventions included coal gon covers and, just a few months ago, he invented a new travel cup that a manufacturing company wanted to produce. Horn had traveled the world and he had a natural ability as a storyteller. He could often be found at Jerry's Restaurant regaling a few of his many friends with stories of his travels and his adventures.

One of those adventures earned

Cooley said he agrees. "You can't get a harvest until you plant a crop," Cooley said. "We might not see improvements tomorrow, but we're going to see improvements in years to come."

The discussion about Court Street came after Fred James, tourism director, presented council with four new brochures highlighting attractions in the area, especially those planned for the Mountain Arts Center, scheduled to open this fall.

James told the council he has applied for a \$2,500 grant from the Heritage Commission that will fund a consultant to help develop a plan "for the historic restoration of downtown."

He said he wants to see more attractions in the area, especially museums and other educational opportunities.

"Until we have that kind of attraction, we can't get those tourist monies," he said. "But it's either going to come here or go somewhere else."

He said he had been told that Prestonsburg can become "an alternative to Branson, Myrtle Beach and Florida," but that "we have a lot of work to do."

"These tourists want to come to see the shows, but they also want to see the sights and go shopping," James said. "They have money in their pockets and they want to spend it."

He said he'd like to see the city turn downtown into a shopping attraction complete with arts and crafts and antiques stores. "Until

him notoriety. During his younger years, Horn claimed to have murdered a Floyd County woman. When an investigation failed to uncover the murderer of Merle Baldrige, Horn confessed to the crime. He was in Texas and broke when he pleaded guilty to the murder of the young girl. He was extradited from a Texas jail to a Floyd County jail where he told law officials that he was innocent.

"When he got here, he said, 'that's not the woman I killed,'" Kuss said.

"He told me he confessed to murder to get a free ride back to Floyd County," Belcher explained. A court of law later proved that Horn was in another state at the time of the murder, he added.

In 1958, when a Floyd County school bus plunged into the Big Sandy killing 27 children, Horn was reportedly the first on the scene and gave assistance to the rescue operations.

Funeral services for Horn will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

we have those, we won't get those dollars," he said.

In other action, council:   
 • Agreed to purchase Prater Creek Water Company. The company, which has been buying its water from the city, has been having management problems, according to Carter.

• Approved roadblocks for the Prestonsburg majorettes; the animal shelter; the Prestonsburg High School girls' softball team; and PHS girls' cheerleaders. The ordinance committee is working on an ordinance that will limit the available roadblock dates and it is expected to be approved in the next few months.

• Learned that the certificate of need for the city's ambulance service was incorrectly issued for a primary ambulance and a backup. The certificate will be changed for two primaries, according to Paul Burchett, city attorney. The city is operating an ambulance under the license of Respond.

• Hired Dale Morton as a part-time police officer.

• Approved a city-wide clean up for May. The city will pick up at no charge any yard debris the homeowner has gathered by the street. Council emphasized that it will collect only yard debris and residents must call by May 15 to get their yard trash collected. There will be a charge for other items, council member Dick Clark said. Mayor Jerry Fannin said residents can start calling now.

• Appointed three people to a long-range planning committee to look at the future of the city. Named were Norm Marcum, Bill Howard, and C.J. McNally.

Members Collins, Clark, Robert Allen, Dick Clark, and Cooley were present at the meeting. Absent were Ralph Davis, Paula Goble, and Danny Hamilton.

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**Businessman dies**

Prestonsburg businessman Randall L. Crum, 51, died Monday after an apparent heart attack Friday caused him to lose control of his vehicle and hit an electrical pole on Porter Street. The accident occurred a little before 10 a.m. Friday. Crum was the husband of Jo Ann Daniels Crum. The two owned Plaza Laundry in Highlands Plaza. (photo by Patti M. Clark)

**Oney sisters sentenced on theft, complicity charges**

by Patti M. Clark  
Staff Writer

Two former Salyersville sisters received probated sentences Friday on charges of embezzling nearly \$23,000 from the Cabinet for Human Services.

Sammie Joe Oney and Tammy Dale Oney each received a five-year sentence. Sammie Joe was charged with theft by unlawful taking while Tammy Dale was charged with first degree complicity to theft by unlawful taking.

The sentences for both were probated for five years contingent on the stipulation that Sammie Joe pays back the \$22,992 she received after she put together an elaborate scheme to receive food stamps and benefit checks from the Department of Social Services.

If Sammie Joe does not make restitution, that responsibility falls back on her younger sister, who was also part of the scheme.

Sammie Joe Oney was indicted last summer on 85 counts of theft by unlawful taking and one count of unlawful access to a computer. She reportedly received food stamps and benefits in the names of 17 people. Those charges were merged into one count of theft by unlawful taking.

Tammy Dale Oney was indicted last summer on 85 counts of first degree complicity; one count of second degree forgery; and one count of fraud. Those counts were merged into one count of complicity.

The two apparently secured post office boxes in various locations to receive the food stamps and benefit checks.

The two pleaded guilty to the charges on February 8, after pleading not guilty last summer.

"This is very unfortunate and

has had a pronounced devastating effect on Miss Oney," Linsey West, attorney for Sammie Joe, said during the sentencing hearing Friday afternoon. "This was completely out of character for her. She was an honor student at Magoffin County High School and lacked one class to graduate from Morehead State University."

He presented several letters of recommendation on her behalf and asked Judge Danny Caudill to stand behind the sentence that was recommended as part of her plea bargain. "I believe the offer the Commonwealth made in this case was fair," West said.

Sammie Joe said she knew what she did was wrong. "I apologize to my family for the heartbreak and hardship I have caused them," she said. "I am at your mercy to do what is fair."

Gerald D. DeRossett, attorney for Tammy Dale Oney, said the case had caused a family rift. He

said the two sisters are no longer talking to each other and have "parted ways."

"She was a temporary four-month employee when the scheme started," he said. "She was involved because of family pressure and she didn't receive any benefits from the scheme."

DeRossett said Tammy Dale lost her job teaching school because of the charges and has now gone to work at a car dealership in Lexington. "This has caused her a great deal of embarrassment," he said.

He asked the Commonwealth for reasonable notice should Tammy Dale be required to make restitution if her sister fails to do so.

"I want to apologize to the court for my behavior," Tammy Dale said. "I do understand the severity of the crime and I also apologize to my family. I want to be a good citizen again."

**Banner man charged with rape of 15-year-old**

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

by Chris McDavid  
Staff Writer

A Banner man was arrested on April 22 by the Kentucky State Police in Pike County and transported to the Floyd County Detention Center early Tuesday morning to face a nearly year-old third degree rape charge.

Alfred E. Williams Jr., 21, was arrested for allegedly raping the 15-year-old daughter of a Tram woman

on June 10, 1995. The mother of the alleged victim filed a complaint in the Floyd County District Court Clerk's office on April 22.

Williams also had an outstanding bench warrant for not paying a court fine that resulted from a December 1992 arrest for alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct, and resisting arrest.

Williams pleaded not guilty to the rape charge during arraignments Tuesday, April 23, in Floyd District Court. William's bond was set at \$10,000. A preliminary hearing will be held at 2:30 p.m. on May 1.

**25 youth qualify for leader program**

Futures: Big Sandy Youth Leadership Program has 25 participants who have successfully completed the application process.

"Futures" is a youth leadership program for high school freshman. This program is funded through the Appalachian Regional Commission and the Appalachian Research Center at the University of Kentucky.

The 25 students who have been awarded a slot in this leadership training program will participate in the upcoming Eastern Kentucky Leadership Conference in Hazard. The "Futures" Fellows will also travel to Cave Run to join the FIVE-CO youth leadership program in touring a bat cave.

The program will run through December and will include a community project that the fellows will determine and develop with the assistance of an inter-generational committee that they will assemble.

These 25 fellows have been chosen from applications received from ten high schools in five counties.

Students who have completed the application process are Chandra Short, Sonya Verma, Jenny Wells, Eric Combs, Joseph Owens, Penny Moore, Ashly Patrick, Joshua Rudd, James Freeman, Tonya Glispy, Karana Malone, Kristy Howell, Joshua Ball, Lynn Shawn Ward, Jennifer Stacy, Jennifer Johnson, Megan Billiter, Leah Allen, Travis Joseph, Amy Patrick, William Castle, Heather Daniel, Adam Stapleton, Melinda Bevins and Lisa Green.

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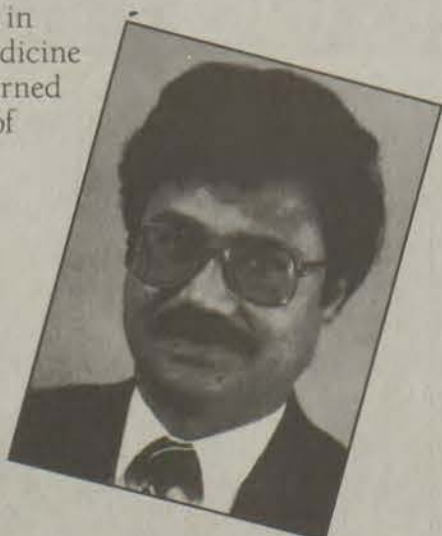
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# Annual East Kentucky Leadership conference at Hazard April 26, 27

Five individuals and two organizations will be honored with awards at the ninth Annual East Kentucky Leadership Conference to be held April 26 and 27 at the Hazard Community College. WYMT-TV and Tony Turner will present the televised East Kentucky Leadership Foundation awards Friday at 8:00 p.m.

Dr. Grady Stumbo will receive the public individual award for his strong leadership in the region. Dr. Stumbo, a Hindman physician, is the founder of East Kentucky Health Services Center, served as chair of the Democratic Party, secretary of the Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources and is the founder of the East Kentucky Leadership Foundation.

Clifford and Ruby Caudill, of Carcassonne are the recipients of the private citizen award for the 60-year commitment to Letcher County and Southeastern Kentucky. They led the efforts to preserve the Carcassonne High School, founded by Clifford's father, Hendricks Caudill, in 1923. They continued to organize box suppers, square dancing, and other activities in the Carcassonne Community Center to preserve our mountain heritage. Clifford has recently published a book, Carcassonne: People, Places, and Events.

The Presbyterian Child Welfare Agency, founded in 1902 will receive the award for the organization serving the human needs of the region. The agency operates Residential Treatment Programs in Buckhorn and at the Dessie Scott Children's Home in Pine Ridge, a Transitional Home for Girls in Berea, Therapeutic Foster Care, Pre-independent Living, Supervised Apartment Living, Transitional Living for Homeless Youth and Children and two Montessori Preschools in Perry and Breathitt counties. Special recognition will be given to Charles L. Baker, president and CEO. He is responsible for creating the Buckhorn Children's Foundation in 1991. He continues to increase the quality of services for suffering children and families in the region and nationally.

The Arts and Culture Award goes to the Greater Hazard Area Performing Arts Series. Now in its 22nd year, the community college and the Hazard Independent College Foundation created the Greater Hazard Area Arts Council. This series provides citizens in southeastern Kentucky with cultural arts programs and music, theater, dance, visual and literary arts. Margaret Maggard serves as chair of the council and Tammy Duff is the performing arts coordinator.

Louise Bolton Hatmaker, of Hazard, is the recipient of the media award. For thirty years, she served the Kentucky River Valley as editor and publisher of the two oldest newspapers, the Jackson Times and Beattyville Enterprise. Hatmaker's philosophy for publishing a newspaper is that they belong to the people they serve. These efforts were rewarded when she received the Lexington Herald Leader's Edwards M. Templin Award for Community Service. She has served twenty years on the Board of Directors for the Kentucky Press Association, is a trustee of Lee's College, and also serves on the board of the Kentucky River Medical Center. She continues to write her popular column, "Potpourri."

This is not a conference for just a few speakers and listeners. The goal is to make everyone a speaker, listener, and most importantly, an effective leader. Sessions on a variety of subjects important to East Kentucky will be held Friday afternoon and throughout Saturday.

The conference has a \$25 registration fee that includes meals. A trolley service will be available from all motels to the events. To register or for more information, contact the Hazard/Perry County Chamber

of Commerce, 601 Main Street, Kern at KRADD in Hazard, Hazard, KY 41701, or Annette 436-3158.



## Easter Egg Hunt

The Price Community Club sponsored an Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, March 30 at the Minnie Ball Park for all children ages 0-12. Eggs were hidden for three age groups: 0-3, 3-8, and 9-12. The winners of each group are pictured. The hunt was also attended by the Easter Bunny who had special treats for all. Refreshments were served to all who attended. The club has voted to make this event an annual affair.



## Year-end unemployment rate up two percent

by Patti M. Clark  
Staff Writer

Floyd County was one of 57 counties across the state where the annual unemployment rate increased in 1995 over 1994 totals.

The rate increased from 8.5 percent to 10.5 percent and is attributed in part to recent layoffs in the mining industry.

A spokesman from the unemployment office in Floyd County said Monday that the increase was also caused by the layoffs from American Standard. The plant in Johnson County has laid off more than 100 people since last fall.

Expected to increase the rate even more is the layoff of about 100 school employees. Pink slips started going out this week.

Floyd was also one of 16 counties with a year-end rate above ten percent.

Across the Big Sandy Area, the year-end rate jumped 3.4 percent in Martin County. The rate for 1994 was 8.2 percent. The county ended the year at 11.7 percent in 1995.

The rate increased 1.5 percent in Johnson County and 1.4 percent in Magoffin County. The 1994 Johnson rate was 6.7 percent, the lowest for the region. The 1995 rate was 8.2 percent, also the lowest for the region.

In Magoffin County the 1994 rate was 13.7 percent, the highest in the region. That rate climbed to 15.1 percent in 1995, also the highest for the Big Sandy area.

The rate in Pike County remained the same — 9.4 percent — for both years and the region-wide rate increased a little more than one percent, climbing from nine percent to 10.1 percent.

Statewide, the rate for 1995 was

5.4 percent, below the national rate for the fourth straight year and unchanged from 1994.

Compared to national rates, 18 states and the District of Columbia had higher unemployment rates than Kentucky; 28 had lower rates, and three — Idaho, Massachusetts, and Nevada — had the same rates as Kentucky.

The lowest rate across the country was in Nebraska, where unemployment was 2.6 percent. Nebraska has had the lowest rate for six straight years. The highest rate was in the District of Columbia where 8.9 percent of the population is out of work.

The U.S. rate decreased from 6.1 percent in 1994 to 5.6 percent in 1995.

The state rate is the lowest reported in Kentucky since 1978 when the rate was 5.2 percent. Throughout the year, the rates ranged from five percent in December to six percent in February.

Woodford County had the lowest rate for the year, 2.2 percent. Elliott had the state's highest jobless rate at 17.8 percent. Magoffin was ranked third highest. Martin County was seventh highest in the state.

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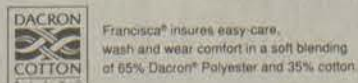
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# Obituaries

## Alma Collins

Alma Collins, 78, of Prestonsburg died Friday, April 19, 1996, at Highlands Regional Medical Center following a short illness.

She was born November 5, 1917 at McDowell and was a daughter of the late Tilden and Fanny Hall Collins. She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Prestonsburg and the honorable Order of Kentucky Colonels.

She was a former bookkeeper for the Bank Josephine.

She is survived by one sister, Vida C. Stumbo of Minnie.

Funeral services were held Sunday, April 21, at 2 p.m. at the Carter Funeral Home with Rev. George Love officiating. Burial was made in the Mayo Cemetery at Lancer.

## Ermon Williams

Ermon Williams, 90, of Rice Branch of Prestonsburg died Saturday, April 20, 1996, at the Salyersville Health Care Center following an extended illness.

He was born February 1, 1906 at Bonanza to the late Harrison and Izana Richardson Williams. He was a former railroad employee and farmer.

He was twice married; first to Lila Hughes, who died in 1930, and later to Edith Prater, who died September 14, 1989.

He is survived by two sons, Lemuel Williams of Abbott Creek; Eugene Williams of Stockbridge, Michigan; two daughters, Garnett Vaughan of State Road Fork, Prestonsburg, and Fanny Lou Allen of the Mountain Parkway near Salyersville; one brother, Elmer Williams of Alger, Ohio; and four sisters, Dorsie Lyons of Indiana, Reevis Kites of Lima, Ohio, Effie Hackworth of Lansing, Michigan, and Clernda Whitaker of Mason, Michigan; eight grandchildren and twelve great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, April 23, at 11 a.m. at the Carter Funeral Home with Elders Don Neeley and Wallace Sartin officiating. Burial was made in the R.D. Prater Cemetery at Brainard.

Pallbearers were Randy Allen, Paul David Williams, Terry Williams, Glenn Vaughan, Jeff Williams, Timmy Vaughan, Russell James, and Eugene Slone.

## Maudie Clark Hunt

Maudie Clark Hunt, 98, of Clinton Township, Michigan, formerly of Cow Creek, died Monday, April 22, 1996, at the Clinton Aire Nursing Home in Michigan following an extended illness.

Born October 6, 1897 at Woods, she was a daughter of the late Harvey and Mahala May Clark. She was a member of the Free Will Baptist Church at Buffalo.

Her husband Ealum Hunt died May 24, 1959.

She is survived by four daughters, Mable Goble of Cow Creek, Margie Blackburn of Richmond, Michigan, Mary Katherine Blackburn of Washington, Michigan, and Magolene Oliver of Clinton Township, Michigan; 29 grandchildren; 72 great-grandchildren; and 31 great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Friday, April 26, at 11 a.m. at the Carter Funeral Home with Rev. Dan Heintzelman officiating. Burial will be made in the Hunt Family Cemetery at Cow Creek.

Visitation may be made Thursday, from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Carter Funeral Home.

Grandsons will serve as pallbearers.

## Berry Tackett

Berry Tackett, 61, of McDowell, died Saturday, April 20, 1996, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital at McDowell.

Born August 30, 1934 in Beaver, he was the son of Jim Tackett and Hannah Jones Tackett of Hi Hat. He was a retired roofing contractor in Michigan.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by three sons, Scotty Huffman of Columbus, Ohio; Barry James Tackett and Timothy Allen Tackett, both of River Rouge, Michigan; three daughters, Gail Ann Gauthier and Beth Ann Tackett, both of River Rouge, Michigan; Shelia Lynn Adkins; three brothers, Curt Tackett of Hi Hat, Danny Tackett of Beaver, and Donald Ray Tackett; six sisters, Gladys Tackett and Geraldine Petty, both of Melvin, Gladies Slone of Hi Hat, Irene Lee of Ligon, Martha Mae Nobitty of Martin, Ethel Faye Johnson of Big Rock, Michigan; and five grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, April 23, at 11 a.m. at the Samaria Regular Baptist Church at Teaberry with the Regular Baptist Ministers officiating. Burial was in the Newman Cemetery at Hi Hat. Arrangements were under the direction of the Hall Funeral Home in Martin.

Pallbearers were Charles Tackett, Roger Gauthier, Dean Adkins, Barry James Tackett, Timmy Tackett, and Jamie Tackett.

## Richard Church

Richard Church, 81, of Langley, died Thursday, April 18, 1996, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital at Martin following an extended illness.

Born October 7, 1914, in Lawrence County, he was the son of the late John Church and Clara McDowell Church. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Tonie Gayheart Church.

He was a self-employed carpenter, coal miner, a minister of the Old Regular Baptist Church, a member of the Ball Fork Regular Baptist Church, and a Kentucky Colonel.

He is survived by his wife, Louise Moore Church; one daughter, Velma Martin of Hindman; one step-daughter, Lynda Howard of Martin; one brother, Bill Church of Wapokeneta, Ohio; two sisters, Mabel Smith and Opal Smith, both of Leburn; four grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, April 21, at 11 a.m. at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, Martin, with the clergymen Coy Combs, Bill Moore, and John Preece officiating. Burial was made in the Louise Webb Cemetery at Langley. Arrangements were under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Serving as pallbearers were: Ben Martin, Ralph Mosley, Richard Martin, Randy Caudill and Richard Webb.

## Beckie Hall

Beckie Hall, 101, of Pikeville, died Monday, April 22, 1996, at the Mountain Manor Nursing Home at Pikeville.

Born April 5, 1895 in Teaberry, she was the daughter of the late Will Tackett and Martha Hamilton Tackett. She was a member of Samaria Old Regular Baptist Church at Teaberry for 71 years. Her husband, Green Hall, preceded her in death.

Survivors include 17 grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren, and 15 great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted Thursday, April 25 at 11 a.m., at the Pilgrim Home Old Regular Baptist Church at Grethel, with the Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial will be made in the Greenberry Hall Cemetery at Galveston, under the direction of the Hall Funeral Home at Martin.

## Eva Allen Hale

Eva Allen Hale, 78, of Lexington, formerly of Prestonsburg, died Friday, April 19, 1996, at the University of Kentucky Medical Center.

Born December 9, 1917 at Pyramid, she was the daughter of the late Jack and Sallie Hicks Allen. She was a retired social worker with the Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources and a former teacher in Floyd County. She was a member of Emmanuel Baptist Church in Lexington.

She is survived by her husband, Harmon Hale; one son, Joe Allen Horn of Tullahoma, Tennessee; one daughter, Sally E. Rhoades of Lexington; one brother, Ralph J. Allen of Montcalm, West Virginia; and three grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Monday, April 22, at 10 a.m. in the Floyd Funeral Home Chapel at Prestonsburg with the Rev. Ted Sisk officiating. Burial was in the Richmond Cemetery in Prestonsburg.

Active pallbearers were: Bill Bayes, Kelly Shepherd, Russell Shepherd, Zeb Shepherd and Gus Kalos. Honorary pallbearers were: Delmas Saunders, Chester Patton, Cam Garrett, Russell Laven and Frank Salyers.

Arrangements were under the direction of Floyd Funeral Home.

## Randall Lloyd Crum

Randall Lloyd Crum, 51, of Prestonsburg, died Monday, April 22, 1996, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

Born August 19, 1944 in Pikeville, he was the son of Lloyd Crum and Eleanor Howell Crum of Allen. He was a self-employed businessman and a member of the First Baptist Church at Allen.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by his wife, Jo Ann Daniels Crum; one son, Randall Dale Crum of Winston Salem, North Carolina; three stepsons, Randy S. Click of Prestonsburg, James F. Click of Ivel, Tommy J. Click of Lexington; one step-daughter, Patricia A. Click of Prestonsburg; one brother, Greg Crum of Prestonsburg; and three grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday (today), April 24, at 1 p.m. at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel at Martin with clergyman French Harmon officiating.

Burial will be made in the Davidson Memorial Gardens at Ivel. Arrangements are under the direction of Hall Funeral Home at Martin.

Serving as pallbearers are Jim Stinnit, Phillip Horn, Tom Ed Music, Ron Snodgrass, Pelmer Little, Don Taylor, Charles Ousley and Doug Boyd.

Honorary pallbearers are Mack Wicker, Jack Tipton, Wes Howard, Tom Black, Charlie Arnett, Harmon Leedy, Jim Rectinwald, Don Howard, Jimmy Turner, Ralph Stevens, Greg Frasure, Dexter Music and Bill D. Branham.

## Carolyn Sue Jacobs

Carolyn Sue Jacobs, 43, of Estill, died Sunday, April 21, 1996, at Teaberry, following an extended illness.

Born November 28, 1952, at Pippa Passes, she was the daughter of Allie Sparkman Jacobs of Estill and the late Mabry Jacobs.

She is survived by her mother, and two sisters, Kathy Dye of Garrett and Katy Bradley of Eastern.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, April 24 at 11 a.m. at the Mt. Olive the Old Regular Baptist Church at Pippa Passes with ministers of the Old Regular Baptist officiating. Burial will be in the Sloan Cemetery at Pippa Passes. Arrangements are under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home of Martin.

## Dave "Trapper" Cook

Dave "Trapper" Cook, 87, of Topmost, died Friday, April 19, 1996, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital following an extended illness.

Born August 7, 1908, in Knott County, he was the son of the late Ruben and Clarendia Hall Cook. He was a disabled miner and a member of First Baptist Church of Wheelwright.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Oka Hall Cook; his second wife, Cora Caudill Cook; and his third wife, Vonzell Meade Cook.

He is survived by his wife, Rosetta Honeycutt Cook; two sons, Nelson Cook of Buckingham and Raymond Cook of Georgetown, Indiana; two daughters, Aileen Green of Michigan City, Indiana and Nebraska King of Cleveland, Ohio; one sister, Cora Meade of Tennessee; 15 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

Funeral services were held Monday, April 22, at 2 p.m. at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home with the ministers of the Old Regular Baptist Church officiating. Burial was in the Buckingham Cemetery at Bevsinsville. Arrangements were under the direction of Nelson Frazier Funeral Home of Martin.

## Elsa Hall

Elsa Howell Hall, 58, of Stanton, formerly of Floyd County, died Friday, April 19, 1996, in the Clark County Medical Center in Winchester.

Born November 27, 1937 in Galveston, she was a daughter of the late Butler and Liz Evans Howell. She was of the Regular Baptist faith.

Survivors include her husband, Oliver Hall; three sons, Addie Hall of McDowell, Marty Hall and Oliver Hall Jr., both of Stanton; three daughters, Debra Hall of Ashland, Ohio, Elizabeth Collins and Shelia Hall, both of Stanton; one brother, Foster Howell of Grethel; five half-sisters, Elvie Hall of Grethel, Evelyn Akers of Galveston, Mary Newsome of Price, Ruby Jean Keathley and Irene Kiser, both of Teaberry; and 11 grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, April 22, at 11 a.m. in the Zion Old Regular Baptist Church at Grethel, with the Regular Baptist Ministers officiating. Burial was in the Hamilton Cemetery at Grethel, under the direction of the Hall Funeral Home in Martin.

Serving as pallbearers were: Jeff Pettit, Tim Castle, Verlon Rowland, Basel Moore, Randy Adkins, Jimmy Hall and Shane Adams.

## Roy B. Gearheart

Roy B. "Herky" Gearheart, 59, of Tampa, Florida, formerly of Hueysville, died Monday, April 22, 1996, at the Saint Joseph Hospital, Tampa, Florida.

Born January 12, 1937, in Hueysville, he was the son of the late Willie Gearheart and Ada Shipman Gearheart. He was a welder, employed by Allis-Chalmers Steel Corporation.

He is survived by his wife, Marty Pease Gearheart; two sons, Tim Gearheart of LaPorte, Indiana; Gary Gearheart of Tampa, Florida; one daughter, Jean Cains of Three Oaks, Michigan; three step-daughters, Gayle Newton of Fort Wayne, Indiana, Kathi Levandowski and Dawn Blakeman, both of LaPorte, Indiana; two sisters, Sue Reffett of Hueysville and Kathern Howard of Frankfort; and seven grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, April 25, at 11 a.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel at Martin with the clergyman Ronald Hayes officiating. Burial will be made in the Gearheart Cemetery at Hueysville. Arrangements are under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

## Arizona Caudill

Arizona Frazier Caudill, 83, of Ligon, died Sunday, April 21, 1996, at St. Petersburg, Florida, following an extended illness.

Born December 22, 1912, in Price, she was the daughter of the late Richard and Hannah Gayheart Moore.

She was preceded in death by her first husband, Armpie Frazier, and her second husband, Lee Caudill.

Survivors include one son, Rubin Delmas Frazier of Newport News, Virginia; one stepson, Canel Caudill of Bevsinsville; one daughter, Birdie L. Park of St. Petersburg, Florida, and one step-daughter, Goldie Jones of Ligon; one sister, Wyoma Tackett of Price; three grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Thursday, April 25, at 10 a.m. at Pilgrim's Rest Old Regular Baptist Church at Price, with ministers of the Old Regular Baptist Church officiating. Burial will be in the Frazier Cemetery at Price under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home of Martin.

## Levi Hamilton

Levi Hamilton, 48, of Teaberry, died Sunday, April 21, 1996, at his residence following an extended illness. He was a disabled coal miner.

Born January 14, 1948, in Floyd County, he was the son of Eyuind and Dillie Johnson Hamilton of Teaberry.

Survivors, in addition to his parents, include his wife, Clara Hamilton Hamilton; two sons, Levi Hamilton Jr. and Dewey Dwayne Hamilton, both of Teaberry; two daughters, Michelle Kidd of Lancaster and Brenda Curry of Louisa; four sisters, Glenda Mitchell and Brenda Howell, both of Teaberry, Beulah Peters of Prestonsburg, and Carolyn Sue Damron of Pikeville; and nine grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, April 25, at 11 a.m. at Samaria Old Regular Baptist Church at Teaberry with ministers of Old Regular Baptist officiating. Burial will be in the Andy Hamilton Cemetery at Teaberry under the direction of the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home at Martin.

Serving as pallbearers will be: Levi Hamilton Jr., Steve Curry, Ronald Kidd, Darvene Hamilton, Timmy Hamilton, Darvee Hamilton, Kenneth Hamilton, Dusty A. Peters, Jeff Mitchell and Gary Damron.

## Okey Stewart

Okey Stewart, 74, of New London, Ohio, died Monday, April 22, 1996, at Fisher-Titus Medical Center in Norwalk, Ohio, after a long illness.

He was born December 26, 1921, in Floyd County, and was a son of the late John and Ella Wright Stewart. He had lived in the New London area since 1955. He served in the Army during World War II in Northern Africa.

He worked in the coal mines and then the Sterling in Wellington. Employed with the Elyria Foundry, he suffered a stroke in 1970.

He was a member of the Fitchville Church of Christ.

Survivors include two sons, James and John Stewart, both of Marcella, Arkansas; two brothers, Russell Stewart of New London and Billy Stewart of Betsy Layne; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday at the Fitchville Church of Christ in Ohio with ministers Earl Parsons and Ed Brumfield officiating. Burial will be in the Fitchville Cemetery with military rites. Burial will be under the direction of the Eastman Funeral Home.

## Herbert McGlothen

Herbert McGlothen, 81, of St. Marys, Ohio, died Saturday, April 20, 1996, at his residence.

Born November 23, 1914, at Winchester, he was the son of the late Millard and Kate Swartz McGlothen. He was retired from Goodyear Tire and Rubber after 25 years, and he was a member of Eagles Lodge Aerie 767.

He is survived by his wife, Louise Allen; five daughters, Greta York of Anderson, Indiana, Frieda Taylor of Celina, Ohio; Rita Petry of Brookville, Ohio, Donna Friedman of Piqua, Ohio, Sharon Henschen of St. Marys, Ohio; one son, H. Gene McGlothen of Anderson, Indiana; one brother, Charles McGlothen of Printer; one sister, Ora Mae Allen of Martin; 14 grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren, and three great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday (today), April 24, at 1 p.m. at Miller Funeral Home, St. Marys, Ohio, with the Rev. Malvin George officiating. Burial will be in the Elm Grove Cemetery, St. Marys, Ohio. Arrangement are under the direction of Miller Funeral Homes.

## Morris Salisbury

Morris Ellsworth Salisbury, 29, of Prestonsburg, died Monday, April 22, 1996, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital in Martin following a long illness.

Born September 20, 1966, in Detroit, Michigan, he was the son of Herbert Salisbury and Lorene Patton Salisbury of Prestonsburg.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by four brothers, Billy Edwin Salisbury of Allen, James Jeffrey Salisbury, John Lawrence Salisbury, and Thomas William Salisbury, all of Ivel; one sister, Tammy Elaine Vance of Ivel.

Funeral services will be held Friday, April 26 at 2 p.m. at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel at Martin with the clergyman Raymond Snider Jr. officiating. Burial will be made in the Davidson Memorial Gardens at Ivel. Arrangements are under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

## Joshua David Perry

Joshua David Perry, 13, of Daniels Creek, died Sunday, April 21, 1996, at the Highland Regional Medical Center following an extended illness.

He was born December 31, 1982 in Prestonsburg, the son of John and Jeanie Perry.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by his paternal great-grandmother, Erma Perry of West Prestonsburg; two brothers, Brad Perry and Shawn Perry both of Daniels Creek; his paternal grandparents, Thelma Perry of Middle Creek and John Perry of Abbott Creek and his maternal grandmother, Margie Morrison of Daniels, Creek.

Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday, April 24, at 1 p.m. in the Floyd Funeral Home, Chapel with the Rev. Lorie Vannucci officiating.

Burial will be in the Morrison family Cemetery in Daniels Creek under direction of the Floyd Funeral Home.

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Carlos and Norma Neeley recently stood beside the sign proclaiming their yard as Garden of the Month as their dog, Prince, watched from the porch.

**Garden of the month**

Norma and Carlos Neeley's colorful spring garden was named garden of the month in Prestonsburg recently. The garden was awarded the honor because of the variety of flowers and the "splendid array of colors plus the projected blooming of trees made this yard an obvious choice," judges said.

The Neeleys' attribute their success to their miniature collie, Prince. "As we plant each bulb, it is fed by placing bone meal at the bottom of each hole," Carlos Neeley said with a chuckle. "Prince smells the bone meal and digs up the bulb. By the time we get them replanted, the soil is well mixed."

put tender loving care into producing their colorful bouquet. They mulch and water their garden well and also use bone meal when planting their flowers.

From the wide array of flowers, what's their favorite?

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"Our favorite tulips are Red Emperor, Apricot Beauty, and Fire and Ice, a red and white tulip. Our favorite lily is Stargazer," the Neeleys said.

**PCC students, faculty, join in trail cleanup**

Members of the Community Biology Club and several Biology classes at Prestonsburg Community College, along with PCC faculty members, demonstrated their concern for a clean environment on March 30 by clearing trails at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park.

Students of all ages participated in the activity under the supervision of Dr. John Shiber, associate professor of biology; Dr. Carol Mulling, service learning coordinator at PCC; and Kelly Adam and Chris Fleming, instructors of health.

The group of nearly 100 spent the morning and early afternoon clipping back bushes, branches and underbrush in an effort to make the trails safe for hikers for the upcoming season. They also picked up garbage and trash from along trails, the road and the river bank. At least 300 bags of trash, weighing about 3

tons, were collected during a four-hour period.

