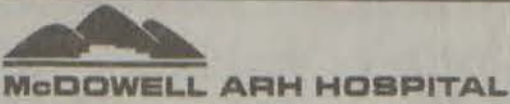


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State to join Floyd's war on illegal dumps

by Janice Shepherd
Managing Editor

Local citizens caught dumping their trash illegally could face up to \$5,000 in fines — and a trip to Frankfort — under a new initiative taken by the state Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet and the Floyd County government.

Local and state agencies will combine forces to step up efforts to stop illegal dumps in Floyd County, Floyd County Judge-Executive Ben Hale said this week.

Hale, who attended the Kentucky County Judges Association meeting last week in Bowling Green, was briefed on the new illegal dumping initiative by Cabinet Secretary James E. Bickford.

Bickford said this new effort was

intended to help counties fight the problem of illegal dumping in the state.

"We've got to stop illegal dumping, an activity that creates a health hazard, is detrimental to tourism and economic development efforts and is just unsightly," Bickford said. He also reminded judge-executives at the meeting that local tax dollars needed for water, sewer and road projects are instead being used to clean up illegal dumps.

Mike Vance, director of Floyd County Solid Waste, estimated that Floyd County spent \$13,000 in tipping fees and an additional \$40,000 in manpower and equipment costs in removing trash from illegal dumps last year.

Hale said that about three weeks after some of the dump sites had been cleaned people began dumping

garbage again.

"One of my biggest peeves is illegal dumping. People need to know we're serious about this and, with the help of Bickford, we have more back up (in court)," Hale said.

"We can constantly keep using jail personnel (to clean up the dumps) and the Adopt-A-Highway Program, but it's a neverending battle. We have to get people to take responsibility for their own actions.

"People here have a good opportunity — they have garbage pickup at home and a transfer station to take their trash to at Garth. There is no need for this. Illegal dumps hinder economic development and put a stereotype on Eastern Kentucky and on Floyd County," Hale said.

He explained that Bickford's new

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ILLEGAL dumps like this one will be targeted by state and local authorities, who hope that stiff fines will be a deterrent to dumpers. If caught, those dumpers may have to plead their cases in Frankfort instead of in local courts.

File photo

Mother is arrested after kids play hooky

by Chris McDavid
Staff Writer

A Floyd County mother was arrested Wednesday after she tried to cover up for her two sons who were skipping school.

Lawana Lynn Heinlein, of Bull Creek, told the principal at Adams Middle School that her children were at home sick while, at the same time, three officers were chasing two of her sons and another juvenile who were skipping school.

She was charged with two counts of second degree wanton endangerment.

"Heinlein told the principal that (her kids) were with her, when in fact we were chasing them on the hill behind the bowling alley," Prestonsburg Police Sgt. Anthony Castle said Thursday. "She admitted she lied to protect her children."

Heinlein pleaded guilty Wednesday in Floyd District Court and was sentenced to 30 days in jail, probated on the condition she not violate any laws for one year.

"Her upholding the children's actions only gives them an excuse to continue this sort of behavior," Castle said. "It's not the right way to protect 11- and 12-year-old children."

Search for multi-county industrial site underway

by Chris McDavid
Staff Writer

Floyd and three other counties have joined forces in the search for a large portion of land for the development of a new regional industrial park program where more jobs and revenue for the Big Sandy area are the goals.

The other three counties are Pike, Martin, and Johnson.

New policies allow funds from the Local Government Economic Development Program (LGEDP) to be used to pay for the development of regional industrial parks. The program allocates grants of coal severance tax revenues to coal producing counties.

Floyd Judge-Executive Ben Hale said Thursday that representatives from each of the

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It's tournament time!



Faces in the crowd...

An excited Prestonsburg crowd made up part of the large audience in the opening round of the 58th District tournament at the D.W. Howard Fieldhouse at Betsy Layne Friday night. Both Allen Central girls and Prestonsburg boys advanced out of the early round. (photo by Ed Taylor)

Theft suspect confessed to two burglaries, police say

by Chris McDavid
Staff Writer

A Floyd Grand Jury will hear evidence in a case against a Martin man who allegedly broke into a tire store and stole four new tires for his truck.

Floyd District Judge James R. Allen referred the case against Gary Lee Samons, 25, of Drift, to the grand jury Wednesday after a preliminary hearing.

According to Kentucky State

Police trooper Mike Thorpe's testimony, Samons allegedly broke into Steve's Tire Sales on two different occasions.

Samons was charged with two counts of third degree burglary; three counts of criminal mischief; two counts of theft by unlawful taking; and receiving stolen property.

Thorpe said Samons broke into the tire store on February 4 and on February 13.

The first time Samons allegedly broke into the store, he got four

new tires for his truck, the trooper testified. The second time, he got four more new tires.

Thorpe said the owner of the store was told that Samons had four new tires on his truck and they fit the description of the stolen tires.

"Samons stated he (burglarized the store) twice," the trooper said.

Thorpe also testified that Samons damaged a fence each time he broke into the store and that he

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Staff cuts get reluctant okay as deficit looms

by Susan Allen
Staff Writer

Staffing cuts have been okayed by Floyd County school officials in an attempt to prevent a year-end budget deficit which could lead to the ouster of the entire school board.

In special meetings Tuesday and Thursday morning, the board authorized laying off 54 classified and certified employees, and is expected to cut almost \$700,000 in expenditures.

At Tuesday's special meeting, interim superintendent Louie Martin told the board cuts in classified personnel must be made, which are in accordance with the deficit reduction plan. He added that board member Ray Brackett had asked for a financial projection regarding three, five, seven and ten-day layoffs, but "it won't fix it."

And, the latest round of classified cuts will not be enough to cure the district's financial woes.

"You'll have to do it again next year," Martin told the board. "Something has to be done. The problem is overstaffing."

Under the revised deficit reduction plan approved Tuesday, six school secretarial positions will be cut; 17 teacher aides; one central office secretary; six positions in maintenance; and one custodian, will be affected.

Board member Jody Mullins said the cuts proposed were more than anticipated and that he thought the district could come up with other ways to trim the budget.

Martin said if the district chose to come up with another plan, state officials would ask for deeper personnel cuts. He said the proposal was "as much as we could do" in the middle of the school year. Significant cuts in certified personnel will also have to take place for the 1997-98 school year, Martin said.

Board member Ray Brackett

said the plan must be approved if board members want to keep their positions.

"We've got an obligation to bite the bullet and we might as well bite it if you want to remain here," Brackett said. "We have to or we have school board members and a

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First suit filed over accident

by Susan Allen
Staff Writer

Less than two weeks after a tragic car accident claimed the lives of four teenagers, a wrongful death lawsuit has been filed against the estate of the teen driver by a parent of one of the victims.

Thomas Lee Word, the father of Thomas Lee Word II, has sued Fannie Walters, the administratrix of the estate of Gregory T. Walters.

Greg Walters was the driver of the car which crashed into an Alano building at Lancer on February 15.

Teens Word, Sean Pilch and Forrest Howell were also killed in the crash.

The lawsuit, filed by Prestonsburg attorney Keith Bartley, seeks unspecified damages and maybe expanded later to include other defendants.

State and local authorities are also expected to file criminal charges soon in connection with the mishap.

Note: A civil suit complaint lists only the plaintiff's cause of action.

Attorney says deadline met, Allen project should go on

by Chris McDavid
Staff Writer

It looks like the city of Allen will be able to keep the funding for its sewer project — for now anyway.

According to city attorney Brett Davis, the city has complied with the terms of a letter from the Department for Local Government, which was threatening to pull funding for the project.

The February 7 letter set a February 28 (today) deadline for the

city to submit a revised performance schedule; cost summary; copy of documents regarding the resolution of a conflict with Elrod-Dunson Inc., the project engineer; the contract for administration of the grant; and full financial accounting of the project to date.

"Should the city fail to honor this deadline, I will immediately forward ... a recommendation to closeout this project and redistrib-

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Spell it like it is...



Champion speller

Winning the district spelling bee was no mirage for Miranda Slone, an eighth grade student at Martin Middle School. She successfully spelled the word "dromedary" misspelled by runner-up Jonathan Tackett, and then "mirage," to win the spelling bee held at Adams Middle School. Also pictured are Adams principal Janice Allen; Libby Hall; Glenda Blackburn; Patricia Watson; John Williamson, regional speech league director; and Angela Mullins. Both students will compete in the regional spelling bee in Huntington, West Virginia. (photo by Rita Brock)



Commissioner of Parks, Mary Ray Oaken, presented three Jenny Wiley State Park employees—Jeannie Crace, David May, and Fred Reed—with GED certificates on February 19. The three employees received a ten percent pay increase for their completion of the program. (photo by Janice Shepherd)

Jenny Wiley State Resort Park employees honored

Three employees of Jenny Wiley State Resort Park are discovering that it pays to keep learning.

The three — Jeannie Crace, David May, and Fred Reed — were honored in a luncheon February 19 at Jenny Wiley State Park by Commissioner of Parks Mary Ray Oaken for earning their General Equivalency Diplomas (GEDs).

They will receive a ten percent bonus as part of a state incentive program. Through the program, state employees who obtain their GED while in the employ of the state receive a one-time, ten percent

pay increase.

The three were also honored by Governor Paul Patton, who named them Kentucky Colonels. Lena Trammell, GED program coordinator for state parks presented the awards to Crace, May and Reed on behalf of the governor.

The three GED recipients may also be rewarded with promotions.

"Look at these people and think in terms of getting them promotions," the parks commissioner, Oaken, told Jenny Wiley Park manager Jim Kennedy.

"Employees are what makes the parks. I have a nice title, commissioner, and a nice office...but I alone and the people in the central office alone could not do this. We could not make the park system what it is today. You are what makes the park system what it is today — the finest park system in the nation," Oaken said.

"You have put Prestonsburg on the map. People come to Jenny Wiley from all over. What you have provided in the way of economic development in this community is something that you or I can't imagine. Without this park here, I'm sure

that there are a lot of other things that wouldn't be here. This park was a stimulus to help build this area of the state," the parks commissioner said.

Oaken said that getting a GED is not an easy task. She knows that firsthand because she is a former educator who helped get GED classes started in the workplace.

"Sometime back, I think it was about 13 years ago I... took a ride over to Kentucky Dam to a GED recognition dinner. There was a young lady there named Mary Ray Oaken facilitating that program. It seems ironic that here we are 13 years later celebrating the very same program that has demonstrated to all of us to be a program that is so essentially important that it has never deteriorated or never gone away but gained in stature and gained in importance," Kennedy said in praising Oaken's support of the GED program in the state park system.

Willis Little is the instructor at the GED classes at Jenny Wiley State Park. Classes were held in the Josie Harkins School, located in the park.

Dislocated worker program puts people to work

Floyd County residents who have lost their jobs or their businesses can find help through the Dislocated Worker Program.

The program offers assistance with retraining workers and with job searches. It is funded by the Cabinet for Workforce Development Office of Training Re-employment through the Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA).

The program is set up through the Eastern Kentucky Concentrated Employment Program Inc. in conjunction with the Big Sandy Area Community Action Program's Dislocated Worker Service Center.

For more information, contact Claude Swiney or David Brian Kidd at the Big Sandy Area Community Action Program's Dislocated Worker Center office in Allen at (606) 874-2965 or 874-9775; or write P.O. Box 331, Rt. 1428, Allen, KY 41601.

Wright in third year as adjutant treasurer

After serving two years, one of which was part-time, Jesse L. Wright is serving his third year as adjutant-treasurer for the Kentucky Department of Disabled American Veterans (DAV).

Wright, son of a coal miner, was born in West Prestonsburg. He graduated from Prestonsburg High School in 1949.

After lettering in basketball and baseball in high school, Wright attended the University of Kentucky where he graduated with an A.B. degree. He received his Masters Degree from Georgetown College and got his Rank I Degree from Western Kentucky University.

Wright taught one year each at Betsy Layne and Prestonsburg high schools. After spending 27 years in education as a teacher and principal, he retired as assistant principal in the Jefferson County Schools, in Louisville.

He is married to Barbara T. Wright, who retired as a high school counselor in Jefferson County Schools. They have four children, one is a teacher, one is a corporate lawyer, one a family practice doctor, and the other is a pharmacist.

DAV has approximately 90 chapters scattered throughout Kentucky. The DAV national headquarters is located in Cold Springs, and is 1.2 million strong.

Jobs participant completes training

Shelia Stone has completed phlebotomy training that was held at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin. She passed the test and has received her certificate, verifying she has completed all requirements for this occupation. Sharlet Butler was the Americorp Mentor assigned to this participant.

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counties have been meeting in an effort to find the most suitable location for a regional industrial park and prepare a project plan to submit for approval.

Hale explained that the funding was established for coal producing counties to create large blocks of available, accessible, marketable industrial land in an economical way that will result in greater development and more jobs.

But, Hale said the coal producing counties are in a precarious situation.

"We are producing the severance tax, but we are also limited in the land available to create industrial parks," he said.

Hale said suitable land for industrial parks is difficult to locate, especially in the coal producing counties because of the mountains and deep mines.

"We have to start working as a region," Hale said. "We all share the same obstacles before any kind of economic development can begin. It benefits us all to work together."

Hale said each of the counties participating in the regional industrial project has adopted a resolution agreeing to work together on the project.

Hale said he and representatives from the other three counties and from the Big Sandy Area Development District (BSADD) and local office of the state's Economic Development Cabinet have met to consider possible locations for the prospective regional site.

"We are trying to find the best location and submit a proposal we can get approved," he said, "but, it's going to be competitive."

Once a site has been identified, costs have been determined, and a proposal is prepared, the Cabinet for Economic Development will select which proposals can utilize the funding.

"This is the only way these funds can be used," Roger Recktenwald, BSADD executive director, said Wednesday.

Recktenwald said Magoffin County, the fifth county in the BSADD region, has not been excluded from participating in the industrial park, but it hasn't officially agreed to become involved.

Recktenwald said a portion of land near the Big Sandy Regional Airport, a corridor on Route 23 between Pike and Floyd counties, and a MapCo site in Pike County are currently being considered as potential target sites for the project.

Hale said a six-member board would be established to oversee the project if the proposal is accepted.

The first proposals are due to the Cabinet by May 1.

Cuts

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superintendent subject to be removed. We have to make them. No one likes to do this."

The vote was 4-0 to approve the plan. Board member Eddie Patton was absent from Tuesday's meeting.

At the Thursday morning meeting, the board approved staffing allocations for the schools, which cut 23 certified positions.

The staffing allocations are based, in part, on the projected enrollment for the next school year, which is down 157 students.

Dumps

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drive to control illegal dumping means that state officials will be involved in investigations and keeping an eye on illegal dump sites. Officials with the Department of Natural Resources, including rangers with the Division of Forestry, will be on the lookout for people dumping their trash illegally. The Army Corps of Engineers is also joining the effort, Floyd County Ecology officer Lon May, added.

Cabinet Secretary Bickford said some counties have taken major strides in their efforts to catch violators and have them prosecuted, while efforts in other counties have met with mixed success. The new initiative will mean offenders will be given a notice of violation and will be scheduled to appear before an administrative hearing officer in Frankfort. The maximum penalty is a fine of up to \$5,000 per day.

Hale said that if it comes to the point that people aren't paying their trash bills and illegal dumps once again become a familiar site in the county, the Floyd County government may attach the garbage pickup fee to property tax bills. Hale said that Kentucky passed a law in 1990 that allowed county governments to attach the fee to the tax bills.

"Other counties are doing it," Hale said. "(Paying your trash bill) is a duty. It's time for us to start looking at our environment. It's time we take responsibility."

Phil Paige, director of instruction, said state-mandated class cap sizes reflect 31 students per teacher. He said those figures would work in a "perfect situation," but, in reality, would not happen in Floyd County.

Some adjustments in staffing will have to be made after the start of the school year, Paige said. He added that the staffing plan adopts the minimum per pupil spending allowed, \$96.46 per student.

Brackett said the district will make the cuts for the beginning of the school year and add staff back on an as-needed basis.

Superintendent Martin explained that the allocations are a starting point for the schools to make staffing placements for the 1997-98 school year.

Accepting New Patients

Dr. Tamara L. Musgrave will be accepting new patients starting Monday, March 3.

Dr. Musgrave is originally from Jenkins, Kentucky and is one of only 11 physicians in the nation board certified in both Medical Oncology (cancer care) and Infectious Disease. She is board certified in Internal Medicine as well.

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CableVision test continues to decide added channels

CableVision continues conducting a test to determine what channels to add to its cable TV service in the Prestonsburg area.

Since December and continuing through March, channels 50, 51 and 52 have offered different programming services each month, including Court TV, Classic Sports, The Outdoor Channel, The Golf Channel, and Sci Fi Channel.

"This allows our customers to view a service for 30 days. They'll really see the depth and quality of the programming," said CableVision System manager Dan Perry. "The result will be informed consumers instead of a channel being added based on how good their advertising is."

From February 28 through March 31 on channel 50, will be Home and Garden TV. Join some of America's best home builders, decorators, gardeners and craft experts, as they provide practical information to help you make the most of your life at home. Designed to appeal to all ages and lifestyles, HGTV features creative ideas, helpful hints, and how-to

information on everything from building a porch to planning a party and remodeling a kitchen.

Shows include "The House Doctor" (weekdays at 6:30 a.m., 7:00 p.m.; Saturday/Sunday at 8:30, 9:00 a.m.) and "What's Your Hobby?" (Monday at 10:00 a.m.; Tuesday at 8:30 p.m., 11:30 p.m.; Saturday, noon; Sunday 7:30 p.m.).

Through March 31 on channel 51 will be The Learning Channel.

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CableVision will be selecting three channels to add to its service. As these will be tough decisions

because only three channels will be selected, this is a chance for the viewers to be included in the decision making. "Whether by postcard or by letter," said Perry, "we want to collect our customers' opinions about what they like and dislike about the channels offered in January and February as well as these new channels. So that each customer gets fair representation,

we're asking people to include their name and number on the letter."

CableVision serves more than 3,000 families in Floyd County via a cable TV system that is currently being upgraded to deliver more channels and clearer pictures. Rifkin and Associates, which is funding the investment to upgrade the cable system, serves more than 300,000 customers in 12 states.

Results announced in recent Governor's Cup competition

The Governor's Cup district level competition for middle grades was held at Allen Elementary School on February 1. Results from the District 82 competition follows.

Math—first place, Marcus Allen, John M. Stumbo; second place, Joshua Allen, John M. Stumbo; third place, Courtney Reid, Harold; and fourth place, Jeremy Reed, Herald Whitaker.

Science—first place, Gary Harper, Herald Whitaker; second place, Travis Montgomery, Herald Whitaker; third place, Nicholas Hall, John M. Stumbo; and fourth place, Tim Conn, Harold.

Composition—first place, Stephanie Dye, Allen; second place, Cortney Flannery, John M. Stumbo; third place, Sarah Click, Harold; and fourth place, Tiffany Pinks, Herald Whitaker.

Social Studies—first place,

Trent Tackett, John M. Stumbo; second place, Nicholas Hall, John M. Stumbo; third place, Tyler Harris, Harold; and fourth place, Blake Montgomery, Herald Whitaker.

Language Arts—first place, Sarah Click, Harold; second place, Mollie McMillan, Betsy Layne; third place, Brandi Lykens, Harold; and fourth place, Brandon Whitaker, Herald Whitaker.

General Knowledge—first place, Blake Montgomery, Herald Whitaker; second place, Joshua Allen, John M. Stumbo; third place, Gerald Newsome, John M. Stumbo; and fourth place (tie), Zachary Hilton, of Allen Elementary and Becky Lykens of Harold Elementary.

Quick Recall—first place, Harold Elementary; and second place, Herald Whitaker.

Final Standings—first place, Harold Elementary; and second place, John M. Stumbo Elementary.

Project

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ute the remaining funds to other eligible projects," Director of Division of Community Programs Scott Kimmich said in the letter.

Davis said the city commission deemed presentation of the performance schedule and the cost summary were the responsibilities of Elrod-Dunson.

"The city has complied with what it was asked to do," the city attorney said Thursday.

Davis said he was notified by Elrod-Dunson that the cost summary and performance schedule for the project have been prepared and were ready to be sent to the Department for Local Government.

Crace graduates from basic training

Army Pfc. Jimmie J. Crace has graduated from basic military training at Fort Leonard Wood, Waynesville, Missouri.

During the training, students received instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, first aid, and Army history and traditions.

Crace is the son of Della S. and Billy J. Crace of Allen.

He graduated in 1988 from Prestonsburg High School, and received an associate degree in 1996 from Prestonsburg Community College.

Theft

(Continued from page one) damaged the building.

"He cut a hole through the tin of the building to crawl through," he said.

Samons' attorney, Amy Kratz, had the receiving stolen property charge dismissed because she said it was double jeopardy.

Samons was being charged with a misdemeanor theft charge for taking the four tires that were on his truck. He was also charged with receiving stolen property for the same tires.

In other preliminary hearings Wednesday:

- A case against Edward Collins, 33, of Hueysville, who was arrested on 24 charges after a high speed chase last week, was waived to the grand jury.

- A grand jury will review evidence in a case that alleges Eugene Little, 42, of Weeksbury, had cocaine in his possession during a traffic stop.

- Arson and theft charges against Wallace and Evelyn Michelle Chaffins, of Wayland, were dismissed in Floyd District Court because KSP arson investigator Barry McKenzie and Aaron Kidd, of the Wayland City Police, have already taken the cases to the grand jury.

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CONCURRENT NOTICE

NOTICE TO PUBLIC OF NO SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT AND NOTICE TO PUBLIC OF REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

Feb. 28, 1997

The City of Wayland, P.O. Box 293, Wayland, KY 41666, (606) 358-9466, applicant.

TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES, GROUPS AND PERSONS: On or about Monday, March 17, 1997, the above-named city will request the Kentucky Department of Local Government to release federal funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (PL 93-383) for the following project:

Wayland Community Service Building Project (Census Tract 980900). The 8,512 s.f. metal frame structure will be built on a vacant lot located within the corporate limits, adjacent to Ky. Rt. 7. The lot lies within the 100-year floodplain (zone A9). However, design addresses elevation of the building and access above flood levels. The floor structure will be elevated on concrete block walls to provide a crawl space for utilities installation and maintenance. Design and construction will comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act, the Kentucky Department of Housing, Building and Construction and all applicable codes and regulations.

It has been determined that such request for release of funds will not constitute an action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment and, accordingly, the above-named city has decided not to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (PL 91-190).

The reasons for the decision, pursuant to Part 58.16(a)(3), are: 1) No public agency or individual has presented any data which indicates there are any negative environmental impacts to result from this project; 2) All environmental impact issues raised during environmental assessment have been resolved or will be addressed during project implementation; and 3) All NEPA requirements can be met without preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement.

An Environmental Review Record respecting the within project has been made by the above-mentioned city which documents the environmental review of the project and more fully sets forth the reasons why such Statement is not required. This Environmental Review Record is on file at the above address and is available for public examination and copying, upon request, in Office of Mayor, City of Wayland, Wayland, KY 41666, during normal business hours.

No further environmental review of such project is proposed to be conducted prior to the request for release of federal funds.

