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Group led by 'evil,' murder suspect says

Juveniles fight return to Tenn.

by Chris McDavid
Staff Writer

Although four of the six suspects in last week's Tennessee murders were arraigned Tuesday, the two juveniles continue to fight extradition in Arizona.

The juveniles — Karen Renae Howell, 17, of Toler, and Jason Blake Bryant, 14, of Pike County — refused last week to waive an extradition hearing before being returned to Tennessee.

The two youths were arrested last Tuesday in

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Bryant



Howell

by Chris McDavid
Staff Writer

Two handguns believed to have been used in the murders of a Tennessee family have apparently been found inside the family's van, which had been sealed by police after the arrests of six Eastern Kentucky youths accused of the murders.

Tennessee police said the weapons appear to match the types used to kill Vidar Lillelid; his wife, Delphia; his daughter, Tabitha; and to wound 2-year-old Peter Lillelid.

Those weapons, a .25 caliber pistol and a 9mm handgun, reportedly were stolen by one or more of the suspects prior to the murders.

Police also said Tuesday they believe the Lillelids were killed by two different shooters, but they declined to say which of the six suspects were thought to have pulled the triggers.

The four adult suspects, Joseph Risner, 20, of Paintsville; Natasha Wallen Cornett, 18, of Pike-Floyd Hollow; Dean Mullins, 19, of Toler; and Crystal Sturgill, 18, of Betsy Layne, were arraigned Tuesday in Greene County, Tennessee, after they were returned Monday from

appointed for the defendants who had not already obtained legal counsel and preliminary hearings were set for 9 a.m. April 23.

All four defendants are being held without bail.

Meanwhile the attorney for one defendant, Natasha Cornett, said Monday that his client "is a very disturbed young woman."

Prestonsburg attorney, Eric Conn, said Cornett did not consider herself or any of the other suspects to be the leader of the group.

"There is no leader," Conn said. "Evil itself is the leader."

Conn said Cornett does not believe in good — "everything is evil. There is no good and evil, there are just shades of evil."

Conn said Cornett believes that she is one of

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"There is no leader. Evil itself is the leader."

—Prestonsburg attorney Eric Conn, relating a conversation with his client, suspected murderess Natasha Cornett (at right).



Arizona, where they had been arrested April 8.

Two juveniles, Jason Bryant, 14, of Marrowbone, and Karen Howell, 17, of Toler, remain in the custody of Arizona authorities.

At the arraignments Tuesday, attorneys were

Council inks deal with Costain Coal

Sale of coal will help city underwrite the costs of developing a hilltop golf and recreation complex

by Susan Allen
Staff Writer

Leases were signed Monday by Prestonsburg City Council to begin the removal of coal on the site of a proposed mountaintop entertainment center and golf course.

Costain Coal has agreed to remove the estimated 587,200 tons of coal on the site and pay the city just over \$2.37 a ton.

Paul Phillip Hughes, with the Prestonsburg Public Properties Corporation, presented council with the lease and a memorandum of understanding at Monday's meeting.

Costain will also remove an estimated 280,800 tons and will pay the city two dollars per ton for that, Hughes said. The city will also receive revenue for coal hauled over the property where the mineral is located on adjacent property.

Also, the coal company will complete its coal haul road, located near a flea market just outside the city, all the way to site of the proposed 18-hole golf course.

In addition to the golf course, plans for the mountaintop project include the development of a sports and entertainment complex.

The city has already hired an architect for the project design, and has employed Kentucky PGA Tour professional Russ Cochran to design the golf course.

Costain has two years to mine the site and a one-year extension can be sought by the company, Hughes said.

A 4,000-foot gas line owned by Columbia will have to be relocated by Costain, which is expected to cost over \$1 million, Hughes said. Coal company officials have agreed to move the line.

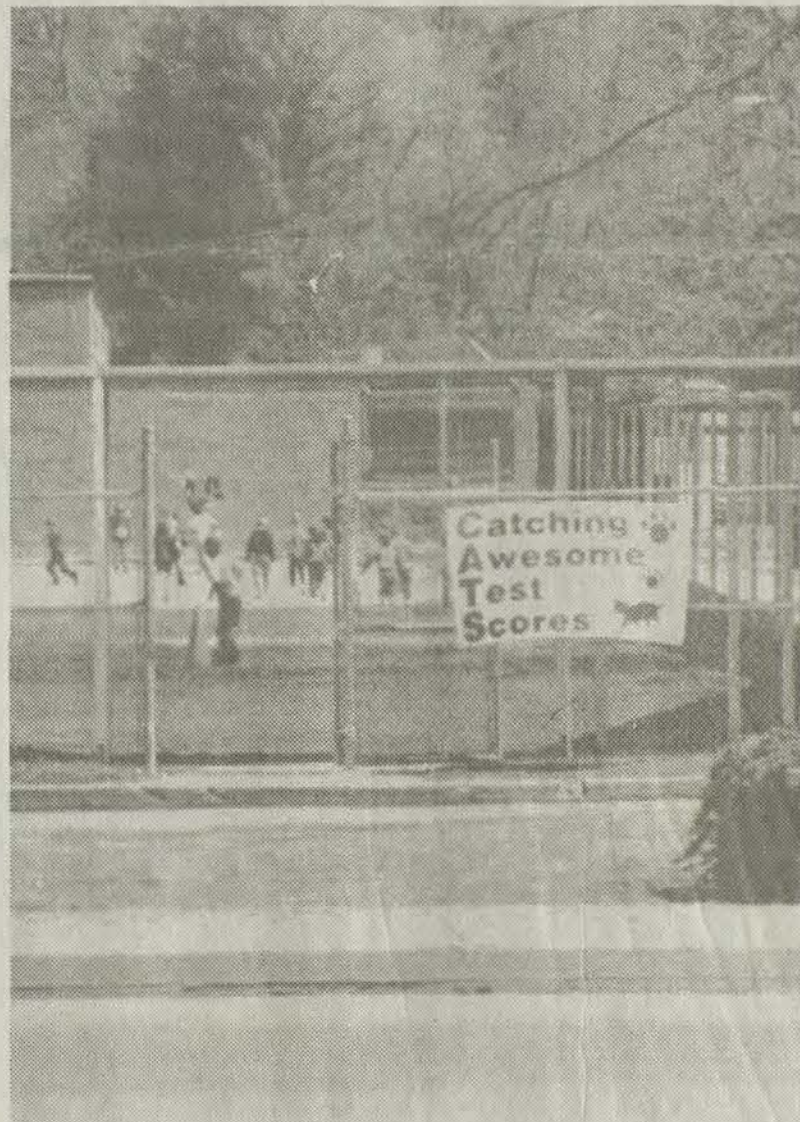
Council reviewed the documents and approved the leases. Work is to begin in May.

In other action at Monday's meeting:

- Councilman Gorman Collins Jr. reported that recycling bins will be set up at the Wal-Mart parking lot and in other areas of the county during the week of April 19-26, as part of Clean Up Kentucky. Persons can bring aluminum cans, cardboard and newspapers to the site. Collins also said clear plastic recycling bags will be distributed to city residents to use for recycling.

- City attorney Paul Burchett presented lease agreements for approval with Bell South for the city's E-911 system. The city postponed action on a contract to lease E-911 equipment from Bell South.
- Viola DeRossett was presented with a key to the city for her donation of the city Christmas tree and for other community work.

Councilman Billy Ray Collins was absent from Monday's meeting.



Taking a break...

Prestonsburg Elementary School students took a respite from the rigors of KIRIS testing Tuesday, enjoying the spring day outdoors. Many students around the state are busy this week with the KIRIS tests, which are used to assess progress under the Kentucky Education Reform Act. (Photo by Susan Allen)

Operations, finance posts axed by Davis

by Susan Allen
Staff Writer

Two top employees in the Floyd County school system's central office have been notified by the superintendent that their services will be no longer needed.

Operations chief Jim Osborne and finance director Gary Parsons were notified Friday by superintendent Gene Davis that they are out of jobs.

"I will assume (Osborne's) duties," Davis said. "(Treasurer) Dottie Hastings will assume (Parson's) duties. It's because we're in this budget crisis and we are trying to save money by cutting people out of the budget. We're trying to save money, hopefully to be in the black."

Maintenance director Greg Adams will assist Davis in overseeing the district's construction projects, Davis said.

Parsons and Osborne were told not to report back to the central office, but they will be working out of their homes until May 11, Davis said.

"They will be working," Davis said. "Gary and Jim will work from their homes."

The combined salaries of Osborne and Parsons will save over \$100,000 in the next school year, Davis said. Osborne's salary is \$59,900 and Parsons' is \$48,500, he said. He said those positions will not be filled in the near future.

The savings for this school year will probably be one month's salary, Davis said. The two men, however, have accumulated vacation and sick leave which will have to be paid.

Osborne and Parsons apparently are not the last to be axed by Davis due to a financial crisis in the sys-

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Services are today for noted city leader

A community leader once honored by the Kentucky House of Representatives for his "selfless dedication" to Floyd County died Monday.

Chalmer H. Frazier, 85, of Prestonsburg, died April 14 at Highlands Regional Medical Center. He had been in ill health for some time.

Frazier helped to found the Jenny Wiley Amphitheatre and, with Dr. George P. Archer, founded Highlands Regional Medical Center.

Frazier and his wife Kathryn served on the board of the Jenny Wiley Drama Association of Jenny Wiley Theatre. Through the board's efforts, Jenny Wiley Theatre and its music under the stars became a major drawing card for tourists and community members.

Frazier and his wife were also prominent in the continuation of the Highlands Folk Festival and the Old Christmas celebrations at Jenny Wiley State Park.

With the establishment of Highlands Regional Medical Center, Frazier's life-long dream was fulfilled. He was an administrator for the old Prestonsburg General Hospital when the medical center became a reality. He became the first administrator for Highlands Regional in 1973. After he retired in 1975, he continued to remain involved with the hospital and served on its board of directors.

He also took the helm of the Kentucky Hospital Association in 1970 when he served as its president.

Frazier became active in bringing industry and tourism to this area through his work with the Floyd County Chamber of Commerce. After he retired as administrator of Highlands Regional Medical Center, he became executive director of the Floyd County Chamber of Commerce. Under his leadership with the Chamber, Prestonsburg was named an All Kentucky City for five consecutive years.



Frazier

Stumbo goes to prison after parole is revoked

by Susan Allen
Staff Writer

Former Floyd County deputy-judge executive Jimmy Stumbo had his parole revoked and is in a state penitentiary processing center waiting to be placed in a state prison.

Stumbo was taken to the Roeder Correctional Complex in La Grange April 10 where he is being assessed and classified. Mike Bradley, state Corrections Cabinet spokesman said Tuesday.

Stumbo pleaded guilty in February 1995 to the theft of \$2,900 in county funds and to a charge of drug trafficking.

He was probated on those charges and ordered to undergo treatment for his drug problem and to submit to random drug testing. He was placed on a two-year probation.

Stumbo failed a urinalysis, Bradley said, and his parole has been revoked. Bradley did not

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Addressing the needs

Ministers from around the region attended a meeting with Allen D. Rose, deputy secretary for the Cabinet for Workforce Development, and Timothy J. Jackson, deputy secretary for the Cabinet for Families and Children, and Patty Hurt, deputy commissioner for the Economic Development Cabinet to discuss welfare reform. The meeting was held Tuesday at the Mountain Arts Center. (photo by Janice Shepherd)

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Neeley arraigned

Cisco Neeley was arrested and arraigned Friday in Floyd District Court on a first degree rape charge. Neeley allegedly raped an 18-year-old female at gunpoint. A cash bond was set at \$100,000 by District Judge James R. Allen. Floyd sheriff's department chief detective Jim Rederick, in the background, was present during the proceedings. (photo by Chris McDavid)

Hueysville man jailed for rape

by Chris McDavid
Staff Writer

A Floyd County man had less than two months of freedom before he found himself back in jail Friday, but this time he may have difficulty getting out, because he must come up with \$100,000 in cash to post bond.

Cisco Neeley, 32, of Hueysville, was arrested Friday on a bench warrant that alleged he "forced (an 18-year-old) victim to have sexual intercourse at gunpoint."

Neeley was charged with first degree rape, a class B felony.

He was arrested by Floyd deputy Homer D. Neeley on the warrant filed by Kentucky State Police detective David Maynard.

Neeley was released from the Floyd County Adult Detention Center on February 28. He had been incarcerated and was under a \$25,000 cash bond for allegedly stabbing Billy Darrell Stumbo in December, but that bond was reduced after a grand jury issued an

indictment in February.

Neeley was released on a partially-secured bond, and a trial date for the assault charge was set for July 10th in Floyd Circuit Court.

Floyd District Judge James R. Allen entered a not-guilty plea Friday to Neeley's rape charge, and ordered that he be held at the jail in lieu of a \$100,000 cash bond.

Judge Allen told Neeley that the bond was set high "because of (his) previous record and the nature and seriousness of the charges."

A preliminary hearing is scheduled for 2:30 p.m. Wednesday (today) to determine if there is probable cause for a grand jury to review the case.

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Leader

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Frazier's leadership skills were put to use on boards and committees throughout the area. He was a Member Emeritus on the Prestonsburg Community College Advisory Board for more than 30 years. He also served on the Big Sandy College Educational Foundation Board and was a former superintendent of Prestonsburg City Schools before that district was consolidated into the Floyd County system.

Frazier was a long-time member of the Kiwanis Club and the Masons. He served on the Legislative Committee of the American Association of Retired Persons.

He received the Silver Beaver Award, the highest non-member recognition from the Lonesome Pine Council of the Boy Scouts of America.

He was active in his church and served as chairman of the board, treasurer, Sunday School superin-

tendent and member of the Chancel Choir at First United Methodist Church where he was a member for more than 50 years.

Frazier was a graduate of Berea College and the University of Kentucky. He was a former math teacher, a basketball coach and a school principal.

He was also a veteran of the Army Air Corps. During World War II, he served as a civilian radar instructor in Boca Raton, Florida. During his years in the service, he gained skills that were needed on jobs away from Eastern Kentucky, but Frazier felt strongly about returning to Floyd County and brought his talents and energies in improving education and employment opportunities for its citizens.

Those contributions earned him accolades from his peers. For his contribution to Floyd County, he was recognized by the Chamber of Commerce as Citizen of the Year. He was a charter inductee into the

Floyd County Hall of Fame.

Frazier was a graduate of Berea College where he was a member for more than 50 years.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by his daughter, Elizabeth Lynne Frazier; his son, William C. Frazier; three grandchildren and a great-granddaughter.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. tomorrow at the First United Methodist Church.

Memorial gifts may be made to the church's Family Life Center, the Chalmer H. Frazier Scholarship Fund at Prestonsburg Community College or to the Alzheimer's Disease & Related Disorders Association.

Axed

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tem. "There will probably be a few more," Davis said regarding job cuts.

Over a week ago, the school board voted to abolish 14 certified positions for the next school year, which includes the directors of instruction and special education. The duties involved in those positions cut will be combined into four new positions, which will have to be created. Davis said the prior cuts should save over a half a million dollars.

Stumbo

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know how long Stumbo is to remain in prison. Stumbo spent some time in the Floyd County Adult Detention Center.

The assessment process usually takes about two weeks, Bradley said. After that, Stumbo will be housed in one of Kentucky's state prisons.

At the time of his sentencing, Floyd Circuit Judge John David Caudill told Stumbo he was ordering him to undergo treatment to give him a chance to beat his drug problem.

Suspect

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the three antichrists that will rule the world in the year 2000.

Cornett's attorney said he did not know at this time if he would use insanity as a defense for Cornett, but added that he "saw enough to know that she is in need of a mental evaluation."

Conn acknowledged that his client has conducted rituals that involve blood.

"The blood is very important in all their rituals," he said. "They always share the same cup of blood."

Conn said Cornett has about 25 cuts on her right arm and 50 cuts on her left arm. She cuts herself to conjure up Satan, he said.

The attorney said his client believes the Armageddon began in Eastern Kentucky a few months ago and that her mission is to "motivate the children of America and the world to cast off the bondage of their parents."

Conn described the relationship between Cornett and the other suspects as something spiritual. "She's almost spiritually connected to

members of the group...very loyal to themselves...extremely loyal," he said.

Cornett believes that she has four demons that talk to her and command her to do different things, Conn said. "She sees them and can actually touch them, including Satan himself, I guess," he added.

One thing that troubles Cornett, Conn said, is that her friends who would have her put spells and use her powers on others, now deny having any connection with the activities of the occult.

"People who are saying things about her are the same ones who have asked her to put spells on other people and invoke these powers," her attorney said. "Now they're all saying they had nothing to do with it."

Greene County Sheriff Terry Jones said Cornett was currently on suicide watch at this time.

Mullins is reportedly being represented by Pikeville attorney Steve Owens, but he could not be reached Tuesday for comment.

Juveniles

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connection with the murders of three members of a Tennessee family.

The victims, Vidar Lillelid, 34, his wife Delphia, 28, and daughter Tabitha, 5, were shot to death during a car-jacking and robbery.

Their two-year-old son, Peter, was also shot, but he is listed in stable but critical condition at a Knoxville hospital.

Deputy county attorney Gerry Till, in Arizona, said the juveniles may be fighting extradition to "gain some time" or they may want to make a separation from the adults.

Howell is being represented in Arizona by public defender Carol Burney, and legal defender Bruce Houston is representing Bryant.

Neither of the Arizona attorneys for the juveniles would comment Tuesday about why their clients were fighting the extradition.

One of the juveniles, Bryant, was reportedly discovered to have been shot when he was taken into custody, but Till could not advise about how he had been shot.

"He was medically treated," Till said Tuesday.

Greene County Sheriff Terry Jones said he had received reports that Bryant may have accidentally shot himself prior to the arrests of the six suspects.

Till said the juveniles could be detained in Arizona for 90 days, or until a Governor's warrant from Tennessee is received.

"It is possible they may sign a waiver since they are already separated (from the adults)," the deputy county attorney said.

Sheriff Jones said he believed the juveniles would be tried as adults.

All six of the suspects arrested were charged with felony murder during the commission of a theft. "That's the way (the juveniles) are charged," Jones said Tuesday. "We do feel (the homicide) was intentional."

Also arrested and charged with the murders of the Lillelid family were Joseph Lance Risner, 20, formerly of Floyd County; Edward Dean Mullins, 19, of Toler; Natasha Wallen-Cornett, 18, and Crystal Renea Sturgill, 18, both of Betsy Layne.

The four adults were flown from Arizona Monday to Knoxville, Tennessee. Transportation of those suspects was arranged and handled by the U.S. Marshal's Service.

The suspects were then taken to the Greene County Detention Center, and arraigned Tuesday morning in the Greene County General Sessions Court.

The four were either appointed an attorney or had their attorneys present at the arraignment, District Attorney Berkeley Bell said Tuesday.

Pikeville attorney Steve Owens is reportedly representing Mullins; Risner is being represented by a Tennessee attorney; and a public defender from the Third Judicial District is representing Sturgill.

During the arraignments for the four adults, Bell said Bryant was also appointed counsel. He could not advise who would be representing Howell in Tennessee.

The four adults are being held at the Greene County Detention Center without bond and a preliminary hearing is scheduled for 9 a.m. April 23.

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1.5 miles south of Lackey and situated in both Knott and Floyd Counties. The amendment will add 12.56 acres of surface disturbance, making a total area of 1026.66 acres within the amended permit boundary.

The proposed amendment area is approximately 0.80 mile southeast from Triplett Branch Road's junction with KY 550 and located 0.10 mile southeast of Triplett Branch. The latitude is 37° 26' 42" and longitude is 82° 49' 50".

The proposed amendment area is located on the Wayland U.S.G.S. 7.5 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed by the amendment is owned by CONSOL of Kentucky, Inc. and Knott Floyd Land Company. The operation will use the contour method 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, KY 41653-1455. Written comments, objections or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

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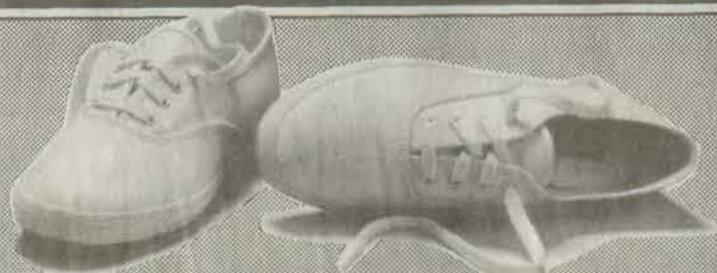
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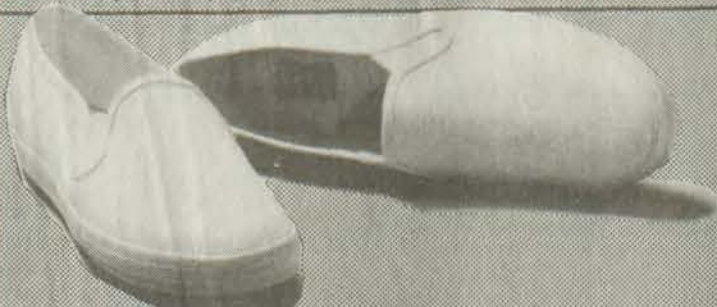
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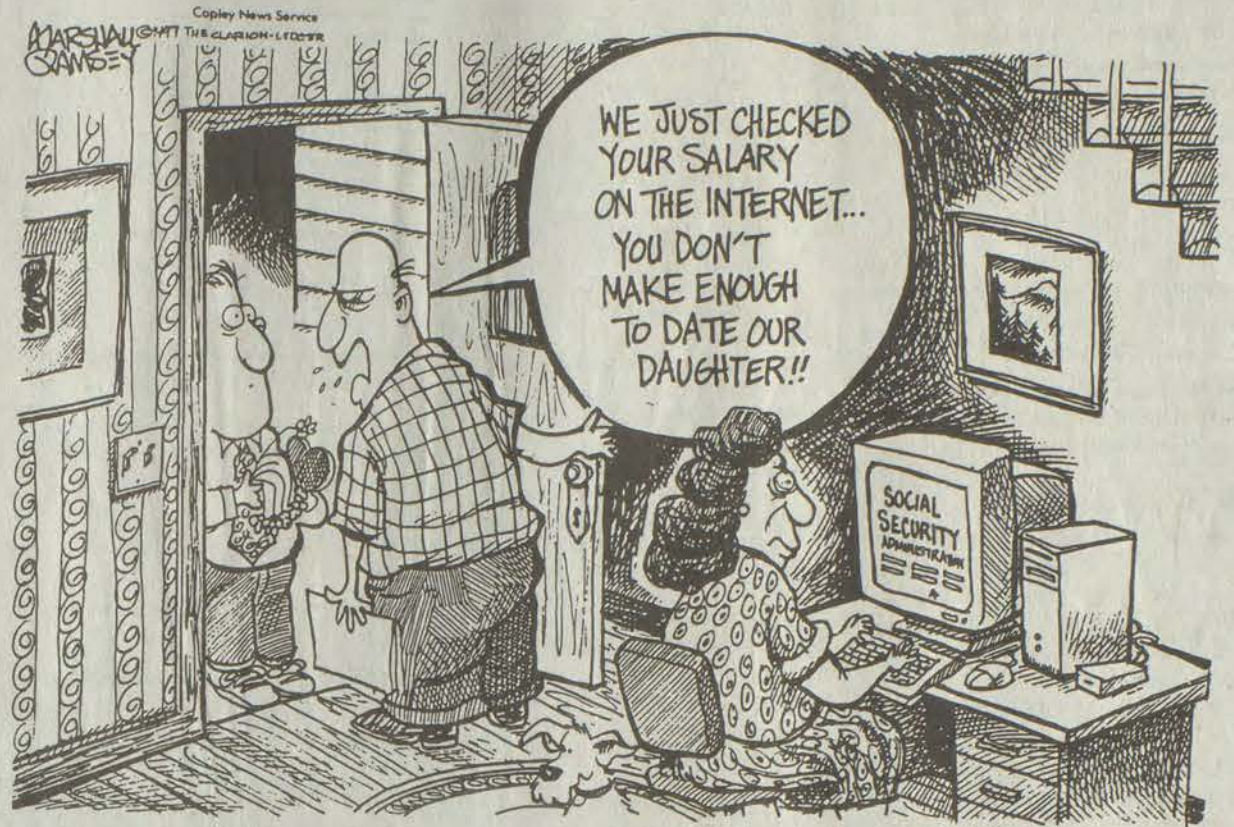
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Yard-sale democracy

by Scott Perry

A special grand jury will be empaneled soon to investigate possible wrongdoing in the 1995 gubernatorial election and the effort by Democrats to elect Paul Patton appears to be the theme of the probe.

It's too early to tell yet whether any Floyd Countians will be invited to the party, but a last-minute effort here to get out the vote drew some attention when allegations were made that some folks who were paid to get it out didn't even get out to vote themselves.

That, of course, may be more an embarrassment than a crime, but it will be up to the grand jury to decide if there is any notable difference between the two.

We are not naïve when it comes to understanding the value and impact of money in the political process. We are amazed, though, at how little it takes...at least on the local level...to buy loyalty.

Note that we did not say buy votes.

Most people have the wrong idea about vote-buying. They think a politician with a lot of money can go out and pay people to be for him.

In reality, though, vote-buying isn't vote-buying at all. It's usually the process of supplying small sums of money to a lot of people who are already for you, but who need an incentive to get out and go to the polls.

People who require such incentives to perform their democratic duty, who offer loyalty...for a price...may or may not be criminals under the law.

They are, more often than not, the people who decide who wins and who loses elections.

We haven't got a clue how to change that, but we're pretty certain that grand juries won't have any lasting effect.

As long as people demand money for their votes, someone will supply it.

That's yard-sale democracy.

You get it for a bargain, but someone before you paid in full.

Letters to the editor

Letters to the editor policy

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

Thanks, sheriff!

Editor:
 I would like to personally thank Paul H. Thompson and whomever else that was responsible for the garbage cleanup in the Price area. The ditches look so much better. Let's all keep them clean. God gave us these beautiful hills, so let's all take care of them.
 Thanks again.

Juanita Compton
 Grethel

Transplant patients to celebrate life with walk; April 19

Editor:
 April 20-26 is National Organ and Tissue Donor Awareness Week. For some Floyd Countians and neighbors in surrounding counties it is a week of renewed hope that our new organs and tissues remain strong and healthy.

For some it is a time to mourn, once again, due to the loss of loved ones who died because a donor organ never became available. My heart goes out to those families.

We have seen many miracles with transplantation in our communities in the last few years. Many lives have been saved.

We have seen babies, young adults, and middle aged people receive transplants, all who would have died if not for organ donation.

On July 1, I will celebrate the second anniversary of my single lung transplant. I am doing well. The oxy-

gen tanks and tubing are gone. I breathe on my own now because someone in Kentucky cared enough to be an organ donor.

He saved my life and the lives of two other people in neighboring counties.

On April 19, local transplant recipients and their families will walk through the Hillbilly Days Parade in Pikeville.

If you know someone who is waiting for a transplant, has received a transplant or has been a donor family, tell them about this walk.

For more information, you can contact Donna Slone, education coordinator, 1-800-525-3456. Please think about signing a donor card.

There are 300 people in Kentucky waiting for that life-saving organ. There are healthy organs suitable for transplantation but we are putting them in caskets underground.

We lose nine Kentuckians every day because of these shortages. Nine loved ones, friends, and neighbors.

That is nine too many. And you never know when someone in your family may need that life-saving organ.

I never dreamed that anything like this lung disease could happen to me, but it did. And I am sure other transplant patients would say the same thing.

There is no guarantee of tomorrow for anyone, but with transplantation there is hope for another day, another year, another five years.

So, come see us, April 19. Show your support for the people in your community who were blessed to have received that Gift of Life.

We are thanking God every day. We thank our donor families every day. Without them we would not be.

Terry Marsillett
 Prestonsburg

Coffee Break

by Scott Perry

This is a true story, and we have witnesses to back it up...

Despite the chill and the clouds, we decided Sunday to wet a line in the Big Sandy, where the fish usually are polite enough not to interrupt our do-nothing ways.

We have this unique fishing style, see, where we toss a line into the river...sometimes with, sometimes without bait...and then sit around a campfire, sipping a cold drink, and chewing the fat with the guys.

Call it adventures in stress management. That's high-tech lingo for pure laziness.

Anyway, this Sunday started off in typical fashion. We made the obligatory cast, stuck the rod into the sand, then settled into the real business of the day, which generally involves no business more strenuous than lifting the lid off the cooler.

Before we could get the first

log on the fire, the tip of our fishing pole, some 15 feet down the bank, started dancing wildly then the whole rig just jumped into the river, heading downstream at a catfish's pace. A biggin', too, we'd bet.

Since we couldn't coax anyone into diving in after our rod and reel, we'll never know.

The moral of this story is simple: expect the unexpected or, at least, sit a little closer to your pole.

You just can't turn your back on anybody these days.

While we're on the subject of robbery, it is fitting to note that the biggest heist of the year just happened on April 15, and we think somebody ought to call the law.

Unfortunately, this thievery is legal...or at least the IRS says it is.

Whatever happened to all that

pre-election hype about reforming the income tax code?

Surely that wasn't just campaign rhetoric.

Promise us anything, but feed us baloney.

After tax day, even that is a luxury.

An apology is due for our misplaced humor in a story published last week concerning an auto accident apparently caused by an ailing duck.

The accident victims did not share our humor, and we apologize for any embarrassment caused by our account of the mishap.

It is not polite to laugh at the misfortunes of others...unless they start laughing first.

We'll try to mind our manners next time.

Many of you loyal readers are probably wondering how we

plan to balance our newspapering duties with our new job as head basketball coach for Eastern Kentucky University.

Well, we've been coaching UK from our word processor for a good many years, so we shouldn't have any trouble with EKU, too.

Ha ha. Just kidding.

Truth is, the Scott Perry hired recently to coach EKU basketball is not the same Scott Perry bringing you these words of wisdom on weekly basis.

He's a clone. Ha ha. Just kidding again.

All jokes aside, we hope he does well with the Colonels and we'll stick to armchair coaching and Monday morning quarterbacking.

Together we ought to be able to make a name for ourselves.

Tiger Woods is certainly making a name for himself.

Woods is a 21-year-old kid, part black, part asian and all-pro on and off the golf course, where he just shattered a shag-bag full of records in The Masters, golf's most prestigious tourney.

Woods certainly deserves the accolades he's getting for overcoming racial barriers in a game that has been decidedly "white," but color should not distract us from his true gift...unmatched talent...or the impact he will have on a zillion or two young people.

Tiger Woods has two outstanding characteristics:

He's the greatest at what he does, and he's a great person, too.

Who said there were no heroes left?

Attorney says personnel matter not public business

by Chris McDavid
Staff Writer

The Martin City Council went into an executive session Monday night during a special meeting to discuss a personnel matter that was of no business to the public, the city attorney said.

According to Kentucky Open Meetings Law, there are three specific reasons a meeting can be closed to the public when addressing a personnel matter.

The item "personnel matter" was on the agenda for the special meeting and before retiring behind closed doors, the council was reminded that the law stipulates that executive sessions for personnel matters are only permitted when the discussion may lead to the appointment, discipline, or dismissal of an employee.

"I assume it's along those lines,"

Mayor Alan Whicker said.

After a brief closed-door session, the council returned to the open meeting and councilwoman Thomasine Robinson made a motion that officer Fred Mynhier be put back to work "as of now."

Officer Mynhier was put on a leave-of-absence with pay last Monday night at a special meeting. He was reportedly injured in October while opening a 250-pound bay door at the police station.

All members of the council were present and voted in favor of the motion, except for councilwoman Hazel Robinson.

"I don't know much about it," she said.

After the meeting, Robinson said she had her reasons for not voting on the issue, but she would not elaborate.

When questioned about the legality of the closed session and

the fact that none of the three reasons for going behind doors were apparently addressed, city attorney Tim Parker said he believed the open meetings law was not violated.

"I don't believe it was violated because we went into executive session to discuss a personnel matter involving officer Mynhier," Parker said, "whether it was contained in that specific section there, or other sections or not, I don't know, but I don't believe that we violated the open meetings law."

The city attorney said the executive session was recommended because the discussion "could have" led to the dismissal or discipline of an employee.

Parker said the spirit of the law is to avoid discussing matters that are "no one's business other than the city council's and the individual employee's."

Wife, ex-husband charged with two counts of sodomy

by Chris McDavid
Staff Writer

A Floyd County woman was arrested Friday and charged with sodomy. Three days later, her ex-husband was also arrested and is facing the same charges.

Sherry Leigh Hall, 23, of Hi Hat, allegedly "engaged in deviate sexual intercourse with a child under the age of 12," according to an arrest warrant.

Hall was arrested Friday by Kentucky State Police detective Bobby Johnson, and charged with two counts of first degree sodomy.

The warrant lists the month of January as the violation date, but does not specify the exact dates which the alleged crimes occurred.

Her ex-husband, Raymond Hall, of Knott County, was arrested Monday and he was also charged with two counts of first degree sodomy.

Sodomy in the first degree is a Class B felony unless the victim is under twelve years of age. . . in which case the penalty is increased to a Class A felony, according to state law.

Floyd District Judge James R. Allen entered not-guilty pleas Monday and Tuesday to the Hall's felony charges.

After previously ordering that she be held at the Floyd County Adult Detention Center in lieu of a \$20,000 partially-secured bond, Judge Allen changed her bond Tuesday to a \$50,000 partially-secured bond.

Judge Allen also stipulated that a condition of Hall's bond was that "she stay away from the alleged victim and have no contact with that person."

Mr. Hall is also being held at the jail in lieu of a \$50,000 partially-secured bond.

A preliminary hearing is scheduled for 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, April

22, to determine if the charges against the two should be reviewed by a grand jury.

Detective Johnson would not comment Monday about the case against the Halls but did say that the

charges were a result of an on-going investigation.

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

NDE completes ten percent of county's E-911 system mapping

by Susan Allen
Staff Writer

Mapping efforts for the county's E-911 system are underway and employees of Network Design Engineering made a report to 911 board at Friday's meeting.

Approximately 10 percent of the county has been surveyed and mapped by Network Design (NDE) and efforts will intensify in the coming months.

"Right now our main focus is getting a crew in the county to do surveys and identifying structures for address locations," Eddie Bronson, NDE project manager told the board.

Drew Cassidy, an NDE employee who is currently in the county doing mapping, explained to the board the high-tech equipment being used.

"It's a state-of-the-art system," Cassidy said. "We have a base station at the Big Sandy Regional Airport and we download the data." He said the system being used relies on information transmitted by satellites to ensure exact geographical locations.

John Everly, with NDE, said the mapping process is on schedule and that it should be complete within the next six months. Everly cau-

tioned that there are several elements related to mapping that are ongoing and it is more important to be accurate than to rush the job.

"We want accurate, up-to-date information," Everly said. "We are going to ask you to approve the work every step of the way: to make sure it's right and that there are no surprises. We want emergency responders to know where every (structure is) and how to get there. We're going to come in here and make it right."

Any duplication in road names will be changed, Bronson said. He explained that the company has a prepared listing of road names to choose from. He added the board may choose its own names and asked that that authority be delegated to the E-911 coordinator, Bill Dotson.

The board voted to authorize Dotson to change or add road names to the E-911 system and those road names will be submitted to the board.



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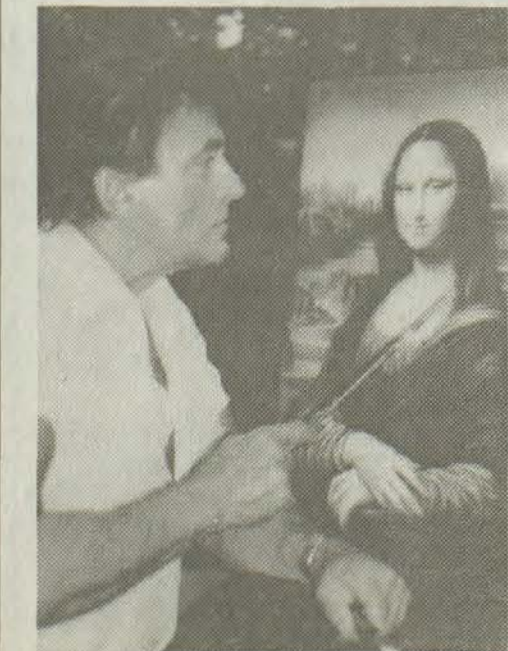
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Internationally famous artist, Frank Covino, will be in Monticello, Kentucky on July 14 - July 18, 1997, to teach a painting workshop in the academic method of painting used by the old masters.

Mr. Covino has a masters degree from the Pratt Institute of Art in



New York and is the author of seven art books. He has done portraits of Dinah Shore and Gloria Swanson. The class is open to beginning as well as advanced students and the tuition is \$385 for the five-day workshop.

The workshop will be taught in a large art studio on Cooley Lane Farm and will be hosted by Carol Cooley Martin.

For further information about the workshop, please contact Trish Cieslak, P.O. Box 319, McDowell, KY 41647, phone 606-377-2476, or FAX 606-377-7820.

Shepherd is state finalist in pageant



Pamela Nicole Shepherd

Miss Pamela Nicole Shepherd, daughter of Wendell and Brenda Shepherd, has been accepted as a state finalist in the 1997 Miss Kentucky American Princess Pageant to be held July 4, through July 6, at the Hyatt Regency in Lexington.

The winner of the Miss Kentucky American Princess Pageant will receive a cash award of \$500. Winners also receive official crown, banner, \$300 travel expenses to compete in the National Miss American Princess Pageant in Orlando, Florida, where thousands of dollars in cash awards, scholarships, and prizes will be awarded.

Pamela competed last year in the 1996 Miss Kentucky American Princess Pageant and she placed seventh, and in photogenic, she was in the top ten out of 49 contestants.

The Miss Kentucky American Princess Pageant is for "Tomorrow's Leaders." It is open to girls in seven divisions, between the ages of 3 to 30 years, with judging based on inner beauty, interview, poise, appearance, personality, and performance on stage. The pageant seeks to recognize the accomplishment of each girl who enters and helps her set her goals for the future.

Last year more than \$750,000 in scholarships, cash and awards were presented to deserving young ladies nationwide. Cash awards and trophies will also be presented in several separate optional contests such as talent, speech, photogenic, academic achievement, and volunteer service.

Pamela is from Staffordsville. She is a 7-year-old first grader at Oil Springs Grade School.

Pamela is the 1996 Little Miss Apple Blossom, 1996 Tiny Miss Jenny Wiley, 1997 America Sweetheart Valentine's Queen where she will be competing for \$10,000 savings bond, May 29-June 1 in Indianapolis, Indiana. Pamela placed third in Little Miss Richmond area and won a lot of nice gifts. She is also a model at Images Model Agency. She will be at a national modeling/acting search April 26. Her ambition is to become a singer. She will sing Un-Break My Heart—by Toni Braxton for her talent.

Girls interested in applying for the 1997 Miss Kentucky American Pageant should contact the state directors at (713) 849-9601.

Pamela is looking for sponsors. If interested in sponsoring her, call 297-1967.

Woman arrested for trying to give drugs to boyfriend in jail

by Chris McDavid
Staff Writer

A Floyd County woman was arrested Tuesday afternoon after she allegedly attempted to sneak marijuana to a jail inmate in a Walkman radio.

Valerie Spurlock, 20, of Harold, was arrested when she returned to the jail for another visit with her boyfriend, Jeremy Thacker.

According to chief deputy jailer

Damon Newsome, Spurlock had given deputy jailers the radio Saturday for Thacker.

"What she didn't know is that we always inspect anything and everything that comes in this jail," Floyd County Jailer Roger Webb said.

Newsome said Spurlock would be charged with promoting contraband and she would be arraigned today (Wednesday) on the charges in Floyd District Court.

Newsome said he opened the radio Monday and found the marijuana. "Nothing goes back in this jail unless it is checked out," he said Tuesday.

Promoting contraband is a class D felony, with a penalty of one to five years in jail, Newsome said.

"Let this be a warning to everyone," Newsome said. "We are going to stop contraband at this jail before it starts."

Potentially hazardous machine being misused by some flood cleanup workers

Kentucky health officials are issuing a health advisory to people involved in cleanup activities related to the March flood.

Workers who are using gasoline engine powered pressure washers to clean buildings may be at-risk of carbon monoxide poisoning that can result in permanent injury or death.

The engines of these machines are being placed inside buildings because the hoses on them are too short to reach the area being cleaned.

Operating the machines inside creates toxic levels of carbon monoxide, according to environmental monitoring being conducted in the flooded areas by the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH). This happens even when all windows and doors of a building are opened.

"Cleanup workers should use this type of pressure washer only when it is possible to place the engine in a well ventilated area outside of the building being cleaned,"

said Rice C. Leach, M.D., commissioner of the Kentucky Department for Public Health.

If this is not possible, an alternative method of cleaning, such as a garden hose or electrically powered pressure washer unit should be used. In all cases, the manufacturer's instructions for the power washer should be followed, he said.

Leach, who has treated carbon monoxide poisonings, stresses that carbon monoxide is a colorless, odorless gas that can build up quickly indoors.

Symptoms include confusion, dizziness, fatigue and weakness. Carbon monoxide poisoning can cause permanent brain damage, including changes in personality and memory, according to NIOSH.

Once inhaled, carbon monoxide decreased the ability of the blood to carry oxygen to the brain and other vital organs.

Even low levels of carbon monoxide can cause pains and heart attacks in people with coronary artery diseases.

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Adams, PHS students go to state



Prestonsburg High School

Prestonsburg High School students competing in the Regional Science Olympiad were, in front row from left, Amber Meek, Kara Sammons, Eric Joseph, and Amy Shepherd; in back row are George Thornsby, Sulma Baddrudja, Allison Elliott, Laura Neeley, Ty Martin, Sheena Brock, Robbie Elliott, Sera Sammons, Ginger Thornsby, and Jennifer Shepherd. Sponsors were Roy Penix, Patricia Elliott, Kara Huffman, Karen Kendrick (not pictured) and Larry Short (not pictured). (photo by Rita Brock)

by Rita Brock
Contributing Writer

Students from Adams Middle School and Prestonsburg High School will compete in state competition of the Science Olympiad on April 19.

At regional competition held March 22 at Prestonsburg Community College, Adams Middle School placed first, overall, for the third straight year in the regional Science Olympiad.

Both Adams' Black and Red Teams in the competition carried home top honors. The school's Black Team won first place and will compete for state honors, April 19, at Morehead State University. The Red Team won third place honors.

Prestonsburg High School's team had seven first place members who take part in the state contests. Out of the 22 categories, ranging from pencil-and-paper problem solving to testing of water to construction of a wheeled vehicle, PHS had students competing in 17

events; a total of ten students placed.

Prestonsburg High School students winning first place and their categories were Sheena Brock and Sulma Baddrudja, Naked Egg Drop; Ty Martin and Eric Joseph, Nature Quest; George Thornsby and Eric Joseph, Bridge Building; Ty Martin, Earth Science; Sheena Brock and Sera Sammons, Write It-Do It; Ty Martin, Bio-Process Lab; and Ginger Thornsby and Amy Shepherd, Tree-mendous.

Other PHS students winning honors were Amber Meek, second place in Designer Genes; Amy Shepherd, Jennifer Shepherd, and Ginger Thornsby, third place, Experimental Design; and Allison Elliott, third place, Periodic Table.

Coaches for the Prestonsburg team were Roy Penix, Kara Huffman, Patty Elliott, Karen Kendrick, and Larry Short.

Adams Middle School students' Black Team, which will compete in state competition, consists of Joel Castle, Justin Hackworth, Tommy Greene, Stephanie Prater, Beth Crisp, John Layne, Kim Shepherd, Rachel Little, Jan Austin, Jessica Hicks, Jessica Thornsby, Jason Johnson, Brook Stinnett, and Josh Baisden.

Members of Adams' Red Team, which won third place honors, are Wes Allen, Sarah Hill, Josh Francis, Nick Chaffin, Staci Stephens, Heath Chaffin, Nick Ratliff, Charlee Mullins, Jessica Evans, Brandon Gibson, Greg May, Evan McNutt, and Kari Ross.

Adams coaches are Jennifer West and Less Howard. Both are eighth grade teachers at the school.



Adams Red and Black Teams

Adams students competing in the Science Olympiad were, in first row, Josh Baisden, Greg May, Nick Chaffin, Heath Chaffin, Beth Crisp, and John Layne. In second row are Jan Austin, Kari Ross, Charlee Mullins, Staci Stephens, Sarah Hill, Josh Francis, Evan McNutt, Justin Hackworth and coach Jennifer West. In third row are the school's principal, Janice Allen, and students Stephanie Prater, Jessica Hicks, Jessica Thornsby, Brooke Stinnett, Jason Johnson, Wes Allen, Nick Ratliff, Joel Castle, Brandon Gibson, and Tommy Greene. In fourth row is coach Less Howard. (photo by Rita Brock)

McDowell ARH participates in program for healthy babies

A unique Eastern Kentucky effort for pregnant women is focused on making sure that babies born in the region are as healthy as possible.

That specialized care is available to Floyd County women. The Prenatal Center in Hazard serves pregnant women in Perry and surrounding counties. One of its certified nurse-midwives, Nora Hernando, sees patients every Wednesday at a clinic at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital. The patients then deliver their babies at the Prenatal Center in Hazard.

The center, which opened in 1993, is a joint effort of private and public organizations. Its partners include Appalachian Regional Healthcare, the Kentucky River District Health Department, and the Kentucky Department for Health Services.

The clinic is located in the ARH Regional Medical Center, and pools the expertise of a variety of professionals — nurses, a nurse midwife, nurse practitioners, dietitians, and counselors — to provide comprehensive care for mothers-to-be. Patients also visit their physicians at recommended intervals through-

out their pregnancy.

Historically, the region has had a higher than average number of women who received little or no prenatal care, which experts say increases a mother's risk of giving birth to a sick or low birth weight child. But since the arrival of the Prenatal Center, the clinic's partners and staff have worked hard to emphasize the importance of prenatal care, and data show that the region is experiencing significant increases in the number of pregnant women who are getting the right care.

A comparison of the state's vital statistics data for 1991 and 1996 indicate that the number of pregnant women in Breathitt, Perry, Letcher, Knott, Owsley, Leslie, and Lee counties — the region served by the Prenatal Center — who received no prenatal care dropped 88 percent from 1991 to 1996. The percentage of women from the same counties who didn't receive prenatal care in the first trimester of their pregnancies decreased from 17.5 percent in 1991 to 5.7 percent in 1996. The report also indicated that 21 infants died in the region in 1991, compared to no infant deaths in 1996.