"This is only a small amount of the garbage we saw," said Dr. Shiber. "There's so much we were unable to reach due to time restrictions and lack of equipment."

After finishing work, the students gathered at the park's campgrounds to wash up, eat and discuss what they had done and seen. Ron Vanover, director of recreation and interpretation at the park, visited with the group and thanked them for their hard work. He said he welcomes more activities of this type at the park to make students more aware of environmental issues.

Refreshments and food for participants were provided by PCC's Continuing Education/Community Service Office, Kroger of Paintsville, Little Caesar's Pizza of Paintsville, and Jenny Wiley State Resort Park.



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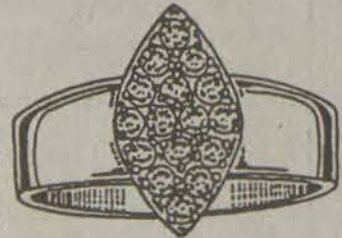
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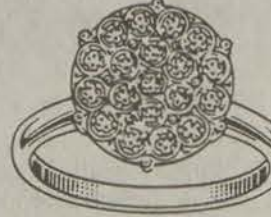
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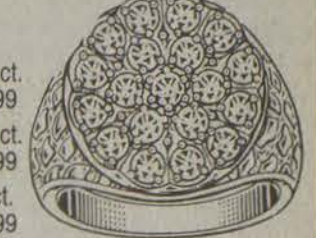


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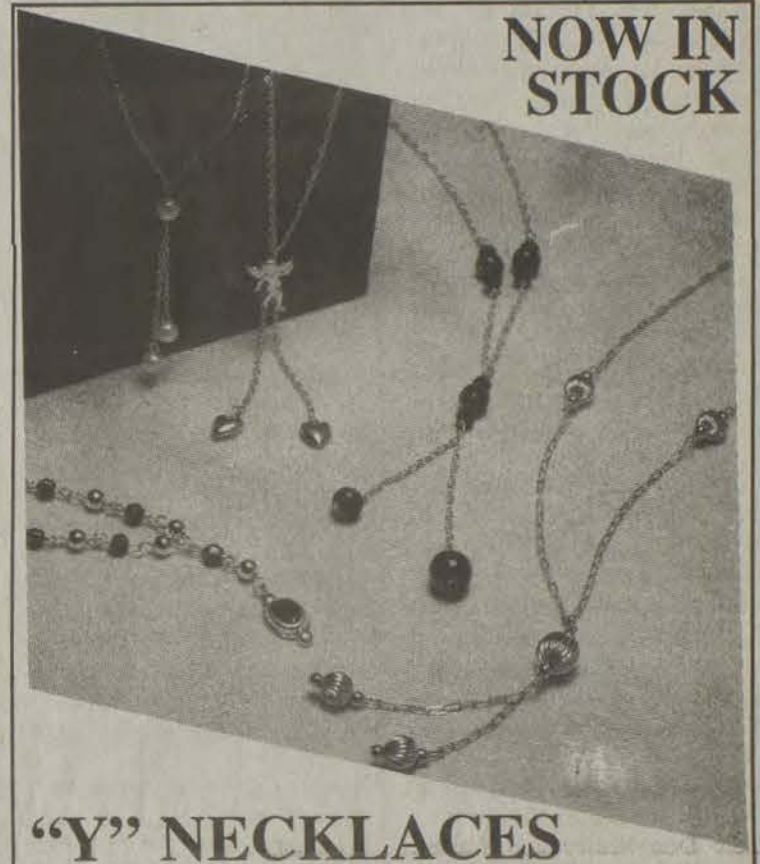
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# Obituaries

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## Donald L. "Dootney" Horn

Donald L. "Dootney" Horn, 69, died Monday, April 22, 1996, at Highlands Regional Medical Center at Prestonsburg following an extended illness.

Born January 18, 1927, in West Prestonsburg, he was the son of the late John and Daisy Meadow Horn. He was a World War II veteran and a retired businessman.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Patricia Combs Horn.

Survivors include one son, Gary Horn of Prestonsburg; one daughter, Donna Horn of Carlisle; two brothers, John Horn of Florida and Mike Horn of Indiana; one granddaughter and one great-granddaughter.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, April 25 at 2 p.m. at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home in Martin with the Reverend Jack Howard officiating. Burial will be in the Mayo Cemetery at Lancer. Arrangements are under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

## Linville Roe Tackett

Linville Roe Tackett, 69, of McDowell, died Sunday, April 21, 1996, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital following a brief illness.

Born March 31, 1927, in McDowell, he was the son of the late Marion Tackett and Minnie Vance Tackett. He was a retired coal miner and a member of UMWA Local No. 5967, McDowell.

Survivors include his wife, Annette Brown Tackett; two sons, Michael Tackett and Marty Tackett, both of McDowell; three daughters, Teresa Crum and Vanessa Tackett, both of McDowell, and Madonna McKinney of Brodhead; three brothers, Roy Tackett and Wade Tackett, both of Printer, Walt L. Tackett of Minnie; six sisters, Mary Patton of Phoenix, Arizona, Irene Tackett and Verlie Mae Tackett, both of Printer, Helen Hall of McDowell, Gail Gayheart of Hillsboro, Columbia Mullins of McDowell; and six grandsons.

Funeral services will be Wednesday (today), April 24 at 11 a.m. at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home with ministers of the Old Regular Baptist Church officiating.

Burial will be in the Lucy Hall Cemetery at McDowell under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home of Martin.

## Camp Shawnee to participate in summer meal program

Christian Appalachian Project will participate in the federally-funded Summer Food Service Program for children ages 6 through 14. The program operates under guidelines similar to those of public school food service programs. Participation in the program enables sponsors to provide lower program costs.

Children who are members of food stamp households or receive AFDC assistance are automatically eligible to receive free meal benefits.

For more information, call Owen Wright at 606-874-2091.

## Basic CPR course offered at OLOW

Summer is on its way and many will be preparing for warm weather events such as swimming, boating, softball and camping. With these summer events, the possibility of caring for a sick or injured person increases. Often CPR is part of the care given to these individuals. Now is the time to learn these life-saving measures.

Our Lady of the Way Hospital will offer a Basic CPR course for beginners on Friday, May 10. The course will be held at the Seton Complex in Martin, and registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. with the course starting promptly at 9 a.m. The course is open to anyone wishing to learn CPR and is the perfect course for lifeguards, babysitters, caregivers, parents, expectant parents, teachers, senior citizens center staff, nursing students, scouting sponsors and the general public.

Pre-registration is required by Friday, May 3, and may be done by contacting the Community Health Education Department at (606) 285-5181, Ext. 301 or 342.

## Mary Lovelia Howard Linkous

(1941-1996)



Mary Lovelia Howard Linkous, 54, of Bossier City, Louisiana, was born in Prestonsburg, Ky., Oct. 21, 1941; died Tuesday, April 16, 1996 at Bossier Medical Center after a sudden illness. She was a native of Prestonsburg, Ky. and lived in Bossier City, La. for 24 years, where she was a member of P.W.P. (Parents Without Partners). She was a former member of Community United Methodist Church of Prestonsburg, Ky. and a 1960 graduate of Prestonsburg High School and attended Mayo State Vocational School, Paintsville, Ky.; she also attended Business College in Bossier City.

She is survived by long-time companion, James Taylor Means III of Shreveport, La.; father and mother Alex and Elberta Tackett Howard of Prestonsburg, Ky.; one daughter Michelle Linkous Anderson and husband Doug of Bossier City; one step-daughter, Dawn Means Cassel of Haughton, La.; three sisters, Margaret Sue Taylor Risner of Auxier, Ky., Patricia Lou Webb and husband Paul of South Charleston, Ohio, Judy Howard Crowe of Allen, Ky., one brother Joe Alex Howard and wife Lanna of Commerce, Michigan, numerous nieces and nephews and great nieces and nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

Mary was a mother to everyone and will be missed by all.

Services were conducted at Hill Crest Memorial Funeral Home Chapel, Hwy. 80 East, Bossier City/Haughton at twelve o'clock noon, April 19, 1996. Interment was at Hill Crest Memorial Park, Haughton, Louisiana.

Pallbearers were: John K. Omberg, Gene Kendrick, Tarasa "Traci" Allen, Michael S. Taylor, Chuck J. Modica Jr., James B. Cassel, Donnie Morgan, all of Bossier City; and Marc Webb of South Charleston, Ohio.

See Regional Obits in Friday's Edition

## CARD OF THANKS

The family of Kenis Manns 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, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and efficient service.

*The Family of Kenis Manns*

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## CARD OF THANKS

The family of Sarah Hammonds would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their help during the loss of the one we loved so dearly; those who sent food and flowers or spoke comforting words. We deeply appreciate all our friends and neighbors. A special thanks to Rev. Jerry Manns, Jim Smith and Willis Adkins for their comforting words; the Sheriff's Department for their assistance and the Floyd Funeral Home for their kindness.

*The Family of Sarah Hammonds*

## CARD OF THANKS

The family of Hi Hall would like to extend their appreciation to all those friends, neighbors and loved ones who helped comfort them during their time of sorrow. Thanks to all who sent food, flowers, prayers or spoke comforting words. A special thanks to the Old Regular Baptist Ministers for their comforting words. The Little Nancy Old Regular Baptist Church, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control and the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

*The Family of Hi Hall*

## CARD OF THANKS

The family of Sanford Reffett would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their help during the loss of our loved one: those who sent food and flowers, or just spoke comforting words. We deeply appreciate you all. A special thanks to the Clergyman Dan Heintzelman for his comforting words and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and efficient service.

*The Family of Sanford Reffett*

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**Fallen tree**

The Prestonsburg Fire Department responded to Burke Street on Tuesday after strong winds caused a tree branch to fall across and break two power lines. The branches fell into the front yard of Mary Jo Meade's residence and the power lines blocked the street. Appalachian Electric Power also was at the scene to begin power line repairs and remove the branches. (photo by Chris McDavid)

## The Church of Jesus Christ Of Latter Day Saints

### Open House

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### East Ky. Tutorial continues second semester of class

What is a vowel? What is a Blocked-air sound? What are the exceptions to the CK rule?

These are questions heard every Thursday night at the East Kentucky Tutorial Program held on the campus of Prestonsburg Community College. The EKTIP is an after-school tutorial for students with dyslexic-characteristics. Myra Gillispie, parent volunteer, is the program's floor supervisor. Chuck Stamper, Floyd County 4-H Agent, is the program director.

The EKTIP is a partnership between the Hindman Settlement School, The Floyd County Children, Youth, and Families Project, and the Community.

Anyone who is interested in learning more about the program, should contact Myra Gillispie or Chuck Stamper at 886-2668.

### Clean Air balloon coming to Auxier

The "Clean Air For Kentucky" hot air balloon will make an appearance at the Auxier Family Resource Center for Environmental Day at the Auxier Grade School on Monday, April 29, at 9 a.m. (weather permitting).

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## NEW COUNTY ATTORNEY TO TAKE OATH OF OFFICE

Prestonsburg Attorney Keith Bartley will be administered the oath of office as Floyd County Attorney on Monday, April 29th, 1996, at 4:30 p.m. The oath of office, which is required by the Kentucky Constitution, will be administered to Bartley by Floyd Circuit Judge John David Caudill. The proceeding will take place in Judge Caudill's courtroom in the Floyd County Courthouse. The public is invited to attend.

A native of Wheelwright, Bartley, 29, is married to Jamie (Dillon) Bartley. He is the son of Jack and Judy Bartley, and received his undergraduate education at Pikeville College and earned his law degree from the Salmon P. Chase College of Law. Bartley previously served as an Assistant Commonwealth Attorney in Floyd County. He currently maintains a private practice with the law firm of Vanover, Hall & Bartley, P.S.C.



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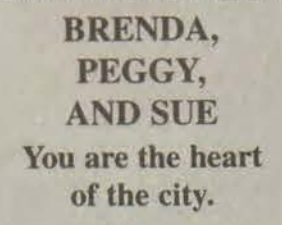


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# Happy Secretaries Day



# Prestonsburg gets new fire truck

by Patti M. Clark  
Staff Writer

Members of the Prestonsburg Fire Department brought home a new toy last weekend.

The department purchased a new fire engine for the station. Firefighters Kenny Crisp and Tim Blackburn traveled to Wisconsin last week to pick up the bright red vehicle from Pierce Manufacturing in Wisconsin.

The new engine, to be called E-1, cost the city \$182,317 and was purchased through a loan from the Bank Josephine. The city council approved the purchase at its meeting Monday.

The new truck made its first run to the county jail Sunday when the fire alarm went off there. The call was a false alarm, however.

The purchase of the truck brings the total number of pumpers the department owns to four. Another pumper, Squad 6, was renovated. The old pumper was lifted off and put onto a new chassis making it a virtually new vehicle.

A third truck, a 1,500 gallon tanker, has also been purchased. It will be painted and decalated in the near future.

It was used as city street sweeper and will be used by the fire department to carry water to fire scenes in the county.

The new vehicles were purchased and upgraded specifically to help fill in the gap created when a truck was sold about six years ago and when the North Floyd Fire



### New truck

Prestonsburg Fire Chief Tom Blackburn showed off his new fire truck Monday after the Prestonsburg City Council meeting. The truck cost the city \$182,317. (photo by Patti M. Clark)

District was added to the department's coverage area.

"We've definitely had an increase in the number of runs with the addition of North Floyd," Mike Wells, assistant fire chief, said.

## Vision + Determination=\$

Vision plus determination added up to \$75,000 for a group of Floyd Countians who want to develop science and math in the area.

The East Kentucky Institute for Science, Technology, and Mathematics will be the recipients of a \$75,000 grant through the Education and Humanities Cabinet to carry out planning activities.

The institute hopes to construct a resource center that would encourage the development of mathematics, science, and technology. "Our goal is to raise the consciousness of citizens in our region to the importance of technology, science and math," John Rosenburg, director of Appalachian Research and Defense Fund, said Wednesday.

"In order to get focused and additional funds — we need a plan," Rosenburg said.

The institute is planning a meeting for Wednesday, May 8 at 10:30 at the Morehead Extended Campus Center, Prestonsburg, to brainstorm and discuss hiring a consultant. The consultant is to define the goals and objectives of the institute.

Rosenburg said that the institute is applying for a National Science Foundation grant as well.

According to Rosenburg, the

institute is also planning for other projects to encourage the development of science and technology in the region. He said he hopes to eventually have a science museum with a planetarium for children and schools.

Another project is the use of a science van. A science van is equipped with expensive scientific and technological equipment that stays at a school for about a month. Teachers have full access to the equipment to demonstrate experiments and projects to students.

"We are also talking to NASA about bringing space exhibits to the area," Rosenburg said. "We want to raise the level of teaching, learning, and availability of resources of science, technology, and math to our region."

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# Miller wins two-mile run; Stumbo places in hurdles

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

Jessica Miller, a seventh grader at Maytown, just didn't know if she could run the 3200-meter run when Allen Central traveled to Pikeville this past Thursday evening for track and field events. After all, she had never run the event before.

Her doubts were erased after she finished the event with a time of 16:19.60, good for first place.

"That was her fastest time of the year," said Allen Central coach Dewey Jamerson. "Now I'm trying to get her to try the 100 hurdles or 300 hurdles."

Her reply: "I don't know if I can."

Allen Central placed third overall in the meet with 89.5 points. Pikeville took first place with 133 points and South Floyd was second with 115. Fleming-Neon, Betsy Layne, Paintsville and Prestonsburg rounded out the rest of the field.

In the 3200 run, Angie Green placed third and Tina Hall took fourth place overall.

In the field events, Beth Puckett took third place in the long jump, being measured at 13' 2". Chasity Gunnell did not place with her jump of 10' two inches. Gunnell and Puckett took part in the high jump but did not place.

Jenny Wells had a throw of 29' 8" in the women's shot put, good for third place. Jami Banks had a

toss of 22' 8" and Liz Howard finished with a throw of 20' and six inches.

Wells took home third place in the discus event at 74' and nine inches. Banks and Liz Howard did not place.

In the relays, the foursome of Crystal Martin, Jessica Martin, Angie Green and Dreamia Isaac placed third in the two-mile relays. The foursome combined for a time of 13:19.39.

Jessica Martin, Beth Puckett, Jessica Miller and Greta Halbert placed fifth in the 800-meter relays with a time of 2:16.06.

Green, Miller, Halbert and Puckett were impressive with their run of 1:04.39 in the women's 400-

meter relays. The time was good for third place.

In the 1600-meter relays, Pam Goble, Jessica Martin, Dreamia Isaac and Crystal Martin posted a time of 5:30.37 for third place.

Pam Goble took fifth place overall in the women's 100-meter hurdles. She was timed at 21.92. Goble finished second in the 300 hurdles with a time of 1:02.01. Jessica Miller placed fourth overall in the event. "Jessica did an excellent job for us in the event," said Coach Jamerson.

In the sprints, Greta Halbert, Beth Puckett and Jessica Miller ran the 100-meter dash but none placed.

Crystal Martin and Jessica Martin finished close together in the

400-meter dash but did not place.

Dreamia Isaac placed fifth overall in the women's 800-meter dash with a time of 3:13.92.

In the distance events, Isaac took second place at 7:47.58 in the 1600 meter run. Tina Hall placed third at 8:55.40.

## REBELS PLACE FIRST...

The Allen Central boys team scored 145 points in winning the men's meet last Thursday. They outdistanced Betsy Layne, who finished second at 126. Paintsville, South Floyd, Pikeville, Prestonsburg, Elkhorn City and Fleming-Neon rounded out the rest of the field.

Estill Stumbo is looking more and more like a state contender

again this year in the hurdle events. Stumbo captured first place in both the 110 and 300 hurdles. He had a time of 16.44 in the 100 and was timed at 42.03 in the 300. The time in the 300 hurdles was a new school record, a record that was set by Stumbo's brother, Shane. The old record was 42.22.

Jackie Owens has been the surprise of the season, finishing a very strong second in the 110 and fourth overall in the 300. Roger Collins also ran the 300 but did not place.

Levi Wells placed second in the men's shot put with a toss of 43' and eight inches. "That's around his

(See Allen Central, page B 2)

# Compton captures first in women's discus and shot

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

South Floyd senior Tiffany Compton picked up where she left off last season and captured first place in the women's discus and shot put events last Thursday at the Bob Amos Park in Pikeville.

Compton was measured at 89' 6" in the discus and threw for 31' 4" in the shot put. Compton was the regional champion last year in discus.

Sophomore Danelle Tackett did not place in the discus but had a good throw of 47' 10". Tackett also competed in the women's shot put and finished with a toss of 23' 10".

Coach Keith Smallwood's Lady Raiders placed second overall in the seven team meet. He said it was a good day for his squad.

"I was extremely pleased with our effort today," said Coach Smallwood. "We are a young team. In fact, when our seniors went to Florida, I worked with the younger ones."

One of the younger ones, seventh grader Monica Newsome, took part in the high jump and placed fourth overall. It was her first time in the event.

"Monica did real well for us," said the South Floyd coach. "She jumped four feet and that was real good for the first time."

Amanda Reynolds placed first in the women's high jump at 4' 6". Beth Tucker placed fifth at 3' 10".

Reynolds scored a personal best in the long jump. Reynolds landed in the sand at 12' 2" for fourth place overall. Lora Chaffins placed sixth being measured at 11' 4".

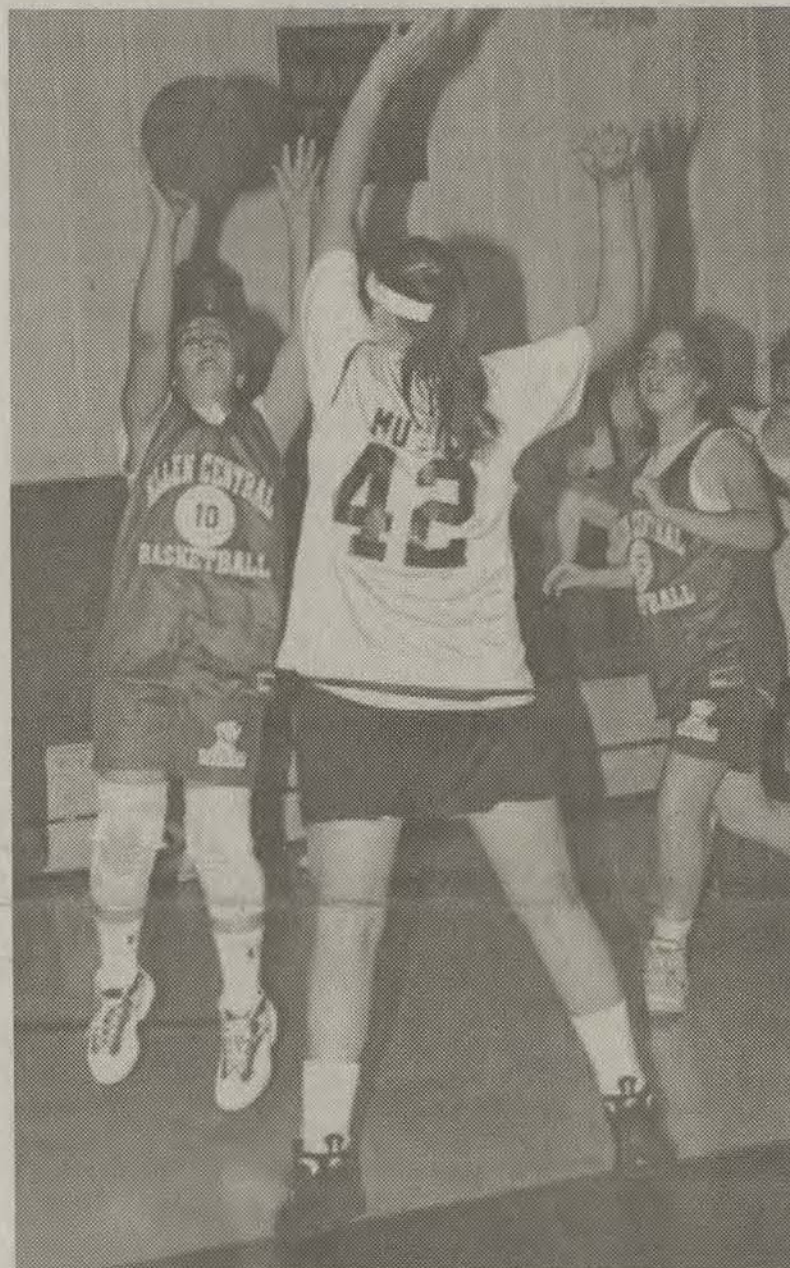
In the distance events, South Floyd's 3200-meter relay team took fourth place at 14:02. The foursome included Stacia Stanley, Jamie Slone, Ashley Tackett and Jessi Mosley.

Coach Smallwood fielded two teams in the 800-meter relays, one from the high school and the other junior high. The high school team of Heather Little, Melissa Dorton, Misty Berger and Launa Rose ran the race at 2:16.81 for sixth place. The junior high team? They finished a strong third at 2:13.63. The junior high team consisted of Brandi Allen, Monica McKinney, Kayla Ray, Wendy Moore.

"They really ran well," said the Lady Raider mentor. "I was really surprised they ran so well. I knew they were talented. I am really shocked they did so well."

Jada Hall, Amy Tufts, Launa Rose and Jessie Reed finished strong in the 400-meter relays. The foursome posted a time of 1:00.54

(See South Floyd, page B 2)



From the corner

Allen Central AAU player Beth Combs (10) shot over the taller Ramanda Music (42) of Prestonsburg in the championship game of the girls AAU regional tournament at Martin. Allen Central defeated Prestonsburg 69-67 in overtime. (photo by Ed Taylor)

# Sizemore's basket at :02 sinks P'burg in overtime, 69-67

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

Shannon Sizemore didn't have the game she previously had against Prestonsburg in the 12-and-under girls AAU regional tournament at Martin this past weekend, but she scored when her team needed a big basket.

With two seconds left in the overtime, Sizemore drilled a 16-foot jumper to give the Allen Central AAU girls a thrilling 69-67 win over coach Ashland Gearheart's ballclub in the championship game of the regional tournament.

Both Allen Central and Prestonsburg will advance to the state AAU tournament this weekend.

Sizemore, 14 seconds earlier, had missed two free throws that could have given Allen Central the lead. In fact, she missed six consecutive free throws going back into the fourth quarter.

Sizemore had scored 29 points in a previous meeting with Prestonsburg in the winners bracket. But this time Prestonsburg had her number (20) and they were paying close attention to her on the floor.

Sizemore finished with just 11 points but she will long remember her last two.

Beth Combs and Prestonsburg's Ramanda Music hooked up in a

scoring duel with Combs scoring 29 points to lead all scorers. Music finished with 27 in an outstanding effort, and she is just a sixth grader.

Becky Smith scored only four points in the game but they were a big four points. It was on the defensive end that Smith stood out and on the boards as well. Smith had a tremendous blocked shot in the overtime. She also hit a crucial jumper off the base line in regulation play that tied the game.

Amelia Conley took charge when Prestonsburg looked to be in trouble early. Conley finished the game with 21 points.

Prestonsburg owned a 29-22 lead at the half after trailing 15-14 after the first period.

Prestonsburg appeared to have a safe lead in the fourth quarter, leading by nine points, 57-48. But Combs took charge in the fourth period and scored 13 points to bring Allen Central back. With two seconds left to play in regulation, Sizemore buried two free throws that tied the game at 60-60.

Conley, on a steal, put Prestonsburg up 62-60 early in the overtime. A Smith rebound tied the game at 62 before Allen Central took a 64-62 lead on Combs' two free throws.

Combs grabbed a missed free

(See Sizemore page B 2)

## Johnson collects three hits :

# Mullins whiffs 13 in 7-4 South Floyd victory

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

Senior Terrence Mullins overcame some early control problems and settled down to strike out 13 batters and scatter six Phelps hits in recording his first win of the season and the South Floyd Raiders (1-5) first victory as well in the opening

game of the Hillbilly Classic at Pikeville Friday afternoon.

Travis Johnson and T.T. Pack were perfect from the plate in the 7-4 win over the Hornets. Each had three hits. Johnson had two RBIs in the contest.

Starting pitcher Jason Sanson suffered the loss for Phelps, working the first four innings. He was

relieved by Eddie Blackburn in the fifth inning after Sanson gave up a leadoff single to Johnson and threw two wild pitches moving Johnson to third base. Sanson allowed six runs on nine hits while fanning five and walking three. In two innings, Blackburn struck out two and gave up a run on two hits.

Mullins, who had thrown only two innings prior to starting the tournament's opening game, was wild high and outside in working the first two innings. He gave up single runs in the first, second and third innings to the Hornets but settled down after the third and hurled a gem of a game.

Coach Barry Hall's ballclub plated three runs in the third inning to erase a 3-1 Phelps lead behind the hitting of Pack, Pete Dawson and Johnson.

The inning unfolded with Clabe Hall reaching first on a walk but he was erased at second on Mullins' fielder's choice grounder to third. Chris Moore lofted a high towering fly ball to left field that should have been a routine play, but the ball fell off the tip of leftfielder Eric Kinder's glove for a three-base error, scoring Mullins. Moore raced home on Eric Cook's sacrifice fly to left, tying the game at 3-3. Pack singled and Dawson followed with a bloop hit to right. Pack scored on Johnson's RBI single to give the Raiders a 4-3 lead.

After Mullins got Phelps in order in the fourth, South Floyd dented the plate for two more runs in their half of the fourth for a 6-3 advantage. Kevin Thacker started the two-run fourth with a single, moved to second on a wild pitch and was at

third after Shannon Slone laid down a perfect sacrifice. Sanson walked Clabe Hall and Mullins promptly singled home Thacker with a base hit. Moore singled behind Mullins to load the bases. Sanson then issued a two-out walk to Pack sending Hall home.

Phelps made it a 6-4 game in the sixth inning when a walk to Maynard Coleman came back to haunt Mullins. Coleman scored on a base hit by Kinder.

South Floyd scored an insurance run in the sixth on a single by Mullins and two errors. Mullins scored when first baseman Brian Blankenship's errant throw to third sailed past third baseman Jeremy Honaker.

Mullins walked Ryan Coleman to start the seventh but retired the next three to end the game.

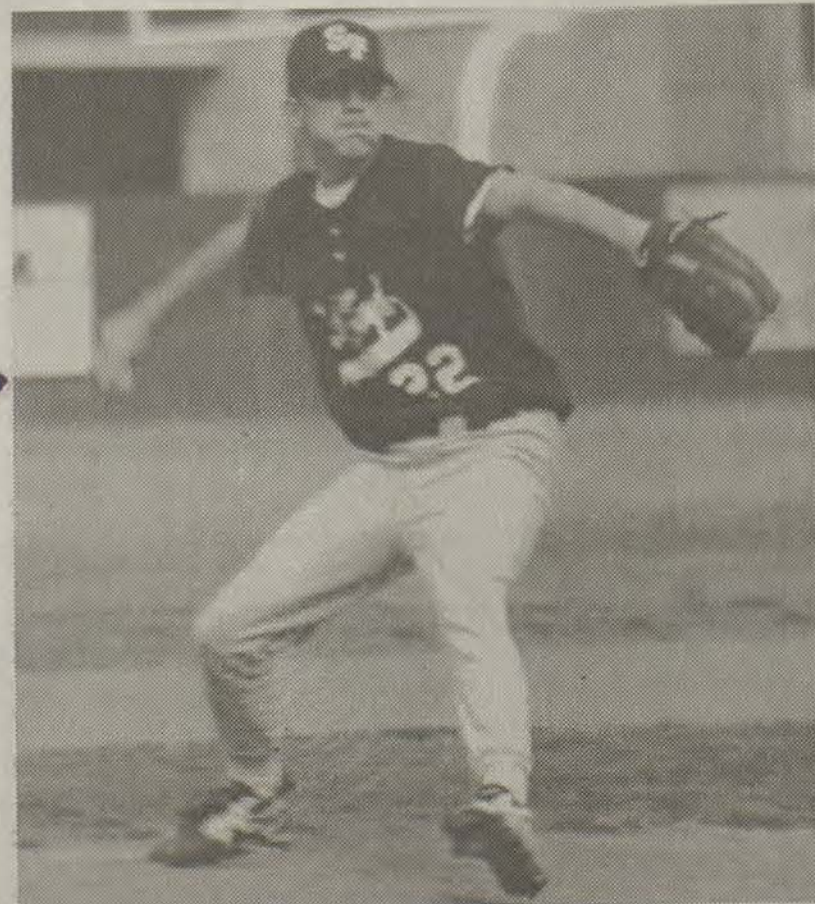
Phelps took a 1-0 lead in the first inning. The Hornets made it a 2-0 game with a single run in the second inning with Coleman scoring on an RBI single by Blackburn.

The Raiders plated a run in their half of the second for a 2-1 game. Pack scored on Johnson's run-producing single.

Sanson had a one-out double in the third inning and he scored on Josh Smith's base hit to make it a 3-1 game going into the bottom of the third when South Floyd took the lead for good.

Despite his wildness in the first three innings, Mullins fanned seven batters, striking out the side in the third inning. He issued five walks in the first three frames of the game.

Sanson and Kinder collected two hits each for Phelps. Josh Smith and Blackburn had one hit apiece.



Throws goose eggs

South Floyd's Terrence Mullins struck out 13 batters as he faced Phelps in the opening game of the Hillbilly Days Classic at Pikeville last Friday. Mullins went the distance in a game his team won 7-4. (photo by Ed Taylor)



Gets the checkered flag

Martin's Shannon Thornsberry held the checkered flag after finishing first in the Late Model division at Thunder Ridge last Saturday night. It was the first win ever for Thornsberry since entering the Late Model division two years ago. (photo courtesy of Thunder Ridge)

## Thornsberry captures Late Model; Kinzer second in Modified's at Thunder Ridge

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

The showers came early Saturday morning and continued through the day, clearing off in the afternoon to allow the race season to officially get underway at Thunder Ridge this past weekend.

Thunder Ridge was scheduled to open on April 13, but rain caused the event to be cancelled.

Under clear skies, racing fans from around the area enjoyed the evening as five divisions ran.

Martin driver Shannon Thornsberry drove his #17 car to victory lane in the Late Model division and collected \$1,500 in prize money.

"This is the first time I have ever won in the Late Model's," said Thornsberry. "It was a real thrill to finally win one. Last year I didn't win anything."

At first he didn't know if he would be able to compete because of having to replace his car's motor.

"We had just gotten to the track about 6 p.m.," said the veteran driver.

(See Thunder Ridge, page B 2)



# Sizemore's basket at :02

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throw by Sizemore off the left side and put it back in to give Allen Central a three-point, 66-63 lead with 1:50 to play. Sizemore and Smith both missed a total of four free throws that could have extended Allen Central's lead.

On the other end, Music scored underneath for a 66-65 game when Allen Central failed to block out.

Jena Jo Spurlock had but one point in the game but it proved to be a big one as she hit a free throw that gave Allen Central a 67-65 lead with just 27 seconds to play.

Conley wasted little time getting down court and scoring on a coast-to-coast lay up to tie the game at 67-67 with just 20 seconds to play.

Sizemore was clipped bringing the ball up the floor and toed the free throw line with just 16 seconds to play. She missed both charity tosses and Prestonsburg had the ball and a chance to win it. But a turnover gave the ball back to Allen Central and Sizemore was fouled bringing the ball up the floor.

Conley carried Prestonsburg in the fourth quarter keeping her team close. She completed two consecutive old-fashioned three-point plays that gave Prestonsburg a seven point lead, 47-40 with 4:21 to play in the fourth quarter. After an Allen Central turnover, Conley scored again to extend the lead to nine points.

With just over two minutes to play in regulation, Conley scored underneath to keep Prestonsburg in front by nine points. But Combs got more involved in the offense for Allen Central and went to war. She hit two consecutive baskets to narrow the margin to five. After Angela Howell missed two free throws, Combs quickly came up the court and banked home a 10-foot jumper to make it a three-point game, 57-54.