All interested agencies, groups, and persons who disagree with this decision are invited to submit written comments for consideration by the City to the Office of the Mayor. Such written comments should be received at the Office of the Mayor, City of Wayland, P.O. Box 293, Wayland, KY 41666, on or before the close of business Monday, March 17, 1997. Any comments received will be considered and the city will not request the release of federal funds or take any administrative action on the within project prior to the date specified in the preceding sentence.

The City of Wayland will undertake the project described above with Block Grant funds from the Kentucky Department of Local Government (KDLG) under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974. The City of Wayland is also certifying to the State that the City and Mayor Eugene Mullins, as chief executive officer, consent to accept the jurisdiction of the federal courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to environmental reviews, decision making, and action; and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The legal effect of the certification is that upon its approval, the City of Wayland may use the Block Grant funds and the State and HUD will have satisfied their responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969. The State will accept an obligation to its approval only if it is on one of the following bases:

- The certification was not in fact executed by the city's Certifying Officer.
- The City has failed to make one of the two findings pursuant to 58.41 or to make the written determination decision required by 58.53 or 58.64 for the project, as applicable.
- The City has omitted one or more of the steps set forth at Subparts F and G for the preparation and completion of an EA.
- No opportunity was given to the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation or its Executive Director to review the effect of the project on a property listed on the National Register of Historic Places, or found to be eligible for such listing by the Secretary of the Interior, in accordance with 36 CFR Part 800.
- Objections have been made by a federal agency.

Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedure (24 CFR Part 58) and may be addressed to the Kentucky Department of Local Government, Division of Community Programs, 1024 Capital Center Drive, Frankfort, KY 40601.

Objections to the release of funds on bases other than those stated above will not be considered by the State. No objection received after Tuesday, April 1, 1997, will be considered by the State.

Signed: Mayor Eugene Mullins, City of Wayland, certifying officer.

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ALLAN S. PERRY III—Publisher-Editor

Liberty of thought is the life of the soul—Voltaire

Setting it straight

by Scott Perry

It's not often we find ourselves obliged to come to the rescue of an elected official, but a twisted version of a local issue, published Thursday in the Lexington Herald-Leader, demands a rebuttal.

At issue is a security contract between the Floyd County School System and Sheriff Paul Hunt Thompson.

The Herald-Leader's front-page story Thursday on that issue was headlined: "State examines use of deputies at Floyd games." That headline completely misrepresents the facts associated with this issue.

The state is not examining the use of deputies at Floyd games, it is examining the Floyd County Board of Education's failure to have the contract it entered into with the sheriff approved by the state Department of Education.

Because the system is under state supervision, all local contracts and expenditures must first get the state's stamp of approval. That didn't happen in this case because the contract apparently was not forwarded

by local school officials to their state supervisors.

This contract was approved by the local board in September without a dissenting vote.

The former board attorney has said that each board member was given a copy of the document before the vote.

An original copy of the contract has been produced that includes the notarized signatures of the former school superintendent and the sheriff.

The sheriff has performed the services promised under the contract for less money than anticipated.

Despite the published insinuations, the sheriff is not under investigation...at least as far as this issue is concerned.

The Floyd County Board of Education is.

It is also interesting to note that most of the blame for the contract dilemma is being dumped onto the shoulders of a man who isn't able to defend himself or set the record straight.

Dr. John Balentine, the superintendent who signed the contract, died last fall.

If Balentine was with us today, this issue wouldn't be.

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.

To our readers:

On Wednesday an irate reader wrote with a complaint concerning the placement of an article about the tragic deaths of four Floyd County teen-agers near an advertisement for a local liquor store.

The complaint was well-founded, but the error was ours, not the advertiser's and we did not catch the mistake until after the February 19 paper had been printed. We apologize for that error in placement.

Scott Perry
Editor
The Floyd County Times

Student chastises "heartless writers" over wreck story

Editor:

As a senior at Prestonsburg High School, I guess you could probably predict that I am severely devastated over the recent tragedy that has taken the lives of four guys that we all knew and loved. Though, I must say, I am outraged!

It was hard enough trying to do school work and walk into the classrooms, which now seem so empty with the vacant seats of our now departed classmates.

It is also more than enough just trying to overlook the many circulating rumors. I just can't believe that things like one fire chief saying, "It looked like dynamite had gone off in the car," could actually be published.

Don't you think we're already hurt enough? Crying was all I could do through every sentence I read. That write-up made me so sick that I barely managed to get through it. I personally feel this was written in such a way to shock and scare teens into hopefully not letting this happen to them. Trying to use these four guys to influence us was wrong!

I also heard they were thinking about putting the car in front of the school to use them as an example and as a reminder.

Well, I don't know about you, but I don't feel I need a car parked in front of the school to remind me of anything, because every time I walk into fourth period class and see the empty seats where Forrest had that endless smile, and Tommy, with all that energy who could barely stay seated. Each time I go to my locker, I think about how Tommy will never be standing there talking to me again with his smiling face and upbeat attitude.

Each time I start to pick up the telephone, it'll come to me that I will never be able to call and ask for Tommy and have him say, "this is him." Know that I'll never get to tell him all the things I wanted to say. To me that's reminder enough.

I also feel using them as an example is disrespectful. They were human beings, not examples. As long as the students at PHS and surrounding areas keep Tommy, Forrest, Todd and Sean in their hearts and remember that their spirits will always be hovering over our school and throughout our lives, then we won't need a car in front of the school, because they've touched our lives in such a way that nothing could ever make us forget what happened to them and how much better people we have become for having them in our lives.

Those people who brought sunshine to our day and twinkles to our night have now become the sun and the stars.

As far as the grief counseling being an equal part of the curriculum in Floyd County, instead of making comments like this to catch the reader's eye, how about suggesting more assemblies be held, etc., to help the students.

Why do we always wait for a tragedy like this to happen? It just isn't right! It's too late for those kids, when it shouldn't have been.

Another thing that makes me really upset is a lot of the writers and media say or write things in such a way as to blame them for what happened. They talk about how fast they were going or that there are possibly a connection between the crash and alcohol.

Are they really to blame when the availability comes so easy to us? If we're supposed to go 55, then why do a lot of our speedometers register 80 and higher. If we're not supposed to even be able to get access to alcohol until we're 21, then why is it just as easy to get liquor at any age, as it is to go into Happy Mart and buy a pop.

Just because it's the law, doesn't mean that 99 percent of us listen. So, should we really blame them, saying things like "them boys knew better." Wake up, America. When it is right in front of our faces it isn't that easy to look away.

We don't need to see wrecked cars or have "Ghost Outs" to help prevent these incidents. We need to hear students speaking from their hearts about how hard this is to go through.

It's too late to bring those four wonderful people back, but it's not too late to use their legacy to help other people. It hurts to hear the only reason PHS is doing an assembly this year is because of what happened. If things like this had been going on all along, then maybe this would have never had to happen.

It also made me angry that the news media was down there right after the funeral. What could they have possibly wanted to ask? How was the turnout? If they wanted to know how upset we were they should've finished that when they came to the high school. On February 19, I lost any respect I had for the news media.

Before I close, I would just like to briefly elaborate on one more issue. Correct me if I'm wrong, but didn't the cops make the statement that they needed to have counseling themselves because of the severity of the wreck? What the cops needed to understand is that they weren't in those bodies anymore, they were in a higher place.

The police officers need to have this mind-set to be cops. If you can't take it, then find another job. It wasn't like we needed to hear that insensitive, selfless statement from you.

So to the news media, the heartless writers of the press, and to all others involved on this topic, (if this is even put in the paper) think very carefully about what you write and what you say. There is also a time and place for everything. You could've been respectful and caring writers and still sold just as many newspapers, etc. And to the families and friends, words can't express how sorry I am. I was only close with one of the guys and it is so difficult to realize they're gone and to understand.

And to Tommy, Forrest, Todd and Sean, we will always remember and love you. We will try to carry out your legacy in helping others.

Katrena Moore
Senior, PHS

P.S.: It's pretty bad when some people care more about a scoop, then a human being.

The Political 'Party'

"Due compensation" for a miner's health?

The lawyers for both sides enter the courtroom with arms full of papers held



by Dave Porter

together in brown folders and bound with rubber bands. Included in the seemingly disordered jumble of documents is a list of medical experts who will testify as to the plaintiff's state of health and future ability to earn a living for himself and his family.

This is only one more step in the long sequence of events which began in a black, dusty coal mine and has shifted to the courtroom, the hall of justice, the stage in the house of impartiality and wisdom, where the masters of workers compensation law are preparing to put on their show.

Along the way, the different players have methodically acted out their assigned roles. We have seen: the coal dust inspectors send in their samples; the benevolent newspaper reporters tell the story of falsified dust samples; the ravenous insurance companies continue raising their worker's comp premiums; the outraged newspaper reporters tell another story of "envelope economics" about the state's businesses who are being unfairly punished with high insurance premiums because of fraudulent disability claims; the state's powerful business community insist upon changes in the law; the mountain Governor searches out the extremes and come up with a plan; the

adherent legislators change the law while the startled unions postured and protested. Meanwhile, more miners kept mining...and watching the show.

Now, act II begins on cue as new performers come on the scene and old ones change their tunes. Are the coal operators getting nervous? Will the juries avenge the miners losses with colossal cash awards? Are the worker's comp lawyers, the best darn disability lawyer on the planet, waiting in eager anticipation to fight their profitable fight? Will the Governor and the legislators seek out major changes to the major changes made in the worker's comp system, in the 1998 regular session? Can the miner breathe? It is much too soon to tell.

To be sure, Kentucky's worker's comp saga is far from over. A group of miners have filed the first lawsuit in circuit court against an Eastern Kentucky coal company. They believe their employer violated safety standards which inevitably led to personal injury, and the recent changes in the state's worker's comp system has forced them to circumvent that system and seek retribution from a more sympathetic source—a jury of their peers.

Many have said that Governor Patton

was warned that removing "due compensation" from the worker's compensation system would only result in lawsuits and high jury awards. But he chose to call their bluffs, leaving the injured miner no alternative but to seek restitution through our legal system.

Coal mining is one of only a handful of industries which are inherently dangerous. Safety regulations, state and federal statutes, and even safety-minded coal operators will never be successful at creating a safe work environment inside of a hole in a mountain.

There will always be injuries. And there

will always be a need to buy a miner's labor, as well as his health. And because health and life are priceless, there will always be grounds for a lawsuit.

This country's worker's compensation system was developed to protect the businesses and provide the injured worker with a (relatively) quick and (relatively) easy process for obtaining compensation.

With the implementation of this system, lawsuits became unprofitable and inconvenient both to business and the worker. But like all such systems, exploitation was inevitable...and the system was changed. What will the changes bring?

EDITORIAL DEADLINES

WEDNESDAY EDITION:

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

FRIDAY EDITION:

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

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

Spears, gets certification in Implantology and Advanced Education in General Dentistry

Just recently, the Menifee County Medical Clinic, in conjunction with St. Claire Medical Center, announced that Dr. Tommy Spears, DMD, of Frenchburg, completed an extensive training program in dental implantology at the University of Texas Health Science Center in San Antonio, Texas. As a result, dental implants as well as other related procedures, are available at the Menifee County Medical Clinic in Frenchburg and St. Claire Medical Center in Morehead.

Endosteal implants have broadened greatly the therapeutic spectrum of surgical-prosthetic dentistry during the last twenty years. All over the world today, dental implants are increasingly becoming an integral component of dental treatment planning, and are most likely to be more comfortable, convenient, and stable than dentures.

In addition to Dr. Spears' training in implantology, he recently received certification in Advanced Education in General Dentistry from the University of Kentucky

College of Dentistry.

The AEGD two-year program allowed dentists like Spears to enroll in a specialty program without having to leave their practice. Participating dentists completed the program through the use of sophisticated electronic educational technology and telecommunication on an "extended campus." Classes were conducted by two-way television linking the instructor in Lexington to students at the UK Rural Health Center in Hazard.

Because of their experience, practitioners in such a program are taught in a more problem-based manner, concentration on complex diagnosis and treatment planning

skills, together with the management of complex cases.

Participants in the program learned how to improve quality of service, new and faster methods in endodontics, and information on oral and facial pain diagnosis, as well as intensive training in orthodontics and exposure to new drugs in pharmacology.

For more information concerning consultations, fees, etc., you may contact Dr. Tommy Spears, DMD, at 1-800-264-0616, ext. 6850 or call 606-768-2191.

Dr. Spears is a native Floyd Countian, the son of Thomas and Thelma Spears of the Betsy Layne community.



Tommy Spears, at right, of Menifee Medical Center, received certification in Advanced Education in General Dentistry (AEGD) from the College of Dentistry Dean David Nash.

Appalachian assistive technology consortium holds first meeting

The Kentucky Assistive Technology Service (KATS) Network and Bluegrass Technology Center announces the implementation of a new program, the Appalachian Assistive Technology Consortium (AATC).

The AATC is dedicated to bringing assistive technology-related services to Eastern Kentuckians with disabilities. These services include, operating a lending library, device consultations, professional trainings, family trainings, information dissemination and computer redistribution.

The AATC steering committee held its first meeting on January 25. Topics discussed were summer trainings for teachers; family trainings; expansion of services; and vendor workshops.

Steering Committee members include Dr. James Knoll, Morehead State University; Penny Gorrell, CAL peer support; Wanda Vice, former KATS board member; Toby

Howard, Johnson County Headstart coordinator; Teri Muhler, First Steps technical consultant; Mary Ann Janowski, First Steps point of entry; Ernie and Janie Caudill, Janet Vaughn, Rolanda Stewart, Doris Haney, and Howard Thomas; parent/consumers.

The Johnson County Alternative School is home to the Mountain Technology Site, the first satellite site of the AATC.

Michael Joe Daniels, AATC outreach coordinator, reports the lending library is distributing approximately 50 items per month, which include communication devices, adapted toys, and positioning equipment.

The AATC held an open house on February 14 from 3 to 7 p.m. at the Johnson County Alternative School.

For more information concerning the Mountain Technology Site and its services, contact Michael Joe Daniels at 1-800-209-7767.



Appreciation day

Dana Post Office held Customer Appreciation Day on February 14. Customers were treated to Valentine decorations and refreshments. As part of the celebration, the post office held a drawing for a plaque of Endangered Species Stamps. The lucky winner was Jason Hamilton, a senior at Betsy Layne. Pictured with Hamilton is Brenda Kilgore (right), officer in charge of the Dana Post Office.

Final turnout figures for the 1996 General Election

Slightly over 59 percent of registered voters cast their ballots in the 1996 General Election, according to figures released today by the Secretary of State's office.

In Floyd County, 49.8 percent of registered voters went to the polls.

Turnout percentages were nearly even among registered Democrats and Republicans but lower among those expressing no party preference. Statewide, 59.3 percent of registered voters cast their ballots in the November election.

"Relative to other states, our voter turnout was notably higher in 1996 than in previous years," said John Y. Brown III, Kentucky's chief election officer.

The Motor Voter Legislation greatly swelled the number of registered voters last year, which was a factor in the lower percentage rate. In 1992, approximately 72 percent of registered voters went to the polls.

"I think that today's current campaign climate, which is driven by relentless negative advertisements and obscene amounts of money gives us an election cycle that is too long, too negative and creates voter cynicism and apathy," Brown said.

The latest figures reveal:
•Statewide, 60.8 percent of registered Democrats voted, while 60.3 percent of registered Republicans cast their ballots.

•Of those who expressed no party preference, 42.6 percent went to the polls.

•Females between the ages of 50-61 who are registered Democrats turned out in the highest percentage, at 71.8 percent.

•The second highest turnout was among men ages 50-61 who are

registered Democrats, at 70.7 percent.

•Overall, turnout was lowest among males and females ages 17-24. Less than half—41.4 percent—of young registrants went to the polls.



Tommy Franklin

Adams studies classical period

by Rita Brock
Contributing Writer

Tommy Franklin came to Adams Middle School, January 27, to entertain the seventh grade class as they celebrated Mozart's birthday.

Music teacher Kathy Caudill, who directed the event, had students prepare interviews based on knowledge of Mozart's life and his music using information obtained through class activities. They discussed their papers with Franklin.

Home-Ec teacher Judy Carter provided cupcakes for the celebration.

AMS' Festival of Nations

Adams Middle School sixth grade class, with teacher Ms. Pack, prepared for the Festival of Nations which will be presented March 6, 1997 at Adams. The word Nation is primarily the people under one government; a state is an independent nation. Hawaii is a distinctive cultural and social way of life. So in preparation for the event, Shannon Derham, Erin Majaake and Don Shepherd, dressed for Hawaii. The group prepared food and drink, of

the Hawaiian culture. Shannon Derham, gave a theatrical performance of Hawaii, the Hula. Hula is a Hawaiian dance characterized by arm movements that tell a story in pantomime. This is a school wide event for sixth, seventh, and eighth grade classes. Principal Janice Allen would like to encourage parents and community to attend our Third Annual Festival of Nations event at which the nations of the world will be showcased.

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Candidates

Seniors

Kristie Blevins
Jason Shannon, escort
Lora Chaffins
Justin Holbrook, escort
Tonda Floyd
Coby Little, escort
Jennifer Holbrook
Chris Moore, escort
Charity Wright
Nick Compton, escort

Juniors

Cassandra Hall
Justin Paige, escort
Lorri Patton
Adam Tackett, escort
Danielle Tackett
Nathan Reed, escort

Sophomores

Brook Hamilton
Jimmy Stumbo, escort
Heather Little
Chad Tuttle, escort
Melody Reed
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Freshmen

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Wendi Moore
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PC phonathon begins March 3

The Pikeville College Phonathon, the school's largest annual fund-raiser, begins on Monday, March 3, and continues through the 13. The event involves hundreds of volunteers from the community, as well as students, alumni, and faculty, who will be calling friends and alumni, asking for financial support for the scholarship fund.

Co-chairs for Phonathon '97 are Wanda Varney, a Pikeville College alumna from the class of 1973 and vice-president of Acordia/Walter P. Walters, and Danny VanHoose, unit manager for Pepsi Cola/East Kentucky Beverage Company of Pikeville. According to Varney, the goal of \$125,000 is an ambitious one—but certainly attainable. "Community support for past phonathons has been overwhelming," said Varney. "And this year looks even more promising. We have already had several individu-

als call us wanting to participate." Several groups have already signed up to work designated nights. Monday, March 3, will be PBL (Phi Beta Lambda) and Alumni night, Tuesday and Wednesday will be Bankers Nights I and II with representatives from TransFinancial, First Commonwealth, Kentucky National, Pikeville National, Matewan, Family Bank, and Inez Deposit banks participating. On Thursday, several area clubs, Kiwanis, Rotary, Pikeville Junior Woman's Club, The Sassy Steppers, Pikeville Jaycees, and Pikeville Women's Club, have volunteered to man the phone lines.

The second week lineup includes Business and Professionals Night I on March 10, with representatives from East Kentucky Beverage, Acordia/Walter P. Walters, Coleman Oil, and T & D Sporting Goods. Tuesday, March

11, has been designated as City and County Government, with volunteer callers Mayor Steve Combs, Magistrate Karen Gibson, Alcie Combs, Bobby Combs, and Sue Smallwood just to name a few. On Business and Professionals Night II, Wednesday, the 12th, representatives from Watson's; Gary Johnson's Law Firm; Stratton, May, Hays, and Hogg; Eastern Telephone; Goody's; and Gearheart Communications will be on hand to make calls. Wrapping up the last night of Phonathon will be Pikeville College faculty and staff volunteers.

Phonathon is a crucial fund-raising event for Pikeville College. Over 80 percent of Pikeville College's students receive some form of financial assistance, and the tuition paid by students covers less than 50 percent of the college's costs.

Because Pikeville College is a

private institution, the remainder must come from donations. The college receives no direct tax dollars as state-run colleges do. All monies raised during Phonathon go directly into the student scholarship fund.

If you would like to volunteer to make calls for Phonathon, or pledge a donation, call the Office of External Affairs at 432-9326.

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Week 7 Question:
 Elementary School Social Studies

You have been assigned the task of writing a report describing the changes that have occurred in your town or county in the past 35 years. Before writing a report, it helps to write questions you want to answer in the report.

A. Write three or more questions you want to answer in your report about the changes that have occurred in your town or county in the past 35 years.

B. Describe possible sources you could use to answer your questions about changes in your town or county.

Sample Student Response:

If I had to write a report about the changes in the past 35 years, here are the questions I would ask.

How has technology interfered with your life?
 How have the buildings changed?
 How much has the population changed in the past 35 years?

Some sources I could use to answer my questions are to look at the files at the courthouse, ask people who are in their 40s and older, and go to the county library.

Student's questions reflect insight into the variety of changes a community would experience over time (e.g., people, the city's architecture, new inventions, advancements, technology).

Student answers both parts of question; provides 3 pertinent questions to include in the report; and includes 3 appropriate sources to use to answer the questions.

Student's sources reflect a combination of primary and secondary sources.

Student's answer is very well-organized and developed.

Note: Students' responses to KIRIS questions are categorized into one of four performance levels. For a detailed description of the four performance levels, call 1-800-KIRIS-99.



Dewey Lake News

CULTURAL HISTORY OF THE LEVISA FORK RIVER BASIN

by Park Ranger Shirla Wells

This is the second in a series of six continuing articles about the early inhabitants of the Levisa Fork River Basin. The first article covered the Paleo-Indian and Early Archaic Periods (10500-6000 B.C.).

The Middle Archaic Period dates from 6000 to 3000 B.C. It is characterized by increased regionalization and the addition of ground stone tools to the artifact inventory. Specialized tools appear to have been developed in response to the exploitation of new resources and the techniques needed to process them. Ground stone tools such as manos (used to grind corn and seeds), mortars and pestles (used for crushing), and nutting stones are interpreted as plant food processing artifacts and indicate increased use of plant foods. Greater regionalization is also noted in new projectile point styles during this period—stemmed and corner-notched points such as Matanzas, Morrow Mountain, Stanley and Big Sandy II appear. A variety of bone tools, including antler projectile points, fish hooks and gouges suggest an improved efficiency in exploiting local resources. Sites dating to this time period tend to contain larger accumulations of materials than earlier sites, suggesting an increased group size or longer periods of occupation.

The Late Archaic Period dates

from 3000 to 1000 B.C. It was a time of population increase with more complex social organization. Late Archaic subsistence focused on hunting and collecting native animals and plants, with white-tailed deer and hickory nuts forming the core of the diet. A wide assortment of small mammals, birds and fish were also exploited. Several wild plants were domesticated during the Late Archaic. These include plants such as gourd, squash, lambsquarter, marsh elder and sunflower. Late Archaic technology is characterized by a wide range of flaked stone, ground stone and bone tools used to perform a variety of specialized tasks. Projectile points include an assortment of large straight-, expanding- and contracting-stemmed points and smaller stemmed and side-notched points.

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The Early Woodland Period dates from 1000 to 200 B.C. Two major developments include the manufacture of pottery and the construction of burial mounds. During this period, plant domestication was intensified, with an increase in the exploitation of nuts. Plants cultivated during this time include squash, gourd, sunflower, may-

grass, sumpweed, giant ragweed and possibly erect knotweed. Projectile point assemblages during this time period consist of notched and stemmed points comparable to Kramer, Wade, Savannah River, Adens and Turkey-tail type points. Hunting and gathering continued as the main subsistence practice, with garden products as diet supplements. Social or ritual sites appeared during this time that were separate from domestic locations. Graves were often associated with offerings. Earthen enclosures and burial mounds appeared approximately 500-400 B.C.