By no means is the center's work complete. Supporters say that the clinic is still working hard to decrease the number of low birth weight babies born in the region, and the demand for comprehensive prenatal care for women of all socioeconomic backgrounds remains. But it appears that the center's work to promote the importance of prenatal care is paying off, and that's an important first step in making sure that babies in this part of Kentucky get the healthiest start in life possible.



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Obituaries

Audrey Romann Freas

Audrey Romann Freas, 70, of Franklin, died Wednesday, April 9, 1997, at St. Thomas Hospital in Nashville, Tennessee.

A native of Granite City, Illinois, she was the daughter of the late Otto Henry and Mildred Droege Romann.

She was a retired home economics teacher at Franklin-Simpson High School and co-owner of the Book Place in Franklin.

She was a member of the Franklin Presbyterian Church, the Kentucky Retired Teachers Association, Simpson County Retired Teachers Association, and the National Home Economics Teachers Association.

Survivors include her husband, Dr. George W. Freas; two sons, George W. "Chip" Freas III of Huntsville, Alabama, and John Romann Freas of Franklin; two daughters, Leatha Kendrick of East Point and Dr. Carol Freas, M.D., of Charleston, West Virginia; one sister, Carol Scherick of St. Albany, New York; and eight grandchildren.

Funeral services were Saturday, April 12, at 3:30 p.m., at the Booker Funeral Home, with Rev. Jeannie Bates and Dr. Ken Dick officiating.

Burial was in the Sulphur Spring Cemetery in Simpson County, under the direction of the Booker Funeral Home in Franklin.

William Ray Hedrick

William Ray Hedrick, 77, of Prestonsburg, died Thursday, April 10, 1997, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg.

Born June 15, 1919 in Beckley, West Virginia, he was the son of the late Thomas Jackson and Cora Rohre Hedrick.

He was a coal miner, formerly employed at Island Creek Coal Company in Pike County.

He was a member of the Pleasant Home Baptist Church and a World War II Army Paratrooper and former P.O.W.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Kohari Hedrick; one son, William R. "Bill" Hedrick Jr. of Prestonsburg; two daughters, Jennifer Lusk of Betsy Layne and Angela Lawley of Charlotte, North Carolina; two brothers, Lawrence Hedrick of Baltimore, Maryland, and Alfred Hedrick of Lorain, Ohio; two sisters, June Clark of Roanoke, Virginia, and Edna Beggs of Princeton, West Virginia; and five grandchildren.

Funeral services were Sunday, April 13, at 2 p.m., at the Floyd Funeral Home Chapel, with Rev. Mark Tackett officiating.

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

Serving as pallbearers were William R. Hedrick III, Stephen Phillips, Tracy May, David Calhoun, Burnis Goble and Jason Kendrick.

Ada Bolden

Ada Bolden, 81, of Little Robinson Creek, died Saturday, April 12, 1997, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital.

Born April 21, 1915 in Pike County, she was the daughter of the late Jeff Justice and Lydie Chaney Justice.

She was a member of the Regular Baptist Church. She was preceded in death by her husband, Auda Bolden, on January 14, 1992.

Survivors include five sons, Dempsie Bolden of Kimper, Auda Jr. Bolden of David, Roger Dean Bolden of Sooky Creek, and Donald Paul Bolden and Delmar Ray Bolden, both of Robinson Creek; seven daughters, Geneva Coleman of Lower Pompey, Augustina Bryant and Patty Sue Maynard, both of Robinson Creek, Audrey Lathrop of Manhattan, Illinois, Lottie Phoebe Slone of Lorain, Ohio, Juanita Adkins of Ford Branch, and Loretta Adkins of Shelbyana; two sisters, Cindy Ratliff of Justiceville and Arvie Coleman of Lowe Pompey; 31 grandchildren, 41 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

Funeral services were Tuesday, April 15, at 11 a.m., at the Morris Chapel, with Perry Layne, Willie Siltner and Jimmy Dale Sanders officiating.

Burial was in the Bolden Family Cemetery on Little Robinson Creek, under the direction of Morris Chapel of Justice Funeral Services.

Martha Rebecca Cecil

Martha Rebecca Cecil, 64, of Clarksville, Indiana, formerly of Harold, died Friday, April 11, 1997, at her residence, following an extended illness.

Born May 27, 1932 in Pike County, she was the daughter of the late Ersie Bartley Mullins and Isaac Anderson. She was a retired merchant and member of the Boldman Freewill Baptist Church since 1974.

Survivors include her husband, Edward Cecil; one son, Harold D. Childers of Pikeville; two daughters, Shelia Childers of Owensville and Rebecca Marie Cecil of Clarksville, Tennessee; two sisters, CheChee Powell of Elkhorn City and Judy Shimamoto of Orlando, Florida; and three grandchildren.

Funeral services were Tuesday, April 15, at 11 a.m., at the Boldman Freewill Baptist Church, with Arnold Belmont Johnson and James Elkins officiating.

Entombment was in the York Mausoleum at Johnson Memorial Park in Pikeville, under the direction of J. W. Call and Son Funeral Home.

Thelma Burke

Thelma Burke, 78, of Hippo, died Sunday, April 13, 1997, at her residence, following a short illness.

Born September 10, 1918 at Kite, she was the daughter of the late Clarence and Virgie Breeding King. She was preceded in death by her husband, Edward Burke.

Survivors include two daughters, Kathy Ann Mullins of Hi Hat and Anna Lea Thornsby of David; five brothers, Cratie King of Romulus, Michigan, Alvin King of Nashville, Tennessee, and Smiley Hawley and Vernon King, both of Kite; three sisters, Flossie Amburgey of Rowdy, and Audrey Morrison and Maxine Floden, both of Louisville; and four grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, April 16, at 10 a.m., at the Rebecca Regular Baptist Church at Kite, with the Regular Baptist Church ministers officiating.

Burial will be in the King Family Cemetery at Kite, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home, Martin.

Lorena Hall

Lorena Hall, 77, of Mousie, died Saturday, April 12, 1997, at her home.

Born January 6, 1920 at Softshell, she was the daughter of the late Melvin Terry and Farlie Grigsby Terry.

Survivors include three daughters, Avanel Miller of Mousie, Elveta Peneschi of Auxier, and Pauline Ray of Lewisville, Mississippi; one son, Claude "Bud" Ramey of Mousie; two brothers, Raymond Terry of Chicago, Illinois; two sisters, Corine Wright of Georgia and Bertha Stroik of Chicago, Illinois; seven grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Tuesday, April 15, at 11 a.m., at the Hindman Funeral Services Chapel, with Darrell Short officiating.

Burial was in the Terry Cemetery at Mousie, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services.

Hancle Emery Stepp

Hancle Emery Stepp, 63, of Prestonsburg, died Saturday, April 12, 1997, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg.

Born October 27, 1933 at Thomas, he was the son of the late Floyd and Rebecca Vires Stepp. He was a retired welder with Mobile Area Towers in Fort Wayne, Indiana. He was preceded in death by his wife, Lois Fife Stepp.

Survivors include one daughter, Rose Marie Blair of Prestonsburg; two brothers, Emmens Stepp of Oceana, West Virginia, and James Stepp of Albion, Michigan; three sisters, Charlene Lewis of Prestonsburg, Lucille Blackburn of Oceana, West Virginia, and Florid Stepp of Nicholasville, Ohio; and three grandchildren.

Funeral services were Tuesday, April 15, at 2 p.m., at the Floyd Funeral Home Chapel.

Burial was in the Canterbury Cemetery at Woods Branch, Prestonsburg, under the direction of Floyd Funeral Home, Prestonsburg.

Serving as pallbearers were Mark Blair, Clyde Fife, Randy Fife, Ed Lawson and Ricky Crider.

Lloyd Ray Hammonds

Lloyd Ray Hammonds, 44, of Lexington, North Carolina, formerly of Garrett, died Friday, April 11, 1997, at his residence, following a brief illness.

Born July 4, 1952 at Garrett, he was the son of the late Lloyd Ray Hammonds Sr. and Luranie Watts Hammonds. He was a truck driver for Terminal Trucking, in North Carolina.

Survivors include his wife, Pamela Carlton Hammonds; one son, Dustin Hammonds of Lexington, North Carolina; one stepson, David Slone of Lexington, Kentucky; three stepdaughters, Connie Miller of Prestonsburg, and Vivica Rynders and Ranae Phelps of Dayton, Ohio; two brothers, Alex Jacobs of Hyden and Berlin Jacobs of Wayland; three sisters, Rebecca Hall of Langley, Inis Handshoe of Lagrange, Indiana, and Libby Jacobs of Tampa, Florida; 12 step-grandchildren and one step-great-grandchild.

Funeral services were Monday, April 14, at 11 a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home Chapel, with Donnie Burke officiating.

Burial was in the Union Cemetery at Eastern, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Curtis Coleman

Curtis Coleman, 85, of Printer, died Thursday, April 10, 1997, at his daughter's residence in Marietta, Georgia.

Born November 25, 1911 at Greasy Creek, he was the son of the late Fred and Elizabeth Yates Coleman. He was a retired pipefitter and performed various jobs in the construction business. He was a member of the Spurlock Church of Christ at Printer.

Survivors include his wife, Zora Lillian Roberts Coleman; four sons, Sheridan Coleman of Hamilton, Ohio, Stanley Burt Coleman of Bedford, Ohio, and Robert Bruce Coleman and David Ross Coleman, both of Printer; five daughters, Darlene Moore of Stone Mountain, Georgia, Ruby Jean Thacker of Dayton, Ohio, Annette Satterfield and Norenda Carrington, both of Marietta, Georgia, and Stella Lois McCown of Auxier; one half-brother, Raymond Coleman of Huntington, West Virginia; four half-sisters, Nanny Mae Bartley, Barbara Coleman and Sally Gilpin, all of Yeager, and Eleanor Johnson of Louisville; 24 grandchildren, 36 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Sunday, April 13, at 2 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, with Phillip Satterfield and Church of Christ ministers officiating.

Burial was in the Jeff Hunter Cemetery at Printer, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home, Martin.

Serving as pallbearers were Adam Coleman, Chris McCown, Keith Coleman, Preston Coleman, Ray Harmon, Jayson Carrington, Craig Carrington, Steven Carrington and Leon Coleman.

Arnold Shepherd

Arnold Shepherd, 70, of Willard, Ohio, died Saturday, April 12, 1997, at IHS of New London at Firelands, following an extended illness.

Born June 19, 1926, he was the son of the late Brice and Lula Shepherd. He was a U.S. Navy veteran of World War II, and a retired employee of General Motors Mansfield-Ontario plant. He was preceded in death by his wife, Helen L. Judson Shepherd, on March 13, 1996.

Survivors include two daughters, Kathy Noble and Lorna Thornsberry, both of Willard, Ohio; one son, Donald Shepherd of Plymouth, Ohio; one stepdaughter, Anita Heyman of Garrett, Indiana; one stepson, Neal Render of Garrett, Indiana; three brothers, Ballard Shepherd of Prestonsburg, James Shepherd of Floyd County, and Orville Shepherd of Wanhataw, Indiana; three sisters, Lil Barnett of Stockbridge, Michigan, Ann Brice of Michigan, and Gene Veatch of Valparaiso, Indiana; eight grandchildren, seven step-grandchildren and five step-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Tuesday, April 15, at 1 p.m., at the Willard Home of Lindsey Funeral Directors, with Rev. Lloyd Bailey officiating.

Burial was in the Greenwood Cemetery in Willard, Ohio, under the direction of the Lindsey Funeral Directors, Willard, Ohio.

Sylvia Turner

Sylvia Turner, 73, of Kite, died Monday, April 14, 1997, at Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital, following an extended illness.

Born December 23, 1923 in Knott County, she was the daughter of the late Henry and Lillie Fair Perry. She was a member of the Hollybush Old Regular Baptist Church, at Pippa Passes. She was preceded in death by her husband, Carl A. Turner.

Survivors include four sons, William Henry Turner of Huntington, Indiana, Raymond Turner and Gary Turner, both of Kite, and Douglas Turner of Palatine, Illinois; four daughters, Barbara Bentley of Pikeville; Linda Larkey of Huntington, Indiana, Betty Dicker of Palatine, Illinois, and Lilly Isaac of Punccheon; one sister, Dussie Ansel of Wabash, Indiana; 28 grandchildren, 36 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

Funeral services will be Thursday, April 17, at 11 a.m., at the Hollybush Old Regular Baptist Church at Pippa Passes, with the ministers of the Old Regular Baptist Church officiating.

Burial will be in the family cemetery on Bill D. Branch, at Kite, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin. Visitation is at the church.

Chalmer H. Frazier

Chalmer H. Frazier, 85, of Prestonsburg, died Monday, April 14, 1997, at Highlands Regional Medical Center in Prestonsburg.

Born September 28, 1911 at Martin, he was the son of the late Melvin and Laura Maggard Frazier. He was former administrator of Prestonsburg General Hospital, and one of the founders of Highlands Regional Medical Center. After graduating from Berea College, he began his career as a Floyd County teacher, basketball coach, principal and superintendent of Prestonsburg City Schools. He earned his masters degree from the University of Kentucky. He was a World War II veteran.

He was one of the founders of the Jenny Wiley Drama Association. After retiring as hospital administrator, Mr. Frazier became Executive Director of the Floyd County Chamber of Commerce.

He was Member Emeritus on the Prestonsburg Community College Advisory Board for more than 30 years and the Big Sandy College Educational Foundation Board. He served on the state AARP Legislative Committee.

He was a long-time member of the Kiwanis Club, Masons, and received the Silver Beaver Award, the highest non-member recognition from the Lonesome Pine Council of the Boy Scouts of America.

Mr. Frazier was a member of the First United Methodist Church for over 50 years.

Survivors include his wife, Kathryn Stumbo Frazier; two daughters, Kay Anne Wilborn of Lexington and Elizabeth Lynne Frazier of Prestonsburg; one son, William Chalmer Frazier of Prestonsburg; and three grandchildren and one great-granddaughter.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, April 16, at 11 a.m., at the First United Methodist Church in Prestonsburg, with Pastor David Fultz and Dr. Harold Dorsey officiating.

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

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests contributions may be to the First United Methodist Church Family Life Center; the Chalmer H. Frazier Scholarship Fund, Prestonsburg Community College; or the Alzheimer's Association.

Serving as pallbearers will be Gary Frazier, Lanny Frazier, Jeff Frazier, Bill Gordon Francis, George Preston Archer, Steve Wilburn, Don Hicks and Greg Stumbo.

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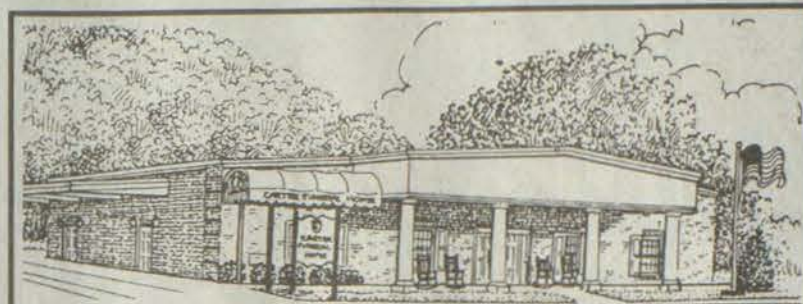
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Service Learning celebration at PCC

Prestonsburg Community College's Service Learning program will be holding a special event on Tuesday, April 22, from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. in J102. This Service Learning Celebration will conclude the third year of PCC's highly successful service learning program.

The program on this day will include:

- brief presentations from students in EX 196 who have each devoted 40 hours to community service this semester,
- remarks from other students who are participating in service learning in any class regarding their successes (and/or difficulties) in service learning,
- faculty comments about their experiences with student participants, including the special contributions they may be making to their classes and exceptional journaling or projects they may have completed,
- some supervisors of service learning at agencies in the community will be sharing their experiences with these students.
- a presentation of certificates/brief award ceremony,
- and refreshments will be served.

Everyone is encouraged to join in this celebration.

Prestonsburg Community College's service learning program is among eight in the country supported by an American Association of Community Colleges grant received in January 1995, which has supported the program during the past three years, and one of 25 colleges in Kentucky supported by a Keys to KERA—Higher Education grant during the past two school years. These grants, which are part of the Learn and Serve America—Higher Education program, have permitted the college to design and implement a project which has involved at least 135 of the 210 students (64.3 percent) who will graduate next month.

During the 1997 fall semester (the last semester for which the records are complete), at least 377 students signed up to participate in service learning. Of these, 128 handed in time sheets verifying that they had performed volunteer services for at least 20 hours in local community service agencies—including schools, hospitals, health departments, family service centers, youth service centers, churches, etc. A total of 6599 hours of service was provided during the fall semester in service to more than 103 separate agencies. Nineteen of PCC's faculty members either required service learning in their classes or have utilized service learning as an optional assignment or project in their course syllabi. These faculty have utilized service learning in 32 classes in 21 separate disciplines.

Eileen Lewandowski, PCC's service learning coordinator said, "We would like the members of our five-county community to become more aware of these good news stories about PCC, its students and faculty. Therefore, you are all invited to join us in this celebration."



DeRossett honored

Viola DeRossett was honored Monday night by Mayor Jerry Fannin and Prestonsburg City Council for community service. DeRossett donated a Christmas tree last year which was planted in the new municipal parking lot. DeRossett joked she was glad to get the tree out of her yard. (photo by Susan Allen)



Stout wins truck

Carolyn Stout, center, was the winner of the pickup truck given away at the Mountain Arts Center. The truck was donated to MAC by Layne Brothers Ford as a fund-raiser for the arts center. Pictured with Stout are Paul P. Hughes, Billie Jean Osborne, and Malcolm Layne.

Public hearing to be held on Floyd healthcare project

The Cabinet for Health Services has scheduled a public hearing on a Floyd County health care project.

Thunder Ridge Racing and Entertainment, Prestonsburg, proposes to establish an industrial ambulance service utilizing one vehicle to serve Thunder Ridge harness and stock car race track. The project involves a \$10,000 capital expenditure.

The hearing is scheduled for 9:00 a.m., April 25, in the Petroleum Storage Tank Commission Conference Room, 909 Leawood Drive, Frankfort.

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Health students from across state compete in statewide skills contests in Louisville

More than 80 health occupation students from across Kentucky won awards at a statewide skills competition in Louisville, March 13 and 14. Five students from Mayo State Vocational were among those winners.

Winners from the Mayo Regional Technology Center, their categories, and their placement were:

- Clarissa Dawn Hall, medical spelling/post-secondary, second;
- Belina Daugherty, Marsha Hall, first aid-CPR/post-secondary, third;
- Tonya Stewart, practical nursing/post-secondary, first;
- Kim Tucker, extemporaneous speaking/post-secondary, second; and
- Marsha Daniels, Ann Vesco Scholarship Award/post-secondary.

The competitions, sponsored by the Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA) and the state Department for Technical Education, included performance skills in areas such as CPR, practical nursing, assisting and veterinary assisting.

Competitions also included medical and dental spelling, medical and dental terminology and prepared and extemporaneous speaking.

HOSA is a student organization that promotes leadership, skills and career exploration among students in health fields. Most of the participants were students in the department's Kentucky Tech system of technical schools, which are part of the Workforce Development Cabinet.

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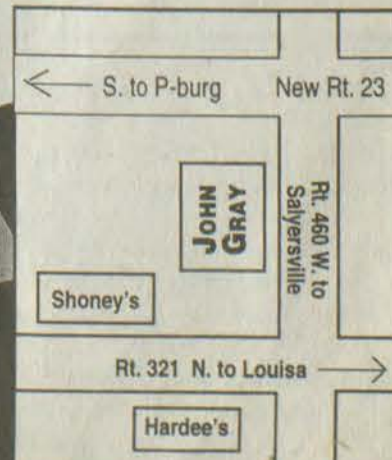
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Demonstrating a strong commitment to the community and concern for the environment, the Carter Funeral Home is a member of the Lofty Oaks Association, a nationwide organization dedicated to renewing forests in all 50 states since 1981.

"There's something profoundly meaningful about a living memorial that touches peoples' hearts," says one funeral director. "Planting a tree is one of the small but significant ways we try to help people through a difficult time."

This represents a new level of responsibility that is being assumed by Lofty Oaks Member Funeral Homes. They are coming beyond

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Thursday, April 24: Joann Coleman

Friday, April 25: Wings of Faith

Saturday, April 26: James Elkins

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Pastor: Willis Adkins

Card of Thanks

The family of Virgie Jane Bray Shepherd wishes to thank all those friends, neighbors, and family who helped them in any way upon the passing of their loved one. Thanks to those who sent food, flowers, prayers, and words of comfort expressed. A special thanks to the clergymen Abe Vanderpool and Ted Shannon for their comforting words; the sheriff's department for their assistance in traffic control; and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

**THE FAMILY OF
VIRGIE JANE BRAY SHEPHERD**

Card of Thanks

The family of Carlos Dean "Cotton" Hall would like to extend their appreciation to all those friends, neighbors and loved ones who helped comfort them during their time of sorrow. Thanks to all who sent food, flowers, prayers, or spoke comforting words. A special thanks to the Regular Baptist ministers for their comforting words; the sheriff's department for their assistance in traffic control; and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

**THE FAMILY OF
CARLOS DEAN "COTTON" HALL**

Rosenberg presents Founders Day Awards

A local leader presented Founders Day Awards for Morehead State University on April 4.

John M. Rosenberg, who heads the Appalachian Research and Defense Fund headquartered in Prestonsburg, made Founder's Day presentations to Robert S. Bishop of Morehead and to the family of the late K. Martin Huffman.

The awards ceremony was held Friday, April 4, at 10:30 a.m. in Button Auditorium.

Bishop will be honored for strong support of MSU. His family ties date back to the original Morehead Normal School.

He is the nephew of Frank C. Button, the first president of the college. The Adron Doran University Center stands partly on land once owned by his family.

Huffman, who died August 25, 1993, taught journalism classes and advised the yearbook staff at MSU. He was named director of Printing Services in 1967.

Huffman served as adviser to MSU's Kentucky Gamma Chapter of Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity and its predecessor, The Campus Club, for nearly three decades.

His work with the fraternity earned him SAE's highest national honor, the Distinguished Service Award, in 1991.

A regional SAE president for 12 years, he was a faculty member of the SAE Leadership School for 16 years.

He also was recognized on campus for his work with the Greek system, receiving The Order of Omega in 1986.

He was named the 1990 Greek Adviser of the Year and that award since has been renamed in his memory.

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Watkins was elected 1997-98 president of the Church of God Kentucky State Youth. **Tee** and **Sharon Watkins** are the parents of **Jeremy** and his sister, **Telah**. **Jeremy** is a junior at Paintsville High School and **Telah** attends Allen Elementary. Mr. Watkins is employed by Bell South and **Sharon** is an employee of the Floyd County Board of Education. The Church of God (Anderson, Ind.) just concluded their annual Kentucky State Youth Convention, April 3-4-5, in Owensboro. Eight hundred sixty eight counselors and youth attended the convention. The Church of God YOUTH number well over 1,000 across the Commonwealth.

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**THE FAMILY OF
EDWARD EUGENE "ED" BLANKENSHIP**

IIIRD Tyme Out at the Sipp Theatre this Saturday

The "Bluegrass at the Sipp" concert series continues Saturday, April 19, at 7:30 p.m., at the Sipp Theatre in downtown Paintsville, featuring The IIIRD Tyme Out, arguably the top group in the country, and The Stevens Sisters, considered the best of the "new" groups.

This concert closes the 1996-97 season at the historic theatre, as bluegrass moves "outdoors" for the festival season. The Sipp will host other musical events between now and the fall, including Jean Ritchie

and Larry Webster on June 14th. The IIIRD Tyme Out, one of the most popular bands in Bluegrass, virtually swept the 1994 International Bluegrass Music Association (IBMA) Awards, when lead vocalist Russell Moore won the Male Vocalist of the Year award and the entire group took Vocal Group of the Year honors. They have continued their dominance of awards ceremonies since, having repeated as honorees several times. They continue to be among the top

five draws at concerts and their records remain chart toppers. Since the group's formation in 1991, their rise to fame has been meteoric. They have received rave reviews in The Nashville Banner, Cleveland Plain Dealer, Atlanta Journal, Houston Post, Louisville Courier Journal, Knoxville News Central, Music Monitor, Country Music Journal, and many more publications. Other groups scheduled to appear at The Sipp are Ralph Stanley, October 25; Larry Sparks and The Lonesome Ramblers, January 4, 1998; and Doyle Lawson

and Quicksilver with J.D. Crowe and The New South, February 28, 1988. Anita Belhasen, music coordinator at The Sipp, stated that additional concerts are being booked throughout 1997 and that musical concerts have become standard fare at the newly restored theatre. "We intend to bring the people of Eastern Kentucky the finest musical talent available. While we are concentrating on Bluegrass at this time, we intend to add other forms of music, and make this wonderful old theatre available to the people of our region for various forms of

music and other activities," said Belhasen. The Sipp Theatre is operated by the Sipp Theatre Foundation, a non-profit organization, established for the purpose of restoring the theatre and providing quality entertainment to the citizens of Eastern Kentucky. Belhasen stated that she expects The Sipp to take its place along with The Kentucky Theatre in Lexington and The Paramount Arts Center in Ashland, in providing quality, live, musical and theatrical entertainment. Tickets for the April 19th concert are available at The Sipp

Theatre, 336 Main Street, Paintsville, Wilma's Restaurant, Court Street, Paintsville, WRLV Radio, Salyersville, Custom Cleaners, South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, or by mail, at Tickets, P.O. Box 1429, Paintsville, KY 41240. Tickets are \$8.00 in advance and \$10.00 at the door.

ARH to participate in Hammering in the Hills

Appalachian Regional Healthcare (ARH) will participate in Habitat for Humanity's Hammering in the Hills project in Eastern Kentucky this spring. Habitat for Humanity, which builds homes for the needy, is using space in the ARH Support Services building on U.S. 23 in Pikeville for the effort.

According to David Stringer, executive director of the Sandy Valley Habitat for Humanity, the empty section of ARH's building is being used to pre-build some sections of the homes, such as walls and porch frames. These sections will be transferred to the new homes' sites when the remaining construction occurs in June, Stringer said.

Hundreds of volunteers are expected to participate in the pro-

ject, including former President Jimmy Carter, his wife Rosalynn, and Kentucky First Lady Judi Patton. First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton may also participate.

"Habitat for Humanity is a tremendous organization," said Forrest W. Calico, M.D., president of ARH. "We're delighted and honored to be involved in such a worthwhile effort, and excited for the families that will soon benefit from the new homes."

Appalachian Regional Healthcare is a private, not-for-profit health care system that operates hospitals, clinics, and other home health and other health care services in Virginia, and West Virginia, and Kentucky, including McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital in Floyd County.



A stitch in time

Ladonna Settles, left, explains how her grandmother, Edie Harless, made this quilt using a spinning wheel as Sister Ruth Gingler of David Crafts look on. This is one of several locally produced quilts that will be on display at Prestonsburg Community College through April 19. Quilters from Floyd County who will have their work on display include Settles, her grandmother, David Crafts, Madeline Cole, Glenda Crum and Minty Belle Goble.

Quilt show at PCC

"A Stitch in Time" is the name of a quilt show on display through April 19 at the Prestonsburg Community College Art Gallery. The show has a variety of quilts exhibiting many patterns and techniques.

"Many of our ancestors and even quilters of today were not

aware their work was, and still is, one of the purest of art forms," said Tom Whitaker, Professor of Art at Prestonsburg Community College.

Gallery hours are from 9 a.m.-6 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and 9 a.m.-3 p.m. on Friday. For further information, call Brenda Miller at 886-3863, ext. 417.

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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.

Public hearing on aging services

The Big Sandy Area Agency on Aging will hold a public meeting regarding area plans for aging services programs under Title III of the Older Americans Act of 1965 as amended, the Kentucky Homecare Program, and the Adult Day Care Program.

The hearing will be at 10 a.m. at the Johnson County Senior Citizen Center, Thursday, April 17.

The public is invited to attend. For more information, call Doug Lawson at 886-2374 or 1-800-737-2723.

Special day for senior citizens

Camp Nathanael will host its fifth annual Senior Citizens Day for all area seniors on Thursday, April 17. There will be special music, singing, activities and a dinner served at noon.

The day begins at 10 a.m. and concludes at 1:30 p.m. There is no charge for the event. Expenses will be covered by a free will offering. For more information, call (606) 251-3231.

Rev. James Stratton will share a devotional.

National teleconference at PMH Education Center

Pikeville Methodist Hospital and the Hospice Foundation of America will provide a national teleconference, *Living with Grief: When Illness is Prolonged*, on April 16, from 1:30-4 p.m. The teleconference will be held in the PMH Education Center in the Wallen and Cornett Building.

Bereaved individuals and families as well as health care professionals are welcome. Health care professionals can obtain three contact hours. Call 437-3525 for price information or to register.

ACHS council to meet

Allen Central Youth Service Center will hold an advisory council meeting on April 24, at 6 p.m.

Bradley-Vanderpool reunion

A Bradley-Vanderpool reunion will be held June 15 at Archer Park, near the ballfield, for all friends and family of the late Farish and Polly Vanderpool Bradley, former residents of Dock. Bring a covered dish and non-alcoholic drinks. The reunion begins at 11 a.m.

Job skills training

Job skills training will be held at McDowell FRYSC. The program will be presented by Nyoka from U.K. Extension Office. Topic and time to be presented as follows: *Ways to Succeed in Seeking a Job*, April 17, from 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Tell it on the mountain to air

The popular literature series, "Tell It On the Mountain" will be rebroadcast on WMMT radio in Whitesburg beginning April 16.

The series features 15 women writers, including a former educator at Prestonsburg Community College, from the mountains of Kentucky, West Virginia, Virginia and Tennessee reading from their own works and talking about their lives as writers. The rebroadcast of "Tell It On the Mountain" will coincide with the annual spring fund drive of WMMT, which is a listener supported public radio station. The time for the shows varies from day to day. Here is the schedule and the types of books the authors write.

On Sunday, April 20, at 10:30 a.m., George Ella Lyon, of Harlan, and former PCC instructor, will read from children's books, essays, and plays.

On Tuesday, April 22, 10 a.m., Denise Giardina, of West Virginia, will read from her novels.

Michelle Y. Green of Jenkins, will read from her children's books on Friday, April 25, at 10 a.m.

Camp time

Applications are available and can be picked up at the Floyd County Sheriff's Office for the Kentucky Sheriff's Boys and Girls Ranch. Girls are scheduled to attend camp June 22-27; boys are scheduled to attend July 13-30.

You will need a ranch registration and health form application and an application for free and reduce-priced meals for each child attending.

Dinner theatre

The Piarist School drama club will present the you-solve-it comedy *Knock 'Em Dead* on April 19-20, at 7 p.m. The audience is invited to participate as they attempt to unravel the mystery of a gangster's murder.

The play written by Tom Oldendick and Will Roberson is being presented as a dinner theatre at the school, located on Route 80 in Martin. Tickets, which include dinner and the show, are \$7 for adults and \$5 for students and senior citizens. For more information, call the school at 285-3950.

Alzheimer's support group

There will be an Alzheimer's Support Group meeting April 17, at 6 p.m., at the King's Daughters' Medical Center's Paul G. Blazer Jr. Health Education Center (lower level of the parking facility). Join other caregivers as they share their experience in caring for a loved one with Alzheimer's disease.

There is no fee for this program, but reservations are required by calling (606) 325-SERV.

This program is offered through Silver Service, a KDMC community education program for men and women age 55+.

Retired teachers to meet in special session

The Floyd County Retired Teachers Association will meet in special session, April 23, at the Floyd County Extension office in Prestonsburg. Registration will begin at 10:00 a.m. On the agenda will be preparations for a memorial service for all FCRTA members who have died since June of 1996. All retired teachers in Floyd County are urged to attend this important session. Roberta Fugate, President of FCRTA, will preside.

Entrance exam

The Piarist School, a private, college-preparatory high school, will conduct an entrance exam for students entering their freshman or sophomore year of high school this fall. A standard high school placement exam will be given on April 19, at 9 a.m. at the school, on Route 80 in Martin. To register or for more information, call 285-3950.

John W. Hall Lodge No. 950 plans past masters' night

Clifford Blanton, master of John W. Hall Lodge No. 950, F&AM, Martin, announces that the lodge will hold a Past Masters' night on Saturday, April 19, beginning at 7 p.m. This is an open meeting, and family members are urged to attend.

Car wash

The local Big Sandy Area Kentucky Association of Nursing Students will hold a car wash, Friday, April 18, at 10 a.m., at the campus of PCC, by the front entrance. Cost is \$5 for the inside cleaning, \$10 for inside and out. All proceeds go to the Kentucky Association of Nursing Students.

Historical society meeting

The Floyd County Historical and Genealogical Society will meet Monday, April 21, at 7 p.m., in the conference room of the Floyd County Library.

Everyone is invited and urged to attend and join a group interested in the history of Floyd County and Eastern Kentucky.

Prater primary to present program

The Prater Elementary primary students will present Assignment: Earth, What Kids Can Do To Save The Planet, on April 16, at 7 p.m., at the Mountain Arts Center, Prestonsburg. Admission is free and everyone is welcome.

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A Look At Sports

Robinson set more of an example than uniform style

It seems that on the 50th Anniversary of when Brooklyn Dodger great Jackie Robinson broke the color line and was the first to play major league baseball, players and the African-American community want to imitate the great player.



Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

Today, modern major league players are wearing the uniforms Robinson did when he played in the '40s and early '50s. I think he should be remembered for what he accomplished for his people and the great charitable work he also did as a ball player.

I remember when Robinson played for the Dodgers and I also remember when he was traded from the Dodgers to the New York Giants, he then decided to retire from baseball.

He was an excellent third baseman with the Dodgers and a very, very good hitter. He had excellent speed on the base paths and was a player to be reckoned with.

But Robinson was more than a ball player. He was a good human being that cared for all people and did what he could to help in any capacity. He set the right example on the field — he never spit in an umpire's face, shoved dirt on their shoes or threw a tantrum when he felt he didn't get the proper recognition. Jackie Robinson just went out and proved himself on the diamond but more importantly, off the field.

If today's players are so interested in imitating the uniform that Robinson wore, why don't they first imitate his mannerisms both on and off the field? Why don't they commit themselves to being role models for the younger set today?

TIGER WOODS...

You can't help but pull for a golfer like Tiger Woods. The 21-year-old golfer has been nothing short of amazing. I have really rooted for him and I think he is one who knows the power of a good influence and is trying to be a positive role model, unlike the Deion Sanders, Charles Barkley's or Dennis Rodman.

These players could take a note from Woods' scrapbook and make some changes in their lifestyles.

Go get 'em, Tiger! WHEN WILL IT COME ABOUT...

Will anyone help out? Is there someone out there that will heed the cry and call for help of our youth in Floyd County?

For years now we have hollered loud and unmistakably clear, the need for more baseball facilities in our county. Thus far, the words have fallen on deaf ears. With the increasing number of summer youth leagues, there is a shrinking number of facilities that will handle all the summer activity of our kids.

Case in point. The Allen Central girls softball team is being ejected from the Allen Park Little League facility soon in favor of the Harold-Allen-Prater Little League. Coach Anthony Moore says that means he is going to have to find a home park to play seven home games he had scheduled at the Allen Park.

"I don't know what I am

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Prestonsburg 10-under AAU wins regional title

Advances to state meet at Danville Friday night

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

The Prestonsburg 10-under AAU basketball team captured the Eastern Kentucky regional title on March 28 at the Pikeville College gym to cap off a perfect 16-0 season, in which they also won the regular season title as well.

The team had already clinched a berth in the state tournament before the regional tournament, but coach Don Compton said, "The kids really wanted the regional title."

In a nail-biter, Prestonsburg captured the regional championship with a 32-30 win over a very good South Floyd team with a balanced scoring attack that saw nine players in the scoring column.

Jesse Chaffin scored all five of his points in the fourth quarter to help lead Prestonsburg from a three-point deficit and the two point victory.

South Floyd led 22-19 going into the final stanza, but Prestonsburg's defense held South Floyd to just two field goals in the fourth period as they outscored the Raiders 13-8.

South Floyd led 7-5 after the initial period but an 11-7 run for Prestonsburg in the second quarter netted them a 16-14 half time lead.

In the third period, Burnett Little pumped in four points in an 8-3 South Floyd run for the three point margin.

Trevor Compton and Molly Burchett led Prestonsburg's scoring with six points apiece. Chaffin finished with five and Michael Morrison finished with four. Morrison had the only three-point basket for Prestonsburg.

Michael Stephens scored three points while Cory Tincher, John Stephens, Adam Meade, and Kristofer Bentley netted two points each.

Dana McCown led all scorers with 12 points for South Floyd. Little and Ryan Johnson tossed in six each. Steve Stanley had three points, Dennis Mathews 2, and

Dustin Moore one.

The Blackcats defeated Mullins in the first round, 32-14 behind Bentley's 10 points. Compton finished with eight for the winners. Chaffin and Meade netted four apiece while Stephens scored three. Morrison had two points and Burchett one.

Prestonsburg faced a tough Pikeville team in the tournament semifinals, pulling out a thrilling 33-31 win over the Panthers in the waning seconds of the game.

The game was tied at 31, when Compton hit a basket with just 10 seconds left as the clock expired on Pikeville.

Michael Morrison scored six of his team high 11 points in the third quarter that gave Prestonsburg a 25-23 lead after three quarters.

Morrison had a first quarter three-pointer to give Prestonsburg a 5-2 lead at the first stop. The Blackcats took a 15-13 lead to the locker room at the half with Kristofer Bentley tossing in four second quarter points.

Bentley finished with eight points for the Blackcats with

Stephens and Chaffin netting four apiece. Tincher, Meade and Compton finished with two points.

The local AAU team will travel to Danville this Friday to participate in the AAU State Tournament.

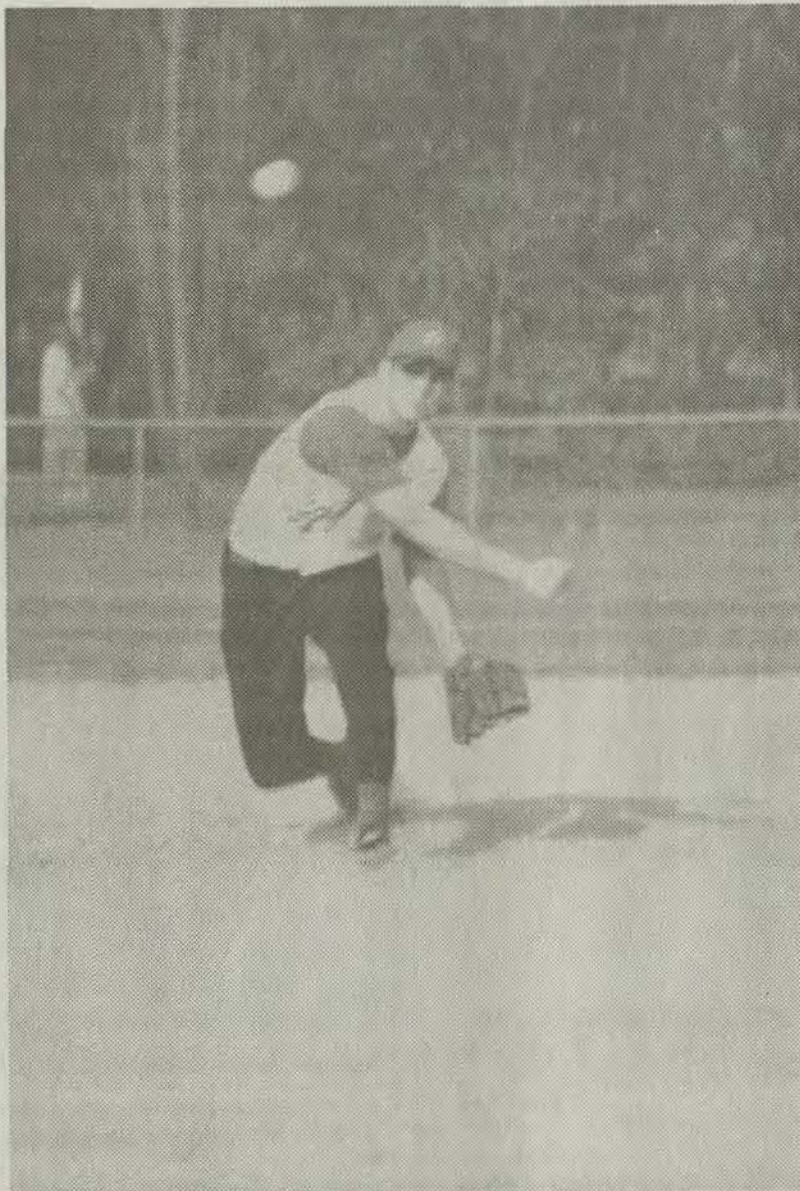


State bound

The Prestonsburg 10-under AAU basketball team will compete in the state tournament at Danville this weekend. Team members are: Molly Burchett, Kristofer Bentley, Jesse Chaffin, Trevor Compton, Billy Joe Hicks, Adam Meade, Michael Morrison, John Mark Stephens, Michael Stephens, Cory Tincher. Coaches are Don Compton, Blake Burchett, and Randy Tincher

Prestonsburg stays perfect with win over Bobcats

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor



Here's the pitch

Prestonsburg's Grant Castle made a strong showing against Betsy Layne last Monday evening, pitching six strong innings in his team's 7-6 win over the Bobcats. (photo by Ed Taylor)

Coach Russell Shepherd's Prestonsburg Blackcats pounded out 11 hits and got some strong pitching from hard throwing Grant Castle to hold off the Betsy Layne Bobcats, 7-6, Friday evening at the Allen Park.

Prestonsburg improved to 4-0 on the season, while Betsy Layne lost for only the third time with a 13-3 mark. Two of the losses for the Bobcats came in Florida.

Castle, although the strike out pitch wasn't there, kept Betsy Layne off their stride with a good mixture of pitches, pitching snoutout baseball through the first five innings.

The decisive run came in the Prestonsburg seventh, although the Blackcats owned a 6-4 lead at the time. The seventh inning run gave Prestonsburg a 7-4 margin and they would need it after Betsy Layne batted in the bottom of the seventh.

The Prestonsburg seventh unfolded when Castle, batting for himself, lined a base hit to center field. Freshman Seth Crisp laid down a perfect sacrifice, moving Castle to second base. Catcher Sammy Nelson got under a pitch and drove the ball deep to right field where it was hauled in for the second out of the frame. But Blake Price delivered with a base hit to right center scoring Castle.

In the Betsy Layne half of the seventh, the Bobcats, came close to catching the Blackcats, but that only counts in horseshoes.

Wes Samons, who relieved Castle with two out in the Betsy Layne sixth, got Brandon Castle on a fly ball to center to start the seventh for the Bobcats. But Brent Tackett hit a ground rule double and rode home on Doug Keathley's towering drive over the left field fence for a two-run home run to make it a 7-6 game. Matt Kidd, switch-hitting against the left-handed Samons, went out to deep center field and Samons fanned Brad Reynolds to end the game.

Chad Case started on the mound for Betsy Layne, and despite not having his strike out pitch, set the Blackcats down in the first four innings.

Prestonsburg struck for three runs in the top of the fifth on a one out double by Price, Zeth Shepherd's single, an RBI single off the bat of Jason Blackburn and Samons' two-run single to make it 3-0.

Coach Shepherd's Blackcats added three more runs in their half of the sixth to assume a 6-0 lead against Case.

Crisp opened the inning by singling to left field and was sacrificed to second by Nelson. Price then picked up his second hit of the game, an RBI single, scoring Crisp. Craig Johnson bobbled the ball in left field allowing Price to advance to second base. Shepherd followed with his second hit of the contest scoring Price. Shepherd later scored on John Ortega's two out RBI hit.

Betsy Layne got on the scoreboard in the bottom of the sixth, as they batted around against Castle.

Brandon Castle started the four run rally with a base hit. He stole second and went to third on Keathley's base hit. Castle lost the strike zone and walked Matt Kidd on a 3-2 count to load the bases. Reynolds then drilled a pitch over the head of the center fielder scoring both Castle and Keathley.

The bases remained loaded after Chris Holbrook reached on an error. Castle got Jake Carroll on strikes, but gave up a two-run single to Case. Coach Shepherd then brought in Samons to replace Castle. He got Johnson to ground to second to finish the inning.

Price's three hits led the offense for Prestonsburg. He picked up two RBIs in the contest. Samons had two runs batted in. Ortega and Shepherd collected two hits each.

Keathley's home run was his first of the '97 season, as he finished the game with three hits and two runs batted in. Case and Reynolds had two RBIs.

Castle picked up the victory, while Case suffered the setback. Castle allowed four runs on seven hits. He struck out two and did issue a walk.

Case worked six full innings and allowed six runs on 10 hits. He fanned two and walked one. Keathley, in one inning of work, gave up one run on one hit.

Both teams left seven runners stranded and both committed two errors. Prestonsburg collected 11 hits, while Betsy Layne pounded out nine.

Prestonsburg will entertain Allen Central tonight in a district game.

Conference becomes reality with board approval

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

The dream of having a strong Floyd County Elementary Athletic Association Conference, became a reality this past week when the Floyd County Board of Education gave unanimous approval to plans submitted by FCEAA chairman Pete Grigsby, Jr.

The proposal passed by the board includes all elementary athletics such as basketball, football and track and field.

The board made only two minor changes in the submitted proposals and Grigsby was satisfied with the boards actions.

"Anytime you get 95 percent of what you proposed, you have to be satisfied," he said. "There has been a lot of work and effort put into this proposal and the coaches and principals are to be commended for their efforts."

"I am very happy with the new elementary conference. Under the new conference every elementary school will have to play each other during the course of the season," he said.

The two changes the board made in the proposals included: no athletic contests will be held when school is dismissed because of inclement weather. The conference proposal was to leave the decision of cancellation up to the two school princi-

pals involved. But the school board stuck with their original policy of "no athletic contests or activities shall be held on days when schools have been closed for the entire school day..."

The second change came when it was suggested by the FCEAA that no athletic games be scheduled on Wednesday nights or Sunday. The board change was only if the need arises to play a tournament or make-up games, then Wednesday or Sunday could be used.

"That was their prerogative to make changes," said Grigsby.

The 12 team grade school system will be divided into two divisions next year, eliminating the long time sectional play. The North Division will consist of Adams, Allen, Auxier, Betsy Layne, Martin and Prater. The South will be made up of Duff, Stumbo, Harold, McDowell, Melvin and Osborne.

Each team will play teams in their division in a home-and-home

series and play teams in the opposite division once during the regular season.

All schools will be required to play in the county tournament which will begin no later than February 1. Under the old sectional play, only the winners and runners-up from each section advanced to the county tournament.