A Prestonsburg free throw and a

basket off a steal by Music sent Prestonsburg back out to a six-point lead. Jennifer Risner, just returning to the Allen Central team, wove her way through the heavy Prestonsburg defense and scored on a short jumper and then Combs connected on two free throws with 31 seconds to play to cut the lead to two, 60-58.

Howell and Conley both went to the free throw line with chances to end it in regulation. But both missed and Sizemore hit the two that tied the game at 60 and sent it into overtime.

## PRESTONSBURG'S FIRST LOSS...

Prestonsburg had entered the tournament carrying the favorite's role and sporting an undefeated record. Allen Central and Prestonsburg went head on in the winners bracket last Thursday at the Martin gym.

Sizemore and Combs combined for 53 points and helped their team to a 71-62 win over Prestonsburg, handing them their first loss of the season.

Sizemore scored a game high 29 points and Combs finished with 24 for Central.

"The Hoss Halbert gym was rocking," said Allen Central coach John Martin.

Prestonsburg used their pressure defense and jumped to a 12-2 lead early in the first meeting. But Allen Central solved the press and made a comeback to trail 14-12 after the initial period.

"The keys to our staying in the game were to solve their press and prevent their scoring off of the fast break," said the Allen Central coach. "We called a quick time out and solved the press."

Allen Central threw their own

press at Prestonsburg and took them out of their style of play, according to the coach.

"They became rattled and were very tired at the game's end," he said. "We pressed the entire game. We got excellent games from Shannon and Beth. Megan (Hyden) and Jaclyn (Brown) played very well for us."

Allen Central outscored Prestonsburg 26-18 in the second period and took a 38-32 half time lead to the locker room. Sizemore was outstanding in the second quarter scoring 16 points.

The confidence for Allen Central showed as they returned to the tiled floor in the third period. Sizemore picked up where she left off in the second period and scored 10 points in the third quarter as Allen Central built a 14-point lead, 56-42. Prestonsburg just could not get their break going.

"We stopped their fast break by controlling the backboards," said

## Allen Central

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and eight inches. "That's around his average," said Coach Jamerson. "He is consistent."

Roger Collins placed fourth overall with a toss of 34' and eight inches.

Wells had to settle for second place behind Chris Bailey in the discus. Bailey was measured at 141' 6" for first place. Coach Jamerson said it was early and "he needs to build on that throw."

"He is only going to get better," said Coach Jamerson of Bailey, who placed second in the state last year.

Wells was second with a throw of 121' 11", his best of the year. Ryan Owens did not place with his throw of 88' and eight inches.

Owens, who was strictly a runner last year, has been a surprise in the high jump event. He had no experience at all in the event from last year but that didn't seem to bother him at all since he leaped 5' 8" for first place in the high jump event. He dented the sand in the difficult triple jump at 34' 11" for first place and was fourth overall in the long jump at 16' and nine inches.

John Goble and David Poff competed in the long jump but did not place. Poff and Collins took part in the high jump with no place. Ryan Owens placed sixth overall in the men's triple jump at 29' and six inches.

The relay team of James Seward, Nathan Goble, John Goble, and Jay Harvey took third place in the men's 3200-meter relays. The foursome comprised a time of 10:28.57.

Coach Martin. Jaclyn Martin, Becky Smith and Allison Hancock turned in a very strong game for us. They limited Prestonsburg on their offensive boards."

Prestonsburg cut into the 14-point deficit and made a run at Allen Central in the fourth quarter. Sizemore was stopped in the final period, being held to one of two free throw shooting. But Combs hit five of eight and scored 11 points in the final period.

Ramanda Music led Prestonsburg with 19 points while Conley added 13. Howell scored in double figures with 11 points and Rachel Mitchell scored 10. Brooke Coleman scored nine points.

For Allen Central, Megan Hyden tossed in seven points. Brown and Martin had four each while Becky Smith scored three.

Allen Central hit 19 of 39 free throws while Prestonsburg was 17 of 42 from the charity stripe.

Stumbo was clocked at 12.00 for third place in the 100-meter dash. Roger Collins, Scott Slone, and Josh Reeves competed but did not place.

Jay Harvey had a time of 5:46.62 for fifth place overall in the mile run (1600 meters) for Allen Central. Bobby Baldrige, Nathan Goble, Chris Goble, Brian Jones and Isreal Shepherd also ran in the event.

The 400-meter relay team of Scott Slone, Josh Reeves, Levi Wells and Gordon Reeves placed sixth overall. John Goble ran a 1:02.91 in the 400-meter dash for fifth place. Nic Jamerson did not place.

Jay Harvey came away with a first place finish in the 3200-meter run. Harvey posted a time of 12:41.00 in taking the top spot.

John Goble, James Seward, Todd Samons and Estill Stumbo finished a very strong second in the 1600-meter relays for Allen Central. The foursome posted a time of 3:59.54.

Coach Jamerson said he has seen an improvement in his boys team. "The boys are clicking good right now," he said. "Not bad at all. We're placing in every meet and that's good."

Jay Harvey missed the men's 800-meter run, an event the Rebels failed to place in.

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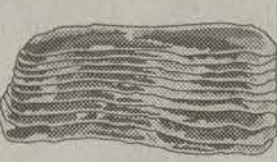


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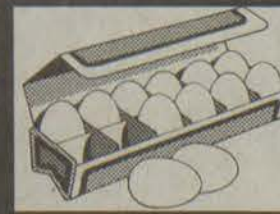


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"We bumped and he was forced to go out with a bad ty rod," he said.

Ronnie Cole (car #55) drove in second place, worth \$1,200. Third place went to Donald Runyon (car #1) paying \$1,000.

Last year's points leader Brandon Kinzer had to settle for second place in his #18 racer in the Modified division. Kinzer took home \$325 in prize money behind first place finisher Eddie Carrier Jr. (car #1). Carrier took the top prize of \$500.

Kinzer held the lead through the first four laps of the race until the two cars tangled and Carrier made his move around Kinzer.

"It was a good move by Eddie," said Kinzer of the entanglement. "Eddie and I are the best of friends and he made a good move for the lead."

Kinzer, who would like to repeat as points champion a second time, said there is no pressure to do so.

"We just want to go out and do our best," he said. "We would like to go back-to-back but there is no pressure to repeat."

Kinzer is driving his car from last year but with a different look. Mechanics Earl Cline and Brandon Slone dismantled the car during the off season, sandblasted it and put it back together.

"They did a great job," said Kinzer.

The Allen driver said track conditions at the racing complex was rough when he practiced on it, but was in good shape for Saturday's race.

"They came a long way with the track before opening this past Saturday," said Kinzer.

Kinzer set fast time in qualifying and won his heat race.

Martin's Brad Martin (car #55) finished third and took home third place prize money of \$200.

The Road Hogs were out and car #0 driven by Lee Roy Fugate won the top prize of \$75 for his first place finish. Keith Branham placed second and received a check for \$25.

Randy Caudill drove his #22 car

ahead of the rest of the field in the Super Bomber division. Caudill took home \$325 in prize money for his effort. Jim Lemaster (car #3) placed second for \$200 and third place went to Raymond Nichols in car #10, good for \$125.

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"Nice pitch"

Coach Russell Shepherd (center) watched as Kevin Robinson warmed up after being brought on in relief of Matt Trusty against Allen Central last Thursday night. Allen Central came from behind and won 7-3 over the Blackcats. (photo by Ed Taylor)

# Prestonsburg AAU slips past Jenkins in 28-23 win

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

The Prestonsburg 10-and-under AAU basketball team moved into the second round of the AAU Boys 10-and-under regional basketball tournament held at the Adams Middle School gym. The local team posted a 28-23 win over a good Jenkins team this past Tuesday night.

Prestonsburg will play the first game of the semifinals Friday night at 5:30 p.m. Coach Rick Hughes' team will face Pikeville in the semifinal game.

Bart Barnette led the Prestonsburg scoring with 11 points. Josh Bingham added seven and Jarred McGuire scored four.

Jonah Tackett had nine points to top Jenkin's scoring. Jared Bentley netted six points.

Prestonsburg led 4-1 at the end of the first quarter after trailing 1-0 early. McGuire put Prestonsburg on the scoreboard first with a layup that gave them a 2-1 lead. Barnette went solo for a basket and the 4-1 margin.

Barnette's rebound basket on a Robert Absher missed free throw

made it 6-3 to start the second quarter. Baskets by Chris Pyne and Tackett cut the margin to one point, 6-5.

Just before halftime, Bingham hit back-to-back baskets that gave Prestonsburg a 12-7 halftime lead.

Barnette scored nine points over the first four minutes of the third period as Prestonsburg owned its biggest lead at 10 points, 24-14. Barnette hit three straight baskets for the advantage.

Jenkins wasn't ready to quit and his team pulled to within five points on a three-point play by Bentley for a 26-21 score. But the Cavs could get not closer than the final five points.

Robert Absher and Jason Hughes scored two points apiece

for Prestonsburg. Shane Hatfield had one point as did Heather White. White had three key rebounds down the stretch for Prestonsburg.

Chad Damron finished with four points for Jenkins. Payne and Michael Hayes scored two points each. Damron had the only three-point basket in the game and that came in the third period.

Prestonsburg hit 10 of 31 free throws while Jenkins connected on six of 20.

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## Drift Astros win twice as Little League season opens

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

The Drift Astros opened the Beaver Creek Little League season on a successful note this past weekend by winning two games and dropping one.

The Astros won over the Duff Orioles 9-4 in tournament play and defeated Wayland 16-5. Drift dropped a 7-6 decision to the Martin Cardinals in the league tournament.

Joe Skeens went the distance, struck out 11 batters and walked only two in the 9-4 win over Duff. Skeens also had two RBIs in the game. Adam Ward collected two hits and drove in two runs.

Josh Bentley, who suffered the setback for Duff, picked up 10 strike outs, but issued 11 walks.

Skeens had a two-run triple in the first inning for Drift who scored three runs in the initial inning. Ward had an RBI double.

The Astros picked four more in the second inning with Mike Hall driving in two runs with a three-bagger. Skeens had three stolen bases in the second inning, including stealing home.

Chad Samons singled home a run for Duff in their half of the third inning for a 7-1 game. James Elkins, who singled, scored on the hit.

Two runs crossed the plate for the Orioles in the

fifth on a double by Samons, who later scored on an error for a 7-3 game.

Drift completed their scoring with a two-run sixth. Dustin Addis and Ward had run-producing singles in the inning.

Duff made it a 9-4 game with a lone sixth inning run. Moore reached on an error and scored on two other Drift mistakes.

The Astros led the Cardinals most of the game until the bottom of the sixth inning when Drift saw a 6-5 lead get away from them. Josh Yates reached on an error and moved to third base on a passed ball and wild pitch. He scored on Goble's hit and Hall had the game winning RBI with a single that scored Goble.

Skeens returned to the mound against Wayland and picked up his second victory of the season, a 16-5 mercy win. Skeens fanned seven batters and he walked two.

The Astros scored five times in the first inning against Larry Stacy, who got the loss. Skeens had a triple in the first inning and Shane Allen doubled home two runs.

Drift scored four times in the second frame. Jason Taylor had a two-run double and Adam Ward had an RBI single.

Wayland made it a 9-5 game with five runs in the second. Allen tripled for the Jaquars with Austin Francis and Stacy getting RBIs.

## South Floyd (Continued from B 1)

in taking second place.

A junior high team ran in the event as well and placed sixth overall with a time of 1:02.55. The team was made up of Wendy Moore, Kayla Ray, Monica Newsome, and Brandi Allen.

The 1600-meter relay team set a new school record, finishing first with a time of 5:02.22. The four-some included Lora Chaffins, Olivia Stewart, Linzy Hall and Jenny Meade.

A second team also ran the 1600 meters and placed fourth overall. Newsome, Mosley, Tackett and Stanley had a time of 5:22.36 in finishing the race.

"Three of those four never ran the 1600 relays before," confessed Coach Smallwood. "I thought they did really well."

Eighth grader Linzy Hally out ran the rest of the field in the women's 1600-meter race. Her time of 6:47.22 was good for first place.

"She was a little bit off her pace," said Coach Smallwood, "but it was our first meet of the year. She was a full minute ahead of everyone else."

In the sprints, Olivia Stewart placed third in the 400-meter dash with a time of 1:13.91. Misty Berger ran but did not place.

Senior Jenny Meade took third place in the women's 800-meter dash. She posted a time of 3:11.34. Crystal Tackett also ran but did not place.

Jada Hall's time of 32.06 was good for third place in the women's 200-meter dash. Amy Tufts did not place in the event.

In the grueling 3200-meter run, Sarah Slone did not place, but is expected to be a strong contender there, according to her coach.

"She just needs to get back in shape where she has been out for a while," said Smallwood.

## Melvin scores 19 points as Mullins wins over Harold

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

Ashley Melvin scored a game high 19 points to lead the Mullins AAU 12-and-under basketball team to a 31-26 win over Harold last Thursday night in the AAU regionals at Martin.

Melvin hit two three-point baskets and scored seven points in the third quarter and six in the fourth for Mullins.

Jennifer Lawson led Harold with seven points. Tabatha Mitchell and Whitney Lykens each added five points. Amber Roberts scored four points with Leslie Steel netting three and Becky Lykens scoring two.

Mullins got a three-pointer and free throw from Melvin with Alisha Weddington scoring two in the first quarter as Mullins led 6-5 at the first stop.

Harold outscored Mullins 7-5 in the second quarter to take a 12-11 half time lead. Susan Stamper hit a trey and Melvin scored two for Mullins. Lawson, and Whitney Lykens scored two apiece for Harold while Steel had three points.

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# Pack packs punch as Rebels win 7-3

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

Wesley Howard (3-1) got some relief help from Brian Crawford as his team shut out the Prestonsburg Blackcats in the final four innings and the Allen Central Rebels came from behind to post a 7-3 win over the host team last Friday at Archer Park.

Howard gave up two runs in the first inning and allowed a third inning run before shutting down the big bats of the Blackcats. Crawford hurled the sixth and seventh inning and picked up his third save of the year.

The win improved Allen Central to 5-3 on the season and was their fifth consecutive win.

Mike Pack collected three hits for the Rebels and had two runs batted in. Byron Patton had two hits, including a double, as the designated hitter.

Matt Trusty, who started on the mound for Prestonsburg, collected three hits and had two RBIs. Jason Hackworth had a first inning double that scored a run.

Trusty lasted but a third of an inning. Coach Russell Shepherd brought in Kevin Robinson, who suffered the loss. Trusty allowed only one hit in the first inning but experienced control problems.

Allen Central had taken a 1-0

lead against Trusty, but Robinson came in and retired Patton and Tim Bellemy to escape further damage in the inning.

Prestonsburg plated two runs in the bottom half of the first against Howard. Morris grounded a single into left field and Wes Samons roped a base hit to center moving Morris to third. Morris came in to score when the Rebels turned a 6-4-3 double play. Trusty then lined a base hit to left field, scoring Jamo Jarrell, who had walked. Hackworth lined an opposite field double but Trusty was nailed at the plate in trying to score.

Allen Central made it a 2-2 game in the second with Todd Bingham scoring on Derek Conley's RBI single.

The Blackcats reclaimed the lead at 3-2 on consecutive singles by Samons and Robinson. Samons scored on Trusty's long drive off the fence in right center. He was held to a single.

An error at third base opened the way for the Rebels as they pushed home two runs in the fourth to go in front 4-3. Donnie Owens was safe on the error and he came around to score on John Moore's one out single. Moore later scored on Pack's second hit of the game.

Allen Central added a run in the fifth and two in the sixth for the win.



Smooth delivery?

Prestonsburg's Matt Trusty had trouble finding the strike zone against Prestonsburg last Thursday at Archer Park. Trusty lasted but a third of an inning, though he swung a big bat for the Blackcats with two hits and two RBIs. (photo by Ed Taylor)

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# Pikeville runs away from Allen Central

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

The Pikeville AAU boys basketball team scored early and often in the first quarter as Allen Central struggled offensively in the first half. Pikeville posted a 45-27 win over Allen Central to advance to the semifinals of the boys AAU regional basketball tournament at Adams Middle School.

Derek Sword scored 13 points to lead Pikeville to the opening round win this past Tuesday night at Adams. Joe Halbert scored seven and Caysey Stewart had six points as did Robert Shurtleff.

Terri Mullins scored eight points in the fourth quarter and finished with 10 to lead Allen Central. She had the first two points of the game but didn't score again until the fourth. Teammate James Slone had six points.

Pikeville got five points from Sword in the first quarter, and they led 11-4 at the end of the first quarter. Mullins and Terry Moore had two points apiece for Allen Central in the first.

Allen Central was held to only one field goal, a basket by Drew Lance, in the second period as they trailed Pikeville 21-6 at the half. Halbert scored five second quarter points for Pikeville. Stewart had three.

Allen Central continued to miss the basket being held to only a pair of baskets in the third period. Justin Hall and Jonathan Pack had the two field goals for Central. Sword tossed in four points and Nicky Chapman scored three for Pikeville.

The offense picked up for Allen Central in the fourth quarter with Mullins scoring her eight. Slone had all six of his points in the final quarter.

Pikeville attempted 29 free throws and made 13 to Allen Central's five attempts.

# McDowell wins over Pikeville

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

Jessica Paige and Misty Halbert combined for 23 points to lead the McDowell 12-and-under AAU basketball team past Pikeville 33-17 last Friday night at the Martin gym.

Paige led all scorers with her 13 points and Halbert finished with 10. Alexis Maldono had four points and Stephanie Skeens tossed in three. Jessica Newman scored one point and Sara Johnson had two.

Sarah Boyd and Christa McPeck scored four points apiece to lead Pikeville. Pikeville failed to score in the first quarter as McDowell raced out to a 5-0 lead. Johnson and Paige each had field goals for McDowell, which missed seven free throws in the period. McDowell led 17-6 at the half behind Halbert, who had six points. Paige was a perfect four-of-four from the charity stripe and scored six second-period points.

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## Allen Central topples Harold 40-17 in girls AAU regional

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

The Allen Central 12-year-old girls AAU basketball team earned another showdown with Prestonsburg by posting a 40-17 win over the Harold AAU team this past Tuesday night at Martin.

Prestonsburg is the only team to defeat Allen Central during the regular season. The two teams will meet Thursday night at 5:30.

Shannon Sizemore did what she had been doing all tournament long — lead the scoring parade for Allen Central. Sizemore tossed in a game-high 18 points, while Beth Combs added eight points.

Amber Biliter led Harold with her 15 points. Leslie Stelle had the other two Harold points. Biliter hit eight of 12 free throw attempts.

Allen Central raced to an 11-4 first quarter lead behind Sizemore. She scored eight of the 11 points with Becky Smith getting two first quarter points. Biliter had all four of Harold's points in the first.

Sizemore added six more points in the second period as Allen Central took a 20-7 lead to the locker room at the half. Jaclyn Martin

scored two second quarter points for Allen Central.

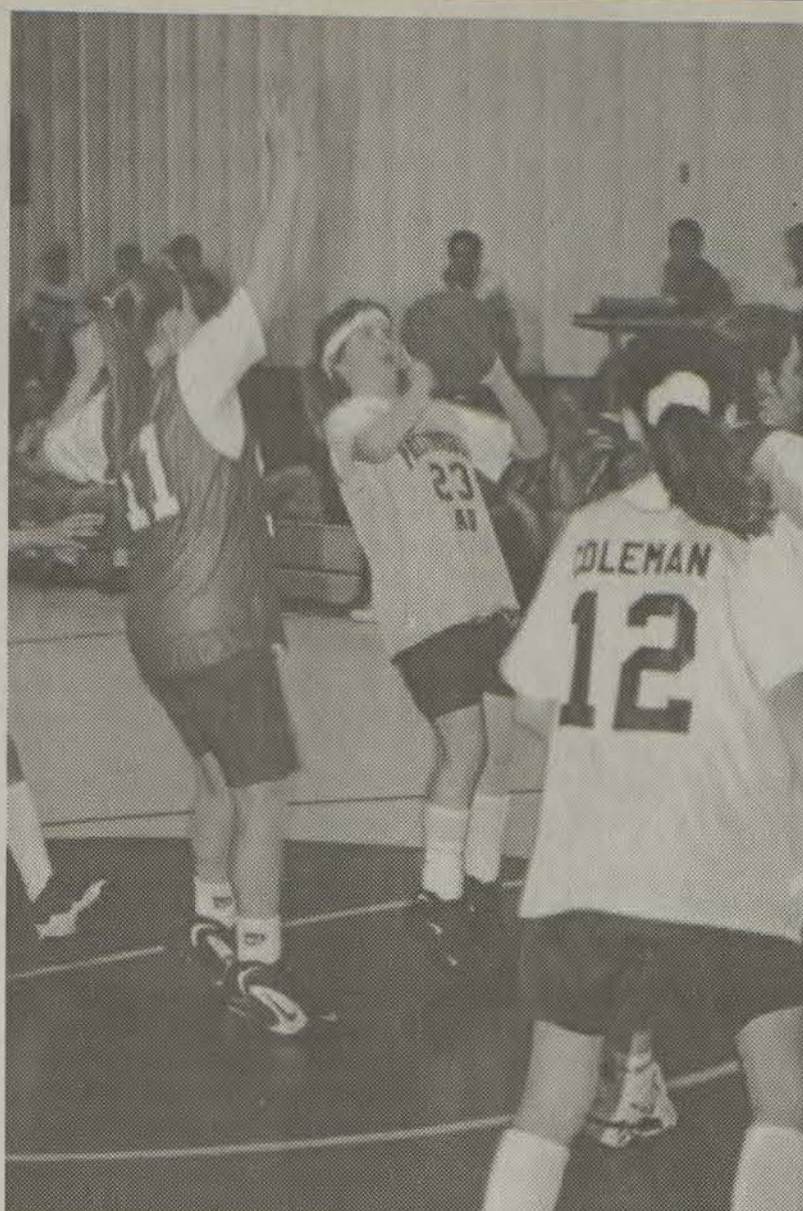
Harold went without a field goal in the second quarter and shot miserably from the charity stripe hitting only three of 13 attempts. Biliter had the three free throws in the second for Harold.

Biliter hit a three-point basket in the third quarter for Harold scoring all five points. Allen Central led 28-12 after three quarters. Jaclyn Brown, Megan Hyden had two points in the third for Central and Combs scored four points.

A 12-5 run by Allen Central in the fourth quarter put the game away with Sizemore scoring four points. Stelle had the only field goal for Harold as they continued to struggle at the free throw line. For the game, Harold connected on only eight of 26 attempts. Allen Central did not fare much better, making only six of 20 tries.

Becky Smith finished with five points for Allen Central. Brown, Hyden, Martin, and Shawna Case scored two points apiece.

Harold lost for the first time in the tournament and dropped to the losers bracket where they played Mullins Thursday night.



In the middle

The girls AAU regional basketball tournament ended this past Sunday at the Martin gym with Allen Central posting a 69-67 win over Prestonsburg in the tournament finals. Here, Angela Howell scored two of her seven points. (photo by Ed Taylor)

## Pikeville eliminates Betsy Layne in girls AAU regional, 37-19

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

LaShawna Owens scored 18 points and Elizabeth Hickman added eight as the Pikeville 12-year-old AAU girls eliminated Betsy Layne from the girls AAU regional this past Tuesday night. Pikeville scored a 37-19 win over Junior Reynolds' ballclub.

Devon Reynolds led Betsy Layne with 12 points. Kim Tackett scored six and Amber Roberts one.

Betsy Layne could not even score in the first quarter, missing three free throws. Pikeville built an 8-0 lead after the first quarter behind Owens' six first quarter points.

But Betsy Layne came out firing in the second quarter and outscored Pikeville 16-10 to trail by only two, 18-16 at the half. Reynolds scored nine points in the second period hitting five of five from the charity stripe. Tackett had all six of her points in the second stanza to help lead the Betsy Layne comeback. Owens and Hickman each had four points for Pikeville in the second

quarter.

But when Betsy Layne returned to the hardwood to start the third quarter they found a lid on the basket on the opposite end and failed to put any points on the scoreboard in the third stanza with Pikeville running off 15 unanswered points for a 33-16 lead after three quarters.

Owens poured in nine points for Pikeville in the third quarter. Bethany Rogers had her four points in the third with Sarah Boyd scoring two points.

Except for three free throws in the fourth quarter, Betsy Layne was almost shut out for a third quarter. They did not have a field goal and Reynolds hit three of 11 free throws in the fourth. Betsy Layne attempted 17 shots from the charity stripe in the fourth quarter and hit three. They were eight of 23 for the game.

Hickman scored all four fourth quarter points for Pikeville in the final stanza.

Amber Roberts finished with one point for Betsy Layne.

Boyd and Rogers had four points for Pikeville with Janine Sivak scoring two.

## Top seed Prestonsburg has little trouble with Mullins, 67-24

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

Prestonsburg's 12-year-old AAU team entered the girls regional tournament as the top seed and it was evident why they were at the top spot after they buried Mullins 67-24 in tournament play last Tuesday night at the Martin gym.

Coach Ashland Gearheart's ballclub entered the tournament with an unblemished record at 7-0 and drew the tournament's bye.

Ramanda Music tossed in 21 points to lead Prestonsburg to its first tournament game win. Music scored 19 points in the first half and saw limited action in the second half. Brooke Coleman added 13 points and Rachell Mitchell scored in double figures with 10.

Ashley Melvin led Mullins with 12 points. Emily Huffman netted five and Alisha Weddington scored four. Susan Stamper scored two points.

It was all Prestonsburg from the onset as Music pumped in 12 first quarter points as Prestonsburg led 20-6 after the initial quarter. Melvin

had four of Mullins' six first quarter points with Weddington scoring two.

Coleman scored six of her 13 in the second quarter as Prestonsburg built an insurmountable lead. At halftime, Prestonsburg led 42-10. Music had seven second-quarter points. Angela Howell scored all four of her points in the second stanza. Mitchell and Rachel Hall each had two points in the period.

With Music out of the game in the third quarter, Prestonsburg got a three-pointer and five points from Coleman as they led 50-17 after three quarters. Amelia Conley, who had nine points in the game, scored three in the third.

Emily Huffman completed a three-point play and scored five third quarter points for Mullins.

Conley went to the free throw line for six tries in the fourth quarter and she connected on five for Prestonsburg. Bethany Joseph scored four points in the fourth for Mullins as did Emily Meyer.

Howell, Joseph and Meyers each finished with four points. Hall scored two.

## Prestonsburg defeats McDowell behind Music's 16 points, 52-21

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

Ramanda Music scored 16 points and Angela Howell netted 12 as the Prestonsburg AAU girls defeated McDowell this past Sunday 52-21 in the semifinals of the girls' regional AAU tournament at Martin.

Howell had eight of her 12 points in the first quarter as Prestonsburg led 15-6 after one. Brooke Coleman hit a three-point basket with Amelia Conley and Music scoring two each.

McDowell got baskets from Alexis Maldonado, Sara Johnson and Jessica Paige.

Music stepped up her offense underneath the basket and scored eight points in the second quarter with Coleman tossing in six to send Prestonsburg to the locker area with

a 35-11 lead. Conley had four points in the period and Mitchell had two.

Halbert and Jessica Adams had the only two second quarter field goals for McDowell.

Harold did play Prestonsburg close in the third period but coach Ashland Gearheart's ballclub was just too big for McDowell.

"I have only two seventh graders on this team," said McDowell coach Greg Johnson, "and the rest are sixth graders."

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Nailed at the plate

Prestonsburg catcher Sammy Nelson guarded the plate after tagging out Allen Central's Byron Patton at home after Patton was caught in a run down. Allen Central defeated the Blackcats 7-3. (photo by Ed Taylor)

## Halbert duels with Melvin in 39-32 McDowell AAU win

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

Ashley Melvin scored 22 points for Mullins in the girls' AAU regional basketball tournament last Thursday night but it was McDowell that came away with the 39-32 win and who advanced to the next round. McDowell got an excellent game from Misty Halbert, who tossed in 19 points. Eight of those came in the fourth quarter she went scoreless in the third period.

In the fourth quarter, McDowell went on a 17-4 run that helped them overcome a 28-22 deficit and to pull out the victory. Halbert scored quickly and got help from Jessica Adams, who had four points in the stanza.

The teams played to a 10-10 tie after the first quarter, with Melvin scoring eight of the 10 Mullins' points. Halbert had five for McDowell with Alexis Maldonado and Jessica Paige scoring two each.

Halbert hit four of five free throws in the second quarter, scoring six points, but the 10 second quarter points by Melvin gave Mullins the 22-20 half time lead.

Mullins outscored McDowell 6-2 in the third period, building a 28-22 lead. Jessica Adams had the only two third quarter points for McDowell.

Maldonado, Paige, and Adams finished with six points for McDowell. Sara Johnson and Stephanie Skeens scored one apiece.