The Middle Woodland Period dates from 200 B.C. to A.D. 500 and brought about a change in settlement patterns, elaboration of burial complexes, social stratification and population increase. Hopewell is characterized by large burial mounds and earthworks with exotic raw materials and finished items such as mica, copper ear spoons, obsidian, marine shell, shark teeth and foreign trade goods. Hopewell influence in Eastern Kentucky can be described as minimal. This culture was most predominant in Ohio and Illinois. Common Middle Woodland projectile point styles throughout the state of Kentucky include weakly-shouldered expanded stems or shallow side-notched forms, such as Steuben Stemmed, Lowe Flared Base, Chesser Notched and Bakers Creek. During this time period there was a continuation of hunting-gathering-gardening subsistence strategies.

Highway engineer to deliver address for math teachers

James E. Ballinger, resident engineer with the Kentucky Department of Highways in Richmond, will serve as after-dinner speaker at the Ninth Annual Spring Conference of the Eastern Kentucky Council of Teachers of Mathematics.

Mr. Ballinger, a professional engineer and licensed land surveyor, will make a presentation to the group on the highly publicized Clays Ferry Bridge re-construction project on Interstate 75 over the Kentucky River.

His topic "Mathematics Applied When Building a Bridge" will place special emphasis on the practical application of mathematics and geometry in construction and surveying.

The topic fits exceptionally well into this spring's conference theme which is "Connections in Geometry."

Mr. Ballinger, who also worked on the Boonesboro Bridge, is a member of Governor Patton's Empower Kentucky Initiative and a board member of the Kentucky Engineering Exposure Networks. He and his wife, Carrie, reside in

Richmond.

The spring conference is an annual function of the Eastern Kentucky Council of Teachers of Mathematics and is attended by teachers, students and administrators from throughout Kentucky and bordering Ohio and West Virginia.

This spring's conference will be held at Pike County Central High School on Thursday, April 24, with activity sessions beginning at 4 p.m.

Dinner will be served in the Pike Central Cafeteria at approximately 6 p.m. Several of the major textbook publishers are expected to have their latest line of materials on display for conferees to view.

The spring conference is usually held at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park; however, due to the Lodge renovation project this year's meeting had to be moved.

Pike County Central is located a few miles north of Pikeville just off U.S. 23, east on U.S. 119. Registration fee for the conference, which includes dinner and \$2 membership dues for the 1997-98 school year, is \$18 per person.

In addition to teachers, the executive committee encourages participation of students, board members, site based council members, and administrators (L.D.C. is available for the latter). Pre-registration materials for the conference may be obtained by contacting John D. Sammons at Prestonsburg Community College (886-3863) or Tammy Goble at Sheldon Clark High School (298-3591). There will be no on-site registration.

The E.K.C.T.M. is an affiliate of the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics.

USDA announces 1997 crop burley tobacco program

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has announced the following provisions of the 1997 burley tobacco program. Burley tobacco is grown in Kentucky, Tennessee and surrounding states.

The support level for the 1997 crop is \$1.76 per pound, up 2.3 cents per pound from 1996.

For each eligible farm, the 1997 basic quota will increase 11.2 percent from 1996.

The effective quota is expected to be about 900 million pounds, which includes undermarketings. This is approximately 180 million pounds above the 1996 effective quota.

The marketing assessment will be 0.88 cent per pound on both growers and buyers, for a total of 1.76 cents per pound for the 1997 crop of burley tobacco. The no-net-cost assessment will be announced later.

Open House

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Infectious Disease/Oncology Clinic

Cordially Invites You To Attend
An Open House To Celebrate Our New Practice and Facilities

March 2, 1997 from 1 p.m. until 5 p.m.

South Mayo Professional Building
Suite 103
Pikeville, Kentucky

Community Calendar

Calendar items will be printed as space permits

Editor's Note: As a service to the many clubs and committees that meet in our community, the Floyd County Times' Community Calendar will post meeting and public service announcements.

Articles for the Community Calendar must be submitted in writing to the Times no later than 5 p.m. Monday for Wednesday's publication or 5 p.m. Wednesday for Friday's publication. These cannot be taken over the telephone.

PHS reunion preparation

The Prestonsburg High School class of 1987 is currently seeking addresses of its members in preparation for a ten-year reunion. Mail your name, address and phone number to Class Reunion, c/o Susan Cooley Greene, 95 Trimble Branch, Prestonsburg, KY 41653.

May Valley advisory council to meet

May Valley Family Resource Center advisory council meeting will be held March 4, at 4 p.m., in the school library. Everyone is invited to attend.

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Retired teachers to meet

The Floyd County Retired Teachers Association will hold its next meeting March 6, at the Floyd County Extension Office in Prestonsburg. Registration will start at 10 a.m. The guest speaker will be Kentucky State Treasurer John Kennedy Hamilton. All retired teachers in Floyd County are encouraged to attend this meeting.

Change of address

U.S. Senator Mitch McConnell's Eastern Kentucky field office has relocated. McConnell's new office is located at 301 South Main Street in London. The zip code is 40741, and the phone number is (606) 864-2026. Senator McConnell's Eastern Kentucky field representative is Scott Douglas.

Classic Cooking

Classic Cooking of Inter-Mountain Cable, WPRG TV-5, with chef Mark Sohn and special guest Judi Patton, will air on March 1, at 7 p.m. Sohn will prepare a mountain country dinner.

Prestonsburg/Auxier advisory council meeting

There will be an advisory council meeting on Wednesday, March 5, at 5 p.m., at the Auxier Family Resource Center.

MHS reunion preparation

The McDowell High School class of 1987 is currently planning a ten-year reunion.

There will be a meeting Saturday, March 8, at 11 a.m., at the Little Rosa Church luncheon at McDowell. All graduates are

encouraged to attend.

For more information, contact Sandra Justice at 478-4298, or Steve Jones at 377-6244.

Support group for handicapped children

The Parents Support Group for Handicapped Children will be meeting February 28, at 6 p.m., at the Floyd County Library.

For more information, call Barbara Burchett at 886-8426.

PES site-based council to meet

The Prestonsburg Elementary School site-based decision making council will hold its monthly meeting Monday, March 3, from 6-8 p.m. in the Prestonsburg Elementary auditorium.

Everyone is welcome to attend.

Words of Life

by Jerry Hermann

Founder, Dove House Inc.

We are Celebrating Twenty Years in the Jail outreach here in Floyd County Kentucky. It started in 1977 in our non-denominational prayer meeting, called the Upper Room, upstairs in the church. I was leader of the prayer meeting at the time. Some of the men wanted to start a jail ministry, and they asked me if I would go with them. I said "no," that I had enough things to do, but I said go ahead and start one. But they wanted me to be a part of it, and I said "no" again. Then they asked me if I would pray about it, and I said "yes!" We all know that prayer changes things! Well, I guess you know what happened next. The more I prayed about it, the more I felt the leading from the Lord to get involved in the jail. That was 20 years ago, but it seems like it was just a couple of years ago.

Just the other day I got a call from a man that wanted to come with us to the Floyd County jail. I told him the ins and outs of working in a jail ministry, that we always tell the truth and if we don't

know the answer we will try to find out. We don't knock any other church, and so on. We do have to keep in prayer and do what the Lord wants us to do, so the devil can't get his licks in. I have seen so many ministers run out of the Floyd County jail, in the past 20 years, because they weren't honest. They were doing it for the wrong reason...to glorify themselves instead of God. We even had a man that ran around behind our backs baptizing the men that the Lord saved in our ministry so he would look good. That is O.K.; one plants, another waters, another reaps. For God is not just for one's self, God is for everyone. Another time, there was a man in jail who wanted to be baptized in a particular denomination after he gave his life to Christ. I told him that I'd call a minister of that denomination to come to jail to see him. I called once and he said he would call on him in jail. The next week when I came to jail, I asked if the minister came in and he said "no." I called the minister again and he said he would go to the jail and see this man, but he didn't. This happened three times. There was still no minister, so the

man in jail thought I was lying to him. All the minister could have said is that he wasn't interested, but he kept lying to me. You can tell I have been doing a lot of preaching and teaching through Christ Jesus who strengthens me.

Well, back to my story. During the first week of ministering at jail, the man gave his testimony of how he was heavy into drugs which put him in jail in 1977, and how I prayed for him. Ten years later, he gave his life to Christ, with miracle after miracle happening in his life. Ten years later, he and I and another man were ministering to men that who been caught up in the muck and mire of the world and under Satan's influence.

So you can see, a lot has happened over the last 20 years... highs and lows, good and bad times. But, all the time the Lord was and still is working with us and the people we serve for Him...our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!!! Time and time again the Lord interceded on our behalf. You don't know how the Lord is going to do it, so you say to yourself, "how is the Lord doing it this time"? And... He does!!! God is so good and wonderful!!!

Social Security News

LARGE PAST-DUE SSI BENEFITS TO BE PAID IN INSTALLMENTS

Effective with past due benefits paid on or after December 1, 1996, people who are due large Supplemental Security Income (SSI) past due benefits will receive the benefit in installments at six-month intervals. Jim Kelly, Social Security district director for the Big Sandy area, said recently.

"The change is designed to alleviate the disruptive effect that the receipt of a large sum of money may have on a needy family's budget while ensuring that the funds are available to meet the SSI's recipient's continuing needs," Kelly said. The new law will apply to past due benefits (minus any reimburse-

ment to a state for interim assistance reimbursement) that are 12 times or more than the monthly federal benefit rate plus any federally-administered monthly state supplement. The installment payments must be paid in no more than three payments at six-month intervals.

The law also provides for an increase in the installment payment in certain circumstances. For example, if an underpaid person has

incurred debts for food, clothing, or shelter; has expenses for disability related items and services that exceed the installment limit; or is purchasing a home, the installment payment may be increased by the amount needed to cover these debts and expenses. Full retroactive benefits also will be paid to a person who is terminally ill or, if currently ineligible for SSI, is likely to remain so for the next 12 months.

Regional Obituaries

Magoffin County

Shannon Ray White, 19, of Salyersville, died February 12. He is survived by his wife, Felicia Renee Howard White, and his parents, Calvin White and Connie Sue Collins Connelley.

He was a heavy equipment operator and a carpenter. Funeral services were February 15, at the Magoffin County High School Gymnasium, under the direction of Dunn-Kelley/Prater and Dunn Funeral Home.

Marcus Lynn Arnett, 42, of Salyersville, died February 12. Funeral services were February 16, at the Salyersville Funeral Home Chapel.

Shelby Back, 65, of Salyersville, died February 13. He was a farmer. Funeral services were February 16, at the Dunn-Kelley/Prater and Dunn Funeral Home Chapel.

Johnson County

Opal McKenzie, 72, of Staffordsville, died February 21. She was preceded in death by her husband, Lonnie B. McKenzie. Funeral services were February 23, at the Paintsville Funeral Home Chapel.

Pike County

James E. "Pepper" Mollert, 86,

of Johnson County, died February 14. He was preceded in death by his wife, Margie Watson Mollert. Funeral services were February 17, at the Little Friendship United Baptist Church, under the direction of Preston Funeral Home.

Thelma Boggus, 85, of Paintsville, died February 21. She was preceded in death by her first husband, Louie Rice, and her second husband, Spencer Boggus. Funeral services were Sunday, February 23, at the gravesite, under the direction of Paintsville Funeral Home.

Wallace B. James Jr., 70, of Thelma, died February 11. He was preceded in death by his wife, Emma Blanton James. Funeral services were February 14, at the Preston Funeral Home Chapel.

Dixie Spradlin Smith, 64, of Meally, died February 20. She is survived by her husband, Homer Franklin Smith. Funeral services were February 23, at the Phillip Cove Freewill Baptist Church, under the direction of Preston Funeral Home.

Pike County

Ertel L. Whitt Sr., 86, of Pikeville, died February 20. He was

a retired professional engineer. He is survived by his wife, Elmo Coleman Whitt. Funeral services were February 23, at the First Christian Church, under the direction of J. W. Call and Son Funeral Home.

Anna Margaret Forsyth Roberts, 73, of Robinson Creek, died February 20. She was a retired school teacher. She was preceded in death by her husband, Jeff Roberts. Funeral services were February 22, at the Aldersgate United Methodist Church, under the direction of J. W. Call and Son Funeral Home.

Richard Eugene Long, 64, of Shelby Valley, died February 24. He was a chief plant officer for London Utility Commission and a U.S. Navy veteran. He is survived by his wife, Geardine Elkins Long. Funeral services were February 28, at the Lucas and Hall Funeral Home Chapel.

Richard Lyons, 64, of Kimper, died February 22. He was a salesman for C&R Office Supply and a U.S. Army veteran. He is survived by his wife, Mary Lou Miller Lyons. Funeral services were February 25, at the Lucas and Hall Funeral Home Chapel.

Tom "Mountain Goat" Thacker Jr., 60, of Lower Pompey, died

February 22. He was a coal miner. He is survived by his wife, Cenia Thacker. Funeral services were February 25, at the Raccoon Primitive Baptist Church, under the direction of Justice Funeral Services.

Blanche Mullins, 81, of Hellier, died February 22. She was preceded in death by her husband, George Mullins. Funeral services were February 24, at the Bailey Funeral Home Chapel.

Carrie Lee Hopson, 61, of Hellier, died February 23. She is survived by her husband, Arville Hopson. Funeral services were February 26, at the Poor Bottom Freewill Baptist Church at Lookout, under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

Gladys McKinney, 79, of Pikeville, died February 24. She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert McKinney. Funeral services were February 27, at J. W. Call and Son Funeral Home Chapel.

Homer Helvey, 88, of Pikeville, died February 17. He retired from Kentucky Power Company. He was preceded in death by his wife, Lizzie Syck Helvey. Funeral services were February 21, at the Lucas and Hall Funeral Home Chapel.

James Edward Lowe, 42, of Pikeville, died February 19. He was a retired coal miner and a U.S. Army veteran. He is survived by his wife, Patricia Lynn Lowe. Funeral services were February 22, at the Justice Funeral Services Chapel.

Knott County

James N. Stamper, 56, of Hindman, died February 20. Funeral services were February 22, at the Hindman Funeral Services Chapel.

Pallbearers listed for Ephriam Edwards

Serving as pallbearers for the funeral of Ephriam Edwards were Rodney Lafferty, Kenny Lafferty, Jimmy Edwards, David Edwards, Greg Chalfant, Deven Runyon, Gary Vanhoose, Dale Bruce Edwards, Ron Vanhoose and Bobby Harshbarger.

Pallbearers listed for Marie Cook

Serving as pallbearers for the funeral of Marie Conn Cook were Wesley Giles, Mike Conn, Phillip Anderson, Randy Yates, Jody Conn and Ronnie Anderson.

Obituaries

Charles Edward Rice

Charles Edward Rice, 75, of Lima, Ohio, died Tuesday, February 4, 1997.

Born June 14, 1921 in Floyd County, he was the son of the late Elmer and Nicie Rice. He retired from Ford Motors in Lima, Ohio. He was a member of the V.F.W., Odd Fellows and the Eagles.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Rice; one son, Charles Rice of Greensboro, North Carolina; two daughters, Nancy James and Jane Rice, both of Greensboro, North Carolina; four step-children, James E. Burden Jr., Thomas W. Burden Sr., Michael W. Burden Sr., and Judy K. Nance, all of Lima, Ohio; one brother, Leo Rice of Banner; one sister, Catherine Sanderson of Louisville; 18 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Saturday, February 8, at 10 a.m., at the Siferd Westwood Chapel, with Steven Rice and Richard Coon, officiating.

Burial was in the Memorial Park Cemetery in Lima, Ohio, under the direction of the Siferd Funeral Home in Lima, Ohio.

Benjamin Alvarez III

Benjamin Alvarez III, 44, of Simpsonville, formerly of Prestonsburg, died Monday, February 24, 1997, in Lexington.

Born August 3, 1952 in Clarksburg, West Virginia, he was the son of the late Benjamin II and Rita Barba Alvarez. He worked as a diesel mechanic at the Komatsu American Corporation in Lexington.

Survivors include his wife, Sandra Mayo Alvarez; one son, Benjamin Alvarez IV of Simpsonville; one daughter, Angie Alvarez of Simpsonville; one brother, William Joseph Alvarez of Sterling, Ohio; and two sisters, Terri Tackett of Lexington and Susan Kohles of Grove City, Virginia.

Funeral services were Thursday, February 27, at 2 p.m., at the North View Baptist Church in Lexington, with pastor Terry Murphy officiating.

Burial was in the Lexington Cemetery, under the direction of Floyd Funeral Home, Prestonsburg.

Wilford Boyd

Wilford Boyd, 74, of Dana, died Tuesday, February 25, 1997, at his residence, following a long illness.

Born September 26, 1922 at Dana, he was the son of the late Bennie and Rosa Jarrell Boyd. He was a retired carpenter, a World War II U.S. Army veteran, and a member of the Little Salem Regular Baptist Church at Dana.

Survivors include his wife, Lillian Jarrell Boyd; four sons, Billis Boyd of Wakeman, Ohio, Sandy Boyd of Dana, and Tavis Boyd and Randy Boyd, both of Vermilion, Ohio; one brother, Arley Boyd of Dana; one sister, Bertha Boyd Conn of Dana; 16 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Friday, February 28, at 11 a.m., at the Little Salem Regular Baptist Church at Dana, with the Regular Baptist Church ministers officiating.

Burial will be in the Wilford Boyd Cemetery at Dana, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home, Martin.

Academics

Kentucky seventh grader to win personal computer with printer

The Kentucky Bankers Association's Personal Economics Program (PEP) is sponsoring a state-wide contest for seventh grade students. Students participating will write a two-page composition on "How Banking Benefits My Community."

All essays must be submitted to the student's local PEP banker by March 21. The entries will then be judged on content, grammar and originality. Each student competes on a county level with the county

winner competing on a regional level. Regional winners will then compete at the state level. A savings bond will be awarded to the winner in each Kentucky county. The 1996-1997 Kentucky Bankers Association PEP Essay Contest State Winner will be announced in April at which time he/she will receive a personal computer with printer.

PEP bankers are also available to speak in local classrooms or meeting halls about topics ranging from banking services, personal money

management, credit establishment/maintenance and general economics. A subject speaker can be found to fit any group or age level. This is a FREE public service offered by banks across the state through the Kentucky Bankers Association.

For additional information regarding the essay contest, or Kentucky's PEP program, contact your local PEP bank, or Miriam R. Cole at the Kentucky Bankers Association (502/582-2453).

Area high school students can compete in Project Learn

Through a national essay competition known as Project: Learn MSTM '97, high school and college students can compete for separate \$8,000 college scholarship awards and raise funds to assist those suffering from multiple sclerosis. Sponsored by the Multiple Sclerosis Association of America, PROJECT: Learn MSTM '97 is an awareness/scholarship program open to high school sophomores, juniors, and seniors; and college freshmen, sophomores, and juniors. Official registration forms are available at high school guidance offices or by calling 1-800-LEARN MS.

Now entering its fourth year, MSAA's PROJECT: Learn MSTM '97 encourages students to write a 500-1000-word essay to multiple sclerosis, its effect on the family, and how society can improve life for the physically challenged. MSAA will appoint two independent panels to judge the essays separately for high school and college levels. All essays must include an official registration form, a minimum of \$7.50 in prepaid sponsorship, and must be postmarked by April 11, 1997. Students are encouraged to raise additional sponsor money to win various

prizes.

Known as the most common neurological disorder of young adults, multiple sclerosis affects as many as 500,000 Americans. Symptoms can include blindness, extreme fatigue, tremors, and varying degrees of paralysis. At present, there is no known cause, cure or prevention for MS. MSAA is a national nonprofit health care agency providing direct patient care programs and services to assist those suffering from MS. MSAA services include peer counseling, support groups, free loan of therapeutic equipment, barrier-free housing, symptom management research and therapies, educational literature, no-cost MRI's and other vital patient programs.

Governor cup winners

The Harold Academic team, coached by Bonnie Ward, won first place during the Governor's Cup District meet at Allen Elementary on February 1. The team placed first in future problem solving and in quick recall. The team advances to the regional competition. The regionals will be held at Paintsville City School on February 15.

The team members placing in the competition were: Tim Conn, 4th place in Science; Beckly Lykens, 4th place in general knowledge; Sarah Click, 3rd place in English Composition; Courtney Reid, 3rd place in Math; Tyler Harris, 3rd place in Social Studies; Sarah Click, 1st place in Language Arts; Brandi Lykens, 3rd place in Language Arts.

Good luck in the regionals to Ms. Ward and the academic team.



The Allen Central High School Forensics team competed in regional competition at Johnson Central High School on Saturday, February 1, 1996. Following is a list of students who have advanced to the state competition, which will be held at Western Kentucky University in March: Becky Bryant, prose; Kasey Craft, radio broadcasting; Allison Johnson, radio broadcasting and prose; Stephanie McKinney, prose; Ryan Owens, radio broadcasting & impromptu speaking; Jessica Reynolds, impromptu speaking.

Family Resource Centers

May Valley Family Resource Center activities

- GED classes every Monday from 8:30-2:30. Classes are free. Instructor is Joyce Hall.
- A registered nurse from the health department will be at the center Wednesdays. Now making appointments for head start and kindergarten physicals for students that will enter school in the fall of 1997. Other services include: sixth grade physicals, well-child physicals, WIC exams and vouchers, TB skin tests, baby shots, etc. Call the center for an appointment at 285-0321.
- Nutrition presentations for fourth and fifth grade students on March 3rd and 4th.
- "Make a Friend" presentations for the primary grades on March 6.
- Resource center advisory council meeting March 4, at 4 p.m. at the school library. Everyone is invited to attend.

Prestonsburg/Auxier FRYSC

- Nurse is the at center every Wednesday at the Auxier center.
- Career Day at PHS March 21, from 1-3 p.m.

Mud Creek Community Family Resource and Youth Service Center

- A registered nurse from the

health department will be at the center two days a week, Tuesdays and Thursdays. Services include WIC exams, vouchers, TB skin tests, baby shots, physicals and well-child exams. Call for an appointment. Now accepting WIC. Anyone interested in receiving WIC services can call the center. Call the center at 587-2233 for an appointment.

- Clothing bank open to students and public upon request.
- GED classes Friday from 8 a.m. to noon.
- Parent and child education (PACE) classes Mondays and Wednesdays from 8:30-1:00 p.m.
- Aerobics class: Wednesdays 6-7 p.m. and Fridays 4-5 p.m. Classes are free.

For more information, contact the center at 587-2233.

South Floyd Youth Services Center

- Adult Learning Center (ALC) is open Monday, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. ALC is sponsored by the David School. This services is free and open to the public.
- The Clothing Bank is open by appointment on Tuesdays and Fridays.
- Student activity hour is held during lunch periods and from 3-4 p.m.