"I like the fact that each school has to play each other at least once," said Grigsby. "We have got some things approved but we still have a lot of work to do. There are things we need to work for the future."

Something new for next year that will be put in place will be an All-Star Classic after the county tournament next year. At the conclusion of the tournament, an all-star team from each of the two divisions will be chosen.

Board member Jody Mullins wanted to take the all-star issue a step further and pick a county all-star that would compete with other county all-star squads in an all-star

tournament.

"The board stood behind us on what we wanted to do," said Grigsby. "What was passed has become board policy."

The next important issue will be the organization of the proposed officials association, that Grigsby and the coaches hope to have in place before next season begins.

"There have been different suggestions on how to handle the officiating at games," he said. "We could have an assigning secretary, or we could just allow each school to get their own officials. It has

been suggested letting each team pick one official. But it is an issue we need to address at our next meeting."

Under the new conference, elementary girls basketball can begin conditioning without equipment anytime after school begins and can begin using equipment on October 1, with their season opening on November 1.

The Harold and Prater boys teams will follow the same guide-

See Conference, page two)

Rain fails to slow stock car racing at Thunder Ridge

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

For the second straight week, stock car racing at Thunder Ridge went off smoothly despite the early rain during the the day this past Saturday.

Three features in the bomber, stock cars and road hogs divisions were held with a large racing crowd in the pit area as well as the grandstand.

In the bomber division, Jason Johnson drove his number 37 racer across the finish line and into the winner's circle, running ahead of Bill Setzer in his #16 car. Mikey

Hall, in car #M23, finished third.

Tim Moore took the checkered flag in the AMRA stock car division, driving his #69 machine across the finish line. Billy Hutchinson, car #A85, finished second with third place going to Billy Stumbo, car #000.

In the road hog division, it was David Clifton's #5 taking first place while Dennis Bartley, car #69, finishing second. Keith Branham, car #28, placed third.

All five classes will race this Saturday night with the Late Models and Modifieds joining the field. All classes will be running for points this weekend.

9th Annual Hillbilly Classic begins Thursday

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

Eight teams, divided into two pools, will make up one fifth of the high school baseball teams that will compete in the Ninth Annual Hillbilly Days Classic baseball tournament to be held at the Pike County Central field and W.C. Hambley Athletic Complex.

Two Floyd County schools, Betsy Layne and Allen Central, will compete in the tournament, but in different pools.

Pool A will consist of host Pikeville, Betsy Layne, Belfry and Fleming-Neon. Pike Central, Elkhorn City, Paintsville and Allen Central will comprise Pool B.

The tournament will showcase four games with two played at the Hambley Complex and two at Pike Central. In a 5 p.m. first pitch time,

Pikeville will face the Belfry Pirates followed by Betsy Layne taking on Fleming-Neon at 7:15. The two games will be played at the Hambley Complex field.

At 5 p.m. at Pike Central, Elkhorn City will match up against Pike Central and Paintsville plays Allen Central in the second game at 7:15 p.m.

Friday, April 18, Paintsville and Elkhorn City meet at 5 p.m. at the Hambley Complex followed by Allen Central and Pike Central. Betsy Layne faces Belfry at 5 p.m. at the Pike Central diamond and Fleming-Neon will meet Pikeville at 7:15 p.m.

The final day of the three-day tournament will be Saturday, April 19. Pikeville faces Betsy Layne in a noon first pitch time at Hambley. Belfry will meet Fleming-Neon at 2:15 p.m. At the Pike Central field,

Paintsville faces Pike Central at noon and Allen Central takes on Elkhorn City at 2:15.

The two winners in each pool will meet at 5:30 p.m. at the Hambley Complex in the championship game.

The Hillbilly Classic has become one of the favorite baseball tournaments in Eastern Kentucky and pro-

vides a lot of excitement for those who love high school baseball.

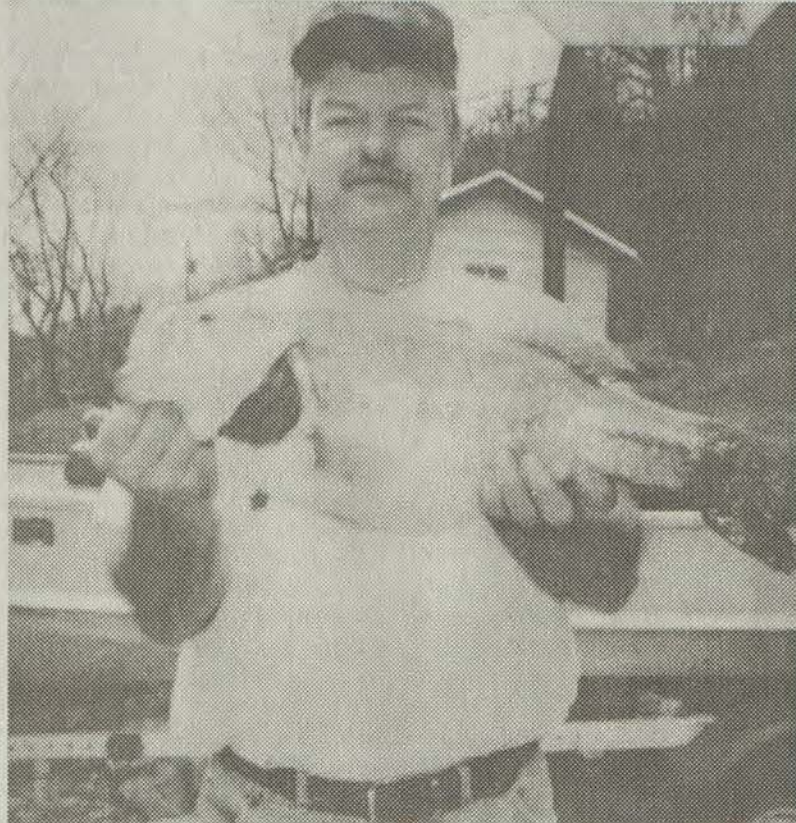
The Hambley Complex is one of the finer places to enjoy the game and provides chair-back seats to those fans who like to watch from under a cover.

The Pike Central diamond is new this year, and a fine place to play baseball.



A happy angler

It is always a fisherman's delight when they catch their first fish and here Maxine Goble proudly displayed her first catch. She is looking forward to hooking number two.



A sure keeper

Tim Maynard of Prestonsburg fished the hollows around Dewey Lake and hooked this 6-pound, 12-ounce bass that measured at 20 and one half inches. He caught the keeper on a black jig.

Conference

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lines for girls, due to the scheduling of gyms.

All other boys teams can begin conditioning without equipment on October 1 and can begin using equipment on October 15, with their season opening on November 1.

Both the girls and boys seasons will allow for competition in 20 regular season games and four tournaments, excluding the county tournament.

Coaches will continue to rate officials for each game played during the season and forward the results to the FCEAC for further consideration and evaluation. All schools are to exchange eligibility

sheets before each game.

Harold Elementary will be the host school for next year's county tournament and will determine the site the tournament will be held.

The county tournament will be seeded with first and second place teams in each division getting a first round bye.

Teams in the county will still be permitted to play teams outside of Floyd County.

The two middle schools, Martin and Adams, will be permitted to take part in the middle school conference as well.

The next scheduled meeting of elementary coaches and principals will set for Tuesday, May 13.

Johnson's two home runs powers Lady Cats past Piarist

Jessica Johnson clubbed two home runs, picked up seven RBIs and Mandy Hall drove in four as the Betsy Layne Lady Cats won for the first time this softball season with a 31-16 win over The Piarist School of Martin. The game was played at the Stumbo Park.

The Piarist School, one of the newest members of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association, is in just their second year of girl softball. Rachel Woods had a perfect day at the plate with four hits in four at-bats. She also picked up four runs batted in. She hit a three-run home run in the third inning. Ann Hall had a three-run shot in the fourth and had four runs batted in.

Hall's round tripper for Betsy Layne was of the grand slam variety, and it came in the second inning. Johnson had a two-run home run in the first and crashed a bases loaded shot in the fourth inning. She also tripled home a run in the second inning.

Piarist took a 3-0 lead after they batted in the top of the first. Saskia Coolen tripled to start the game and scored on Hall's RBI double. Hall scored on Wood's base hit. Natasha Clark and Jenne Mahaffey had singles in the inning.

Betsy Layne came back in the bottom of the frame and sent 15 batters to the plate in scoring 11 times. Ashley Tackett had a two-run double to drive in the first two runs. Johnson then homered and Devon Reynolds reached on a single and scored on Newman's base hit. Brittany Brooks had an RBI hit and two errors, coupled with Johnson's triple, gave the Lady cats an 11-3 lead.

Woods singled and scored an unearned run in the Piarist second for an 11-4 game. But Betsy Layne pushed across four runs in the bottom of the second and led 15-4. Hall accounted for all four runs with her grand slam.

The Piarist School went out in order in the third, but Betsy Layne plated six runs in their half of the inning for a 21-4 game.

Piarist put together a strong inning in the third by scoring 12 times to make the game respectable at 21-16. Woods had her three-run home run in the inning. Cori Duty and Tai England had RBI singles.

But Betsy Layne put the game away with 10 runs in the fourth on

a two-run home run by Reynolds. Heather Hamilton picked up the win for Betsy Layne. Hall suffered the setback for The Piarist School.

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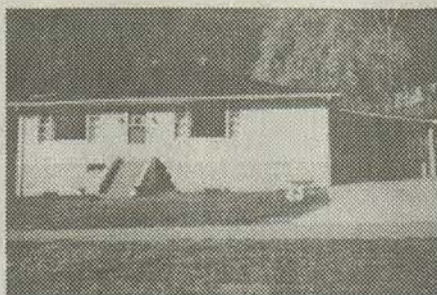
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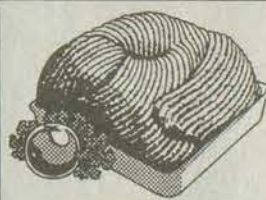
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Sports in Kentucky

by Bob Watkins

Jackie Robinson would like Tiger Woods in a special way

The most notable sports event in Kentucky this week is celebration of the 50th anniversary of Jackie Robinson's debut in Major League Baseball. With Ebbets Field in Brooklyn long gone, what better place for this commemorative than the Louisville Slugger Museum in Louisville, and who better to remind us of Robinson's courage, honor and dignity than teammate Harold "PeeWee" Reese.

Reese, now 78, and under cancer treatment in Florida, offered his remarks by video. It was Reese's humanity and conviction to befriend Robinson 50 years ago that opened a new frontier for better race relations in America.

No, Jackie Robinson would not be happy with progress made, but we are still moving forward in significant ways not measured by poll-takings and certainly not well chronicled by mass media.

I think it remarkable that as the 50th anniversary of Robinson's image of courage and gallantry in sports and society comes to the fore, on the first day of this week Tiger Woods became the first American of color—not black and not white!—to succeed in one of the bastions of white America, a country club in Augusta, Georgia.

Woods is not only a magnificently gifted golfer, but has the God-given grace and sense of humanity that push forward the ideas Robinson endorsed, and Muhammad Ali still works toward, even as imbecilic behavior by Dennis Rodman, Albert Belle, Michael Irvin and others threaten the mission.

Tiger Woods is more than a charismatic young man who swings a golf club with breath-taking skill. His parents, particularly father Earl, have taught him lessons of human dignity and compassion, and also the relative importance of a golf tournament and the mounds of money it brings.

As he strode to the 18th green Sunday, Woods said a prayer of thanks for those black golfers who had gone before him, Charlie Sifford and Lee Elder. After his final putt, the young man went directly to his father and the scene between the two men would move the hardest of hearts. In a gesture that knows no color the emotional embrace of son and father was universal. Just as an embrace between white and black America ought to be, in some ways is, and perhaps one day will be widespread.

And so, this week we honor Jackie Robinson's memory. And the once-fiery Dodgers' infielder might not be pleased with progress toward racial peace in America, but I think he would be very pleased with some of the efforts being made.

And Jackie Robinson would like Tiger Woods as much as all Americans do this week. But the old Dodger would like even more what the young man stands for.

HAPPIEST MAN IN KENTUCKY?

Happiest man in Kentucky sports this sunny April?

Folks at Claiborne Farm who own Pulpit? C.M. Newton? Best selling author Rick Pitino? Who? I have a few candidates.

Nick Zito and D. Wayne Lukas. The most quoted horse trainers love it when the round balls are put away for, what, an hour and 19 minutes?

Ralph Hacker. Wrapping adjectives around all those pass formations and receivers spread out everywhere, whew! Leave that stuff to Tom Leach and Jeff Van Note.

Jim Bunning. Now that the baseball Hall of Famer's letter to Rick Pitino is a matter of public record, Bunning doesn't have to worry about hustling campaign money to run for the U.S. Senate.

Scotty Baesler. The ex-UK player, Lexington mayor and current Senatorial candidate is glad Bunning was around to tell Pitino what both politicians think of Bill Clinton.

Entrepreneurs. Lexington-based tee-shirt folks working up promos for Tim Couch. Let's see: Air Tim...Tim Air...Tim Tam...Timmy and the Jets...whatever.

Tim Couch. UK's quarterback can dream all he wants, but the defense he's seeing today ain't nuthin like those coming in September.

Tim Couch's buddies. Ones with single digit or 80-something numbers on their jerseys.

George Massey. A budding defensive lineman at UK got a reality check when he tried to trade a \$60 cellular phone for a \$100 one and was arrested for shoplifting. Kid got a lesson in knowing when to say "Yo, can I get some help over here?" He stayed out of jail and on the football team.

Tyru\$ McCloud. Former UofL linebacker ... ahhh, just chillin', waiting for the NFL draft. So, Ty, how are classes going?

Chris Snopak. The Harrison County native is playing next to Albert Belle, and in balmy Chicago too.

Ryan Hogan, Myron Anthony and Michael Bradley ... the love-in with Wildcat hoops fans begins. But yo, guys, wait 'til boot camp.

Scott Padgett. With that talent and those ears, me thinks UK's junior-to-be is going to be one talked about hombre when the hoops magazines bloom again. Now, if the hat size just stays the same?

Joann Hauser. Close, but nah. Her \$ex discrimination suit against UK athletics doesn't come up until month's end.

C.M. NEWTON'S LATEST GAFFE

Hyperbole. C.M. Newton's repetitive praise and stroking of Kentucky's men's basketball is well intentioned, but UK's director of athletics missed the mark again when he overstated recently that, before Rick Pitino's arrival at Kentucky, "...how little everyone seemed to be enjoying (winning basketball)."

Newton is wrong of course and his remark is at least a slap in Joe B. Hall's face. It is noteworthy that Newton's assessment was made from such vantage points as Nashville and Tuscaloosa.

JUST WONDERING

...If former UK basketball star Ron Mercer is going to class? Stop laughing.

...How newly appointed Eastern Kentucky U. men's basketball coach Scott Perry plans to recruit effectively against that school just the other side of Clay's Ferry?

...About Larry Ivy, UK associate director of athletics. Say, didn't you used to be in charge of hustling chunks of the Meadowlands basketball court? So, how are sales?

...If M.L. Carr is having lunch any time soon with Larry Bird?

READERS (RIGHT) WRITE

√ About UK reaching the NCAA title game against Arizona...

Tom McDowell, Campbellsville (E-Mail): I think our boys done us proud...and I was pleased (and somewhat surprised) at the grace that the coach showed. There are still good things that happen in sports and Arizona appeared to be gracious in victory, although they did play well enough to crow."

COMMENT: Sums it up rather well.

√ About recruiting and Rick Pitino's approach...

Greg Smith, Lawrenceburg (E-Mail): "Recruiting...some of these kids are really starting to give me a rash. I know basketball is king in the Bluegrass and all that, but still, some of these kids think they are the anointed of God. I like what Rick, oops, (Da) Coach does. He goes out and gets kids who want to play at Kentucky and balances that with one or two who have superstar potential. I really enjoy having Anthony Epps's, Scott Padgett's, Jared Pricketts, Cameron Mills's...you knows's, guys who WANT to play ball."

√ About the Sports In Ky. High School scoring lists...

John Bond, basketball coach at Cumberland High School for 19 years wrote with a list of 1,000-points-or-more scorers at Cumberland High — Lori Kluck, 2,106; Margaret Harris, 1,861; Joey Morris, 1,362; Monica Owens 1,271; Amy Morris, 1,177; Nickie Snow, 1,002, Kelly Morris, 1,001.

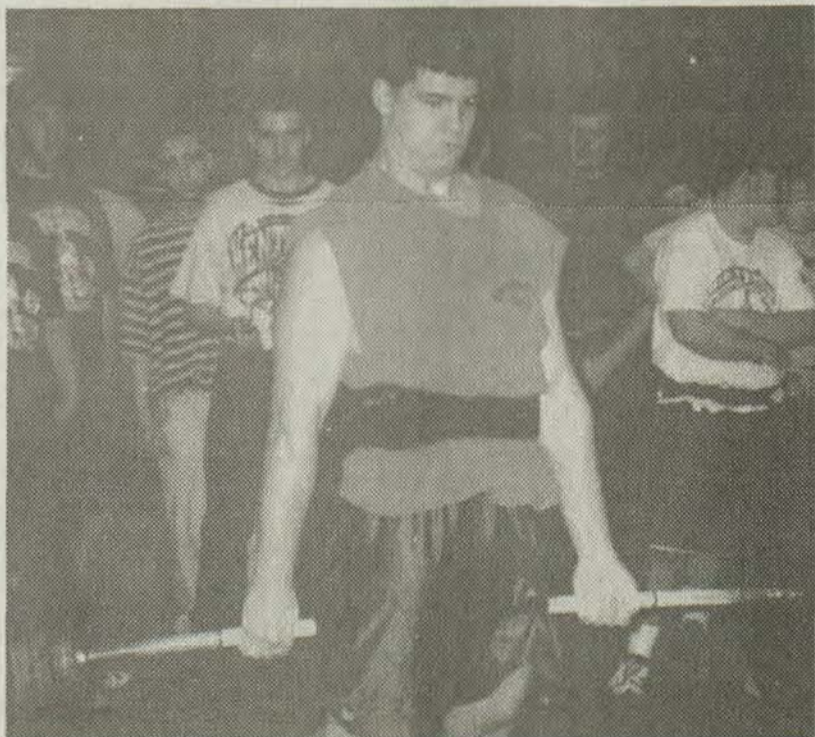
BASKETBALL NEWS

Kentucky Mr. and Miss Basketball will be announced Apr. 25 in Frankfort. Tryouts for the Kentucky all-stars for summer series with Indiana will be Apr. 26-27 at Georgetown College with announcement of teams to be made Apr. 27. The Bluegrass side of the annual Kentucky-Indiana series will be played June 28 in Frankfort. For ticket information call 502-564-5335.

Perfect fit. When 6-4 Eric Liedtke of Oldham County signed with Transylvania last week it was a steal for Transy coach Don Lane. But Liedtke benefits as well. He should become an in-state star playing in Lane's system. ... Trigg County All-Stater Chris Sparks will attend Samford University in Birmingham, Ala. The 6-foot shooter is a perfect example of the caliber of player in-state schools should have worked harder to sign, keep at home.

DIS 'N DATA

√ Tom Leach, sports and news director at WVLC-Radio in Lexington will be the new voice of Kentucky Wildcat football.



A big lift

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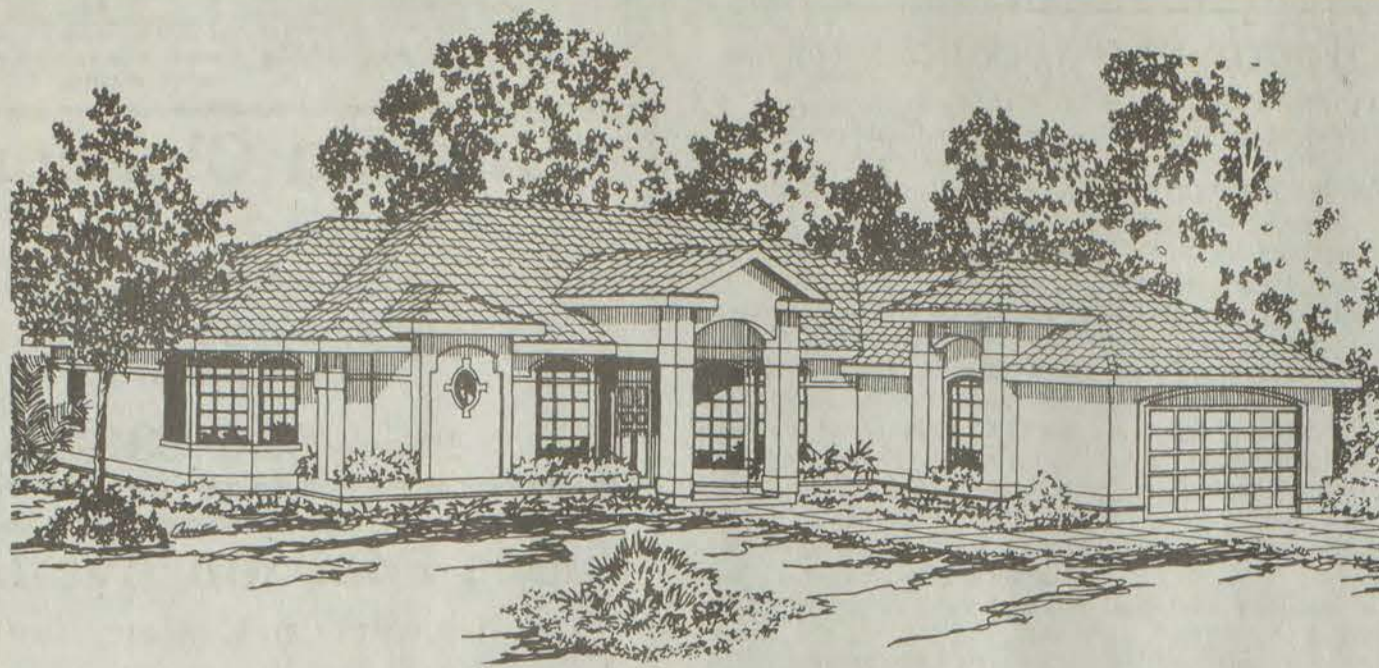
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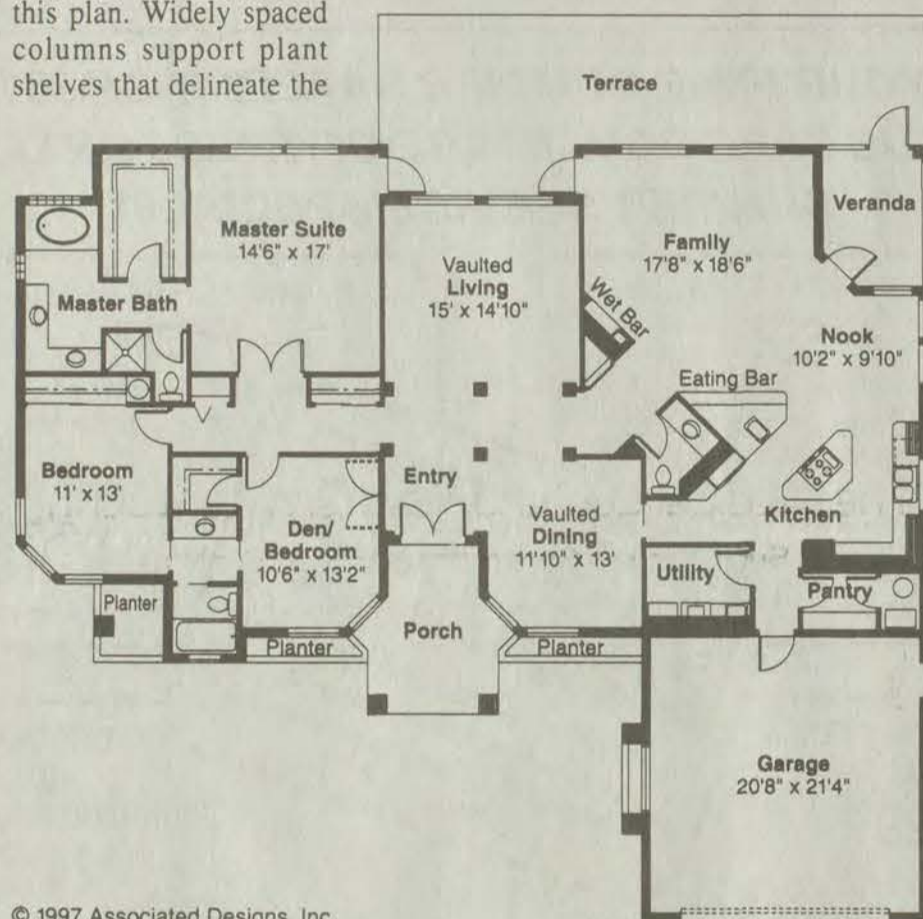
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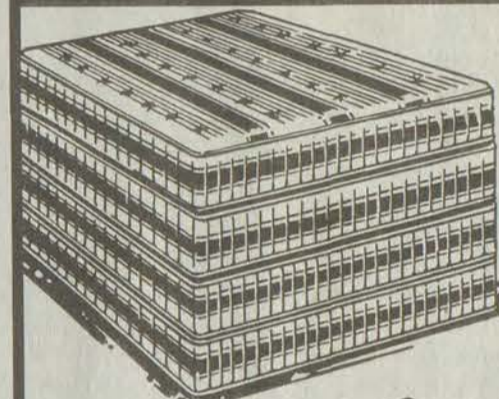
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First place in dance twirl

The Prestonsburg High School Majorettes placed first in the Dance Twirl held in Proctorville, Ohio on April 5. Members of the squad include: front row, Jennie Epperson, Beth Smith, Ashley Boyd. Second row: Michelle Clark (assistant sponsor), Amy Martin, Kayla Goble, Denise Hunter and Anzie Thacker (sponsors). Third row: Jenn Lafferty, Melinda Wiley, Felisha Bradford, Angel Stephens, Shawna Leslie.

The Racing Reporter

by Gerald Hodges

GORDON BACK IN VICTORY LANE

Jeff Gordon took the lead from Rusty Wallace, with less than three-quarters of a mile to go in the Food City 500 at Bristol Int'l Raceway to register his third consecutive BIR win.

Wallace had led for the previous 83 laps, but with less than two laps remaining, he had to slow for the lapped car of Jimmy Spencer. As Wallace slowed down, this allowed Gordon the opportunity he needed. He gave Wallace a love-tap, and as Wallace's number two Miller Lite Thunderbird wiggled, Gordon shot by underneath for the lead and checkered flag.

"The car wasn't real good at the end as it should have been," said Gordon. "But it was good enough to catch and pass Rusty."

TOP TEN FINISHERS:

- 1) Jeff Gordon
- 2) Rusty Wallace
- 3) Terry Labonte
- 4) Dale Jarrett
- 5) Mark Martin
- 6) Dale Earnhardt
- 7) Bill Elliott
- 8) Chad Little
- 9) Jeremy Mayfield
- 10) Brett Bodine

TOP FIVE POINTS LEADERS

- 1) Dale Jarrett, 1,190
- 2) Terry Labonte, 1,064
- 3) Jeff Gordon, 990
- 4) Bobby Labonte, 919
- 5) Jeff Burton, 874

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- 3) Randy LaJoie
- 4) Michael Waltrip
- 5) Dick Trickle
- 6) Steve Park
- 7) Tim Fedewa
- 8) Phil Parsons
- 9) Jason Keller
- 10) Buckshot Jones
- 11) Larry Pearson
- 12) Jeff Green
- 13) Stevie Reeve

- 14) Elliott Sadler
- 15) Johnny Chapman
- 16) Morgan Shepherd
- 17) Mike Wallace
- 18) Glenn Allen
- 19) Tim Steele
- 20) Rodney Combs

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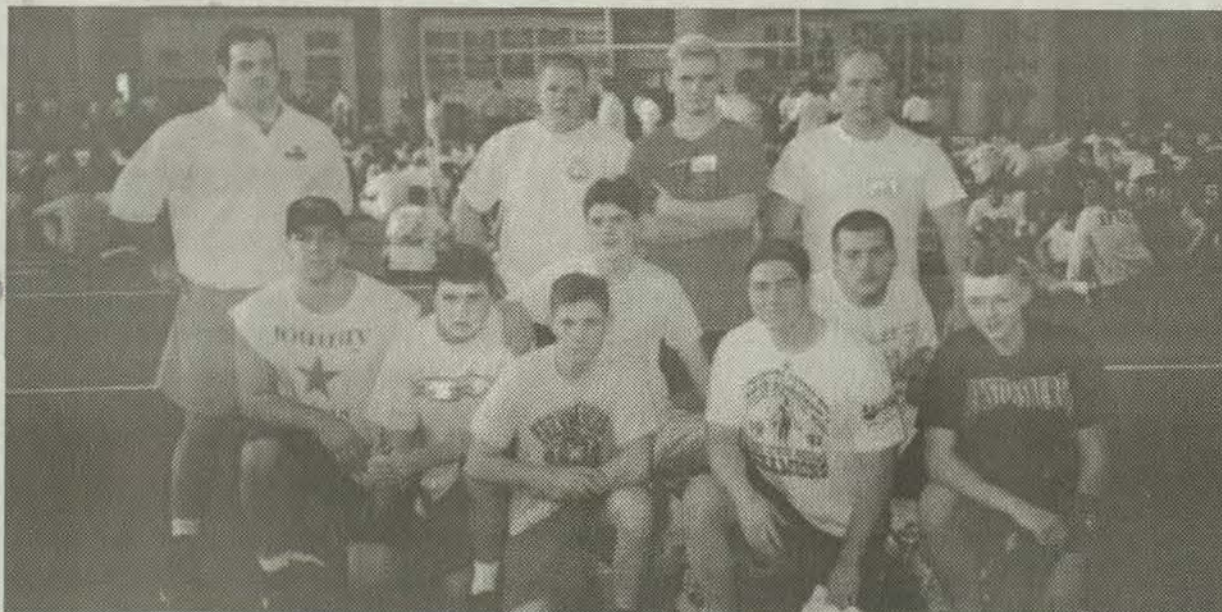
Time	Game	Location
5 p.m.	Pikeville vs Belfry	Hambley Field
7:15 p.m.	Fleming-Neon vs Betsy Layne	Hambley Field
5 p.m.	Pike Central vs Elkhorn City	Pike Central Field
7:15 p.m.	Paintsville vs Allen Central	Pike Central Field

Friday, April 18

5 p.m.	Elkhorn City vs Paintsville	Hambley Field
7:15 p.m.	Allen Central vs Pike Central	Hambley Field
5 p.m.	Betsy Layne vs Belfry	Pike Central Field
7:15 p.m.	Fleming-Neon vs Pikeville	Pike Central Field

Saturday, April 19

Noon	Pikeville vs Betsy Layne	Hambley Field
2:15 p.m.	Belfry vs Fleming-Neon	Hambley Field
Noon	Pike Central vs Paintsville	Pike Central Field
2:15 p.m.	Allen Central vs Elkhorn City	Pike Central Field
5:30 p.m.	Championship Game	Hambley Field



Attends clinic

Coach John Derossett, Prestonsburg football coach, had several of his Blackcat football players take part in the University of Tennessee strength/conditioning camp held recently in Knoxville.

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III. The Floyd County Transfer Station at Garth Hollow will be open Saturday, April 19 at 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. and Saturday, April 26 from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. and each weekday from 8:00 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Households will be permitted free disposal of all allowable items at the transfer station — you must "weigh-in" on the scales. Only households will be permitted.

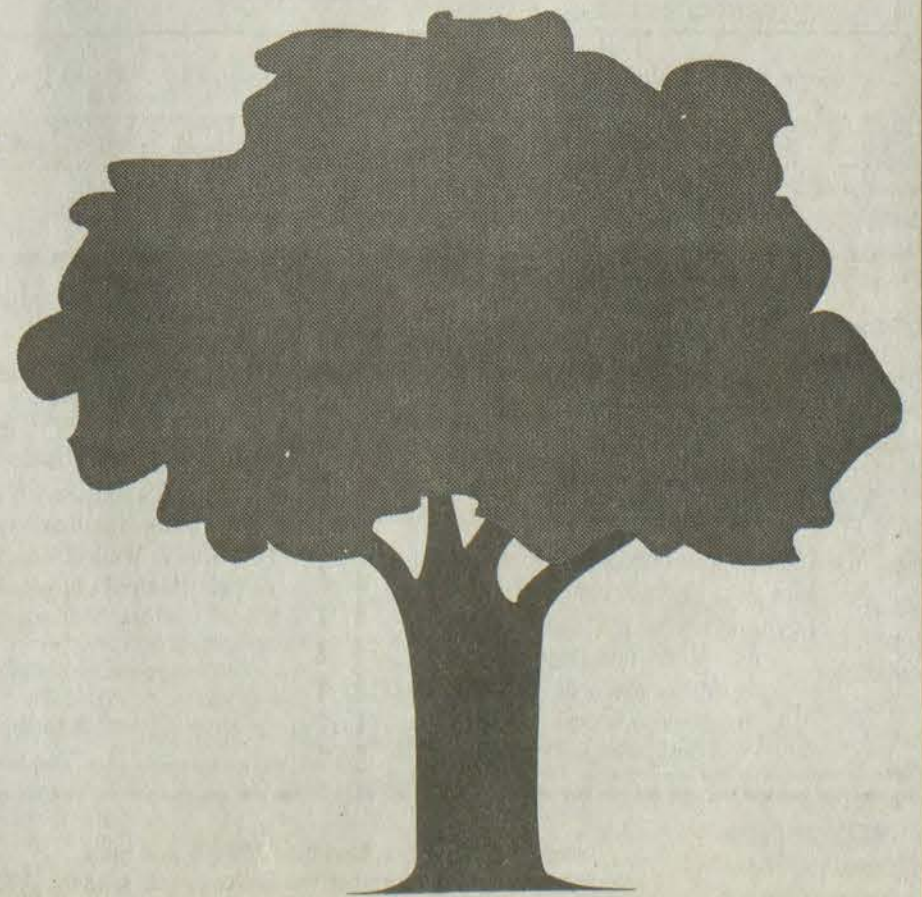
Various groups and agencies are planning to clean open dumps during the week. If you would like to organize such a clean-up, please contact Floyd County Solid Waste at 886-8060 in Judge/Executive Ben Hale's office.

All of these provisions are for April 19-27 only.

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A Look At Sports — Continued from page one

going to do," he said. "We've thought about the Little League field at Martin. I'll just have to check and see."

The dilemma of not having enough fields in the county for high school and youth leagues is something that needs to be seriously addressed by our county and school officials.

The Allen Central baseball team is having to play most of their high school schedule on the road because of no field to play on. The Allen Park diamond (for high school use) has been booked to the hilt with Betsy Layne playing all their home games there.

Our Floyd County Babe Ruth league has to wait until summer is almost over to play their regular season schedule because the high school is using the field at Allen. It is a problem that needs addressing.

Now, word has it that a new Bambino Little League is starting up this year and a place will have to be found for them to play. There is always the Minnie Park with its lights. The South Floyd Lady Raiders play their softball games there. The diamond at Drift is used by the Raiders baseball team but in dire need of work to make it a good place to play.

Every high school should have their own field. Everyone of them. Allen Central, Betsy Layne, Prestonsburg and South Floyd. If each high school had a home field, that would free up the parks for our youth leagues.

Prestonsburg High School has an idea situation as they play their games at Archer Park. The girls softball team uses the softball field at the local park.

The whole thing is, there must be something done for our kids in the county to provide them with a safe and nice place to play the game of baseball.

A good rumor I have heard is that County Judge-Executive Ben Hale is looking into the situation and a couple more diamonds will be installed at the Allen Park. If that is true, then that would help relieve some of the need in that part of the county.

But a diamond is needed up Right Beaver as well as Left Beaver. Someone was telling me that, hopefully, a diamond will be built at Garrett. But the time has come for the talking to stop and the action to begin.

With a little more work done by someone that knows how to build an infield, the Drift park could be a nice place to play. It could be used by the Babe Ruth teams after the high school season is over.

Not one park in the county has a scoreboard, outside of the diamonds at Archer Park (owned by the city). The Allen Park has had two junkets that have become an eye sore and never worked. Those two need to be taken to the junk pile somewhere and replaced.

Fans want to know the score, what inning we're in and more. The way it is, it is a guessing game. Of course, you could be like Tom Clark, bring a piece of wood and whittle out your own scoreboard.

These things have been said to make responsible people aware of the needs in our county.

I'm sure there are those out there who could care less if there are more facilities or not. Some probably feel that more important things are needed. But if we are going to keep our kids off the streets, and help them develop a wholesome life, then we need to furnish them a place to play baseball and enjoy the outdoors.

ELEMENTARY CONFERENCE

I have been very interested ever since Neil Turner came up with the idea of revamping the Floyd County Athletic Conference.

The board of education did a great thing when they approved the proposals that were presented to them at their last meeting by FCEAA chairman Pete Grigsby, Jr.

More on that can be found in the sports section. But I wanted

to use this space to recommend Mr. Grigsby as the high school athletic director. He has done a tremendous job heading up the grade school program and I know he would do an even better job with the high school athletics.

The school board adopted into their policies a high school athletic director as well as one to oversee the elementary sports. I think he could handle both positions.

The board of education would do well in handing the high school directors job over to Mr. Grigsby.

There's a lot of baseball and softball action this week around the county. I urge all to go out and support their teams. I have been pleased with the good attendance at both softball and baseball games.

WPRG, Channel 5, will be telecasting, on a delay basis, a game or two this season.

I want to remind all softball coaches and baseball coaches, that I really want to run your games in the sports section, but I need you to fax, mail or bring in your score sheets. It would help me cover more parks if you would do that little thing for me.

Now, of course, if you don't want it in sports, well, that is up to you. But I would like to urge you to do so for the kids.

DIPPER ON SPORTS FORUM...

Tune in the 15th Region Sports Forum this Wednesday night and catch the Big Dipper in the hour long live call-in show. Give us a call and let's talk about sports. What changes you would like to see in basketball, baseball, football or any thing else.

REDS...

Did you catch the Cincinnati Reds on the tube against Atlanta Monday night? I thought, eventually, Ray Knight would have to pitch pitching coach Don Gullett. What a parade to the mound we saw. Oh, well, maybe they will give Knight a contract extension.

Have you ever wondered why they hired Ken Griffey, Jr. to coach first base? He could be waiting in the wings for Knight's departure.

WE GET LETTERS...

I received a very nice letter from Frankie Crum, who now resides in Fullerton, California, and was an outstanding basketball player for the Betsy Layne Bobcats. Crum was chosen as one of the Fabulous 50, named at this year's 15th Region tournament.

"Although my mother passed away a couple years ago, I still get the Floyd County Times and enjoy all your local sports. I have fond memories of Floyd County," he wrote.

I remember my brother Bob telling of having to play against Frankie when he played for the Martin Purple Flash. He spoke highly of the former Bobcat and always drew the assignment of guarding him.

"I would feel remiss if I did not mention Coach (Hoss) Halbert and your brother Bob," he continued. "Betsy Layne seldom, if ever, beat the Purple Flash during my four years and I always felt Coach Halbert was the margin that caused us to lose."

"He was a great coach, a nice person and in my time, he had a lot of respect for opposing teams and players such as myself. Although I said Coach Halbert was the margin of victory, I always said that a lot of credit goes to your brother. He was the one that took me one-on-one and made me work hard for every point I got."

Crum, who has received praise from more than just a few for his ability to play the game of basketball, was oftentimes double teamed for the four years he played for the Bobcats.

Crum said he could not make the Fabulous 50 because of bad weather in Louisville, but said he was "deeply thrilled and honored," to have been chosen for the Dream Team.

Until Friday, good sports everyone and be good sports!



AA Twirlers

These Prestonsburg Twirlers (Group 1) placed second in the Dance Twirl in the USTA Competition in Proctorville, Ohio on March 22. Team members are: first row, Kristin Boyd, Amber Dudrick, Rachel Delong, Kayla Thacker. Second row: Misty Nelson, Krissy Goble, Stefanie Hunter, Kayla Priode, Jamie Lafferty. The squad is sponsored by Anzie Thacker. The group is made up of students from Adams Middle School, Allen and Prestonsburg elementaries.



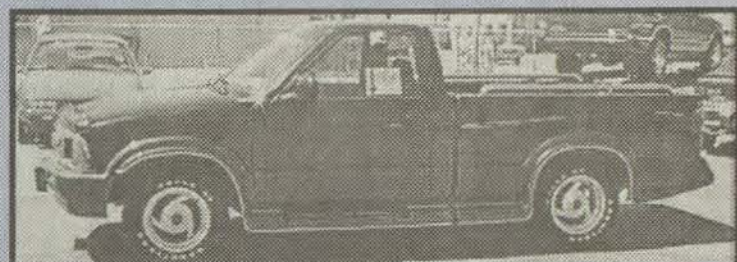
Places third

The Prestonsburg Twirlers (Group 2) took home third place in Dance Twirl in the USTA Competition on April 5. The competition was held in Proctorville, Ohio. Squad members include: first row, C.J. Knott, Jessica Setser, Taryn Harris, Beth Lewis, Denise Hunter, sponsor. Second row: Britni Duff, Rachel McKenzie, Courtney Conn, Kelly Knott, Stephanie Hicks. The group attend Allen, Adams Middle School and Prestonsburg Elementary.

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by Ben Trout

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Yes, there was a race last weekend. Yes, there were plenty of noteworthy events which took place in the 500 laps of the Food City 500. Yes, Jeff Gordon nabbed his third win of the season in a spectacular finish. But, even in all of this, nothing could steal the thunder away from the major headline of the weekend...the track itself.

We had heard of the monumental changes Bruton Smith, and his Speedway Motorsports, Inc. had made at the "The World's Faster Half-Mile." However, for those like myself who had yet to lay eyes upon the "new" Bristol, words cannot justify the magnitude of the metamorphosis this facility has undergone.

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What adjectives come to mind when describing the revamped speedway? Phenomenal, extraordinary, amazing, tremendous...these are just a few of the words that were uttered by many of the 118,000 fans in attendance.

I can best sum it up with one word, and that word is "class." Folks, this place is absolutely dripping with class. Every steel beam that was erected, every mound of dirt that was moved, and every seat that was added was precisely planned with you, the fans, in mind.

Allow me to go on record as saying that this is by far the most spectacular facility on the NASCAR Winston Cup tour. As I strolled through the pits on Saturday, my breath was literally taken away by the sheer beauty of this motorsports arena.

My mind immediately flashed back to the days when simple concrete stands graced either side of the straight-aways. I remember coming to Bristol races, walking in and taking the seat of my choice. I recall when track officials had to bend over backwards to sell 18,000 seats. Now, to fathom the thoughts of 130,000 filling BMS in August, why it's nearly impossible to comprehend.

Already, \$25 million worth of improvements have taken place at the speedway. Everything from plush new skybox suites, to towering new grandstands, to increased parking capacity contribute to the greatly enhanced fan-friendliness of Bristol Motor Speedway.

But hold the phones my fellow racing enthusiasts, Mr. Smith isn't quite finished just yet. Expect another \$25 million to be spent in the coming year. By the highly

acclaimed August night race, seating capabilities will rise from last weekend's 118,000 to an astronomical 130,000. Hey, keep in mind this is just a half-mile track.

In the plans are more skyboxes, a new press box, new radio/television facilities, a tunnel leading to the infield, a new infield media center — all making this a true state-of-the-art facility. To boot, pedestrian ramps will soon span Volunteer Parkway to help eliminate the customary ritual of traffic dodging on race day, and parking

is being increased to accommodate the increase in fans attending BMS races.

Bristol Motor Speedway is a true site to behold. They talk about "Wonders of the World." Well, Mr. Bruton Smith, you have created another one in the form of the Bristol Motor Speedway.

A huge thumbs up to you and your organization, and a special hats off to all those who had a hand in creating the true "first-class" racing venue. When I die, bury me in Bristol, it's a race fan's

heaven.
OTHER NASCAR NOTES:
Tests featuring all three makes of cars took place at Daytona two weeks ago to evaluate the possibilities of eliminating the restrictor plate. Results look promising...Dale Jarrett has never won a NASCAR Winston Cup short track race. In 81 short track starts, he has managed to finish in the top-five only 14 times...Rusty Wallace has led one lap in nine of the last 10 short track events...Jeff Gordon has won six of his 34 short

track races (17.6 percent)...Rusty Wallace has six Martinsville wins.

ANSWER TO LAST WEEK'S TRIVIA:

Ned Jarrett got his only Bristol win in 1965, the same year he won his Winston Cup championship.

THIS WEEK'S TRIVIA QUESTION:

Next to Richard Petty, what Winston Cup driver has the most Martinsville wins?

WINSTON CUP RACE PREVIEW

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Racing

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Earhardt and rookie, Mike Skinner. The following are some quotes from a teleconference of April 8.

"The season has been disappointing to all of us," he said. "We started out at Daytona real high with Mike Skinner on the pole and Dale leading the race and in contention to win it right there at the end. Things went sour from then on. It's been a struggle. We've changed a lot of personnel around. We've got Larry McReynolds, which all of us are super high on...When you put new people in place, you're going to have people who follow and people who do not agree. We've had to shuffle a lot of people and get a lot of things going in the right direction.

"The car was fast at Texas all last week. We felt like we were really on track. Then the first lap wreck knocked the nose in again. It burned up the air cleaner and we were really fortunate to even finish the race. It melted the air cleaner when it was sitting down there on fire. We ran with a big handicap, but we came out of there with great pit stops and the team is high. Dale hasn't been down even through the tough times. He's helped pump me up if anything. I'm a gambler, and I wouldn't feel out of place going to Las Vegas and betting on Dale Earnhardt winning his eighth championship this year. I feel that good about it."

• After finishing sixth in the Food City 500, Earnhardt is now in eighth place in the points standings. Las Vegas odds makers list him as a 20-1 longshot to win his eighth Winston Cup championship.

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Lifestyles

Remembering Easters past

by Billy Francis
 Contributing Writer

Easter Sunday was such a beautiful day. It began when I awoke thinking of days past. I opened the toolbox of memories of when I was a young lad and you were a young lass, or maybe an adult, or not even born. I got to "thinkin'" when I was a lad on Easter Sunday how all us young lads would make our "great pilgrimage" to the high rocks and head for the hills. It seemed to my disappointment the next day that the high rocks in my community of Garrett were not the highest rocks around but only in my community.

Every community had its high rock that was death defying to climb and of course was higher than all the rest. You either made or lost your manhood on those rocks. After being dared and the great double dare, you had to climb to the top of those rocks or be called a "chicken."

I still shudder when I think of a fingernail hold, and the good Lord was all that kept many a lad or lass from disaster. I recall crawling around the sides of those rocks; I know I must have had my eyes closed. No, again it was the fear of dare or being called "chicken" that kept me going.