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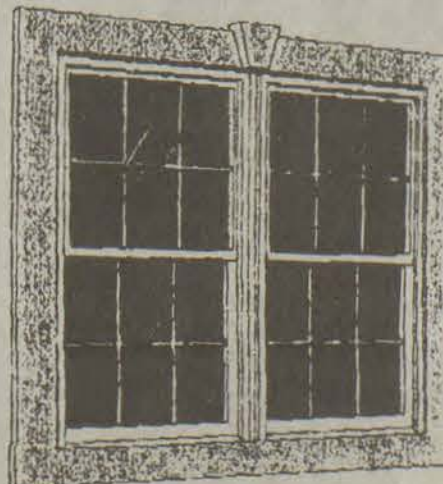
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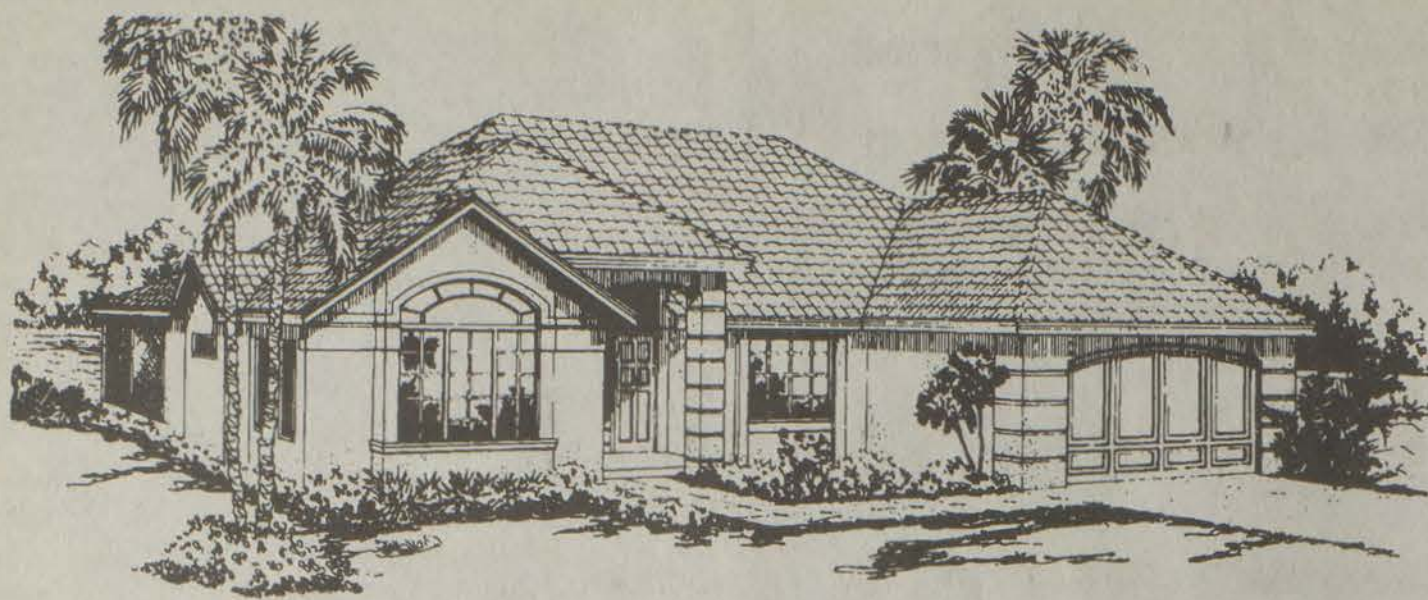
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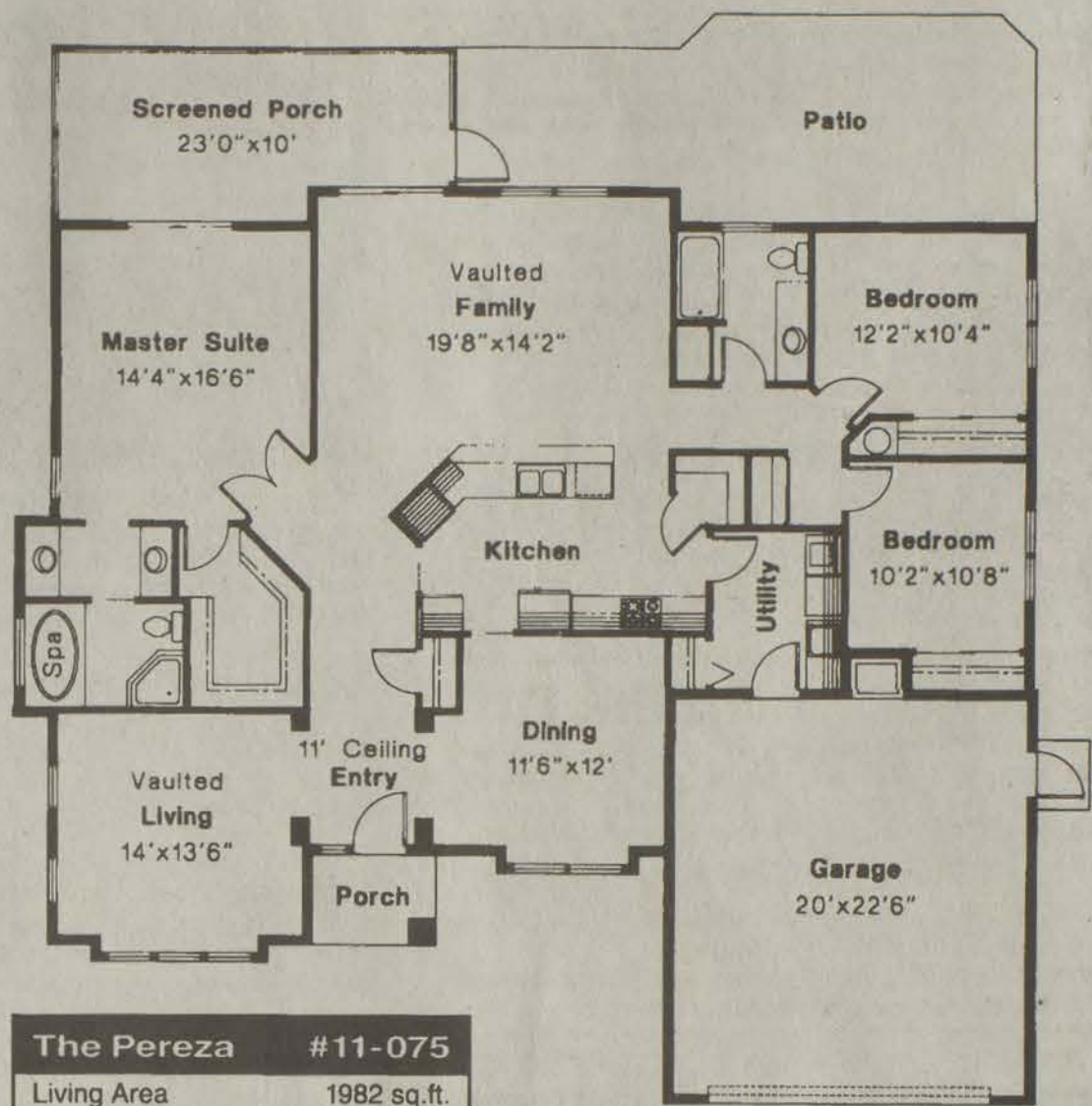
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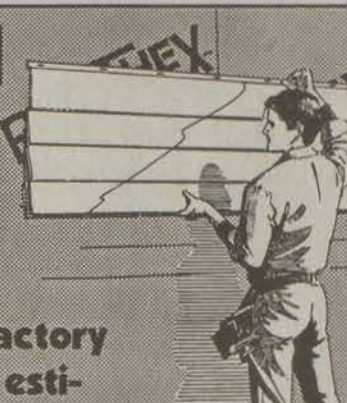
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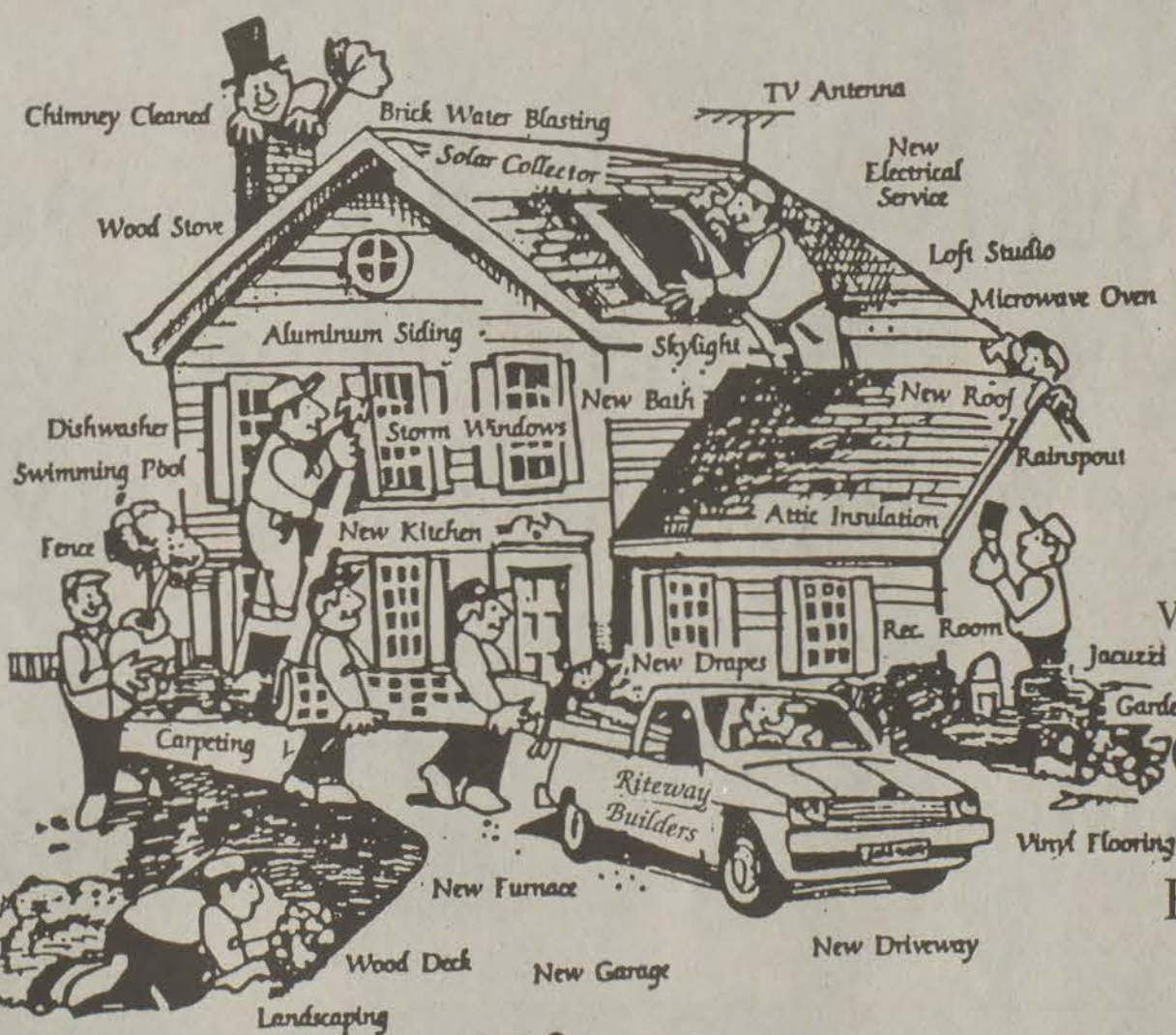
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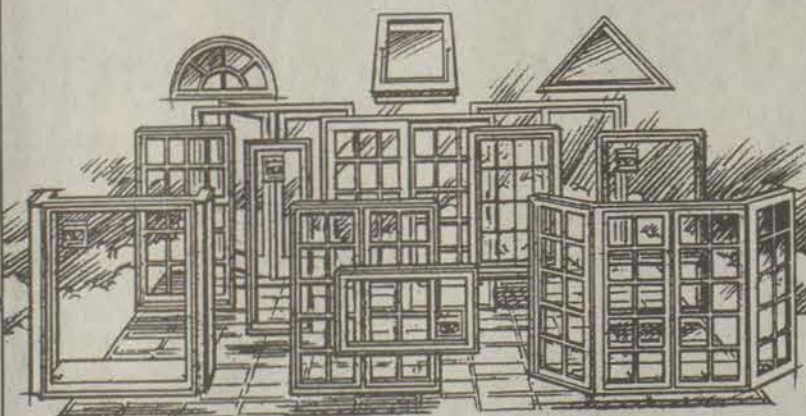
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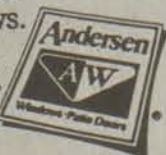


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South Floyd's second baseman Clabe Hall didn't get cheated on this swing, neither did he make contact. Hall walked three times in the game and had one base hit. The Raiders posted a 7-4 win over Phelps. (photo by Ed Taylor)

**Allen Central edges Magoffin County, blasts Phelps, 23-3**

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

The Allen Central Rebels, after losing their first three games of the season, recorded their third and fourth consecutive wins with victories over Magoffin County and Phelps to run their record to 4-3.

Coach Kevin Spurlock's ballclub edged a good Magoffin County team 3-1 in the game played last Friday, and then dismantled Phelps 23-3 this past Tuesday evening.

The Allen Central coach said he likes what he is seeing from his club. "I like the way we are playing right now," he said. "There is a winning attitude, a positive attitude on the team."

Against Magoffin County, Wesley Howard (2-1) won his second game of the season, getting some relief held from sophomore Brian Crawford. It was Crawford's second save of the season.

Byron Patton continues to lead the Rebels in hitting, carrying a hefty .642 batting average. Patton had two hits against the Hornets and one RBI. Tim Bellamy is currently batting .500 for the Rebels.

Brandon Hicks had a single, scored two runs and had a run batted in.

The surprise of Allen Central's ballclub has been in the pitching department, an area that Coach Spurlock was concerned about before the season started. The Rebels' pitching staff is carrying a very impressive 2.04 ERA. Hicks' ERA is 1.40 and Crawford's 1.90.

Howard went the first four innings against Magoffin County and did not allow a run while scattering two hits. He walked four batters and fanned an equal number. Mike Pack hurled the fifth and sixth innings before giving way to Crawford in the seventh.

Crawford allowed Magoffin County's lone run in the seventh inning. Pack did not give up a run in his two-inning stint. He allowed a sixth-inning double to Whitaker.

Allen Central scored a single run in the second inning and pushed home two more in the third to lead 3-0. Donnie Owens, the designated hitter, drove in Hicks, who walked to start the second, with the

first run of the game. Patton and Bellamy both had hits in the inning. Crawford opened the Rebels' third with a single and moved to second on a passed ball. He came around to score on Hick's one-out single. Hicks moved to second on an error and made it a 3-0 game by scoring on Patton's RBI double.

Jason Wages scored for Magoffin County in the seventh by walking, stealing second and scoring on a fielder's choice play off the bat of Whitt.

In a mercy rule five-inning game, Allen Central won on the road at Phelps and won big with a 23-3 victory. Hicks (2-1) secured the win for Allen Central in four innings of work. He allowed two runs on just two hits, walking two and striking out seven.

Todd Bingham was perfect from the plate in three appearances. He scored three runs, had a double and three RBIs. Tim Bellamy picked up three hits in four appearances at the plate. He drove in three runs and had one stolen base.

Hicks not only started from the mound, but scored four times in the game going two-for-two. He had two RBIs for the Rebels. Patton collected two hits and had two runs batted in, plus one stolen base. Mike Pack scored two runs and had two RBIs to go with his two singles, one hit being a double. He had one stolen base.

Fourteen batters paraded to the plate in the first inning for Allen Central when they pushed home 11 runs. The Rebels added five runs in the third and scored seven in the fourth to put the game away.

Phelps scored single runs in the second, third and fifth innings.

The first-inning run scored on a bases loaded walk to Hurley, the ninth place hitter. Smith doubled with two out in the third inning and scored on an error at third base. The Hornets struck for their final run when Sanson reached on an error leading off the fifth and scored on a fielder's choice play.

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**Despite errors, Betsy Layne handles Fleming-Neon, 15-7**

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

The Betsy Layne Bobcats looked like a group of first-year players when they faced the Pirates of Fleming-Neon on the road last week. Betsy Layne, in an uncharacteristic way, committed five errors behind starter Brandon Castle in the first three innings but managed to pull out a 15-7 win to remain undefeated.

Coach Junior Newsome's ballclub pounded out 13 hits in the game, including a third inning home run by Chad Case. Doug Keathley collected three hits in four plate appearances and drove in two runs. Castle, while he struggled from the mound, was a bright spot at the plate with two hits and three RBIs. Brad Kidd drove in two runs, as well.

Castle struck out seven batters in the three innings he worked. But the defense was unable to field the ball, especially in the Pirates' second inning when they scored five times against Castle. In the first two innings Betsy Layne committed three errors and four of the six runs scored against the junior pitcher were unearned.

Betsy Layne scored six runs in their half of the third inning to take a 9-6 lead. Case opened the third with a solo home run, Castle walked, stole second and scored on designated hitter Lance Jones' base hit.

Willie Meade drew a walk. Both runners moved up on a passed ball and scored on Keathley's two-out, two-run single. Keathley scored the sixth run of the inning on Wes Collins' base hit.

Shawn Deskins took the mound in the fourth for Betsy Layne and the Pirates could not solve the mixture of pitches he delivered. The Pirates could only scratch out a run in the sixth inning off Deskins, who allowed Fleming-Neon but two hits over the final four innings. Deskins struck out three and issued one walk.

Betsy Layne took a 10-6 lead with a run in the fourth off reliever

Doug Napier, who replaced starter Jerry Noble. Castle singled to open the Betsy Layne fourth and scored on a sacrifice fly by Jones.

Four runs were scored for the Bobcats in the fifth, with three runs coming in on Castle's bases-loaded triple. Castle scored on Jones' single. The Bobcats added their final run in the sixth when Keathley singled, stole second and scored on Matt Kidd's base hit.

Fleming-Neon trailed 3-1 after the first inning but exploded for five runs in the second. Napier blasted a two-run homer and David Short had a run-scoring double.

Castle was the winning pitcher for Betsy Layne. Noble suffered the loss.

Betsy Layne stranded two base runners while Fleming-Neon left five men on base.



**Big game**

Prestonsburg's Amelia Conley (35) scored 21 points against Allen Central's girls AAU team last Sunday afternoon. The two teams met in the finals of the regional tournament with Allen Central edging Prestonsburg 69-67 in overtime. (photo by Ed Taylor)

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The Prestonsburg Youth Baseball League was forced to cancel its "Opening Day" this past Saturday, but the events resumed on Sunday and a crowd turned out for the special day. Each team in the league played an exhibition game. (photo by Don Willis)

## Betsy Layne edges Prestonsburg 2-1

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

While there is no baseball conference in Floyd County, when two county teams meet on the diamond it always produces an entertaining outing.

That's the way the game between the Prestonsburg Blackcats and Betsy Layne Bobcats shaped up last week at the Allen Park.

Betsy Layne scored an unearned run in the bottom of the fifth inning and made it stand up over the final three innings for a 2-1 win over a very good Prestonsburg team.

The win improved Betsy Layne to 7-0 on the season and it was Prestonsburg's first loss of the year.

Jason Hackworth, who started for Prestonsburg, had retired Brad Kidd on a pop up to third base to start the Betsy Layne fifth. Chad Case grounded to shortstop and the ball was misplayed, with Case moving on to second base.

Hackworth retired Brandon Castle on a fly ball to centerfield but Willie Meade roped a base hit, scoring Case with the go-ahead run.

Both teams scored in their halves of the first inning. Prestonsburg led

1-0 on a one-out base hit by Wes Sammons. With two out, Matt Trusty scored Sammons with a ground ball between short and third for a single.

Betsy Layne tied the game in the bottom half of the inning. Brad Kidd opened the bottom of the inning with a double and scored on Willie Meade's RBI single.

Prestonsburg left two runners stranded in the fourth and again in the fifth inning.

Case picked up the win for Betsy Layne in six-and-two thirds innings of work. Castle came on in the seventh inning, with a runner on first and two out, to retire Sammons on a grounder too short to end the game.

Prestonsburg had four hits in the game and two came off Sammons' bat. Trusty and Baldrige had the other hits.

Betsy Layne had only five hits against Hackworth, who suffered the loss. Meade collected two of those.

Prestonsburg had three errors in the game while Betsy Layne played errorless baseball.

Case fanned four batters and walked three while hitting one.

Hackworth had five strike outs and he walked two. He also hit a batter.

## Jones shuts out Magoffin County 3-0 on three-hits

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

Lance Jones went the distance for the Betsy Layne Bobcats and allowed the Magoffin County Hornets but two hits in a 3-0 shutout last week.

Jones struck out 14 batters in the route-going performance. He gave up a first-inning single to Whitt and Risner singled to lead off the second. Over the next five innings Jones threw nothing but "smoke" as the Hornets had trouble picking up the ball. Jones averaged two strike outs per inning and got the side in order on strikes in the fifth and seventh innings. He did not walk a batter.

Designated hitter Toby Newsome had an RBI double that scored Willie Meade in the second inning that staked the Bobcats to a 1-0 lead. Betsy Layne made it a 2-0 game in the third on a single by Chad Case and Jones' long sacrifice fly, scoring Case.

Magoffin County put a runner on base in the first inning but he was erased on a double-play ball that ended the inning. The Hornets had a rally going in the second, getting their first two runners on base. But Jones got a force out at second base and struck out the seventh and eighth hitters in the Hornets' line up.

Betsy Layne made it a 3-0 game in the third on consecutive singles by Newsome and Doug Keathley. After Newsome was picked off second, Keathley scored when Craig Johnson's fly ball to right field was dropped.

Jones hit two Hornet batters back-to-back in the third inning but with two out. He fanned Risner to end the inning. From that point, Jones retired 12 consecutive batters before he walked Kelly in the seventh inning with two outs. He struck out Jason Wages to end the game.

Case and Keathley had two hits each for Betsy Layne. Newsome had the only extra-base hit, a second inning double.

## Early mistakes proves costly for South Floyd in 10-5 setback

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

The South Raiders (0-5) dropped their fifth game of the season when they traveled to Breathitt County and faced a ballclub that is 11-2 on the season.

The younger Raiders fell on the road to the Bobcats 10-5, but it was some early fielding problems that proved costly for South Floyd.

"The first two innings we had some fielding problems and made some errors that allowed Breathitt County to score," said South Floyd coach Barry Hall. "But it goes back to the same old thing, no practice time."

Hall thinks his team is showing improvement on the field and thinks his ballclub will continue to get better.

"We are getting better," he said.

"Our fielding, although we did make some mistakes against Breathitt County, is getting better. Breathitt County is a good ballclub and we played a top-quality team."

Breathitt County scored four runs in each of the first two innings but all eight runs were unearned against starter and loser T.T. Pack.

Pack shut out the Bobcats over the next three innings as his team climbed back into the game. South Floyd plated two runs in the fifth inning and pushed home four in the top of the sixth to make it a 8-6 game. Breathitt County, as darkness fell, scored twice in the bottom of the sixth to lead 10-6. The game was then called because of darkness.

South Floyd returns to the diamond today at 4:30 p.m. in the opening game of the Hillbilly Classic at Pikeville. The Raiders

will face Phelps at the W.C. Hambley Complex (located next to the high school).

"We're starting to hit the ball better," said the South Floyd coach. "We're starting to do things better than we were earlier. I think we'll be playing better come district tournament time."

## Evans signs with EKV

Eastern Kentucky University men's basketball coach Mike Calhoun has announced the signing of 5' 5", 195-pound forward David Evans of Franklin County High School to a national letter-of-intent.

Evans led the Flyers to the 11th Region championship game by averaging 17.9 points, 10.4 rebounds, 4.1 assists, 3.6 steals and 2.5 blocked shots per contest for coach Garry Moore's FCHS squad.

"We're very excited about David joining our program here at Eastern," said Calhoun. "He had an absolutely fantastic high school career at one of the top programs in the state. He is a very versatile player who can bring a lot of good things to our ballclub."

An excellent defender who was also an adept ballhandler who often brought the ball up the floor for the Flyers, Evans was a first-team Lexington Herald-Leader All-State player and a second-team All-State choice of the Louisville Courier-Journal.

"I think Davie was the best all-around player in the state," Moore said. "I can't imagine any player having more impact to his team than David had to ours this year."

Eastern finished the year with a 13-14 record and closed the season tied for sixth place in the conference with a 7-9 league mark.

## Prestonsburg sweeps Sheldon Clark in softball doubleheader

The Prestonsburg Lady Blackcats softball team swung some heavy bats as they swept the Sheldon Clark Lady Cardinals in a doubleheader of high school softball last week at Archer Park.

Prestonsburg posted a 10-5 win in game one and came back to take the nightcap 22-7 in fast-pitch softball.

Camille Robinson had three hits in game one, including a fourth-inning triple. Carolyn Jones picked up the win, going the distance. Donna Hall and Jones each doubled as did Jenna Fannin.

Prestonsburg took a 2-0 lead in the second inning on a walk and Hall's two-bagger. Jones walked and both runners scored on Brandi Slone's base hit.

Sheldon Clark picked up three runs in the top of the third to lead 3-2. Three walks and consecutive doubles by Maynard and Sites drove in the Lady Card runs.

In the bottom of the third, Prestonsburg reclaimed the lead with two runs. Slone walked to lead off the inning, stole second, moved to third on a wild pitch and scored on a passed ball. Fannin then doubled and scored the second run of the inning.

Sheldon Clark left two runners

stranded in the fourth inning and Prestonsburg added six runs in the fourth for a 10-3 game. Jones doubled home a run and three runs scored on Robinson's long triple. Misty Price had an RBI single in the inning.

In game two, 16 batters went to the plate for Prestonsburg in the first inning as they scored 13 times to win 22-7. Robinson blasted a two-run home run as Prestonsburg got the bats out of the bag.

Donna Lafferty started the rally with a double. Shelly Greathouse followed with a run-scoring triple and Fannin doubled to score Greathouse. Robinson then hit the home run.

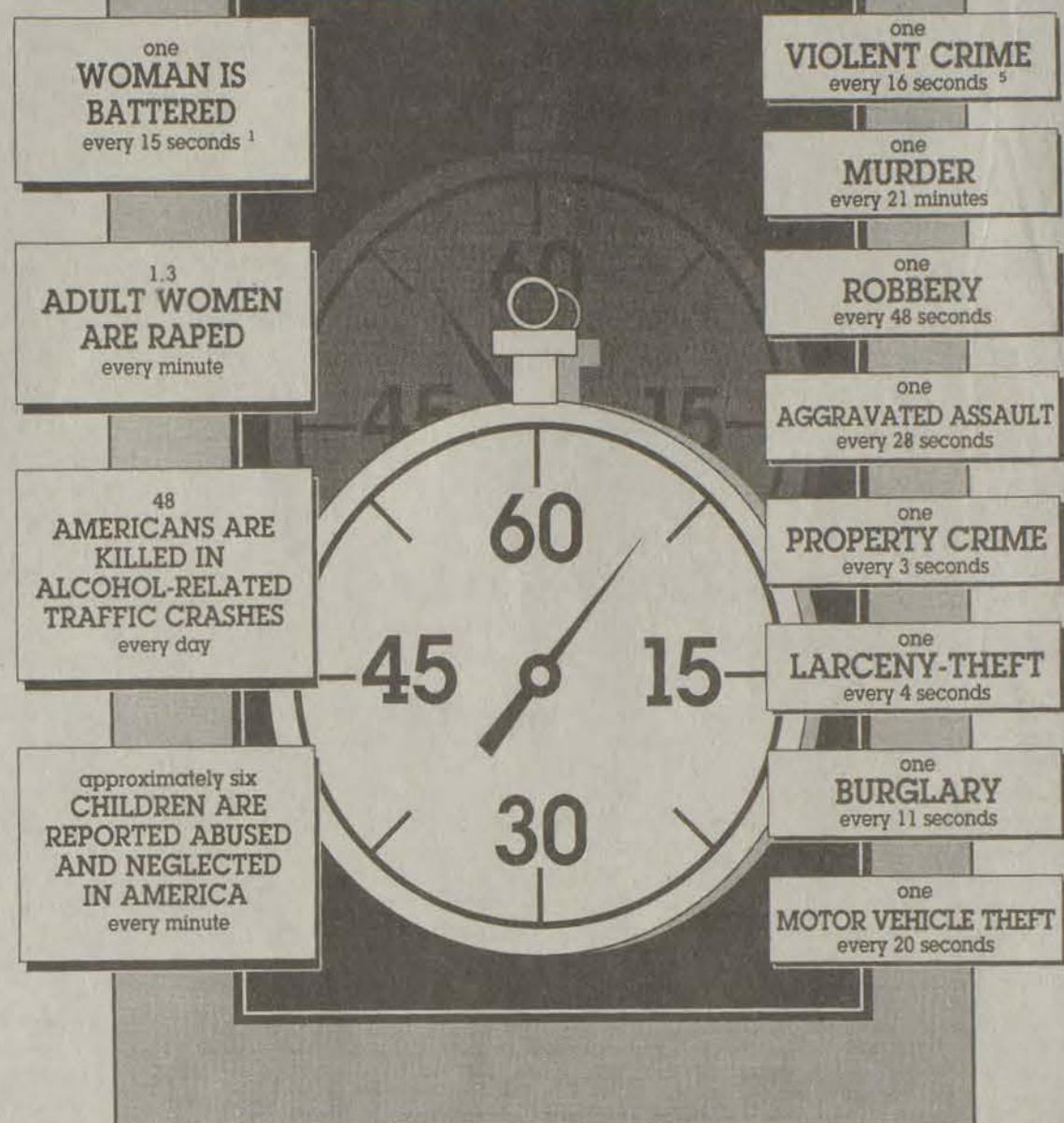
But the Lady Blackcats were not through as they had five consecutive hits before Lafferty made the first out in the inning. Greathouse singled home a run, Fannin got her second double of the inning and Robinson scored two more runs with a two-bagger to complete the scoring.

Sheldon Clark, once they got to the plate, plated five runs in the second inning for a 13-5 game. Prestonsburg broke the game open with seven runs in the fourth inning after scoring single runs in the second and third innings.

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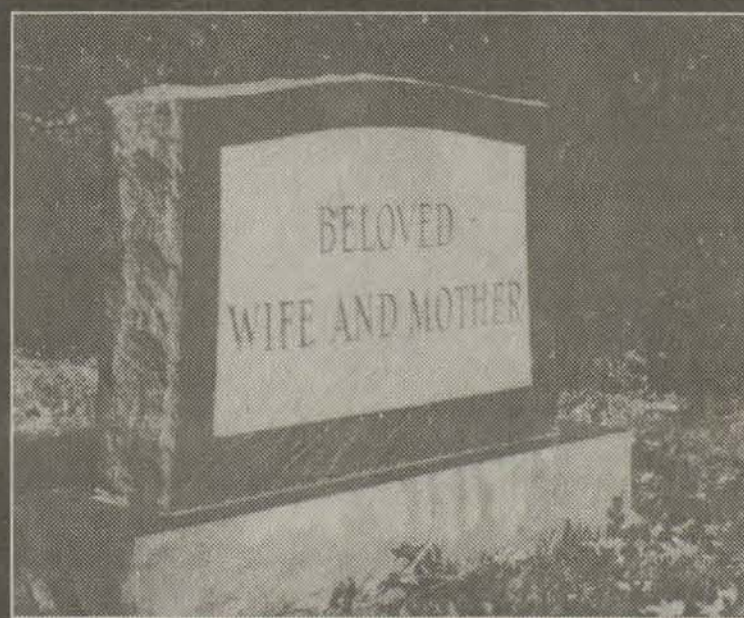
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## Excuse me? Whose dream was that?

One of the worst whippings I ever got was when I was about seven years old and, using a home-made ladder that

**Poison Oak**



*Clyde Pack*

VanHoose had made, climbed upon top of the smokehouse. My older brother Ernest had nailed a board to the steep roof and had about a half bushel of walnuts drying in the sun. I don't know if I wanted a walnut, or what, but Dad didn't like the idea of my being up there. I guess he thought my parading around seven or eight feet off the ground was not the proper thing for me to be doing, and to the tune of a keen willow switch, he let me know it.

That was 50 years ago and, lucky for me, I was a typical kid with a typical parent.

In light of what happened a couple of weeks ago to seven-year-old Jessica Dubroff, a lot of discussion has taken place about today's kids and today's parents.

In case you've forgotten, Jessica was the child who, along with her father and flight instructor, died when the plane she was flying crashed in a Wyoming rainstorm as she was attempting to become the world's youngest cross-country pilot.

Jessica's mother justified the child's tragic death by saying the little girl was trying to "fulfill her dream."

Was she suggesting that it was a seven-year-old child's decision to be world famous?

Had my Dad possessed that particular mind set, perhaps when he hauled me off

the smokehouse roof, if I'd told him I had always dreamed of seeing Society Row from the perspective of a house wren, not only would he not have worn me out, but he might have also helped me build a sturdier ladder.

Anyway, one of the better commentaries I've read concerning the plane crash and the circumstances that led to it, was by Mitch Albom, a sports columnist for the Detroit Free Press.

He reported that among other decisions someone else had made for little Jessica Dubroff was for her not to eat meat, not to watch TV, and not to go to school. In addition, at age four, someone decided that she take a paper route.

I guess what it all boils down to is the question of how much vicarious living a parent should do through their children.

Of course, this case is extreme and a far cry from anything most of us have ever experienced.

It does make me wonder though, about all the seven year olds who are pulled knocking and screaming from their play in order for them to pursue their life-long dreams of being concert pianists, classical ballerinas or big league ball players.

I guess I'm truly old fashioned, and even though it won't land them a guest spot on Oprah or merit a paragraph in the Guinness book of records, I still think it's perfectly okay for a seven-year-old to dream about being a champion mud pie maker or tadpole catcher.

# Lifestyles

## David teachers make the bed (literally) to help disabled

by Pam Shingler  
Contributing Writer

Tom Bormes of Printer and Mike Deyton of Salyersville are expert carpenters. In fact, they teach, among other classes, building trades in the vocational program at David Alternative High School.

Under their tutelage, teens, many of whom had never held a saw before, have built all the cabinets for classrooms in the school's new building, slated to open next fall.

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Five-year-old "John Doe" suffered brain trauma when he was a baby and requires constant attention. His mother is the primary caregiver and his father works two jobs to pay continuing medical bills.

"John" must have regular physical therapy to keep the muscles in his growing body pliant. As he gets heavier, his mother finds lifting her fragile son to and from the floor for therapy more and more difficult. Medical supply stores charge well over \$1,000 for a special therapy bed that would eliminate the need to lift the young man.

(The family wishes to retain its privacy and requests that the real name not be used.)

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Rudy Little coordinates the Waiver Program for the Floyd County Health Department. A medical social worker, he refers to himself as a "broker," linking those who need assistance with those who can furnish it.

(Can you see where this story is going?)

Little knew of the "Doe" family's needs through the Waiver Program and how much the special bed would crimp their budget. He lives in David and his wife, Linda, works with The David School's Adult Education Program, so he is familiar with the talents of Bormes and Deyton.

Brokering the deal was

Little's challenge.

Bormes and Deyton teach straight through the day with no study or planning periods. As is common at the private school, they also pull double duty as bus drivers before and after school. Plus, each has a family and demanding schedules outside the school. Bormes teaches hunter education classes throughout the area and builds replicas of long rifles. Deyton has a part-time job and runs a farm.

But Little can be convincing. He explained the "Doe" family's dilemma, and the two teachers couldn't say no.

So, after hours, on their own time, using their own money for materials, Bormes and Deyton began the project a couple of months ago.

Their first challenge was to come up with a design to meet some rather stringent requirements, Little says. Since the "Does" live in a mobile home, space is a premium. Size and mobility were also concerns. The bed had to be strong enough to support the young boy into adulthood, yet light

enough for the mother to move. It also had to fit the dimensions of a physical therapy mat, roughly 4'x7'.

Now finished and awaiting delivery from the school's shop to the home, the bed looks deceptively simple to the quick eye—a slab of plywood on four legs. But it is much more complex.

The design the David teachers came up with is a variation on the old Murphy bed, once popular in small, space-precious apartments where it could be stored in the wall when not in use.

Hinges on the long sides will attach the bed to a wall in the "Doe" home. With chains and hinges, the legs will provide support when the therapy bed is in use, but will rest against the flat surface when it is folded to the wall.

The "Does" will have a bed that will meet their son's physical therapy needs but that won't take up much-needed space in their home.

When the bed is down, the boy can easily get from his wheelchair onto the bed, elimi-

nating the need for the mother to lift him onto and up from the floor where the therapy is now being done.

The builders paid for the materials themselves and donated their labor. Little is now "brokering" with a local church to reimburse Bormes and Deyton for the cost of materials—about \$80, a far cry from the cost of a store-bought bed.

"It's good when an organization such as The David School with such good-hearted teachers is willing to take the time to help someone in need," says Little. "Tom and Mike proved that it's not always the big contributions that make a big difference."

"What these two did saved the family a great deal of money and gave them a valuable piece of equipment that can last for 50 years."

The Floyd County Waiver Program assists people who fit the criteria for admission to a nursing home, but who prefer to remain at home. It links families with services they need to be able to remain at home.



More than it appears to be

A local boy's physical therapy treatments will be easier because of this foldable bed made by David School teachers Tom Bormes, left, and Mike Deyton, center. Rudy Little of the Floyd County Health Department's Waiver Program arranged for the construction.

### Ten Years Ago

(April 30, 1986)

Coal truck and tractor-trailer operators driving through downtown Prestonsburg to save a few minutes hauling time are in for trouble, said Prestonsburg Police Chief Stan Fletcher...The students aboard escaped serious injury Friday when a county school bus was allegedly forced off the road by a speeding motorist and turned over on its side...A 17-year-old Teaberry girl died Sunday night when the car in which was riding slammed head-on into another vehicle on the Lancer-Water Gap Road...Barbara Hunter was convicted of passing a school bus while children were boarding...Basel Ray Moore, 28, of McDowell, who allegedly was the driver of a car in which Timothy Dye was killed when the vehicle left the road and landed upside down in a creek, was put on trial for murder...Fire subscription rates for those living outside Prestonsburg's city limits have been raised from \$24 per year to \$100 per year...There died: Sherrill Frazier, 72, of Martin, Friday at the Floyd County Hospital in New Albany, Indiana; Opal Dingus, 71, of Prestonsburg, Sunday at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Fred Eugene Venters, 55, of Prestonsburg, April 22, at the University of Kentucky medical center; Barbara Sturgill Frost, 56, of Trimble Branch, Saturday at the Central Baptist Hospital; Patricia Frasure Miller, 46, of Martin, Saturday at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Mimie Refett Miller, 84, of Spurlock, Tuesday at her residence; Frank Stephens, 74, of Pyramid, April 22, at Highlands Regional medical center; Mary Ellen Mullins, 42, formerly of Weeksbury, April 8, at her residence; Goble Case, 84, of Hunter, Thursday, April 24, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Lillie Mae Caudill, 56, of Weeksbury, died Tuesday at her home; Nannie L. Johnson, 85, formerly of Floyd County, April 19 at the Good Samaritan Health Care Center; Annie Powell, 75, of Ivel, April 22 at the Riverview Manor Nursing Home; Alonzo Waldon Rogers, 62, formerly of Weeksbury, April 22 at St. Francis

Hospital in Charleston, West Virginia.