South Floyd Youth Service Center is open 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. Monday through Fridays. The center is located in Suite 232 at South Floyd High School. For more information, contact Keith Smallwood or Mable C. Hall, 452-9600, Ext. 145 or 158. Fax 452-9303.

McDowell Family Resource Youth Service Center

- GED classes every Thursday from 8:30-2:30 at the center. Classes are free.
 - A nurse from the Floyd County Health Department is at the center each Monday to administer school physicals (sixth grade, kindergarten, and head start), well-child exams, immunizations, T.B. skin tests, breast exams, pap smears, and pre-natal and post-partum appointments. Also established W.I.C. patients. Call the center for an appointment.
 - Aerobics class every Monday and Wednesday, from 6-7 p.m., \$1 per person, per class fee.
 - Free exercise class every Tuesday and Thursday from 6-7 p.m., free of charge.
- To learn more about the McDowell Family Resource Youth Service Center and what it has to

offer, stop by or call 377-2678. **Martin Middle School Youth Service Center**

• Central Kentucky Blood Center is sponsoring an art contest for sixth grade students. The center sent home guidelines for the contest with the sixth grade students. All designs need to be returned to the center by March 24.

Duff Family Resource Center

- Line dancing classes for beginners only on Thursday, from 7-8 p.m. Couple dance classes on Thursday night, from 8-9 p.m.
 - GED classes on Tuesday nights, from 6-9 p.m. at the school. Instructor is Bill Tussey Jr.
 - Fluoride rinse program for 1st-6th grade students once a week.
 - A nurse from the Floyd County Health Department is at the center each Tuesday to administer school physicals (sixth grade, kindergarten and headstart). Well-child exams, immunizations, and TB skin tests are available.
 - A nurse is also available half a day on Fridays, from noon to 4 p.m. to do WIC exams, issuance of WIC vouchers and update immunizations.
 - Kal Kotter, magician, will do a magic show on February 14 for grades K-8.
- For more information about these services or activities, call the center at 358-9878.

Clark Elementary Family Resource Center

- Nursing services — a nurse from the Floyd County Health Department is in the center on Fridays. Services available include physicals for the fifth grade students entering sixth grade in the next school year, pre-school, headstart and kindergarten physicals, physicals for any student, age birth through 21 years old; blood pressure screening, TB skin tests, baby shots. Call the center at 886-0815 for an appointment. These services are available to anyone in the community.
- WIC patients — the center is accepting new WIC patients. Also, anyone in the community who is now going to the health department for these services can schedule their appointments at the family resource center. Call 886-0815 to make an appointment.
- After school child care — Monday through Friday, school days from 3 p.m.-5:30 p.m. There are openings for enrollment in after school child care. Call the center for more information, 886-0815.



James A. Duff announced the winners of the bus safety poster contest in the primary grades. Amy Wallen won first place in the primary grades.



James A. Duff announced the winners of the bus safety poster contest. Amanda Devers and Misty Samons were the first place winners in the sixth grade. Misty Samons was also the county winner.



Harold Forensics Team

Harold's Forensics team places third

The Harold Forensics team, coached by Loma Harris, came away winners on January 25 during a competition held at Adams Middle School.

Harold's team finished third place from a total of fourteen schools competing.

Loma Harris, a teacher at Harold, has coached the team for two years. The students placing in

Interp. of Lit.—Jessica Neeley, 6th place; Radio Broadcasting—Breanna Harris, 3rd place and Amy Keathley, 5th place.

Public speaking—Jessica Neeley, 4th place and Tyler Harris, 6th place. Solo Acting—Courtney Reid, 2nd place. Declamation—Tim Conn, 3rd place and Joseph Ratliff, 6th place.

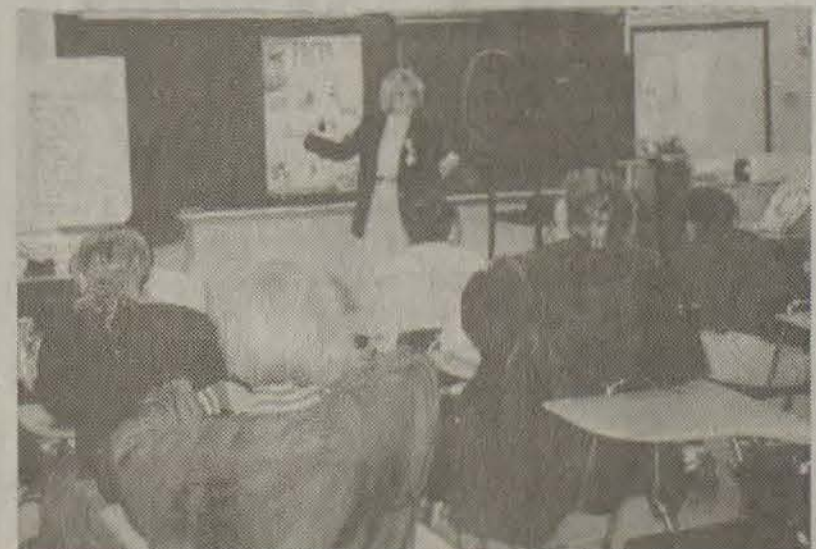
The Harold team consists of 18 students.

Prestonsburg High School

58th District Final Results

February 8, 1997

EVENT	STUDENT	SCHOOL
Mathematics Written Assessment	1st: Tara Johnson	Betsy Layne
	2nd: Monica Majmundar	Piarist
	3rd: Wes Howard	Allen Central
	4th: Heath McCoy	Betsy Layne
Science Written Assessment	1st: Neil Moore	South Floyd
	2nd: Jeremy Parsons	Betsy Layne
	3rd: Ty Martin	Prestonsburg
	4th: Brandon Elswick	South Floyd
Composition	1st: Chris Case	Allen Central
	2nd: Wesley Fugate	Prestonsburg
	3rd: Kristy Stevens	Betsy Layne
	4th: Danielle Tackett	South Floyd
Social Studies Written Assessment	1st: Jesse Robertson	Piarist
	2nd: Cori Duty	Piarist
	3rd: Steven Jacobs	Betsy Layne
	4th: Dave Newsome	South Floyd
Language Arts Written Assessment	1st: Adam Newman	Betsy Layne
	2nd: Kristy Stevens	Betsy Layne
	3rd: Misty Stevens	Betsy Layne
	4th: Sally Lambert	Piarist
General Knowledge Written Assessment	1st: Monica Majmundar	Piarist
	2nd: Ty Martin	Prestonsburg
	3rd: Hannah Halbert	Allen Central
	4th: Bobby Akers	South Floyd
Future Problem Solving Team	1st: Betsy Layne High School	
	2nd: Prestonsburg High School	
Quick Recall	1st: South Floyd High School	
	2nd: Betsy Layne High School	
	3rd: Piarist High School	
	4th: Allen Central High School	
	5th: Prestonsburg High School	
Final Standings	1st: Betsy Layne High School	
	2nd: Piarist School	
	3rd: South Floyd High School	
	4th: Prestonsburg High School	
	5th: Allen Central High School	



Smoking dangers

Neva Francis, Our Lady of the Way Health Educator, made a presentation on "The Dangers of Smoking" to the 8th grade classes.

TIME OUT

Howdy Y'all

by John Frazier
Times Outdoor Writer

It's official. I'm getting old. I was contacted today by a member of my high school graduation class. Apparently, certain members of the group are planning our ten-year reunion. Although thoughts of the reunion are a reminder of my age, I am looking forward to the event. I am curious to see how my classmates have aged. I may have considerably less hair on my head than in those days, but aside from that, I think I can face my classmates with confidence.

I suppose I can do my part to help track down the graduates of the 1987 class of Paintsville High School. Anyone who is, or knows, a member of this class, feel free to contact me.

On another note... My recent research of HR 1202, federal legislation seeking to ban "canned hunts," has led me to some startling discoveries. It is absolutely astonishing how many citizens are totally unaware of the legislation being introduced to govern our lives. Of course, most of the "major" bills receive a great deal of publicity, but numerous bills are passed at each session which receive little or no public attention.

This process is being constantly repeated in regard to regulations which affect sportsmen. Many seemingly unimportant bills, such as HR 1202, are often overshadowed by more publicized legislative activities such as white water or abortion battles. I do not dispute the importance of other legislation, but I would like to see equal publicity for any legislative activity that may affect the lives of any American.

Take the Brady Bill for example. This bill made it to the front page of nearly every newspaper in the country. HR 1202, on the other hand, has received virtually no publicity. Although I consider myself an avid hunter and subscribe to several hunting publications and organizations, I was totally unaware of the bill until last week.

I find it disturbing that nine out of ten Americans can remember the score of the last Bud Bowl, but only a select few are aware that within the next year a background check will be required for all firearm purchases, not just handguns.

For your information, an automated system will be installed for all firearms dealers, and criminal background checks will be completed in a matter of minutes. I have been unable to gather the details of the new system, but I will pass on that information as it is received.

Anyway, back to the subject at hand. Should we work on legislation requiring our governments to advertise their dealings more? This information is available to the public, but very few Americans are willing to put forth the effort necessary to obtain the information. One can't help but wonder that even if this information was made more easily attainable, how many citizens would actually take the time to study the bills being lobbied through our state and federal governments?

Want to see something on this page? Call John Frazier at 886-8506

Federal legislation proposed to ban some hunting

HR 1202 is the name given to a bill seeking to ban "canned hunts." This bill is referring to certain ranches at which a hunter may pay a fee to harvest the animal of his choice. The animals are generally tame and enclosed within a fence. Gazelles, Corsican sheep and tigers are just a few of the choices available, and of course, the more exotic the prey, the higher the price.

Supporters of the bill are seeking to implement federal legislation, as these exotic animals are not regulated by state fish and game departments. The possible spread of disease to native wildlife is also an argument used to support this legislation. Many sportsmen claim that these practices are unsporting and deface the reputation of all hunters.

Several states, including California, Connecticut, New Jersey, North Carolina, Wisconsin and Wyoming, have already banned canned hunting. This legislation would only ban those ranches of 1,000 acres or less. Larger ranches, where the animals would have some room

to evade hunters, would be unaffected. However, the majority of these canned hunts are advertised as "no kill, no pay."

A survey of sportsmen in the Floyd County area has uncovered three basic viewpoints concerning HR 1202. Some are in favor of the bill. Some oppose the bill, and some oppose canned hunts but object to the implementation of federal legislation to ban the practice.

The supporters of canned hunts were an overwhelming minority. However, the few that opposed HR 1202 provided some strong arguments on their behalf. They were quick to point out that many disabled hunters were unable to participate in what would be considered normal hunting. These canned hunts provided them with a means of hunting that suited their limited physical abilities. As for the question of hunting exotic animals such as tigers or cape buffalo, most were opposed.

Supporters of federal legislation to ban canned hunts argued the same points as the sponsors of the bill. Unsports-



Easy prey

Federal legislation has been proposed to ban "canned hunts." The hunts referred to are those in which the animals are confined by fences or other structures, and are hunted for a fee. Canned hunts are generally, but not exclusively, held for exotic animals such as tigers or gazelles. (photo by John Frazier)

manlike, inhumane, and cruelty to animals were often repeated throughout their argument. The majority of these supporters for the bill were non-hunters.

The majority of those surveyed belong to this last category. The majority does not approve of canned hunts and would not participate in these practices, but they are against the federal ban. Individuals listed many practices that could be considered inhumane or cruel,

but have not been banned by federal law. Several compared the canned hunts to the slaughtering of cattle for the market. One individual derived the analogy of the canned hunts to pay lakes. The fish are raised and transported to small lakes for the sole purpose of being caught. Regardless of their comparisons, nearly every individual in opposition to HR 1202 felt that the ban would infringe upon our freedom of

choice. One individual may have summed it up best, when he said, "Yeah, outlaw it. That'll work. We outlawed drugs and we don't have any problems with them anymore."

If you would like to contact your state senator to comment on HR 1202, call the Capital switchboard at (202) 224-3121.

REALTREE OUTDOORS
T I P S



LIGHTEN UP FOR LONG CASTS

If your casting has been falling short of your expectations, either in accuracy or in distance, you might want to consider a lighter test line. Thinner lines offer less drag off the spool and less wind resistance, and less of these things means more control and more distance.

Light lines can also produce more fish. Later in the spring and summer, as the water clears up, the fish become very suspicious and sensitive to "odd" things. A fishing line that looks like an anchor rope attached to a lure must seem odd to a fish. In clear water, light lines can produce heavy stringers.

Of course there is some downside. You can't jerk a big fish over a log or through a brush pile with thin line. With big fish, you can't do much horsing around at all. You have to let the lunger play himself out. Also, you have to back down on lure size. A too-big lure will quickly abrade the knot, weakening the connection.

Watch "Bill Jordan's Realtree Outdoors" on TNN Outdoors



Everything happens for a reason

Have you ever had one of those days where nothing seems to go your way? I'm sure you have. I think everyone has at one time or another. Outdoorsmen are especially susceptible to the more than occasional bad day. Even professional hunters and fishermen have been known to come home empty-handed. However, the most experienced sportsmen will always have a valid excuse.

Excuses for empty fishing creels and unfilled deer tags are as plentiful as pine needles in Oregon. When a hunter returns from the woods, you can be

sure he will bring home a fine dinner or an even finer excuse. Many times the excuses turn out to be more entertaining than stories of the hunt, and of course, the excuses are always true.

Excuses range in topic and originality from equipment failure to poor weather conditions. If you enjoy the outdoors as I do, and intend to pursue hunting or fishing as a hobby or a career, you will find it imperative to develop your skills as an excuse maker.

The first step to enhancing an excuse is to develop the unbelievable. The general public will be more willing to believe an excuse that is so far fetched you couldn't possibly have made it up. For example, there was the time I missed a record book whitetail deer because a squirrel climbed right in the middle of my line of fire. I will also never forget the time my stringer broke and an entire mess of fish, including one seven pound largemouth bass, escaped back into the lake.

The second element of a good excuse is originality. Keep a log if necessary, but never use the same excuse twice in a three-year period. You should also pay close attention to the excuses given by your fellow sportsmen. You may hear an excuse you can modify to fit your situation some day, but never use another sportsman's excuse word for

word. Think of the repercussions of repeating your fishing buddy's excuse to him only two weeks after he had used it himself.

The third and final element of a good excuse is validity. Go over your story very thoroughly to check for possible incriminating evidence. If your hunting story involves shooting and missing, then before leaving the woods, fire a round into the dirt so your buddies on the other side of the hill will be able to verify your story. Even the smallest overlooked detail could result in an embarrassing cross examination. I once pointed out to a fellow hunter that his pager couldn't possibly have scared the deer away. He wasn't wearing his pager. The sun can't get in your eyes on a cloudy day. Tree limbs can't deflect bullets in an open field, and busted equipment had better be busted when you return home. Every detail of your excuse is sure to be thoroughly scrutinized. So, leave no stone unturned and no track uncovered.

If someone does discover a hole in our story, you must think quickly to close that hole. You must act without hesitation and cover these oversights with convincing confidence. Be careful when plugging a hole in a story that the plug does not interfere with the rest of the story. These are the types of skills that cannot be learned

from a book. Experience is the only teacher of this profession.

As your skills improve, you must learn to stand behind your story and dispute its validity whole heartedly. Never try to change your story after it has been told, and always tell the same story to everyone. If you tell your wife your reel fell off the rod right in the middle of catching a whopper, you had better tell your neighbor the same story. I can assure you he will tell his wife, and then the wives will undoubtedly compare stories.

Even the most experienced story tellers are eventually caught in their own web, but a true sportsman will never admit defeat, and you can be sure to find them back on the firing line time after time. You must rely on grim determination for support while you develop your talent, and you may want to learn a few new recipes for crowd, just in case.

Great excuse makers are not born. They develop their skills through experience, determination, and good old-fashioned trial and error. Practice your craft. Hone your skills to perfection, and eventually they will become second nature. Hash out excuse after excuse until you have mastered the craft, and if all else fails you could always tell the truth, but I

Forest fire season begins

The spring forest fire season is a period in which rainfall is at lower levels and the uncontrollable spread of forest fires is more likely.

During the fire season burning is restricted to after 4:30 p.m. when winds are usually calm and humidity is higher.

Individuals who find it necessary to burn brush or other debris are asked to take certain precautions.

Make sure that the fire is attended at all times. Keep fires small by burning only a little at a time. When extinguishing the blaze, soak the embers thoroughly and stir them with dirt to be certain the fire is out completely.

Last year large portions of Kentucky acreage was destroyed due to forest fires. These simple precautions can help prevent the unnecessary destruction of wildlife habitat.

KDFWR Commission to meet March 7 in Frankfort

The Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources has scheduled a commission meeting for March 7, at 8 a.m.

The commission consists of nine commissioners, one from each of the department's nine law enforcement districts. The commission is the governing body of the department of fish and wildlife. Deer hunting reg-

ulations, size limits for fish, and all hunting and fishing regulations are determined by the commission with input from district biologists, program coordinators, and public opinion.

The meeting is open to the public and will be held in the Arnold L. Mitchell Building at the Game Farm on US 60 West in Frankfort.

OUTDOORS



PRO FISHIN' TIPS

Here's a good tip for landing bass hooked on a crankbait. Before swinging a bass into the boat, first determine how and where the fish is hooked.

If it is a small fish that seems to be hooked securely, simply lift it into the boat with the rod. If it isn't hooked well, tire it down by doing a figure 8 with the rod.

The figure 8 tires it more, keeps the angle of the line in the proper direction and gives you a good chance of getting a second set of treble hooks into the fish.

Rick Cham is a two-time winner of the prestigious U.S. Open Fishing Championship.

TRACKER



Red Cross speaker

Deanna Jesse, with the American Red Cross, was a guest speaker at a meeting of the Prestonsburg Rotary Club on February 6. Pictured with her is the club's past president Carla Boyd. (photo by Allen Bolling)

Cabinet defers decisions on two medical facilities

Requests by two Pikeville medical facilities to establish programs that could reach into Floyd County were deferred last week by the Cabinet for Health Services.

Pikeville Methodist Hospital filed a certificate of need with the state Cabinet for Health Services to establish a home health agency to serve Pike, Floyd, Letcher, Magoffin, Knott, and Perry counties. The project represented an expenditure of \$15,000.

Pike County Physical Therapy also submitted a certificate of need to the Cabinet for Health Services asking that the business be approved to establish a rehabilitation agency. That project was expected to cost \$318,000.

A decision on those requests was

deferred.

The Cabinet will review a second request by Pikeville Methodist. The hospital filed a certificate of need to establish a rehabilitation agency at an estimated cost of \$125,000.

The Cabinet is expected to reach a decision on the project by May 21.

Persons affected by the proposals may request a public hearing on a project. Hearing requests must be submitted in writing to the Certificate of Need Office, 275 E. Main Street, Frankfort, KY 40621. Deadline to request a hearing is March 7.

USDA announces 15th CRP sign-up

USDA recently announced that the 15th Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) sign-up opened Monday, March 3, and will extend through Friday, March 28. Eligible landowners can sign up at the Johnson-Floyd-Martin-Pike FSA office located in Paintsville.

During the sign-up period, operators of eligible cropland and those with expiring CRP contracts may apply to participate in the CRP. Payment terms and cost share assistance are determined by each contract. The term of the contract must run for 10 to 15 years.

Under the CRP, farmers and ranchers receive a rental fee and cost-share assistance from the Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) in return for converting environmentally sensitive acreage to desirable environmental practices. Planting permanent vegetative cover on highly erodible land

and certain other acreages can improve water and air quality as well as benefiting many species of wildlife.

The USDA recently published new regulations governing the CRP, under which only the most environmentally sensitive land may be enrolled. The purpose of the change is to maximize environmental benefits and keep the most productive land working.

Acreage currently under crop contracts that are due to expire can be re-offered for participation. Existing CRP contracts cannot be extended, and new contracts must be executed for all acreage enrolled this year.

The sign-up period does not apply to certain highly desirable environmental practices, including field windbreaks, shelter belts, riparian buffers, filter strips, and shallow water areas for wildlife.

Farmers and ranchers can apply at any time for contracts for these special practices under FSA's continuous sign-up program.

The CRP is funded by the CCC and administered by the USDA Farm Service Agency in cooperation with the Natural Resources

Conservation Service, Cooperative State Research, Education and Extension Service, state forestry agencies, and local soil and water conservation districts. For more information, call the Farm Service Agency located in Paintsville at 789-3766.

Exercise Leader Workshop and Certification scheduled at Prestonsburg college

The Prestonsburg Community College Wellness Center will host the American College of Sports Medicine's Exercise Leader Workshop and Certification for Exercise Leaders May 14-17.

Part of a nationwide program sponsored by the American College of Sports Medicine, a national organization which has certified health and fitness professionals for over 15 years, the ACSM Exercise Leader Certification provides a national certification process for individuals with the skills to safely and effectively implement exercise programs for people who are apparently healthy or who have a controlled disease.


Potential candidates for this workshop and certification work in community-based fitness and wellness centers, corporate fitness programs, rehabilitative exercise programs and personal training programs, including aerobics programs. To be certified, these individuals must demonstrate competency in group and individual leadership, exercise modification for

special populations, heart rate monitoring and communication skills. They also must demonstrate competency in identifying major risk factors and recognizing the impact of these risk factors on an individual's exercise program.

"This is a demanding certification, but well worth it," said Christopher Fleming, instructor of kinesiology and health promotion at PCC and director of Project Health. Fleming holds the Health Fitness Instructor certification from the ACSM.

The PCC Wellness Center offers the use of fitness machines and free weights, as well as aerobics courses. Students are allowed to use the facilities free of charge. Others may enroll by paying a nominal fee on either a per-semester or a per-visit basis. Re-enrollment is required each semester.

For more information, or to register for the workshop and certification, call 1-800-486-5643, or Christopher Fleming at (606) 886-3863. Registration deadline is April 17.



Attention, All Ladies
Allen Elementary
Family Resource
Youth Service
will be offering
SELF-DEFENSE CLASSES
for women only.

Date: March 3, 10, 17
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CNA training

The Office of Continuing Education of Prestonsburg Community College is offering a Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) training class beginning April 1.

For further information about the class (times, days and cost), call 886-3863, ext. 240.

Discovering the May House

The Office of Continuing Education of Prestonsburg Community College recently announced an exciting new class on discovering the May House. Anyone who would like to learn more about Samuel May and the restoration of his home in Prestonsburg is welcome to participate.

The class will begin on Wednesday, March 5, at 6 p.m. For further information, call 886-3863, ext. 240.

PCC offers course on wastewater operators to be held in April

Prestonsburg Community College's Office of Continuing Education is offering a course for wastewater operators at the Prestonsburg campus. The classes will be held on April 14 and 15, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day.

Details of the course content are contained in the 1997 Water Treatment Operator's Training catalog.

For further information or to register for the class, call 886-3863, ext. 240.

Mann appointed as arbitrator

A local attorney received an appointment from the governor last week.

John W. Mann, former assistant Commonwealth Attorney, was appointed by Governor Paul Patton last Friday to serve as an arbitrator in the Department of Workers Claims.

Mann's term will end December 31.