Now there wasn't just a few of us; there were bunches or gangs at a time. There was the bunch that skipped Sunday School. You met them in passing coming back from the rocks around the third flat. A few of them still lingering around the rocks. Then there were the older ones who didn't go to Sunday School, the tough guys. Every bunch kept their distance or visited other smaller rocks, such as the "Devils Table," until the other bunch got tired of their rocks. Everyone respected the other group's rights, and there was never any trouble. Everyone was having a good time.

I remember making the ultimate climb, the "Stack Rocks." I was going to climb farther and higher than anyone had ever been on those rocks. I knew I would be able where no one else could see. Then came the big disappointment. I pulled myself to the top where no one else had ever been and there it was, all the older guys had been there in the past and earlier in the day had carved their initials. There was D.S. R.L. C.C. I.J. B.F. While I was hunting in my pockets for my knife or, better yet, a Grapette pop opener with a screwdriver on

one end, I was looking for the "ultimate place" to inscribe any initials. I had to settle for a lesser place on the great tabernacle rock of initials.

Well, our gang, or bunch, would build a fire and get some "taters" out of the coffee sack (this was before aluminum foil) throw the "taters" in the hot wood ashes, and "rasel" or wrestle. "Rasel" always sounded right and looks more like what we did than wrestling.)

whites?

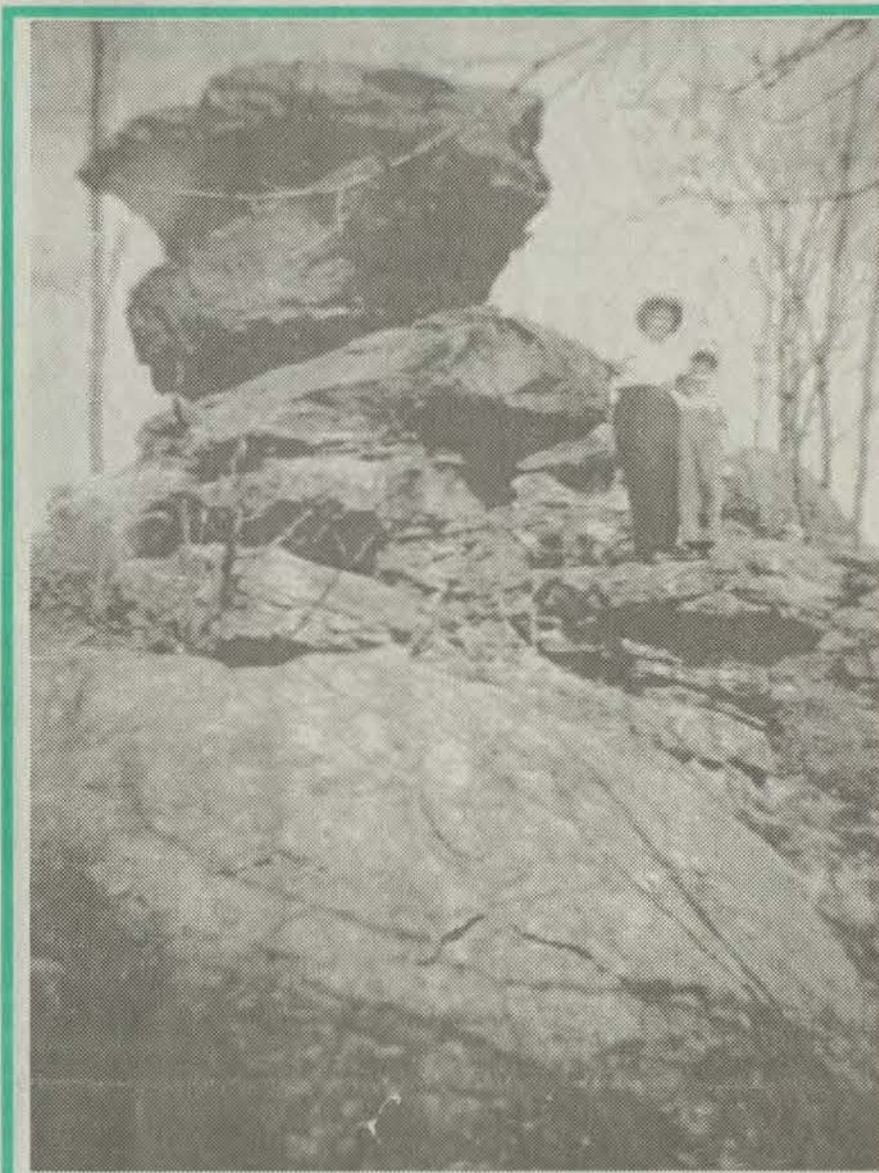
Well, after a very tasty meal of "baked taters" and Easter Eggs and all the salt that went on them, where was the water to wash it all down with? Didn't anyone bring any water? Where's the water? Who could we blame for this tragedy? Of course, the youngest member always got the blame and would be threatened not to be allowed to come again for such a misdeed.

Those times past were great memories in the toolbox of my mind. Those Easter pilgrimages to the High Rocks and hill climbers were to be talked about for several days. It is strange but I can't remember anyone getting hurt bad, that is more than a sprain. I don't know or can't remember if anyone got sick on those eggs because we sure kept them and ate them longer than one day, and they weren't refrigerated. There was one in every coat pocket.

I have to add this before closing. My grandfather and grandmother on my father's side of the family were emigrants from Italy. My grandfather was a merchant at Garrett, and he would go to Cincinnati on buying trips. He always returned with a 20-lb. block of Parmesan cheese. We young lads would break off chunks of it and put it in our coat pockets to take along with us anytime we went into the hills, and we would gnaw on it all day, like an all-day candy sucker. It seemed my coat pockets always had holes in them because of everything I carried in them and, naturally, pieces of that cheese were lost in the lining of my coat. After some time I began to wonder why my friends kept standing back more than usual. It sure was mouth-watering cheese. I still can't figure out why they, my buddies, stayed so far away from me. Well, I guess I will close that old toolbox of memories of Easters Past.

The "High Rocks" are gone now due to the mining method called "Mountain Removal," but the memories will last forever.

Editor's note: Bill Francis, grew up and went to school at Garrett, in Floyd County. He is retired from the University of Kentucky Extension Service, and lives at Mouseie. He was the agriculture agent in Knott County, until his retirement from the university. He also taught in a two-room school and the consolidated systems in Knott and Floyd counties before his employment at the university.



Unto these hills
 The high rocks at Turkey Creek were popular with area residents. Pictured are Edna Click and Glennis Ramey. (photo courtesy of C.C.'s Homestyle Cafe, Prestonsburg and given to C.C.'s by Sharon Webb.)

Those "taters" were hopefully done by the time we were tired from playing. As I stated, this was before you could buy rolls of aluminum foil, and you rolled your "tater" out of the ashes or you stuck a stick in it. Most of us looked like jugglers with those hot "taters." After being in those wood ashes, the "taters" were surely black with ash. You skinned them (taters) with your teeth and ate as you skinned. They sure were hot and they sure were "good." There is definitely a different taste.

Next, we would get out those hard-boiled or Easter Eggs. You probably have forgotten how dirty you were from the wood ashes and the whites of those eggs. Did I say egg

Birth of the Twinkie bug?

Will Rogers once said that all he knew was what he read in the papers. I'm thinking he'd have had a field day with what appeared last

36 inches. If it catches on (I guess a virus could catch on) it might eventually be referred to as the Twinkie bug, or something.

week, and if there's any truth to it, I suppose that even Jack Spratt, who would eat no fat, could have

lived high on the hog without fear of obesity.

And, of course, his wife, who would eat no lean, according to the paper, might possibly have been fat even if she'd been a disciple of Richard Simmons.

In case you missed it, the paper reported that a group of scientists at the University of Wisconsin have discovered that being fleshy, at least in some cases, might possibly have nothing to do with water retention or fudge brownies. Instead, thunder thighs and dunlap disease may be caused by a virus. You know, kind of like a nasty head cold.

The major difference, of course, is that a cold only hangs on for about a week or ten days and fat might last forever.

The bright side of this new theory is that those of us who've found ourselves to be a tad heavy-set, no longer need to feel guilty. I mean, just because we've contracted a virus doesn't necessarily mean we've let our lives get completely out of control.

Right now they're calling this newly-discovered virus AD-36. I've no idea why it's called that, but it could mean that if you catch it, you might ad(d) 36 pounds ... or

The article stresses, however, that so far, only circumstantial evidence links the virus to fat humans.

What they actually did was prove that certain viruses cause horses and pigs to be fat. Sort of a "you don't have to eat like a pig to be big as a horse" kind of thing.

More good news, that is if this virus theory pans out, is that since antibiotics are sometimes used to treat a virus, instead of spending hundreds of dollars on thigh masters and belly busters, it might be that we'll be able to drop 10 or 15 pounds by taking a round of penicillin. One might also expect to more readily pick up a good used power rider, or maybe one of those Nordic tracks, at a neighborhood yard sale.

We've been educated to believe that poor diet and lack of exercise are the primary causes of obesity, so I guess we'd best be on the safe side and practice the techniques we've been taught, at least until more research has been done. And, knowing how time consuming research is, it'll probably be a while before we know whether or not there's really anything to this virus-makes-you-fat stuff.

In the meantime, I guess we'll just have to continue to read labels, count fat grams and take a weight and see attitude.

Poison Oak



Clyde Pack

Ten Years Ago (April 22, 1987)

The Floyd Fiscal Court heard complaints of garbage Friday, from citizens throughout the community...The Big Sandy River broke its banks and flooded low-lying areas in West Prestonsburg, but no serious damage resulted from the high waters...Dismissal in Floyd Circuit Court of a suit brought against the board of Mountain Comprehensive Care Center by a former therapist was upheld last week in the state Court of Appeals...The Kentucky Railroad Commission received a boost of confidence, April 3, when state legislators on a Task Force on Elections and Constitutional Amendments rebuffed a proposal to abolish the commission...Unless his attorney can win a stay of sentence, Third District Magistrate Ed Caudill is scheduled to appear Friday before Pike Circuit Judge Will T. Scott to give any reason why he should not start serving the one-year prison sentence handed down after his July 1985 conviction of illegally endorsing and cashing a county check in 1982...A Maytown family received the first good news that started in tragedy last Monday when it learned Beverly Reffitt's transplanted liver was beginning to function...There died: Creed Lafon Acree, 60, of Eastern, Saturday...Frank Moore, 83, of Hi Hat, Monday...Gilva Collins Spurlin, 81, of Prestonsburg, last Wednesday...Arthur Judson Shepherd, 49, of Hueysville, last Wednesday...Alta Bailey Malone, 82, of Allen, Friday...Jack Morrison, 72, of Lower John's Creek, last Thursday...Mose Rogers, 65, of Weeksbury, last Wednesday...Mary Haywood

Shepherd, 86, of Martin, Monday... Charles Russell Runnells, 59, of Stanville, Saturday...Lue Sendie Collins, 86, formerly of Wheelwright, last Thursday...and Elmer Lee Fields, 66, of Weeksbury, Tuesday.

Twenty Years Ago (April 20, 1977)

Of more than 9,000 homes were lost or heavily damaged in the 15-county flooded area, Floyd County has 1,158, it was estimated following a HUD survey last week...The Floyd County Board of Education at its meeting Thursday was concerned with two effects of the recent flood disaster: the damage to schools and school system equipment, and the threat of extension of the school term well into June to meet state requirements...There is a possibility that application for funds to construct a water plant near Harold to serve two water-starved water districts will be filed shortly, it was said following a meeting last Thursday at the Big Sandy Area Development office here of water district, county and federal officials...When Radio Station WPRT here was flooded recently for the third time it moved out and will not return to the building it has occupied since it first went on the air...The feeling grew last week that the number of

agencies involved in the flood relief effort in Floyd County had become such that a coordination of their efforts was needed...R. Jackson Ingram, director of the HUD field office in London, this week outlined a minimum home repair program made possible by the federal agency in the 15-county flood disaster area of Kentucky...State Parks Commissioner Bruce

Montgomery announced Monday that reservations to two state parks in Eastern Kentucky are being cancelled until May 15 so that the facilities can be used for lodging of flood-relief workers...Of the more than \$4 million which the American Red Cross has thus far committed in direct emergency assistance to flood victims in 15 affected Kentucky counties...There died: Ralph Marshall, 77, of Water Gap, April 15 at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Thomas J. Shepherd, 52, formerly of Hueysville, March 26 at Lake Orion, Mich.; Rachel B. Smith, 89, of Bypro, April 12 at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin; Nora Ann Davis Long, 44, formerly of Prestonsburg, April 17 at Kentucky Baptist Hospital, Louisville; Bertha McGuire Lafferty, 79, formerly of the Bull Creek section of this county, April 11 at Mary Childs Hospital, Mt. Sterling; Wilburn Hamilton, 67, of Beaver, April 17 at

Thirty Years Ago (April 20, 1967)

The Prestonsburg Ministerial Association has filed an application for construction of 150 housing units here under the FHA-approved rent subsidy program which would involve the expenditure of an estimated \$2 million...Prestonsburg Community College is host to the third annual Mountain Dew Festival beginning today (Thursday) and continuing through Saturday...Attendance at Jenny Wiley State Park totaled 1,250,000 during 1966, an increase of 85,000 over the previous year...The Postoffice Department has approved a new post office building for Hi Hat...Sgt. 1-C Forrest Shepherd, son of Mrs. Katy Shepherd, of Hueysville and the late Wilburn Shepherd, has been awarded the Bronze Star with "V" for heroism in Vietnam...An auto wreck on U.S. 23 at Harold last Sunday afternoon resulted in the death of Spurlock Tackett, 77, of Printer, a retired miner...There died: Willie Moore, 67, of Garrett, last Wednesday at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital after an illness of six months; William Butler Little, 88, of Prestonsburg, Wednesday at Mountain Manor Nursing Home here; Mrs. Susan Spradlin Fraley, 80, of Town Branch,

(See Yesterdays, page four)

Our Yesterdays

(Items taken from The Floyd County Times, 10, 20, 30, 40, 50 and 60 years ago.)

Society News

David Hereford
Society Editor
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Visits from Michigan

Jan Hughes of Detroit, Michigan, was here last week visiting her mother, Judy Johnson at her home on Trimble Branch Road. While here, she visited her sister and brother-in-law, Doris and Dean Robinson at Oil Springs.

Festival committee meets

The Jenny Wiley Pioneer Festival committee met Monday night, April 7, at the Prestonsburg City Hall.

Plans continue to be made for the festival in the fall.

Members present were Donna B. Wells, Chairwoman, Sue Webb, Norm Marcum, Nancy Roberts, Elizabeth Miller, Carol Sparks, Orville Cooley, Wes Fugate, Les Fugate, Darrell Conley, Janice Shepherd and new members Jane Bond and Josh Clay.

Celebrates 85th birthday

Leatha Joy and Gladys Powell, twin sisters, celebrated their 85th birthday on March 28. The group met at the home of Mrs. Joy on Riverside Drive for refreshments and then went to the Riverview Manor Nursing Home where Mrs. Powell is a patient. Opal Fannin brought the birthday cake and Tim and Connie Shepherd sent flowers. Family members present were Ruth Joy DeRossett, Greg and Linda Carol DeRossett and their children, Morgan, Marissa and Dakota from Morehead.

Visit in Russell Springs

Donnie Goble and Don and Maxine Goble of Prestonsburg, were guests of Tammy Antle at her home in Russell Springs last weekend. While there, they visited with members of her family and were the Sunday breakfast guests of her grandmother.

Sixth birthday

Taber Allen celebrated his sixth birthday with a party at the home of his parents, Steve and Kelli Allen in Morehead, recently. His grandmother, Carolyn Ford and uncle, Winn Ford from Prestonsburg, attended his party.

On the weekend, he and his family visited his grandmother, Mary June Allen in Martin, and had cake and ice cream.

Veterans Q & A's

Editor's Note: Following are representative questions answered by VA Counselors. Full information is available at any VA office.

Q—There has been a lot in the news lately about the Medal of Honor because of the award to seven African-American veterans of World War II, six bestowed posthumously. I heard references to a benefit received by recipients from the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). What payment do Medal of Honor recipients receive?

A—All Medal of Honor recipients are entitled to a special monthly stipend of \$400 for the rest of their lives. They can receive the stipend while still on active duty. Many additionally receive compensation for disabilities adjudicated to be related to service and not directly related to the receipt of the medal.

Q—Are there other special benefits provided to Medal of Honor recipients?

A—A Medal of Honor recipient is entitled to a gravemarker that includes a gold Medal of Honor seal. It may be placed on a veteran's gravesite anywhere in the world.

The Department of Defense provides additional benefits to Medal of Honor recipients—a travel card which allows them to fly, space available, on military aircraft and, if enlisted, a supplemental uniform allowance and an increase in retirement pay. Children of Medal of Honor recipients, if otherwise qualified, are not subject to the nomination requirements for admission to any of the U.S. service academies.

Q—What are the criteria for receiving the Medal of Honor?

A—The Medal of Honor is presented by the President in the name of Congress for valor in action against an enemy force that is so outstanding it clearly distinguishes the nominee's gallantry above and beyond the call of duty; involves the risk of life; and is the type of deed which, if it had not been done, would not subject the individual to any justified criticism.

Visit in Lexington

Ann Damron and son, Jordan of Prestonsburg were business visitors in Lexington last Saturday.

Celebrates 5th birthday

Austin Shuck of West Liberty, celebrated his fifth birthday on April 10, with a party at the home of his parents, Richard and Doris Shuck.

Family members from Prestonsburg who attended his party were Sharon Setser and Leslie and Anita Chaffin and his grandmother, Kay Click.

First grandchild

David and Jane Hill Slone of Nicholasville announce the birth of their first grandchild, a son. He has been named Grant Michael and weighed 9 lbs. and 11 ozs. and was 21 1/4" long.

He is the son of Michael and Alexandria Slone of Melbourne, Florida, and the great-grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. Polk Hill.

The Slones and their daughter, Davonna Hutcherson of Lexington, visited in Florida recently.

Attend conference

Prestonsburg Mayor Jerry Fannin and other local officials attended an Economic Development Conference in Raleigh, North Carolina, last week.

Named partner

James D. Allen has been named a partner in the law firm of Stoll, Keenon and Park, in Lexington. He is the son of David D. and Barbara Allen of Prestonsburg.

Vacation in Daytona Beach

Leslie Fannin and Helen Ann Vickers of Prestonsburg, joined their daughters and a group of Prestonsburg High School seniors during Spring Break at Daytona Beach, Florida.

Kilgore-May wedding

Drema Lee Kilgore and Kristopher Michael May were united in marriage, Saturday afternoon, April 12, at the Garrett First Baptist

Church.

Drema is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Lee Kilgore of Hippo. Kris is the son of Diane May of Prestonsburg and Michael May of Langley.

Home from hospital

Goldie Music Collins, who spent several days as a patient at the Highlands Regional Medical Center, is showing improvement at her home here.

Houston-Prater wedding

Cecilia Rose Houston and Jeffrey Prater were united in marriage, Saturday afternoon, April 12, at the Hueysville Church of Christ. Cecilia is the daughter of Wade and Alice Houston of Georgetown.

Jeffrey is the son of Lucille Prater of Hueysville, and the late Fair Prater.

More society, page seven

Sunshine Lines

by
Beverly
Carroll



Senior citizens, you will recall from recent issues of Sunshine Lines that I have encouraged you to take care of business that could

have a profound impact on your future.

Today, we will discuss briefly two important documents, the Power of Attorney document and the Durable Power of Attorney for Health Care document.

In my study of these documents, I've come across some materials I would like to share with you, but both resources bear the copyright insignia which makes it illegal for me to quote directly from these booklets without prior written permission from the publishers.

However, before this week's article concludes, I will tell you how you might be able to get free copies of these booklets.

What is important at the moment, however, is that I give you a brief overview of these documents while I impress on you the importance of your having them, and your making sure that you see that they are in the hands of the "right" people—the people you want to have them—should you no longer be capable of making rational decisions yourself. I realize these are things we don't like to talk about, never-the-less, declining

health in latter years is a fact of life.

I will share with you today two quotes from the manual published for the Kentucky Benefits Counseling Program (for senior citizens). These will help to explain the difference(s) between the Power of Attorney document and the Durable Power of Attorney for Health Care document.

POWER OF ATTORNEY

"A legal document which gives a person (usually a spouse, other relative or friend) the power to act on behalf of another. The person giving the power must be competent, and does not lose the legal right to act on his own behalf."

DURABLE POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR HEALTH CARE

"This legal document authorizes the person giving the power to make decisions regarding the person's medical treatment only when the person giving the power becomes incompetent. It cannot last longer than seven years and can be revoked at any time."

To some, this may seem like

double-talk, however, both documents are more involved than what was expressed in the quotes. For more detailed information regarding these two documents, I suggest that you contact your Benefits Counseling Coordinator for the Big Sandy area, Charles Slone. Request that he send you the two free booklets, "About Advance Medical Directives" by Channing L. Beta Co. Inc. and "Laws and Programs for Older Kentuckians," a publication of the Kentucky Bar Association. Mr. Slone can be reached by calling 886-3876 or toll-free at 1-800-556-3876. These booklets will prove helpful and are available so long as the supply lasts.

You may read that you can draw up your own documents, however, I am of the opinion that any legal document should be either drawn up or at the very least be presented to a competent attorney for his/her advice before it is signed and made official. These documents can be used to your disadvantage, just as not having them when they are needed can be disadvantageous to you and to your family.

Anniversary



40th anniversary

David and Pattie (Clark) Mollette of David, celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary on March 27. Their daughter, Jane Williamson, and their grandchildren, Kaitlyn Nicole and Kristen Danielle of Lexington, celebrated with them. They also have a son, David R. Mollette of Abingdon, Virginia.

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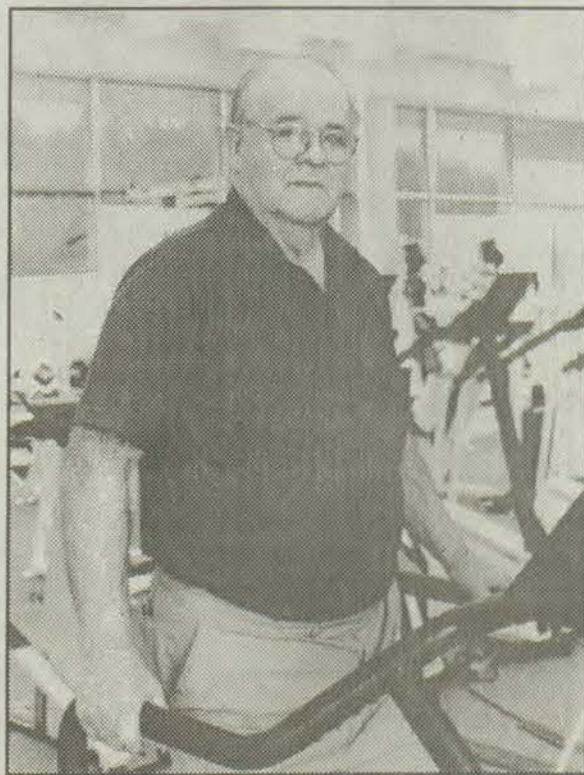
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Howard Ramey, Wittensville resident and retired Johnson Central Math teacher and Assistant Basketball Coach, had great difficulty walking after having a stroke in 1993. Howard joined Highlands Wellness Center in June of 1996. At that time, 3-4 minutes on the treadmill was the most he could endure. Today, Howard is staying mobile — he averages 70 minutes on the treadmill, does free weight exercises, uses the weight machines and works out nearly every day in the Wellness Center.



Denice Music, Prestonsburg resident, had a weight problem—she was too thin. After years of peer pressure about being "skinny," Denice decided to do something about it. She joined Highlands Wellness Center in April 1996 and began a personalized strength training program to develop muscle mass. Now days, Denice works out regularly lifting weights and says that not only has she developed muscle and shape, but her self image and confidence have greatly improved.

For The Record

District Court

Editor's note: All first offense DUIs are allowed to do two days public service in lieu of \$200 of the total court costs and fines. All individuals who are charged in cases involving alcohol or drugs are referred to alcohol or drug counseling.

Marvin Johnson, 36, of Inez; AI (1st/2nd offense)—\$102.50.
 Raffer Justice, 34, of Pikeville; AI (1st/2nd offense)—\$102.50.
 Hiram Little, 52, of Pikeville; no Kentucky registration plates—\$47.50; no insurance—\$50; excessive window tinting—\$20.
 Timmy M. Mahan, 43, of David; failure to use child restraint device—\$97.50; failure to wear seatbelt—\$25; failure to produce insurance card—\$500; no registration receipt—\$25.
 Kimberly A. Maynard, 23, of Deboard; failure to produce insurance card—\$500.
 Earlene S. Preston, 44, of Paintsville; no Kentucky registration plates—\$72.50.
 Judith Rowe, 24, of Beaver; no Kentucky registration plates—\$25; no registration receipt—\$25; no insurance—\$97.50.
 Judith N. Rowe, 24, of Beaver; no Kentucky registration plates—\$25; no registration receipt—\$25.
 Joseph M. Sostrich, 35, of Harold; disregarding a traffic control device—\$72.50.
 Howard D. Waddles, 30, of Allen; inadequate silencer (muffler)—\$77.50.
 Burns O. Wheeler Jr., 26, of Blaine; failure to produce insurance card—\$97.50.
 Sam Williams, 21, of Harold; no Kentucky registration plates—\$72.50; no registration receipt—\$25; no insurance—\$500; failure to wear seatbelt—\$25; no operator's license—\$50; operating on suspended/revoked license—\$75.
 Greg Bishop II, 20, of Prestonsburg; AI (1st/2nd offense)—\$112.50.
 Jeffrey Murphy, 31, of Wayland; DUI (1st offense, BA .22)—\$467.50; reckless driving—\$50; driving side to side (cutting traffic)—\$25; two counts of failure to wear seatbelt—\$25 each; attempt to elude/failure to comply—\$25; driving on wrong side of road—\$25.
 Travis L. Blanton, 18, of Prestonsburg; operating on suspended/revoked license—\$207.50.
 Jr. Allen, 21, of Ivel; AI (1st/2nd offense)—\$102.50.
 Randall Iricks, 19, of Tram; AI (1st/2nd offense)—\$102.50.
 James E. Smith, 24, of Betsy Layne; operating on suspended license due to a prior DUI conviction (1st offense)—10 days in jail to be served concurrent; DUI (3rd offense or more, BA refused)—\$757.50 and 30 days in jail; no insurance—\$500.
 Avery Allen, 37, of Harold; AI (3rd offense or more), amended to first offense—\$50; disorderly conduct—\$62.50 and four days in jail.
 Jason A. Cornell, 18, of Prestonsburg; disorderly conduct—\$72.50 and four days in jail.
 Michael Slone, 37, of David; DUI (2nd offense, BA .21)—\$607.50 and seven days in jail; operating on suspended license (2nd offense)—seven days in jail to be served concurrent.
 Robert M. Derossett, 32, of Estill; operating on suspended/revoked license—merged; DUI (2nd offense, BA .17)—\$617.50 and six days in jail.
 Darwin C. Osborne, 41, of Wheelwright; DUI (1st offense, BA .11)—\$457.50.
 Alvin J. Branham, 25, of West Portsmouth, Ohio; AI (1st/2nd offense)—\$25; no insurance—\$97.50.
 Sherman Poston, 38, of McDowell; AI (1st offense)—\$102.50.
 Ricky Tackett, 19, of Wheelwright; DUI (1st offense, BA .14)—\$257.50 and \$200 fine or two days public service; no operator's license—\$50; failure to wear seatbelt—\$25.
 Hurlin Coots Jr., 38, of Yeaddis; no Kentucky motor fuel users license—\$97.50.
 James B. Hunter, 35, of Estill; AI (1st/2nd offense)—\$112.50.
 Roby Chaffins, 27, of Wayland; no operator's license—\$50; operating on suspended/revoked license—\$100; three counts of failure to wear seatbelts—merged, \$25; inadequate silencer (muffler)—\$25; no insurance—\$500.
 Dennis M. Tiller, 28, of Inez; theft by unlawful taking—\$72.50, six months in jail probated for one year, pay restitution, and stay away from Brock-McVey.

Donald M. Riffe, 27, of Price; theft by unlawful taking—\$72.50, six months in jail probated for one year, pay restitution, and stay away from Brock-McVey.

Marriage Licenses

Teresa L. Music, 31, of East Point, and Lawrence R. Mullins, 34, of Ivel.
 Retta C. Rose, 21, of West Prestonsburg, and John M. McKenzie, 24, of West Prestonsburg.
 Catherine J. Williams, 38, of Prestonsburg, and Paul W. Grose II, 40, of Prestonsburg.
 Angela Sue Caudill, 28, of Bevinsville, and Raymond Hall, 57, of Bevinsville.
 Aileen S. Mitchell, 57, of Banner, and Denver Blair, 50, of Banner.
 Tamara Elizabeth Simpkins, 18, of Salyersville, and Joey Davis, 19, of Salyersville.
 Nicole Elaine Reffitt, 22, of McDowell, and Chad Edward Niese, 21, of McDowell.
 Melissa Jane Mosley, 17, of Langley, and Michael Douglas Goodman II, 20, of Langley.
 Brandy Shon Ferguson, 20, of Greensboro, North Carolina, and Gregory Dean Chaffin, 35, of Greensboro, North Carolina.

Property transfers

Regina Hardee Hunt Mosier and Gary Mosier to Jennifer K. Miller and James C. Miller, property location not listed.
 The First Commonwealth Bank of Prestonsburg to James C. and Jennifer K. Miller, property location not listed.
 Brian Bailey and Tonya Bailey to Jimmy D. McCoy and Kathy G. McCoy, property location not listed.
 Greg Nichols and Linda Nichols to May Memorial United Methodist Church, property near the mouth of Turkey Creek of Right Beaver.
 Gary Dahl Thompson and Charlotte Thompson to Thomas B. Thompson Jr., property in Prestonsburg.
 Alma Keathley and Buford Keathley to Jamey Blankenship, property location not listed.
 James E. and Emogene Cooley to Marshall Edwards, property in West Prestonsburg.
 Kathryn Jean Shepherd Sample, Madgeline Shepherd Marcello and Donald Marcello, Edna Arnold Shepherd Robinson and Elmer Robinson, Lydia Shepherd Hackworth and Bobby Hackworth to Carla Coburn, property location not listed.
 Bernadette Hall to Marlene Kidd and Don Kidd, property on Little Mud Creek.
 Betty Bergman, Bob Richardson and Phyllis Richardson, Harold Shufflebarger and Hazel Shufflebarger, Frank Shufflebarger and Janet Shufflebarger, and Morris Ray Shufflebarger and Marcella Shufflebarger to William C. Martin, property in McDowell.
 Carol Jean Horn and Martin McGuire to Phillip Anthony Horn, property in Arnett Branch Subdivision at Middle Creek.
 Fanna Edna Clark and Burnis Martin to Kenneth E. Case and Jeannie Case, deed correction to property on Sammy Clark Branch.
 Robert N. Moore and Sarah K. Baldrige Moore to Tom Moore Memorial Freewill Baptist Church, property near the church.
 Ocie Parker and Arthur J. Parker, Socie Little and Raymond Little, James Love Childers and Merwonne Childers, Dora Jean Slone, Ruth Ann Rowe and Roger Rowe, Pauline Krause and Edward W. Krause to Jack Cleveland Johnson and Anne Charlotte Johnson, property location not listed.
 Patricia Bays to Thomas Bertrand and Nancy Bertrand, property on Abbott Creek.
 Taylor Price Jr. and Alta Price to Jeffery L. Smith and Lavane Smith, property on the Southside of Abbott Creek.
 Leslie Trent Auxier and Rachel Sizemore Auxier to Susan Ann Hunter, property at Emma.
 Leslie Trent Auxier and Rachel Sizemore Auxier to Roy Hunter, property at Emma.
 Steven Lowell Crum to Mary Ettie Crum, property on Spewing Camp Creek of Left Beaver.
 Winson Slone and Lori Slone to Branham & Baker Coal Company,

property on Left Fork of Middle Creek.
 Chadwick Spears and Amy Spears to Gregory Dean Campbell and Debra S. Campbell, property on Brandy Keg Creek.
 Mike Allen and Norma Allen to Tim Salisbury, property on Right Beaver Creek at Martin.
 Scott Frasure and Ruth Frasure to Scott Douglas Frasure and Linda Frasure, property on Left Fork of Abbott Creek.
 Rachel Allen Wright and Steven J. Wright to Sarah B. Allen and Robert R. Allen, property on Cow Creek.

Restaurant, School and Mobile Home Park Inspections

All inspections are made by the Floyd County Health Department environmentalists John L. Bailey and Russell Wallace.
 * Martin Dairy Queen, 88: Not all freezer and refrigeration units have operable thermometers. Several metal utensils are chipped (blades chipped).
 Walk-in refrigeration door in bad repair. Walk-in freezer door in bad repair. Gasket in bad repair on

both doors. Temperatures in walk-ins in compliance.
 Improper dish and utensil washing procedure. Wash-rinse, then sanitize. Inside ice machine needs more intensive cleaning. Soap dispenser at the handwash sink is still functional but broken, recommend replacement. Ceiling in back area of restaurant in slight disrepair (one ceiling tile). Coat observed stored on food equipment.
 * Yates Grocery, Honaker, 95: Food items on the floor. Floor in disrepair. Refrigerator units have no thermometers. Store lighting inadequate. Note: Limited retail sales.
 * Lee's Recipe, 94: Tops of equipment need to be cleaned.

Plastic spoons and forks improperly stored. Outside dumpster needs to be covered. Floor and ceiling need repairs.
 * China Garden, Prestonsburg, 89: One thermometer broken. Onions on the floor. Food uncovered on lower shelf. Wiping cloths should be in chlorine solution. Forks on table need to be covered and dishes should be inverted.
 No self-closing doors on restrooms. Floor and ceilings need repairs. Not all lighting is shielded. Purse not properly stored.
 * Floyd County D.C.C.P., 95: Refrigerator door in bad repair. Hand washing sink stopped up. No self closing doors in restrooms. Purse improperly stored.

* John M. Stumbo Elementary cafeteria, 98: Follow-up inspection. Freezer unit in question from previous inspection now reaches the standard requirement of 0°F within less than five minutes. Repeat violations in milk cooler. Gaskets in milk cooler still in disrepair.
 Plywood board still in use under deep freezer unit. Floors in slight disrepair (repeat). Hood vent has been cleaned. Lights are operable under hood vent. Cleaning utensils now stored properly.
 * Harold Elementary, 98: Follow-up score. All violations found during previous inspection have been corrected except light fixtures.

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Birthdays



Father, son celebrate birthdays

Chester Newsome and his son, Cecil Jr. Newsome, celebrated their birthdays at the Mud Creek Senior Citizens Center with a pot luck dinner. A birthday cake was donated by Pikeville National Bank.



Mud Creek birthdays

Carmel Lee Akers, Waltust Reynolds, and Ethel Williams, celebrated their birthdays at the Mud Creek Senior Citizens Center with a pot luck dinner. Their birthday cake was donated by Pikeville National Bank.



Brothers celebrate birthdays

Nick and Jared Samons celebrated their birthdays in South Carolina. Nick was 16 on April 4, and Jared was 12 on April 14. They were treated to a flight over Myrtle Beach by their older brother, John, who is attending the North American Institute of Aviation.

Births

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March 31: A daughter, Morgan Taylor, to Melisa and Walter Willis Sexton of Topmost.

April 1: A son, Tyler Walker, to Dorothy and Edger Ray Preece of Inez.

April 2: A daughter, Courtney Makayla, to Lisa Gayle and Jeffery Scott Patrick of David; a daughter, Angela Rena Slone, to Connie Jones of Topmost; a son, Matthew James, to Pamela Sue and Terry Lee Cooper of Salyersville.

April 3: A daughter, Briona Leigh Flowers, to Priscilla Rose Ramey of Thelma; a son, Sanford Dwayne Day Jr., to Robin Michele Moore of Melvin; a son, Andrew

David, to Deanna Sue and Barry David Rice of Thelma.

April 4: A daughter, Misty, to Kimberly Ann and Billie Joe Howard of Allen; a daughter, Laura Rose, to Sandra and Frank Castle of Oil Springs.

April 5: A daughter, Adrianna Nicole Lawton, to Twilla Lou Joseph of Royalton; a daughter, Kayla Jackie Waller, to Lois Marie Maynard of Prestonsburg.

April 7: A daughter, Tiffan Autumn Lynn, to Dixie Lynn Adamo of Prestonsburg; a daughter, Latosha Renee, to Veronica Sue and Alfred Wireman of Royalton; a daughter, Ashley Hope Blevins, to Beverly Ann Branham of Tram; a daughter, Sera Nicole McCloud,

to Margaret McKenzie of Stambaugh.

Daughter born

Kenneth and Sherry Ward of Banner announce the birth of their daughter, Natalie Ann, who was born March 21, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. She weighed 8 lb., 2 ozs.

Her maternal grandparents are Helen Flanery of Martin and the late Isaac Flanery.

Her paternal grandparents are Lillie Ward of Meally and the late Lorenz Ward.

Natalie Ann has two sisters, Lindsay and Mallory Ward.



Birth announced

Doug and Sherril Cummins, formerly of Hueysville, announce the birth of their daughter, Lorel Lee. She was born at Jennie Stuart Medical Center in Hopkinsville on March 3. She weighed 7 lbs., 7 ozs. and was 19 1/2 inches long. Maternal grandparents are Bruce W. and Joy L. Patton of Hueysville. Paternal grandparents are Robert J. Cummins and Maria Tony of Crystal River, Florida.

Manie Howell honored as Resident of the Month

Mamie Howell, a former resident of Floyd County, has been selected as "Resident of the Month" for February.

She has been a resident of Parkview Manor, Pikeville, since August 6, 1996.

She has six children, nine grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Howell has her own pedal-style sewing machine in her room and she makes quilts, crafts and holiday items.

She also crochets bedspread and pillow sets, afghans and craft items.

Yesterdays

(Continued from page one)

Saturday at the home of a son at Indianapolis, Indiana; Thomas G. Blankenship, 72, Friday en route to the Prestonsburg General Hospital; Robert Langley "Bob" Spurlock, 66, last Thursday at his residence here; Mrs. Martha Hall, 62, last Wednesday at her home at Hi Hat.

Forty Years Ago (April 18, 1957)

Review of the proposed flood wall to protect Prestonsburg is slated to reach the office of the assistant chief of engineers for public work, U. S. Corps of Engineers, this week, Senator John Sherman Cooper wrote Sheriff Gorman Collins last Thursday...A total of 168 Floyd Countians—138 Democrats and 30 Republicans—are candidates for office in the primary election which lies just 40 days and nights ahead...Off to a belated start, the Red Cross fund drive in Floyd County this week had received contributions of \$4,640. The county's quota is \$10,145...The United Fuel Gas Company plans to spend nearly \$5,000,000 this year in its drilling program, President John W. Partridge announced Tuesday at Huntington...The first Parents' Night program at Prestonsburg High School Monday evening discussed many problems of the institution and drew suggestions from the patrons themselves, Ottis D. Spurlock, principal said...A delegation from the newly-formed Floyd County Flood Control Association will join those from other counties at Pikeville, Friday to form the Big Sandy Flood Control Association...There died: Miss Charlotte Kiser, 40, of Martin, last Tuesday at the home of her parents; Mrs. Cynthia Auxier, 41, of East Point, Tuesday in a Lexington Hospital.

Fifty Years Ago (April 18, 1947)

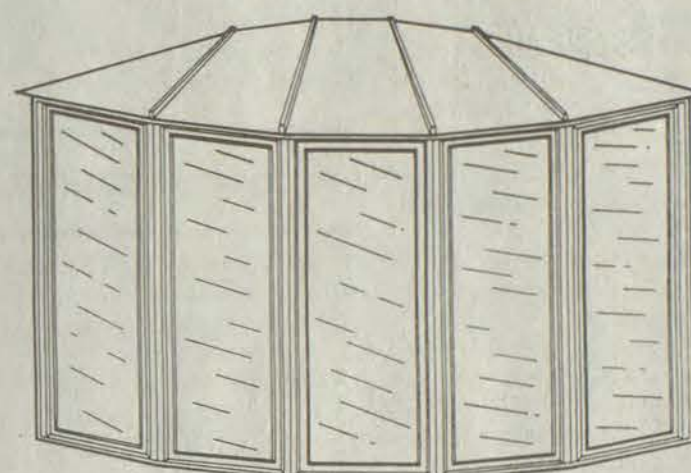
Although coal production was estimated above 90 percent of normal, with most mines of this section returned to operation after inspection by safety committees and federal inspectors, there remained a strong possibility this week that some mines will never reopen...Highlight of circuit court action here this week was the sentencing to two years each of two men convicted under the new state pistol law...Music, color and beauty featured the first Floyd County Music Festival, staged by the county's schools here Saturday...Lt. Col. John R. Sharp, of the Corps of Engineers, announced Monday that construction of Dewey dam on Johns Creek, suspended for the winter, will be resumed May 1...Police Chief Epp Lafferty reported this week the escape from the city jail, after midnight Saturday, of 10 of the 26 men held in the jail on drunkenness charges...Porter Field,

new baseball park here, was being readied for play this week and is expected to be in good condition by the April 27 opening date of the Eastern Kentucky Baseball League...Asthma aggravated by privations suffered during 14 months in a German prison camp resulted in the death Saturday of Jake Hamilton, 33, at the home of his father, Jesse Hamilton, of Amba...Married: Miss Bertha Akers and Mr. Joe McClanhan, both of Betsy Layne, April 1 at Pikeville; Miss Vivian Hatcher and Mr. Gerald Ward, of Paintsville, April 6 at Jacksonville, Florida...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Alex Vernon Allen of Allen, a son, April 14; to Mr. and Mrs. Dempsey Hall, of Melvin, a son, Jerry Lee, April 10...There died: Mrs. Ella Miller, 56, last Wednesday at the home at Water Gap of her daughter, Mrs. Alex Collins; Mrs. Marie Spencer Hayes, 26, of Eastern, at the Gearheart Hospital, Martin, Wednesday; Mrs. Rebecca Moore Stumbo, 66, Friday at the home of her son, J. M. Stumbo, of McDowell; Reuben Conley, 74, at his home at Estill, Sunday; Mrs. Mildred Caudill Clark, 27, April 6 at the Methodist Hospital, Pikeville; Gary Dean Patton, four-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Patton, of Hueysville, at the Beaver Valley Hospital, Tuesday; John Wesley Prater, month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Prater, at the Prater home at Whitaker, Tuesday.

Sixty Years Ago (April 16, 1937)

Milford Case, 11-year-old son of Honaker Postmaster Sid Case, died instantly Tuesday afternoon when he was struck in the chest by a blast from a 12-gauge shotgun in a field near his father's home...Residents of the Middle Creek section, finding their road practically impassable after the winter months, dug into their own pockets and came up with a road fund of \$73. They rented a tractor and grader, at \$20 per day, and after three days' work had the road from the West Prestonsburg bridge to Hillsboro graded and serviceable again...The period of time over this week and last finds a total of 230 Floyd County youths of the 260 enlisted here on their way to CCC work points throughout the country...Prestonsburg High School football coach Greenwill this week submitted to Floyd County coaches, a plan to hold a track and field meet here, May Day...Prestonsburg is presently being beautified by a group of National Youth Administration employees, who are planting trees and shrubs along the highways and on the school grounds... Married: Miss Genevieve Kathryn Stumbo, of Prestonsburg, and Mr. Chalmer Haynes Frazier, of Martin, April 14 at the M. E. Church, South, here.

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Ag Extension News

by Pat Spicer
CEA/Agriculture

Spring termite swarms

The warm temperatures of the last couple of weeks may have brought some unwanted guests to homes here in the county. Termite swarms are "triggered" by warmer temperatures and rainfall from March through May. The presence of winged termites inside a home almost always indicates an infestation warranting treatment.

Termites swarm in order to disperse and start new colonies. After a colony reaches a critical size (which can take 5-8 years), winged reproductives are produced.

The winged termites emerge from the colony and fly into the air. The swarms then drop to the ground, shed their wings, pair off with a mate, and attempt to begin a new colony in the soil. Very few swarms emerging outdoors survive to initiate new colonies.

Swarms emerging from tree stumps, woodpiles, railroad ties and other outdoor locations are not necessarily cause for concern, and do not necessarily mean that the structure, itself, is infested.

Termite swarming emerging inside a structure almost never survive (they can be removed with a vacuum cleaner) but they do indicate that an infestation is present. How do you know if you have termites and not winged ants?

Telling the difference can be confusing. Termites have straight antennae, uniform waists, and wings of equal size while winged ants have elbowed antennae, constricted waists and forewings that are longer than the hind wings.

There will often be no sign of termites themselves — small, creamy-white insects with an "ant-like" appearance.

An infestation can go undetected for years, hidden behind dry-wall, paneling, floor coverings, insulation, and other obstructions. Termite feeding can even progress undetected in wood that is exposed, because the outer surface is usually

left intact.

Another indicator of a termite problem is pencil-wide mud foraging tubes extending over foundation walls, support piers, sill plates, floor joists, headers and subfloors. Termites construct these mud "shelter" tubes as they travel between their underground colonies and the structure.

Termite-damaged wood is usually hollowed out along the grain, with bits of dried mud or soil lining the feeding galleries. Wood damaged by moisture or other types of insects (e.g., carpenter ants) will not have this appearance.

Ridding a home of termites requires extensive knowledge of building construction and an understanding of where termites are likely to enter.

Termite control also requires specialized equipment and application of large amounts of insecticide, (a typical termite job may require 200-plus gallons of termiticide solution.)

Given the substantial financial investment one has in a home, termite treatment is normally a job for professionals.

A possible exception would be if a mailbox post, sandbox or similar outdoor wood object not attached to the structure was infested.

Homeowners can reduce the risk

of termite attack by following these suggestions:

- Eliminate wood contact with the ground. Ninety percent of all termite infestations result from structural wood being in direct contact with the soil. Wood siding, porch steps, latticework, door or window frames, posts and similar wood elements should be at least six inches above ground level.

- Don't allow moisture to accumulate near the foundation. Termites are attracted to moisture and are more likely to enter a structure if the soil next to the foundation is consistently moist.

- Reduce humidity in crawl spaces by providing adequate ventilation. Crawl spaces should have 2 square feet of vent opening per 25 linear feet of foundation wall; one vent should be within 5 feet of each exterior corner of the building. Shrubs, vines and other vegetation should not be allowed to grow over the vents since this will inhibit cross-ventilation.