### Twenty Years Ago

(April 28, 1976)

ABC Agent Ted Salisbury refuted this week a statement by Magistrate Kenneth Roberts in the Floyd County Times, April 21, alleging that Salisbury and State Trooper R. Castle had violated the law in taking a prisoner arrested in his magisterial district to another magistrate...Kathi Anne Mullins, 19, of Melvin, was crowned Miss

## Our Yesterdays

(Items taken from The Floyd County Times 10, 20, 30, 40, 50 and 60 years ago.)

Floyd County, Saturday night...W. J. May, of Prestonsburg, submitted to the fiscal court at its Monday meeting here his resignation as county treasurer, a post which he has held for 40 years...The clean-up and beautification project which was begun more than two months ago by the David Community Improvement Council gained momentum over the week-end as earth-moving equipment was donated and experienced operators volunteered their services to help residents in the work...Floyd County high school baseball is beginning to shape up, with the district baseball tournament scheduled to get underway May 10 at the Drift baseball park...Girl Scouts will be gathering in Prestonsburg on May 8 for a Friendship Day of fun and fellowship...At both the Prestonsburg and Almar drive-in theatres this Wed.-Fri.: "Torso" and "The Texas Chainsaw Massacre"...The First Presbyterian Church will hold a Bicentennial service here Sunday morning at 10 o'clock...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Clyde

Stephens, a daughter, Susan Renee, April 17 at the Methodist Hospital, Pikeville...There died: Oscar Patton, 85, Thursday at his home at Estill; Patrick Back, 64, of Topmost, last Thursday at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin; Patrick H. Hicks, 70, of Washington, D.C., native of Floyd County, April 19 at Walter Reed Army Medical Center; Mary Irene James Spears, 54, of Prestonsburg, Sunday; Mary Belle Daniels, 56, of Cow Creek, April 23 at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin; Willie Johnson, 86, of Ligon, last Wednesday at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Mrs. Josie Thornsby, 52, of Pyramid, Saturday at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Mrs. Hattie Allen Prater, 83, of Hueysville, April 23 at Central Baptist Hospital, Lexington; Dewey Mitchell, 71, of Ligon, Monday at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Marguerite M. Knusz, 64, of Harold, April 20 at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Ansel Bigger Gilliam, 81, former resident of Tram, April 19 in a nursing home in New Fane, N.Y.; Virgie Blanton Gibson, 76, formerly of Honaker, April 21 in Picketon, Ohio.

### Thirty Years Ago

(April 28, 1966)

Approval by the Appalachian Regional Commission of a fund of \$747,000 to be spent in this and 26 other counties on land conservation was made recently...Union mines in Floyd County remained idle Wednesday although a new soft coal contract appeared imminent with its approval...The first annual Commencement of Prestonsburg Community College will be held Friday, May 6 at the Jenny Wiley State Park amphitheatre...Earnestine Collins, eighth grade pupil at Betsy Layne, won the Floyd County spelling championship here Saturday, outlast-



# Society

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## Parsons-McKinney wedding

LaDonna Parsons and Dr. Michael K. McKinney were united in marriage Saturday evening, April 20, at the Irene Cole Memorial First Baptist Church in Prestonsburg.

Rev. Thomas Valentine officiated at the double-ring ceremony. The bride is the daughter of Pauline N. Green of Betsy Layne and Doug Parsons of Prestonsburg. The groom is the son of Micky McKinney, Sr. and Loretta McKinney of Martin.

The reception was held at Center Stage, Water Gap Road.

## May House group meets

Friends of the Samuel May House met Thursday night, April 18, at the Prestonsburg Community College for their regular April meeting. Members attending were Marshall Davidson, William H. May, John Rosenberg, Alice Howard, Mable Lineberger, Janice Shepherd and Robert Perry.

Ray Price and Ellsworth Swift of Ray Price Associates will be here on May 4th and 5th to conduct a workshop on how to interpret the House.

All interested citizens are invited to attend.

## Hale dies

Friends and family here were saddened to learn of the passing of Eva Allen Hale of Lexington.

Mrs. Hale and her husband, Harmon Hale are Floyd County natives, raised in the Middle Creek section of the county.

## Honored on birthday

Marlene Spradlin VanHoose of Auxier was honored on her birthday with a family dinner at the home of her daughter, Jennifer Marsh, in Ashland last week.

Family members attending were Jennifer and Nick Martin and children, Rebecca and Josh of Ashland and Sharon Cornett and children, Rachael and Ariel of Van Lear.

## New arrival

Scott and Debbie Walker of Auxier announce the birth of their second child, a son, who has been named Garbiel James.

He was born April 5, 1996, at 10:32 p.m. at King's Daughters Hospital in Ashland. He weighed 8 lbs. 7 oz. and was 22" long. The maternal grandparents are Rev. James and Shirley Powell of Ashland.

The paternal grandparents are Barney and Phyllis Walker of Auxier Road, Prestonsburg.

He was welcomed home by his "big" sister, Hannah Blair.

## Attend Hale funeral

Relatives coming from a distance to attend the funeral of Eva Allen Hale include Joe Allen and Carol Horn and children, Elizabeth Ann, Jennifer Allison and Carolyn Nicole of Tullahoma, Tennessee; Bill and Sally Rhoads of Lexington; Ralph J. Allen; Mrs. Glenn Allen and Betty Allen of Louisville.

## Burke-Greene wedding

Joy Michelle Burke and

Richard Lee Greene were united in marriage Saturday afternoon, April 20, at the Katy Friend Freewill Baptist Church on Abbott Road, Prestonsburg.

Joy is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Ray Burke of Leander. Richard is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Greene of Prestonsburg.

## Visits friends here

Julia Curtis of Lawrenceburg, was here last weekend visiting friends and family. She was the houseguest of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Laven at their home on Central Avenue.

## Visit in Gatlinburg

Wayne and Julia Exley of Lake Village Drive, Prestonsburg spent the weekend in Gatlinburg, Tennessee, recently.

## Reenactment unit in television show

Members of the 5th Kentucky Confederate Civil War reenactment unit were actors in the recent KET show, "The Hatfield and McCoy Feud." The members are from Eastern Kentucky.

## Historical group holds meeting

The Floyd County Historical and Genealogical Society met Monday night, April 15, at the Floyd County Library.

Before the business session, a very special program was presented by Eddie Bailey who spoke on the history of Scotland and the Bagpipe. During the presentation, he played several selections on the bagpipe.

After the business session, a delightful Array of food, prepared by Janet and Red Rowe was served to members Brenda McKenzie, Jim and Bertha Daniels, Sam Hatcher, Betsy Lambert, Bobby Wells, Russell Lee Whitlock, Aileen Hall, Marshall Davidson, William and Janet Rowe, Joy and Fred James, David Hereford, Robert Perry, Dearl Faye Holbrook, Eugene Cline and Francis and John K. Pitts.

## Attend Collins funeral

Relatives coming from a distance to attend the funeral of Gorman Collins, Sr. include Betty M. Hager, Ann J. Watson, James Heston of Louisa; Pam Collins

and Daniel Patterson of Versailles; Jack and Gaye Merritt and Ginger and Jerry Merritt of Abingdon, Virginia; Norma Jean Vaughn, Rose Marie Collins, Steve Collins, Tim Collins, Alta H. Leslie, George E. Evans Jr., Patty Evans King, Mary Jo Johnson and Joy Rasnick Harris of Lexington; Crissy Stapleton of Hazard; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Stapleton of London; Richard and Lurlie Howard of Winchester; Phyllis and Don Jordon of Cincinnati, Ohio and Mr. and Mrs. Ken Robinson of Paintsville.

## Wiley-Matthews wedding

Susann Day Wiley and Jason David Matthews were united in marriage on Saturday afternoon, April 20, at the New Hope Missionary Baptist Church in Wilson, North Carolina.

Miss Wiley is the daughter of Harriett Ann and Richard Wiley of Cary, North Carolina and the granddaughter of the late Harry and Kitty Sandige of Prestonsburg.

## 85th birthday

Goldie Short Williams was honored on her 85th birthday with an Open House at her home in Allen on Saturday, April 20.

The dining room was decorated with spring flowers and a special arrangement of spring flowers was a gift from Larry, Judy, and daughters, Carolyn and Clarissa.

A group of friends, family and church friends called throughout the day bringing gifts and best wishes to Goldie. Several who could not attend sent cards and made phone calls to her.

The hosts for this occasion were Larry, Judy and her care givers.

Mrs. Williams thanked everyone for attending and stated this was "Her best birthday ever."

## Surprise birthday

Don Willis was surprised by his friends who helped him celebrate his birthday after the meeting of Adah Chapter Order of the Eastern Star at the Masonic Hall in Prestonsburg, recently.

## Chapter inspection

Judy Miller, Worthy Grand Matron of the Order of the Eastern Star made an official

inspection of Adah Chapter No. 24 in Prestonsburg on Monday night, April 15. More than sixty members were present.

## Hosts luncheon

Burieta Gearhart entertained members of the Eastern Star to a luncheon at her home on South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg last week. Guests were Worthy Grand Matron Judy Miller, Barbara Gullett, Mel and Ann Dukes, Nancy Poskas, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Prunuske, Julia Fannin, Joyce Hall, Don and Shelby Willis, Janie Curry, Joyce Short Allen, Belle Conn, Lois May, Julia Curtis and Hollie Blanton.

## Easter visitors

Angeline Reatherford Gull-edge of Tallahassee, Florida, formerly of Prestonsburg, visited her daughter Toni Collins and grandchildren, Savannah and Elizabeth, of Abbott Creek for the Easter holiday.

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## Dispatch Logs

### April 8

4:30 p.m. — Caller reported that a car had been stolen at Wal-Mart parking lot.  
7:50 p.m. — Domestic disturbance. Caller reported an argument at Social Insurance Department.  
10:23 p.m. — Caller reported a possible DUI heading toward Prestonsburg on North 23.

### April 9

7:57 a.m. — Caller advised that there was an accident without injuries at the 80 bypass over U.S. 23.  
12:29 p.m. — Caller reported a drunk person at City Hall.  
4:45 p.m. — Caller reported a hit-and-run at Prestonsburg Village parking lot.  
6:23 p.m. — Sheriff's office reported to city police that a Jeep had been traveling North U.S. 23 toward Prestonsburg more than 100 miles per hour.  
7:56 p.m. — Caller reported an accident without injuries at the University Drive entrance to Prestonsburg Community College.  
10:09 p.m. — Caller advised that a suspicious subject was behind the Wal-Mart and Winn Dixie area.

### April 10

9:49 p.m. — Caller advised that someone had stolen money from purses at Department of Social Services.  
10:43 a.m. — Caller reported an accident without injuries involving one vehicle in front of Cardinal Mart.  
9:50 p.m. — Caller advised that a coal truck and another truck had wrecked on U.S. 23.  
10:40 p.m. — Caller reported that a fight was in progress behind the Pizza Hut parking lot.

### April 11

2:24 p.m. — Caller reported a theft from his home in the Lancer area.  
3:00 p.m. — Caller advised that a fight with weapons, namely guns, was in progress at Highland's Plaza.  
3:20 p.m. — Caller reported a brush fire approximately .7 miles on Corn Fork.  
6:15 p.m. — Caller reported a brush fire on old Abbot Road.  
8:16 p.m. — Caller advised that a male subject was having trouble breathing at his residence on North Lake Drive.  
9:09 p.m. — Caller reported a fire close to a house on Abbot Mountain.

### April 12

12:12 p.m. — Caller advised that a forest fire was getting close to a residence with propane tanks on Sally Stevens Branch.  
3:43 p.m. — Caller reported a brush fire burning a graveyard and fence on Corn Fork.  
3:35 p.m. — Caller advised of an accident with injuries. Ambulance service dispatched to the scene. Patients transported to Highlands Regional Medical Center.  
8:14 p.m. — Caller reported a domestic argument at Pizza Hut.  
8:50 p.m. — Caller reported a fire at Corn Fork.  
10:05 p.m. — Caller advised that there was an accident without injuries at Jenny Wiley Video.  
11:00 p.m. — Caller reported a possible DUI on North Lake Drive.

### April 13

12:00 a.m. — Caller advised that drunks were driving on North Lake Drive.  
10:40 p.m. — Caller reported a brush fire at Cliffside Apartments.  
2:14 a.m. — Caller reported that a possible DUI was on South U.S. 23 from Holiday Inn.  
1:05 p.m. — Caller reported that a brush fire on Corn Fork was burning a cabin.  
5:00 p.m. — Caller advised that there was a two car accident without injuries on Cooley Street.  
6:56 p.m. — Caller advised of an accident without injuries at SuperAmerica on North Lake Drive.  
9:47 p.m. — Caller reported a possible DUI on 114 headed into Prestonsburg.

## Marriages

Stephanie Waynette Johnson, 18, of McDowell and Chi Coby Spears, 20, of McDowell; Brandi Jimison, 21, of Harold and Adam D. Gearheart, 23, of Harold; Rhonda L. Conn, 20, of Dana and Roger D. Bevins Jr., 27, of Printer; Vanessa D. Castle, 21, of Hueysville and Stanley Howard, 23, of Hueysville; Uyvonna C. Ray, 45, of

Paintsville and Charles R. Burchett, 37, of Prestonsburg; Joy Michelle Burke, 20, of Leander and Richard Lee Greene, 23, Prestonsburg; Terry S. Kinney, 30, of Ivel and Jamie Morris, 32, of Regina; Lora Marie Vance, 32, Prestonsburg and Terry Alan Myers, 33, of Prestonsburg.

## Property Transfers

Independent Professional Underwriters Inc. to Joe D. Weddington, property location not listed; Joe D. Weddington to the City of Wheelwright, property in Wheelwright; James E. Greer and Faye D. Greer to Mid-State Trust IV, property at Fisher Branch Road; Mid-State Trust IV to Jim Walters Homes Inc., property location not listed; Vernon Flannery and Doris Flannery to Pauline Barnett, property at Bucks Branch; Dewey Shepherd to James P. Shepherd, property at Middle Creek; Gwen Gaile to Eddie Boyd and Betty Boyd, property at Prater Creek; Era H. Ratliff to Betty H. Porter, property location not listed;  
Raymond Eugene Hall and Martha Hall to Kinbag Development Company, property location not listed; Robert Daniel and Lois Jean Daniel to Brian Wallace and Meredith Wallace, property at East Point; J. B. Boyd to Cliff Jarrell, property location not listed; Mary Rose and Billy J. Rose to Brandykeg Freewill Baptist Church, property on Brandykeg Creek; Bill Frazier and Rosemary Frazier and Velma F. Rose to Lucy Ousley and Estill Ousley, property at Spurlock Fork;  
Joe D. Weddington to Thomas G. Pridham and Edna Lee Pridham, property on Brandykeg Creek; Billy Joe Justice and Connie Sue Justice to Michael Adkins, property location not listed;  
Jack Hamilton and Carol Palmer Hamilton to Ervin Hamilton Jr., property near Price; Paul E. Hamilton and Ervin Hamilton Jr. to Paul E. Hamilton and Ervin Hamilton Jr., property location not listed; Dearl Faye Holbrook to Jessica Holbrook Shepherd, property at West Prestonsburg; Dearl Faye Holbrook to Jessica Holbrook Shepherd, property at West Prestonsburg; Pauline H. Barnett, Judy Wireman, Debbie Hayes, Delmar Barnett, and Ronald Barnett to Vernon and Doris Flannery, property at Bucks Branch;  
Tina Renea Samons and Anna Sue Samons to Kirby Samons and Debra Samons with remainder in fee simple to Tina Renea Samons and Anna Sue Samons, property location not listed; Charlie Barney Harris, Juanita Harris Hicks and Curtis Hicks to Charlie Harris and Edna Harris, property on Corn Fork of Brandy Keg Creek; Harlis Neal Frasure and Eva Mae Frasure, Lois Eugene Frasure and Betty Lou Frasure to Don Orton Frasure and Loretta Frasure, property on Prater Fork of Brush Creek; Gary Tackett and Margaret Tackett to Nancy Tackett, property location not listed;  
Clyde F. Meadows and Carolyn S. Meadows to Elva Endicott and Jennifer Endicott, property location not listed; Boone Frasure and Brenda Frasure and Ronaldo Frasure and Betty S. Frasure to Mark Frasure and Lyla Frasure, property location not listed; Edith Staggs to James Staggs, property on Steeles Creek; Ivan Boyette and Margaret Boyette to Jim Boyette and Donna Boyette, property at Prater Creek; Aaron B. Hamilton and Daisy Hamilton to Aaron B. Hamilton and Daisy Hamilton, property on Big Mudd Creek; Lorraine Ousley to Mark P. Caruso and Barbara Caruso, property at Mays Branch; Casey Duncan and Kelly Renee Duncan to Earl Duncan, property on Abbott Creek; Gary Wright and Imelda Wright to Dan Rowland with Gary Wright and Imelda Wright as tenants in common for and during their joint lives with the remainder to the survivor of them, property at Prestonsburg;  
Dallas Garrett and Irene Garrett to Tracy Lee Lowe, property at Calf Creek; Robert Spaulding and Joan Spaulding, Jerry Lowe and Wanda June Lowe, Epp Banks Jr. and Pam Banks to Clyde Franklin Meadows and Carolyn Sue Meadows, property at Prater Creek; Robert Lee Burchett and Roslyn Burchett, Tom Oak McQuire and Orella McQuire to James C. Sparks and Marjorie G. Sparks, property at Middle Creek; Rodolph Burchett to Joan George, property location not listed.

*Editor's Note: Restaurant inspections are made by Floyd County Health Department public environmentalists John L. Bailey and Russell Wallace.*

- Auxier Elementary, 91: Outside dumpsters not covered. Floors and ceilings need repair. No self-closing door in girls' restroom. Hall floors and ceilings need repairs.
- Auxier Elementary Cafeteria, 94: One thermometer not properly working. Some tables in bad repair. Floor needs repair. Ceiling needs repair. No lid on outside dumpster.
- Burger King, Allen: Follow-up visit, not rated. Critical item corrected. Hamburgers are now being held at 161°F — well above the requirement of 140°F. Other violations not corrected. They are: proper hair restraints not in use; and rubber mats on food preparation floor. Facility appears very clean.
- Our Place, 94: Proper hair restraints not in use. Ice cream freezer door in bad repair. Wiping cloths on table. Faucet leaking on three-compartment sink. Floor needs repair. Ceilings in bad repair.
- Midtown Market, Auxier, 97 in deli and 99 in retail: No hair restraints in use. Plastic spoons and forks improperly stored. Floor needs repair.
- W.D. Osborne Elementary Cafeteria, 98: One drawer in cabinet series not working properly. Floor tiles in disrepair. No critical violations observed during inspection.
- W.D. Osborne Elementary, 92: Door closures not functioning properly in boys' primary section restroom and boys' eighth grade restroom. These doors do not close properly. Shades partially missing in special education classroom. Several classrooms have lights out. Floors in disrepair in several sections of the school. Classrooms and restrooms, especially, are clean and well maintained.
- Osborne's Pizza and Restaurant, 95: Refrigerator units should have thermometers. Proper hair restraints not in use. No soap or towels at handwash sink. Faucet in restroom in bad repair. Facility has been remodeled and looks good.
- Hi-Lite Pizza and Restaurant, 97: Proper hair restraints not in use. Floor in food preparation area in slight disrepair. Mop bucket and mop stored in dry storage area close to onion bin. Facility is very clean. Very few violations observed.
- Hall's Community Market, Bypro, follow-up visit: Critical violation has been corrected. Other violations not corrected include wiping cloths not stored in sanitary

solution; floors need repair and ceilings need repairs.

• Hinkle's Stop & Shop, McDowell, 92 in deli and 95 in retail: Hot dogs and sauce were being stored at marginal temperature of 136°F-138°F. Temperature was turned up to required 140°F temperature.  
Refrigeration and freezer units should have thermometers. Proper hair restraints not in use. Fan guard

missing in walk-in storage area. Also fan guards need cleaning. No soap or towels provided in the restroom. Food preparation floor has rugs and is in slight disrepair. Ceilings in slight disrepair. No light in walk-in freezer.  
• Prestonsburg Inn, 88: Floors and ceilings need repair. Entries and exterior need repairs. Exit doors open inward. No security locks.

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## Restaurant Inspections



# Cumberland Gap retrospect

In June of 1886, Harper's Magazine published an article titled, "Through Cumberland Gap on Horseback," written by James Lane Allen.

Within the article Allen wrote of the incalculable mineral and timber resources of the tri-state region and described his impressions of the Gap where he slept beneath the shadows of the Pinnacle.

"It was late in the afternoon when our tired horses began the long, winding, rocky climb from the valley to the brow of the pass.

"As we stood in the passway of Cumberland Gap, amid deepening shadows of the twilight and the solemn repose of the landscape, the air grew thick with ghostly utterances—primeval sounds, undistinguishable and strange, of creatures nameless and never seen by man; the wild rush, and whoops of retreating and pursuing tribes; the slow steps of watchful pioneers; the wail of dying children and the songs of homeless women; the muffled tread of routed and broken armies, all the sounds of surprise and delight, victory and defeat and hunger and pain, weariness and despair, that the human heart can utter.

"Here passed the first of all the white race who led the way into the valley of the Cumberland; here passed that small band of fearless men who gave the Gap its name; here passed the Long Hunters; here rushed the armies of the Civil War; here has passed the wave of westerly migration, whose force has spent itself only on the Pacific slopes; and here in the long future must flow backward and forward wealth beyond the dream of avarice."

Alexander Arthur read the article and within days he rode into Claiborne County by way of the pioneer route from Bean Station.

He recognized the vast resources available and returned to England to secure working capital. The American Association was formed.

Arthur knew a transportation network had to be built. Early in 1888, he and his subordinates contracted to have the railroad from Knoxville to Cumberland Gap laid and August 1, 1889, was set as the completion date.

Road crews worked along the 65-mile stretch and tunnelling work began on both the Kentucky and Tennessee sides of Cumberland Gap. A crew made up of hundreds of blacks, Italians and native white laborers were hired and began excavating beneath Cumberland Mountain.

Tents and quickly-built houses were put up. Stores, saloons, sawmills, blacksmiths, hotels and boarding houses were built and they prospered. It resulted in a new town which took its name from the famous pass, Cumberland Gap. Within two years a dozen other towns were spawned in the immediate area.

The year 1889 was a year of prosperity which found the tri-state area in a beehive of activity. In addition to tunnelling and railroad work, Middlesborough was being laid out and built.

Thousands of adventurers and seekers of fortunes came to Cumberland Gap and to Middlesborough on the opposite side of the mountain. Engineers, scientists, capitalists, historians, writers, actors, con men, gamblers, men and women in all walks of life con-

verged on the area of new development.

The directors of the first World's Fair considered 'the valley near Cumberland Gap' as its site. Although included in the final vote, the area of the historical pass was not selected.

When it appeared the Cumberland Mountain railroad tunnel project would fall behind schedule, Arthur considered running a temporary rail line over the top of the Gap. But the 7/8's-mile tunnel was completed on time.

Arthur was on hand the night of August 8, 1889, when the crews digging from both sides of the mountain met beneath the gap. It had taken 18 months.

When the crews met beneath the mountain it set off a massive celebration sending nearly everyone on a spree. Train whistles screamed and rifles and pistols shot into the air. The saloons along Cumberland Mountain in Virginia were busy with revelers.

The western tip of Lee County, Virginia, reaching up to the Pinnacle received the name Hell's Half Acre. Drinking, gambling, carousing and debauchery was rampant. Officers couldn't maintain order because violators would step from one state jurisdiction to another. It was a dangerous time as highwaymen lurked along the mountain and held up and/or assaulted those passing by. Crossing the gap through Hell's Half Acre became so hazardous that few ventured across without being well armed. Many people discontinued use of the road and chose to hike through the tunnel instead, although several lives were lost in doing so. The tragic financial collapse of the 1890's brought on by the failure of the Behring Bank of England and the panic of 1893, shattered the dreams of many area promoters and businessmen. Arthur and the American Association had a pipeline to the Behring vaults and when the bank was hard hit financially, the foreign investment stopped and the tri-state area began its downward spiral.

Middlesborough became a ghost city whose population shrank from 10,000 to 2,000. Half-built industrial plants were left sprawled over the area. The magnificent, newly-erected, 700-room Four Seasons Hotel in Harrogate was razed and sold for salvage.

The importance of coal and the Cumberland Gap passageway eventually led to stability in the tri-state economy but the coal industry has suffered greatly in recent years.

Magnificent twin tunnels beneath Cumberland Mountain are presently nearing completion. Highway 58 is now being four-laned from Cumberland Gap to the Atlantic Ocean, Highway 25E has been four-laned from Corbin to Middlesboro and the Tennessee section will soon be completed.

There will be a grand opening of the tunnels on October 18, 1996, and many believe it will signal a new era—an era of new prosperity for the region.

\*Jadon Gibson is a free-lance writer from Harrogate, Tennessee. His writings, *From the Mountains*, are both historical and nostalgic in nature. Don't miss a single issue.

## FROM THE MOUNTAINS by Jadon Gibson



## Sunshine

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Senior citizens, now that the days are longer and the days and nights are warmer, one might ask, "Why talk about energy assistance for next winter? Others might be thinking, "The energy assistance program was eliminated in March. Why should I get excited about the possibility of receiving assistance next winter?"

Many who needed help last winter will still need it next winter. Other senior citizens, who have not requested help in the past, may find that next winter they need assistance.

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Though neither Carol Napier, your Benefits Counseling Coordinator in the Big Sandy region, nor myself, have received formal notification from either Washington or Frankfort that funds will be made available to assist low-income people with heating and weatherization next year, it is our understanding that the Clinton Administration has released \$180 million to assist low-income families next winter. \$2.5 million of this has been earmarked for Kentucky. That's great news!

If we are faced with another fierce winter in Appalachia, like the one we just experienced, it's nice to know that there just might be some help for some of us.

I encourage you to write our president and congre-

ssmen/women a simple, yet warm note of appreciation. Not only will he or she feel honored that you took the time to thank him/her, it will be a reminder to all who make laws that affect our standard of living, that senior citizens on fixed incomes barely survive. Our needs should not be forgotten. Today's senior citizens built this country. Our lawmakers should always be mindful of the debt owed to deserving older Americans for the sacrifices you made.

For more detailed information about qualifications, guidelines and signing up for energy assistance next year, contact the Community Action Program

(CAP) office serving your county. If you do not know which office to call, contact Carol, at 886-3876 or toll-free at 1-800-556-3876. She will also be able to provide you with your congressman/woman's address.

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110	Windows95 - New Users	3 1/2 hours	9:00 a.m.-May 2 1:30 p.m.-May 8,17,20,24,29 5:00 p.m.-5
111	Windows 3.1	3 1/2 hours	9:00 a.m.-May 22 1:30 p.m.-May 10, 13, 15, 31 5:00 p.m.-May 2, 20, 24
112	Windows95 - Transition for 3.1 Users	3 1/2 hours	9:00 a.m.-May 8, 15, 31 1:30 p.m.-May 2, 22 5:00 p.m.-May 10, 13, 29
200	WordPerfect 5.1 - Level 1	3 1/2 hours	1:30 p.m.-May 28 5:00 p.m.-May 14
210	WordPerfect 6.1 - Level 1	3 1/2 hours	9:00 a.m.-May 7, 14 1:30 p.m.-May 7, 14 5:00 p.m.-May 21
211	Word 6.0 - Level 1	3 1/2 hours	1:30 p.m.-May 9
212	Word 7.0 - Level 1	3 1/2 hours	9:00 a.m.-May 9,16 1:30 p.m.-May 30
300	Excel 7.0 - Level 1	3 1/2 hours	1:30 p.m.-May 21 5:00 p.m.-May 7
310	Lotus 1-2-3, 5.0 - Level 1	3 1/2 hours	9:00 a.m.-May 21 1:30 p.m.-May 16
400	Powerpoint 4.0 - Level 1	3 1/2 hours	9:00 a.m.-May 23,30
500	Microsoft Works	3 1/2 hours	9:00 a.m.-May 28 5:00 p.m.-May 28
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# Births

## HIGHLANDS REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

April 9: A son, Andrew Morgan, to Melanie Lee and Delbert Bailey Jr., of Salyersville.

April 10: A son, Wesley David Johnson, to Jessica Elizabeth Ray of Prestonsburg.

April 11: A son, Tristen Michael, to Tracet and Michael Salyer of Oil Springs; a son, Brian Allen Johnson, to Brandy Ratliff of Tram.

April 12: A daughter, Kelsey Morgan Viola, to Jeffrey and Jacqueline Dean of Inez.

April 13: A daughter, Hillary Rasha, to Douglas Edward and Janet Lynn Blair of East Point.

April 14: A son, Austin Blake, to Rhonda Denise Blanton of West Liberty; a son, Nicholes Lee, to Melody L. and Rufus Bowen of Warfield.

April 15: A daughter, Katlin Hope, to Denise Jean and Bobby Lee Preston of Inez; a son, Jared Christopher, to Delana Ann and Charles Christopher Albright of Prestonsburg.

## PIKEVILLE METHODIST HOSPITAL

April 2: A son, Harley Dean, to Debra Lynn and Hurley Dean Bryant; a son, William Nathaniel, to Rebecca Jean and William Thannel Chaney.

April 3: A daughter, Courtney Renee, to Juanita June and Bobby Preston Conway; a son, Zachary Tyler, to Michelle Lynn Woods; a daughter, Kelsie Brooke, to Deanna Lynn and Eddie Dean Fuller; a son, Tildon Payne, to Kimberly Michelle and Bradley Keith Johnson.

April 4: A son, Dakota James, to Ddra Lynn and James Edward Hamilton.

April 5: A daughter, Courtney Danielle, to Rhonda Sue and Wade Bailey Gullett; a son, Marcus Tyler, to Heather and Mark Randall Murphy.

April 6: A daughter, Ashley Joyce Bentley, to Patricia Lynn Hylton and Michael Carl Bentley; a son, Brandon Douglas, to Misty Dawn Adkins and Carl Douglas Collins.

April 7: A son, Gage Edward, to Dewania and Bruce Edward Morrison; a son, Mason Del, to Angel Mae and Joshua Lee Bryant; a son, Dalton Ryder, to Amy Dawn

and Bradley James Moore.

April 8: A son, Matthew Dalton, to Gena Ranae and Matthew Boyd Adkins; a daughter, Lindsey Erin, to Lisa Ann and Charles Brent Woods.

April 9: A son, Jonathan David, to Martha Gail Rogers; a son, Gregory Chase, to Lisa Ann and Gregory Lee Syck; a son, Zachary Robert, to Mary Ann and Curtis Raymond Meek.

April 12: A son, Alex Mikel, to Elizabeth Kathryn and Michael Dean Wright.

April 13: A daughter, Kaitlyn Brooke, to Anita Gay and Jeffery Scott Haynie; a daughter, Morgan La'Tina, to Tambara Lynn and Bradly Morgan Ratliff; a daughter, Stephanie Erin, to Nila May and David Allen Harris.

April 14: A daughter, Kelsey Brooke, to Ellena Lynn and Lawrence Adam Smith.

April 16: A son, Cody Daryl, to Thonda Melissa and Eric Bruce Estep; a son, Allen Chase Hampton, to Monet Vadece Burke and Gary Don Hampton; a son, Jonathan Austin, to Virginia Lea Henderson; a daughter, Michayla Terise, to Michelle and Terry

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April 17: A son, William Douglas Jack, to Amanda Leigh and Elmer Douglas Coleman.

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# Health Matters

## WARM WEATHER WARNING; KEEP YOUR BODY HYDRATED

The warm weather has finally arrived in Eastern Kentucky. This means that many individuals will exercise or work outdoors in the heat. While warm weather may be appealing, it also can be very dangerous. Heat-related illnesses will lead to the death of many Americans who do not take proper precautions.

There are several factors that place an individual at higher risk for heat illnesses. The first risk factor is a previous episode of heat illnesses. Obese individuals, infants, young children, adolescents and the elderly are also at higher risk. Other risk factors for heat illnesses include certain medications, illnesses, alcohol consumption and genetics.

There are several precautions that you can take to reduce risk for heat illnesses. The most important action is to stay adequately hydrated. Someone who exercises or works outdoors for an hour in the heat may lose up to two liters of water through perspiration. You should consume eight glasses of water a day, regardless of the weather.

In addition, drink at least 16 ounces of water for every pound of

weight lost during exercise or work in the heat. Additional water may be necessary if the urine is not clear. Never allow thirst to be a gauge of hydration level since the human body does not become thirsty until it has lost at least one liter of water.

You can also reduce risk for heat illnesses by avoiding work outside and exercise between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. White- or light-colored clothing may also help prevent body temperature from rising dangerously high. Allow 14 days to adapt to increased temperatures. During this time, decrease physical activity outdoors, and then gradually increase it over the next two weeks.

Recognizing the early signs of heat illness is vital to preventing heatstroke, which can be deadly. Heat stress is marked by fatigue, pale skin and dizziness.

Untreated heat stress progresses to heat exhaustion. Symptoms include cool, clammy skin; extreme thirst; decreased coordination and increased perspiration. Someone with these symptoms should be moved to a cool area and given plenty of water while medical attention is sought.

Heatstroke occurs when heat exhaustion is untreated. The body's cooling mechanism shuts down, sweating ceases, body temperature

rises sharply and coma and death may follow. Heatstroke is a true medical emergency. If you suspect someone is suffering from heatstroke, call for emergency medical personnel immediately.

In conclusion, use common sense when exercising and/or working outdoors. Be extra cautious if you have a condition that places you at higher risk for heat illnesses. Monitor children closely and insist they drink water (soda and other sugary or caffeinated drinks are not as effective). Fluid replacement is the most effective method to reduce the risk for heat illnesses. Finally, be alert to the symptoms of heat illness and take any needed measures promptly.