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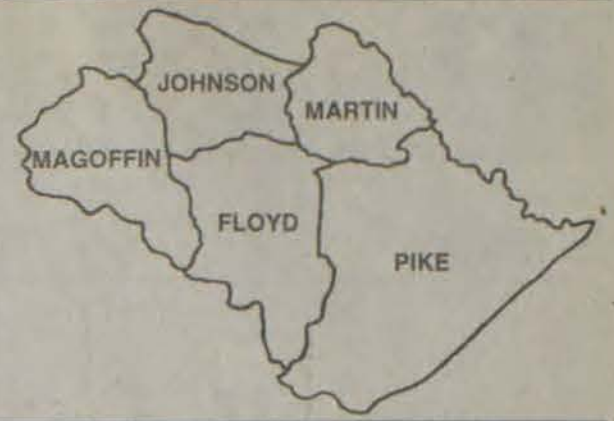
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AROUND THE REGION



College cross set on fire

by Alicia Carmichael
Appalachian News-Express

A cross erected and dedicated by a group of Pikeville College students was doused with gasoline and set on fire on college property Wednesday night, authorities said. The cross, which was dedicated by the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and placed behind the college's softball field in the river-fill, was not destroyed by the blaze, said Pikeville College Director of Extended Affairs Gerri Kinder.

"The wood was too hard to burn," Kinder said. According to a Pikeville Police Department media release, two residents of Bank Street reported the cross burning at 9:22 p.m. The PPD and the Pikeville Fire Department arrived on the scene within four minutes, the report said. A PPD dispatcher said the fire had burned out on its own by the time authorities arrived. "They (the perpetrators) poured gasoline on the cross and lit it but by the time police and the fire

department got there, the fire has gone out," dispatcher Wally Justice said. Kinder said the college will leave the cross in its place. "We will absolutely not take the cross down," Kinder said. "It's too important to us." "It (the burning) was a mean-spirited act that I wish wouldn't have happened." The case is under investigation by the PPD and the Pikeville Fire Department. Sue Hayes is the investigating officer.

Kelly Goble rape, sex abuse trial to begin in Paintsville

by Ralph B. Davis
Paintsville Herald

After two attempts in two days, a jury has finally been seated in the first of two rape and sex abuse trials of prominent Martin County businessman Kelly Goble. Goble, 40, of Little Blacklog, stands accused of two counts of first-degree rape and two counts of first-degree sexual abuse in the trial taking place this week. The owner and operator of Goble Signs was indicted for allegedly molesting a child younger than 12 years old between June 1, 1990 and December 31, 1992.

In a separate case involving a separate child under age 12, Goble faces 11 counts of first-degree sexual abuse, six counts of first-degree sodomy and three counts of first-degree rape. His trial on those charges is scheduled to begin August 19. Both cases were to have originally been tried in Martin County, but the trials were moved to Paintsville after attempts to seat a jury in Inez were unsuccessful. Seating a jury in Johnson County also proved to be difficult this week. Beginning with a pool of 100 potential jurors, the court spent all day Monday conducting individ-

ual juror interviews, narrowing the field down to 34. Tuesday morning, however, Goble's attorney, John David Preston, asked the court for a mistrial based on television news reports Monday night and Tuesday morning. Specifically, Preston was concerned that newscasts on WYMT and WSAZ contained details jurors on Goble's current case are not supposed to hear—namely, Goble's second trial later this year. "If this was something that happened some time ago, may be it would not be fresh on [juror's] minds..." Preston said in court. "But this happened last night, an hour and a half after they were dismissed from here." Circuit Judge Stephen N. Frazier agreed that any witnesses viewing the newscasts would be prejudiced by the information, but said he could not automatically assume that the potential jurors did hear the newscast. "We have come a long way to be here for trial," Frazier said. "We have had numerous hearings. We brought all these people here. The families of the parties involved needs to get this over." So the judge instead ruled, after a 20-minute recess, that jurors would be called back in for individual questioning, to see if they had indeed watched news reports on the case. Five of the 34 potential jurors were dismissed from the case. After more interviews to find five more, the court once again had a field of 34. Finally, shortly after 4 p.m. Tuesday, 12 jurors and two alternates were selected to hear the case. The panel is composed of four men and 10 women. Opening arguments in the case are scheduled to begin at 9:30 Wednesday morning. The trial is expected to last at least the end of the week.

Couple sues dealers over faulty truck

by Ralph B. Davis
Paintsville Herald

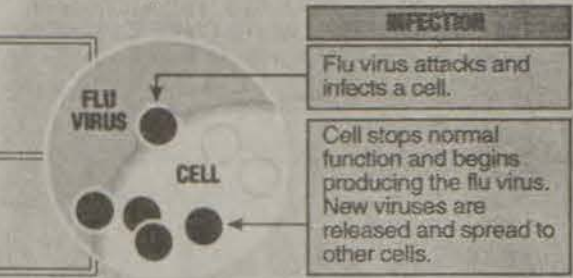
A faulty truck negligently sold by a West Virginia dealer and serviced by a local one is to blame for an automobile accident a year ago, allege a Johnson County couple in a recent lawsuit. Roberta and Mike Castle are suing Turnpike Ford of Marment, West Virginia, local Ford dealer Brown's Auto Sales, and the Ford Motor Company. The Castles say the dealers and manufacturer are responsible for allowing them to drive their defective truck, which ultimately caused the two to be involved in an injury-causing crash last February. According to their complaint, the Castles say they bought their 1994 Ford truck from Turnpike Ford on August 8, 1994. Afterward, they began having trouble with the vehicle and were told to take it to Brown's Auto Sales for service, which they say they did numerous times. While Roberta Castle drove

along Route 581 at River, February 21, 1996, the front end of the truck "locked up," causing her to lose control of the vehicle and plunge over an 80-foot embankment. Mike Castle was also in the truck at the time. "The truck had just been serviced by defendant and plaintiff had been assured by them that the truck was in good repair and safe for driving," the Castles' lawsuit says. As a result of the accident, both were taken to Paul B. Hall Regional medical Center and later transported to Cabell-Huntington Hospital. The Castles now say Brown's, Turnpike and Ford were all negligent in allowing the vehicle to be on the road at the time of the accident. They say Turnpike and Ford are responsible for selling them a "dangerous and/or defective and unfit for use" vehicle, and that Brown's failed to properly repair the truck. "A lawsuit represents only one side of an issue."

Battling the flu

The flu virus is spread by close contact and usually needs help to infect a person.

GROUND ZERO
The mouth, nose and eyes contain a type of cell the flu virus prefers. The body uses natural defenses such as nose hairs, mucus and cilia to try to keep the virus from reaching the cells.



ATTACKING THE BODY
The virus incubates in the body for a day or two, multiplying in the epithelial cells lining the respiratory tract.

FIGHTING THE INFECTION
The body gets wise to the invader and creates a hostile environment to kill the virus. Here is how the body reacts:

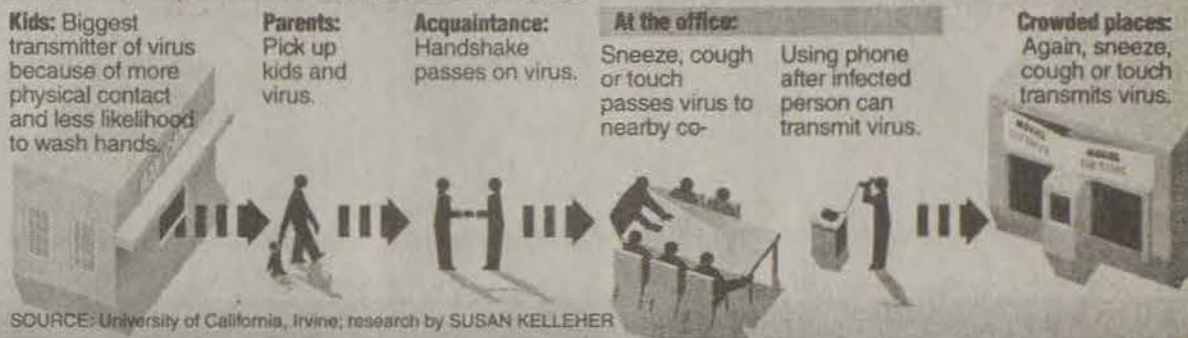
Sore throat: Inflamed respiratory tract.
Fever: A body's reaction to infection.
Shiver: Another heat-creating effort.
Headaches, muscle aches and fatigue: Caused by cells releasing interleukin—a substance that fights infection and activates other parts of the immune system.

DANGER:
Kills or damages cells in respiratory tract that defend against bacteria.
More susceptible to bronchitis and pneumonia.



PASSING THE BUG

Here is an example of how the flu virus can be transmitted:



Plea bargain entered in car dealership case

From the Salyersville Independent

The former business manager of car dealerships in Johnson and Floyd counties had pleaded guilty to stealing money from the businesses. Anita Coleman avoided prison time by entering a plea bargain agreement with prosecutors on Friday, February 7. Under the pact, Coleman, of Floyd County, is required to pay back \$32,000 of the \$143,000 she was accused of stealing from John Gray Auto Sales and John Gray Pontiac-Buick-GMC Truck Inc. Her attorney, J. D. Johnson of Paintsville, stated that Coleman had previously made \$129,000 in restitution to the car dealer. Coleman was indicted in both Johnson and Floyd counties for taking the money from John Gray's businesses in Paintsville and Prestonsburg. The plea bargain agreement, worked out with prosecutors Allen Trimble and John Earl Hunt, covers both cases, although Coleman has not yet appeared in Floyd Circuit Court to enter her plea, Johnson said. Johnson said he hoped to schedule a court appearance there within

the week. In all, Coleman was charged with 46 counts of theft by failure to make required disposition of property. Thirty-eight of the counts involved the dealership in Floyd County and eight were related to the Johnson County business. Initially, Coleman pleaded not guilty in the Johnson County case last summer. Johnson said he advised her to enter into a plea bargain with the state because of her "brutal honesty" in admitting her guilt. "She admitted some improper disposition of money," Johnson said, "but there were some claims she denied, with documentation to support her claims." Had she gone to trial and been convicted, Johnson said, Coleman could have received a one-to-five-

year prison sentence on each of the 46 counts. Under the plea agreement, she received a five-year term on each of the first two counts, with the sentences to run consecutively, he said. She then received a one-year sentence on the remaining counts, with those to run concurrently. However, Johnson Circuit Judge Stephen N. Frazier, suspended the sentence and placed Coleman on five years unsupervised probation. Coleman was indicted in Johnson County in December 1995. The indictment came about a year after Gray sued Coleman to recover the money she was accused of stealing. Allen Trimble, commonwealth's attorney in Whitley County, was special prosecutor in the Johnson County case.

Jr. gets contract as airport manager

From the Martin County Sun

After more than three hours of discussion, members of the region-

al airport board voted to formally grant Jim Mineer Jr. a one-year contract as airport manager — with a 90-day option to terminate the contract if improvements are not made to the facility.

This was the second time in two weeks that the airport board met to discuss a contract for the airport manager. During the last meeting, board members tentatively agreed to contract for Jim Mineer Sr. (which was a two-year contract and required he pay ten cents for each gallon of fuel sold at the airport and pay \$100 per year for rent of a hangar).

Board members tabled formal action, seeking legal advice. Several changes were made to the final contract which was ratified last Wednesday night. Among the changes was the contract's length, and the amount Mineer would pay for use of the airport's hangar (he will now pay \$100 per month rather than \$100 per year). Board members used contracts from surrounding airports as a guide in creating most of the provisions contained in it.

The contract, though tentatively approved by the board, first must meet the approval of state and federal aviation agencies. Former airport manager Jim Mineer Sr. has until March 1 to remove his personal effects and business interests from airport grounds (aside from running the airport, Mineer also conducted auctions and other business interests at the airport.)

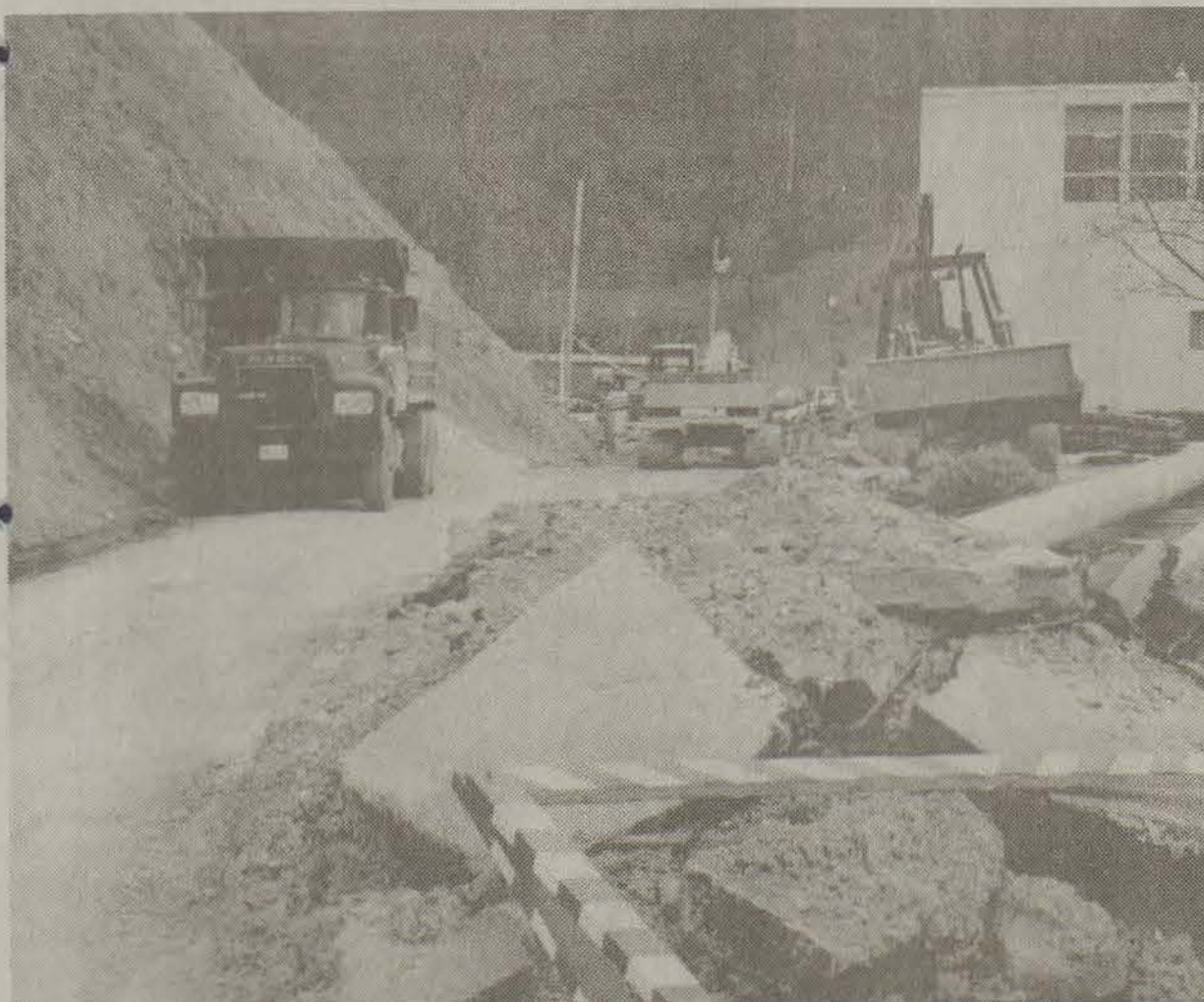
(See Manager, page three)

Deputy suspended on domestic violence charge

by Micheal Sisco
Martin County Sun

A Martin County deputy has been suspended from duty with pay pending a domestic violence hearing before Circuit Judge Steven "Nick" Frazier. Deputy Rusty Jude turned his firearm in to Martin County Sheriff Darriel Young last week after being served with domestic papers from his estranged wife. Sheriff Young said that Jude's case will be brought before Frazier, Thursday morning (February 27). "If any part of the domestic is kept by the judge, then he loses his right to carry a weapon," Young said. "That's the way the new law goes." The new law, in effect for less than a year, has drawn fire from law enforcement agencies across the country for its treatment of officers who are embroiled in domestic disputes with their spouses. The law stipulates that any person (including law enforcement and military personnel) who is served with DVO's (Domestic Violence Orders) must surrender

their weapons and may not carry a weapon as long as they are alive. The law also applies to DVOs which were filed before the law's passage. Statewide, about 117 law enforcement officials have been removed from the force since the new law took effect. Many law enforcement agencies have objected to the "Guilty before proven innocent" nature of the law's provisions and have said that many deputies have been targeted by their spouses for "spite warrants," effectively giving them advantages in divorce settlements. According to Young, Jude has not been taken completely out of county law enforcement. He is currently serving with Transportation Director Amalia Jude until Frazier rules on his case. Though Young would make no comment about the particulars of Jude's case, he said his office would abide by the judge's decision. If Frazier sets the case aside or otherwise rules on Jude's behalf, he will be placed back on the police force, Young said. Frazier is set to hear the case in the Martin County courthouse.



Preparation

Site preparation work is underway for the new Pikeville Methodist Hospital. The site preparation work that is visible at this point includes the construction of a concrete culvert for Harold's Branch and the relocation of a water line. The site preparation is expected to be completed by the end of March. Following the completion of the culvert project, the construction of the new hospital will begin.

The Friday Comics

Farcus

by David Waisglass
Gordon Coulthart



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"Have you grown hair before?"

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BUTCH AND DOUGIE by ALEX HOWELL



MagicMaze

KITCHEN UTENSILS

K D A Y X V S O N K I F D A X
V T Q O R M J H F C A Y W U R
P R E L E E P N L J H F D B E
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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions-forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

- Chopsticks
- Colander
- Cutlery
- Dishes
- Flatware
- Funnel
- Knives
- Masher
- Pans
- Peeler
- Pots
- Service
- Silver
- Spoons
- Tableware



Find at least 6 differences between panels.

R.F.D. by MIKE MARLAND



THE SPATS by JEFF PICKERING



GEORGE by MARK SZORADY

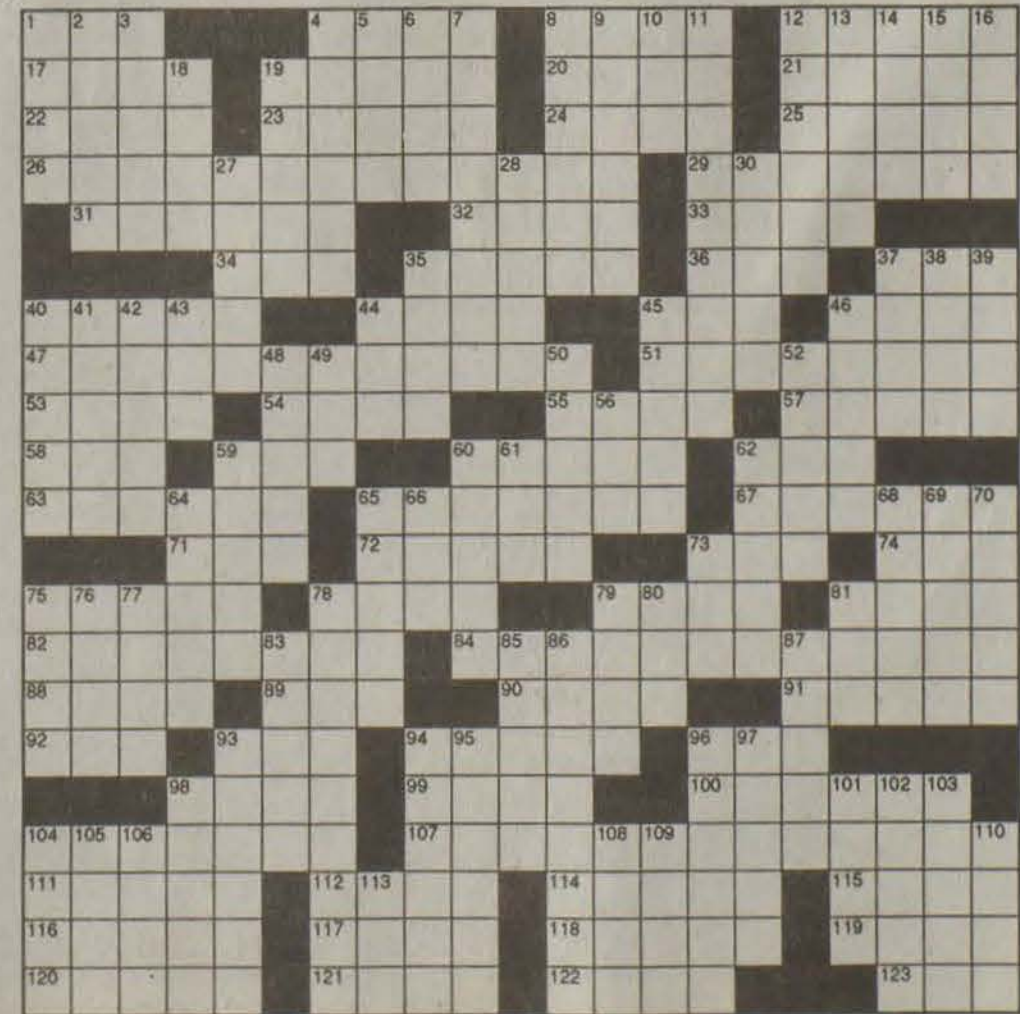


OUT ON A LIMB by GARY KOPERVAS



Super Crossword

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|-----------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|
| ACROSS | 53 Pitch | Marle, Mich. | the Mohicans" | 45 Look daggers | 81 Room for improvement? |
| 1 Run up the phone bill | 54 Large piece | 94 — cotta | prop | 46 Grit | 46 Grit |
| 4 See 1 Across | 55 On — with (equal to) | 96 Cot or crib | 98 Actress Anna | 48 Actress | 83 6 p.m., at 10 a.m. |
| 8 One of the Waughns | 57 Massachusetts port | 99 Jal — | 100 Novelist | 49 Give a squeeze | 85 Call, athlete |
| 12 Heathen | 58 "Paradise Lost" figure | 104 Picnic fare | Lurie | 50 Female swimmer | 86 Revolt |
| 17 Second-hand | 59 Excavate | 107 Picnic fare | 11 Visé man? | 52 Inedible orange | 87 Spoked and looked |
| 19 Cugat consort | 60 Not as forward | 112 Got off | 13 Similar | 56 By means of | 94 Gauguin setting |
| 20 Lugosi of filmdom | 62 Mil. base | 114 Reputation | 14 Shorebird | 59 Don one's duds | 95 Pleased as Punch |
| 21 Manage to miss | 63 Vacation site | 115 Grimm creature | 15 "Zip — — Doo-Dah" | 60 Young pigeon | 96 Pester |
| 22 Teen affliction | 65 Architect's tool | 116 Hot spot? | 16 Famed loch | 61 Savage sort | 97 Cary of "The Princess Bride" |
| 23 Sultan's sweets | 67 Horrified | 117 Learning method | 18 Sleep | 62 Rock bottom | 98 Canyon of the comics |
| 24 Retreat | 71 Common vegetable | 118 To the — (to perfection) | 19 Made up one's mind | 64 Selected, with "or" | 101 Flat-bottomed boat |
| 25 Illinois city | 72 Circular | 119 Spun a web | 27 Did yard work | 65 Go fishing | 102 George Burns film |
| 26 Picnic fare | 73 Shelley showcase | 120 Scattered seed | 28 Soup scoop | 66 Offspring | 103 Chutzpah |
| 29 Picnic fare | 74 Eur. nation | 122 Machine part | 30 Speech pattern | 69 Like some sleeves | 104 Finger-paint creation? |
| 31 A few words | 75 Examines closely | 123 Cozy room | 35 Actor Mahoney | 70 Cornered the cat | 105 Finger-paint preposition |
| 32 Mist | 78 Biblical town | DOWN | 37 Elijah's target | 73 Olson of vaudeville | 106 Store away |
| 33 Actress Sedgwick | 79 French Sudan, today | 1 Magellan discovery | 38 General's helper | 75 "Beat it!" | 108 Lady friend, in Lille |
| 34 Essential | 81 Yard entry | 2 Songwriters' org. | 39 Sunflower support | 76 Hawkeye State | 109 Role for National Park |
| 35 Too experienced? | 82 Picnic fare | 3 Park seat | 40 In search of | 77 Pop a pec | 110 Noted nickname |
| 36 Zilch | 84 Picnic fare | 4 "The Man of a Thousand Faces" | 41 Got teed off? | 78 Where dates are kept | |
| 37 Coll. degrees | 88 Impressed | 5 Mata — | 42 Eats elegantly | 79 — Verde | |
| 40 Rattle one's cage | 89 "That Jazz" | 6 Olympic warmonger | 43 Ms. Meriwether | 80 Presidential | |
| 44 Cookbook topic | 90 Basilica area | 7 "The Last of" | 44 Bass part | | |
| 45 Ronny & the Daytonas hit | 91 Improva | | | | |
| 46 Trot or gallop | 92 April burden | | | | |
| 47 Picnic fare | 93 Sault — | | | | |
| 51 Picnic fare | | | | | |



News of the Weird

by Chuck Shepherd

— The Associated Press reported in January on the three-year-old anti-smoking policy of Kimball Physics of Wilton, N.H., which not only forbids lighting up at work but subjects each employee and visitor to a sniff test of his breath and clothing performed by receptionist Jennifer Walsh. Those with an odor so strong that it is likely they smoked within the last two hours or so are not allowed in.