- Never store firewood, lumber or other wood debris against the foundation or within the crawl space. These materials attract termites and provide a source of food. When stacked against the foundation they offer a hidden path of entry into the structure and allow termites to bypass any termiticide

soil barrier which is present. Vines, trellises, and other dense plant material touching the house should be avoided for this reason as well.

5. Consider having the structure treated by a professional pest control firm. Although the measures outlined above will help make a house less attractive to termites, the best way to prevent infestation is to treat the soil around and beneath

the building with a termiticide.

Termites cause more damage to homes than all other natural disasters combined.

While a structure may become infested at any time, presence of termites is of particular importance when buying or selling a home since a termite inspection/infestation report is normally a condition of sale.

More than 75 percent of all consumer complaints received by the Kentucky Department of Agriculture involve termite treatments and real estate transactions.

For more information on termites, contact Pat Spicer at the Floyd County Cooperative Extension Service at 670 South Lake Drive in Prestonsburg or call 886-2668.



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Wedding/Engagements

Damron, Stevens exchange vows in March 8 wedding

Marjorie Dawn Damron and Joseph Scott Stevens were united in marriage March 8, at Little Dove Old Regular Baptist Church of Little Mud.

The bride is the daughter of Brenda Gail Hunter of Little Mud and Ronald Damron of Paintsville. The groom is the son of Phillip and

Judy Stevens of Toler Creek.

The bride's maternal grandparents are Betty and Caner Hunter of Little Mud. Her paternal grandparents are Auxier and Erma Damron of Toler Creek.

The groom's maternal grandparents are Hillard Hall of Toler Creek and the late Christene Hall. His

paternal grandparents are Dolly and Mathew Stevens of Toler Creek.

The bride was given in marriage by her grandfather, Caner Hunter. The wedding party consisted of Jennifer Damron, maid of honor, and Corbit Hall, best man.

The rest of the wedding party consisted of Anita Hunter, Letisha Jarrell, Elaine Hunter, Angel Lawson, Christene Boyd, Shay Rogers,

Lisa Stevens, Diana Akers, Ray Tackett, Scotty Stevens, Mikey Howell, John Ed Rogers, Ramey Hunter, Ashley Lykens, Chris Justice, Brian Lane. The ring bearers were Corey Jarrell and Hunter Johnson.

The flower girls were Stefanie Hunter and Nicole Tackett. The usher was Anthony Lykens. The reception was at the church.



Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Scott Stevens



Angela Michelle Black and Christopher Matthew May



Amanda Leanne Tussey and Winson Lee Slone

Correction:

An announcement of the marriage of Harold Dean Bates Jr. and Bernal Day in Wednesday's edition of the Floyd County Times incorrectly listed Mr. Bates' name as Harold Dean Bates Sr. The announcement also listed his father's name as Harold W. Bates. His father's name is Harold D. Bates.

Happy marriages, there's help when help is needed

A University of Kentucky researcher and family scholar says society needs to offer more information to young adults ages 18-30 on how to have healthy relationships with romantic partners.

"The rules around them are changing," said Stephen Wilson, associate professor of family studies in UK's College of Human Environmental Sciences and director of the Research Center for Families and Children.

Sex and pregnancy are no longer necessarily linked, Wilson said, and it has become more acceptable to postpone marriage and parenthood. Many young adults are single for a decade or more before marrying, Wilson said.

Many believe, erroneously, that half of all U.S. marriages end in divorce. Actually, Wilson said, "The rate of divorce peaked in 1978 about 40 percent and has been stable or actually declining ever since."

"The crude U.S. divorce rate per 1,000 population was 5.2 in about 1980, and now it's about 4.6 per thousand," Wilson said. "However, both the marriage rates and divorce rates are much higher in Kentucky than they are for the U.S. as a whole."

"Higher percentages are based

on counting how many marriage licenses and divorce decrees were filed each year at the courthouse; this is misleading because the divorces don't involve the same people."

Wilson said it is not at all helpful for spouses to believe it's a toss-up as to whether the relationship will survive.

"Satisfaction, interest in and the centrality of marriage in each partner's life is cyclical," Wilson said, and the problem may be in teaching young adults and adults of all ages when to throw in the towel and when to stick it out through bad, boring or disappointing times.

Wilson said half of all marriages today that end in divorce will end within the first six years, so a marriage that survives that long has a good chance of lasting 50 or 60 years, or until death do they part.

Society continues to question the value of family life classes, but Wilson believes that classes that focus on human relationships, whether based in school or the community, "at least expose young adults to decision-making processes, to likely life experiences, and to alternative ways of understanding or organizing what will be, for most of us, the most meaningful parts of our lives."

May wedding planned in Texas

Retired colonel and Mrs. Ralph Powell Black of Austin, Texas, and Dr. and Mrs. Charles E. May of Austin, Texas, formerly of Prestonsburg, announce the engagement of their children, Angela Michelle Black and Christopher Matthew May.

Matthew's maternal grandparents are Margaret B. Gray of Prestonsburg, and the late Manis E. Gray. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. E. B. May of Prestonsburg.

The wedding will take place May 31, at Saint Mary's Cathedral, in Austin, Texas.

Tussey, Slone to wed June 29

Amanda Leanne Tussey of Blue River and Winson Lee Slone of David announce their engagement and forthcoming marriage.

Tussey is the daughter of William Tussey of Blue River and the late Lynn Tussey. Slone is the son of Winson and Lori Slone of David.

The wedding ceremony will be held June 29, at 1:30 p.m., at the Fitzpatrick First Baptist Church.

The couple are registered at Country at Heart, Trends & Traditions, and Wal-Mart, in Prestonsburg.

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Developing strong individuals and families is essential to the future growth and productivity of the community. The following is a summary of five major program areas which address priority issues of our clientele.

FAMILIES AND YOUTH

Parents of all ages are targeted by Extension through the LAP (Learning About Parenting) program and the Parenting Skills Workshop Series (PSWS was developed by Cornell University Cooperative Extension.) Better than 90 percent of the participants gain knowledge and better than 80 percent improve their own parenting practices, according to responses from existing programs in Kentucky.

Currently, the Parenting Skills Workshop Series, and eight-week program which focuses on five core components that provide parents with alternatives to physical discipline methods is being taught at the Floyd County Health Department. The skills learned are transferable and usable with various ages from infancy to adulthood. To schedule a Parenting Skills Workshop Class for you organization or for yourself contact me at the Extension Office (886-2668.)

Indirect training teaches workers of various agencies and facilities—how to assist parents with issues such as discipline. Clients are reached directly through innovative programs available through Cooperative Extension. Floyd County parents, teachers, and professionals working with children have an additional wealth of information through the Children Youth and Families (CYFAR) program here in the county.

Child care workers are better

prepared to provide quality care as a result of Cooperative Extension Service training. Floyd County child care workers have the opportunity of attending a day-long training to be held Saturday, April 26, at

over 2,500 food service workers have been reached statewide in a four-year period. Additionally, local training is available to food service operators.

Data collected from the 1995

RURAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Kentuckians have been assisted in establishing and marketing home-based and other small businesses such as bed and breakfast facilities and craft markets. Clients are shown, for example, how to make basket-making as a hobby for personal home enhancement into a profit-making business.

Craft cooperatives have been established in some Kentucky counties with limited resources, thus enabling clients to produce viable income for the first time in years. Many of the new businesses created are listed in the Cooperative Extension Service Home-Based Business Directory, a marketing tool for small and home-based businesses available to clients across Kentucky. Plans are currently underway to sponsor a seminar in Floyd County in the fall of this year.

EXTENSION HOMEMAKERS

This organization is a unique aspect of the Cooperative Extension Program in Kentucky. Members develop leadership skills by conducting monthly business meetings, receiving training on the educational topics and teaching lessons at club meetings. Members are also involved in various creative endeavors ranging from stenciling to masterful quilting. A Quilt Guild meets monthly to pursue in-depth projects. A three-day Homemakers Enrichment Camp is an annual getaway for members of the Homemakers Organization. This year's camp is June 4-6 at the 4-H Camp in Boyd County. New members may register to attend camp through May 1.

Additional information on these and other programs is available from the Floyd County Extension Service located at 670 S. Lake Drive, Prestonsburg. The phone number is 886-2668; contact me (Theresa Scott) to arrange an appointment to discuss your needs. I am looking forward to serving the people of Floyd County with these and other programs.

COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE

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Theresa Scott
Floyd County Extension Agent
University of Kentucky, College of Agriculture

the Floyd County Extension Office. Six (6.0) hours of CEU credit will be awarded for those workers receiving training on April 26th. Pre-Registration is required. Contact the office for late registration.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

Financial management programming has been emphasized by agents, assistants and volunteers working with Cooperative Extension. For example, the Women's Financial Information Program (WFIP) has been used by over 60 percent of Kentucky's Agents to assist clients in becoming financially independent. Other programs are available to train workers of various organizations on Financial management. Literature and programs are available for Parents on How To Teach Your Children about Money. Individuals may also obtain reference materials on Financial Management rather than attending organized programs.

FOOD SAFETY

Foodborne illness leads to economic loss from missed work, illness, and even death, especially with at-risk groups such as the elderly and young children. It has been estimated that each incidence of foodborne illness costs an average of \$1,000. Via satellite trainings on safe food handling prac-

statewide training showed that 83 percent of the participants improved their food safety knowledge and practices. During the past year, over 600 Floyd County School Children have received instruction on correct sanitation practices and proper hand-washing procedures through programs presented.

NUTRITION, DIET AND HEALTH

Clients have learned about eating right for themselves and their families with fun experiences relating to food buying, preparation and nutritional education.

The PAL (Partner Assisted Learning) is a nutritional education program for use with pregnant teens and adults. PAL has helped new mothers in Kentucky produce newborns of a healthy minimum 5.5 pounds birth weight.

The Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program, referred to as EFNEP currently reaches clients in half of Kentucky's 120 counties, over 50,000 clients in both adult and youth programs.

Floyd Countians will soon be served by the EFNEP program, which is slated to begin in June. Statewide program evaluation data showed that 96 percent of clients have made some type of dietary improvement as a result of EFNEP instruction.

Paintsville Livestock Market

The big news from Saturday's livestock auction is that the sale will be moved to Wednesdays at 7 p.m., beginning May 7.

The main reason for this is parking space. Flea market patrons are increasingly taking up more of the parking area behind the sale barn leaving little room for cattle trucks and goose-necks to get in.

Also, with warmer weather there is more traffic flowing toward Paintsville Lake on Saturdays, adding to the congestion out on Rt. 40.

Although the move to Wednesday nights breaks a long-standing tradition, it is expected to please most stock dealers who have complained for some time about waiting in stalled traffic trying to get in and out.

It may also please people who find it extremely uncomfortable to be crowded-in around the sales ring on hot humid Saturday afternoons—you may reach up to swipe the sweat from your nose and end up buying a cow.

This past Saturday's sale was quite comfortable, however, and can only be described as short and sweet: short because Wednesday night's feeder sale took care of most of the cattle, and sweet because all the children in the stands seemed to particularly enjoy the baby goats that went through.

Hogs got things started with 150-430 pounders selling at \$35 to \$42 per hundred. Billy goats followed at \$50-\$56 apiece, and small nannies brought \$30 to \$42.50. Nannies with kids went through for

\$74-\$110.

Stocker heifers brought \$135 to \$205 per head. Springer heifers by the pound went for \$8-63 cents.

A good looking 470 lb. mixed breed bull brought \$75, and the only cow and calf of the day sold for \$410.

Friday night's horse sale saw slightly rising prices on good quality stock, both pleasure and standardbreds. A number of them received bids in the \$750 to \$900 range.

Small ponies were selling nicely at \$230-\$275. Only two mules went through, selling for \$380 and \$420, and a three-year-old jack brought \$220.

The next horse sale will be Friday, April 25.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT'S FEEDER SALE RESULTS

Steers:		
300-400	\$80-91	
400-500	\$70-75	
500-600	\$70-72.50	
600-700	\$70-80	
Heifers:		
300-400	\$70-79.75	
400-500	\$60-71	
500-600	\$58-63.50	
600-700	\$55-62	

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2 Char.	365 lbs.	\$89.50
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3 Lim.	330 lbs.	\$75
3 Char.	448 lbs.	\$71
5 Char.	474 lbs.	\$64.25
5 BWF	461 lbs.	\$61.50
3 BLK	501 lbs.	\$63.50
3 Char.	535 lbs.	\$60.50
2 Lim.	650 lbs.	\$58

Stock cows: \$300-450.
Cows/calves: \$400-545.
Weigh cows: \$30-48.50
Bulls: \$37-58.
May we all buy low and sell high—John Butch Preston.

Society News

Ross is guest speaker at KFWC Drift Woman's Club on March 17

The KFWC Drift Woman's Club met March 17 at the Viola Bailey Community Center building. Ruby Akers, president, presided.

The devotional, "Diary of Life," was given by Celia Little. This was followed by prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

The conservation chairman, Jerri Turner, distributed a booklet, "Arbor Day in Kentucky."

Johnnie Ross, an environmental inspector and a supervisor of the Floyd Conservation District was presented by the president. Ross is the only environmental inspector assigned to a 13-county region in Eastern Kentucky. He explained that he and his boss, state Resources and Environmental Protection Secretary James Bickford, decided that the roadside dumps were overlooked. Residents and companies in three counties have been ordered to appear in Frankfort — not local courts — where they face fines up to \$5,000. A vast majority of the public in Eastern Kentucky supports anti-dumping enforcement. Open dumps mar the natural beauty of our Commonwealth and can affect tourism, Ross said.

Secretary Bickford's agency intends to target illegal dumps, Ross said. He added that local officials have expressed support for the state effort.

Ross encouraged club members to brighten up the community by participating in the Adopt-A-Highway Annual Spring Clean-up campaign, April 19-26. The clean-up is held in conjunction with the international celebration of Earth Day, April 22.

Jerri Turner, conservation chairman, announced at the meeting that laws in the community will be judged in May to select the yard of the month. A sign indicating that honor will be placed on the winning lawn.

The Community Improvement Project is the second McDowell High School Reunion for classes 1934 through 1993, which will be held August 29-September 1. A contact person for each class has been selected to send a letter to each graduate. Anyone who hasn't received a letter should contact a member of the KFWC Drift Woman's Club.

Refreshments were served by the hostess, Roney Clark, to Ruby Akers, Celia Little, Alma Mosley, Alice Skeans, Donna Allen, Ruby Damron, Geraldine Ward, Loraine Corley, Jerri Turner, Mildred Salisbury, Roberta Luxmore, and Kathryn Youmans.

Memorial lillies placed in Maytown Methodist Church Easter Sunday

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Sunday were in memory of: Clyde P. Allen by Tina J. Allen and Rosemary Ewen; Leonard, Geraldine, and Danny Allen and Buell Spears, from Betty Frasure and family; Elizabeth Allen and Lucy Patton, from George and Mosaleete Patton; Walter Clyde Dings Sr., Airman 1st Class Chad M. Dings and Donna Dings, from Winnie Dings and family; George and Stacy Gray and Lyman and Ted Branham; from the Gray family; Martin G. Halbert Jr. and Michael Todd Halbert and Julia Slone; from Ruby Halbert; James Harmon Jr., from the McGuire family; Don Meade and Ann Showers, from Betty Meade; and Bradas and Henry May, from Betty May.

Lillies were placed in honor of George and Mosaleete Patton, from Jerry Patton; and in memory of Vina Prater from the family; in memory of Larry Robinson from Buddy, Doris, and Sean Robinson; and Jerry Lynn Watts, from Tabby, Teresa, Chris, and Crystal Martin and Keith Frasure.

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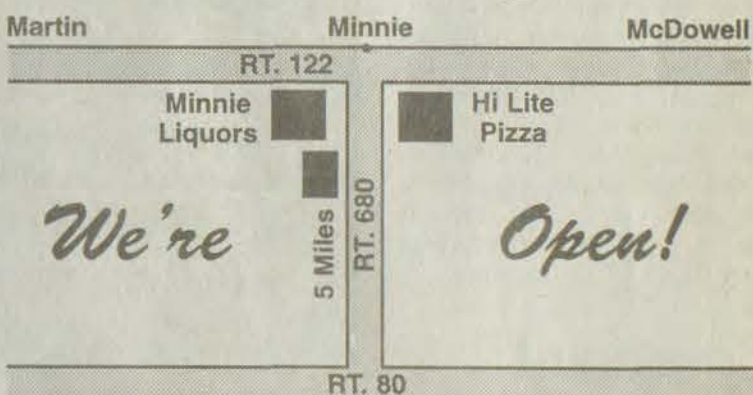
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Business/Real Estate

Businesses could pay lower phone bills, but residents could pay more

Floyd County businesses may soon be paying lower phone bills, but area residents may see their bills go up. BellSouth filed last month with the Kentucky Public Service Commission (PSC) a proposal to reduce overall rates by \$4.4 million.

The proposal will reduce business prices by up to 50 percent, increase residence prices and implement a lifeline plan to reduce the bills of low income customers.

In the Pikeville area, the rate adjustment for businesses will go from a basic \$33.35 per month to \$29 if the proposal is approved. Those figures show an inflation adjustment of \$57.08.

Area residents will see their bills increase from a basic \$12.69 to \$16.64, an inflation adjustment of \$21.71.

The proposed rate change was precipitated by the FCC's local service interconnection order which has been interpreted to allow competitors to buy all the pieces of

BellSouth's network needed to provide local service at a rate of approximately 50 percent to 60 percent below its business rate in some locations.

The Kentucky PSC applied this interpretation in recent arbitration involving BellSouth and MCI, and BellSouth and AT&T.

"We have to lower our business prices to stay competitive," Paul Smith, BellSouth regional manager, said. "This proposal will create economic development incentives for businesses to locate or remain in Kentucky and even to expand their operations."

Traditionally, higher business prices have provided a subsidy to help keep basic residence service prices low. While there is little difference in BellSouth's costs to provide basic business versus resi-

dence service, the price of its basic business service is over 250 percent higher than the price of its residence service.

"In a competitive market, this price differential cannot continue," Smith said.

Lowering business service prices will reduce the subsidy to residence service. Thus, BellSouth is also proposing that the basic residence service rate be increased by \$3.45 in Louisville and \$3.95 in other Kentucky locations. That would be an increase of approximately 12 percent and 14 percent respectively in the average residence customers' bill.

"We have not increased the price of basic residence service since 1985," Smith said. "That is 12 years of stable pricing while investing over \$1.5 billion in our

Kentucky network to provide state of the art telecommunications services. Had our basic residence service price kept pace with inflation, it would be about 70 percent higher than it is today."

"We are concerned with residence service remaining affordable," Smith said. "That is one reason why we are proposing a lifeline plan to reduce the bill for low-income customers by \$7 a month."

"We have reduced the residence touchtone charge by 50 cents a month and implemented area calling service in all our Kentucky exchanges, except one."

"This is not an overall rate increase. In fact, we will be reducing our overall rates by \$4.4 million a year. Since 1988, we have made a cumulative reduction in rates of over \$700 million."

Commerce Corner

The Floyd County Chamber of Commerce recently hosted the second meeting of the county litter taskforce, a group of community leaders that are very motivated and are taking action in the fight to clean up Floyd County.

Chamber Executive Director Carla S. Coburn was elected to the position of secretary for the taskforce and volunteered for the recycling, illegal dumping and law enforcement committees.

Upcoming events for county clean-up include participation in Clean-Up Kentucky Week April 19-26, that week, the group plans to have trash dumpsters available throughout the county for citizens to dispose of items other than household trash without paying a tipping fee.

Coordinators of the clean-up effort will use April 22, which is Earth Day, to clean up an illegal

dump site. The chamber invites all chamber members to use this week to contribute in some way to the beautification of your area of the county. Together we can, and are making a difference.

This week we send congratulations to chamber member Dr. Andy Elliott, DMD, who was recently elected chairman of the board of the Kentucky Dental Association. Dr.

Elliott has practiced dentistry in Martin for the past 14 years, and recently completed a four-year term as the chairman of the new Dentist Committee for the American Dental Association.

We appreciate the professionalism with which chamber members such as Dr. Elliott represent our organization and area. This is the perfect example of the excellence

that the Chamber of Commerce strives to foster.

This week, the chamber welcomes the following members: The Floyd County Times, Dr. Andy Elliott, DMD, Jenny Wiley Theatre, East Kentucky Auto Parts, and Big Sandy Two-Way Communications.

We are growing, and your business should be represented by our organization because, we are "business helping business." If you would like more information about becoming a part of the exclusive business organization in Floyd County, contact the Chamber of Commerce at (606) 886-0364.



by Carla Coburn

Local pharmacist takes part in recent seminar

Michael Goeing, R.Ph., of Family Drug of Wheelwright in Melvin, took part in a recent continuing-education seminar conducted by the University of Kentucky College of Pharmacy Office of Continuing Education.

Goeing, who is part-owner and has been with Family Drug for 21 years, spent four days in the "Basic Skills in Pharmaceutical Care" segment of the program, part of a pharmaceutical-care certificate program which utilizes problem-solving exercises and case studies to help practicing pharmacists enhance their communication and counseling skills, learn to access drug information through on-line systems and develop drug-management care plans.

The office of continuing pharmacy education serves over 19,000 pharmacy practitioners and researchers annually through more than 200 learning activities. Through the use of five seminars, homestudy video lessons, certificate programs, teleconferences and symposia, pharmacy professionals are able to continually update their skills.

For more information on continuing-education programs, contact Continuing Pharmacy Education, College of Pharmacy, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY 40536-0082; phone (606) 257-5305; e-mail at copepe@pop.uky.edu; or visit the our web site at <http://www.uky.edu/MedicalCenter/PharmCE/welcome.htm>.

Comment time for noise rule extended

The Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) has extended the public comment period regarding the Agency's proposed rule for occupational noise exposure. The rule, which applies to all surface and underground mines, would require mine operators to use all feasible engineering and administrative controls to reduce miners' exposure to noise. It would also call for hearing conservation plans and provide for yearly hearing examinations for miners.

MSHA will accept public comments until June 20. Members of the mining community can review the written text of the rule at any MSHA area office, on MSHA's Internet home page, or by requesting a personal copy.

MSHA also will hold public hearings on the proposed rule. The agency prefers that all requests to make oral presentations for the record be submitted at least five days prior to each hearing date. One does not have to submit a written request, however, to be given an opportunity to speak.

A public hearing, which is scheduled from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., will be held May 6, in Beckley, West Virginia.

For further information, contact MSHA's Office of Standards, Regulations and Variances, 4015 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22203, tel: (703) 235-1910. The Internet home page address is <http://www.msha.gov>.

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ABSOLUTE AUCTIONS SATURDAY, APRIL 26th, 1997

AUCTION #1—2 TRACTS - 10:30 A.M.

TRACT #1, being a boundary of land lying on the South side Cooks Branch Road containing 40 acres more or less, having approximately 4 1/2 acres of bottom land, a barn, and some good timber. TRACT #2: Across the road, approximately 50 acres, numerous home sites. Has some good timber along the back ridge line. Both tracts have good accessibility. Electric service available. Adjacent to east side of Lee City, approximately 1,000 feet off of State Road #1094 and about 1/2 mile off of State Road #205 and 2 1/2 miles south of Mt. Parkway. There is a 1,409 lb. tobacco allotment which will be sold separately.

TERMS \$5,000, down-payment, each tract. Tobacco allotment, CASH. Balance on or before 30 days. 10% Buyer's premium added,

AUCTION #2 - 12:00 NOON

Located on Allison Rose Branch Road approximately 1 mile off HWY #205 on the north side of Lee City, KY., containing 36 acres, more or less, as shown in Deed Book 70, Page 61. Located approximately 2 miles south of Mt. Parkway and on the north side of Lee City. Tobacco allotment of 586 lbs. will be sold separately.

To get to this auction, take HWY #205 to Lee City. Across from Lee City Lounge, turn east on Allison Branch Road, which runs behind the little church house, and go approximately 1 mile.

TERMS: \$2,500. down-payment, balance on or before 30 days. 10% Buyer's Premium added.

AUCTION #3 - 1:30 P.M.

Located one mile south of Mt. Parkway on State Road #1010, known as Lacy Creek Road on Rose Branch. This boundary of land total, contains 252 acres more or less as shown in two tracts.

TRACT #1 lies on the west side of Lacy Creek Road, containing 52 acres more or less and has access to Lacy Creek Road. This is all woodland and has some marketable timber and several good home sites. An entrance road to a cemetery is reserved to the public with the right of ingress and egress. Electric service is available. TRACT #2 contains 200 acres more or less and fronts Lacy Creek Road approximately 1/2 mile. It has some bottom land and goes up Rose Branch to near the dividing ridge of Gilmore Creek and runs with the east-west dividing ridge back out to State Road #1010. This big boundary of land has some good timber and 2 seams of coal. Many years ago, approximately half of this boundary was in pasture or cultivation. This tract of land would be ideal for dividing into smaller parcels for future home sites. We invite your inspection. Make your arrangements and be at this auction.

TERMS: Tracts #1 and #2, \$5,000. down-payment, each tract. Balance on or before 30 days, 10% Buyer's Premium added.

We invite your inspection for all the above described properties. Any and all coal, oil and gas rights will be conveyed. For further information, contact the Auction Company. The out-of-state owner has said Sell, regardless, so make your arrangements and be at these auctions. These properties are approximately 20 minutes from Campton; 30 minutes from Jackson; 30 minutes from Salyersville and 1 hour and 10 minutes from Lexington by HWY #15 or the Mt. Parkway.

OWNER: MR. KERMIT WEEKS

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NEW LISTING
TWO FOR ONE—3-bedroom, 2-bath brick ranch house with chain-link fenced yard, plus trailer to rent. M-027-F3.

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REDUCED
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Boats For Sale

26 FT. PLAYBOUY PONTOON. 70 HP. Chevy Blazer parts and 1987 Chevrolet Cavalier. Call 606-358-3073.

1994 TRACKER 18 FT. BASS BUGGY PONTOON with trailer. 40HP Mariner, Eagle depth finder, skis, tent enclosure. \$7,900. Call 478-3323.

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ANTIQUES, ART PRINTS by Don Ensor, Ray Harm and Russell May, AND COLLECTIBLES. 606-886-6065.

Auctions

AUCTION: Must clear building for remodeling. Everything goes! Sunday, April 20, 1:21 p.m., G.C. Murphy Building, Paintsville. New items include cherry bedroom suite, cherry dropleaf table, small cherry tables, cherry dresser and chest, maple dinette with hutch, much more. Jim Gambill, Auctioneer.

Real Estate For Sale

THINKING ABOUT SELLING YOUR HOME but think winter is a bad time? I have several buyers looking NOW! In Floyd County area between \$40,000-\$100,000. Call Ellen of Century 21 American Way at 874-9558 after 7 p.m.

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15,000 SQ. FT. HOME with scenic view. Centrally located at Harold. For sale by owner. Will consider rental or lease purchase. Apartment rental also available. Call 888-807-9390.

TRAILER AND LOTS FOR SALE: Located at Stanville. Utilities hooked up already on vacant lot. Call 606-478-5577.

HOUSE FOR SALE: Hueysville, Smackey Bottom. Has double lot, blacktop road. Needs repair. If interested contact Eugene Collins, 204 Crandall, Albion, MI 49224; phone 517-629-3212.

FOR SALE: 1993 Fleetwood 24x40. Three bedroom, two bath. Central heat/air, large storage building. Nice level lot at Hurricane Creek. \$35,000. Call 606-478-8379, leave message.

250X300 LOT W/THREE BEDROOM BRICK HOME. Above ground pool. Big family room. Rt. 1750, Floyd County. Access to Floyd and Johnson county schools. \$60,000. Call 606-789-5915.

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HOME FOR SALE: Ranch style. Three bedrooms, living room, dining room/kitchen combination, bathroom. Large two car garage. Located on one acre on KY Rt. 1210 near Martin in Floyd County. Asking \$62,000. Call 606-297-5051.

FOR SALE: 14x70 mobile home and lot. Two bedroom, two bath Fleetwood. New carpet. Large outbuilding. Great condition. Nice lot. In great neighborhood. Must sell. \$29,500. Call 889-9225, leave message.

HOUSE & PROPERTY FOR SALE: Two bedroom house with aluminum siding and deck. Full size basement. Will sell property separately. Call 606-478-5097.

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APARTMENT BUILDING AT WHEELWRIGHT. HUD approved. Space for retail business downstairs. Also, lot for sale at Hi Hat. Call 377-2872.

FOR SALE: 50 acres woodland. Some good timber, 8 acres grass. Great for hunting turkey and deer. Menifee County. \$40,000. Call 606-768-2537.

HOUSE FOR SALE: Slick Rock Fork of Cow Creek. Brick, 2050 sq. ft. Custom kitchen, LR/DR combo w/fireplace, large family room w/fireplace, three bedrooms, 1 3/4 baths, utility room, two car port. 15 acres with chain link fence around yard, in-ground pool, 20'x40' fenced and heated. Call 874-9492 days and 874-9054 evenings.

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HOME FOR SALE: New vinyl siding, double carport, large front porch w/columns. Three bedrooms, two full baths, new 24x24 family room with skylights and double French doors. Central heat/air. Total electric. Very quiet and private neighborhood. \$49,900 or best reasonable offer. Four miles from Paintsville at Thelma. Call 606-789-5190.

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BUILDING AND PROPERTY FOR SALE: South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg. Former location of John's Clubhouse. Call 874-9649, leave message.

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MUST SELL! 1990 Olds Cutlass Supreme. Quad four, automatic, 4-door, air, tilt, cruise. Call 606-789-9324.

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FOR SALE: 1993 Astro Van Ext Mark III conversion. \$11,000. Call 285-3131 after 5 p.m.

1991 TOYOTA CAMRY DX. Metallic blue. All options including sunroof. Excellent condition. 82,500 miles. \$8,000 firm. Call 874-9967.

1984 CHEVY CAPRICE WAGON. 84,000 miles. 305 motor, ps, pb, a/c. One owner. Good tires. \$1,200. Call 285-9553.

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1984 CHEVY CAPRICE WAGON. 84,000 miles. 305 motor, ps, pb, a/c. One owner. Good tires. \$1,200. Call 285-9553.

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Houses For Rent

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FOR RENT: 14x75 trailer. Two bedroom, living room, kitchen, den. \$250/month plus utilities. \$150 deposit. Call 874-9983.

FOR RENT: Small trailer near Prestonsburg and Dewey Lake. Air conditioning, new appliances. Private. Large patio. Neat, clean. Call 886-3941.

TWO BEDROOM APARTMENT at Hi Hat. Stove/refrigerator. All utilities. \$360/month. \$100 deposit. Will accept HUD. Call 285-3628.

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CERTIFIED NURSE'S AIDE looking for work. Very friendly, great personality. Works well with people. If you are in need of an aide call for more details, 889-9038.

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Public Notice

Date and time of Public Sale: April 25, 1997 at 11:00 a.m. Type of Collateral: 1996 Toyota Tacoma 4x4, S/N 9247. Contract Date: 10/21/96 Location: First Commonwealth Bank Parking Lot, 169 North Arnold Ave., Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653.

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Panels, Accessories, and Service, Refrigeration Supplies, and Water Treatment for Heating and Cooling Systems. Bids will be accepted until 2:00 p.m. on May 7, 1997 and bid opening will be at the Maintenance Department (Old Allen Elementary) at 10:00 a.m. on May 8, 1997. For specifications or further information, call Gregory Adams, Director of Facilities, at 606-874-2049.

Advertisement for Bids

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The operation is located 1.0 miles east of Betsy Layne in Floyd and Pike Counties. The operation is approximately 0.25 miles west from CR-1509's junction with CR-1510 and located along Pike-Floyd Hollow. The operation is located on the Broad Bottom and Harold U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle maps at latitude 37° 33' 18" N, longitude 82° 37' 00" W. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, Prestonsburg Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653-1397. Written comments or objections must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. All comments or objections must be received within fifteen (15) days of today's date.

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fees. If there are any questions, please call Mike Rausch at 1-800-433-6998.

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

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Executive Director needed for non-profit health care agency in Eastern Kentucky. Agency provides primary care to residents of Floyd, Magoffin, and Pike counties. The multi-site agency employs 50 staff members including five physicians. The operating budget is 2.8 million dollars and has approximately 33,500 patient encounters per year. Requirements for the position include Masters degree in Health Administration, Public Health Administration, preferred; or BS in Health Sciences, or Masters Degree in Business Administration with recent Public Health experience, or related field with a minimum of three years of management experience, or a physician with health administration experience or training. Please send resume with salary requirements no later than 5/15/97 to: Search Committee Big Sandy Health Care, Inc. 1709 Ky. Rte. 321 Suite 3 Prestonsburg, KY 41653

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INVITATION FOR BIDS

Floyd County Board of Education is requesting interested vendors to submit bids for technology wiring projects described within. All submissions shall meet the following criteria:

Each bid must be submitted in a sealed envelope, addressed to Floyd County Board of Education, 69 North Arnold Avenue, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Each sealed envelope containing a BID must be plainly marked on the outside as BID for Technology Wiring at Prestonsburg High School Phase I. The envelope should bear on the outside the bidder's name and address. BIDS will be received until 1:30 p.m., April 28, 1997, at which time bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

All BIDS must clearly identify the equipment, items and services being bid. The Floyd County Board of Education may waive any informalities or minor defects or reject any and all BIDS. Any BID may be withdrawn prior to the above scheduled time for the opening of BIDS or authorized postponement thereof. Any BID received after the time and date specified shall not be considered. No BIDDER may withdraw a BID within 15 days after the actual date of the opening thereof. Should there be reasons why the contract cannot be awarded within the specified period, the time may be extended by mutual agreement between The Floyd County Board of Education and the BIDDER.

BIDDERS must satisfy themselves as to the quantities, quality, or specifications of the items and work listed by calling the District Technology Coordinator, Harold Burchell at 606-886-2354 (132) and/or a physical review of the facility. After the BIDS have been submitted, the BIDDER shall not assert that there was a misunderstanding concerning the quality, quantities or specifications of the items or services listed within. Floyd County Board of Education will provide any information, prior to BIDDING, which is pertinent to and describes needs and the use of the items being bid, on request.

Each BID must be accompanied by a BID bond payable to Floyd County Board of Education for five (5%) percent of the total amount of the BID. As soon as BID prices have been compared, the BONDS will be returned to all but the successful BIDDER. When the agreement with the successful BIDDER is executed to the satisfaction of Floyd County Board of Education the BOND will be returned. A Certified Check may be submitted in lieu of a BID BOND.

The successful BIDDER will be expected to fulfill all agreements and deliveries of the items and services BID within 30 calendars days of the awarding of the BID. In case of failure to execute the agreement and delivery of the items and services BID, the BIDDER will be considered to be in DEFAULT, in which case the BID BOND accompanying the proposal will become the property of Floyd County Board of Education.

The successful BIDDER will be notified that they have been awarded a BID AGREEMENT and a NOTICE TO PROCEED both by phone and in writing within 10 days of the opening of the BIDS. Should they not be notified within 10 days they would have the right to withdraw by WRITTEN NOTICE their offer. At the time of the NOTICE TO PROCEED the BIDDER is expected to execute the agreement by preparing for delivery of the promised BID ITEMS and SERVICES within the

specified time allowed. Should circumstances prevent timely delivery of such BID ITEMS and SERVICES the time may be extended by mutual agreement of both parties.

All BIDS should reflect the lowest price the vendor will accept for the equipment. All equipment must be new, of the latest design and model and meet the specifications listed. The BID price must include all shipping and delivery to each site specified within this BID.

Each BID proposal must include a completed and signed KETS BUILDING WIRING CHECKLIST for each facility described within. This is a list of questions concerning each aspect of facility technology wiring within a building. Each item must be addressed as to how vendor will implement this aspect of the wiring project. NO ITEMS shall go unanswered. If an item does not apply to this facility or job then the vendor will need to say so. All items shall be addressed in a typed and legible format. There is an associated document, Building/Wiring Checklist Explanation, Version 1.3 April 6, 1994 that is included in the BID packet. This describes the KETS Building Wiring Standards that apply to each item in the Building Wiring Checklist Form (included). These can be acquired electronically at http://www.k12.ky.us/kde/wan_standards/kdenet-work.html on the KETS WEB server. The vendor must understand that this checklist must accompany this BID PROPOSAL and be completed as per KETS Standards. If you have any questions concerning these standards please contact Phil Coleman, KETS Regional Engineer at 606-886-0205.

Each BID proposal must include a signed, completed, itemized and dated materials (parts) list as per the Project Price and Components Breakdown document enclosed within.

Please include the cost for additional data drops in the event that Floyd County decides to have more data drops installed while work on this project is being done.

No sub-contractors will be used on this job.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-5273, Renewal

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Richardson Fuel, Inc., 16232 U.S. 23, Catlettsburg, Kentucky 41129 has applied for renewal of a permit for an

underground coal mining operation located 0.6 mile west of Hueysville in Floyd County. The operation will disturb 8.20 surface acres and will underlie 843.70 acres and the total acres within the permit boundary will be 851.90 acres.

The proposed operation is approximately 0.3 miles East from Salyers Branch Road junction with SR 7 and located 0.07 mile south of Saltlick Creek. The latitude is 37° 29' 25" and the longitude is 82° 51' 56."

The proposed operation is located on the Wayland U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Chester Neeley and James Martin Heirs. The operation will underlie land owned by Chester Neeley, Norman Allen Heirs, Mae Turner, Lacy Shepherd, Rebecca Martin Estate, Hailt Chaffins, Catherine Chaffins, David Chaffins, Gary Rister, James Combs, Harlen Shepherd, Ben Combs, Kelly Howard, Stewart Howard, Ambrose Stone Heirs, Dallas Cox Estate, Gorden Howard, Garnet Moore, Albert Green, Golda Castle, Dallas Kilgore, Billie Hughes, Thelma McAskill, Douglas Gearheart, Harold Allen, Devert Owens, Buster Duddleson, Stewart Banks, James Martin Heirs, J. Osborne Drilling, Evelyn Horn, Adrian Bentley, Jack Osborne, Chester Bailey, Talmadge Allen, Hargus Martin Jr., Vesta Martin, Roy Duncan Estate, Fraley Gunnel, Curtis Knox, Martha Gibson, Harless Howard. The operation will effect an area within 100 feet of public road SR 7 Road. The operation will not involve relocation of the public road.

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 of the Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, US 127 South, Frankfort, KY 40601.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-5323, Renewal

In accordance with the provision of KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Progress Land Corporation, HC 82 Box 1045, Arnold Fork Road, Kite, Kentucky 41828 has filed an application for

Renewal of an underground coal mining and reclamation operation. The operation will affect a surface disturbance of 6.25 acres and will underlie an additional 355.0 acres for a total proposed permit acreage of 361.25 located 0.5 miles south of Price in Floyd County.

The proposed operation is approximately 1.90 mile north from State Rt. 122's junction with State Rt. 979 and located 0.1 mile east of Left Beaver Creek. The latitude is 37° 24' 21" and the longitude is 82° 44' 42."

The operation is located on the McDowell U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Progress Land Corporation. The operation will underlie land owned by Flossie Moore, David Dawson et al., Roberta Luxmore, Andy Collins, Glenda Jones, Clovis Moore, Progress Land Corporation, Jack Martin, John C. Frazier, James McQuire, Carl Dudley and Melvin Mullins. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS PRESTONSBURG CITY'S UTILITIES COMMISSION

Separate Sealed Bids for Structural Repairs/Recoating of Ground Level Water Storage Tanks will be received by the Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission Office, located at 2103 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653-1410. Inspection until 1:00 p.m. local time April 30, 1997, and then at said time publicly opened and read aloud.

The CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be examined at the following locations:

Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission Office, 2103 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653; or Kenvirions, Inc., Frankfort, KY 40601.

Each Bidder must accompany his bid with a Bid Bond in amount of not less than five (5) percent of the base bid. No Bidder may withdraw his bid for a period of 90 days. The Bidder awarded the contract shall execute a 100%

Performance Bond and a 100% Payment Bond and shall furnish insurance as required, in the General Conditions. Contracts shall be completed within the following calendar days after date of authorization to start work. Liquidated damages will be \$300 per calendar day.

*Tank No. 1 (Lancer - 400,000 gallon) - 75 Calendar Days; *Tank No. 2 (Court Street - 750,000 gallon) - 75 Calendar Days; *Tank No. 3 (Little Paint - 60,000 gallon) - 45 Calendar Days.

Bidders must comply with the President's Executive Order Nos. 11246 and 11375, which prohibit discrimination in employment regarding race, creed, color, sex, or national origin. Bidders must comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Anti-Kickback Act, and the Contract Work Hours Standard Act. Bidders must certify they do not, and will not, maintain or provide for their employees any facilities that are segregated on a basis of race, color, creed, or national origin.

Any bid that is obviously unbalanced may be rejected. The Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission reserves the right to reject any and all bids and waive informalities.

Small, minority, and women's businesses and labor surplus area firms are encouraged to bid this project.

PRESTONSBURG CITY'S UTILITIES COMMISSION Seldon Horne, Superintendent

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

By order of the Secured Party, the following property of Sardis Resources, Inc. is located and will be offered at Public Sale at Double D Truck & Trailer Sales Rt. 2, Box 111, Lowmansville, KY 41232 on April 18, 1997, at 9:00 a.m.

Items to be sold are: 1993 Peterbilt 379 1XP5DB9X1PN336726.

Inspection may be arranged by appointment. Cash sales only. Inquiries may be made to the Associates Commercial Corporation, Branch Manager, at 1111 Northshore Drive, Suite S-590, Knoxville, TN 37919. Phone number 423-450-5108.

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350, notice is hereby given that Island Creek Coal Company, P.O. Box 840, Holden, WV 25625 intends to apply for Phase 2 and 3 of bond release on Arkansas Enterprises,

Inc., permit 636-5014 as per Reclamation Abatement Agreement GAH-18235-27 between Island Creek and the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet. The reclaimed underground mining operation affected a surface disturbance of approximately 4.39 acres and underlay an additional 162.0 acres located 3.0 miles south of Arkansas in Floyd County.

The permit area of the reclaimed underground mining operation is approximately 3 1/4 miles south from Kentucky Route 80 junction with Arkansas Creek Road and located 1.1 mile southeast of the Arkansas School. The latitude is 37° 32' 33" and the longitude is 82° 42' 45."

The total bond now in effect for the permit is a surety bond in the amount of \$10,400.00 of which 100% is included in this application for Phases 2 and 3 of bond release.

The reclamation work was performed according to Reclamation Agreement. The reclama-

tion work was performed during the fall of 1991 and fall of 1994. Reclamation work performed included: backfilling, grading, seeding and tree planting to achieve Phases 2 and 3 of bond release.

A public hearing has been scheduled for June 2 at 1:00 p.m. at the Department of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, Prestonsburg Regional Office, 1346 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653.

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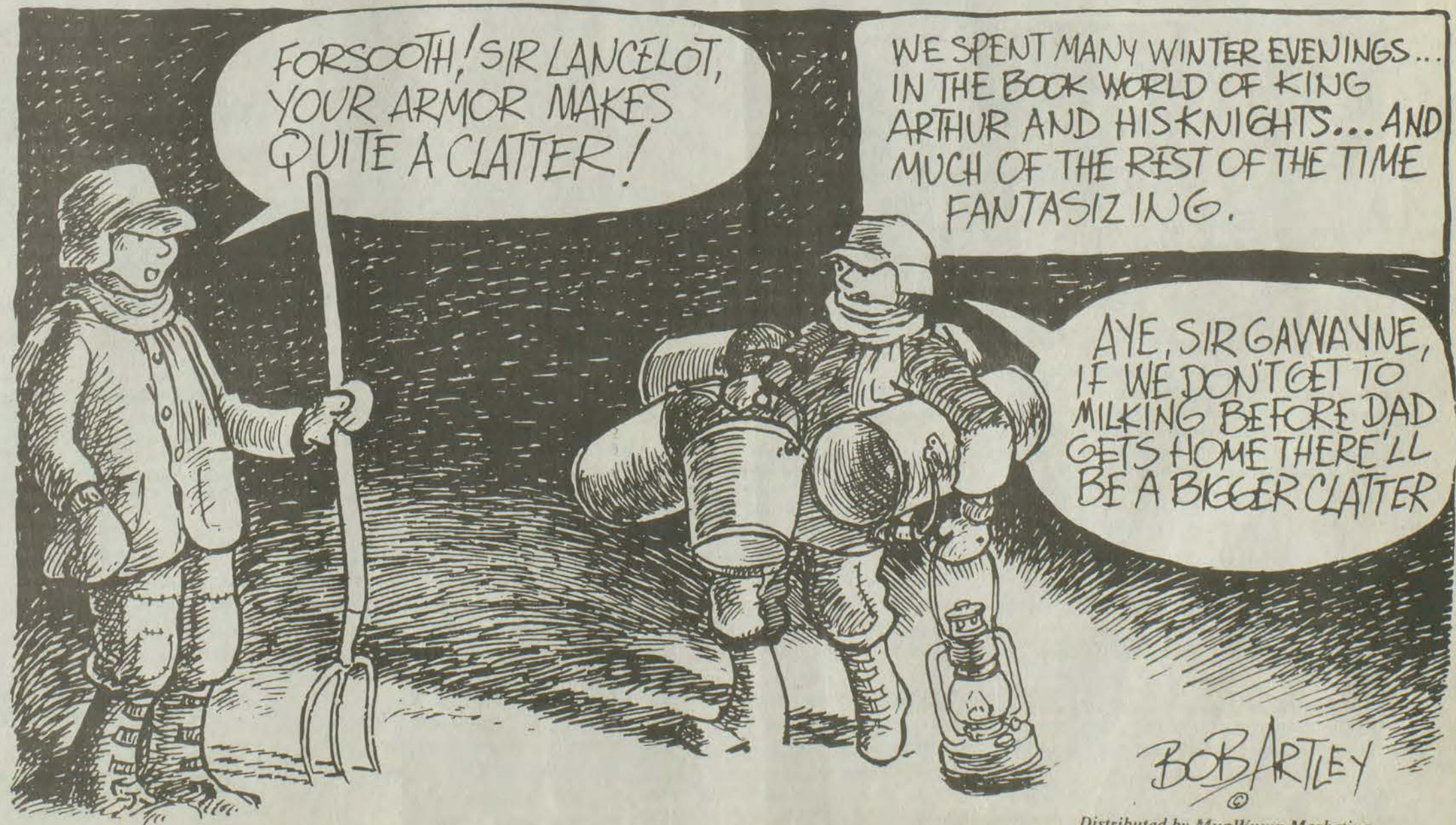
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Remove skin from ham; if necessary, trim fat to 1/4- to 1/8-inch thickness. Place ham, fat side up, on rack in a shallow roasting pan. Cover with aluminum foil; bake at 325° for 1 hour. Remove foil; baste generously with jelly mixture. Bake uncovered 30 to 45 minutes or until a meat thermometer registers 140°, basting every 15 minutes. Yield: 16 servings.