Tip of the Week: Drink two glasses of water for every one pound of weight lost due to perspiration.

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# Weddings/Engagements



**55th anniversary celebrants**

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Reed Sr. of Hueysville celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary on April 22.



Brandi Myrea Jimison  
Adam Douglas Gearheart

## Jimison, Gearheart will wed

Mr. and Mrs. Larry W. Jimison and Mr. and Mrs. Paul D. Gearheart announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their children, Brandi Myrea and Adam Douglas.

Brandi is the granddaughter of Pete and Billie Jimison of Logan, West Virginia, and Don and Edith Wells of Blaine. She is a 1992 graduate of Burch High School. She attended Pikeville College and is employed at WPRG in Harold.

Adam is the grandson of Paul

and Elaine Gearheart of Harold and Martha Clark of Honaker and the late Kenis Clark. He is a 1991 graduate of Betsy Layne High School and attended the University of Kentucky and Pikeville College. He is president of WXLR/WXKZ radio stations at Harold.

The couple will be united in an open church wedding on April 27 at the Betsy Layne Freewill Baptist Church.

(Photo courtesy of Virtual Visions Photography.)

## Renewal of vows

Tonia Michelle Vance Anderson, daughter of Larry and Patricia Vance of Prestonsburg, and Phillip Lee Anderson, son of JoAnn Sammons of Martin and Ralph Anderson of Michigan, will celebrate their first year of marriage by renewing their wedding vows in a spring wedding ceremony, Sunday, May 19, at 3 p.m., at the Seventh Day Adventist Church of Prestonsburg. A reception will be held at the Holiday Inn.

## Yesterdays

(Continued from page C 1)

ing a field of 21 other school spelling titlists...Right-handers John "Wimpy" Clark and Oscar "O" Rice were the winning Blackcat hurlers for Coach "Toodles" Wells baseball team as Prestonsburg ran its record to 5-0 by copping a doubleheader from the Martin Purple Flash Monday...Married: Miss Kathleen Stumbo Prater, of McDowell, and Mr. Paul E. Willis, of South Point, O., April 5 at the First Baptist Church, Pound, Virginia...There died: Latt Damron, 47, of Ivel, Friday at Holzer Hospital, Gallipolis, O.; the Rev. William H. Sledge, who in 1907 led the revival at the courthouse here which resulted in the founding of the Irene Cole Memorial Baptist Church, April 15 in Miami, Fla.; James M. Chaney, 85, of Wayland, April 18 at the Golden Years Rest Home, Lackey; Mrs. Sarah Riley, 86, of Amba, Saturday at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin; R. B. Click, 53, of Martin, Saturday at the C.&O. hospital, Huntington, W. Va.; Miss May Fife, 39, formerly of Floyd County, last Thursday at an Akron, O., hospital; Ike Stephens, 72, of Manton, Monday in Howell, Michigan; Lee Stephens, 58, of Atwood, Ind., formerly of Hueysville, last Wednesday at Warsaw, Indiana.

### Forty Years Ago (April 26, 1956)

A booming international trade has brought to life the Eastern Kentucky coal business, and prospects are that it will keep it alive, David L. Francis, president of the Princess Elkhorn Coal Company, told the Pecco Foreman's Club at a recent meeting...Figures released by Laban Jackson, conservation commissioner, showed that Dewey Lake State Park last year had a net loss of \$22,930...M. V. Clark, administrator of the Floyd County Health Department, announced Wednesday that the last series of mass polio clinics to be held in Floyd County have been scheduled for the week of May 7...Next to Pike, Floyd County had the heaviest population loss from migration among the 10 counties of Eastern Kentucky that suffered worst last year for this reason...Married: Miss Shirley Ann Porter, formerly of Drift, and Alfred T. Russell Jr., of Lexington, March 31 in Jeffersonville, Ind.; Miss Jimmy Pitchford, of Allen County, and Mr. Ronald Hicks, of Allen...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Edward H. Brown, a daughter, Kathlene Ann, April 12 at Honolulu, Hawaii...There died: Garrett Slone, 70, Monday at his home at Allen; A-3C Philemon Brown, 21, formerly of McDowell, April 18 in a car wreck in Portland, Oregon; Mrs. Rebecca Belcher, 71, of Halo, Monday at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin; Jimmy D. Salisbury, 66, of Hunter, April 11 at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin; Mrs. Hazel Thompson Hibbons, 56, native of the Sowders Creek section, Monday at a Lexington hospital; Wesley Conley, 79, of Bonanza, Tuesday at home.

### Fifty Years Ago (April 25, 1946)

Bus transportation in a 10-county area remained paralyzed this week as negotiations to settle the 10-day-old strike of Kentucky-Virginia Stages employees ended Tuesday in a complete breakdown...Pharoah and Noah Johnson, Wheelwright brothers, Friday were awarded bronze medals and diplomas by the Joseph A. Holmes Safety Association in recognition of their heroism in rescuing another miner, Willard Stanley, when he was trapped under fallen rock in the Inland Steel Company mine at Wheelwright...Floyd County's third bank, The First Guaranty, will open at Martin soon after May 1...Mrs. Oma Ash "Ma" Haywood, 71, of Dwale, was struck and killed by a train last Sunday morning near Dwale. This was the second death in as many Sundays in this county involving C.&O. passenger train No. 36...Striking employees of the Ryan Construction Company at the Dewey Dam returned to work last Friday following negotiations between the firm and the workers' organized labor spokesman...Married: Miss Betty Herrell, of Waterloo, Ohio, and Mr. Robert L. Spurlock, Prestonsburg, March 30 at Ashland...Born: to County Superintendent and Mrs. Town Hall, a son, Town Hall Jr., April 23 at the Paintsville General Hospital; to Sgt. and Mrs. Russell Elliott, a daughter, Diana Evelyn, April 17...There died: Mrs. Mima Hughes, 35, of Hippo, at the Gearheart Hospital, Martin, Monday; Mrs. Beatrice Auxier Rice, 49, of East Point, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital, Wednesday; Baxter Wallen, 80, at home on Stone Coal Creek, April 3.

### Sixty Years Ago (April 24, 1936)

Melvin Ousley, of Risner, was shot and killed Sunday afternoon on Alum Lick...Morrow Brown, 22, of Auxier, is in critical condition in a Paintsville hospital as the result of a knife wound in his side received during a fight Saturday night at Auxier...Meetings in the various communities of the county will be held by County Agent S. L. Isbell during this week and next to acquaint farmers with the new soil conservation program...Prestonsburg's police department was directed by the city council at its meeting Tuesday night to put existing traffic ordinances into effect under strict enforcement, with a \$5 fine to be meted out to violators...A. C. Scott and E. L. Weems, Greenville, Tennessee, were here this week making preparations for the opening of Mr. Scott's store in the Odd Fellow's building...Jimmy, son of R. T. Allen and Mrs. Cat Allen, received head injuries when struck by a car Wednesday at West Prestonsburg...Married: Miss Elizabeth Butler, of Paintsville, and Mr. J. W. Leake, of Prestonsburg, April 4 at Lowmansville...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. John E. Jenkins, of Glo, a son, Van Ransler Jenkins, April 19 at a Maysville, hospital...There died: F. N. "Bud" Tackett, 65, of Fed, former deputy jailer, Thursday at Prestonsburg.

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# Business/Real Estate

## Business with past adds new chapter to its history

by Janice Shepherd  
Managing Editor

Castle's Jewelry and Gifts branched out to Prestonsburg last week when it opened its new store in Prestonsburg Village.

The business opened Friday and is already receiving favorable comments from area residents.

"We've had a lot of people say they're real pleased we're here," Barbara Pugh said Monday. "We've have a good response to our giveaway."

Castle's will give away several major prizes during its grand opening celebration planned for May 6. Prizes include a carat cluster, blue topaz ring, and a solid rope chain.

"We don't sell hollow chains at our store. We just sell solid chains," Pugh said, explaining that the store sells quality products.

Castle's sells 10 and 14 K gold chains and Waterford crystal. They also sell watches such as Seiko, Bulova and Pulsar watches. They carry several different diamond lines, crystal, silverware, china and stoneware. Castle's also offers a bridal registry.

Castle's also does jewelry repair and sizes rings free. "The first time is free," Pugh said.

Castle's stands behind its products and, with 59 years of service to the Big Sandy area, its reputation precedes it to the Prestonsburg area.

Castle's began in a small, modest watch repair and jewelry shop on the corner of Main and Church Street in Paintsville. When Clarence Castle opened his small business, it wasn't the best time for new entrepreneurs. The nation was in the throes of the Great Depression and many businesses experienced failure.

But not Clarence Castle. His business thrived.

After a year and six months of advertising his products, Clarence Castle moved his business to a more visible location on College Street. He moved it again in 1942 to a larger location. In 1958, Clarence and his wife Cynthia moved the store to Main Street in Paintsville where it remained for many more years.

When Clarence died, his daughter Barbara and her husband Danny returned home to join Cynthia in the expanding jewelry business. Danny and Barbara opened a branch of the store at the Mayo Plaza in Paintsville in 1978. Castle's also opened a branch store in Prestonsburg in 1986, but the business moved to Pikeville in 1990.

Barbara and Danny's sons soon became involved in the fast-growing family business. Son Darrell manages the store located in the Weddington Square at Pikeville; Douglas manages the Paintsville store in Mayo Plaza; and David will head the business in Prestonsburg Village. Barbara and Danny? Most often, they can be found at the Mayo Plaza location.

The firm recently received a pat on the back from the people who are the most important part of its business — its customers. Castle's won three People Choice awards. Danny was named the best jewelry repairer and the store was awarded the best jewelry store and the best gift shop in the Big Sandy Valley.

Barbara Pugh expressed her appreciation to the Big Sandy community for making Castle's a success.

"Thanks to the support of our valued customers located in every county in Eastern Kentucky — and some in West Virginia — Castle's has grown from a small watch repair shop to one of the most respected and reliable jewelry and gift shops in Eastern Kentucky," she said.



### New business

Castle's Jewelry is back in Prestonsburg. The store opened last week in Prestonsburg Village. A grand opening celebration will be held May 6 and the store plans to give away a carat cluster.

## Estep named Certified Residential Specialist

Marcie Estep is a Certified Residential Specialist. Certified Residential Specialist, (CRS), is the highest designation awarded to a sales associate in the residential sales field. Less than 4 percent of realtors hold this designation.

For Estep to obtain her CRS designation, she had to graduate from the Realtor Institute, receiving her GRI designation. She sold over \$3 million dollars in homes sales, plus classroom course and elective credits.

She started her real estate career in 1991. In her career she has chaired membership and entertainment committee for the Big Sandy

Board of Realtors and worked on many other committees as well. She has been secretary and is now serving as a director for Big Sandy Board.

She has continued to build her business with education. She has received her GRI and her Real Estate Broker Licenses. She is currently serving her second term on the member services and regional professional standard committee on the state level. She also served on the GRI committee, Kentucky CRS committee and is Region VI Vice-President for the CRS Chapter.

She is affiliate broker for Action Auction and Realty in Prestonsburg.



### CRS

Marcie Estep, left, received a plaque noting her CRS distinction from Ruth Cox, Kentucky Chapter CRS representative.

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**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application No. 836-5346, Transfer**

In accordance with 405 KAR 8:010, notice is hereby given that Coal-Mac, Inc., P.O. Box 3428, Pikeville, KY 41502, intends to transfer permit number 836-5331 to The Elk Horn Coal Corporation, 415 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. The new permit number will be 836-5346. The operation disturbs 19.06 surface acres and will underlie 518.0 acres. No new acreage is affected by the transfer.

The operation is located 0.8 miles northwest of Blue Moon in Floyd County. The operation is approximately 0.4 miles southeast from KY 2030's junction with Gunstock Branch Road and located on Gunstock Branch. The operation is located on the McDowell U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map at latitude 37° 30' 47" and longitude 82° 42' 40".

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, KY 41653. Written comments

and objections must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. All comments or objections must be received within fifteen (15) days of today's date.

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-5033, Major Revision #3**

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Amber Coal Company, Inc., 29501 Mayo Trail, Catlettsburg, Kentucky 41129, has filed an application for a Major Revision #3, to an existing coal mining and reclamation operation. This Major Revision #3 proposes to have a land use change for Increments #1 and #2, from a forest land use to a residential lots for trailers landuse, and for Increments #3, #4, and #5, from a forest land use, to a wildlife habitat land use. This Major Revision #3 proposes to change the permit acreage by redesignating 0.88 acres, for a total surface acreage of 22.73 acres, but not changing the underground acreage of 1,188.63 acres, for a grand total of 1211.36 acres, located 1.0 mile north of Risner in Floyd County.

The proposed Major Revision #3 is approximately 0.3 mile east from KY 1210's junction with Johnson Fork County Road, and also lies adjacent to the west side of KY 1210, at the intersection of the subject roads. The Major Revision #3 lies on Johnson Fork Creek. The latitude is 37-36-04. The longitude is 82-50-24.

The proposed Major Revision #3 is located on the Martin 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be affected is owned by John E. Johnson, Roger Kirk and Ronald Frasure. Mining operations will occur within 100' of public roads, Johnson Fork County Road, and KY 1210, and will not involve relocation of the roads.

The Major Revision #3 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 41653-1410. Written comments, objections, and/or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

This is the final advertisement in this application. All comments, objections, and/or requests for a permit conference must be received within 30 days of today's date.

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. II CIVIL ACTION NO. 96-CI-00105**

**THE BANK JOSEPHINE OF PRESTONSBURG, KENTUCKY, Plaintiff vs. RICKY D. ADAMS and VICKIE L. ADAMS, his wife, ET AL., Defendants**

**NOTICE OF SALE**

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court rendered at the March 22, 1995 Term, in the above styled cause, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Courthouse door in Prestonsburg, Kentucky, to the highest and best bidder, at public auction, on the 8th day of May, 1996, at the hour of 11:00 a.m., same being a day of the regular term of the Floyd Circuit Court, on a credit of thirty (30) days at the rate of 12% per annum, the following described property to-wit: A certain tract or parcel

of land lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, on the waters of the Big Sandy River, which is more particularly described as follows:

Being Lots 9, 10, 11 and 12 in Section D of the G o b l e - R o b e r t s Subdivision as shown on a map or plat on file in the office of the clerk of the Floyd County Court one hundred (100) feet frontage back to railroad property. Deed includes the land, building, all inventory of stock, fixtures, appliances and anything not specifically mentioned that is now in use instrumental to conducting a retail grocery business.

Being the same property conveyed to Rick Adams and Vickie Adams, his wife, from Joan Whitaker and Donald B. Whitaker, her husband, by deed dated December 7, 1984, recorded in Deed Book 289, Page 556, Floyd County Clerk's Office.

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

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

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND, this 2nd day of April, 1996.

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**ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS PRESTONSBURG HIGH SCHOOL ASBESTOS ABATEMENT for the FLOYD COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION Prestonsburg, Kentucky**

The Floyd County Board of Education will receive bids for execution of the referenced project until 2:00 p.m. local time Wednesday, May 8, 1996, at the Superintendent's office, 69 Arnold Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653-1124, at which time all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. Proposals shall be submitted in duplicate on the proposal forms provided by the abatement consultant in a sealed envelope marked "Proposal for Asbestos Abatement, Prestonsburg High School."

A pre-bid conference will be held on Wednesday, May 1, 1996 at 11:00 a.m. at Prestonsburg High School. Interested parties shall meet at the front entrance to the high school.

The work includes the removal of vinyl tile and mastic, pipe insulation, boiler cement, and other materials. Roof abatement will be bid separately under the renovation contract for this site.

Plans, specifications and bidding forms may be examined at the following locations:

F.W. Dodge Corporation, 2525 Harrodsburg Road, Lexington, KY; F.W. Dodge Corporation, 303 N. Hurstbourne Lane, Louisville, KY; F.W. Dodge Corporation, 655 Eden Park, #515, Cincinnati, OH; Analytical Management, Inc., 2285 Executive Drive, Suite 100, Lexington, KY.

Plans, specifications and bidding forms may be obtained for a non-refundable cost of \$25 per set from Analytical Management, Inc. Bids shall be accompanied by a certified check or acceptable bid bond

payable to Floyd County Board of Education, in amount not less than 5% of bid. The successful bidder shall provide and pay for Performance/Labor and Material Payment Bonds.

The owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids or to waive informalities. Bids may not be withdrawn for 60 days after bid date.

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. II CIVIL ACTION NO. 94-CI-00378**

**CONSOL OF KENTUCKY, INC., Plaintiffs vs. BIG SANDY WHOLESALE COMPANY, ET AL., Defendants**

**NOTICE OF SALE**

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court rendered at the March 15, 1996 Term, in the above styled cause, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Courthouse door in Prestonsburg, Kentucky, to the highest and best bidder, at public auction, on the 8th day of May, 1996, at the hour of 9:30 a.m., same being a day of the regular term of the Floyd Circuit Court, on a credit of thirty (30) days at the rate of 12% per annum, the following described property to-wit:

A certain tract or parcel of land, containing 55 acres more or less, situated on Right Beaver Creek of Floyd County, Kentucky, and being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning on a gate post running an easterly direction to the top of the hill to a corner to Glo Coal Company land; thence with the middle of the ridge to Bill Triplett's line, corner to Bill Triplett and Earl Martin land; thence down the hill to Mack Keaton's line, a corner to Bill Triplett and Mack Keaton's line; thence to the beginning. Surface only.

Being the same property conveyed to Elizabeth Jane Salyers and James Salyers by deed dated January 6, 1903, recorded in Deed Book 006, Page 035, Floyd County Clerk's Office.

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

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

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**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION II CIVIL ACTION NO. 92-CI-229**

**VIRGINIA FOODS OF BLUEFIELD, Plaintiffs vs. TAYLOR PRICE, ET AL, Defendants**

**NOTICE OF SALE**

By virtue of an Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court rendered at the October 16, 1992 Term, and by Amended Order of Sale rendered at the October 2, 1995 Term, in the above styled cause, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Courthouse door in Prestonsburg, Kentucky, to the highest and best bidder, at public auction, on the 8th day of May, 1996, at the hour of 11:45 a.m., same being a

day of the regular term of the Floyd Circuit Court, on a credit of thirty (30) days at the rate of 12% per annum, the following described property to-wit being the 1/4 undivided interest of Taylor Price and Alta Price:

A certain tract or parcel of land lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, on Rice Branch, and being the same land conveyed to Taylor Price, by Dorothy Patrick and Marvin Patrick, her husband; Paul Williams and Bernice Williams, his wife; Patsy Trimble and Danny Trimble, her husband; and Nora Holbrook and Martin Holbrook, her husband; by deeds bearing dates May 24 and 27, 1986, which are duly recorded in Deed Books No. 320, pages 59 and 64, Floyd County Clerk's Office, containing 40 acres more or less.

First Tract: Beginning on a black walnut tree on top of high knob at head of Wolf Branch; thence down the ridge with Sonnie Collins' line to the gap; thence up the ridge with same Collins' line to top of high knob; thence down the ridge with same Collins' line to top of high knob; thence down the ridge to Hanner Lane line; down the hill to the branch; thence across the branch and up the other side of the hill to the beginning so as to include all land in said boundary.

Oil and gas rights excepted and not conveyed in this deed and the right to apply with said leases and parties of the second part is to have free gas for his benefit should a gas well be drilled on the above tract.

Second Tract: Beginning at a sycamore and running up the point with Oscar Prater's line to the top of the hill; thence up the ridge to Cleveland Adams' line; thence down the hill with said Adams' line to the branch; across the branch to a sugar tree; thence up the hill with said Adams' line to the top of the hill; thence down the point with Oscar Prater's line to a black oak; thence with Oscar Prater's line to the branch; thence across the branch to a stone; thence up the branch to the mouth of a drain; thence up the drain to the beginning.

The amount of money to be raised by this sale is more specifically set out in the Courts Order of October 16, 1992, and Amended Order of October 2, 1995, and includes costs of advertising of this sale and the fees and commissions for conducting this sale.

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

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**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION II CIVIL ACTION NO. 95-CI-00612**

**FIRST COMMONWEALTH BANK, Plaintiff vs. STERLING TACKETT and LEIGH ANN TACKETT, his wife; T & T EQUIPMENT COMPANY, INC.; STAN EQUIPMENT COMPANY; STANLEY TACKETT and STEPHANIE TACKETT, his wife; CAMPBELL OIL and MINE SUPPLY, INC.; FRANK**

SCHULTZ; THE BANK JOSEPHINE; COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY, REVENUE CABINET; THIRD NATIONAL BANK OF EAST TENNESSEE; AUSTIN POWDER COMPANY; JIMMIE ROGERS TIRE and AUTO PARTS, INC.; and FLOYD COUNTY, KENTUCKY, Defendants

**NOTICE OF SALE**

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court rendered at the December 28, 1995 Term, in the above styled cause, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Courthouse door in Prestonsburg, Kentucky, to the highest and best bidder, at public auction, on the 8th day of May, 1996, at the hour of 10:15 a.m., same being a day of the regular term of the Floyd Circuit Court, on a credit of thirty (30) days at the rate of 12% per annum, the following described property to-wit:

TRACT I

Being the same property conveyed to the parties of the first part, by deed dated the 17th day of May, 1983, from Drazie Reynolds, wife of Clifford Reynolds; Marcum Reynolds and Gilva Reynolds, his wife; Effert Reynolds and Venus Reynolds, his wife; Evelean Akers, single; Timothy Paul Reynolds and Shirley May Reynolds, his wife; Kathern Tackett and Paul Tackett, her husband; Joe Reynolds, Jr. and Charlotte Sue Reynolds, his wife; by their lawful attorney-in-fact Clifford Reynolds, Clifford Reynolds, husband of Drazie Reynolds, individually and Elsie Bell Conn and James A. Conn, her husband, which is duly recorded in Deed Book 243 at page 54, in the office of the Floyd County Clerk and is more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a steel mining roof bolt embedded in the ground on the east side of right-of-way of Kentucky 979; thence running with the east right-of-way said highway in a northerly direction a distance of approximately 540 feet to a stake as is shown on the aforesaid map; thence leaving the same right-of-way and running with the lines as is shown on said maps 76 degrees; 10'E to Corner No. 4, as shown on said map at a stake in a drain; thence N 83 degrees 00'E 89.62 feet to a stake; thence N 44 degrees 00' E 70 feet to a white walnut in the drain; thence continuing up the drain N 72 degrees 05'E 68.00 feet to a stake; thence S 67 degrees 56' E 240 feet to a stake; thence S 56 degrees 56' E 169.19 feet to a stake; thence S 59 degrees 54' E 173.54 feet to a stake; thence S 78 degrees 00' E 82.0 feet to a poplar in the drain; thence running in a straight line up the hill, S 88 degrees 38' E 639 feet to a lynn at the lick, a corner to Mary Hall, thence running with the line of Mary Hall, S 43 degrees 30' E 850 feet to a large hickory, a corner to William Newsome; thence N 89 degrees 15' W 2110 feet to an embedded mining roof bolt; thence N 70 degrees 15' W a distance of 200 feet to the beginning corner, containing 25.64 acres.

TRACT II

Being the same property conveyed to the parties of the first part, by deed dated the 2nd day of March, 1979, from Sterling Hamilton and Olga Hamilton, his wife, which is duly recorded in Deed Book 237, at page 367, in the office of the Floyd County Clerk and is more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a stake in the center of Mud Creek opposite gas well No. 814 belonging to the Ky & West Va. Gas Company said stake being corner No. 1 of said "Main Tract," thence leaving the creek and running with the lines of said "Main Tract," S 89 degrees 00' E 61.00 feet to a stake bearing S 8 degrees 30' E from said gas well; thence N 14 degrees 35' E 65.22 feet to a stake in a drain, thence running with the said drain 76 degrees 10' E to the west right-of-way line of Kentucky Route 979, thence leaving said drain and said lines of said "Main Tract" and running up and with the said west right-of-way line and run-

ning with said parallel line N 64 degrees 00' W, crossing Mud Creek to a point located 120.00 feet to a beech corner No. 62 of "Main Tract"; thence running with the line of "Main Tract," S 79 degrees 00' E 207.00 feet to a beech, corner No. 63, thence S 64 degrees 00' E 120.00 feet to a stake in Mud Creek, corner No. 64, thence running down Mud Creek to the beginning.

TRACT III

Being the same property conveyed to the parties of the first part, by deed dated the 17th day of May, 1983, from Drazie Reynolds, wife of Clifford Reynolds; Marcum Reynolds and Gilva Reynolds, his wife; Effert Reynolds and Venus Reynolds, his wife; Evelean Akers, single; Timothy Paul Reynolds and Shirley May Reynolds, his wife; Kathern Tackett and Paul Tackett, her husband; Joe Reynolds, Jr. and Charlotte Sue Reynolds, his wife; by their lawful attorney-in-fact Clifford Reynolds, Clifford Reynolds, husband of Drazie Reynolds, individually and Elsie Bell Conn and James A. Conn, her husband, which is duly recorded in Deed Book 279 at page 581, in the office of the Floyd County Clerk and is more particularly described as follows:

Beginning in the center of the creek at the concrete bridge; thence running with the center of the creek to Jay Lee Hamilton's line; thence across the bottom with Jay Lee Hamilton's line to the corner of the fence to Riley Reynolds' line; thence with Riley Reynolds' line up the hill to the top of the point; thence continuing to E.M. Tackett line; thence following E.M. Tackett's line to the center of the creek on Tackett Fork; thence following the center of the creek down the creek to the center of Big Mud Creek; thence following the center of Big Mud Creek to the beginning.

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All bids must be at the Floyd County Board of Education at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 2, 1996 for opening.

For further information, call James M. Osborne, Chief of Operations, Floyd County Board of Education, 886-2354.

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE**

The following item will be offered at public sale on May 3, 1996 at 11:00 a.m. at the Harold branch of the Bank Josephine, Harold, Kentucky:

1994 GMC Pickup, serial #1GTCS14Z4RK506597

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

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**NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE**

In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that MATT/Co., Inc., 432 Meadows Branch, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 has applied for Phase I Bond Release on permit number 836-5271 which was last issued on January 26, 1996. The

application covers an area of approximately 1.70 acres located 0.7 miles north of Dana in Floyd County.

The permit area is approximately 0.25 miles south from KY 1426's junction with Cecil Branch Road and located 0.5 miles west of Johnson Fork. The latitude is 37° 33' 48". The longitude is 82° 41' 27".

The bond now in effect is a surety for ten thousand dollars (\$10,000). Approximately sixty percent (60%) of the original bond amount of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) is included in this application for release.

Reclamation work performed includes: backfilling, final grading, seeding and mulching completed in May 1995.

This is the final advertisement of this application. Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by May 24, 1996.

A public hearing on this application has been scheduled for May 28, 1996 at 1:00 p.m. at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office located at 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653-1455. The hearing shall be canceled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by May 24, 1996.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Kirk Convenience Stores, Inc., doing business at New Route 23 in Prestonsburg, Kentucky, with officers: John C. Kirk, P.O. Box 1743, Inez, KY 41224, President; Johnna Kirk, P.O. Box 1743, Inez, KY 41224, Vice-President, hereby declare their intention to apply for a license as a retail beer dealer under the state law.

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The bond now in effect is a surety for ten thousand dollars (\$10,000). Approximately sixty percent (60%) of the original bond amount of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) is included in this application for release.

Reclamation work performed includes: backfilling, final grading, seeding and mulching completed in May 1995.

This is the final advertisement of this application. Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by May 24, 1996.

A public hearing on this application has been scheduled for May 28, 1996 at 1:00 p.m. at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office located at 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653-1455. The hearing shall be canceled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by May 24, 1996.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Kirk Convenience Stores, Inc., doing business at New Route 23 in Prestonsburg, Kentucky, with officers: John C. Kirk, P.O. Box 1743, Inez, KY 41224, President; Johnna Kirk, P.O. Box 1743, Inez, KY 41224, Vice-President, hereby declare their intention to apply for a license as a retail beer dealer under the state law.

**INVITATION TO BID**

The Floyd County Board of Education is requesting sealed bids for the sale of the Weeksbury School Property consisting of 2.41 acres; and Bonanza School Property consisting of less than 1 acre.

All bids must be at the Floyd County Board of Education at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 2, 1996 for opening.

For further information, call James M. Osborne, Chief of Operations, Floyd County Board of Education, 886-2354.

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE**

The following item will be offered at public sale on May 3, 1996 at 11:00 a.m. at the Harold branch of the Bank Josephine, Harold, Kentucky:

1994 GMC Pickup, serial #1GTCS14Z4RK506597

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

Terry Sizemore  
Asst. Vice President  
The Bank Josephine  
P.O. Box 471  
Prestonsburg, KY 41653

**NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE**

In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that MATT/Co., Inc., 432 Meadows Branch, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 has applied for Phase I Bond Release on permit number 836-5271 which was last issued on January 26, 1996. The

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In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.093 notice is hereby given that Pen Coal Corporation, 415 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653 (606-886-2330) intends to apply for Phase I Bond Releases for Increments No. 6, 7 and 8 on Permit No. 436-0241 which was last issued on January 26, 1996. The increments cover surface areas, and underground areas as follows: Increment No. 6, 22.43" surface area, 00 underground area; Increment No. 7, 22.46" surface area, 00 underground area; Increment No. 8, 13.61" surface area, 00 underground area.

The operation is located 0.5 miles north of Martin in Floyd County, and is approximately 0.15 miles east of Jarrell Fork, and KY 80.

The latitude is 37° 35' 20" and longitude is 82° 45' 00", and is located on

the Martin, and Harold 7 1/2 minute USGS quadrangle maps.

The performance bond (Surety) now in effect for the operation on each increment is as follows: Increment No. 6, \$71,800; Increment No. 7, \$79,700; Increment No. 8, \$49,900.

Approximately 65% of these amounts is to be included in this application for release.

Reclamation work thus far performed includes: backfilling and grading, sampling and testing, liming, fertilizing, seeding and mulching, and was completed in Spring 1995. Results thus far achieved include: initial establishment of vegetation in accordance with the approved post mining land use plan.

Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, Frankfort, KY 40601 by June 14, 1996, which is within 30 days of the final advertisement of this application for bond release.

A hearing date for this bond release request has been set for 1:00 p.m. June 17, 1996, at the Department for Surface Mining and Enforcement's Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written comments, objections or requests for a hearing must be filed with the Director of the Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, Frankfort, KY 40601.

The scheduled public hearing will be canceled if the Cabinet does not receive a request for the public hearing within thirty (30) days of the final advertisement which is June 14, 1996.

**NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE**

In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby

given that Addington Enterprises, Inc., 1500 North Big Run Road, Ashland, Kentucky 41102 has applied for a Phase I Bond Release on Increment Number 2, 18 and 21 of permit number 836-0243, which was last issued on March 14, 1996. The application covers an area of approximately 249.46 acres located 1.5 miles east of Ivel in Floyd and Pike Counties.

The permit area is approximately 2.0 miles east from U.S. 23's junction with Ivy Creek Road and located 0.25 miles south of Ivy Creek. The latitude is 37-35-12. The longitude is 82-37-30.

The bond now in effect for Increment No. 2 is a surety bond in the amount of \$500,300.

Approximately 60% of the original bond amount of \$500,300 is included in the application for release.

The bond now in effect for Increment No. 18 is a surety bond in the amount

of \$163,000. Approximately 60% of the original bond amount of \$163,000 is included in the application for release.

The bond now in effect for Increment No. 21 is a surety bond in the amount of \$165,600. Approximately 60% of the original bond amount of \$165,600 is included in the application for release.

Reclamation work performed includes: grading and revegetation completed on or about April 1994.

Written comments, objections, or requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by June 14, 1996.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for June 18, 1996 at 9:00 a.m. at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653-1455. The hearing will be canceled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by June 14, 1996.

**Tips On Indoor & Outdoor Container Gardening**

(NAPS)—Talk to any plant owner, including the "green thumbs," and they'll tell you the most significant problem in caring for their potted plants and flowers is the guesswork involved with watering them. Statistics prove that more indoor and outdoor plants die from improper watering than any other cause. Watering too generously can suffocate the roots and lead to root rot, killing the plants.

The new Alive & Well indoor and outdoor planters from Bemis employ a process called "controlled watering," or watering from the bottom,

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Fertilize potted plants sparingly. Underfertilizing a potted plant is better than overfertilizing it.

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For further information on Bemis' Alive & Well planters, please call 1-800-558-7651.

**Complete Lawn And Garden Care Made Easy**

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The trimmer's engine, the only one of its kind, outperforms ordinary trimmer engines in nearly every respect.

Although it has more power over a wider range of speeds, it is light weight, making it easy to use for most family members.

The engine weighs only eight pounds and when the whole unit is assembled with the trimmer, it weighs only 13 pounds.

The clean-running system also uses less gas. Unlike other lawn power tools, the trimmer does not use a mixture of gas and oil, so smelly exhaust is greatly reduced. Oil stays in the reservoir, gasoline in the gas tank and the twain never meet. Thus, the trimmer runs significantly cleaner than other available products, meeting environmental regulations which won't even be in effect until the 21st century.