— In February, Schenectady, N.Y., patrolman Robert J. O'Neill reportedly retired. He had been on sick leave since 1982, at full salary that now has reached \$508,000, because of psychological problems related to his Vietnam Marine experience that allegedly made him a danger to the public.

— Modern-day Stagecoach Robberies: Reuters News Service reported in January that the 400-mile route from Moscow to St. Petersburg, Russia, is being worked by gangs of armed thieves who rob and hijack cargo trucks. And in August on the runway at the airport in Perpignan, France, gunmen halted a taxiing Air France airliner that had just landed with 167 passen-

gers and stole moneybags containing about \$800,000.

CULTURAL DIVERSITY

— In a November Associated Press dispatch from Payiir, Sudan, a reporter described the local competition among unmarried Dinka men to gorge themselves (and refrain from exercise) to become fat, which is regarded as a way to win females because it demonstrates that the man's cattle herd is large enough for him to consume extra milk and meat. The typical Dinka is tall and reed-thin — former basketball player Manute Bol is a Dinka — and some men gain so much unfamiliar weight so quickly that they have been known to topple over.

— The hottest selling computer software in Japan in November was a "love simulation" game in which boys try to get a virtual 17-year-old girl, Shiori, to fall in love with them. There is even a magazine, Virtual Idol, devoted to supplying fictional biographical tales of Shiori and other virtual girls. Wrote one young man, Virtual Idol "is just the right kind of magazine for a person like me who's not interested in real girls." By January, several news services had reported on an equally popular Japanese computer craze, the Virtual Pet, a \$16 electronic "bird" the size of an egg that responds to nurturing instincts in many teen-age girls. By pushing buttons, the owner can feed it, play with it,

lean up after it and discipline it.

— According to an October Associated Press story, young mothers in large Japanese cities have adopted the city park as a forum for vying for status. Some young mothers interviewed claimed they were "scared" to take their toddlers to the parks (to make their "park debut") because of the established cliques of mothers who dominate the facilities. Guidebooks teach the proper "park behavior"; department stores feature the proper "park clothing"; and a recent satiric movie depicted a park ruled by 50 authoritarian mothers.

— In Singapore, which is so pristine that even public gum-chewing is illegal, police expressed concern in February about the recent crisis of apartment dwellers in high-rise buildings who casually toss their belongings out the window. Fifty-one people were arrested last year for throwing objects ranging from TV sets to tricycles to flower pots.

— The Times of London reported in December that Bombay (whose name was recently changed to Mumbai) became the first city in India to ban public spitting, which the reporter described as "one of the two most ubiquitous of male habits" in India (the other being public urination). According to the Times, "Boys barely old enough to walk can be heard practicing gut-

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Popperri

by Scott Perry

From the world of science comes the news that Jurassic Park, the movie, may be more like a documentary than a sci-fi adventure.

Scientists have successfully cloned a sheep from a DNA sample, causing something short of hysteria among the worrywarts, who fear the discovery could open too many doors behind which are too many skeletons.

Speculation about what is next is rampant, of course.

If a sheep can be grown from a strand of genes then so might a dinosaur or, heaven forbid, a human.

Now that success has been achieved in genetic replication, some rules are going to have to be drawn up.

We can't have folks heading off to the local quick-copy lab for a makeover, though the idea of perpetual replication does, perhaps, lend new meaning to the phrase "born again."

Up to now, reincarnation has been one of those things we've wondered about, but never knew for sure if it really happened.

Thanks to this scientific breakthrough, though, it may not be long before we can order up a new existence like we might order a Big Mac at the drive-through.

One thing for sure, this isn't science fiction anymore.

Still, it's kind of spooky to consider the possibilities.

If we could create a replica of someone other than ourselves, who would it be?

Elvis?

John Wayne?

Maybe John Lennon, so the Beatles could get back together.

Abe Lincoln? Nah, he couldn't get elected.

Perhaps this cloning business isn't such a good idea after all.

Each of us has our faults, and duplicating them wouldn't serve any good purpose.

Come to think of it, there has been just one perfect specimen worth duplicating.

And, He didn't leave any DNA samples behind.

The Weekend Extra



Allison Krauss in concert

Coming Friday, April 11, a Troubadour Concert Series special event, Alison Krauss & Union Station in concert at the Paramount Arts Center. Showtime is 8 p.m. Tickets went on sale Thursday, February 27, at the Paramount Box Office, in Ashland. Call (606) 324-3175, after 9:30 a.m. weekdays for ticket information or to order tickets by phone.

IT'S HISTORY

The education of America's children has been receiving a lot of publicity. Every paper, magazine and tabloid you read contain articles which attack poor curriculum as a major culprit connected with this important topic. After auditing a history class, I now adhere to the belief that television, movies and MTV are the real culprits.

"Students," the teacher announced. "We're going to begin with American inventors. Les, who invented the telephone?"

"I know that one. He's got dark hair and was in Cocoon."

"Les," the teacher said. "He wasn't in any movie."

"Don Ameche!" Les yelled out in delight.

"Les, Don Ameche was an actor who played the man who invented the telephone. What was the man's name?"

Les shrugged his shoulders and stared into space as the teacher announced to the class that Bell was the inventor. "Okay, who wrote Poor Richard's Almanac, Lola?"

"Hum. I think it was Richard Pryor, wasn't it?"

"It's the same person who said a penny saved is a penny earned."

"Really?" Lola said, slowly. "Then it was my father."

The teacher continued. "What happened in Boston

on December 16, 1773?"

"The Red Sox won the pennant," said a boy seated at the back of the room. "But since it was December, they must have had longer seasons. Probably didn't have football then."



Smile Awhile

Sara Hopson

The teacher inhaled and counted to ten before she continued. "It was the Boston Tea Party! Now, who can tell me who staged this historical event?"

A girl in the first row answered. "The Kennedys. I saw a movie, and they were always throwing parties."

"Didn't you have any of this material last year?"

"We studied European history," one of the students said. "Stuff like Rome and the Sistine Chapel."

"Really? And who painted the Sistine Chapel?"

"I said Charleton Heston, but the teacher counted it wrong. I don't know how I could have missed it because I watched the whole movie on HBO when the MTV station was out."

I watched the look of horror spread over the teacher's face. I knew she had surmised that movies and television had infiltrated the minds of our youths to such a degree that fact and fiction had now merged to represent the truth.

"I won't let this happen," the teacher said, draping the American flag over her shoulders. "We're going to learn some history. Tad, what are the Bill of Rights?"

"I only know two of them," he said, shyly. "You have the right to remain silent, and you have the right to an attorney..."

The teacher stated flatly. "That's the Miranda Law."

"I thought that law said anything that could go wrong, would."

"That's Murphy's Law! Sally Fields was in that one."

The teacher then stood up on top of her desk with a bullhorn and a whip and said, "Open your books to the last chapter. We're starting there and working our way back. Maybe, you all can remember what happened in 1979 easier since it's recent history."

"I was born in 1979," one student said.

"That's significant enough," the teacher said. "Who was the president of the United States in 1979?"

The students sat zombie-like at their desks. "Okay, then who was president in 1986?"

The students remained expressionless as the teacher said, "All right. Who is the president of the United States?"

Les raised his hand hesitantly and said, "I think it's Ronald Reagan. I saw him on a late-night movie."

"Aw, shoot," said a boy seated beside Les. "I was hoping it was John Wayne. He was in that movie, too."

"That's it," the teacher said angrily. "We're going to have a remedial history class right this minute. Let's get going. Today we are going to learn how 13 colonies were formed by watching a short documentary starring Rob Lowe and Molly Ringwald. Would someone get the lights, please."

Critic's Corner

by Michael Greene

Star Wars

Why, you might ask, am I reviewing a 20-year-old movie? Well, since it's been re-released, "Star Wars" has once again taken the country by storm, delighting kids and adults everywhere! And, director George Lucas has tantalized us by throwing in never-before-footage to boot!

"Star Wars" is a classic tale of good versus evil, the oldest theme in literature in the history of mankind. As we all know, Darth Vader is the consummate evil character (wonderfully voiced by James Earl Jones). Our hero, Luke Skywalker (Mark Hamill) is the good guy, joined in his efforts by Han Solo (Harrison Ford) and Princess Leia (Carrie Fisher), whom he rescues somewhere in the beginning of the film before setting out on their adventures.

Alex Guinness is Obi-Wan Kenobi, Luke's mentor and, apparently, a friend to Luke's father some years before they meet. He teaches Luke how to tap into "The Force." (I have fond memories of running around saying, "May the Force Be With You" to just about anyone who'd listen!)

For my money, the special effects and the soundtrack are just as captivating as they were years ago. Somehow, seeing this movie on the big screen makes it all the better.

This is a must-see, followed by its sequels, "The Empire Strikes Back" and "Return of the Jedi." Once those two are re-released, you can treat yourself to the special treat of watching all three flicks back-to-back at one time!

BY SELI GROVES

SOAP UPDATES

ALL MY CHILDREN: Liza almost got Adam to make love to her. Later, Brooke slapped Adam over his charge that Laura stole a piece of art. Erica got Maria to come to a remote cabin where she forced her to admit she slept with Dimitri. Maria then went into labor. Tanner misled Hayley by suggesting he fly her to meet Mateo in Texas, but mid-flight, he disconnected the radio wire and said they must land. Later, he gave Hayley a beverage containing an unknown substance. Wait To See: Brooke confronts Pierce about his flash-backs.

ANOTHER WORLD: Carl came to Gabe's funeral and announced Bobby and Vicky are alive, and accused Grant of trying to kill them. Later, Nick and Sofia learned Grant wanted them arrested for kidnapping Kirkland. Rachel told Carl she's pregnant. Carl, meanwhile, reassured Cindy that he believed her story about Grant and she should stick by it. He later hint-

NATASHA'S STARS

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Don't listen to a friend's advice since it's off the mark. You are upset when unexpected guests drop by without so much as a phone call later in the week. However, this could be fun, so try to be more flexible. The weekend looks good for quiet activities.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You are disappointed when a family member reneges on a planned get-together this week. If buying a gift for someone, be sure you know the person's tastes and avoid spending too much. A weekend getaway is possible, if you don't go overboard in expenses.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Someone who owes you money is slow to repay you—which should serve as a lesson for the future. You and your significant other need to achieve a meeting of the minds concerning mutual funds. You want to spend, but your partner wants to save.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) It's not a good time to share those innovative ideas you have for business this week. Someone is just waiting to take credit for them, leaving you out in the cold. If shopping this weekend, watch expenditures.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) A certain someone in your social sphere is just handing you a line. It's best to maintain your distance and remain skeptical. Don't let flattery sway you. In business, make sure your goals are realistic.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) You spend some time this week tapping your toes, waiting for someone who's not on time for an appointment. Be careful of someone who promises more

than can be delivered. This weekend, avoid mixing business with pleasure.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) In considering your social options, make sure you honor obligations you'd made previously. A financial proposal made this week is really just a long shot. Generally, this is not a good time to gamble.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Sift through your social invitations and use discretion. If not, you'll find yourself yawning through a dull, uneventful social gathering. Extra expenses arise in connection with travel for those on the road.

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THE CITY: To avoid consummating her marriage to Gino, Tracy called in Pamela, a retired call girl. But Gino proved non-responsive in bed. He was dead! Zoey and Tracy panicked as they tried to hide Gino's body. Tony assured Alex he never slept with Carla, and both guessed Danny was in on her scheme. Meanwhile, Carla wondered where her father was. Wait To See: Carla makes an accusation. Will it stick?

DAYS OF OUR LIVES: Marlena was about to tell John of Kristen's deception, but she was put off when he expressed joy over his baby's birth. Kristen later ordered Lynn to get to Laura with the pill to keep her from remembering. Abe told Bo he'll make it difficult for him to get the evidence King demands. Worried over the baby's upcoming heart surgery, Kristen tried to get John to make love to her. Wait To See: King begins to manipulate Billie and Hope.

GENERAL HOSPITAL: Dorman brought in a witness who lied on the stand about Monica. But Jason defended his mother. Alan warned A.J. that Monica not learn he's drinking again. Brenda's secret admirer unveiled his murderous contempt. Nikolas tried to get information from Tom, Bobbie, and Stefan to help his grandmother (Lesley). Wait To See: Brenda's life hangs in the balance.

GUIDING LIGHT: Josh asked a flustered Annie why Dr. Sedgwick didn't know she's pregnant. Blake's hopes were dashed by Ross' reaction to her homecoming. Rick, meanwhile, warned her not to neglect little Kevin. Alan's "assurance" that he's taken care of wedding details left Roger and Amanda

wondering if they'll have to go through with the marriage. Later, Alan and Annie agreed they still have work to do together. Buzz got more than he expected as he bargained on Jenna's behalf. Wait To See: Josh and Reva's surprise leads to a revelation.

ONE LIFE TO LIVE: Nora and Bo found Asa on the boat, where he said he'd gone to retrieve his weapon. He mentioned seeing R.J. at the fuse box the night Carlo was murdered. Maggie told Max about Ian and his mother's death in St. Maarten. Meanwhile, Ian hired a P.I. to follow Maggie. After learning the university won't do research into Starr's disease because of Todd's past, Viki went to ask Marty for a favor. Wait To See: Bo makes an arrest.

SUNSET BEACH: Eddie stopped Paula's escape attempt, but then balked at killing her. He then broke into Ricardo's loft looking for evidence Paula may have against him. Ricardo was rehired by Chief Harris. Eddie's paroled felon friend, Ralph, knocked her out and she awoke to find a red heart tattoo over her heart. Just as Ben was reassuring Annie that "seeing" blood on her hands was only her imagination, Meg turned up with a blood-stained coat. Ricardo and Eddie broke into the barracks where Ralph was holding Paula and were devastated at what they found. Wait To See: Michael faces a decision about Jo-Jo.

THE YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS: After hearing Sharon say she can't go through the loss of another child, Grace made a decision. Josh later told Nick and Sharon she'd suffered a placental separation, and needed to stay in bed for the duration of her pregnancy. Josh reacted to seeing Nikki and Victor kissing, and insisted Victor not be allowed in their home again. Victoria told Cole and Victor she's leaving town to get perspective on her marriage and her life. Wait To See: Sasha makes a move.

WEIRD — natural sounds, which is regarded as macho."

— A September Los Angeles Times story described what Argentine writer Tomas Eloy Martinez called the country's obsession with "emotional" necrophilia toward its prominent citizens. Frequently, corpses of luminaries such as Juan Peron are dug up and either celebrated or desecrated, to excite national pride. (The hands of Peron's corpse were sawed off by a zealous grave robber in 1987 and have not been recovered; last fall, a judge ordered Peron's body to be disinterred yet again so that a DNA sample could be taken as evidence in a woman's claim that she is Peron's illegitimate daughter.)

— According to a June China Daily story, 40 million Chinese live in caves, but many are leaving for regular houses, putting a strain on the available arable land in some areas. Thus, architects working for the government are designing futuristic cave homes in Gansu, Henan and Shanxi provinces to encourage the cave dwellers to stay put.

ANIMALS

— A team of Chinese surgeons from Zhengzhou, Beijing, Shanghai and Shenzhen reported in January that, in a 17-hour operation three months earlier, they had reattached an elephant's trunk that had been severed in an accident and that the elephant was now feeding itself again, though the trunk was 16 inches shorter.

— In October, Annie Wald and a partner opened Total Dog, Los Angeles' first canine fitness center. For a fee of up to \$800 a year from owners too busy to walk their dogs, the pooches work out on treadmills, in swimming pools and on an obstacle course, and massages are available.

— In August, firefighters in Kelso, Wash., listed the official

cause of the fire at Matthew Gould's home as Sadie's playing with matches. Sadie, a five-month-old German shepherd mix, had probably gnawed into a box of matches but failed to drool enough to douse the sparks. And in Spencer, Ind., in December, James E. Baker was shot in the heel by his Akita, Boo Boo, which had jumped on the trigger of a 20-gauge shotgun on the floor of Baker's pickup truck as he sat in the driver's seat.

UPDATE

In December 1996, News of the Weird reported that Los Angeles County authorities had decided not to charge Texan Robert Salazar in the death of his employee Sandra Orellana, who fell from an eighth-floor hotel balcony railing on which the two were, according to Salazar, having sex. In January, after dropping mannequins from the railing to see how they fell and examining the wounds on Ms. Orellana's body, the county coroner called the death a homicide, and police sought Salazar for more questioning.

CRIES FOR HELP

In an eight-day period in January in towns less than 100 miles apart (Bakersfield and Fresno, Calif.), police found the corpses of elderly mothers that continued to be treated as integral parts of the family by their adult sons. The Bakersfield woman, who died at age 77 around September, was thought by her son to be merely "demonically depressed" and therefore liable to wake up at any minute and thus had been propped up on the sofa.

(Send your Weird News to Chuck Shepherd, P.O. Box 8306, St. Petersburg, Fla. 33738, or 74777.3206@compuserve.com.)

Top C&W Singles

1. Brooks & Dunn "A Man This Lonely" (Arista) Last Week: No. 2
2. Vince Gill "Pretty Little Adriana" (MCA) No. 1
3. Clint Black "Half Way Up" (MCA) No. 3
4. Rick Trevino "Running Out Of Reasons To Run" (Columbia) No. 7
5. Daryl Singletary "Amen Kind Of Love" (Giant Album Cut/Reprise) New Entry
6. LeAnn Rimes "Unchained Melody" (Curb Album Cut) No. 10
7. Alan Jackson "Everything I Love" (Arista) New Entry
8. Faith Hill "I Can't Do That Anymore" (Warner) No. 4
9. Deana Carter "We Danced Anyway" (Capitol Nashville) No. 5
10. Clay Walker "Rumor Has It" (Giant Album Cut/Reprise) No. 32

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BY SELI GROVES

TUNING IN

On March 9, CBS airs "To Dance with Olivia," starring Lou Gossett, Jr. and Lonette McKee, as a husband and wife caught up in the long aftermath of their son's tragic death, and Joe Don Baker as a congressman whose son is shot on a black farmer's property. The farmer is charged with the crime, but insists he's been framed. Gossett's character, a lawyer, agrees to take the case, and as he works on the defense, he learns distressing secrets about the town, and his own son's death years earlier.

Also featured in the cast is Kathryn Dora Brown as the couple's daughter, whose mother is Tyne Daly.

Christopher Reeve makes his directorial debut in the HBO

N.Y.C. drama, "In the Gloaming," starring Glenn Close, Whoopi Goldberg, Bridget Fonda, Robert Sean Leonard and David Strathairn. The film debuts April 20. Reeve brings his sensitivity as an actor to his directing, and despite the physical limitations of his injuries, he's been able to mold a wonderfully satisfying film using the talents of the actors as they bring the splendid writing to life. This one you'll want to tape to see many times over.

Everything you ever wanted to know about choppers is available in "Choppers on Patrol," a production of the Discovery Channel airing from March 9 to March 13.

Kellie Martin, who stars in NBC's new midseason series, "Crisis Center," will also star in the upcoming NBC movie, "Blue Heaven." (This is the flick that was supposed to feature Jeremy London from "Party of Five" in the cast. But when Jeremy turned up with a cast of his own — on his broken arm — he was replaced with James Marsden from "Second Noah").

"It's fascinating for me," Martin said, "that I get the chance to play two different characters in the space of a few months who are involved in the same story theme — mental health — but whose lives are so different. In 'Crisis Center,' my character is a young woman who helps people who are in need of counseling. In 'My Blue Heaven,' it's my character, a manic depressive, who needs counseling."

To B.W.: Yes, FOX's "Millennium" is the brainchild of "X-Files" Chris Carter. And, yes, I've heard there may be crossovers by the characters, but nothing definite yet.

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"This has got to stop. Last night we were one kid short. Tonight we have two left over!"

A Look At Sports

Big crowd first night

The 58th District basketball tournament got off to a rousing start Wednesday night with two games and in the presence of a big crowd. Betsy Layne principal Coy Samons and Athletic Director Shawn Ousley were busy overseeing the operations of the tournament.

It was an exciting crowd with the students in the stands (wonder where they are during regular season) with their signs in place. It was a very orderly first round and everyone seemed to be enjoying the festivities.

I enjoyed the Prestonsburg Dance Cats. As usual, they did their great job. The bands were well in tune and part of the festivities. South Floyd must have a new band director. I didn't see Dennis Bartley at the helm. The cheerleaders were in place and very much part of the action.

I've heard a lot of good comments on the live telecasting of the district. It didn't hurt the gate receipts. The D.W. Howard Fieldhouse was packed.

When the girls championship game is finished tonight, trophies and other awards will be presented. So, don't forget. The media will be naming the all-district team again this year.

REGIONAL DRAWING

The 15th Region, with Pikeville as the host school, will conduct a live drawing this Sunday at Pikeville High School, beginning at 4:30 p.m. Ken Trivette, tournament manager, will allow all coaches a chance to speak at the meeting, open to the media.

Also, there will be no live interviews allowed once the teams have come onto the floor to begin warm-ups.

Something that I really like about this year's tournament, which I have tried and tried to get them to do, is have an interview room after each game where the media can interview the coaches at the same time.

SHOWDOWN SUNDAY....