HONEY-GLAZED CHICKEN WINGS

2 pounds chicken wings
1 cup honey
1/2 cup soy sauce
2 tablespoons sesame or vegetable oil
2 tablespoons minced fresh gingerroot
2 tablespoons minced scallions
2 tablespoons catsup
1 clove garlic, minced
Cut off and discard wingtips; cut wings in half at joint. Place wing pieces in a 13 - x 9 - x 2-inch baking dish.
Combine remaining ingredients, and pour over wing pieces, turning to coat. Cover and chill 1 hour. Transfer wings to a lightly greased 15 - x 10 - x 1-inch jellyroll pan; bake, uncovered, at 375° for 45 minutes, turning once. Yield: 8 to 10 appetizer servings.

BAKED WHOLE SALMON

1 7-pound whole salmon, cleaned and scaled (about 5 pounds with head and tail removed)
2 large lemons, thinly sliced
1 large onion, thinly sliced
1/2 cup dry white wine or dry vermouth
2 tablespoons chopped parsley
1/2 teaspoon freshly ground pepper
1/2 teaspoon salt
lemon wedges
Preheat oven to 350°F. Place salmon on heavy-duty foil (large enough to wrap the salmon). Layer

salmon with lemon and onion slices; add wine. Sprinkle with parsley, pepper, and salt.
Seal foil tightly around salmon. Bake 50 to 60 minutes until fish is flaky and tender. Remove from oven; open foil and arrange salmon on a platter. If you like, remove the skin before serving. Garnish with lemon wedges. Makes 20 servings.

CHICKEN PAPRIKASH

6 large onions, sliced
1/2 cup butter
2 garlic cloves, minced
3 tablespoons sweet paprika
6 skinless, boneless chicken-breast halves
1 cup rose wine
salt and pepper to taste
1 cup sour cream
Sauté onions in butter until transparent. Add garlic and paprika; blend and sauté 1 minute. Sauté chicken breasts in this mixture; spoon onions over breasts. Add wine, salt, and pepper. Simmer until tender, about 30 minutes. (For tender, juicy chicken breasts, we cooked only 10 minutes or until juices run clear when pierced with tip of knife.)
Remove chicken to warm platter. Blend sour cream into pan mixture; thicken with flour if necessary. Return chicken to skillet. Serve with rice or noodles. Good reheated. Makes 6 main-dish servings.

COOKIES-AND-CREAM CAKE

1/2 gallon cookies-and-cream ice cream, softened
1 (18.25-ounce) package chocolate cake mix without pudding
3 large eggs
1 1/3 cups water
1/2 cup vegetable oil
1 (8-ounce) container frozen whipped topping, thawed
Spread ice cream evenly into two 9-inch round cakepans lined with plastic wrap. Place in freezer for at least 1 hour. Remove from pans, and return to freezer.
Combine cake mix and next 3 ingredients; beat at low speed with an electric mixer until moistened. Beat at medium speed 2 minutes. Pour batter into three greased and floured 9-inch round cakepans. Bake at 350° for 20 to 23 minutes or

until a wooden pick inserted in center comes out clean. Cool on wire racks in pans 10 minutes; remove from pans, and let cool completely.
To assemble cake, remove ice cream from freezer, and remove plastic wrap. Place one-cake layer on cake platter; top with ice-cream layer. Repeat with second cake layer, ice cream, and third cake layer.
Frost top and sides of cake with whipped topping. Store in freezer. Yield: one 9-inch cake.

APPLE-CHEESE CRISP

6 cups peeled, sliced cooking apples
1 tablespoon water
1/2 teaspoon lemon juice
1 cup (4 ounces) shredded Cheddar cheese
1 cup all-purpose flour
1/2 cup firmly packed brown sugar
2 tablespoons sugar
1/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon
1/4 teaspoon ground nutmeg
1/2 cup butter or margarine
Vanilla ice cream
Toasted sliced almonds (optional)
Arrange apples in a lightly greased 8-inch square baking dish. Combine water and lemon juice; sprinkle over apples. Top with cheese.
Combine flour and next 4 ingredients; cut in butter with a fork or pastry blender until mixture is crumbly. Sprinkle over cheese. Bake at 350° for 40 minutes or until tender. Serve warm topped with ice cream; sprinkle with almonds, if desired. Yield: 6 to 8 servings.

PRALINE CHEESE CAKE

1 cup graham cracker crumbs
3 tablespoons granulated sugar
3 tablespoons butter, melted
3-8 oz. packages cream cheese, softened
1 1/2 cups dark brown sugar, packed
2 tablespoons flour
3 eggs
1 1/2 teaspoons vanilla
1/2 cup finely chopped pecans
Maple syrup
Pecan halves, for garnish.
Preheat oven to 350°. Combine crumbs, sugar and butter; press into

bottom and sides of 9" spring form pan. Bake for 10 minutes. Combine cheese, brown sugar and flour, beating with electric mixer, medium speed, until well blended. Add eggs, one at a time mixing after each addition. Blend in vanilla and nuts. Pour mixture over crumbs. Bake 50-55 minutes. Cool and loosen cake from rim of pan with knife. Chill well. Brush with syrup and garnish with pecans.

SWEET POTATO-BEEF TZIMMES

1 (3-pound) beef brisket
2 tablespoons vegetable oil
4 cups boiling water
1 1/2 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon pepper
1/4 teaspoon ground nutmeg
1 pound carrots, scraped and sliced
4 sweet potatoes, peeled and cut into quarters
1/3 cup firmly packed brown sugar
1/2 cup golden raisins
Brown brisket in oil in a large ovenproof Dutch oven; add water and next 3 ingredients. Bring to a boil; cover, reduce heat, and simmer 1 1/2 hours. Add remaining ingredients; cover and bake at 350° for 1 1/2 hours.
To serve, slice brisket, and arrange on serving platter with carrots and sweet potatoes. Yield: 8 servings.

GREEN BEAN CASSEROLE

1/2 cup chopped onions
14 Tbs. butter
2 cups green beans, cooked
4 Tbs. flour
1 cup cream
1 cup milk
1 cup chicken broth
1/2 tsp. salt
1/8 tsp. pepper
1 1/2 cup grated Swiss cheese
1/2 cup cracker crumbs
In sauce pan saute onions in butter. Mix in flour. Add cream, milk, broth, salt and pepper. Cook over low heat, stirring until mixture thickens. Stir in cheese. When melted add green beans. Pour mixture into casserole dish and sprinkle top with cracker crumbs. Bake in 350° F. oven for 30 minutes.

MICROWAVE PIZZA CASSEROLE

1 lb. ground beef
1/2 c. chopped onion
1/2 c. green pepper, chopped
1 (16 oz.) can pizza sauce
1 (4 oz.) can sliced mushrooms
4 oz. sliced pepperoni
1/2 tsp. salt
3/4 c. Mozzarella cheese
2 c. uncooked noodles
1 1/2 c. water

1/2 tsp. garlic powder
1/2 tsp. oregano
1/2 tsp. basil leaves, crushed
In 2-quart microwave casserole dish, cook beef 3 1/2 minutes. Stir and cook 2 1/2 minutes until done. Drain. Add remaining ingredients except cheese. Mix well.
Cook 17 minutes on high. Stir twice while cooking. Sprinkle cheese on top and cook 1 minute on high, until cheese melts.

Garden Phil-osophy

If you're planting your garden by the phases of the moon and the signs of the zodiac, here's the information you'll need for the upcoming week. And before we go much further, we've certainly seen this week that winter's not over just yet. Therefore, take the caution below to heart:

Remember: All instructions for planting are only for those vegetables that are frost and/or freeze resistant. Planting anything that's not resistant to cold weather is a waste of time, effort, seeds and/or plants.
The last danger of frost won't pass, statistically speaking until Mother's Day, May 11.

MOON IN LIGHT PHASE

The moon is in the light phase now, the new moon having come into force on Sunday, April 7. Until the full moon on April 22, plant only those veggies that produce above the ground and are resistant to frost and/or freezing weather.

NO PLANTING THROUGH THURSDAY

According to signs of the zodiac, no planting should be done

today through Thursday with the sign in Leo (the heart), one of the killing signs.

Reserve these days for cleaning out fencerows, cultivating, killing or deadening—anything but planting. According to The System, no planting should take place on a Leo day, regardless of ground condition.



by Philip W. Case

FLOWERING DAYS AHEAD

A series of flowering days begins Friday and continues through Tuesday, April 22. Friday and Saturday are under the influence of Virgo (the bowels), followed by Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, April 20-22, ruled by Libra (the reins), the other flowering sign.

According to The System, flowers planted when either of these signs are in force should bloom, and do so abundantly. Avoiding planting vegetables in these signs, however, unless it's the blooms you plan to eat.

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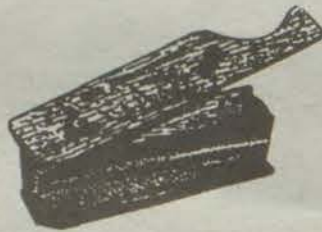
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	21 Prevent forest fires Make certain campfires are extinguished completely	22 Full Moon Passover Earth Day	23 Secretaries Day	24 Most golf courses offer lower rates on weekdays	25 Campers Appreciation Weekend 25-27 Two nights for the price of one at all state parks!	26 Nature Photography Weekend 25-27 Cumberland Falls State Resort Park (606) 528-4121	27 Pikeville Area YMCA Begins T-Ball (Ages 4-5) Coach Pitch (Ages 6-8) (606) 433-9622	
	28 Visit one of Kentucky's fine state parks.	29 Need Ice? 	30 Be sure to catch Time Out each week in the Floyd County Times	May	1 May Day Celebration Old Fort Harrod State Park (606) 734-3314	2 Wildflower Weekend Natural Bridge State Resort Park (606) 663-2214	3 Bird Watch/Wildflower Walk Buckhorn Lake State Resort Park (606) 398-7510	4 Spring Turkey Season Closes Greenbo Car Show Greenbo Lake State Resort Park (606) 473-7324
	5 Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources Surplus Auction (502) 563-4336	6 New Moon Largemouth Bass begin spawning	7 Need Gas? 		8 Introduce a youngster to the great outdoors	9 Spring Outdoor Weekend 9-10 Greenbo Lake State Resort Park (606) 473-7324	10 Floyd County Rescue Squad Bass Tournament Dewey Lake (606) 886-8114	11 Motocross Day Daniel Boone Motocross Park (606) 877-1364 Mother's Day
	12 Cold Beer? 	13 Conservation begins at home. Please recycle	14 Preserve Kentucky's natural beauty Please don't litter	15 Spring forest fire season ends	16 Big Sandy Senior Games Jenny Wiley State Resort Park (606) 886-2711	17 Cumberland Falls Cleanup Cumberland Falls State Resort Park (606) 528-4121	18 Hot Coffee? 	
	19 Deer begin growing new antlers	20 On this day in 1978 Wild Turkey Restoration began in Kentucky	21 Bluegill begin spawning	22 Full Moon Morehead State University Golf Scramble Paintsville Country Club (606) 789-4234	23 Shindig in the Mountains 23-25 Natural Bridge State Resort Park (606) 663-2214	24 Wilderness Road Primitive Riflemen Encampment Fort Boonesborough State Park (606) 527-3131	25 Madison County Car Show White Hall State Historic Site (606) 623-9178	
	26 Channel Catfish begin spawning Memorial Day Observed	27 Pikeville Area Family YMCA Begins Summer Day Camp (606) 433-9622	28 Sandwiches? 	29 Support Kentucky's wildlife Join a local fish and game or outdoor club	30 Memorial Day	31 Practice safe boating. Always wear your life jackets.	Time Out A publication of the Floyd County Times	

EDITORIAL

by John Frazier
Times Outdoor Writer

Well, here it is. The much anticipated, premiere issue of Time Out Magazine. For those of you that haven't seen our Time Out excerpts in the Floyd County Times, let me fill you in on Time Out.

Time Out is a magazine devoted entirely to having fun. We have but one rule, no articles that refer to the "W" word. W-O-R-K is a four-letter word, and strictly taboo as far as we are concerned.

It is my duty as outdoor writer to have as much fun as possible and then explain to our readers how they can get in on the fun. I know it's a tough job, but somebody has to do it. Along with sports editor Ed Taylor and the rest of the staff, we have created a magazine that we hope will be enjoyed by many, and the key word here is enjoyed, not read.

Occasionally we will discuss a serious topic or two, and I will use my editorial privileges to express my opinions concerning issues that are near and dear to the hearts of sportsmen and women.

One issue that you will find me raving about constantly is the protection and preservation of Kentucky's great outdoors.

Roadside dumps, poachers, and the occasional soda can tossed from the car window are problems that are not unique to Kentucky, but a serious threat none the less.

Another concern that you will find repeated often within the pages of Time Out is the lack of public response to important issues. You may notice that articles concerning various issues and proposals affecting sportsmen will include addresses and/or phone numbers for readers to express their concerns to the appropriate officials. I encourage concerned citizens to voice their opinions.

In addition to contacting various officials, I would also like to encourage readers to send their questions, comments and concerns to Time Out Magazine. As this is our first issue, we are unable to include a segment for readers' letters, but future issues will include such items. If you would like to write about a topic you have seen in Time Out, or would like to see, or an issue that concerns you, send your letters to Time Out, P.O. Box 391, Prestonsburg, KY 41653.

Until next time, remember, when you visit the great outdoors, leave it like you found it. Your children's children will thank you.



On the cover

A wild turkey struts its stuff. Wild turkeys have been reintroduced to Eastern Kentucky and are flourishing in their natural habitat.

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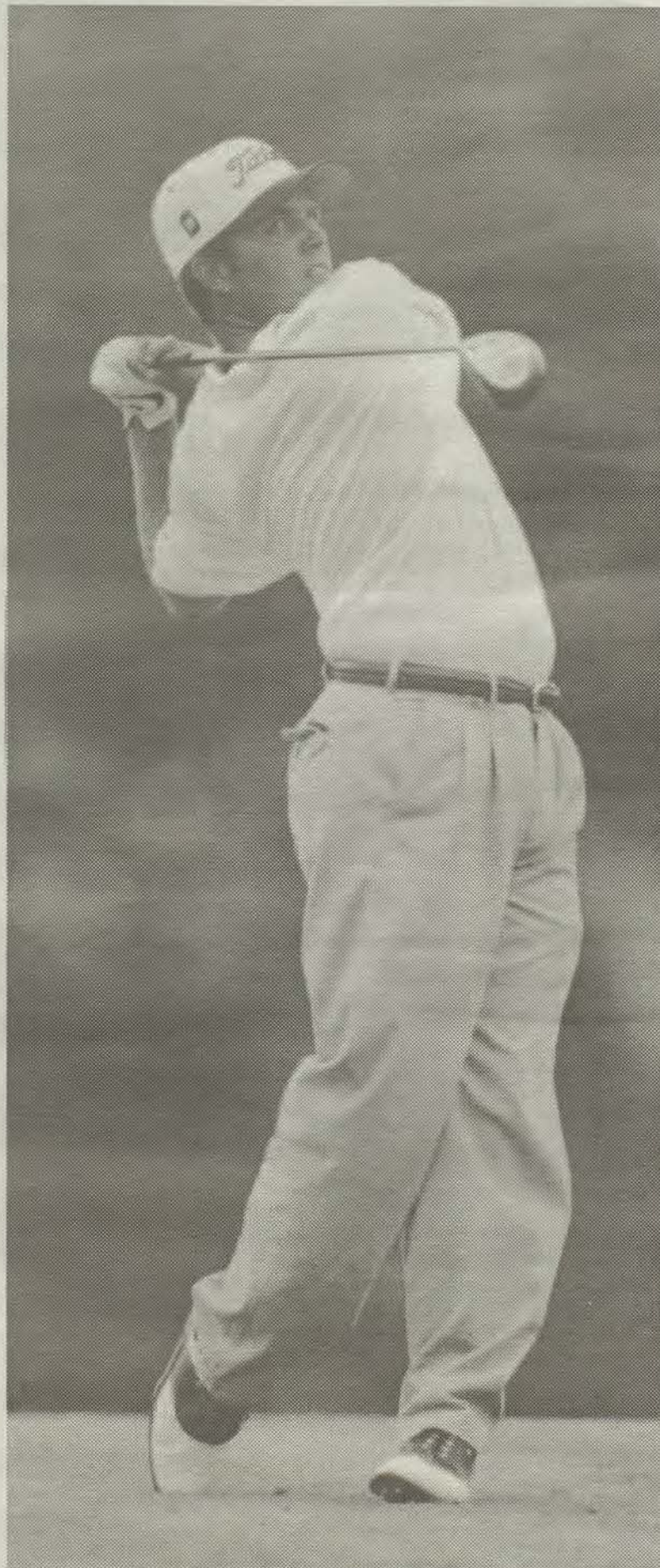
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Pros we know: Robert Damron



Pikeville native Robert Damron, 24, a former Florida state high school golf champion and a college All-American has exploded onto the pro tour and currently ranks 45th on the PGA money list.

by **John Frazier**
Times Outdoor Writer

Everyone has heard the tale of the coal miner's daughter and her rise to country music greatness. Detroit Tiger's pitcher Willie Blair and Donnis Butcher, former player and coach for the Detroit Pistons, are just a couple more on the long list of talented individuals from the hills of Eastern Kentucky. We can now add another name to that list.

Robert Damron has begun his rookie year on the PGA Tour. Born and raised in Pikeville, Kentucky, Robert first began hitting the links at the young age of seven. When visiting relatives in Florida, the Damrons literally lived on the golf course. It was at the Bay Hill course in Orlando, Florida, that his promising career got its start.

The Damrons later moved to Orlando, but spent summers in Kentucky. Robert continued to improve his game as a member of his high school golf team in Orlando. While attending Dr. Phillips High School, Robert led his team to two state championships. Before graduating in 1991, he was declared state champion in Florida.

Robert continued his winning ways at the University of Central Florida. While attending college, via golf scholarships, he became a three-time All-American, and collected a victory at the John Hancock All-American College Tournament.

Much to the disagreement of his parents, Robert elected to place his college career on hold to attempt a career as a professional golfer. After promising his parents he would return to college if his golf career proved to be unsuccessful, Robert entered the PGA Qualifying School.

His first attempt at the PGA saw Robert at home on the sofa after the first round. On his second attempt, Robert was eliminated from competition after the second of three cuts. Keeping with the tradition of third time is a charm, his third attempt earned him a 16th place finish and a PGA Tour Card.

The former high school state champion and college All-American performed in several tournaments to save the money necessary to join the tour. Robert is without a sponsor.

Once a member of the tour he wasted no time in proving this rookie was one to watch. His first appearance was at the Bob Hope Chrysler Classic on January 19. After five hard fought rounds, Robert found himself 18 strokes under par and nearly \$17,000 richer for his 20th place finish. Not a bad performance considering the pressure of a first-ever PGA Tour appearance.

Damron returned to the links two weeks later to compete in the AT&T Pebble Beach Tournament. His seven under par performance through four rounds earned him a tie for 33rd place and just a little over \$10,000.

The remainder of February was not kind to the Eastern Kentucky native. Robert never made it past the second round in three more February tournaments and the Nissan Open, March 2.

Robert brought his slump to a resounding halt at the Doral-Ryder Open on March 9. His eight under, fifth place finish netted him \$65,700 for the weekend's work.

He followed his outstanding performance at the Doral-Ryder Open with two more winning performances. A tie for 41st place at the Honda Classic earned him an additional \$5,700, and his 11th place finish at the Bay Hill Invitational put another \$34,500 in the Kentuckian's bank account.

His performance at the Bay Hill Invitational, March 23, also secured Robert a place on the 1998 PGA Tour. His earnings placed him above the \$125,000 plateau required to remain on the tour.

A tie for 53rd after four rounds of competition at THE PLAYERS Championship added another \$7,954 to his total earnings.

Robert is currently 45th on the money list with the PGA Tour, at \$140,974, after only ten events. Robert hopes to earn enough to reach his goal of playing in the British Open. Hopefully, he will continue his winning ways and one day his name will be listed among those he grew up admiring, such as Ben Hogan and Arnold Palmer. Regardless of his future, he has made his home state proud.

If you have someone you would like to nominate as a pro we know, write to: Time Out, P.O. Box 391, Prestonsburg, KY 41653.

For over fifty years, the hunters and fishermen of Kentucky have willingly paid license fees and excise taxes on their equipment to support the conservation and preservation of the Commonwealth's wildlife and wildlife habitat. This funding has been used to support endangered species programs, education, and wildlife refuges, as well as the restoration and management of game and sport fish. Although, the hunters and anglers have been paying the price to protect Kentucky's wildlife, countless others, such as hikers, campers, bird watchers, and many others, have enjoyed the rewards of their generosity.

Unlike other government agencies, the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources (KDFWR) has used sportsmen's dollars to remain self-supportive. The department receives no general tax fund dollars. Unfortunately, the issue of free licenses to the disabled and senior citizens, coupled with the fact that the baby boom generation will soon be senior citizens, has begun to take a toll on the department's finances. Since they are unlike any other government agency, the department is looking for ways to fill this financial void now, before their books turn red.

The most recent, and most logical, effort to increase funding comes in the form of federal legislation. The program, entitled Teaming With Wildlife (TWW), proposes the addition of a federal excise tax on outdoor-related sporting goods, and other select products. Supporters of the proposal suggest that by selecting specific items to be taxed the financial burden of protecting our nation's wildlife can be shared by all those who enjoy the great outdoors, and not just the hunters and fishermen.

The proposed tax of 1/4 to 5 percent would be paid by the manufacturers, with the cost being passed on to the consumers. The network developed to implement the collection of taxes for the Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration could be used to collect and distribute these taxes, keeping the administrative costs at a minimum. The proposal also requires that the moneys received by each state be dedicated to the conservation of nongame

species, education and recreation, and cannot be diverted for any other use. In addition, each item taxed will carry a "Green Logo" so consumers will know they are supporting wildlife conservation.

This minimal tax is a dedicated user-fee and, though collected at the federal level, will be distributed to the fish and wildlife departments in each state. Distributions will be based 2/3 on state population and 1/3 on state size. If TWW were in effect in 1996, the cost per Kentuckian would be only about \$6. The program would generate \$350 million annually, and would contribute about \$6.3 million for Kentucky.

This proposal has an endless list of benefits and no shortcomings. Although the money cannot be used directly for game and sport fish species, any improvements made for the purpose of any species will benefit the entire ecosystem.

TWW will supply a reliable, perpetual source of sufficient funding to the department of fish and wildlife, and these revenues will be supplied by those who will benefit most from their use.

Teaming With Wildlife also has the potential for growth. By using these funds to improve recreation and education, therefore increasing accessibility and interest, the program hopes to create increased revenues as more and more people begin to enjoy the great outdoors.

Other options have been considered, such as license plates, stamps, voluntary donations, and tax check-offs, but these proved to be inadequate and unreliable. No other proposals to date have shown to have the benefit and potential of Teaming With Wildlife.

Representatives from the department of fish and wildlife, along with other supporters of the bill, are currently collecting public input and opinion, and hope to generate enough support to introduce the bill this year.

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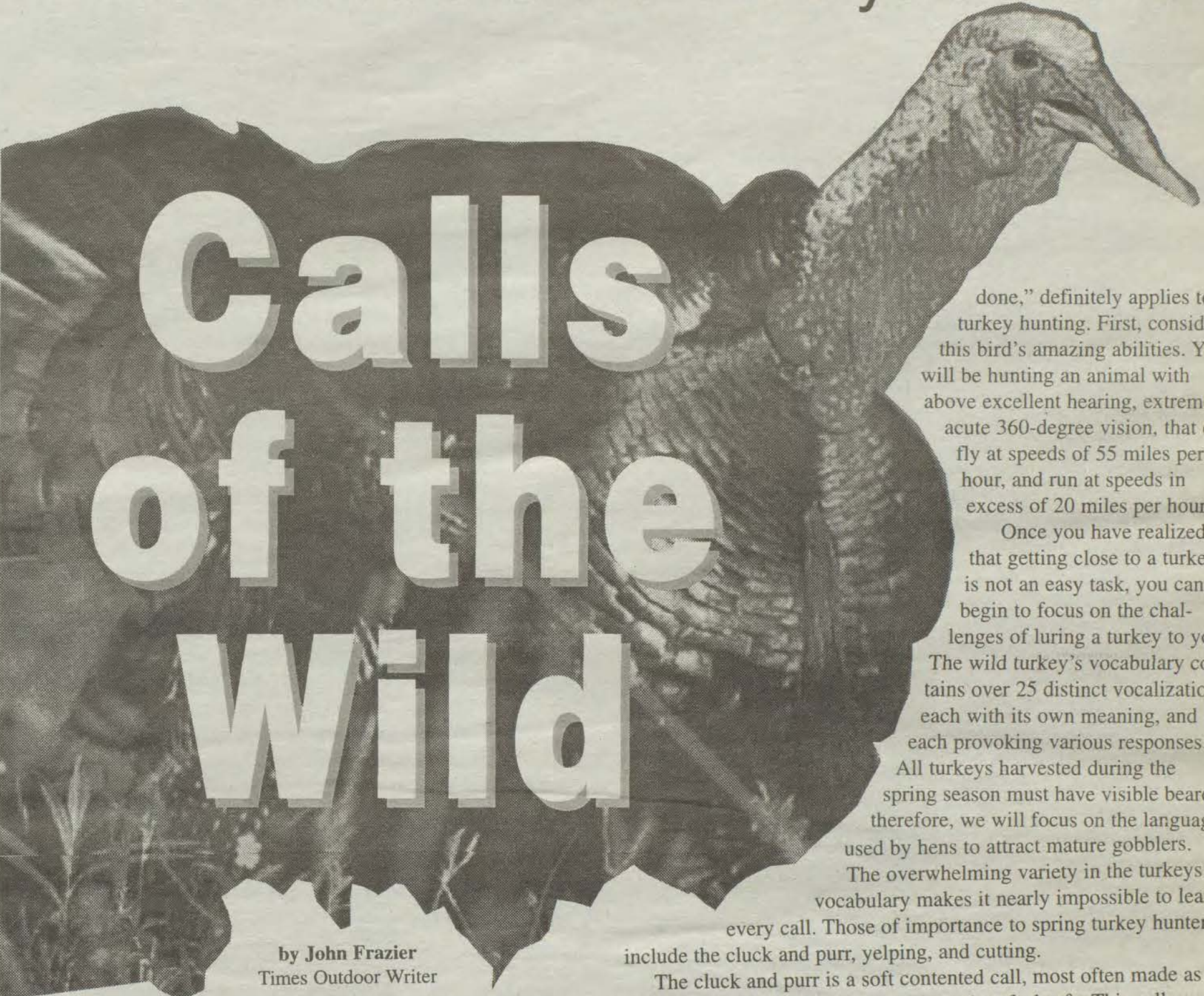


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Calls of the Wild

by John Frazier
Times Outdoor Writer

In 1978, turkey hunters in Kentucky harvested only 44 birds. Since then, over 6,600 birds have been released by the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife. The current turkey population for Kentucky stands at 120,000 and growing. As the turkey population of Kentucky continues to grow, so does the popularity of turkey hunting. Many Kentuckians will be entering the woods this spring on their first attempt at turkey hunting.

Turkey hunting is a unique sport and requires entirely different tactics than any other type of hunting. Squirrel hunters stalk their quarry. Rabbit hunters use dogs to run down their game, and deer hunters try to anticipate the animal's travel patterns and set up an ambush. Turkey hunters, on the other hand, must learn to communicate with these magnificent birds, and lure them to within striking distance.

Though that may sound simple, the old adage, "easier said than

done," definitely applies to turkey hunting. First, consider this bird's amazing abilities. You will be hunting an animal with above excellent hearing, extremely acute 360-degree vision, that can fly at speeds of 55 miles per hour, and run at speeds in excess of 20 miles per hour.

Once you have realized that getting close to a turkey is not an easy task, you can begin to focus on the challenges of luring a turkey to you. The wild turkey's vocabulary contains over 25 distinct vocalizations, each with its own meaning, and each provoking various responses.

All turkeys harvested during the spring season must have visible beards, therefore, we will focus on the language used by hens to attract mature gobblers.

The overwhelming variety in the turkeys vocabulary makes it nearly impossible to learn every call. Those of importance to spring turkey hunters include the cluck and purr, yelping, and cutting.

The cluck and purr is a soft contented call, most often made as turkeys casually feed in an area where they feel safe. This call can be reproduced to calm a reluctant or wary bird that refuses to come any closer. Many times an approaching gobbler may halt his advance if he senses danger. A series of cluck and purrs may calm the gobblers nerves if he can be convinced that other turkeys are relaxed and feeding.

The cluck and purr sounds like its name. It is a soft cluck, followed by a purr. To get an idea of the sound, say the word "chuck" as fast as you possibly can. A turkey's purr is similar to that of a cat, except that the bird's purr has a higher pitched bird-like tone.

Yelping is used by hens to inform gobblers of their excited state during the spring breeding season. This call not only notifies the toms of the hen's readiness, it also enables the gobblers to pinpoint the hen's location. Yelping is the most frequently used call of spring turkey hunters. The spring hunting season coincides with the turkey's

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breeding season, and therefore, hunters can use yelping to attract eager toms.

The yelp is a two-tone sound repeated in a series. To imagine a yelp, try saying "chee-uk." The tones rise and fall through this two-syllable vocalization. Yelps should be made in a series, five or six yelps, each one immediately after the other.

Cutting is another part of the turkey's vocabulary which spring-time hunters will find useful. Cutting is similar in function to yelping. Hen's begin cutting to attract males during the breeding season. Cutting,

however, varies from yelping in that it is a more excited call. Hens may begin cutting when yelping fails to attract a mate. Cutting has a very impatient, almost desperate quality.

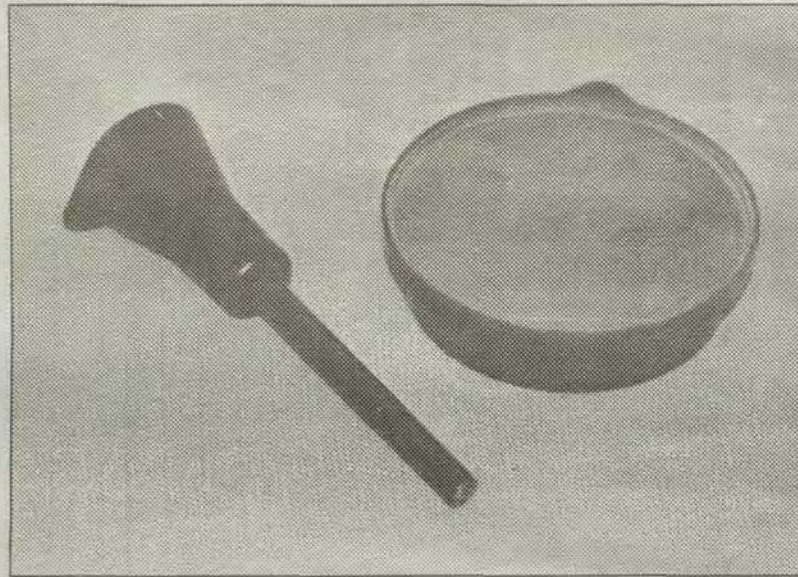
Cutting has a harder, higher-pitched tone than a yelp. It consists of a rapid series of sharp clucks. Similar to the cluck in a cluck and purr, but more distinct, louder and higher. Hunters can obtain a general idea of the sound by repeating the word "chuck" very loudly, with a sharp, distinct pitch, and in rapid succession.

Though the previous exercises can give hunters a general idea of the sounds they will be striving to imitate, only a select few can effectively imitate the turkey's calls without the use of a calling device.

Calling devices are manufactured by numerous companies, and come in equally as many varieties. Knight and Hale, H.S. Strut,

Quaker Boy, and M.A.D. are just a few of the choices available. The endless variety of calls can overwhelm a beginning turkey hunter. Though every hunter has his or her favorite, and every company claims its calls are the best, trial and error is the only

Friction calls also known as slate calls reproduce the sounds of a wild turkey by scraping the striker against the surface of the slate

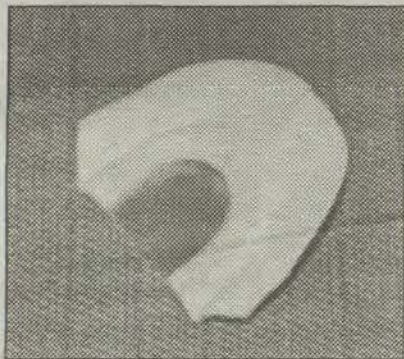


proven method of selecting a call that suits you best.

Locator calls such as owl hooters and crow calls, as well as shaker gobblers and countless others are readily available at most sporting goods stores. Three of the most popular calling devices used include the box call, the slate or friction call, and mouth calls, also known as reeds.

The box call is made up of a small wooden box, open on one side, and a flat paddle, attached to one end of the box and covering the open side of the box. The paddle pivots at

Mouth, or reed calls, are perhaps the most difficult to use.



the point it is attached and is rubbed across the side walls of the box to produce the sounds. Sounds can be varied by altering the angle and the speed at which the paddle rubs the sides. The pressure applied to the paddle against the box will also affect the tones produced.

To reproduce the cluck and purr with a box call, strike the paddle against the box quickly, but softly, followed immediately by a soft slow drag of the paddle across the box to imitate the purr.

Yelping can be duplicated by pressing firmly on the paddle and dragging it across the box to produce the yelp. Repeat the motion four to six times.

Cutting uses the same action as the cluck, but hunters should press

firmly on the paddle and repeat the cluck several times in rapid order.

The box call, though it is only moderately difficult to learn, has its drawbacks. A box call is a hand-operated call, and forces a hunter to remove his hands from the firearm to call a bird. The movement involved in using a box call may be seen by the sharp eyesight of an approaching gobbler.

The friction calls are manufactured in a variety of materials. Glass, aluminum, and slate are the most common. Again, hunters should experiment with as many types as possible to select the call of their choice. Friction calls consist of a striking surface of slate or other materials, usually about a four inch circle, and a striker. Strikers are also made from a variety of materials, rosewood being one of the most common. The tone is controlled by the materials used for the striker and the surface, as well as, holes placed in the dish which holds the slate, and the amount of space between the bottom of the slate and the dish. To produce the sounds, the striker should be held like a pencil at a 45 degree angle to the surface and raked across the surface. Tones can be varied by changing the amount of pressure on the striker, using your fingers to cover the tuning holes in the bottom of the dish, and the position of the striker on the surface, placing the striker closer to the edge will produce higher pitches than the center.

To imitate the turkey's vocalizations with
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Box calls also use friction to imitate the sounds of a wild turkey.

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a friction call, hunters can imagine drawing the call on the surface with the striker. Simply pretend the striker is a pencil. A cluck, is a short straight line about one quarter of an inch in length. A yelp is a narrow oval, and a purr is a dotted line about an inch long. Adjust the pressure on the striker to achieve the desired tones, and you're ready to call turkeys.

The friction calls are the easiest to master, but they also require hand movements with the same drawbacks as the box calls.

The most difficult of the calls to manipulate are the mouth, or reed calls. These calls are made by stretching one or more layers of latex across a small U-shaped frame, and covering the frame with tape, leaving the latex exposed. The calls are placed against the roof of the hunters mouth with the open end of the U forward and the tape should be trimmed to fit each individual hunter.

To produce the various sounds, air is forced across the reed. As every person's mouth is different, there are no set instructions for manipulating the mouth calls. Changes in the force of the air, shape of the mouth, and even placement of your tongue can change the tone of the call.

Mouth calls will require an excessive amount of practice, but they have the advantage of leaving the hunter's hands free. The

mouth calls also allow hunters to minimize movement and when used properly, can be the most authentic sounding reproduction of the turkey's vocabulary.

When learning to imitate the calls of a wild turkey, hunters should purchase audio or video tapes to hear the sounds they are striving to reproduce. I would also recommend recording yourself as you practice. You can then play the tape back and compare it to the recordings of live turkeys. Keep in mind that not every turkey sounds alike. Your reproductions do not need to be an exact replication of the tape, but pay close attention to the patterns and changes in pitch of the calls.

Once you have gained confidence in your calling and are ready to test your skills on a live turkey, you will need to know when and how to use your skills. Most hunters will begin their conversation by sounding a locator call at daybreak. Locator calls include owl hooters, crow calls, and the newest innovation, silent locators. Most locator calls are simple to use and require little training. Locator calls are used, as their name implies, to locate gobblers. If all goes as planned, a gobbler will respond to your call, and thus give away his location.

Once a gobbler has been located, hunters should select a site to set up and begin call-

ing. Set up either across from or higher than the gobbler. Toms can be called downhill, but most experts agree, uphill is best. Select an area roughly 100 yards from the gobbler and conceal yourself in total camouflage. Place yourself in a position where you will have 180 degree vision forward. Make sure that your back is covered by a large tree or bushes, and place the sun at your back whenever possible.

There are no rules for calling. Every tom is different. A strategy used earlier or seen in a video may not work on the tom you are trying to attract. Adjust your calls accordingly, and don't overcall. Know that once you have made your first call, that gobbler knows where you are. Be patient. You are trying to lure a turkey closer, not call a dog. Don't be afraid to put down your call and give him the silent treatment. Curiosity will often bring your bird within striking distance.

This is, by no means, a complete guide to turkey calling. The endless array of calling devices and techniques could not be covered in anything short of a mini-series, but this brief overview should give beginning turkey hunters an idea of the challenges that await. Experience is the best teacher, and in turkey hunting, it is the only method of measuring your skills and techniques.

Kentucky company gets the call for calls

by John Frazier
Times Outdoor Writer



Among the endless list of game call manufacturers lies one name to which I would like to call special attention. Knight and Hale Game Calls has become a major force in the game calling industry. Since their humble beginnings in the back of Harold Knight's barber shop in 1972, Knight and Hale has grown to become a leader and innovator in the game calling industry. Knight and Hale is not only a nationally recognized company, but they also export products to Germany, France, Italy and Canada.

The wide variety of calls produced by Knight

and Hale include deer, turkey, moose, elk, waterfowl, and many, many more. In addition to their endless array of calls, also available are instructional and entertaining video tapes, audio tapes, Knight and Hale hats and jackets, books, and the list continues to grow.

The quality of these products is backed up by the combined 80 years experience afield of founders David Hale and Harold Knight. In addition to Harold's goose calling World Championship, many of Knight and Hale's calls have gained national and world-wide recogni-

tion in competition. Their products are designed by hunters for hunters.

With their tremendous success and dedication to quality and innovation, why would I need to call special attention to Knight and Hale Game Calls? Because, Knight and Hale Game Calls are, and always have been, headquartered right here in Kentucky. Based in Cadiz, Kentucky, Knight and Hale Game Calls has been supporting the economy of the Commonwealth for 25 years. This gives a whole new meaning to the slogan "shop local."



Reunited

Kentucky and Tennessee wildlife officials hope to reintroduce free-ranging elk to southeastern Kentucky

If all goes as planned, free-ranging elk will be roaming portions of Kentucky once again. Elk were once native to Kentucky but have been absent from the state for 150 years. The elk is a large grazing relative of the deer family, weighing up to 1,000 pounds. An elk may stand as tall as five feet at the shoulders and reach eight feet in length. Their coat is grayish brown with a white patch on the rump. The males sport antlers that often span over five feet.

The Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources (KDFWR), in cooperation with the Tennessee Wildlife Resource Agency, and the Tennessee Valley Authority, is currently considering the reintroduction of free-ranging elk to Southeastern Kentucky and the Tennessee portion of Land Between the Lakes.

The proposal is recommending the release of 600 animals within a 2.5 million acre tract of land designated as suitable elk habitat. The initial release of 200 animals would occur on the Cyprus Amax

Wildlife Management Area which spans portions of Breathitt, Knott and Perry counties. The first release could be as early as this winter, with the remainder of the animals released over a two-year period.

To ensure against disease, every animal will be tested according to recommendations of the state veterinarian and the Southeast Cooperative Wildlife Disease Study. In addition, before being transported to Kentucky, each animal will be held in quarantine, vaccinated, wormed and tested by veterinarians.

Another reason for selecting southeastern Kentucky for the restoration project is that only one percent of the land in this region is used for row crop farming. Elk require large contiguous blocks of forest land with about ten percent in grassland openings. Plans are currently underway to attract elk to strip mine areas away from crops. Though crop damage should be minimal, it may occur, and Kentucky landowners have the legal right to destroy animals causing damage to crops.

Car-elk accidents should also be minimal. In Michigan where the largest free-ranging elk herd exists, elk are involved in only 5.3 automobile accidents annually, even though an interstate and two other major highways run through the land where elk are. Arkansas reports seven since 1981.

The greatest threat to the elk restoration will be to the elk in the form of poaching. In all other eastern elk herds, poachers kill more animals each year than any other cause of death. The KDFWR hopes that an intense educational campaign, along with public support and cooperation, will eliminate much of the poaching concern. The hope is that southeastern Kentuckians will proudly support the restoration so that no one would even dare to brag of an illegal elk kill.

The return of elk to Kentucky will provide public viewing, educational opportunities and hunting. "We believe this reintroduction effort would also be a tremendous boost to Kentucky's tourism economy, in addition to increasing wildlife-related recreation for Kentucky residents," said Roy Grimes, KDFWR wildlife division director. The project has the potential to add \$24 million per year to Kentucky's tourism economy.

The restoration project could cost \$465,000 for the first year, and another \$200,000 each of the following years. The Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation and other private partners are already raising funds, and are expected to pay the majority of the cost.

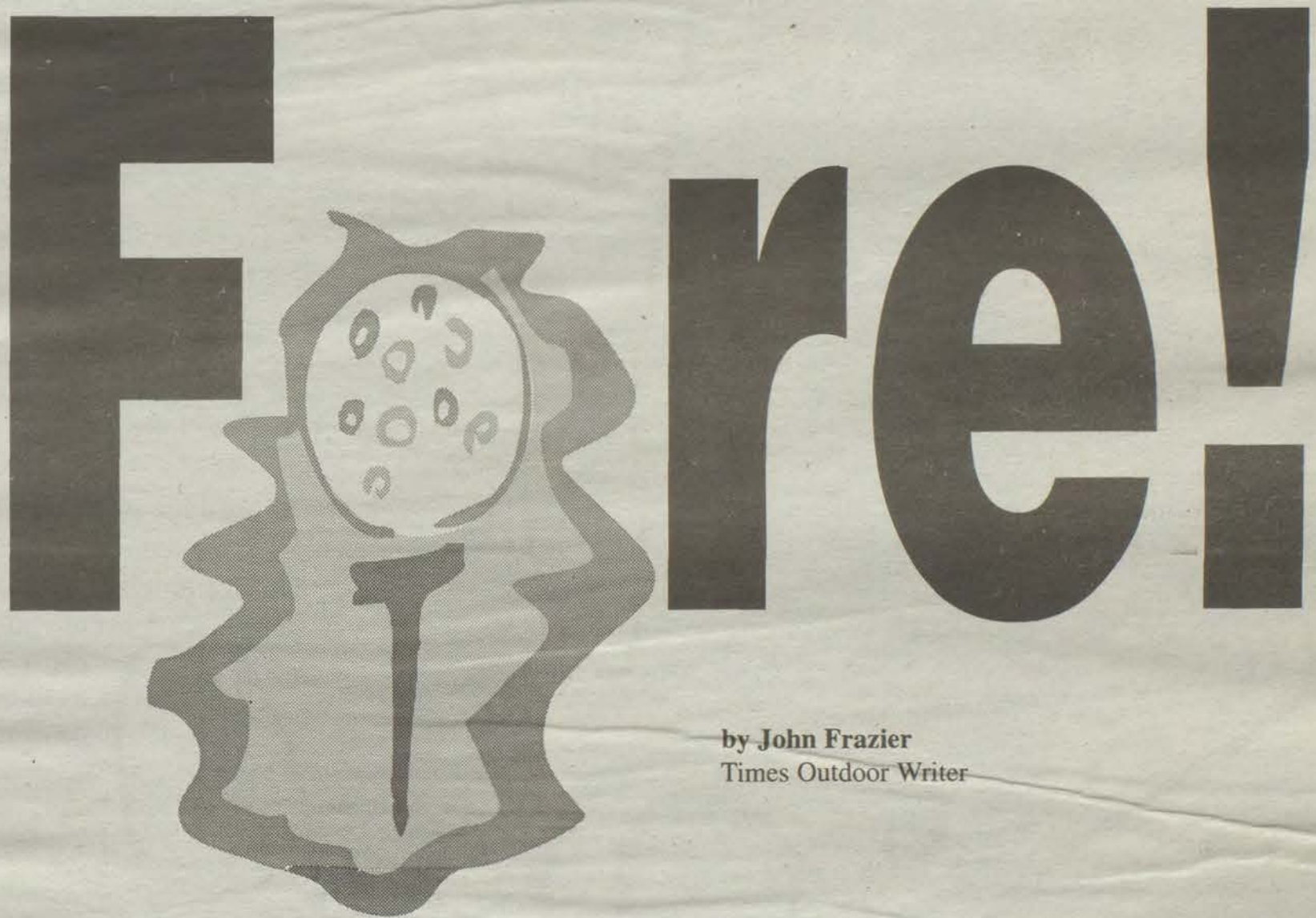
Elk tend to avoid human activity, but once the restoration is complete, it should be fairly easy to see elk on reclaimed strip mine areas. During the early part of the restoration, viewing elk will be difficult simply because there will be fewer animals.

Hunting opportunities should be made available in about eight years. The possibility of elk hunting will depend on the success of the restoration and the growth rate of the elk population. Female elk normally produce only one offspring per year, compared to deer in which twins are common. The annual growth rate for an elk herd is only about ten percent.

The KDFWR has thoroughly researched the proposal. The possibilities of crop damage, vehicle collisions, disease, and the cost of the restoration have all been considered. The only apparent obstacle remaining is public support. The agency is currently collecting public comment on the proposal, and a decision on whether the agency will proceed with the project could come from the KDFWR Commission as early as mid-June. Although official dates have not been set, the department plans to conduct public informational meetings during the month of May. A complete list of times and locations should be made available soon. These meetings will invite anyone interested in the elk restoration proposal to comment.

According to Grimes, responses received thus far have been overwhelmingly in favor of the proposal. Persons wishing to voice their support or concern for the proposal can write to Roy Grimes, KDFWR Wildlife Director, #1 Game Farm Road, Frankfort, KY 40601.

Here are nine ways to ruin your day on golf's most challenging holes at three Eastern Kentucky golf courses



by John Frazier
Times Outdoor Writer

You may never see it on ESPN, but Eastern Kentucky has several enjoyable and challenging golf courses. Three courses were selected and from those courses we have selected three holes per course to comprise our selections for the nine toughest holes in Eastern Kentucky.