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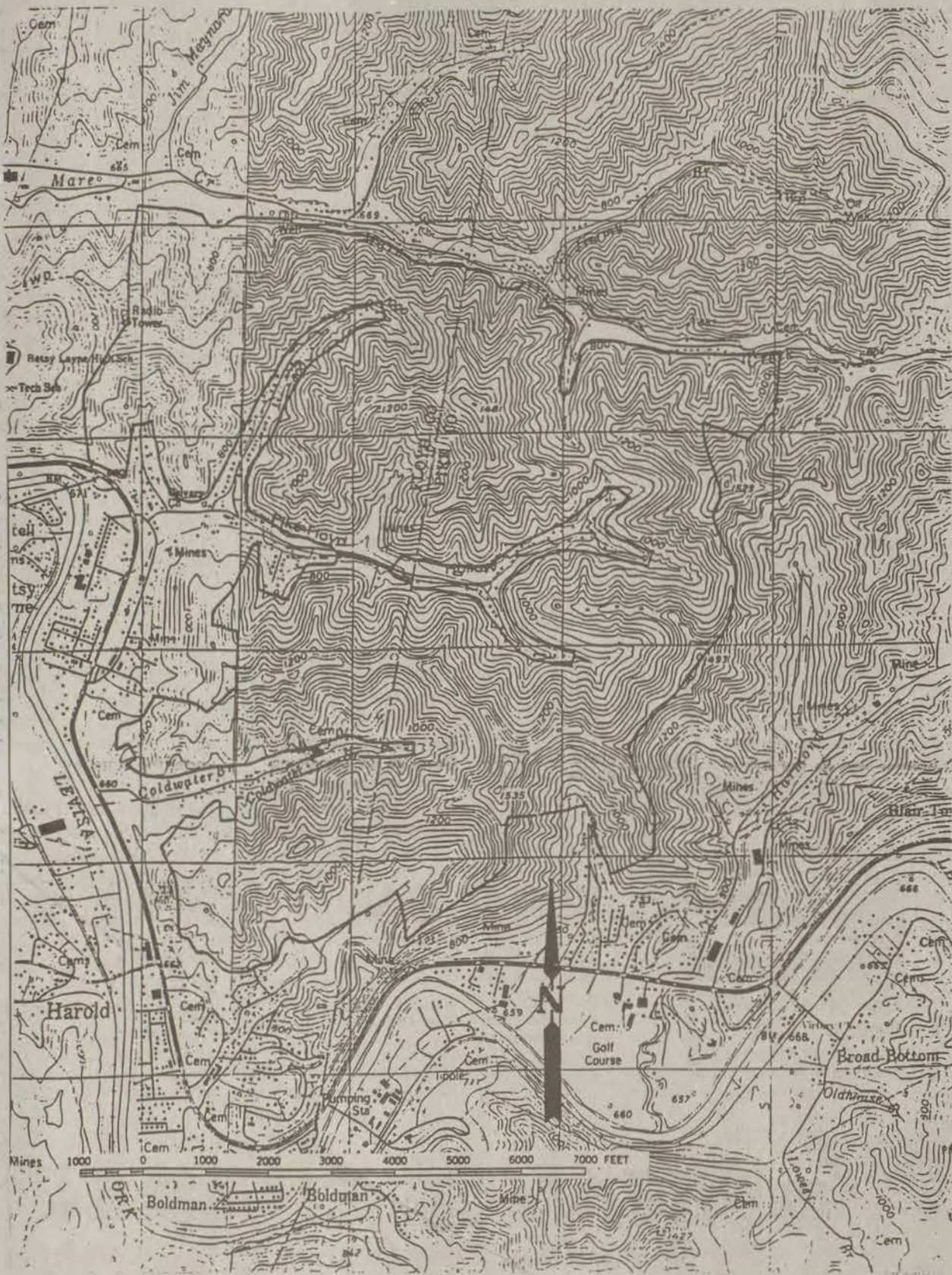
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**Free Things to send for**

(NAPS)—To learn ways to save energy, call the Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Customer Service Center at 1-800-DOE-3732, or write the Solar Energy Research and Education Foundation, P.O. Box 1036, Washington, D.C. 20013, or via the Internet at: [www:http://solstice-crest.org](http://solstice-crest.org).

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For facts about a plan to preserve and strengthen Medicare call The Coalition to Save Medicare at (202) 347-5731.



**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE**

Pursuant to Application Number 836-5196, Amendment No. 1

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Clark Elkhorn Coal Company, P.O. Box 2805, Pikeville, KY 41502, has applied for an amendment to an existing underground coal mining and reclamation operation located 1.0 miles east of Betsy Layne in Floyd and Pike County. The amendment will add 22.72 acres of surface disturbance and will underlie an additional 1584.81 acres making a total area of 1733.98 acres within the amended permit boundary.

The proposed amendment area is approximately 0.25 miles west from CR-1509's junction with CR-1510 and located along Pike-Floyd Hollow. The latitude is 37° 33' 18" N, and longitude is 82° 37' 00" W.

The proposed amendment is located on the Broad Bottom and Harold U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle maps. The surface area to be disturbed by the amendment is owned by the East KY Energy Corporation; Albert P. King; Clarence Keathley, Jr.; and Johnny Adkins. The amendment will underlie land owned by East KY Energy Corporation; Mary E. Parsons; Amos & Audrey Garrett; Raymond & Judy Stephens; Amanda Leich King; Peggy Jo & Stan Justice Clark; Stan & Lynn Justice; Mary Lee Stumbo; Frank Price Estate; John M. Stumbo Estate; Dorothy Coleman; Sallie C. Conn; Buford Layne; Harold or Wanda M. Baer; Thomas J. Spears; Jack Branham, Jr.; Gary R. & Zella Price; Albert P. King; Clarence Keathley, Jr.; Paul R. & Elaine Gearheart; Johnny Adkins; Gracie M. Smith; Larry & Teresa Smith; Tim and Mageline Hall; James and Darlene Stone; George and Alberta Bevins; Gordon & Jeanne Williamson; Robert Allen Branham; Larry & Sheila Thompson; Phillip D. & Linda H. Bartley; John & Susie Smoltz; Billie Jean Osborne; Paula Jones; Benny & Wanda Walker; Glenn & Hellen Whitt; Freddie & Tammy Mills; John & Patricia Elkins; Sandy Valley Water District; Authal Dale; Marvin R. & Sandra K. Leslie; Paul Epling; Oakie and Glenda Thompson; Curtis & Kathy Collins; Willie Lynch; Ronald McKinney; Ronald & Tanya McKinney; Tommy & Ernestine Smith; Thurman Lafferty; Tommy & Joyce Smith; Phillip & Sue Justice; Connie Charles; Franklin Leedy; Thomas Corum; Cecil & Kathryn Sanders; Oakie & Ennice Lawson; Basil & Eula Hall; Sally Crump; Stephen Anthony Scalf; Derek & Debbie Hicks; Freddie & Debbie Hunt; Andrew Ratliff; Charles E. Jr. & Deanna Conn; Bernard Adams Estate; Joseph Maynard; Jeffery Bentley; James & Aileen Maynard; Jimmy & Karen Crum; Estill Jr. & Trvelian Reed; Ivy Crum; William T. & Diana L. Patton; Ricky Keathley; Cecil & Johnny Sanders; James Gunnels; Williams Maynard; Bobby & Joyce Stone; Mike & Sandy Brooks; Robert Hughes; Tom & Martha Keatley; Paul Gearheart; Jane S. Clark; Leonard J. Sturgill; Carrie Stratton; Rhodes W. & Virgie Lynch; Adis & Emma Lou Clark; Novella Compton; Ella Jean Compton; Toba M. Owens; Charles R. Owens; Maudie Flack; Billy & Besty Steward; Jimmy & Joyce Smith; Gary & Renee Keathley; Gary & Dottie Duncan; Jane I. Syck; John G. Ratliff; Gary & Linda Bevins; James W. Allen; Wanda Compton; Stanley Stratton; Mary Belle Lewis; Neely Jane Lewis; S.S.S. & P., Inc.; Lois Cline; KY Department of Transportation; Paul & Linda Gearheart; Glendie M. Adkins; Gary & Mallie Daniels; James & Vanessa Hunter; Lisa Lynn Howell; Elmer Eplin; Mary Sue Stone Hall; Velve Stratton; George Hall, Jr.; Thomas Duane & Debra Daniels; Ronnie & Doris Leedy; Castle & Alice Collins; Stacy Lawson; Stella Akers; Billy Ray Ousley; Goldie E. Hamilton; Beverly Blankenship Estate; William G. & Besty Hemmessee; Ransome Meade; Hassel & Juanita Collins; Caycel & Linda Salyor; Benny Meade; Ernie & Traci Tackett; Dock, Jr. & Gertrude Hall; Robbie & Skip Wells; E.H. & Marlene Stumbo; Millie Bentley Vass; Nathaniel & Carol Bevins; Bobby & Juanita Smith; Aaron King; Ricky & Vertie Stratton; Amy J. Ratliff; Georgy Lykins; Virgil Hamilton; Lois Esham; Hiney Reed & Margeret Keathley; Rockford & Roberta Sturgill; Alan Curtis & Sharon Dunlan; James & Sarah Collum; Elvis and Melissa Keathley; Maverick & Sandy Bentley; Carada Hunt; Alex & Beverly Carroll; Sylvia Hall; Vernia Newsome Miller; Hershell, Sam, Louise & Bob Spradlin; and One Unknown surface owner. The operation will use the underground method of mining. The operation will affect an area within 100 feet of public roads CR-1509 and Coldwater Branch Road. The operation will not involve relocation of the public roads.

The amendment 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, KY 41653-1397. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, KY 40601.

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## MOCHA CHOCOLATE CHEESECAKE

**MAKES 12-16 SERVINGS**  
 2 tablespoons graham cracker crumbs  
 2 to 3 tablespoons instant espresso powder  
 1 tablespoon hot water  
 3 8-ounce packages Neufchatel cheese, softened  
 3/4 cup sugar  
 6 eggs  
 1/4 cup mini chocolate chips  
 Mini chocolate chips, as needed  
 Coat bottom of a 9-inch spring-form pan with cooking spray. Dust with cracker crumbs. Combine espresso powder with water; mix well. In a large bowl, combine cheese, sugar and espresso mixture; beat until smooth. Add eggs, one at a time, beating well after each addition. Stir in chocolate chips. Pour batter into prepared pan. Place pan in a large baking dish. Fill baking dish with hot water to a depth of 1 inch. Bake at 350°F, for an 1 hour. Remove cheesecake from water bath and let cool on wire rack. Cover and chill thoroughly before serving. If desired, sprinkle additional chocolate chips on top before serving.

## HOMEMADE PEACH PIE

4 cups sliced peeled peaches  
 3/4 cup sugar  
 1/4 cup Minute tapioca  
 1 tablespoon lemon juice  
 Pastry for 2-crust 9-inch pie  
 1 tablespoon margarine or butter  
 Mix peaches, sugar, tapioca and lemon juice in large bowl. Let stand 15 minutes.  
 Heat oven to 400°F.  
 Roll 1/2 of the pastry to 11-inch\* circle on lightly floured surface. Line 9-inch\* pie plate with pastry, allowing 1/2-inch overhang. Fill with peach mixture. Dot with spread. Roll remaining pastry to 12-inch circle. Cover pie with pastry; seal and flute edge. Cut several slits to permit steam to escape.  
 Bake 55 to 65 minutes or until juices form bubbles that burst slowly. Cool.  
 Makes 8 servings.

For lattice top crust: Roll remaining pastry to 12-inch circle. Cut into 10 (1/2-inch) strips with pastry wheel or knife. Place 5 of the strips over filling. Weave lattice crust with remaining strips by folding back alternate strips as each cross strip is added. Fold trimmed edge of lower pastry over ends of strips; seal and flute edge. Bake as directed above.  
 \*Roll pastry 2 inches larger than pie plate.

## BANANA-ORANGE OATMEAL MUFFINS

1-1/2 cups Quaker oats (quick or old fashioned, uncooked)  
 1 cup all-purpose flour  
 1/3 cup firmly packed brown sugar  
 1 teaspoon packed brown sugar  
 1 teaspoon baking powder  
 1/2 teaspoon baking soda  
 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon  
 1/4 teaspoon salt (optional)  
 1/3 cup chopped dates or raisins  
 1 carton (8 oz.) plain nonfat yogurt  
 3/4 cup mashed ripe banana (about two medium)  
 2 egg whites or 1 egg, lightly beaten  
 2 tablespoons vegetable oil  
 1-1/2 teaspoons grated orange peel  
 Heat oven to 400°F. Line 12 medium muffin cups with paper backing cups or spray bottoms only with no-stick cooking spray. Combine dry ingredients including dates; mix well. Add combined yogurt, banana, egg whites; oil and orange peel; mix just until dry ingredients are moistened. Fill muffin cups almost full. Sprinkle with additional oats, if desired. Bake 20 to 22 minutes or until golden brown. Let muffins stand a few minutes; remove from pan. One dozen.  
 To freeze: Wrap muffins securely in foil or plate in freezer bag; label and freeze.  
 To reheat: Place one muffin on microwave-safe plate. Microwave at HIGH about 30 seconds.

## ONION SOUP

2 tablespoons acceptable margarine  
 3 cups thinly sliced onions  
 6 cups low-sodium beef broth  
 1/2 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper, or to taste  
 12 (approximately 1/3-ounce each) slices French bread (baguette), toasted  
 4 tablespoons grated Parmesan cheese  
 Preheat oven to 450°F.  
 Heat margarine in large saucepan over medium-high heat. Add onions and saute 2 minutes. Cover and cook until translucent. Stir in broth and pepper; bring to a boil.  
 Ladle equal portions into 6 oven-

proof bowls. Place 2 bread slices in each bowl; top each serving with 2 teaspoons Parmesan cheese. Place bowls in oven and bake 5 minutes.  
 Serve hot. Serves 6; 1 cup per serving.  
 \*Select margarine with liquid oil as the first ingredient and no more than 2 gm of saturated fat per tablespoon.

## PAPAYA CHICKEN WITH WHITE RICE

(Pollo con Papaya y Arroz)  
 Serves 4  
 1 teaspoon plus 2 tablespoons cornstarch  
 1/2 teaspoon mild chili powder  
 1/2 teaspoon salt  
 1/2 teaspoon black pepper  
 1/2 teaspoon cayenne pepper  
 1/4 cup cup granulated sugar  
 1 teaspoon plus 1 tablespoon light soy sauce  
 4 garlic cloves, peeled and minced  
 1 pound boneless chicken breasts, cut into 1/2-inch strips  
 1 (8-ounce) can pineapple chunks in heavy syrup, syrup reserved  
 1/4 cup red wine vinegar  
 2 tablespoons olive oil  
 1 teaspoon butter or margarine  
 2 tablespoons chopped green pepper  
 1/4 cup orange marmalade  
 1 tablespoon grated fresh ginger  
 1/2 cup light sour cream  
 1 cup fresh papaya, peeled, seeded, and cut into 1-inch chunks  
 2 cups cooked white rice  
 Edible flowers (optional)  
 In a medium glass bowl, mix together the 1 teaspoon cornstarch, chili powder, salt, pepper, cayenne, 1/4 teaspoon of the sugar, 1 teaspoon of the soy sauce, and the garlic. Add the chicken strips and stir to coat. Cover and marinate, refrigerated, for about 30 minutes.

To the reserved pineapple juice, add enough water to make 1 cup. Add the remaining sugar and 2 tablespoons cornstarch, vinegar, and remaining 1 tablespoon soy sauce. Mix well and set aside.  
 Heat a large skillet and add the olive oil and butter. When the skillet is heated and the oil begins to smell fragrant, add green pepper and chicken slices to the pan and saute for 5 to 7 minutes, or until the chicken is cooked through. Add the reserved juice mixture and bring to a boil, stirring constantly, until thick. Reduce heat to medium-low and stir in marmalade, ginger, and sour cream. Gently stir in reserved pineapple chunks and fresh papaya. Heat through, then serve over rice.  
 Garnish with fresh edible flowers for a special occasion; otherwise, fresh cilantro or parsley will do just fine.

## CHICKEN AND RICE PRIMAVERA

Serves 6  
 1 tablespoon olive oil  
 2 garlic cloves, minced  
 3/4 pound boneless, skinless chicken breasts, cut into 1-inch strips  
 2 cups broccoli florets  
 1 medium onion, cut into 1/2-inch pieces  
 2 medium carrots, julienned  
 1 teaspoon Italian seasoning  
 1/4 teaspoon red pepper flakes  
 1/4 teaspoon salt  
 3 cups cooked rice  
 1 1/4 1/2-ounce can Italian-style diced tomatoes  
 1/4 cup Parmesan cheese  
 Heat oil in 12-inch skillet over medium-high heat until hot. Add chicken and garlic; cook, stirring, 5 to 7 minutes or until chicken is light brown. Add broccoli, onion, carrots, Italian seasoning, red pepper flakes and salt. Cook, stirring, 3 to 4 minutes or until vegetables are tender. Add rice and tomatoes. Stir until thoroughly blended and thoroughly heated. Remove from heat; stir in Parmesan cheese.

## GLAZED STUFFED PORK CHOPS

2 medium cooking apples  
 3 cups prepared cabbage slaw blend  
 1/4 cup raisins  
 3/4 cup apple cider, divided  
 2 tablespoons maple-flavored pancake syrup  
 4 teaspoons spicy brown mustard, divided  
 2 lean pork chops, 1 inch thick (about 6 ounces each)  
 Nonstick cooking spray  
 2 teaspoons cornstarch  
 Quarter and core apples. Chop 6 quarters; reserve remaining 2 quarters. Combine chopped apples, slaw blend, raisins, 1/4 cup apple cider, syrup and 2 teaspoons mustard in large saucepan. Cover and cook over medium heat 5 minutes or until cabbage is tender.  
 Make a pocket in each pork chop by cutting horizontally through

chop almost to bone. Fill each pocket with about 1/4 cup cabbage-apple mixture. Keep remaining cabbage-apple mixture warm over low heat.  
 Spray medium nonstick skillet with cooking spray; heat over medium heat until hot. Brown pork chops about 8 minutes on each side. Add 1/4 cup apple cider. Reduce heat to low; cover and cook 8 minutes or until pork is barely pink in center. Remove pork from skillet; keep warm.  
 Add liquid from remaining cabbage-apple mixture to skillet. Combine remaining 1/4 cup cider, 2 teaspoons mustard and cornstarch in small bowl until smooth. Stir into liquid in skillet. Simmer over medium heat until thickened. Spoon glaze over chops and cabbage-apple mixture. Slice remaining 2 apple quarters; divide between servings. Makes 2 servings.

## BEEF STROGANOFF AND ZUCCHINI TOPPED POTATOES

4 baking potatoes (8 ounces each)  
 3/4 pound ground round beef  
 3/4 cup chopped onion  
 1 cup sliced mushrooms  
 1 beef bouillon cube  
 2 tablespoons ketchup  
 1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce  
 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper  
 1/4 teaspoon hot pepper sauce  
 1 medium zucchini, cut into julienned strips  
 1/2 cup low fat sour cream, divided  
 Pierce potatoes in several places with fork. Place in microwave oven on paper towel. Microwave potatoes at HIGH 15 minutes or until hot. Add beef and onion. Cook and stir 5 minutes or until beef is browned.

Add all remaining ingredients except zucchini and sour cream. Cover and simmer 5 minutes. Add zucchini. Cover and cook 3 minutes. Remove from heat. Stir in 1/4 cup sour cream. Cover and let stand 5 minutes.  
 Cut potatoes open. Divide beef mixture evenly among potatoes. Top with remaining 1/4 cup sour cream. Makes 4 servings.

## SPEEDY BEEF & BEAN BURRITOS

8 (7-inch) flour tortillas  
 1 pound ground beef  
 1 cup chopped onion (from the salad bar or frozen)  
 1 teaspoon bottled minced garlic  
 1 can (15 ounces) black beans, drained and rinsed  
 1 cup spicy thick and chunky salsa  
 2 teaspoons ground cumin  
 1 bunch cilantro  
 2 cups (8 ounces) shredded cojack or Monterey Jack cheese  
 Wrap tortillas in aluminum foil; place in oven. Turn temperature to 350°F; heat tortillas 15 minutes.  
 While tortillas are warming, prepare burrito filling. Combine meat, onion and garlic in large skillet; cook over medium-high heat until meat is no longer pink, breaking meat apart with wooden spoon. Pour off drippings.  
 Stir beans, salsa and cumin into meat mixture; reduce heat to medium. Cover and simmer 10 minutes, stirring once.  
 While filling is simmering, chop enough cilantro to measure 1/4 cup. Stir into filling. Spoon filling down centers of warm tortillas; top with cheese. Roll up and serve immediately.

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## As good a person as you could know

James Allen has been building and maintaining the physical plant and friendships around the ARH system for more than 30 years

*Editor's note: The following article was recently featured in the Appalachian Regional Healthcare magazine Compendium. The article is reprinted with permission of the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital.*

There are a lot of good reasons to profile somebody in the Compendium. A new ARH president, or a retiring one, is a guaranteed profile subject. A trustee with a national reputation in health care is a good bet. And so is the person who has a long history with ARH, or who has contact with lots of people around the system.

But this time, our profile subject qualifies by a different standard. The Compendium, this issue, profiles James Allen because he's so darn likable. Sure, James also has several decades of ARH tenure, but it's the fact that he has a lot of friends in all corners of the system that puts this profile on the press.

James Allen does have many years tucked away as an ARH trouble-shooter. He joined the central maintenance department in 1956, and spent the last 31 years travelling to the hospitals, clinics, and other needy ARH structures to repair things that weren't working, prevent calamities before they happened, or work on building projects from the ground up. That's how he made all those friends — three decades of house calls.

James works out of McDowell ARH these days, splitting his time between helping Chief Engineer Doug Rice on McDowell projects (like the new ER construction) and travelling to other ARH sites to inspect fire alarms and sprinkler systems, troubleshoot emergency generators, and supervise refrigeration maintenance. He's called McDowell his home office since the mid '80s. Before that, home was central maintenance at South Williamson.

### LIFE ON THE ROAD

When James Allen first joined the Appalachian Regional Healthcare system, the corporation maintained a large central maintenance unit that worked on renovation and construction projects and took care of major upkeep on equipment and support systems. James remembers the division having as many as 65 people. "I was hired in as an electrician," he says. "We would just move in to a place, do the job, and move out." If it was a construction job, says James, the crew would include "carpenters, plasterers, painters, everybody we needed."

A job like that meant innumerable nights on the road. "A lot of times," remembers James, "I'd go to Williamson on Monday morning, head off to the job location, and wouldn't return till Friday evening."

James has lived in Prestonsburg ever since he began working at ARH. He says that a few jobs at certain locations, such as McDowell, allowed him to return home at night. "They used to say we could drive 50 miles to get home. Otherwise, we stayed."

When he remembers the endless nights in ARH transient housing or motels, it's clear that the normal pattern took him past the 50-mile limit. "Most of the time," he admits, "it was stay out four nights a week."

And much of his career had him troubleshooting emergency repairs wherever necessary. "When I was a troubleshooter," he said, "I kept the truck with me when I went home." Since refrigeration units in kitchens and laboratories don't always break down during office hours, James would get a call for help, climb in his truck and hit the road, often on Saturday or Sunday.

What did Joyce Short Allen, James' wife, think about all that

travelling over the years?

"She didn't think much about it at first," says James. But it did begin to impinge on family life.

"My son is 25 now," says James. "I was gone pretty much all the time when he was growing up."

James says he and Joyce talked about options. "I said it's either this (Central Maintenance) or construction, or going into the mines. He already had experience with erratic construction employment, and "Joyce sure didn't want me going into the mines." So he stayed on at ARH.

"When I started at ARH," James remembers, "I thought I'd stay for a year or so, then do something in the electrical line. But every time I'd get ready to leave, I'd get a little raise." Then he adds, "It's good that I stayed."

Joyce Short Allen, by the way, also worked for ARH. She doesn't have nearly the longevity that James does, but she's way ahead of him in employment dates. She joined McDowell's staff when the hospital was brand new in the mid 50s. Today, she's a realtor for Century 21.

### GROWING UP IN A RAILROAD TOWN

The Allens were married in 1949, and have lived in Prestonsburg ever since. James grew up a few miles south on Highway 23 in Harold.

"My dad worked the section for the C&O Railroad," says James. "We lived in a company house for a long time. The C&O tool house was at Harold, and they had a depot for passengers. The passenger train came through three times a day."

Working the section, explains James, means maintaining eight to ten miles of tracks. "It was just six to eight men on a little old cart," James worked the section for a short time as a young man. "You freeze to death in the winter time, and burn up in the summer. I didn't last too long. It was too hard work. Pick and shovel. I was young then, and decided it wasn't worth it."

His father, though, did that hard work his whole life. "He made a livin'. We got by, anyway. He was lucky to have a job. I guess. Raised nine children at it, though."

Between working for the railroad and joining ARH, James worked at several professions, including auto body repair, pipefitting, and operating a metal shop. He couldn't tolerate the paint in the auto body work, and found the cyclical employment in pipefitting hard to depend on ("I worked on a job at Niagara Falls long enough to make expenses, then got laid off"). Finally, he got training in industrial electronics at voca-

held up through a couple of tough medical situations, including a stroke and a virus that led to fluid build-up around his heart. "But my wife says I've been lucky twice lately." He's recovered from the stroke with no apparent side-effects, and is healing nicely from the potentially dangerous viral condition. The virus had him down for several weeks at the end of 1995, but he was back at work and on the road early in 1996.

**James is thankful to lost trains and last-minute transfer order to have made it home from WWII.**



James Allen has had the title of maintenance superintendent for many years, after moving through the ranks of electricians, elevator helpers, refrigerator mechanics, and troubleshooters. When central maintenance disbanded in the mid '80s, James continued to supervise several refrigeration men and an elevator mechanic from his McDowell office. Today, only

the elevator mechanic, Jim Stacy, is still aboard. Many of the other functions are handled locally or by contract maintenance that came with new installations. James, however, still supervises refrigeration maintenance at many ARH locations, as well as troubleshoots the older emergency generators still operating at several hospitals. He is also licensed to inspect fire alarm and sprinkler systems ("separate licenses," he says), a job that keeps him busy at many ARH facilities on a quarterly basis.

### A MAN YOU DON'T REPLACE

James Allen has seen a lot of changes in his years at ARH. His original division of central maintenance evolved into increased local expertise backed up by maintenance contracts. The original hospitals have added wings and clinics, upgraded support systems, and installed equipment that was unimaginable in 1965. In some places, the whole plant is new.

But through all the years and all the changes, there are still the many friendships that James Allen can claim — friendships that are a product of a warm, pleasant, competent man doing good work and treating people well in the process.

Doug Rice, his colleague at McDowell ARH, says "I'm glad you're writing about James. He deserves it. James is a good man." And Jerry Haynes, administrator at McDowell but who also worked with James over the years at Hazard, says, "James is just as good a person as you could know. James is the kind of person you don't replace."

But James Allen has a modest way about him that won't let testimonials and kinds words puff him up in any way. In fact, the one story he could think to tell about himself, when asked to reminisce about 31 years of solving people's problems, has him on the butt end of the joke.

"I was at one of the hospitals," he says, already smiling at where this story is going.

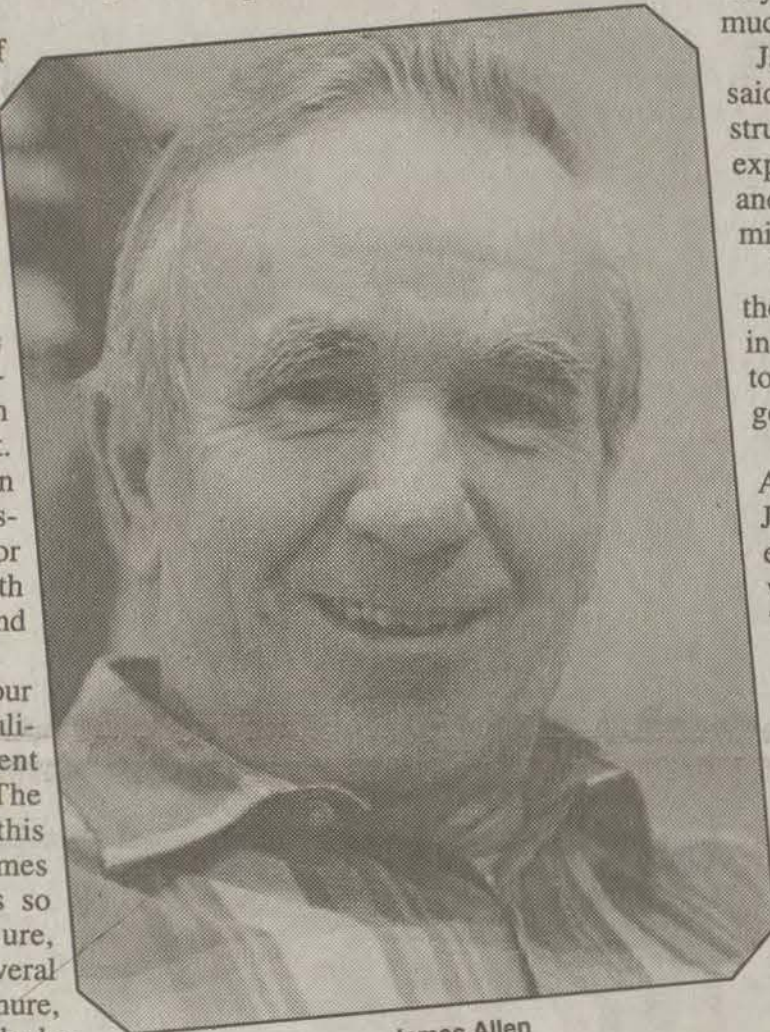
"My supervisor tells me we're going to rewire the whole 40-ton air conditioning unit I'm working on. So I cut all the wiring loose, all of it, and have it laying there all over the floor. Then my supervisor comes back and says, "What're you doing? We're not rewiring that thing."

A local maintenance man joined the scene just in time to hear the supervisor reverse his orders and leave a forlorn James Allen standing in the middle of a pile of wiring.

"If I were them," said the maintenance man, apparently trying to be supportive of James, "I'd make the guy who cut it apart put it back again."

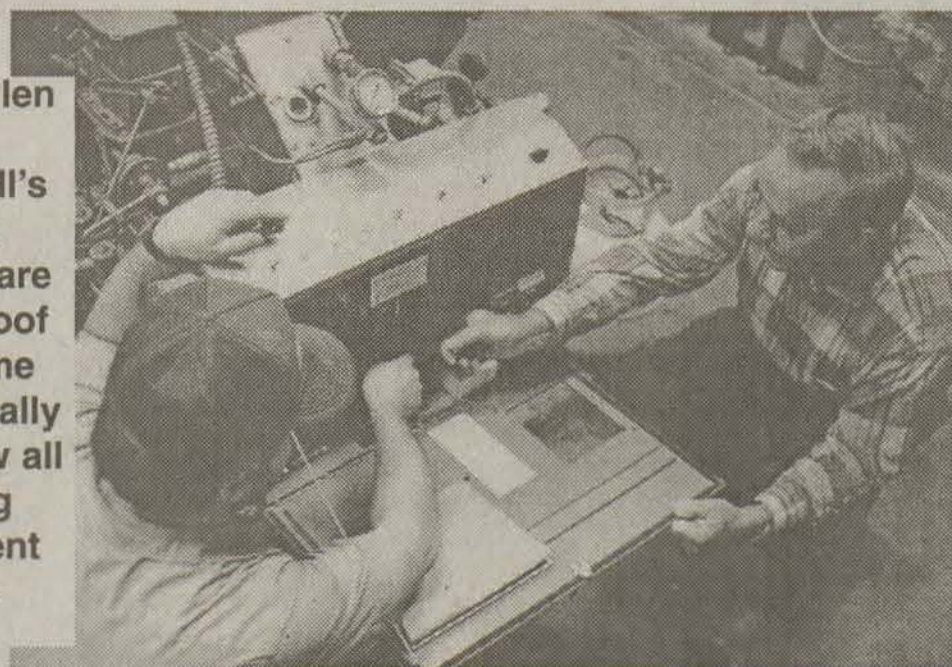
"Don't worry," said James, pliers in hand. "That's what they're doing."

One feels sure, though, since James Allen was in the middle of it, that the whole thing was a friendly misunderstanding.



James Allen

**James Allen and McDowell's Derek Thacker are living proof that some people really know how all this big equipment works**



tional school, and joined ARH's maintenance division, with a world of useful experience behind him.

### AS LUCK WOULD HAVE IT

As an 8-year-old, James Allen also found himself employed as a soldier in World War II. As he tells the story, he was one of the very lucky ones. "We were supposed to move up the front lines, near Cologne. We didn't have any rifles at first. When we finally got rifles, we had to steal some gasoline out of a truck to clean them. Then they got us lost on a train the night we were supposed to move up... The war in Europe ended that night. It's the only thing that saved me." Months later, as he was packing his gear to head to the South Pacific, the Japanese surrendered.

More recently, James said he thinks his good fortune has



# Money Management

## BUDGETING BASICS

If you're concerned about gaining control of your money and protecting your financial well-being, consider developing a budget.

The Kentucky Society of CPAs says that effective budgeting can help you balance the needs of meeting current living expenses with achieving long-term savings goals.

Used effectively, a budget enables you to anticipate and plan for all your expenses and avoid unnecessary debt.

You needn't be financially savvy to put together a budget.

All it takes is some organizational skills, the ability to do simple arithmetic, and the discipline to record—and limit—your expenditures.

## FIXED EXPENSES

To prepare a budget, start with your fixed monthly costs—those that remain constant, such as: mortgage or rent payments; regular installment loan payments, including car loans, student loans, second mortgage, or home equity payments; and tuition costs.

If you have a high credit card balance that you're trying to pay off, you may want to include credit card payments in your fixed expense category.

## VARIABLE EXPENSES

Next, record how much you anticipate spending each month on the necessary expenses that vary in amount. These variable amounts include (gas and electric), telephone, water and sewer, heating (if not included in utilities), food, and household supplies. You may need to look at past month's bills to arrive at an appropriate estimate.

## DISCRETIONARY ITEMS

Your budget also should include a category for discretionary items, such as charitable contributions, entertainment, vacations, home improvements, clothing, recreation, and hobbies.

When developing your budget, plan to set aside money in savings first before budgeting for other discretionary items.

Be sure you have three to six months' worth of living expenses in an emergency fund.

## Medicare:

# Here today, gone tomorrow

(NAPS)—Most people would agree. The issue is no longer about whether to fix Medicare but how to fix it.

Disturbing new data show that the Medicare Hospital Trust Fund will run out of money sooner than previously predicted. This social insurance policy could be bankrupt in five years or even sooner.