This Sunday will be showdown Sunday for the South Carolina Gamecocks and Kentucky Wildcats. Don't you just like all the excitement something like this brings.

Look for South Carolina's two-guard offense to be a little much for Kentucky. I don't care if it is Senior Day, the Cats streak at Rupp Arena will end Sunday. I like the Gamecocks hustle and hard play — something I haven't seen in the Wildcats the last two games.

Vanderbilt and Tennessee just about made the South Carolina game just another game. The Volunteers outplayed the Cats the last half and made them look rather poorly.

Now that Ron Mercer has declared his intents, just how good will the Cats be next season. I have always contended that pushing players to an early career in the NBA is a very strong recruiting play and Pitino is the master of it.

"You come play for me two years and I'll put you in the pros." Mercer may get a high draft and sign for the megabucks, but I say he is far from being able to compete in the NBA.

Look at Delk and McCarty. They are just on the rosters of their NBA clubs and only Antoine Walker is seeing any playing time. Mercer will end up the same way all the other Kentucky players have gone, a couple of seasons and then job hunting.

STILL NEED SCHEDULES...

I am starting work on my spring tabloid, but I still need all the school's baseball and softball schedules. Coach Junior Newsome of Betsy Layne is the

(See A Look at Sports, page seven)

Prestonsburg's Porter sets new state record.

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

Prestonsburg football coach John Derossett was proud of the way his 1996 football team performed last season, but he has a lot of pride in another team that excelled in the Bluegrass Powerlifting Meet at Lexington Catholic High School two weeks ago.

Over 30 schools competed in the meet with Prestonsburg scoring 43 points for second place.

Kevin Porter, who graduates this season, drew the applause from all the teams involved when he deadlifted 660 pounds for a new state record and the most lifted in the meet's 10-year history.

"For Kevin to lift 660 pounds is truly amazing," said Coach Derossett. "I feel at the state meet he will lift 700."

Porter said it only took his imagination to work in accomplishing the feat.

"I just pretended my mom was under a car and I had to get it off," said Porter when asked of the success of the lift.

A celebration followed after the powerlifter set the new state record.

Dennis Lafferty placed second

in the 220-pound weight class with a 265 pound bench and a 555 pound deadlift. The 555 lift was the best in that class.

Mark Branham placed third in the 195 pound class with a bench of 250 and a deadlift of 475. Brooks Stumbo finished fifth in the 175 pound class with a 235 bench and 410 deadlift.

In the 165 pound class, Bryan Johnson placed second with a 265 pound bench and a 455 deadlift. Hank Mullins finished fourth with a bench of 205 and a deadlift of 430 in the 145 pound class.

In the cases of Bryan and Dennis, both could have tied or broke records, but they went for the win, and that says something about their attitude," Coach Derossett said.

In the heavyweight division, Jeremy Caudill, a freshman at Prestonsburg, had to beat 55 other lifters as he benched 360 pounds and deadlifted 575. He was awarded the best lifter for the meet in the bench.

Porter credited his success to Coach Derossett's training principles and intensity.

"Coach really pushes us hard and accepts nothing less than the best," Porter said.

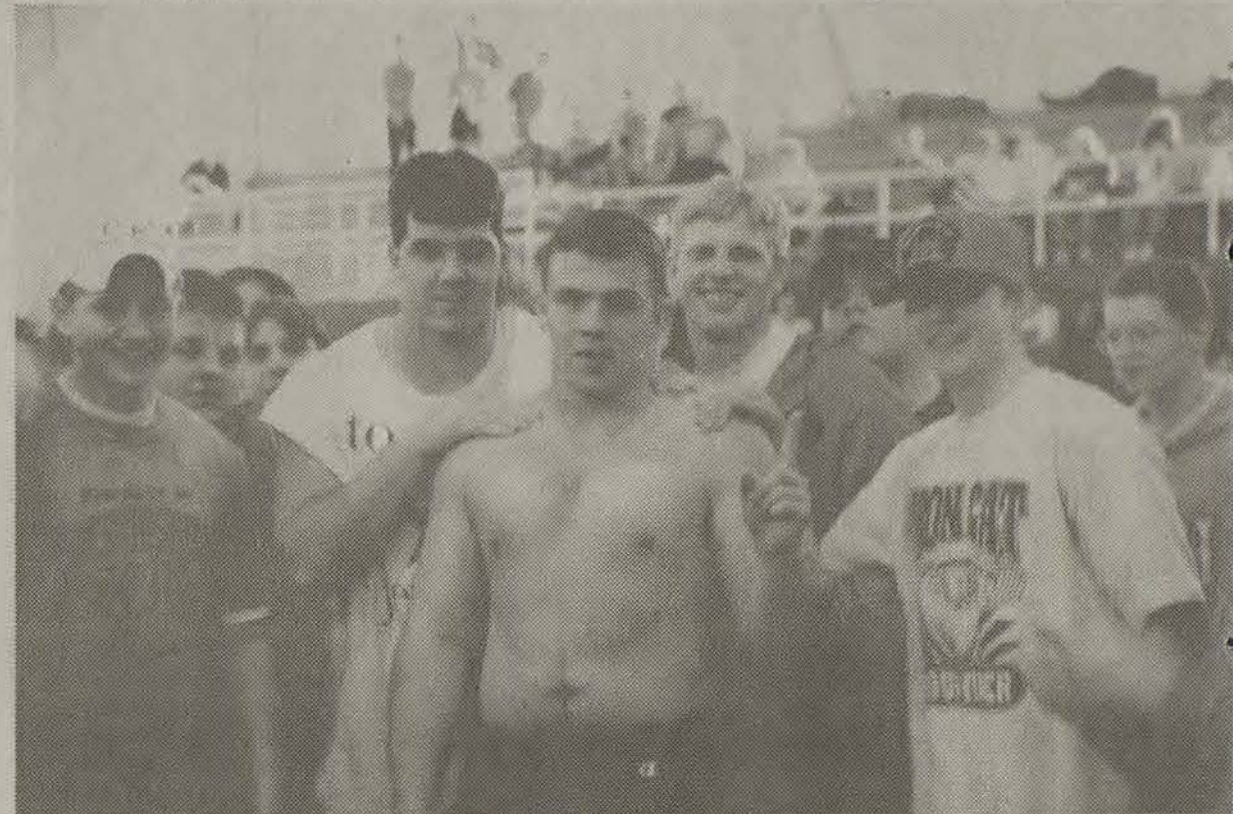
Prestonsburg will be readying

themselves for the state meet in March.

"If everyone does what they are capable of doing, then we will be

state champions," said the Prestonsburg coach. "This is the highest we have ever finished at the Catholic meet.

We had several lifters, like Brian Thompson, Buck Combs and Adam Hall just a few pounds from placing."



Sets new state record

Prestonsburg's Kevin Porter (center) was congratulated by teammates after he set a new state record for weight lifting at Lexington Catholic High School two weeks ago. Porter had a deadlift of 660 pounds for the new record.



Strong inside move

Allen Central's Amanda Samons (54) grabbed an offensive rebound and scored against South Floyd's Olivia Stewart (24) and Margret Morgan (35). Samons had 11 points in her team's 62-33 win over the Lady Raiders (photo by Ed Taylor)

58th District....

Jarvis scores 32 points in 80-62 win over South Floyd

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

Junior Andy Jarvis pumped in 32 points and hauled in 17 rebounds for the Prestonsburg Blackcats and junior Wes Samons added 23 points as the Blackcats held off an upset minded South Floyd team 80-62, in the opening round of the 58th District basketball tournament at the D.W. Howard Fieldhouse at Betsy Layne Wednesday night.

Jarvis was slow getting involved in the Blackcat's offense, as he was the target of the Raiders defense. Jarvis his 10 of 15 free throw attempts and, once involved, was unstoppable in the paint area.

"Andy came out a little tight tonight," said Prestonsburg coach Jackie Pack. "Once we got the ball down low to him he was hard to defend."

Samons ran the floor like the veteran player he is and hit some key baskets when Prestonsburg was trying to catch the Raiders.

"Wes and Andy showed their experience in stepping up their game," said Coach Pack. "They both took over the game. We built our lead offensively with them hitting some big shots."

South Floyd fell behind 4-0 on an opening basket by Jarvis in the middle and Samons' lay up off a steal. But the Raiders pounced back and took a 5-4 lead on a short jumper and three-point basket by

Justin Paige. Paige hit a 17-foot shot that made it a 7-4 game.

Samons' trey tied the score at 7 at the 4:34 mark. Later, Joe Campbell buried a trey that gave Prestonsburg a three point lead, 12-9, but a 9-2 spurt by the Raiders sent them out to an 18-14 lead with 2:01 to play.

It was an 18-17 game following a basket by Jarvis and John Ortega's free throw. But with just :00.5 on the clock and the ball under the Raiders basket, Jason Shannon took the inbound pass and all in one motion went to the basket where he scored, was fouled and completed the three-point play to give South Floyd a 21-17 first quarter lead.

With 5:06 to play in the second stanza, the Raiders led 25-20 on two free throws by Shannon. But Michael Clark's rebound basket was the start of a 17-0 run for the Blackcats that would net them a 37-25 lead with 2:04 to play in the second.

Prestonsburg went to their pressure defense and took the Raiders out of their offense in building the lead. Coach Pack credited two off the bench for the defensive turnaround.

"I thought Kyle Conley and Micheal Clark made a difference in our pressure defense when they came into the game," said Pack. "I thought they did a great job out of our press tonight."

After the Clark rebound that

started the Prestonsburg spurt, Jarvis went to work and scored 11 straight points. Conley then scored on back-to-back lay up's. Two baskets by Shannon made it a 37-29 game at the half.

In the second half, Prestonsburg held the Raiders to just seven field goals over the final two periods. Pack said his team's defense came around in the second quarter.

"From the middle of the second quarter on I thought our defense was good," he said. "We came out a little nervous. A little iffy. I didn't expect that of this team. But if you look back at our last five or six games we have played good defense. That is the reason I was disappointed in the way we played in the first quarter. We were kind of helter-skelter. Once we settled in we got a solid defensive performance. Shannon hit some NBA threes, but you can't guard against that."

Shannon finished his high school career at South Floyd with 23 points, hitting four threes. Paige finished with 18 points, but 11 of those came in the first quarter. Nick Compton and Justin Holbrook netted six points.

Joe Campbell totaled nine points for Prestonsburg, with Ortega scoring eight. Conley had six points, and Clark two.

The Blackcats will face either Betsy Layne or Allen Central in the championship game tonight at Betsy Layne.

Allen Central turns up pressure in dropping South Floyd, 62-33

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

For a fleeting moment, a brief moment, the South Floyd Lady Raiders believed they could pull off the biggest upset in district tournament history by whipping the Allen Central Lady Rebels, their first round opponents in the 58th District basketball tournament at Betsy Layne Wednesday night.

That brief moment was exactly eight minutes in duration as the Lady Raiders tied Allen Central at the end of the first quarter at 7, mainly on some horrible first period shooting by the Lady Rebels.

But Allen Central coach Bonita Compton read the game plan of South Floyd's to perfection and came out in the second quarter with one of her own — pressure defense.

South Floyd did not want to play the up tempo game with the Lady Rebels and went to stall tactics in hopes of unraveling the Lady Rebels.

"We thought they would do something like that," said Coach Compton. "A few years ago, when Belfry played Betsy Layne and they held the ball, Coach (Cindy) Stewart and I talked about that."

Allen Central opened the second quarter with a 1-3-1 trapping press that extended beyond mid court. The defense caused the Lady Raiders all sorts of problems and resulted in Allen Central opening with 10 unanswered points in taking a 17-7 lead.

"We had been working against Allen Central's pressure defense in practice," said South Floyd coach Henry Webb. "I wanted to pull the ball out and make the defense work for us, holding the ball looking for the good shot. That is something we didn't do this season, make the defense work for us."

"Bonita made a good move by going to a 1-3-1 trapping defense. We fell back on our heels a little bit and got in trouble," he said.

The Lady Raiders caught Allen Central by surprise and scored the first four points to lead 4-0 on a lay up and semi hook shot by Jo Jo Pack. Jennifer Hopkins completed a three-point play for a 4-3 game.

Both teams looked like anything but a high school team as they threw the ball away consistently. South Floyd had 12 first quarter turnovers to Allen Central's nine.

Allen Central took their first lead on a rebound basket by seventh-grader Ramanda Music. Pack's free throw tied it at 7 as the first quarter ended.

Misty Scott hit a leaner and was fouled to complete a three-point play that gave Allen Central a 17-7 lead in the second quarter. South Floyd got only two field goals in the second, a three-pointer by Martha

Crawford and a Misty Berger jumper. Allen Central led 29-16 at the half.

"Misty Scott took over in the final two minutes of the first half," said Coach Compton. "She scored the final six points of the quarter. She has been doing that for us this year."

The Lady Rebels stayed with their trapping defense in the third and ran off the first 13 points to lead 42-16. Coach Compton was careful to give credit to the Lady Raiders determination.

"They wanted this game," she said. "You could see that early. Jo Jo Pack wanted to win this one. If you think back, they played Betsy Layne close. They played Prestonsburg close. This time they came after us."

"We got into some early foul trouble in the first half," said Coach Webb. We had to take Jo Jo out. But, overall, I am proud of them. You couldn't ask anymore from them."

Allen Central continued to be a team that is struggling from the charity stripe hitting only 66 percent for the game.

"The first half we were five of 15 and did end up hitting a good percentage for the game," said Coach Compton. "When I played ball, I didn't play well here in this gym. I have never had a team that could come in here and play well."

Reason? "The atmosphere of this gym," she said. "I also think the lighting has a lot to do with it."

Amanda Samons and Scott led the Lady Rebels scoring with 11 points apiece. Crystal Martin netted 10, and Jessica Martin tossed in nine points. Natalie Cooley scored eight.

Olivia Stewart led South Floyd with her seven points. Misty Berger finished with six and Jo Jo Pack had five.

While the season ends for South Floyd, the younger squad will return intact next season, but what of their coach?

"That's right, we will have everyone back next year," said Coach Webb. "We don't lose anyone. That is one thing I had to remember this year, is that we are very young and an inexperienced team."

"As for me, I told the girls that I had heard all the rumors. I told them until I tell them differently, I am still the head coach of South Floyd's girls basketball team. As of right now, I don't have any immediate plans of being anywhere else. But I'm not going to say I won't be some where else. I enjoy what I am doing and as of right now that is where I will be."

Allen Central awaits the winner of the Prestonsburg/Betsy Layne game tonight in the girls championship game, tipping off at 6:30 p.m.

Bassin' with the pros

FOLLOW THESE TIPS IF YOU'RE BUYING A BOAT THIS YEAR

If you're planning to purchase a fishing boat this year, go to a bass tournament first and see what the pros are using.

That's the advice of fulltime tournament pro and Evinrude Outboards Pro Staff angler Guy

Eaker. The reason, he says, is because the pros often help design the boats they use and can certainly point out various features that make fishing and boating more fun and productive.

"Another reason," says Eaker, "is because you'll learn what dependability means in fishing. As tournament pros, we often run 75

to 100 miles a day in competition, and we use boats that can withstand the stress produced by that type of running.

"If a boat can't handle that type of running, you won't see it being used very long."

Eaker also says that before purchasing a new boat, and angler should carefully consider his style of fishing, to better determine the type of craft he needs.

"If you're a serious bass fisherman who fishes large impoundments and who may want to compete in tournaments, then your needs are quite different from someone who generally fishes smaller lakes closer to home and who doesn't want to enter tournaments," explains the Evinrude pro.

"For example, most of the serious tournament pros today use boats at least 18 feet long, because they handle rough water so well. A boat that large is not needed for someone who doesn't fish big lakes. He would be much more comfortable in a smaller boat."

Eaker also notes interior design is important to bass fishermen and should be considered before pur-

chasing a boat.

"Two of the most important aspects of interior design are the size of the front casting deck, and the amount of storage space," he says.

"Many bass fishermen prefer to stand when they fish, and if they're in a tournament, both partners will share the casting deck. If it's small, it will quickly become too crowded and you'll lose your efficiency."

"Storage space, not just for fishing rods, but also for tackle, spare parts and tools, and even extra clothing, is also important. If there aren't storage compartments for all these things, it will either be on the floor of the boat where you continually have to step around it, or up on the casting deck where you may accidentally knock it overboard."

"A good bass boat today has at least four major storage compartments, in addition to a rod locker, and most boats have more."

Eaker also cautions boat buyers to study warranties carefully. He recommends getting the longest warranty available, up to five years in some cases, rather than one that expires after just 12 months.

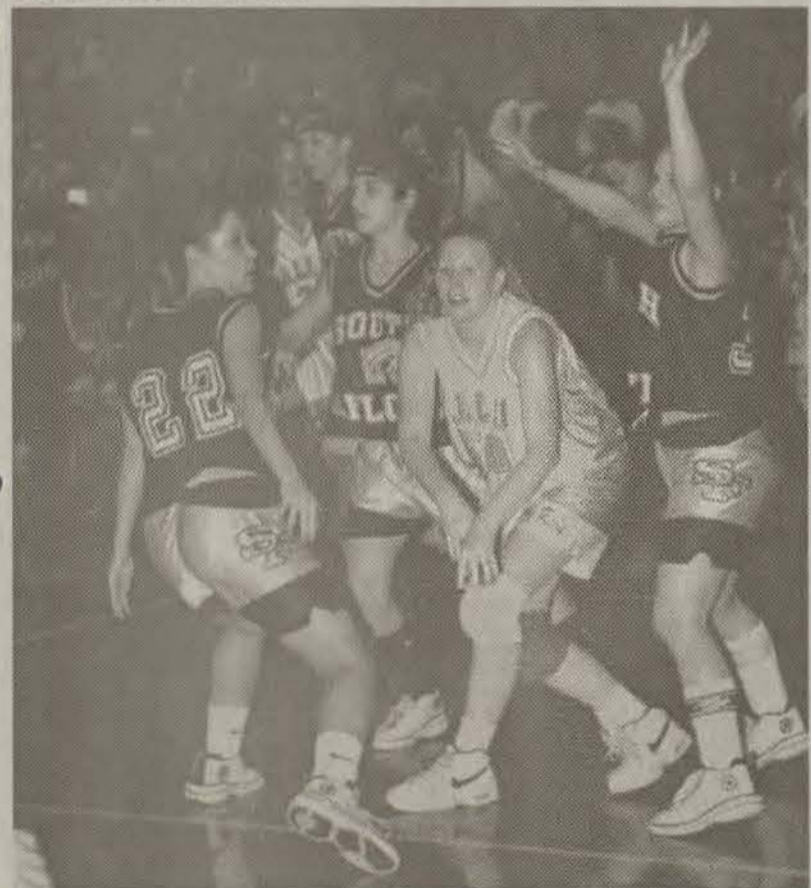


Auxier cheerleaders enthusiastically demonstrated how they felt about the Hornets winning the Section IV championship. From left to right, the A Team cheerleaders are Joy Wells, Amber Patrick, Cindi Ousley, Arlinda Craft, Brandy McCoy, and Devonna Thacker.



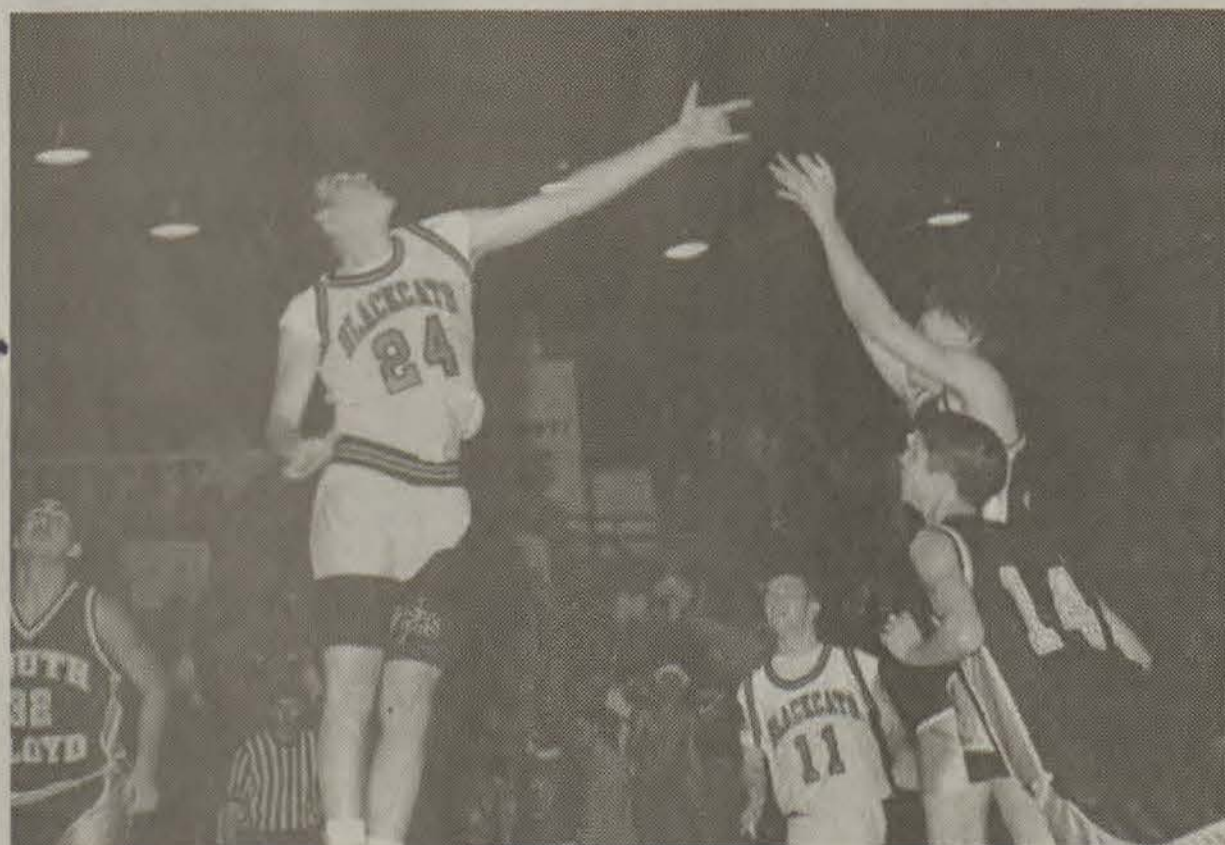
Victory parade

Auxier Hornets celebrated their Section IV title with a community parade. Pictured leading the victory parade from left to right are Assistant Coach Jason Burke, Auxier Principal Pete Grigsby, and Coach Bobby Hackworth.



Caged

Allen Central's Jessica Martin (50) was surrounded by a trio of South Floyd defenders in Wednesday night's opening round game of the 58th District tournament. The Lady Rebels posted a 62-33 win over South Floyd to advance on to the championship game tonight (photo by Ed Taylor)



Sky king

Andy Jarvis (24) of Prestonsburg went for the block of South Floyd's Nick Compton's shot as Justin Holbrook (14) and Nick Compton (32) looked on. Jarvis had 17 rebounds and scored 32 points in an 80-62 Prestonsburg win. (photo by Ed Taylor)

PCC library site of soccer registration

The Floyd County Youth Soccer League will hold registration for their fourth season at the Prestonsburg Community College

Library on the following dates:

- Friday, February 28, 3-8 p.m.
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- Saturday, March 8, 10-2 p.m.