The Paintsville Country Club, located on KY Route 1107 in Paintsville, is considered by many to be one of the finest courses in the state. Complete with practice green, 18 holes, cart rental, concessions, and a fully-stocked pro shop, this course is 100 percent top-notch. Cart rental at the Paintsville course is \$19/18 holes, and green fees vary from \$15 during the week to \$17.50 on weekends.

Nestled in the hills of Pike County, only 10 miles from US 23, we find Mountain Pub-Links. In addition

to being one of the most scenic courses in Eastern Kentucky, this public course offers a complete pro shop, 18 holes, practice green, concessions, and slightly lower fees than other courses of this caliber. Cart rental is \$9/18 holes, and green fees are \$13 through the week and \$18 on weekends.

A recent addition to Eastern Kentucky's collection of fine courses is Eagle Trace in Morehead. Eagle Trace is a wonderful course, rated the fourth toughest in the state. Driving range, practice green, pro shop, concessions, and 18 challenging holes are just a few of the reasons golf enthusiasts should make it a point to visit this excellent facility. Cart rental at Eagle Trace is \$9/18 holes, and green fees are \$20 on weekdays and \$24 on weekends.

Let's begin our nine-hole journey at Paintsville...

Paintsville Country Club

Luther Conley, Club Pro

Number 1 430 yard Par 4

The first hole at Paintsville Country Club challenges golfers in a number of ways. To begin with, this will be your first drive of the day. The first drive of the day is always difficult. The golfer is not loose, possibly out of practice, and golfers have more time to think about the first drive than any other shot.

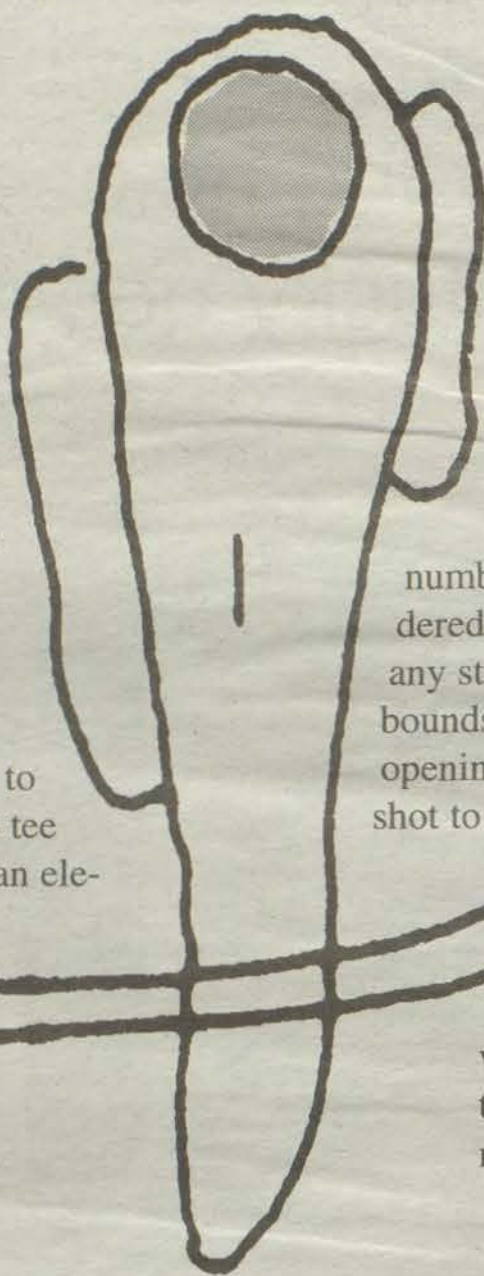
Just in case the pressure of the day's first drive aren't enough, the designers of the Paintsville course were kind enough to border the fairway with a creek to the left and out-of-bounds to the right. To successfully navigate this hole, the tee shot must be placed to the left side of the fairway to set up the approach shot to the green. An accurate tee shot will leave the golfer with a 175 yard shot to an elevated green surrounded on three sides by out-of-bounds.

A well-placed drive, a long approach shot to a green with little room for error, sink your first putt, and you have a birdie. Nothing hard about that. Yeah, right.

Number 6 208 yard Par 3

The sixth hole at Paintsville Country Club may not be a long hole, there may not be any ponds or doglegs, but this little hole was once rated as the tenth hardest hole in the state. What makes this hole so difficult? The green, or lack of it, makes this hole a tremendous challenge for any golfer.

This very small green is guarded by a deep bunker to the right, a creek behind it, and out-of-bounds to the left. For a golfer to birdie, or even save par on this hole, they must place a very accurate tee shot on the green. Miss the green on your tee shot and nothing short of a miracle will birdie this hole. If you miss the green and are fortunate enough to stay in-bounds and out of the creek, a good wedge shot and some fancy putting may save par, but not likely.



Number 11 443 yard Par 4

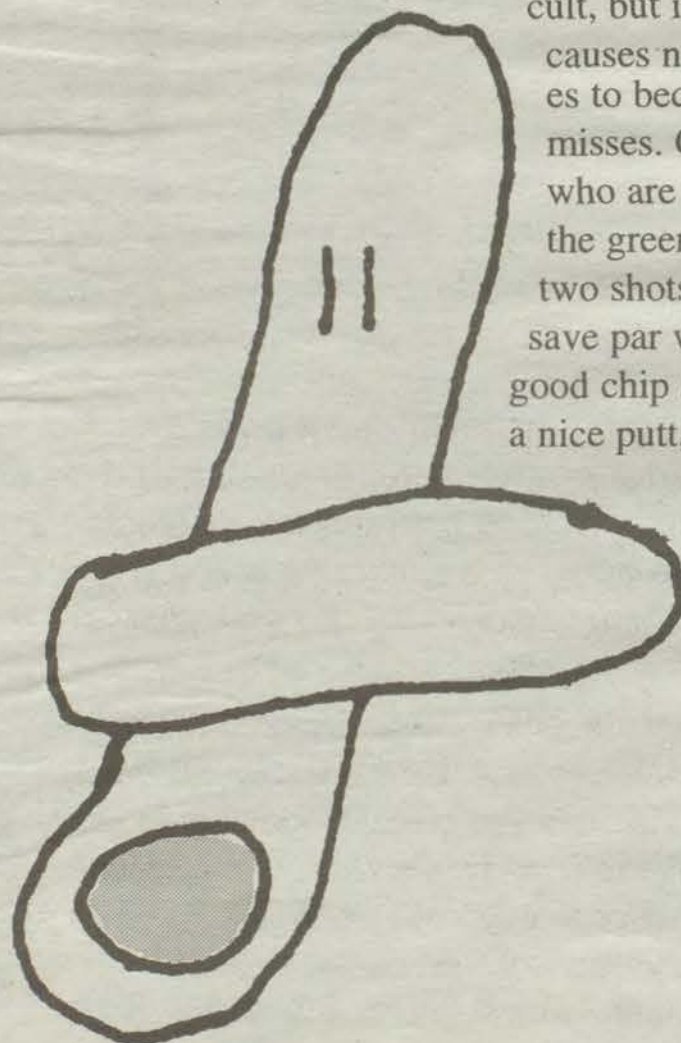
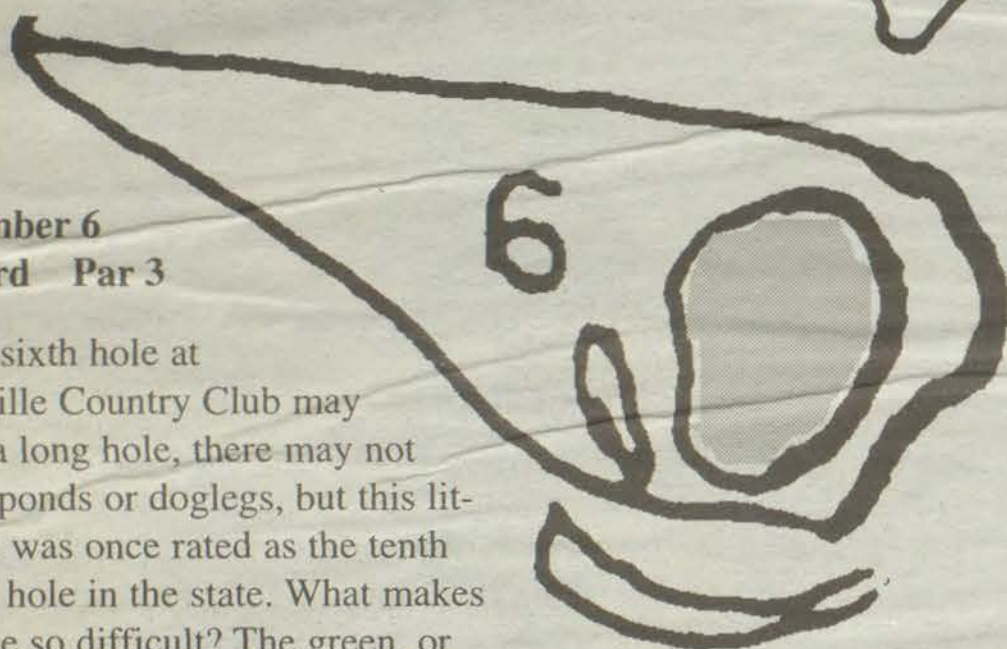
As we cross the Big Sandy River to the back nine at the Paintsville Country Club, we find number 11 just waiting to ruin a good round of golf. This 443-yard par four challenges golfers in more ways than one. Although the tee shot on number 11 is not all that difficult, it is bordered by out-of-bounds to the right to catch any stray slices. In addition to the out-of-bounds, a few well-placed trees create a narrow opening and force the golfer to place the tee shot to the left side of the fairway for a clear

approach to the green. Go too far left, though, and deep rough awaits.

Once you have placed a good drive to the left of the fairway, you are left with a 180 yard approach shot over a lake to an elevated green. The elevated green not only makes judging distances difficult,

but it also causes near misses to become big misses. Golfers who are not on the green after two shots may save par with a good chip shot and a nice putt, but

birdies are out of the question.



Mountain Pub-Links, Pikeville

Bill Dugan, Manager

Number 2 374 yard Par 4

The number two hole at Mountain Pub-Links could cause inaccurate golfers to outfit their golf balls with life jackets. A creek along the right side of the fairway to drown any slices, and a pond 225 yards from the tee force golfers to lay-up an accurate drive. A lay-up drive just short of the pond will leave golfers with an approximately 160 yard shot over the pond to an elevated green guarded by two bunkers. The combination of the long approach shot and the elevated green make this a difficult hole to par and even harder to birdie.

Number 17 384 yard Par 4

Don't let the wide open fairway on number 17 at Mountain Pub-Links fool you. This hole can change the outcome of your round in a hurry. The huge, unobstructed fairway on this 384 yard par four gives the big swingers a chance to cut loose on their drives, but the tee shot is the only shot that may forgive a slightly errant shot. An average drive leaves the golfer with a roughly 120 yard approach to the green. The approach shot may not be extremely long, but it must be extremely accurate. The two-tier green is bordered by a creek to the left and two bunkers to the right. If you manage to evade the creek and bunkers and reach the green, some challenging putting awaits you. The two-tier green offers golfers some of the most challenging putting anywhere.

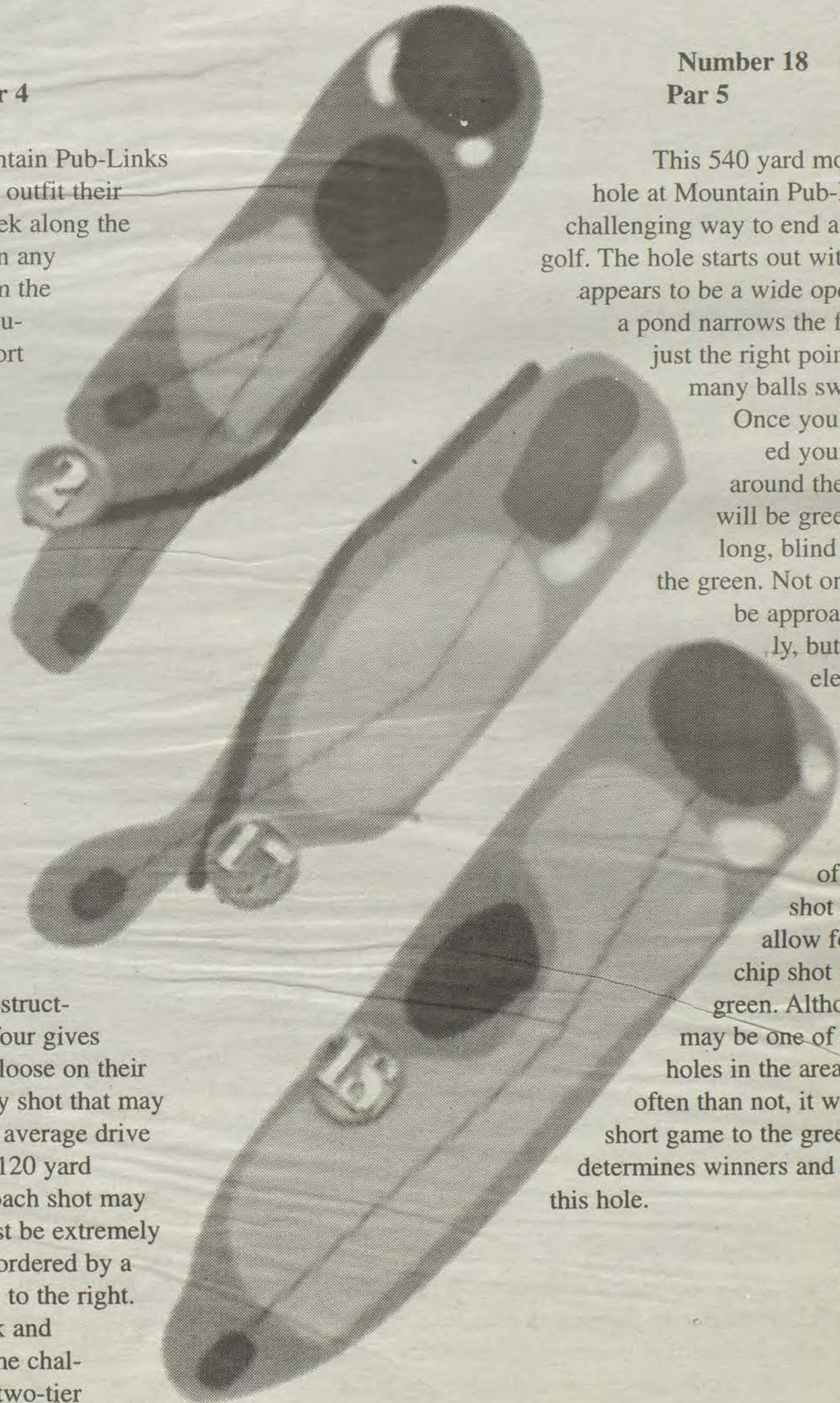
Number 18 540 yard Par 5

This 540 yard monster of a hole at Mountain Pub-Links is a challenging way to end a round of golf. The hole starts out with what appears to be a wide open drive, but a pond narrows the fairway at just the right point to send many balls swimming.

Once you've navigated your way around the pond, you will be greeted by a long, blind approach to the green. Not only will you be approaching blindly, but the green is elevated and

totally surrounded by bunkers.

Placement of the second shot is crucial to allow for a good chip shot to the green. Although this may be one of the longest holes in the area, more often than not, it will be the short game to the green that determines winners and losers at this hole.



Eagle Trace, Morehead

David Bledsoe, Head PGA Golf Professional

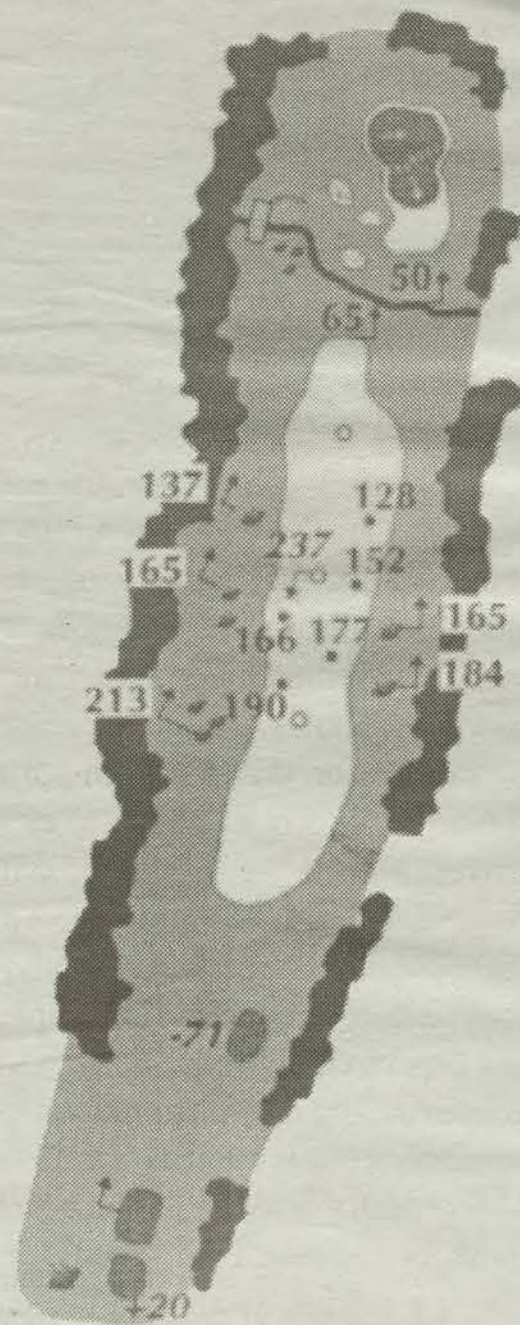
Number 4 212 yard Par 3

The fourth hole at Eagle Trace challenges golfers in their short game. The extremely small green on this 212-yard par 3 is well-guarded. It is protected by three bunkers, surrounded by out-of-bounds, and water in front of the green will drown any short attempts.



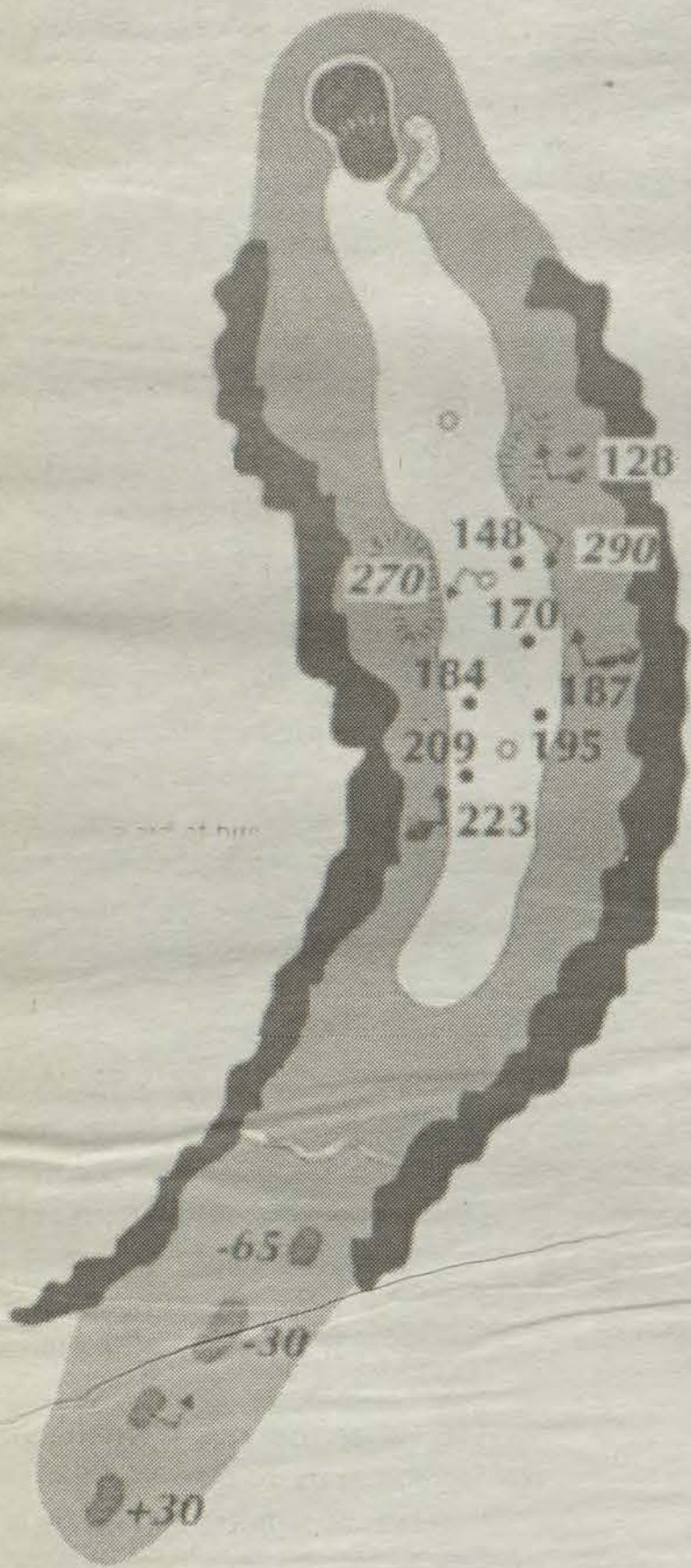
Number 13 407 yard Par 4

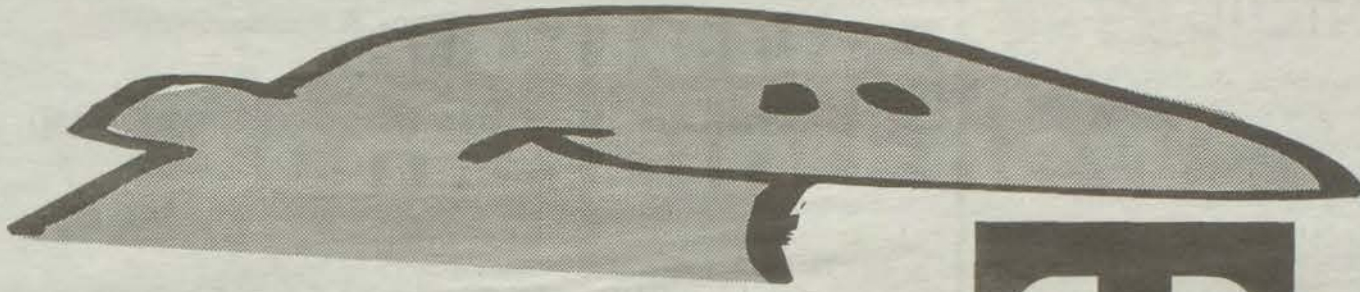
The number thirteen hole combines some of the obstacles from our two previous selections to create an overwhelming challenge. Play at this hole begins with a drive into a very narrow fairway. The fairway is also bordered by trees on both sides. In addition to the narrow fairway, the green on this 407-yard par 4 is well protected. Guarding the green from the left is a shallow bunker. To the right of the green stands a grove of trees, and a creek short of the green completes the security system for this hard to reach green.



Number 2 452 yard Par 4

Selecting the toughest holes at a course that is ranked as the fourth toughest in the state was not an easy task, but the second hole of this challenging course is definitely near the top of the list. At 452 yards, this is one of the longest par 4 holes you will encounter. Add to that a very narrow fairway bordered by out-of-bounds to the left and trees to the right, and you have the makings of one very tough hole.





We received several interesting stories for our Tall Tales contest. Unfortunately, there can be only one winner. Cheers and congratulations go to Elmo B. Allen of Prestonsburg. Mr. Allen submitted a very tall and amusing tale to earn first place in the contest and a new rod and reel.

We would like to thank everyone who submitted entries to the contest, and invite you to continue reading Time Out for more opportunities to win.

A Tall Turkey Tale

by Elmo B. Allen

A fish and game club decided to have a wild turkey calling contest. A date was set, and several serious turkey hunters met out in the country on an old farm.

At the end of the calling contest, there was a tie between two of the hunters. A brief discussion was held among the judges to determine how to break the tie. Since turkey season was open, the judges decided to send the hunters into the woods to harvest a wild turkey. The judges set a noon deadline for the hunters to return.

At about 10:30, one hunter showed up with a nice 20 pound gobbler. Around 11:15, the other hunter returned carrying a live turkey. The judges inquired as to how he captured the turkey, and the hunter explained.

He was lying behind a huge log calling the turkey, and the turkey came up on the other side of the log. He could see the turkey's legs and had just enough room to reach under the log and grab him. Then the hunter realized there was not enough room to pull the bird under the log.

Tall Tales

One of the judges then asked, "So, how did you get the turkey?"

The hunter calmly replied, "I just let go and called him around the log." — Guess who won the turkey calling contest?

This next story, though not quite as amusing, is supposedly a true tale. However, it has been my experience that anyone who takes the time to write "A TRUE TALE" in large bold print across the top of a page instantly casts a shadow of doubt upon their story. Regardless of the validity of this tale, we found it worth repeating. It also earned its author an official Time Out T-shirt

The Ghostfish

by Anna J. Moore

My brother, George, while on a fishing trip to Dale Hollow Lake, Tennessee with several of his fishing buddies, was out in the boat by himself when suddenly something hit his line like a ton of bricks. After a good

fight, he pulled it up, and to his surprise, it was a snow white catfish about 22 inches long with red eyes. He said a chill went through him when he looked at it, and he decided to take it back to camp and show his buddies before he turned it loose.

He got out his metal stringer, the type with the snap hooks, and hooked it through the lower lip so it could be released alive later.

As his buddies came back to camp, he would show it to them and then let it back down into the water. They were all amazed at the strange looking fish. As he showed it to the last one, he told them he was going to release it before they went home.

As the others looked on, George lowered the fish, still on the stringer, back into the water and the fish just swam away. They watched it swim out of sight wondering what had happened. George, thinking the stringer had come unsnapped, pulled it up, and there for all to see, was the latched hook where the fish had been, latched firmly together!

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Bassin' with the pros

TROLLING MOTORS OFTEN A FACTOR IN FISHING SUCCESS

It took a television show to make champion bass fisherman Larry Nixon change from a hand-control to a foot-control trolling motor, but now, two years later, he says the switch was one of the best fishing decisions he's ever made.

"When I began filming my own television show, I couldn't keep eye contact with the camera because I kept having to reach down and turn my trolling motor," the Evinrude Outboards Pro Staff angler laughs. "So, reluctantly I changed to a model with a foot pedal."

"Now I love it, and wonder how I fished so long without one."

Nixon, a veteran of two decades of professional tournament fishing and winner of more than \$1 million in prize money, says improper trolling motor usage with either type is one of the biggest mistakes he sees young anglers make today.

"The trolling motor is really one of the most important pieces of equipment on any fishing boat," he says, "but for it to be truly effective, it has to be used properly, because a noisy trolling motor can scare fish just as fast as an outboard does."

"It is usually better to have your trolling motor on as little as possible when you're fishing shallow water, and if you're moving down a shoreline, I suggest turning it on only when you need to. An 'on-off, on-off' motor noise is better than a constant 'on' noise. The less your motor is on, the more bass you're going to catch."

The Evinrude pro also keeps his motor on the slowest speed possible when he's trying to maintain position.

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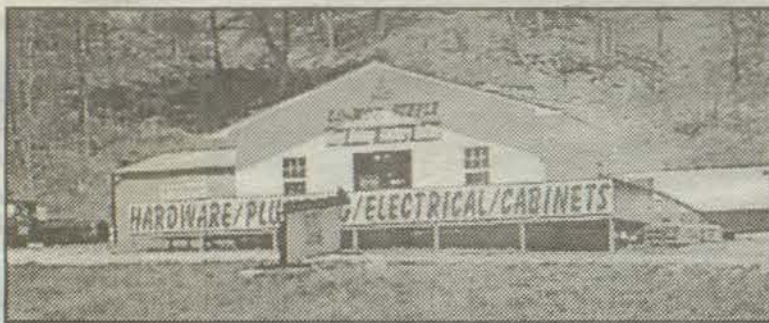
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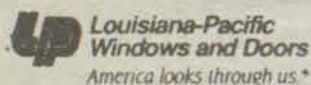
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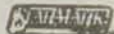
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by John Frazier
Times Outdoor Writer

Cumberland Falls has been nicknamed the "Niagara of the South." When you visit the falls, you will be witnessing one of the greatest natural wonders of the southeastern United States. However, when you visit Cumberland Falls State Resort Park, you will find much more to do than just look at a waterfall. I recently visited this magnificent state park, and discovered the multitude of opportunities awaiting the eager tourist.

Of course, the first stop along my journey was the waterfall. To witness the raw power of nature first hand was, in a word, incredible. The waterfall forms a 125-foot curtain that plummets 68 feet to the gorge below. On a clear night, under a full moon, the mist of Cumberland Falls creates the unique phenomenon of a moonbow. This wonder of nature occurs in only one other place in the world, Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe on the Zambesi River.

Dr. Thomas Walker led a group of explorers which discovered the Cumberland River in 1750. Dr. Walker named the river after the Duke of Cumberland due to its crooked nature. Thirty years later, Zachariah Green, his brother and two other men were traveling down the river by boat and totally unaware of the falls ahead. The group managed to abandon the boat and swim to shore. This is the earliest recording of white settlers in the area.

The area and soon constructed hotel were privately owned and operated until 1931. Mr. Thomas Coleman DuPont offered to buy the falls and surrounding property, and donate it to the state. The area became property of the state of Kentucky on January 29, 1931, and became Kentucky's third state park on August 21, of that same year.

The history of the area, from the early days

of the native Americans to its present status, is an amazing story. Signs and billboards scattered along the walkways lining the falls and along the numerous hiking trails mark areas of historical importance and interesting facts concerning the park.

After taking a short walk along the river and several photographs from the many overlooks surrounding the falls, we made our way to the gift shop. The gift shop contained countless

the park staff, and it was time to wait for the moonbow.

We stood under the light of a near-full moon from 8:30 until almost 11:00, but unfortunately, natural phenomena do not always appear on cue. We returned to the lodge slightly disappointed, but eagerly anticipating the activities of the following day.

Our room at the lodge was very nice. We were provided with clean, comfortable accommodations, and a spectacular view of the river



Above, one of nature's most unusual sights can be seen. A knot almost five foot round grows from a tree at Cumberland Falls State Resort Park. Below, Cumberland Falls, over 100 feet wide plunges 68 feet to the river basin.



crafts and souvenirs, as well as books, tapes, and an endless array of memorabilia concerning the heritage of Cumberland Falls.

A relaxing dinner at the cafe adjacent to the gift shop, a pleasant conversation with some of

valley. We awoke the following morning to a beautiful sunrise over the river. Due to restorations being made at the lodge (restorations should be completed before Memorial Day), we returned to the cafe by the falls for a delicious breakfast. As we enjoyed our meal, we poured over the visitors guide and other brochures to plan our day's activities.

We elected to spend the majority of our day on the hiking trails. A short drive across the river brought us to trail number nine, the Eagle Falls trail. This trail is approximately one mile along. The trail winds along the cliffs on the west side of the river and provides some excellent views of Cumberland Falls. Drop-offs and ledges have been lined with railings, and steep slopes have been fitted with steps. The trail is clearly marked and easily traveled by men, women and children of all ages.

A leisurely hike through the scenic landscape brought us to Eagle Falls. This 44 foot high waterfall is formed where Eagle Creek plunges into the Cumberland River Basin. Although this waterfall was not extremely large, I found it equally as beautiful and more natural than the tourist lined

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Cumberland Falls. The trail also allowed us to venture, as we say in Eastern Kentucky, to with-in spittin' distance of the waterfall.

Returning to our vehicle, we focused on our next destination, Yahoo Falls. The journey to Yahoo Falls consisted of a twenty mile drive and then a one and a half mile hike to the falls. Though this may seem like a great distance, you must keep in mind that we were driving through the Daniel Boone National Forest, and the drive was nearly as scenic as the hike. The trail to Yahoo Falls is noted for its abundance of wildflowers and birds. The scenery was breathtaking, and we did encounter a group of campers along the trail.

Once at the waterfall, I was amazed to see that the trail actually went under and behind the waterfall. Yahoo Falls is formed by a small creek which may occasionally run dry in the summer or fall, but we were able to view the 125 foot high waterfall in all its glory.

For our third stop we decided to take a break from waterfalls and visit the Natural Arch Scenic Area. Natural Arch is one of the largest natural

sandstone arches in Kentucky. Again, there was a short drive to the area. Once at the Natural Arch, you may take a short walk along a paved trail to an overlook, or you may follow the 3/4 mile trail to the arch. We elected to snap a few pictures from the overlook. Picnic tables, grills, restrooms, and drinking fountains are available near the overlook.

After a quick stop for refreshments, we determined there was just enough daylight remaining to visit one more trail. Dog Slaughter Falls was a short drive from the lodge and a 1 1/2 mile walk to the falls. Of the trails we had covered, the trail to Dog Slaughter Falls was, in my opinion, the most beautiful, scenic and serene. Lush vegetation and a crystal clear stream provided the background for a very enjoyable hike. In addition to being one of the most beautiful trails in the park, the Dog Slaughter Falls trail is also the least difficult trail of those I traveled. The majority of the trail is level and the few inclines encountered are gradual.

As darkness approached, we returned to the cafe for dinner. After a fine meal and another visit to the gift shop for a few souvenirs, we returned to the overlook above the falls to await the appearance of the moonbow.

This time we were not disappointed. At

approximately 9 p.m. the faint image of a rainbow began to form at the base of the falls and extended downstream. The bow gradually increased in brightness, although it was never distinct enough for photographs. Within a couple of minutes, the bow faded out of sight.

Content that we had witnessed this natural phenomenon which occurs nowhere else in the western hemisphere, we began the drive home. As I headed west along the Daniel Boone Parkway, my mind was filled with memories of the sights we had seen, the wonders we had wit-



Top left, the Eagle Falls Trail offers hikers a spectacular view of Cumberland Falls. Top right, Yahoo Falls at more than 100 feet is one of the tallest waterfalls in the state. Right, Dog Slaughter Falls, though far from being the largest in the park, is perhaps the most scenic trail and waterfall at Cumberland Falls State Resort Park.

nessed, and the thoroughly enjoyable weekend we had spent at the park.

I would like to pass on a few suggestions to would-be travelers. When you visit Cumberland Falls, be prepared to do some driving to reach many of the attractions. Take a comfortable pair of hiking boots or walking shoes, and possibly a backpack for snacks and water on the longer trails.

Although I was unable to take advantage of all the park has to offer, I can wholeheartedly



recommend Cumberland Falls State Resort Park as an enjoyable and fulfilling vacation destination. In addition to over 25 miles of hiking trails, the park offers fishing, canoeing, rafting, camping, square dancing, recreation programs, naturalist programs, boating, and numerous wildlife viewing areas and scenic overlooks.

Allen Central's Mike Pack is working his way back into the Rebel's lineup after an auto accident left him in a coma for 18 days

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

The comeback kid

It was a tragic day in July of 1996 for Allen Central's Mike Pack, who was involved in an automobile accident that took the life of a schoolmate.

Rushed to the hospital and then later to Lexington, Pack never knew about his surroundings in the hospital room where he lay in a coma for 18 days.

Not aware of the many prayers that were said for him and the well wishes from those concerned over his welfare, Pack came around and started the healing process of returning to a normal life.

But Pack also received some bad news: he would never be able to play baseball again, a game he loved. Pack has set out to prove the doctors and everyone else wrong and that he can still play the game.

"At first the doctors told me it didn't look good," said Pack. "I was supposed to be disabled for an entire year. I recovered in two weeks at Cardinal Hill."

Through encouragement from friends and family, Pack began to think that he could still play baseball and he became determined to try. Once out of the hospital and home, Pack went to the diamond with friends to see if he could see the ball, field the ball and throw it. When he surprised even himself, he was convinced to come back and come back strong.

The comeback began but, for Pack, the road to the Final Four in college basketball seemed easier.

"It has been difficult in coming back," he said. "More difficult than I realized. Since my first day out here on the field I have had some hardships."

Despite the hardships and setbacks, Pack said he is ready to keep going and achieve his goal.

"I will overcome," he said confidently. "I have already overcome a lot."

Pack was like a deer in the outfield chasing down long drives or coming on quickly to pick off a "dying-quail" basehit. His speed and ability to judge the ball was uncanny. But now that was all taken away.

"The hardest thing right now for me is judging

my fly balls," he said. "I seem to be overrunning them a little bit. Something I need to get back in the groove on. I'll get it back."

Pack said he was not sure what his role with the Allen Central Rebels would be this year, but his coach, Kevin Spurlock, is hoping the once fleet-footed outfielder can recover.

"I'm hoping and praying that he can come back," said the Allen Central coach.

"Hopefully, through the hard work that I am willing to put out, a little bit of luck — which had a lot to do with me being here — I think I can do it, I can be starting."

Pack said his bat was still intact and he was swinging it good but... "there is still strength in my arm. Fly balls? Well, I'll get that down."

The accident of last July still weighs heavily on Pack's mind but he is hopeful that all of it will just become something he has forgotten.

"Yes, it's still very much on my mind," he said. "It was something that happened to me and, hopefully, I will pull through it. I wasn't suppose to make it and that is something I am glad to prove people wrong on."

Pack said he was already proving people wrong because he "wasn't suppose to be here now."

"I was suppose to still be in the hospital instead on the practice field," he said. "I recovered real quick and it is going to take me some time to improve more."

Pack said he was indebted to the staff at Cardinal Hill where he was sent to regain his strength. "I want to thank that group of people. They were a real good bunch. Being in a coma for 18 days was something and, like I said, I was not even suppose to be here."

To come back will demand a want-to attitude and determination, and Pack said he has both.

"I have the want-to and I am determined to make it," he said. He cited the support of teammates and classmates for his determination.

"They are a great bunch of guys," he said. "I have been around them all my life. I really love



them all."

Pack said he has learned a lesson from all of this and wants to think positive.

"When a person comes close to dying they should take advantage of everything that comes to him in life, no matter what it is. It is great to be alive. I don't think I could have made it without the support of teammates. They were always with me, always calling me at the hospital. I could tell they cared a lot about me and I'm just glad to be here."

Pack thinks the Allen Central Rebels will be a strong team this year.

"With Donnie Owens at first and Brandon (Hicks) at third, we will be a strong team," he said. "Donnie and Brandon will be pitching and, hopefully, I will get my turn."

"Wes Howard is a good pitcher and probably the ace of our staff. Hopefully, he can beat Betsy Layne this year. We really have a lot of talent on this team."

Pack had words of encouragement for others who feel they can't go on after suffering some adversity.

"When it looks the darkest and everything seems to be going wrong, things are going bad, just keep on going," he said. "Just go through the darkness and you'll find your way to light. There is light at the end of the tunnel. Never give up."

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Two of the seven returning players from Allen Central Lady Rebels, Natalie Cooley, left, is considered one of the top outfielders in the 15th region. Misty Scott will be added to the pitching staff.

Defending champs know repeat will be difficult

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

The Allen Central Lady Rebels softball team is the defending 58th District champion squad, but coach Anthony Moore knows a repeat will be a difficult task unless the Lady Rebs come up with a second and third pitcher.

Coach Moore and his staff have determined that one pitcher will not carry the loss this year with so many young players coming into the program. He thinks that his club will be a balanced squad with good hitting.

"Overall, we're going to be a good ballclub," he said. "We have seven starters back from last year. We also have four other girls returning who have experience."

Tish Yates was about the only pitcher the Lady Rebels had last year, and Coach Moore has vowed he will not use her on the pitcher's mound as much this year.

"Last year we pitched Tish to death," he said.

"This year, we're not going to do that. We're going to have more than one pitcher. We're going to have at least four. By the way it is looking early, we will have four decent pitchers. Of course, Tish will be the ace of our staff. She is a consistent pitcher but needs to get stronger.

"Last year we went down to the Bluegrass State Games and watched to see what we need to do and what things we need to improve on this year. But Tish is a utility player and can play second or short."

Allen Central has a large schedule this year with 35 games on paper. But Coach Moore knows the weather in Eastern Kentucky.

"We will try to play 30 games. We scheduled more than that but, with the crummy weather we have in Eastern Kentucky, we just have to schedule as many games as we can and try to get 30 games in."

Allen Central has expanded their schedule out of the 15th Region to include teams in Northern and Central Kentucky.

"They are the more experienced teams in fast-pitch softball," said Moore. "They have been playing fast-pitch softball longer than teams in this area. For us to get better, we have to go out there and play."

Allen Central will not play a slo-pitch schedule this season. "The girls, after playing it the last two years, say it is too boring. They did not want to play slo-pitch anymore. It will make it easier on me."

Tradition has the Lady Rebels as one of the top girls' programs around the region and this year's team will have no seniors.

"Traditionally, we field a pretty good team," said Coach Moore. "We have five juniors and the rest are underclassmen."

While the first base position is up for grabs, freshman Shanna Howell will fill the second base position.

"She is an outstanding outfielder," said Moore. "She covers a lot of ground, but mainly she is a utility player who can play anywhere. Most girl softball players are like that. She has an outstanding bat."

Howell will be on the mound some for the Lady Rebels this season.

"I think we will have a good team this year," she said. "We have a good group of grade school players coming in. We should be just as good as we were last year if not better."

Consistent is the way to describe the play of junior Misty Scott at shortstop.

"Very consistent," said Moore. "She is going to come out and play a good shortstop for you every day. She is going to swing a good bat as well. She has excellent speed."

"I know we have a lot of grade school players out this year, but I look for us to have a good season," said Scott. "I think the younger players are going to show a lot this season, and I feel we will be as strong as last year."

This could be the season that April Hardy will not be moved around so much and will find a permanent home at the hot corner, third base.

"We sort of moved her around last year," said Coach Moore. "She was behind the plate some for us. She even played a little bit in the outfield. This year she will primarily be at third base and maybe give Vylinda some relief."

Vylinda Turner will return to her catching position from last year where she did a solid job.

"We're sure she will be behind the plate," said the Allen Central coach. "Vylinda is a good defensive catcher. She needs to work on her hitting some. But we have seen improvement there. She's a great outfielder and a lot of people overlook that. Last year she was forced into duty at first base and did a good job there."

"I think our bats will be good this year," said Turner. "We have some strong players coming up. But we have even stronger players coming back. Wherever Coach Moore plays me, I'll be strong. I made up my mind to play better this year. I just want to play hard for the team."

Senior Karen Wallen returns to right field where she is considered one of the best in the region.

"Karen swings a strong bat," said Coach Moore. "But she needs to cut down on her strikeouts."

Wallen feels that this year's team will be right up there at the top. "We didn't lose too many from last year's team," she said. "We should do well this year

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and next. It seems half of the players we have this year are grade-schoolers. But that is good for the upcoming seasons."

Wallen said she likes playing the outfield but Coach Moore has mentioned getting her to learn to pitch.

"I got hit my eighth grade year in the face," she said. "I like the outfield."

Wallen said the Lady Rebels need to improve defensively, and the bats need to ring out more hits. "We also need to focus on getting more pitchers," she said.

Moore said two grade school players will vie for the first base job. "We have Shannon Sizemore and Ramanda Music who can play there," he said. "We got a late start because of girls basketball. We've only had them out here a couple of times and can see what they can do."

Music, Scott, Natalie Cooley and Howell will join Yates as part of the Allen Central staff. But Moore said there could be others.

"We don't know about Sizemore and Jennifer Risner," said Moore. "We're just trying to find out what kind of pitching we got."

Beth Combs is another grade-school student who could make an impact on the program.

"She is a great little softball player. She can play in the outfield or in the infield," said Moore.

Locked into centerfield, Natalie Cooley, a freshman, likes to roam the outfield for the Lady Rebs.

"She is the most consistent of the outfielders we have," said the Allen Central coach. "She has a good bat and is our best outfielder. Natalie can cover a lot of ground out there and has a really good arm. She

"Well, I enjoy playing the outfield," said Cooley. "It means more movement. My hitting wasn't what I wanted last year. Hopefully, it will come around this year."

Allen Central Lady Rebels '97 Softball Schedule

April 18	Belfry	Home
April 19	Johnson Central	Away
April 21	Paintsville	Home
April 22	Belfry	Away
April 23	Elkhorn City	Home
April 24	Shelby Valley	Away
April 25	Johnson Central	Home
April 26	Magoffin Co.	Away
April 28	Perry Central	Away
April 29	Sheldon Clark	Home
April 30	Betsy Layne	Home
May 2	Magoffin Co.	Home
May 5	Morgan Co.	Away
May 6	Pike Central	Home
May 7	Elkhorn City	Away
May 8	Johnson Central	Away
May 10	Ashland	Away
May 12	Perry Central	Home
May 13	Whitesburg	Away
May 14	Piarist School	Away
May 15	Clay Co.	Away
May 16	Breathitt Co.	Away

Cooley echoed what others had already said, the need for more pitchers.

"We need someone to step out and fill in for Tish," she said. "But I think we will be all right this season. We're looking pretty strong already."

Coach Moore said Combs may end up in the outfield for Allen Central along with Yates, Turner and Sizemore.

"We have Barb Prater out this year and she is a good outfielder," he said. "She covers a lot of ground and is not afraid of anything."

Helping out as assistants this year are Mike Howard and Tommy Murphy. But Coach Moore doesn't think of Murphy as an assistant but rather a fellow coach.

"Tommy has been with me for a long time," he said. "He does a great job and I consider him as a coach."

"Mike is a good softball man. We're going to try to field a middle school team this year, and Mike will handle that," said Moore.

"Most of the kids on this team played for me last year when I had the (Little League) softball team at Martin. We have some real good players this year," said Howard. "Most of them played baseball as well. This should be a good team. They have players who know how to play."

Coach Murphy feels Allen Central will surprise a lot of teams next year.

"I think it is going to be a good year for us," he said. "With seven girls coming back. We will surprise some people with the grade schoolers we have. They are all looking good."

With the right kind of chemistry, the Lady Rebels could repeat with another district title.

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ACHS track offers something old and something new

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

The Allen Central track and field teams will have a different look as a mix of old and new return for the start of the new season, according to veteran coach Dewey Jamerson.

"We have many returning members on the boys side with mostly new members for the girls," he said.

Returning for the girls team will be two regional champions in Annie Harvey and Jessica Miller.

"We also will return three-fourths of our relay team that won the regional in the 3200 meter relays," said Jamerson. The three returning include Dreamia Isaac, Crystal Martin and Harvey.

State finalist, Jenny Wells returns in the shot put and discus. Wells has been a steady performer for the Lady Ridge Runners and should be the top thrower in the region with the loss of Tiffany Compton at South Floyd.