In 1996, the Trust Fund will spend \$4.6 billion of its reserves and is declining by \$12.9 million a day. To make matters worse, beneficiaries—many of whom are on fixed incomes—are paying much more each year out of their own pockets for Medicare.

Thirty-seven million senior citizens depend on Medicare for health coverage. Changes will have to be made to secure Medicare for future generations who are now paying into this system.

According to the Medicare

If you don't have an emergency fund, you should make this one of your short-term savings goals. Next, outline other short-term goals—such as a vacation at a resort or new dining room furniture—and long-term savings goals—such as a child's college education or your retirement—and determine how much you need to set aside each month to meet those goals.

If possible, it's wise to put 10 percent of your income into long-term savings, such as certificates of deposit, Individual Retirement Accounts, or stocks.

However, if you have large outstanding debts on which you are paying high interest, it makes better financial sense to settle those debts first and to structure your budget accordingly.

Once the debts are reduced or eliminated, you can modify your budget to increase your savings or discretionary spending.

The amount of your outstanding debt, as well as your savings goals, also will affect how much to budget for recreational activities and entertainment.

You may find that you have to budget less for dining out and vacationing in order to pay off your debts or meet a savings objective.

However, you should always have some money in your budget for activities that you and your family enjoy. If your budget isn't realistic and doesn't provide some funding for "fun," you'll never be able to persevere.

## KEEP TRACK OF YOUR PROGRESS

When you've completed your budget, review it with your family and then try to stick to it for several months.

At the end of that time, you may want to have a family conference to review the progress achieved in meeting savings or other financial objectives.

If you've paid off a major loan, achieved a savings goal, or had a significant change in family income, your budget may need to be modified.

CPAs point out that even if you feel financially secure, a budget will help you to keep track of your money and ensure that you are making the most of it.

Board of Trustees, a group appointed by both Democrats and Republicans, "prompt, effective and decisive action is necessary" to fix the financial crisis facing Medicare.

Congress has developed a plan that supporters say will preserve and strengthen Medicare.

Under this plan, senior citizens would be free to choose among the various health plans offered in the private marketplace. In this plan:

- Benefits would not get cut.

- Seniors could stay in traditional Medicare or have the option of joining a number of different health plans that may offer more coverage (like prescription, eye, ear and foot care at low or no extra cost). Seniors could switch back to traditional Medicare if they were not satisfied with a private plan.

- Inefficiencies in the system that cost millions each

# Smart Moves

## Survey shows seniors took a stand in Floyd

The highest percentage of Floyd Countians who voted in the last general election were in the 50 to 62 years old age group, according to a report released by Secretary of State John Y. Brown III.

Of the 30,184 persons then registered in the county, 13,849 or 45.8 percent voted in the general election last November.

A total of 46.3 percent of the county's 27,471 registered Democrats voted and 45.8 percent of the 2,279 Republicans in the county went to the polls.

Of the 434 registered with no party preference or with a different political affiliation, 82 voted last November.

The statewide voter turnout for the last general election was 44.4 percent. Only 21 percent of the state's voters went to the polls for last year's May primary election.

The figures were compiled by the State Board of Elections which Brown chairs.

"The records from the last election show that voting increases as citizens age, a trend which has been consistent for the past 20 years," Brown said.

The lowest percent of votes cast were by those in the age range of 17 to 24 years old, the figures show. Only one in five—20.5 percent—of Kentuckians in that age range voted in the last general election.

In the age category of 25 to 34 the percentage of votes cast increased to 29.7 percent and rose to 47.7 percent in the 35-49 year-old group.

Statewide figures show that 56.9 percent of the voters age 62 and over went to the polls last November.

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voted and that 56.9 percent of the voters aged 62 and over went to the polls last November.

The percentage of women who voted compared to that of men who voted was about equal in the age groups of 17 to 24 and 25-34. Two percent more men than women voted in the 35-49 age group.

In the age category of 50 to 62 four percent more men than women voted.

The largest difference between men and women voters was in the 62 and over category where 10 percent more men than women voted.

The percentage of difference between Democrat and Republican voting was no

more than two percent in any age category, according to the statewide figures.

The percent of votes cast by voters registered as Independents or with party affiliations other than Democrat or Republican ranged from 9.6 percent in the youngest age group to 45.9 percent in the over 62 years old category.

## Legal Tips from LCE

**Q: I'm on Medicare but it doesn't cover all of my medical expenses. Is there any way I can get help to pay those additional costs?**

**A:** Many people don't know about the federal program that pays some Medicare premiums called QMB or Qualified Medicare Beneficiary assistance.

To be eligible for QMB

- you must be enrolled in Medicare Part A (hospital insurance) and
- your monthly income from Social Security, pension, VA or other sources must be less than \$643 for one person/\$856 for a couple and

- the items you own (not counting your home or a car) must be worth less than \$4,000 for one person and \$6,000 for a couple.

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- hospital deductible of \$716
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If your income is too high for QMB, you may still be eligible for SLMB or Specified Low-Income Medicare Beneficiary coverage.

One person can have up to \$767 in income and a couple can have \$1,023. SLMB only pays your Medicare Part B premium.

### FOR MORE INFORMATION:

For more information to help you determine if you are eligible for Qualified Medicare Beneficiary assistance and SLMB write to: Public Benefit Outreach Project, Legal Counsel for the Elderly, 601 E. Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20049

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# Tips for storing winter clothing for next fall

Spring has sprung and survivors of the Blizzard of '96 are eager to pack up their winter woollens and enjoy the warmer weather.

Without taking the proper precautions, however, spring fever sufferers could inadvertently expose garments to deteriorating elements and find it necessary to replace costly cold-weather clothing next fall. Here are a few steps consumers should follow to protect their clothing investment.

## KNOW THE ENEMY

Stored garments are vulnerable to damage by insects, mildew and mustiness. All fabrics are prone to mildew damage. Insect damage occurs mostly on natural fabrics such as wool, cotton and

linens. Fabric "blends" which contain these natural fibers are also susceptible. Even pure synthetic fabrics can be damaged by insects if they are stored improperly. In addition to stored garments, other

valuable fabrics such as linens, towels and stored rugs should be protected.

## HOW TO PROTECT GARMENTS

Natural aromatic cedar can be used in closets, drawers,

storage boxes, and garment bags to preserve garments and other fabrics in the home. The aroma of cedar, while pleasant and harmless to humans, is a powerful appetite suppressant to moth larvae. It's

Use enough cedar in each application to build up a noticeable cedar fragrance on the fabrics you are protecting. The amount depends on the size of the container and on how often it is opened and

zene. Many environmentalists recommend cedar as the "right choice," because it is safe to use around children and pets. Cedar trees are a renewable non-endangered resource that grow abundantly throughout the Eastern United States.

Most cedar products will remain effective for six months to one year. Airflow and light cause cedar to age faster. When the red parts of the wood have turned brown and lost their scent, the product may be ready for replacement or rejuvenation. Unlike volatile chemical moth balls and air fresheners that literally evaporate, cedar can be renewed over and over. Cedar can easily be restored with Cedar Powder spray from Cedar Fresh Home Products or by sanding with coarse-grade sandpaper. Sanding will remove the top layer of wood and expose fresh aromatic wood underneath.

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# HOME Inside & Out

## Aging pets

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More and more often you see a story about the population growing older, about there being more and more people above 65 years of age, about a lifespan growing longer.

You don't see it written about so much, but the pet population is growing older, too.

Many of the causes are the same—better nutrition, better medical care, better sanitation, fewer accidents.

To better treat an aging population, the specialty of geriatrics has been developed, to create a body of knowledge through which older persons can receive medical care unique to their years.

A similar body of knowledge has been developed for animals.

Growing old is not always a pleasant experience, for animals or for humans.

All of the tissues, organs and systems of the body are affected by aging.

There are no exceptions.

There is a decrease in metabolism, a decrease of organ reserve, a decrease in the volume of water retained in the cells, of minerals in the bone and of neurons in the brain.

Muscle mass and tone will likely be lost, blood vessels will start to harden, dental disease will likely increase and loss of bowel tone will cause increased constipation.

Output of the heart decreases, the senses of sight, hearing and taste become less efficient, and the efficiency of the body's immune system is lowered.

Energy levels are not as great.

Veterinarians studying the process of aging have come up with some simple steps to increase the vitality of your pet's older years.

They recommend you keep excess weight down by exercising the pet regu-

larly and not overfeeding.

Because the pet's digestive system cannot assimilate food as well as it could when your pet was younger, they suggest you feed your pet three or four times a day in lesser amounts, rather than one large meal.

Groom your pet daily. Skin becomes less elastic as your pet ages, and the coat becomes dryer, more brittle and dull.

Frequent grooming stimulates better skin tone and better hair coat.

Supplement your animal's diet with additives that help reduce deficiencies caused by aging—brewer's yeast, vegetable oil, vitamins B-1, B-12, C and E are important.

Provide dental care, both professional (at least once a year) and at home.

Annual examinations will allow your veterinarian to recognize and deal with problems that may occur as your pet ages.

Yearly vaccinations are important to the aging animal, because your pet's immune system may not be as competent as it was when your pet was younger.

Feed a balanced diet, tailored for your pet.

Provide companionship. Your pet senses it isn't as young as it used to be, and may be ashamed or simply give up.

Your encouragement can go a long way toward keeping it on feed and happy.

Your veterinarian is well trained in geriatrics for animals, and can assist you in developing a plan to make your pet's golden years in to glowing years.

Special foods which meet nutritional needs of older animals are now available, as are geriatric vitamin/mineral supplements.

These, combined with your veterinarian's knowledge of the aging process and his or her ability to recognize deficiencies and problem areas, can make your pet's latter years more healthy at less total cost than you may realize.

the larvae that damage fabrics, not the winged adult moths. The presence of sufficient aromatic cedar vapors will stop the larvae from eating and damaging stored fabric.

## PREPARING GARMENTS FOR STORAGE

Garments should be washed or dry cleaned immediately before extended storage to remove mildew spores and insect eggs. Tumbling in a clothes dryer on high heat for ten minutes also removes insect eggs as does exposure to sunlight. (Be sure to check your garment care label before placing clothes in dryer.) Place clean garments and cedar immediately into a clean air-tight storage container or garment bag and seal tightly.

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- Cedar is known to resist rot and termite damage, which is why farmers have long valued the wood for use as fence posts.
- Some Native American tribes are reputed to have been so amazed at cedar's resistance to rot and decay that they called cedar "The Tree of Life."
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## The Medical Advisor

### Delaying disease would save billions

by M.R. Hiller

Q: I was caregiver for my grandmother, who just died at age 90 from a host of chronic diseases. Now my 68-year-old mother is starting to have serious health problems.

Our medical system seems to still be able to pay for her care, but with the huge baby-boomer population in the wings of old age, how can the system survive? What is being done to improve the health of the aged?—A.S., Wilmington, Del.

A: Thanks in large part to the baby-boomers, the number of Americans 65 and more than will more than double by the year 2030, from 33.6 million to 70.2 million.

The current total public and private cost of health care is over \$1 trillion, with \$697 billion of that spent by the government, representing 12 percent of our gross national product.

Unless significant changes occur, it's estimated that by the year 2020 medical costs could consume 31.5 percent of GNP. Strategies must be developed to prevent, cure or postpone the diseases of aging.

Postponement is the leading concept. It would reduce the number of people who will suffer from a disease and the associated costs.

In comparison to curing a disease, delaying one may not seem to be a dramatic goal, but the results can be astonishing.

Many chronic conditions have what are called five-year-doubling statistics: Every five years, the number of people afflicted by the disorder doubles.

For instance, by age 65, two percent of people develop Alzheimer's disease. By age 70, that number doubles to four percent; by 75, it's eight percent; by 80, it's 16 percent; and by 85, 32 percent.

With an average lifespan of 80 years, the average American has a 16 percent chance of developing Alzheimer's at some time.

The concept behind delaying the onset, or start, of a disease is to avoid that final doubling.

If Alzheimer's could be delayed by five years overall, instead of affecting 16 percent of 80-year-olds, it would affect only eight percent. The number who would get Alzheimer's disease would be halved.

Such a delay, if possible today, would save the country half the \$100 billion annual medical costs of Alzheimer's, according to a 1995 report by the American Federation for Aging Research and the Alliance for Aging Research.

Other conditions that

increase with aging include osteoporosis, cardiovascular diseases, stroke, osteoarthritis, diabetes, Parkinson's disease, deafness and hearing loss, vision impairment, urinary incontinence, infections, and depression.

Delaying the start of one problem can reduce the likelihood of related problems. Diabetes, for instance, increases the chances of stroke, heart disease, kidney disease and macular degeneration. Delaying diabetes would likely delay the others.

In the aggregate, postponing such debilitating and common problems by five to 10 years would save many billions of dollars. Some areas where research is pursuing that goal include:

—Osteoporosis, characterized by brittle, breaking bones, which affects 20 million women and 5 million men.

It leads to 1.5 million fractures each year, of which 250,000 are hip fractures. Delaying osteoporosis and subsequent hip fractures could save \$15 billion of the \$30 billion currently spent annually.

Experts say research on vitamin D, exercise, estrogen replacement therapy and new drugs are well on their way to delaying or even preventing or curing the disease.

—Vision impairment includes the four leading causes of blindness: cataracts, macular degeneration, glaucoma and diabetic retinopathy.

Cataract surgery to remove the opaque lens is the most frequently performed operation in the United States and costs \$5 billion annually.

A ten-year delay of onset could save 50 percent of all cataract operations and \$2.5 billion.

Macular degeneration is a leading cause of vision loss, affecting 1.7 million Americans over 65 and expected to affect 6.4 million Americans by the year 2030.

Studies of surgical replacement of a critical layer of tissue in the macular region of the eye, called the RPE layer, are underway and may eventually lead to a very expensive cure.

Or inexpensive means may be found to delay onset—such as consuming more antioxidants in vegetables, perhaps, or in supplements.

—Urinary incontinence affects roughly 20 million Americans at a cost of \$16 billion annually, and is a major cause of disability.

Early detection and treatment can cure the problem or greatly reduce the cycle of dependency that develops. Delaying the onset of incontinence could save \$8 billion annually.

—Cardiovascular diseases, including heart attacks and strokes, are the leading cause of death, accounting for 43 percent of deaths, or 925,000 annually.

Nearly 25 percent of all Americans suffer from cardiovascular disease at an annual cost of \$138 billion. Research has identified the leading risk factor—sedentaryness, or low physical activity, which affects 70 to 80 percent of American adults.

Other risk factors with less impact include smoking, obesity, diabetes and hypertension.

Research in new drugs and genetic factors and better strategies to reduce the known risk factors could delay the onset by five years, saving millions of Americans from suffering and \$69 billion dollars annually.

—Osteoarthritis is the only one of more than 100 forms of arthritis that progresses with aging. Delaying it could save half its \$8 billion annual cost.

—Diabetes is the fourth leading cause of death and costs \$100 billion annually. Of the roughly 7.5 million Americans with diabetes, half are over 55 years old.

Medical research in weight control and exercise has been shown to effectively control or delay the development of diabetes, preventing expensive and debilitating side effects, such as blindness, stroke, heart attacks, kidney failure and amputations. New research on insulin and genetics should also help.

—Parkinson's disease, a neurologic disorder, afflicts 1.5 million Americans. Delaying its onset by five years could save \$3 billion dollars.

—Deafness and hearing loss affect about 30 percent of adults 65 to 75 and about 40 percent of those over age 75. Research may eventually delay its onset, saving \$15 billion annually.

Additional information on aging issues can be obtained from the Alliance for Aging Research, Washington, D. C. (202-293-2856), or the American Federation for Aging Research, New York (212-752-2327).

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## Estrogen therapy protects women from heart, blood vessel diseases

Doctors once believed that women were virtually immune from heart and blood vessel diseases.

That's because men were more likely to have high blood pressure, heart attacks, strokes and other heart-related diseases.

The American Heart Association says that more than half of those who die from heart and blood vessel diseases are women.

Even women who survive are usually sicker and recover more slowly.

Why the earlier misconceptions? First of all, women lag about 10-13 years behind men in the incidence of heart attacks, strokes and other forms of cardiovascular diseases.

Also, the number of post-menopausal women is growing. As life expectancy for women rises, so does their risk and incidence of heart disease.

What happens in middle age that erodes the protection women have against heart disease?

Middle age means menopause to women. That's when estrogen protection begins to shut down. Estrogen is a sex hormone made in the ovaries.

As the supply of estrogen diminishes, many women encounter hot flashes; night sweats; dry, almost brittle skin; decreased vaginal secretions; and loss of bone mass, or osteoporosis.

But something else happens. As women age their blood cholesterol profiles

often change.

The level of HDL, the cholesterol that protects against heart disease, drops. Levels of LDL, the "bad" cholesterol, increase.

This shift may be linked to the gradual loss of estrogen.

It also may explain the higher incidence of coronary heart disease that occurs when the arterial wall thickens and diminishes blood flow.

Doctors have long prescribed estrogen, both alone and with other hormones, to ease menopause symptoms.

New evidence points to greater benefits from the therapy for many women.

Estrogen use may lessen the risk of arterial wall thickening by lowering the level of LDL cholesterol, which is linked to hardening and thickening of the

arteries.

Estrogen also may protect women's hearts as a natural "clot buster" while helping to lower cholesterol levels.

But estrogen may not be best for every post-menopausal woman.

Ask your doctor about the possible risks to such therapy.

Estrogen replacement is also no substitute for a healthy lifestyle in preventing a heart attack or stroke. Women should avoid smoking, eat a balanced, low-saturated-fat diet, and maintain a moderate level of physical activity to help control weight.

*For more information contact your local American Heart Association or call 1-800-AHA-USA1 (1-800-242-8721).*

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## Four-legged friends can ease loneliness

Plenty of people who share their lives with a cat or dog would say that four-legged friends beat the two-legged kind.

After all, pets offer unconditional love, listen to your problems without criticism or complaint, keep your secrets, and remain ready to play when you want to.

All they ask in return are the basics: food, shelter and an occasional scratch behind the ears. But what does science say about the physical and mental health benefits of pet ownership?

Although much of the research on the human-animal bond and its benefits is inconclusive, Tom Garrity, chair of the University of Kentucky College of Medicine's department of behavioral science, said reliable research does show that when someone is isolated from much contact with other people, pets can serve to ease loneliness.

"In terms of the benefit of pets, it's very similar to what we derive from other people," Garrity said. "Just as good friends make us feel good about ourselves, so can pets make us feel loved."

Socially isolated people are at a greater risk for a variety of health problems, so having a pet most likely can be beneficial for those people.

Garrity, working with other UK researchers, has studied the psychological aspects of the animal-human bond.

In a large survey of elderly people across the country, the UK researchers looked for a connection between pet ownership and attachment and better psychological and physical health. The researchers conducted a similar survey with adults ages 21-64. The studies found no physical health benefits directly tied to owning a pet, other than a somewhat lower incidence of depression.

Also, the researchers did not find that pet owners handled life stresses any better than those who don't own a pet, except for those who had experienced major life changes, such as the death of a spouse, without any social support. "In this

group, people under a burden of stress with no human support, pet owners did significantly better than non-pet owners," Garrity said.

In a study of loneliness and pet ownership among single women, researchers found that women living entirely alone expressed more loneliness than those living with either pets or other people.

Some studies have looked at the benefits of placing pets in therapeutic settings or environments in which people are under stress.

For example, one study found that people performed better on challenging math problems when a pet was in the room, as compared with when another person was in the room.

"A typical finding is that contact with companion animals is associated with less physiologic arousal, probably because they give unconditional love and are non-judgmental," Garrity said.

Nursing home residents seem to reap psychological benefits when a pet is introduced to their environment. They tend to become less isolated and talk more to other residents and staff, Garrity said.

But it's hard to conclude anything from such studies because the novelty effect must be considered. "If the animal became a fixture, that surge of social interaction might diminish," he said.

Of course, he said, there are some other variables to consider, such as how strong one's attachment is to a pet and the type of animal.

Dogs usually rate as better companions than cats, probably because they're more apt to be playful, Garrity said. As you might expect, "uncuddly" pets like goldfish don't do much for loneliness.

"It almost doesn't make a difference if people have people or pets for companionship," Garrity concluded. "Just having a companion is protective and health-giving."



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#### Thursday, May 9

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Booth Auditorium, 7 p.m.

Reception immediately following on Level 5

#### Friday, May 10

#### Alumni/Senior Banquet

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Pikeville College Gym, 6:30 p.m.

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#### Saturday, May 11

#### Memorial Service & Brunch

Allara Library Courtyard

11 a.m.—1 p.m.

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Pikeville College Gym, 2 p.m.

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# Sunshine Lines

by Beverly Carroll

Senior citizens, so many government and private programs that were established to help us in our golden years have been cut out completely. Others are being severely threatened and may be reduced or discontinued. Private organizations, dedicated to helping the indigent and the aged, have died painful deaths due to overwhelming demands for the services they once offered and the lack of funding to provide those services.

Organizations that are still "hanging on" in an effort to meet the needs of our people in Appalachia are being forced to either cut back on the types of services they provide, or increase their charges for providing those services, or both. Today, as I write, the future, so far as customary benefits to assist senior citizens are concerned, appears bleak. Yet, in spite of these difficult times, we have advocates who are striving to educate those who have never known poverty and have never had to choose between buying nutritious food or life-sustaining medications.

We are very fortunate to have people and organizations working on our behalf. Their efforts may not produce miracles—at least not overnight, but their "voice" does assure

us that lawmakers will not be afforded the opportunity "to forget" the needs of our people in the mountains or our senior citizens.

One organization that has been a forerunner on behalf of issues affecting senior citizens is the AARP—the American Association of Retired Persons. The AARP has a strong voice in Frankfort on issues that affect senior citizens in Kentucky. Of equal importance, at the national level, is the influence it has in Washington. It is my opinion that were it not for the influence of this organization, numerous senior citizen issues would be tabled and forgotten. Many of the benefits that we have been afforded to date is a direct result of the powerful influence this organization has on behalf of senior citizen rights and issues.

AARP has been around for a long time. One misconception many people have about this organization is that one must have been employed by and retired from a business, organization or profession to be eligible. This is false. To be eligible one must be fifty years of age or older. That is all. Whether you worked or didn't work; whether you retired or are still working; whether you retired from one job and are presently working at your second career, makes no difference.

There is a nominal membership fee. I chose to pay \$20.00 which entitled me to a three-year membership. I received my membership card about a week before my husband and I left on a business trip. I put the card in my wallet and forgot about it.

It wasn't until we were checking into an out-of-state motel, where we had reserved a room for twelve nights, that I was reminded of my AARP membership. While the clerk was figuring our bill I saw a sign that read, "AARP welcome." I brought it to my husband's attention. At that time he mentioned our card to the clerk who adjusted our bill. We stayed the twelve nights as planned, but the discount this membership afforded us saved us about two nights in motel expense. My AARP membership far more than paid for itself the first time we used it. What a bargain!

AARP membership offers more than lodging discounts. Presently we are in the process of seeing how much this membership can save us on homeowners insurance.

Beside the deep discounts on motel accommodations and insurance there are other ways this card will save us money in the future. It offers the holder discounts on prescriptions and drugstore products; health and long-term insurance; reduced interest and fees on credit cards; life insurance without a medical exam; tax-deferred annuities where interest and principal are guaranteed; no-commission investments; and much more.

I joined to support an organization fighting on behalf of senior citizen issues. But

already it has given back to me far more than my initial \$20.00 membership fee.

For more information about the AARP contact them at 601 E. Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20049.

Remember, "You have to be 50 or over to join AARP, but you don't have to be retired. In

fact, a third of our members are employed in full or part-time jobs. Whether you're a doctor or a lawyer, a secretary or an executive, a farmer or a fisherman... (or a coal miner)...AARP makes sense for you!"

No person or organization can take the place of your let-

ters and telephone calls to your elected officials in Frankfort, or in Washington. But strong organizations like the AARP echo your concerns and remain steadfast in its efforts to bring about positive changes to benefit today's senior citizens in Appalachia and throughout the nation.

## Blue ribbon fun for all awaits at the Kentucky State Fair

The Kentucky State Fair has Fun For All in store for 1996 and that includes a chance at winning a blue ribbon in one of our 28 competitive entry departments. The deadline for entering most contests is July 5, except for livestock (July 10) and rabbits (July 19). The 93rd annual Kentucky State Fair will be August 15-25 at the Kentucky Fair and Exposition Center in Louisville.

For 1996, the State Fair has added two new special cooking contests. Mark's Feed Store Bar-B-Q Contest will require contestants to make a hot or cold salad, side dish, main entree or casserole using one of the two Mark's Feed Store Barbecue sauces. Also new on the culinary stage will be Rudy's Farm® Country Sausage Contest. Contestants can make a hot dinner dish or a hot or cold appetizer using any variety of Rudy's Farm Country Sausage.

Other special cooking contests scheduled for the 1996 Kentucky State Fair are the Pillsbury Refrigerated Pie Crust Championship, Evan Williams® Bourbon Cooking Competition, Archway®

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The entry fee for most of the State Fair's 28 competitive entry departments is \$4 with the exception of the livestock departments. No fee is charged in the dairy product, ham, home brew and wine departments. Most departments have open competition which anyone can enter.

Complete rules, instructions and entry forms for all entry

departments and the special cooking contests are available in the 1996 Kentucky State Fair entry catalog. Entry catalogs are free to anyone requesting one and will be available in late May. To request an entry catalog write to: Kentucky State Fair Entry Department, P.O. Box 37130, Louisville, KY 40233 or call the Entry Department at (502) 367-5190.

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The Kentucky State Fair World's Championship Horse Show will be held August 18-24 in Freedom Hall. Three pre-fair horse shows will be held this summer: the 4-H Horse Show, June 30-July 6; the Quarter Horse Show, August 6-10; and the Morgan-Arabian Horse Show, August 11 and 12. Horse Show entry catalogs will be available in early May. For additional State Fair Horse Show information or to request a catalog write to: Kentucky State Fair Horse Show Office, P.O. Box 37130, Louisville, KY 40233 or call the Horse Show Office, at (502) 367-5300.

## Big Sandy Senior Games

The Big Sandy Senior Games will be held Friday, May 17, at the Dewey Lake Downstream Recreation Area (Spillway). The opening ceremony for the games is at 9:30 a.m. The insurance fee is \$3, and deadline to register is April 25.

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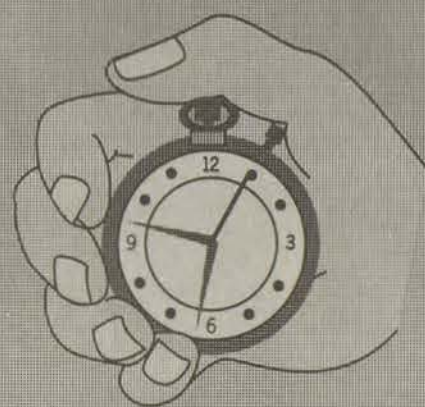
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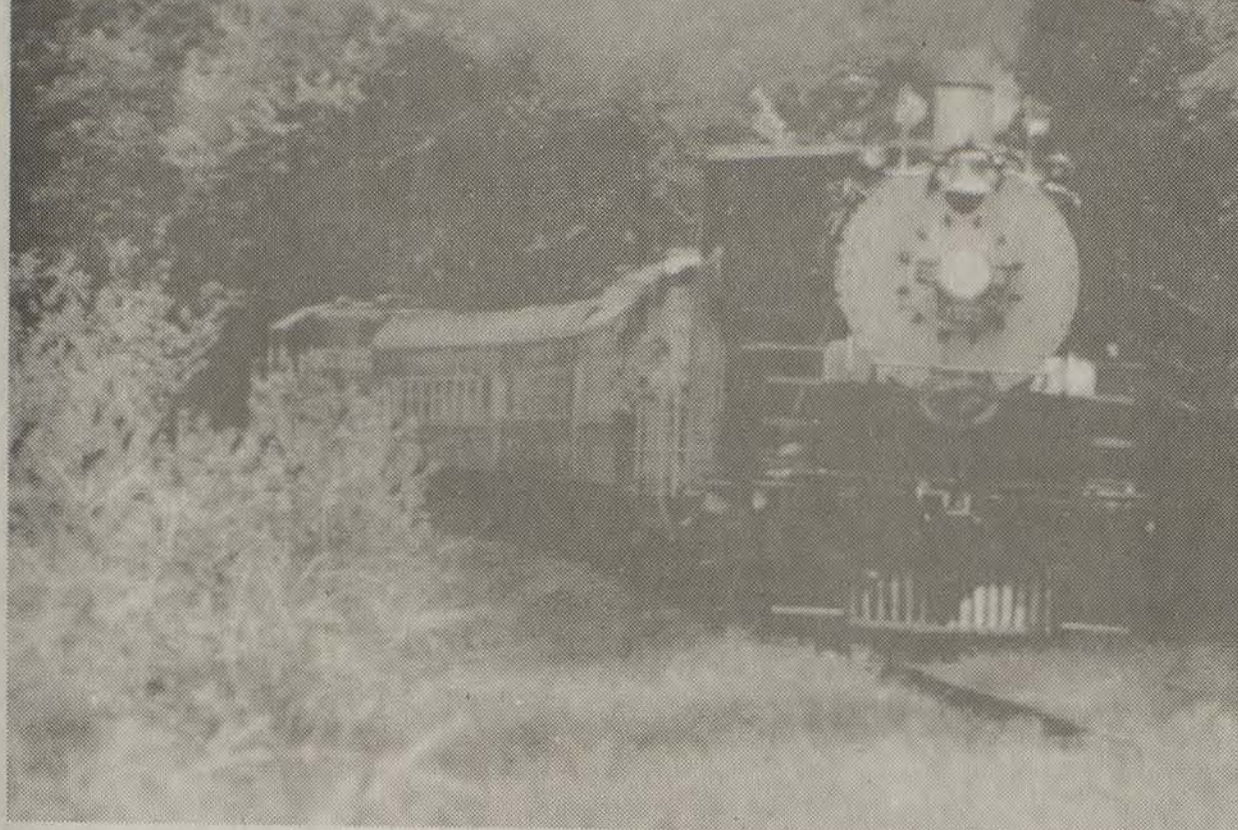
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### THE BEAUTIFUL COUNTRYSIDE

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On Murder Mystery Excursions, passengers help solve the murder mysteries.

There are three Halloween Ghost Trains, and in December Santa will visit passengers on the Santa Express. Then there's the New Year's Eve Gala, a romantic and exciting way to celebrate the New Year.

At the Dillsboro Depot there is an extensive Historical Train Museum, with exhibits, landscaped displays, model trains operating, and a video booth playing four railroad features. Admission \$3 and \$2.

Most rail excursions are \$9 for children ages 12 and under (age 2 and under are free), and \$18 or \$19 for adults. For specifics on times and rates, call the Great Smoky Mountains Railway at 1-800-872-4681 ext. 65. All aboard!

## The season of new life springs into the Smokies

The Great Smoky Mountains National Park provides the perfect backdrop for beautiful spring flowers and the City of Gatlinburg and the Gatlinburg Visitors and Convention Bureau are taking full advantage of the opportunity.

The City Recreation Department horticulture team has been in the greenhouse all winter preparing for the thaw to bring out the fruits of their labor and showcase them on the city streets and sidewalks.

Plans call for over 400 hanging baskets to be located throughout Gatlinburg. The baskets will be filled with petunias, salvia and impatiens as well as, tropicals including bougainvillea, mandevilla and dipladenia plus, variegated vinca and ivy vines that grow down to the sidewalk. These baskets will hang from poles and covered trolley stops.

There are over 80 different flower beds in the City of Gatlinburg which will contain pansies, tulips and daffodils during the early part of spring and in mid-May petunias, salvia, begonias, impatiens, celosia, ageratum and annual vinca vines will be added. Some perennials, which make a return visit each year, and tropicals including hibiscus and mandevilla will be introduced to the flower beds.

Over 60 sidewalk planters positioned in various locations throughout the City will be

filled with pansies and tulips and in mid-May petunias of various colors will be added.

Three-hundred railing baskets lining the Parkway and River Road will contain pansies and in mid-May petunias, salvia and impatiens will be introduced.

And with all these blossoms the GVCB has been busy creating Smoky Mountain Spring, a three month long celebration of the season of new life.

"Gatlinburg transforms from a winter wonderland into a full bloom of fabulous flowers throughout the City," states Deana Ivey, director for the Chamber of Commerce Division of the GVCB.

"We are planning several great events to help us celebrate the arrival of spring during this eight-week period," added Ivey.

Events scheduled for Smoky Mountain Spring include The Smoky Mountain Music Festival beginning April 26 and continuing each weekend until May 10; Gatlinburg Celebrates the Birth of Rocky Top, May 4; Gatlinburg's Scottish Festival and Games, May 17-19; The 11th Annual Smoky Mountain Living Flag, May 23-25 and Gatlinburg's Run Fer Th' Hills 10K Road Race concludes the festival on June 1.

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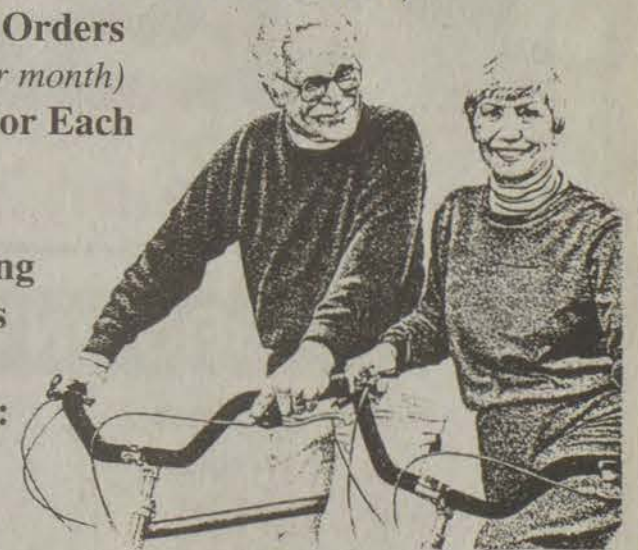
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