Registration fee is only \$20 per player. The season begins practice in late March/early April. The season is set to open on April 26 and run through June 21. Games are played on Saturday's at the PCC fields, Pikeville and in Hindman.

PSA

Tug Valley Bass Anglers to meet March 6 at John's Creek

The next regularly scheduled meeting for the Tug Valley Bass Angler's will be Thursday, March 6, at 6:30 p.m. at the John's Creek school, behind the gymnasium.

All fishermen serious about fishing in a club and pursuing the life-

time dream of fishing the B.A.S.S. Master's Classic through the B.A.S.S. Federation Circuit, needs to attend.

For more information, call Kevin Runyan at 237-5907 after 6 p.m. or leave a message.

Allen Central AAU...

Smith leads Allen Central past Belfry

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

Rebecca Smith scored a game high 13 points and Jennifer Risner tossed in nine to lead the Allen Central 13-year old girls AAU team to a 40-31 win over Belfry last Saturday.

Smith had five first quarter points and Shannon Sizemore scored four, as Allen Central led 10-4 after the first period. Smith scored five more in the second period as Central went to the locker room with a 20-8 half time lead.

LeAnn Brown scored five of her six points in the fourth quarter in a 13-10 spurt that gave the Central team the win.

Sizemore finished with eight points for Allen Central. Brown netted six. Tabitha Collins had two, as did Amanda Crisp.

A Look At Sports

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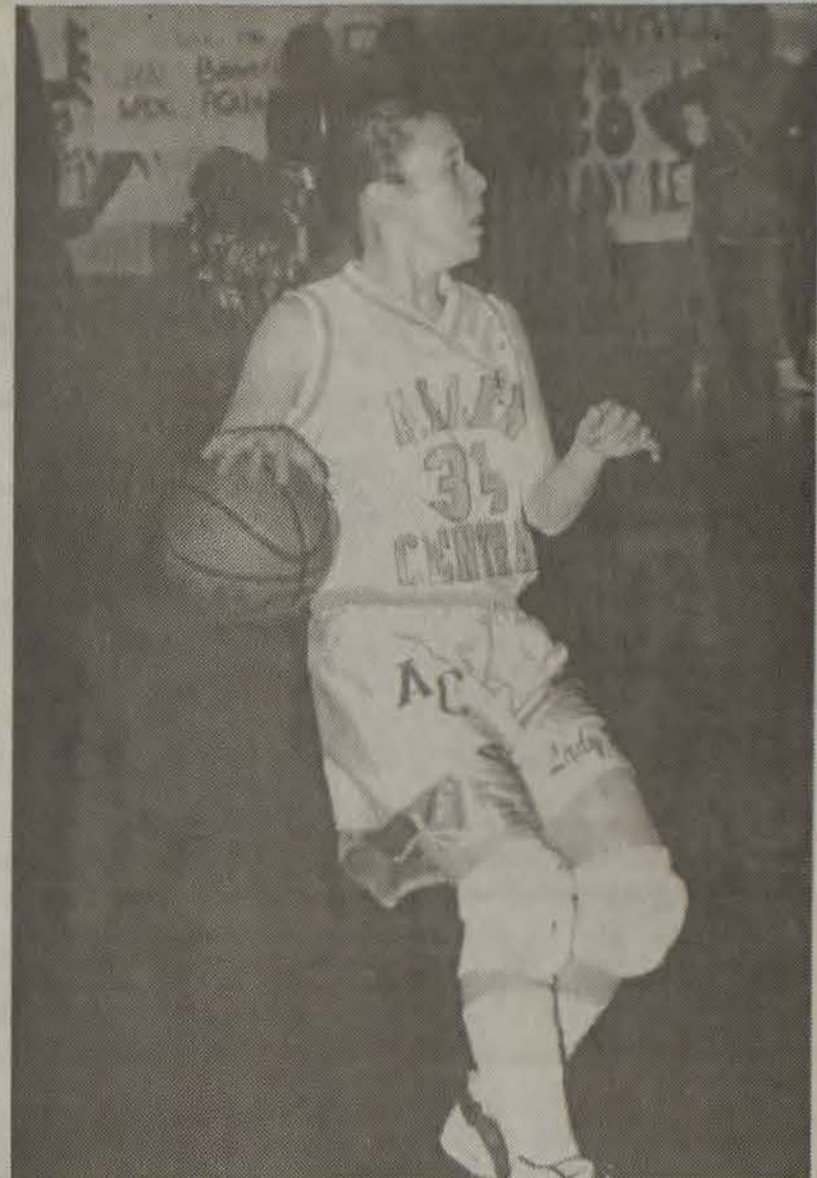
only one that heard my plea for them.

If you want your schedule printed, then I must have them by next Friday.

SPORTS FORUM..

Sports Forum this Sunday night over WPRG, Channel 5 beginning at 8 p.m. We will have 15th Region's two Mr. Basketball candidates on to talk about their seasons, careers, and the next level of play, as well as field your calls live.

Until Wednesday, good sports everyone and be good sports.



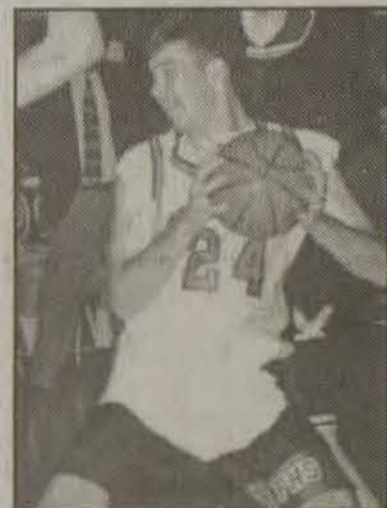
Hits some key baskets

Crystal Martin of Allen Central had some key third quarter points for the Lady Rebels in scoring nine points. Allen Central advanced to the finals of the girls 58th District tournament with a 62-33 win over South Floyd. (photo by Ed Taylor)

The Floyd County Times Players of the Week



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Legals

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.093 notice is hereby given that Prater Creek Mining, Inc., Drawer A, Harold, KY 41635 (606-478-2127) intends to apply for Phase II and Phase III Bond Releases on Permit No. 436-5175 which was last issued on 12/3/96. The increment covers approximately 5.65 acres surface area, and underlies approximately 49.4 acres.

The operation is located at 3.0 miles southeast of Banner in Floyd County, and is 3.0 miles southeast of the junction of US 23 and the Prater Creek Road. The operation is 0.1 mile south of Hall Branch of Prater Creek. The latitude is 37° 35' 03" and the longitude is 82° 41' 11" and is located on the Harold 7 1/2 minute USGS quadrangle map.

The bond (Surety and letter of credit) now in effect for the operation is \$11,000. 100% of the original bond of \$18,400 is 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 1990. Results thus far achieved include: establishment of vegetation and the approved post mining land.

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 Complex, Frankfort, KY 40601 by 4/21/97.

A hearing date for this bond release request has been set for 4/22/97 at 1:00 p.m., at the Department for Surface Mining and Enforcement's Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. The hearing will be canceled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by 4/21/97.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

By order of the Secured Party, the following property of Richard and Anita Quisenberry is located and will be offered at Public Sale at Worldwide Equipment, P.O. Box 71, Prestonsburg, KY 41653 on 3/5/97 at 2:00 p.m.

Item(s) to be sold are: 1995 Benson 1NUDT38N5SMAS0002. Inspection may be arranged by appointment. Cash sales only. Inquiries may be made to the Associates Commercial Corporation, Branch Manager, at 8845 Governors Hill Drive, Cincinnati, Ohio 45249. Phone number 513-677-8700.

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Branham & Baker Coal Company, Inc., 148 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, has applied for Phase I bond release on Permit number 836-0179 which was last issued on 11/7/96. The application covers an area of approximately 100 acres located 1.6 miles northeast of Hippo in Floyd County.

The permit area is approximately 2 miles southeast from Rt. 850 junction with Pitts Fork Road and located on Prater Fork of Brush Creek. The latitude is 37° 32' 48" and longitude is 82° 50' 30."

The bond now in effect for Increment #9 & 25 is \$33,370. Approximately 60% of the original bond amount of \$33,370 is included in the application for release.

Reclamation work performed includes: grading and seeding.

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 4/21/97.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for 9:00 a.m., 4/22/97 at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. The hearing will be canceled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by 4/21/97.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

The following item(s) will be offered for public sale on March 14, 1997 at 11:00 a.m. in the First Commonwealth Bank parking lot, 169 North Arnold Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, to satisfy the unpaid balance of an installment contract signed 12/6/94.

Item(s) to be sold: 1983 Ford Van s/n 4061; 1969 Chevy Dump Truck, s/n 8081; 1977 Case 580CK Backhoe s/n 8310016.

For further information contact Mike Haney at 606-886-2321.

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.093 notice is hereby given that Branham & Baker Coal Company, Inc., 148 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, has applied for Phase III bond release on Permit Number 836-0179, Increment #3 which was last issued on 11/7/96. The application covers of approximately 34 acres located 1.6 miles Northeast of Hippo in Floyd County.

The permit area is approximately 2 miles southeast from Rt. 850 junction with Pitts Fork Road and located on Prater Fork of Brush Creek. The latitude is 37° 32' 48" and the longitude is 82° 50' 30".

The bond now in effect for the Increment #3 is \$50,000. Approximately all of remaining of the original bond amount of \$99,400 is included in this application for release.

Reclamation work performed includes: grading and seeding.

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 4/21/97.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for 9:00 a.m., 4/22/97 at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. The hearing will be canceled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by 4/21/97.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application No. 836-5314, Renewal

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Matt/Co., Inc., 432 Meadows Branch, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, has applied for a renewal of a permit for a coal processing facility affecting 180.63 acres located 0.5 miles south of Osborn in Floyd County.

The proposed facility is approximately 4.5 miles southeast from KY Route 1426's junction with KY Route 979 and located on Toler Creek. The latitude is 37° 28' 15" and the longitude is 82° 36' 49".

The proposed facility is located on the Pikeville U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area is owned by Ned Bush and G.C. Stevens.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653-1410. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

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

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Douglas Coal Corporation, Route 1, Box 7, McDowell, Kentucky 41647, has applied for Phase I bond release on Permit Number 636-5023 which was last issued on January 15, 1997. The application covers an area of approximately 563.11 acres located 1.60 miles north of Ligon in Floyd County.

The permit area is approximately 0.25 mile west from KY 979's junction with Buckhorn Branch

Road and located 0.01 mile north of Buckhorn Branch. The latitude is 37° 23' 32". The longitude is 82° 40' 13".

The bond now in effect for this permit is a surety bond in the amount of fourteen thousand, three hundred dollars (\$14,300). Approximately sixty percent (60%) of the original bond amount of \$14,300 is included in this application for release.

Reclamation work performed includes: backfilling, final grading, seeding and mulching completed in October 1994.

Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by March 31, 1997.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for Tuesday, April 1, 1997, at 1:00 p.m. at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653-1410. This hearing will be canceled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by March 31, 1997.

This is the final advertisement of the application. Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by March 31, 1997.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 898-0374, Renewal

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that N.A.L.R. Coal Corporation, P.O. Box 330, Ivel, KY 41642, has applied for a renewal of permit for a surface coal mining and reclamation operation affecting 33.23 acres of surface disturbance and overlying an additional 9.60 acres for a total of 42.86 acres located 0.50 miles west of Owsley in Floyd and Pike counties.

The proposed operation is approximately 0.3 mile west from Canoe Branch Road's junction with KY 1384 and is located along Canoe Branch of Hurricane Creek. The latitude is 37° 30' 19" and the longitude is 82° 36' 08".

The proposed operation is located on the Broadbottom U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The operation will use the mountaintop and auger method of surface mining. The surface area is owned by Joe Justice, Bob Billips, Wilda Brown, and Haitie Ratliff. The operation will underlie land owned by Joe Justice, Bob Billips and Wilda Brown.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Pikeville Regional Office, 109 Mays Branch Road, Pikeville, KY 41501. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, KY 40601.

This is the final advertisement of this application. All comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be received within thirty (30) days of today's date.

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Buckingham Coal Co., Inc., Box 170, Bypro, Kentucky 41631 has applied for bond release on Permit Number 436-5105, Phase I, II and III which was last issued on 11/18/87. The application covers an area of

approximately 292.88 acres located 0.25 miles south of Buckingham, Floyd County, Kentucky.

The permit area is approximately 0.27 miles southeast from the junction of KY Route 1091 with KY 122. The latitude is 37 degrees, 21 minutes, 56 seconds. The longitude is 82 degrees, 44 minutes, 25 seconds.

The bond now in effect for Permit Number 436-5105 is a certificate of deposit of \$16,500. One hundred percent (100%) of the remainder of the original bond amount of \$16,500 is included in the application for release.

Reclamation work performed includes: backfilling, final grading, seeding and mulching completed in the Summer of 1990. All disturbed areas have been seeded as to provide adequate growth for plant species and provide appropriate conditions for the surrounding wildlife. Results thus far indicate growth of vegetation is according to re-vegetation plan.

This is the final advertisement of the application. Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by March 31, 1997.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for April 1, 1997 at 1:00 p.m. at the Prestonsburg Regional Office of the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653-1455. The hearing will be canceled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by March 31, 1997.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-0261 Amendment No. 3

In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Costain Coal, Inc., 251 Tollage Creek Road, Pikeville, Kentucky 41501, has applied for a permit for an amendment to an existing surface coal mining and reclamation operation located 0.75 mile north of Prestonsburg in Floyd County. The amendment will add 225.5 acres of surface disturbance making a total of 1089.76 acres within the amended permit boundary.

The proposed amendment area is approximately 0.75 mile northwest from KY 3's junction with KY 1428 and located 0.1 mile east of Levisa Fork of Big Sandy River. The latitude is 37° 41' 00" and the longitude is 82° 45' 13".

The proposed amendment is located on the Prestonsburg and Lancer U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed by the amendment is owned by Wanda G. Hamilton and Karen and Rusty Johnson, Henry L. Mayo, Jr., 3JM Company, Inc., Mary McGuiere and Taulbee Fraley, M&M Enterprises, Inc., H.D. Fitzpatrick, Olga M. Latta, et al., Lonzo and Ramona Bowling, Martha and Paul Hager, Clyde D.F.R. Williams, and Julian and George Perry III, Sallie Gobel, Everett Kendrick Heirs, David and Della Clifton, Karen D. and Brent Clark, Dewey Lake Fish and Game Club, City of Prestonsburg, and Dr. David White. The operation will use the area, auger, mountaintop, contour and cut-thru methods of surface mining.

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, Kentucky 41653-1410. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be

filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

PUBLIC NOTICE

To all natural gas customers of B&H Gas Company, Inc. and all construction and excavation companies.

In accordance with federal regulations governing Natural Gas Pipeline Safety, B&H Gas Company, Inc. is pursuing a damage prevention program to minimize accidents and/or disruptions that could involve its underground facilities.

If you are involved in any phase or observe any type of construction, excavation, digging, or related activities near a company pipeline in the Tram, Ivel, Stanville, Betsy Layne, or Mare Creek areas, please call B&H Gas Company, Inc. at 478-5851 so we can send qualified personnel to locate and properly mark the exact location of the pipeline. Knowing the exact location of the underground pipe will reduce the possibility of damage and/or personal injury and financial loss to both parties.

To recognize a gas pipeline emergency:

(a) Natural gas has a distinct smell. If you notice any odor of gas smell inside your home, immediately turn off all gas appliances, leave your home and call the gas company. Do not re-enter your home until the gas company has made its inspection of all gas piping inside and outside your home.

(b) Any smell of natural gas or detection of leak in any gas mains, regardless of its location, report it immediately.

B&H Gas Company P.O. Box 99 Stanville, KY 41659 Telephone: 606-478-5851 Emergency: 606-478-5264

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

March 6, 1997 at 2:00 p.m. a 1981 Shultz 14x70 mobile home, S/N 7014310 will be sold to the highest bidder for cash "as is where is" at 512 Cane Fork Road, Rt. 3381, Arkansas Creek, Martin, KY 41649, to satisfy the unpaid balance of a Retail Installment Contract and Security Agreement, signed by Jeremy Hale and Kathy Prater on August 5, 1996. The mobile home may be inspected before the sale. The Bank reserves the right to bid. The buyer will pay all taxes and transfer fees.

Pikeville National Bank Collection Department Pikeville, KY Greg Justice, Auctioneer

Raising A Star Reader

(NAPS)—Is raising an excellent reader high on your "to do" list as a parent? If so, you're not alone—it's an issue high on the president's agenda as well. With a goal that every child in the nation will learn to read well by the third-grade, President Clinton recently introduced his "America Reads" initiative. White House reports estimate nearly 40 percent of the nation's children are poor readers.

To help children become "star readers," Suave® has teamed-up with the American Library Association (ALA) to provide parents with a guide to help them instill a love of reading in their children.

"Kids who read succeed in school and throughout life," said ALA President Mary R. Somerville. "Reading helps develop language and vocabulary skills and stimulates imagination and creativity. It is the key to all types of learning, including math and science." Parents can obtain

information about how to order Suave's "Raising a Star Reader" by calling 1-888-READER2. The guidebook includes suggestions on how to make reading fun for kids of all ages, a recommended book list, Internet tips and recommended websites for children and more.

"Reading educates, entertains and opens the imagination, but it's also a necessary survival skill in today's society," said Larry Maloney, spokesperson for the Suave brand of personal care products. "With our family-focused philosophy, Suave understands the challenges parents face, as well as the joy they experience when their child reads a book. Parents are children's first teachers, and our goal is to help make reading an integral part of children's lives from the very start."

Some of Suave's "Raising a Star Reader" guidebook tips include:

• Use the library often. Encourage children to ask the librarian for help finding stories they'll like. Make suggestions, but let them check out what they want to read. Let your children see both mom and dad reading and using the library.

• Look for ways your child can use his or her new reading skills. Have him or her read to you, a sibling, even to a favorite teddy bear.

• Set aside "read-aloud" time for the whole family. There are many books that appeal to everyone from toddlers to teens to moms and dads. Have family members read different parts. Make a bowl of popcorn, turn off the TV and enjoy!

• Notice your child's interests, then find newspaper and magazine articles, websites, plays or books on those topics. Read the items to your child if they're too advanced for his or her reading level.

Raising a star reader begins at home with parents providing inspiration and support to boost a child's reading interest and ability.

Share in your child's excitement about reading, and your star reader will shine brightly.

For more information about the "Raising a Star Reader" guidebook visit the American Library Association/Suave website, <http://www.ala.org/KidsConnect>.

As Suave and the ALA encourage families to frequent their library to read, explore and use computers to learn, they're also sponsoring an essay contest to recognize the relationship families share with their library. Grand prize is \$20,000 Cash for College and a multi-media computer. Contest details are available on the website.

Home Grown Tomatoes

(NAPS)—A tomato plant can provide you with two kinds of pleasure.

First, you can have the fun found in growing things yourself.

Second, you can enjoy the fruits of your labors as you pick, eat, preserve and give away the terrific tomatoes you've grown.

There are also two ways you can go about growing tomatoes. One is with a new Hanging Tomato Garden which grows rapidly in a hanging pot or basket, indoors or out. It produces bright, delicious cherry tomatoes in about 60 days.

If you want to start early, consider the Big Red Tomato Starter Kit. It consists of a plastic tomato divided into two growing containers. You just add the growing mix and the special Miracle Sweet hybrid seeds. In about four weeks, you plant them in your garden. The six plants can produce up to 100 pounds of eight ounce tomatoes, which are the best tasting ever. They are

available at Kmart, Walgreens and Osco.

Free Kid's Greenhouse Get your kids interested in gardening. Send for a free Greenhouse that includes planting instructions, growing mix and more than 50 herb seeds. Send \$2 for shipping and handling to Greenhouse, Dept. NP, P.O. Box 3498, San Rafael, CA 94912-3498.

Tough Homework Tamed By Technology

(NAPS)—CD-ROM based encyclopedias, using the latest multimedia software technologies, can make homework come alive—breathing life into dull subjects and animating discoveries that have altered our lives.

IBM and World Book's multimedia encyclopedia offers more than current information. It brings information to life in an exciting and engaging way. Combine the latest IBM technology with the quality parents have grown to expect from World Book—the same encyclopedia many parents have known for the last 80 years—and achieving high marks on homework assignments becomes fun and easy.

"The 1997 World Book Multimedia Encyclopedia Deluxe Edition provides

unmatched depth of content and easy-to-use search features," said Jim Firestone, general manager of IBM's Consumer Division. "The encyclopedia represents the superior quality and motivational technologies that parents and students need in learning tools today. Parents know they can trust the IBM and World Book brand names."

A comprehensive education resource, the IBM/World Book encyclopedia was tailored to school curricula with help from some of the nation's top educators and curricula advisors as well as thousands of students worldwide.

Information is presented in entertaining and interactive formats, including:

• Videos, similar to some of today's educational television segments, which present full-color short films on topics such as animal behavior and the science of recycling.

• Simulations and animations, which help answer tough science questions with interactive demonstrations such as how gravity affects falling objects.

• Virtual reality simulations, which allow users to view things such as the human anatomy and major world cities in three dimensions.

In addition, the deluxe edition allows Internet

users to directly access the Net without leaving the encyclopedia. Children can check the very latest developments in any subject they are researching. The Internet link automatically provides access to newsworthy reports, topic updates and discoveries, related articles from World Book's archives as well as other information-rich Web sites.

To help parents and teachers prevent children from accessing inappropriate Internet sites, the edition offers a 30-day trial of Cyber Patrol. Users also receive 30 days of free access to Infonautic's Electric Library, an online source of newspapers, magazines, international newswires, works of art, literature and thousands of photographs.

The IBM/World Book encyclopedia, developed especially for students, nine and above, is an ideal family reference. It's available for about \$50.



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CARLA "ROBINSON" BOYD Floyd County Clerk 1996 Financial Report

RECEIPTS:

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes State Fees for Services, Fiscal Court (Preparing Tax Bills), Motor Vehicle Licenses, etc.

TOTAL RECEIPTS: \$7,089,297.28

DISBURSEMENTS:

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes Motor Vehicle Licenses & Transfers To State, Motor Vehicle Usage Tax To State, etc.

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS: \$7,018,202.70

1996 TOTAL RECEIPTS \$ 7,089,297.28 1996 TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS \$ 7,018,202.70 1996 TOTAL EXCESS FEES \$ 71,094.58

**If the Floyd County Fiscal Court had paid matching FICA/Medicare, health insurance, recording supplies/equipment, utilities and special copying fees for PVA office as required by KRS the Floyd County Clerk's office would have approximately \$162,737.55 more in excess fees.

**As of 12/31/96 the outstanding cold checks for the year of 1996 were \$6,969.51. The total accounts receivable for 12/31/96 were \$10,425.10.

**The above information is given to the best of her knowledge and belief to be accurate for the January 1, 1996-December 31, 1996 Receipts and Disbursements of the Floyd County Clerk's office.

Feb. 21, 1997

Signature of Carla Robinson Boyd, Clerk of Floyd County