Also returning for Allen Central will be Jami Banks, Jerica Banks, Christy Mitchell, Liz Howard and Jessica Martin. Martin could be the surprise member in both the discus and shot put.

After a year's lay-off, Jessica Slone, Mary Baldrige and Cheryl Combs returns for Allen Central.

Newcomers in the Allen Central camp will be Rachel Ellis, Anna Mitchell, Kelly Hall, Krissy Allred and Angel Bradley.

"It's hard to say how this team will do because we have so many first timers," said Coach Jamerson.

"The spring has not been kind with the weather. We have not spent much time on the track to see what people can do.

"I feel we could be strong in some events like the 1600m and 3200m runs, and 3200m relays, shot put and discus. But the other events, I just don't know," he said.

For the Allen Central boys team, it is a different story as most members of the team will return from last season. But Coach Jamerson knows the one who left after graduation will be hard to replace.

"We lost Chris Bailey (second in the state in discus the last two years) and he is going to be very hard to replace," said Jamerson. "Estill Stumbo was a state finalist in the 110 hurdles and 300 hurdles."

Jamerson said that while Bailey and Stumbo's shoes will be hard enough to fill, there will be another set that will be impossible to fill.

"The biggest hole we have to fill is the positive attitude and positive person of the late Todd Samons," said the Allen Central mentor. "Runners can be replaced, but people with character like Todd's are just-to-few in sports today. His positive attitude and work ethic will be the hardest thing for us to replace. Todd is missed on the track, but, more importantly, the way he carried himself off the track is missed more."

Levi Wells leads the returnees in the shot put and discus. Wells, a senior, had thrown in the shadows of



Dreamia Isaac, Allen Central, will lead the Lady Ridge Runners Distance Team as the 1997 track season begins. Isaac is one of the top returning seniors for coach Dewey Jamerson.

Shawn Robinson and, last year, Bailey. But this year he should emerge as one of the region's top throwers.

The versatile Jackie Owens will return and will be the "iron man" of the Ridge Runners. Owens will compete in five events such as long jump, triple jump, high jump, 110 hurdles and 300 hurdles.

Other returnees for Allen Central will be Bobby Baldrige, John Goble, Nathan Goble, Jay Harvey, Nicholas Jamerson, Chris Owens, Ryan Owens, Nick Samons, James Seward, Israel Shepherd, and Scott Slone.

Newcomers include Scott Yates, Jeremy Sexton, Oliver Kilgore, Mike Goble, Jason Edwards, Chris Damron and Curtis Webb.

Coach Jamerson is hoping his squad can move up some this year individually.

"What I have told my kids is everyone needs to improve just one or two places in their events to make up for the loss of those from last year's team," said Jamerson. "That's the thing about track, if you lose a first place finisher from your team, if you have other members to increase their points by two or four in each event, you have made up the point difference.

"I think we could be a good team by the end of the season. I just have to find the right event for the right person. I'm excited, but again, it's track season. And if you couldn't get excited at a track meet, something is wrong with you."

Allen Central will be able to stay home for most

of the track season because of the opening of its new facility this year. The Ridge Runners will still make trips to Pikeville to compete. Nine meets are scheduled at the new facility including the all-exciting conference meet.

The Ridge Runners have been one of the top squads in the region and bring a strong tradition to the sport. Coach Jamerson is to be credited for promoting the games and kids through track and field.

Bobcats expected to be district favorites

Betsy Layne head baseball coach Junior Newsome is entering his 17th season at the helm of the Bobcats program, and if you had to pick a preseason favorite it would have to be the Bobcats.

Coach Newsome will return perhaps the region's

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top pitching staff and one of the best hitting teams the Betsy Layne coach has had.

The Betsy Layne program is deep in rich tradition and has consistently been one of the top programs in the state of Kentucky. Coach Newsome said several factors have attributed to that.

"Our Little League system has really developed the last several years," he explained. "Our Babe Ruth program, we have some good people working in those programs and taking an interest. They help bring these kids along and, by the time they get in high school, they pretty well know how to play the game.

"They come through the program wanting to learn and improve. When they get here they just continue that," he said.

Coach Newsome said to be successful today takes hard work and a lot of dedication on the part of the player.

"Also, we have been able to get a lot of kids in college on scholarships over the years and that is another thing that kids look forward to," said the veteran coach. "They know that is a way to get in college and that is a big motivator for them."

Regional players from the past years signing pro contracts also have contributed to players working hard, according to the Betsy Layne coach.

"Baseball is growing. It is coming back," said Coach Newsome. "The scouts are coming out and noticing that the mountain players can play at the major league level. They are starting to take a look at the kids around here in the region. These kids see that and say 'hey, I can make it also.'"

Betsy Layne's pitching staff will be second to none as the 1997 season opens in late March. The Bobcats, winners of the 58th District last year and runners-up in the 15th Region, have a steady club this year and need to fill two positions left void by graduation last year. Coach Newsome said that is what concerns him this year.

"The two outfield positions we're experimenting with is a concern to me," he said. "If those two positions come through for us we should be pretty solid in all areas of our game."

Brandon Castle will be the ace of the Bobcats pitching staff, but that doesn't mean that Chad Case is to be overlooked. The Betsy Layne coach is very high on both right-handers and much is expected of the duo.

"We feel really good about our pitching staff," said Newsome. "If everyone is healthy, we feel we can match anyone's pitching this season."

Coach Newsome said he expected his pitching to carry the Bobcats a long way.

"Pitching and defense will take a team a long way," he said. "We should be strong in our pitching. Brandon and Chad will be the aces of the staff. Both of them did a lot of pitching last year."

Both Case and Castle were used in the "bigger games" for the Bobcats. Case was the loser in the finals of the regional tournament last year, dropping a 1-0 decision to Johnson Central in eight innings — his only loss of the season in going 8-1.

"It was a heartbreaker for Chad," said his coach. "That loss, no doubt, will help him this year."

Castle, who is a hard throwing right-hander, has expanded his pitching this season.

"He's a hard thrower. Last year he learned to get his breaking stuff over. He has developed a good

change up," said Newsome. "The slow-curve, he started using it a lot last year. That really complimented his fast ball. His out pitch, of course, is his fast ball."

Unlike Castle, Case is more of a "junk pitcher" in that he mixes his pitches up very well, seldom throwing a fast ball. But Coach Newsome said Case could be deceiving on the mound.

"He is one of the kids, if you saw him on the mound, you wouldn't think he was going to get anyone out. But when the batter goes back to the dugout with a strikeout, then that is when he really impresses you.



College scouts will be keeping a watchful eye on Betsy Layne senior Brandon Castle.

"He primarily is a 'junk pitcher,' but he can still throw his pitches for strikes any time and his location is very good. His fast ball is good enough to where he can keep them off balance. He had an ERA under two last year and that tells you what kind of pitcher he is."

The Bobcat infield is pretty much set, and Coach Newsome feels his infield should be very strong.

Brent Tackett will see most of the time behind the plate as he dons the "tools of ignorance" at the catcher's spot. But two others will be competing for the position as well.

"We have three people competing for that position right now," he said. "Brent caught a lot for us last year. We expect him to do a lot of our catching this year."

Sharing the catching duties with Tackett will be

Brad Reynolds who also saw some time there last season. But, according to Newsome, Reynolds will be at first base as well.

"He will split between catching and first base," he said. "We have a freshman, Bradley Brooks, who is a good looking prospect. He is a very good looking young catcher coming into our program."

Tackett and Reynolds is expected to swing some heavy bats for the Bobcats.

"Bradley will add some punch to our lineup as well, but you have to go with the experienced people," said Newsome. "Brad and Brent had a lot at bats for us last year, and we're looking for a lot of offense from them."

Shawn Deskins will play the first base side of the infield when not on the mound. He will share that duty with Reynolds. But there could be a third competitor.

"We have a sophomore in Tyler Puckett, who is a good looking first baseman," said Newsome. "Between those three, we feel pretty good about the first base position."

Veteran Matt Kidd returns to hold down the second base slot when he is not on the mound.

"He started there for us last year," said Coach Newsome. "He did an excellent job. Matt also will be pitching some for us. When he is pitching we have some young players who will be splitting time at second."

Those who could get a shot will be Justin Bartley and Josh Kidd.

Castle has been the regular shortstop for the Bobcats the last four seasons and is sure to be there at the start of his fifth year.

"He will be there depending on who is pitching," said Coach Newsome. "Chad Case will play there when Brandon is pitching."

Both Case and Castle are expected to swing big bats this season. Castle batted close to .500 last season and Case hit over .400.

The "hot corner" will be anchored down by Doug Keathley, a senior.

"He is one of the better defensive third basemen in the region," said Newsome. "Also, his bat came alive for us last year. He's a senior and has a lot of experience.

He's got some power in his bat also."

When Keathley is on the mound, Deskins or Dwayne Hughes will see playing time at third. "We are real pleased with our infield prospects," Newsome stated.

Right field and centerfield pose a problem for Betsy Layne this year after losing two of the 15th Region's best. Centerfield was left vacant with the graduation of Willie Meade and right field became open when Brad Kidd graduated. But the Betsy Layne coach said there are others ready to fill the vacancies.

"Right field is one of the positions we are experimenting with," he said. "Right now we're looking at Dwayne (Hughes) in right field. We have another

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good looking outfielder in Jake Carroll, a young sophomore who played mainly on the junior varsity last year."

Newsome said Carroll was a versatile player who can play all three outfield positions.

Chris Holbrook, who played on the infield last year, will get a look in centerfield, according to Coach Newsome.

"He has been looking good out there," he said. "He has good speed so we figured we could move him to the outfield without much of a problem."

Craig Johnson will return to his left field position, a position that Coach Newsome is solid.

"He will be in left field when he is not pitching," Newsome said.

If everyone stays healthy and newcomers jell at untested positions, the Bobcats could pull in another district title and be a solid contender for a regional championship.

Betsy Layne Bobcats '97 Baseball Schedule

April 22	South Floyd	Allen
April 23	Knott Co. Central	Home
April 24	Prestonsburg	Away
April 25	Shelby Valley	Home
April 28	Pike Central	Away
April 29	Millard	Away
April 30	Sheldon Clark	Away
May 2-3	Perry Co. Inv.	Away
May 6	Pike Central	Home
May 7	Allen Central	Home
May 9	P.L. Dunbar	Away
May 10	Scott County	Away
May 13	Pikeville	Away
May 15	Johnson Central	Away
May 16	Shelby Valley	Away
May 17	Belfry	Home

Rice takes over as coach for Betsy Layne Lady Cats

The Betsy Layne Lady Cats softball team will have a new coach this season and probably a new look, but it will be the same traditionally strong girls softball that has tormented the opposition over the past five seasons.

Tim Rice will take the helm of the Betsy Layne program and will bring a lot of softball experience to the girls program. Rice has spent the past 21 years playing the game of softball and has been on some winning teams. He hopes to bring that winning attitude to the Betsy Layne program.

"I've always enjoyed softball," said the new head coach. "But this is a whole new experience for me,

coaching softball. Even coaching girls is a new experience for me after coming from boys basketball."

Betsy Layne plans to climb back into the district and regional race again this year, something that eluded them last season.

"We're going to go out and try to win every game we can," said Coach Rice. "This is going to be a good ballclub. I think our hitting is going to be our strong point. We're a good hitting team."

Betsy Layne will return four seniors who have started since their freshmen season. All four are solid at their position, and some may have to play at other spots as well.

"We have some real good seniors," said Rice. "Mandy Hall, Ashley Tackett and Jessica Johnson are four year starters. We'll depend on them for leadership. I feel we will have a strong starting lineup."

Two will alternate at first base for the Lady Cats, depending on what lineup is put on the field.

"Rachael Thompson will play some first base for us," Rice stated. "But she will be doing a lot of catching as well."

Coach Rice has been impressed with the play of Sheena Akers, a freshman, since practice began and she will be penciled in at first base some this season.

"Sheena has really looked good in practice," he said. "She will be at first base when Rachael catches."

Veteran Mindy Robinette will anchor down the second base spot. Although just a sophomore, she has been through the softball wars before.

"Mindy has a lot of good fundamentals," said the Betsy Layne mentor. "She hits the ball extremely well. She also can hit with power."

Jessica Johnson, better known as J.J., will play between second and third at the shortstop position but will also be behind the plate some for the Lady Cats.

"She has a strong, strong throwing arm," said Coach Rice. "She can go into the hole and still throw a B.B. over to first base. J.J. will do some of the catching for us, depending on what lineup we have on the

field."

Coach Rice said when Johnson moves behind the plate Tackett will play the six position on the field when she is not pitching.

There will be no traffic jam in looking for players to play the hot corner at third base. Senior Mandy Hall has the position locked up, according to Coach Rice.

"She has a real good glove over there," he said. "I've hit her some shots in practice and she made good plays on the ball. She is fundamentally sound and has real good quickness over there."

Although Johnson and Thompson share the catching duties, Bridgett Brooks may don the gear as well.

"Our catching will be split between J.J. and Rachael, but Bridgett could come in and do some catching for us," said Rice. "I'm going to try and use some different lineups."

If there is a question mark the Lady Cats have this year it is solving the outfield dilemma.

"We have several people out there competing for a position," said Coach Rice. "Ashley Tackett will be our centerfielder. She is probably the only player who has a lock on a position right now. The other two outfield positions are pretty well up for grabs."

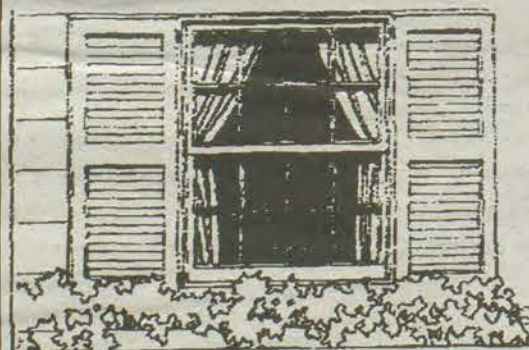
Coach Rice plans to give a look at sophomore Leslie

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Betsy Layne's Ashley Tackett will play as part of the Lady Bobcats pitching staff.

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Hopkins, and Melody Newman, as well as freshman Heather Hamilton.

"All three can play out there and will see some playing time in the outfield," said Rice. "Heather is just a freshman but she will probably do some pitching for us. She is a left-hander. She doesn't throw all that hard, but she is pretty accurate in getting the ball over the plate. Really, that is what you need. Someone to throw strikes."

Tackett will be the ace of the pitching staff and, according to Coach Rice, will spend most of the time on the mound.

"She will do the majority of the pitching for us," he said. "We have Crystal Newsome back who pitched last year for us."

Newsome had surgery and is out right now. But Coach Rice expects her to return by the first week of April.

"With Ashley pitching, that will hurt our defense," said Coach Rice. "Heather, we will use her some this year. Those are the only three returning with any experience."

While the new Betsy Layne coach believes his team will be a good hitting team, there is going to be a strong challenge in the 58th District.

"All our players seem to make good contact with the ball," he said. "We have some good seniors, like I said. I anticipate that Prestonsburg is going to be a strong team this year. Bridget (Clay) does a good job with them. She was a good softball player herself. Allen Central will be a strong team as well. I don't know anything about South Floyd."

The Betsy Layne bench will have to be stocked with young and untested players.

"We have three freshmen out this year. We have three eighth-graders I may bring up in Jenny Parsons, Devon Reynolds and Amelia Conley. Jennifer Newman is a junior and will give some good play off the bench."

Coach Rice thinks that if his team jells as it should, it could be a very good year for the Lady Cats.



Hard throwing Brandi Slone of Prestonsburg is considered one of the region's top softball pitchers

Lady Blackcats must make the switch to fast pitch

Last season the Prestonsburg Lady Blackcats advanced to the state tournament in softball, but it was a slow-pitch game.

As the 1997 season is about to unfold, the slow-pitch game is history and only fast-pitch softball will count.

Prestonsburg lost six players from last year's state tournament team and five of those were starters. But veteran coach Bridgett Clay thinks this year's team is able to rise to the task that is before them and make their run in the fast-pitch game.

"These kids adapt well and we've always had a pretty good program here at Prestonsburg," said Coach Clay. "We hope to continue that. We've got a good bunch of kids back this year but only two are seniors."

Losing six veteran players, no matter how optimistic you may be, does leave some holes to be filled from less experienced players who return from last year. But Clay was quick to point out that filling those holes may not be as difficult as first thought.

"We have a good nucleus of kids coming back," she said. "And most of the kids coming back have fast-pitch experience from playing in the Little League and Senior League softball."

"We just need to improve in our fundamentals. That's the key to most women's sports. They haven't had the opportunity to play when they were small. By the time they get here we have to teach them a lot of fundamentals. That is something we have been working hard on this year."

The catching position for the Lady Blackcats seems to be settled with Ladonna Ousley donning the gear behind the plate.

"Ladonna will start behind the plate for us," said Clay. "She has really developed into a fine catcher. We feel our pitching and catching game is going to be pretty strong this year."

Kristi Johnson will give the Lady Cats some depth behind the plate, although she did not have much playing time back there last year.

"She mostly warmed up the pitchers between innings," said Coach Clay. "But I feel she will do a good job for us."

Coach Clay admitted that first base could be a question mark for the Lady Blackcats this season.

"We have three kids who probably could play first base for us," she said. "Brandi Slone, when she is not pitching, will play there. A freshman, Margaret Damron, will play some at first base, as will Stephanie Hackworth."

"All these kids catch the ball well. They all three are hard workers and should do fine at first base," she said.

Question mark number two is who will play second base. Yet, the Lady Blackcat coach does not have an answer for that.

"Right now I don't know who I am putting there," she confessed. "The thing is, with the weather we have had, I haven't really been able to get my infield the way I wanted it."

But there are possibilities for second base in senior Jenna Fannin, Kimi Nunnery, LeAnn Davis and Jennifer Greathouse.

"Right now I am just trying to see all of them," said Clay. "We have some kids that are talented who will probably play more than one position."

Clay said, even though a player may start at one position, doesn't mean they will be there later on.

The one mainstay will be Shelly Greathouse at shortstop. Clay said she showed a lot as a freshman.

"Shelly played extremely well there last year as a freshman," she said. "Her potential is enormous. She throws the ball a lot harder now and has always been quick. She learned quite a bit last year as a freshman."

Coach Clay expects to see Nunnery at the six position as well. "Kimi will come in and probably play some short behind Shelly when she is pitching."

Question marks? There is a third one and the position in question is at third base.

"Kimi has the best arm but may be more suited to play second," said Clay. It will depend who we have on the mound. The positions between second, short and third will be filled by untested players."

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South Floyd Lady Raiders '97 Softball Schedule

April 18	Perry Central	Away
April 21	Sheldon Clark	Home
April 24	Betsy Layne	Away
April 25	Shelby Valley	Home
April 28	Piarist School	Home
April 29	Prestonsburg	Home
May 5	Betsy Layne	Home
May 7	Sheldon Clark	Away
May 8	Letcher Co.	Home
May 9	Shelby Valley	Away
May 13	Pike Central	Away
May 15	Perry Central	Home

Senior Jennifer Greathouse is a solid outfielder and will play the left field position unless needed in the infield.

"Jennifer has been in left field for us and has done a tremendous job," said Clay. "She also may see some time backing up Ladonna at the catcher's spot."

Sedena Adams has good speed and will play in centerfield. "Last year was her first year," said Clay. "But she has come along real well."

Senior Crystal Layne will be making her debut on the softball team and will roam the outfield somewhere.

"She is very athletic. She is doing real well for her first year," said the Prestonsburg mentor. "She will play some in the outfield."

Other possibilities include Fannin running down fly balls in the outfield.

"She is going to try and pitch some for us this year but could see some time out there. She is working very hard at pitching," said Clay.

Clay said every player will have an opportunity to play.

"We want to give the kids an opportunity to play where they want to if they can handle the situation," she said. "We have 13 or 14 kids who can play. Some games, it will depend who is on the mound."

Attitude is no problem for Prestonsburg, according to Coach Clay.

"This whole team has worked pretty hard. They want to be here. They are working at it," she said. "We have some holes to fill but the kids that will fill them are pretty talented. They know the fast-pitch game."

The ace of the pitching staff will be left-hander Brandi Slone, who "can bring it" to the plate.

"She is probably one of the fastest pitcher's in Eastern Kentucky," Clay said. "She is the ace of our staff. Others have said how fast she was."

But Clay said control of the softball is a problem for Slone.

"It's just a matter of control — if she can get control of her pitches," she said.

Shelly Greathouse, Fannin and Hackworth, along with Slone, will comprise the Prestonsburg pitching staff. "Hopefully, these kids can handle it."

Clay likes the way her team is swinging the bats and each has the potential to step plateward and deliver.

"Any one of these girls can step up to the plate and hit the ball," she said. "It basically will depend on timing. Jenna will be one of our top hitters. She makes good contact. Shelly is a solid hitter."

Clay views Allen Central, defending district champions, as the team to beat in the district.

"Betsy Layne beat us last year in the district, but we came out of slow-pitch into fast-pitch and I think that affected us, not to take anything away from Betsy Layne," said Clay. "Allen Central is always strong. If our kids will jell, and we play well together, or our pitching staff has a good year, I think we'll do just fine."

Pikeville looms as the top team in the 15th Region but Coach Clay says her team is ready to face the task.

"My kids are ready for Pikeville," she said. "They want to play them. I haven't seen any fear in these kids. They're ready to play whoever is out there. That's a good attitude to have."

Prestonsburg Lady Blackcats '97 Softball Schedule

April 19	Pike Central	Away
April 19	Phelps	Away
April 21	Johnson Central	Home
April 22	Betsy Layne	Away
April 26	Johnson Central	Away
April 28	Shelby Valley	Home
April 29	South Floyd	Away
May 3	Conners	Home
May 8	Paintsville	Away
May 12	Shelby Valley	Away
May 13	Magoffin Co.	Away

remarkable record.

The Prestonsburg coach thinks if he can fill some key spots on the diamond, his ballclub will be right up with the elite of the 15th Region and a strong contender for a 58th District title.

"Right now you have to give the edge to Betsy Layne," he said. "They have the (Chad) Case and (Brandon) Castle kids back, and they are very good pitchers. I believe they have (Doug) Keathley at third and he is a strong hitter."

"Allen Central, I remember they had the third baseman, Brandon Hicks. They also have Brian Crawford, a good pitcher. South Floyd did not lose too many players from last year. I remember the catcher they have, I believe his name is (Eric) Cook."

When you talk to the veteran coach about his outfield, his eyes light up. It is not his outfield that concerns him, but the infield.

"We lost a top first baseman in Jamo (Jarrell)," he said. "We also lost Trusty at third base."

The only returning infielder from last year with any experience is his own son, Zeth Shepherd, who will be at second base.

"That's right. Second base is the place where we have someone returning from last year," he said. "Zeth was one of the better defensive players we had last season. He made one error all of last year."

Coach Shepherd said Zeth does not hit that well, but had a good summer last year in the summer leagues.

"He makes good contact. During the senior summer league, he hit real well then," he said. "He had two hits against the Hall kid from Johnson

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Jon Morris, left, and Sammy Nelson of Prestonsburg brings a lot of experience to the Blackcats lineup.

Shepherd starts 26th year at the helm for Blackcats

When Prestonsburg baseball coach Russell Shepherd took over the program at the local high school, the 26th Amendment to the Constitution, which lowered the voting age for all elections to 18, went into effect when Ohio became the 38th state to ratify it.

It is ironic the 26th Amendment coincides with the first year Shepherd started coaching. For in 1997, 26 years later, he will enter his 26th season as head coach.

No one can deny the record the Prestonsburg coach has posted over the 26 years with many district titles, a regional title and a state tournament appearance.

Shepherd has averaged 22 wins a season for the past 25 years and is closing on the 600 win total, a



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Central and two against Hazard late in the year. We're hoping that will carry over to this year. He normally puts the bat on the ball."

Jason Blackburn could play some second base for the Blackcats.

"Jason is a senior, but sat out last year," said Shepherd. "He really could play some shortstop or second base for us."

Jason Pack is another senior that could fill the second base slot if needed.

"We have at least three players who could play there," said the Prestonsburg mentor.

Dependable and steady Sammy Nelson will be behind the plate as the Blackcats return to the diamond for the '97 campaign.

"Sammy played quite a bit last year," said Shepherd. "He is an extremely good defensive catcher. I just need to get him hitting the ball real well. I need to get that golf swing out. He will come around."

When Nelson needs a rest, Shepherd figures he could bring in Jeremy Shepherd.

"He played some behind the plate for us," he said. "When we play doubleheaders, he could spell Sammy back there. He also played in the summer leagues last year."

A third possibility is Adam Hall, who played on the football team last season.

"He has been lifting weights and is getting very strong," said Shepherd. "He caught some in the summer leagues last year and did a good job."

While Coach Shepherd acknowledges the loss of Jarrell at first base, he is not lamenting the fact because standing in the wings to take his stretches at first base is big Shawn Ousley.

"We did lose an excellent first baseman in Jamo, but Shawn is a big kid who can stretch real well," said Shepherd. "He doesn't have a lot of experience on the high school level but does a good job for us."

Gordon Maynard could also play the first base side of the infield but, Shepherd confesses, he is not sure who will start there.

"It will be Shawn or Gordon but right now I'm not sure," he said. "We have Wes Samons who can play there, but he probably is the best defensive first baseman we have but is a whole lot better in the outfield."

The position that could hurt the Blackcats more than any other is at shortstop.

"That is a position where we really lost from last year," he admitted. "Last year we had four or five seniors that could play various positions. This year, we have sophomore Grant Castle who can play there. Blake Price and Adam Baldrige are others that we could use. Adam played a lot of shortstop last year."

The "hot corner" is another question mark with the loss of Trusty last season as well as Kevin Robinson. But Coach Shepherd figures to install Jeremy Shepherd at the corner and get some playing time from Neil Hamilton as well.

"Jeremy looked good at third base during the summer leagues," said Shepherd. "Neil is a good player. He can play there."

The strongest phase of the Prestonsburg game will be the three who will roam the outfield shagging fly balls. The trio will possess excellent speed, strong arms and a knowledge of the game.

"Our outfield, I really believe, if Jon Morris is

able to play (injured knee from football season), overall we will have the best outfield of anyone in the region," said a beaming Shepherd. "I can use Jon in center if his knee is okay."

All-District performer John Ortega will be in left field, where he is nothing short of sensational. Add Samons in right field and you can see why the Prestonsburg coach is quick to speak of his outfield.

"Defensively, there is no one close to those three in the outfield," Shepherd said. "Batwise, they would be the one, two, three hitters. We get John (Ortega) on first and he will be at third after two pitches. Wes is going to bring him around because he bats left-handed. Morris has the power to hit the ball out."

"Overall, we're inexperienced except at the three outfield positions, second base and catcher," said Shepherd.

While there are shining lights in the veteran coach's eyes when speaking of his outfield, there are question marks when you speak of his pitching staff, an area the Blackcats are really going to have to work on, according to their coach.

"Wes will be the ace of our staff," said Shepherd. "He throws a lot of junk stuff. He is probably one of the best pitchers in the region as far as placement. He was beaten in the district tournament last year but I think the farthest ball hit went a total of 150 feet."

On the mound for the Blackcats will also be Jason Pack, a senior.

"This is Jason's fourth year with us," Shepherd stated. "He also is a junk pitcher."

"We have another pitcher I feel is going to come around in Grant Castle. He will be the hardest thrower we have. He will play some shortstop for us as well."

Coach Shepherd is expected to use Adam Hall on the mound as well.

"He is an excellent pitcher," Shepherd said. He throws a lot of junk. He is going to be a real good prospect.

"We have three sophomores on this team who are going to be super," said a smiling Shepherd. "Adam Hall, John Ortega, and Grant Castle."

Adam Baldrige, Scotty Walls and Kalen Harris will also be used as pitchers.

"We are going to have fairly good pitching, I think," said Shepherd.

Defense is going to be the strong suit of the Blackcats, according to their coach.

"You know me, if you can't play defense there is no reason to be out on the field," he said. "If we can hold the other team to two runs, we can win."



Senior Jason Shannon hopes to return to the Kentucky state meet in discus this season.

Raiders track squad hoping for a return to state

Second year track and field coach Henry Webb will return some track and field participants who not only know the thrill of victory but also the agony of defeat.

But this season looks promising for the South Floyd track and field team and a possible repeat of a berth in the state meet in May.

"We finished third in the region last year," said Coach Webb, "and had a real strong showing. We lost one person from that team last year. If we can get everyone out, I look for us to make a run for the region title this year."

Returning will be senior Jason Shannon, who advanced to the state meet last year in the shot put.

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Prestonsburg Blackcats '97 Baseball Schedule

April 18	Hillbilly Tournament	Away	May 2	Pike Central	Away
April 21	Knott Co. Central	Away	May 5	Knott Co. Central	Home
April 22	Johnson Central	Away	May 6	Phelps	Home
April 23	Feds Creek	Home	May 7	Sheldon Clark	Home
April 24	Betsy Layne	Home	May 9-10	Ky/W.VA Inv.	
April 25	Elkhorn City	Away		Lawrence Co.	
April 26	Pikeville	Away	May 12	Feds Creek	Away
April 28	Magoffin Co.	Home	May 13	Shelby Valley	Home
April 29	Pikeville	Home	May 14	Elkhorn City	Home
April 30	Allen Central	Home	May 15	Millard	Home



"Jason is a real strong thrower," said Webb. "Last year was the first time he ever picked it up. He has been working with Coach (Keith) Smallwood on his technique. I'm looking for big things out of Jason this year. We hope to get him throwing the discus this year, and hopefully, he will get to go to state in that this year."

Another South Floyd state contender is Timmy Butler, who appeared in the state meet last year in the high jump and 300-meter hurdles.

"We feel Timmy will do real well in the hurdles this year," said Coach Webb. "In high jump, he can only get better because he jumps so well."

Another speedster is Ketrin Mays, a junior. But Coach Webb feels this could be Mays' year.

"He is a junior and is only getting quicker," he said. "I look for him to do extremely well this year in all of our sprints."

Mays ran in the 100-meters last year and 400-meter relays. But this year he will also compete in the 200 and 400-meter dash.

Clinton Cook is a strong distance runner for the Raiders and will run the mile and two mile runs. Justin Holbrook is expected to be strong in the distance runs as well.

"Hopefully, we can get Nick Compton more involved this year," said Webb. "Nick is a strong thrower and will be throwing the discus some."

"Some of the younger people we have out this year who can help us are Ryan Shannon and Scotty Johnson, who is a big strong kid. We want to get more of the basketball players involved, as well, such as Colby Little, Daniel Laferty. Justin Paige is going to compete in the high jump this year."

Zack Layne will run the two-mile race with Mark Smallwood taking part

in the high jump.

The numbers are out for the Raiders this year, and with some help from new kids, the Raiders could run all the way to Lexington for the state meet.

Young talent to replace veterans on Lady Raiders track roster

South Floyd girls track and field coach Keith Smallwood has built one of the stronger programs in the 15th Region, but last year he saw the departing of some pretty talented girls who scored a lot of points for the Lady Raiders.

Gone is Tiffany Compton, a first team all-stater last year. Also missing, is Jenny Meade and Christy Tackett. But the South Floyd coach likes the young talent that has invaded his ranks this year.

"This is the youngest bunch ever," he said. "We have a lot kids who are new to the sport, and it is going to be a learning experience for many of them."

South Floyd can just about plan to send a team of some sort to the state meet in Lexington each spring, and this year will be no exception. The Lady Raiders have one of the better 1600-relay teams in the region and look to repeat as regional champions.

"I feel our track team is going to do much better this year," said senior Lora Chaffins, who was one of the foursome on the state team last year. "We have more runners, and I feel we will have more runners advancing to

Coach Henry Webb will have to rely on the talent of some new additions to the South Floyd Track and Field team if they are to return to Lexington for the state meet this season.

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Coach Keith Smallwood will field a young, but talented, track and field team at South Floyd this season.

put. It's going to be a long season and we're going to hope for the best and see what happens."

The South Floyd coach said he was looking forward to the next conference meet that takes place at Allen Central on May 17.

"A lot of girls took a lot of first places in it last year and we did win it overall," he said. "But our goal is the regional meet and then the state. We've got some good kids and I am going to work with them. I expect them to do their best. I'm sure they will."

South Floyd finished 15th out of 92 teams in the state meet last season.

the state this year.

"I feel good about our team this year. Three of the four on the relay team are back this year. Right now we don't know who will fill the fourth position."

Chaffins will be running in the 300-meter hurdles this year, as well as the mile relays.

"Lora appears to be stronger this year and is working very hard. She has a great attitude," said Coach Smallwood.

Another returning senior is Jada Hall, also a part of the state team, but she will also run in the 100 and 200 meter dash.

"I want to make this my best year, since it is my senior year," she said. "I think we will do a lot better."

"Jada is a four-year senior," said Smallwood. "She is a true four-year runner here at South Floyd. She is quick and a strong sprinter. She has been working hard on her starts."

Coach Smallwood considers junior Amanda Compton as the heart and soul of the girls track program at South Floyd. "She is the one that drives everyone else," he said. "She has great work ethics. She won the 3200-meter run last year in the regionals and was on the 1600-meter relay team that went to the state."

"I can't see us doing anything but better than last season," said Compton. "We're going to have a great season, and I think we will do a lot better."

Olivia Stewart is just a sophomore but already has turned heads in the hurdles where she placed second in the regionals last year. She is working her way back from a basketball injury this past season.

"I'm especially excited about the track season," said Stewart. "Especially after having to sit out most of the basketball season with an injury. I'm looking forward to it and hope to do well."

Stewart was the conference champion in the hurdles last season and even a stronger competitor in the high jump where she placed second in the region and won the Floyd County Conference. As a freshman, Stewart finished eighth in the state in the high jump.

Lindsey Hall is just a freshman this year at South Floyd but she was tagged for greatness as a seventh grader and made a big showing last year as an eighth grader in going to the state meet for the second time.

Hall is a strong runner in the 1600 meter and also

was part of the state 1600-meter relay team.

"Olivia and Lindsey just lead by example," said Coach Smallwood. "Lindsey can only get better."

Hall is expected to enter the long jump pit this year, according to Smallwood.

"I feel our track team has really improved because of basketball," said Hall. "Our speed is going to have to improve, though. We can only get better."

Freshman Jo Jo Pack was an alternate on the state relay team last year and will compete in the 200 and 400-meter dashes as well as relays this season.

"We're going to have a real good team this year," said Pack, echoing the sentiments of her teammates. "We lost some good people from last year — like Tiffany Compton. But we've also gained a lot of new people and I feel our speed has increased. Coach Smallwood is working with us every day and we're going to get better."

Others to watch for the Lady Raiders include the likes of Monica McKinney and Tonda Floyd in the mid distance and Misty Berger in discus.

"Misty came on strong for us last year in discus," said the veteran coach. "I think her best throw last year was 76-feet and that was as a freshman. We'll just have to wait and see what happens."

"This is a real enthusiastic group this year. Jada is one of our two seniors and Tonda is the other. She ran a couple years ago when she ran in the state as a freshman."

Launa Rose, Wendy Moore, Amy Tufts and Jessica Reed will run the relays for the Lady Raiders. Brooks Hamilton, Sheena Allen and Brandi Scott will run in the distance races.

Stephanie Castle will compete in the sprints and field events with Danielle Tackett and Carrie Reynolds in the field events.

"I'm really looking forward to finding out what kind of team we are going to have. There is a great deal of potential on this team. Like I said, we're young and have many kids that are new to the sport so it will be a learning experience. I hope the fans will get out and support us as they have in the past."

"We have a lot to make up for with the loss of Jenny Meade, Tiffany Compton and Chrissy Tackett," said Smallwood. "All three were great kids and scored a lot of points for us. Right now we are in the process of developing someone to throw the shot



These six returning seniors will add a lot of punch to the Lady Raiders lineup this season.

Lady Raiders to blend experience with young talent

Back before South Floyd High School ever existed, Wheelwright High School needed a boys baseball coach. When no one else would consider taking the program, B.J. Stegall stepped forward and held her hand up to coach the boys team.

This is 1997 and the girls softball team of South Floyd needed a coach. Again, it was Stegall who said, "I will do it."

Stegall takes over a program that has yet to see a

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South Floyd Lady Raiders Softball

winning season. But, with plenty of good talent to put on the diamond, this year could be that year for the team. The Lady Raiders will return seven seniors this year and the experience, blended with some very good underclassmen, should make South Floyd competitive this season.

Amanda Slone will be the ace of the Lady Raiders pitching staff. She is more than just a four year senior, according to Coach Stegall.

"Amanda has played high school softball since she was a seventh grader," said the South Floyd coach. "She will be one of our starting pitchers, and she has played throughout the diamond ever since she began to play."

Roaming the outfield in either left or center field will be senior Jessica Frazier, who is good at defense as well as at bat. She has seen lots of baseball action since she began playing for the Lady Raiders and has been an asset to the team.

"She has been starting in left field or center field since her freshman season," said Stegall. "She is a four year senior and a good one."

South Floyd will dress a foreign exchange student this season in senior Kristina Angeli, from Germany.

"This is her first year playing softball and will play the outfield for us," Stegall said.

Behind the plate appears to be settled and in the capable hands of Becki Lakin.

"She is a senior and has played for the past three seasons," said Stegall. "She also has some experience in playing the outfield, so she could be out there some this year."

Like the catcher's position, second base is safely anchored down with Stacey Isaac, a senior.

"She has started there for the past three years," said the Lady Raider mentor. "Like Becki, she has played some in the outfield as well."

Miranda Ousley, a senior, is a first year player and untested but, because she is a versatile player, she should help boost the Lady Raiders defense.

"Miranda plays various positions for us," Stegall

stated. "This is her first year on the field and we expect good things from her."

South Floyd will play all their home games at the Minnie Park. The Priest School of Martin appears on the Lady Raider schedule for two games. Besides the traditional district teams, South Floyd will play Perry Central and Pike Central in a home-and-home series.



Senior Chris Moore returns for the '97 season as the ace of the Raiders staff.

South Floyd puts its confidence behind veteran starters

When the 1997 high school baseball season opens, look for the South Floyd Raiders to have a lot of confidence when they take the field this spring.

That confidence is there because second year coach Barry Hall believes in this ballclub that will return some impressive starters.

"If our pitching come around like it should, we could be a real good baseball team this year," said Coach Hall. "But you don't know how they are going to perform until you get out on the field."

Coach Hall said the eagerness of this year's club is the reason for his optimism.

"They are all eager to get started and they just have a great attitude about the upcoming season," he said. "Terry Mullins will be my assistant coach and he did a great job for us last year. Terry is very concerned about getting the kids to reach their highest level."

South Floyd will return seven seniors for their last season with the Raiders. Eric Cook, Chris Moore, Travis Johnson, Shannon Slone, Todd Bentley, Brent Ousley and John Stumbo will bring a lot of experience to the ballclub.

"John Stumbo was injured last year and did not play," said Hall. "He should be ready this season. He swings a good bat."

Behind the plate Eric Cook will return for the Raiders and Cook has started the last three seasons for South Floyd.

"Eric is as good of a catcher behind the plate as I have seen," said Hall. "I expect big things from Eric this season."

Cook is one of the power hitters the Raiders have. His strong throwing arms make base runners think twice before heading for second base.

Mr. Hustle could be hung around the neck of senior Travis Johnson, who will hold down third base for South Floyd this season. Johnson has been a steady performer for the Raiders at third. His bat is a good one and he gives it more than is asked of him, according to Hall.

"Travis plays at 110 percent all the time," said Coach Hall. "He is a good hitter and an excellent fielder."

Ace of the Raider pitching staff this year will be hard throwing right-hander Chris Moore. Moore just overpowers a hitter with his "heaters."

"Chris will also play at shortstop some for us," said Hall. "He's the ace of our staff. I expect his hitting to pick up this year."

Moore probably was one of the hottest hitters in the region in the final two weeks of the season last year. Coach Hall is hoping he will continue that pace when the '97 season begins.

"Chris can play any position," said Hall, "and is willing to do so in order to

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help this team."

Moore was All-District for South Floyd last season.

Speed, speed and more speed. That is the way Shannon Slone is described as he can "pick them up and go get 'em." Slone will be in centerfield, and was named to the All-District team last year.

"He can go get the ball as well as anyone in the outfield," said Coach Hall. "He has a good arm and swings a good bat. Shannon loves to play the game of baseball. He has a great attitude."

Junior Clabe Hall will be at second base for the

Raiders when the season opens March 28. Coach Hall likes the determination Hall shows on the diamond.

"Clabe plays the game the way I feel it should be played," said the South Floyd mentor. "He is an excellent hitter and fielder. He needs to work hard to be a better player and he does that. He has come a long way from his freshman year and I am very proud of him."

Sophomore Darren Newsome will be on the mound for the Raiders this season. Newsome is a hard throwing right-hander with size to put behind his pitches. Also, freshman Nick Moore will take the mound for the Raiders.

"Nick has really been a

pleasant surprise," said Coach Hall. "He can throw hard."

Freshman Byron Hall is a very bright prospect and will see time behind the plate at the catcher's position. Hall is a hard hitter who makes contact consistently.

First base could be played by Nick Moore.

Landon Frazier will be part of the South Floyd pitching staff and will also play some in the infield.

Newsome will be at the six position between second and third when Chris Moore is on the mound.

Ted Hamilton will play the outfield along with Brent Ousley and Stumbo.

Off the bench will be some good talent in David Newsome, Kurtis Anderson and Josh Ward. Fred Gray, a solid hitter, will play in the infield along with Billy Hall.

South Floyd Raiders '97 Baseball Schedule

April 21	Feds Creek Away	May 5	Millard Home
April 22	Betsy Layne Allen	May 8	Fleming-Neon Home
April 28	Fleming-Neon Away	May 10	Sheldon Clark Away
April 30	Elkhorn City Away	May 13	Johnson Central Home
May 1	Shelby Valley Home	May 14	Allen Central Allen



Allen Central's Bryon Patton replaces the regions top catcher Todd Bingham behind the plate for the Rebels this season.

Allen Central Rebels schedule

April 17-19	Hillbilly Days Inv	Away
April 21	Magoffin Co	Away
April 22	Sheldon Clark	Away
April 24	Breathitt Co.	Away
April 28	Millard	Away
April 30	Prestonsburg	Home
May 5	Pikeville	Away
May 6	Magoffin Co.	Home
May 7	Betsy Layne	Away
May 8	Cordia	Away
May 10	North Laurel	Away
May 12	Leslie Co.	Away
May 13	Paintsville	Away
May 14	South Floyd	Home
May 15	Leslie Co.	Home
May 19-24	District Tournament	
May 26-31	Regional Tournament	

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Getting their kicks

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

The 1997 Floyd County Youth Soccer Association has yet to play their first regular season game, but already the league has been forced to add two additional teams because of the increasing popularity of the sport on the local level.

Never was it envisioned by anyone, that the sport would receive the reception it has in the brief three seasons they have played. After all, basketball has been king for generations and with all four schools and the elementary institutions going strong in football, was there to be room for yet another sport?

In the summer of 1995, a young man, Ryan Hagan, saw the potential for the game of soccer and bravely set out to change the way Floyd County was thinking in the sports arena.

There were questions that needed answering.

Would the sport be popular enough to draw the needed players?

Once the games began, would the kids stay with soccer or choose rather to play baseball?

How much would the staunch basketball, football and baseball parents support the new league?

Hagan knew he faced an uphill climb in starting something that was completely foreign to most folks in Floyd County.

The Clark Elementary football field was to be the site of the first soccer league as Hagan, a CAP volunteer, set out visiting schools and

enlisting players. He found that, although the sport was not played in Floyd County, still it was not an unknown sport to many of the kids in the area.

Encouraged by the number who were enlisted for the first season, Hagan began to run into roadblocks, but was never discouraged.

Prestonsburg Community College, a civic minded group, solved the problem of a field to play on as they offered their grounds for two soccer fields.

With the assistance of local businesses, Hagan found that other agencies, as well as individuals, were willing to take a chance on the sport becoming successful.

Proper equipment and insurance was needed for each player, another obstacle. Still determined to make it go, Hagan contacted the United States Youth Soccer Association (USYA), the youth division of the USSF, the governing body of soccer in the USA.

He also met up with Peggy Gawronski, USYSA sub-regional director, an officer for USYSA and a resident of Floyd County. The break in meeting Gawronski resulted in acquiring the needed equipment to start the league.

In its humble beginnings, five teams comprised the new league, formed into two divisions. As Hagan admitted, after the first season, the initial year was a huge success and plans began to be formatted for the next season.

But Hagan, desiring to move to the state of Michigan, said his good-bye's and headed north turning the new league over to a committee of

nine dedicated people, who worked hard to keep Floyd County soccer a reality.

The soccer league was in no way down and out, as the second season began the summer of 1996. By this time, the interest was so high in the new sport that the league doubled in size, increasing to 10 teams in the two age divisions, and Pikeville came into the league for the first time.

Knowing the rules and how to play by them became a necessity and it was off to school for some of the coaches in the second season of the league. Coaches were provided with a "G" level USSF coaching clinic where they quickly learned the rules of the game and began to educate their players as well.

After the completion of the summer season of '96, the committee decided to try and play a fall schedule, calling it "the third season." Under cooler temperatures, the league added still two more teams from Knott County and an additional team from Pikeville bringing a total of 16 teams to the league, that had grown from the small group it was.

The year now is 1997, and already the interest has become so great that an additional age division has been added. Eleven teams will comprise the 10-and-under division, with five of those teams coming from Floyd County. Three will be from Pikeville and two from Knott County.

In the 16-and-under divisions, two teams will be fielded by Floyd County, two from Pikeville and one from Knott County. The 18 team league

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The coaches in Floyd County continue to receive instructions on the rules of the games and the '97 season looks very bright. After the fall season finished in '96, November found Jay Barrett, Bill Francis, Gloria Mullins, Cheryl Preston, Peggy Gawronski, Barry Tourging, Bob Goins and Terry Skaggs traveling to Cincinnati, Ohio to attend a two-day seminar on coaching, presented by national level and professional coaches.

A day camp is planned for this summer in an effort to help kids develop their skills.

The league continues to grow with the support and financial donations of local businesses, which are used to purchase uniforms, soccer balls and field equipment.

The mission of the Floyd County Youth Soccer Association is to provide a healthy activity for children through recreational and small sided games and to educate players, coaches and parents through educational classes and clinics.

The games emphasizes fun while attempting to de-emphasize winning at all cost.

Each player is guaranteed playing time and the game is taught in a fun and enjoyable atmosphere.

Games are played, locally, at the Prestonsburg Community College on Saturday's with the first regular season game set for April 26. The season ends June 21. Knott County will play their home games at the Hindman Settlement School, while Pikeville plays at the Bob Amos Park.

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