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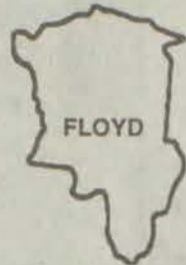


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Allen Central High to graduate 110 June 10

by Janice Shepherd
Managing Editor

Allen Central High School students will leave their high school years behind June 10 as they step on stage at the Don Daniels Athletic Complex to receive their high school diplomas June 10.

Graduation ceremonies begin at 7:30 p.m.

Allen Central's senior class consisted of 110 students. Achieving top honors among those students were:

• Allison R. Conley, a daughter of Dalphina and Alan Conley of Hueysville. Conley is valedictorian

of the ACHS Class of 1997.

• Kristopher Beau Tackett, son of Roger and Freda Tackett of Eastern. He is salutatorian of his class.

• Kathryn K. Fultz, daughter of Jerry and Margaret King Fultz of Wayland.

• Kyle E. Turner, a son of Billie and William Turner of Garrett.

• Tracy Davis, a daughter of Timothy and Pamela Davis of Hippo.

• Sabrina Hancock, a daughter of Larry and Vanetta Hancock of Martin.

• Greta Halbert, a daughter of Belinda and Greg Halbert of Langley.

• Amy S. Howard, a daughter of Joe E. Howard Jr. and Jayne Howard of Martin.

• Tara Shepherd, a daughter of Kathy and David Shepherd of Hueysville.

• Donna L. Gibson, a daughter of Roger and Dana Gibson of Langley.

• Verena Zachmann rounds out the list of top grads for the Class of 1997 at Allen Central High School. Beverly Corbett, of Wayland, is her guardian.

Baccalaureate services for the graduating class at Allen Central High School will be held June 8 at 6 p.m.

Councilman upset over tourism pay hike plan

by Janice Shepherd
Managing Editor

In a meeting beset with problems before it even began, the Prestonsburg Tourism Commission Saturday adopted a budget for its new fiscal year that included \$10,000 more in salary and \$2,000 more in benefits than last year's budget for its tourism director and angered at least one Prestonsburg City councilman.

Prestonsburg City Councilman Gormon Collins Jr., who voiced his disapproval of the budget through a letter to the commission Saturday, said he thinks the raise is for "work that is no longer performed by Fred James."

"The \$10,000 increase ... is a replacement for a grant for the Main Street director, which ran out last October. This money was to pay for the services of a Main Street director and those responsibilities have been handled in full by Prestonsburg City Council since my entry in January," Collins wrote.

Prestonsburg Tourism Commissioners had agreed, during an executive session in May, to take over the \$10,000 portion of James' salary paid for by a grant from the Main Street Program that had expired.

At that time, commissioners said tourism will take "over parts of (James') salary paid by other as-

(See Tourism, page two)

Taking a D.A.R.E.



Do the Limbo...

More than 600 fifth graders joined in the fun Friday at the New Salem Association of the Old Regular Baptist Church during the Floyd County Sheriff's Department's annual D.A.R.E. Day festivities. The event, established in 1990, was initiated to show youths that they could have fun without drugs and alcohol. (photo by Chris McDavid)

Youth ignores his own safety to aid child

by Chris McDavid
Staff Writer

A 13-year-old Floyd County boy saved the life of a 2-year-old Sunday after the toddler fell into Left Beaver Creek and was being swept away by the swift current.

Christopher Tuttle, of Hi Hat, pulled Briana Hunter from the creek after she fell into about three feet of water and was taken downstream approximately 15 feet.

The incident happened in the creek behind Russell Hamilton's Trailer Court in Price.

"I heard someone hollering and screaming," Tuttle said Tuesday morning from Osborne Elementary, where he is a fifth grader. "I ran down to the creek and saw (Hunter) turning and twisting in the water."



"I ran down to the creek and saw (Hunter) turning and twisting in the water." —Chris Tuttle

Tuttle said he did not consider his own safety before jumping into the creek. "I didn't know what to do," he said.

"I was scared," Hunter's mother, Diane, said she was doing dishes and her older children were on the creek bank throwing rocks into the water.

Briana, who was not near the

creek, was apparently overcome by curiosity and decided to go to the creek.

"The next thing I knew she was in the water floating down," Hunter's mother said Monday night. "I started hollering and a boy came out and saved her."

Tuttle, who has eight brothers and sisters, saw the mother screaming and Hunter in the water.

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Commencement slated for 126 at Betsy Layne

by Janice Shepherd
Managing Editor

Betsy Layne High School will conduct its graduation ceremony on June 6 at the Lloyd Hamilton Field, the high school's football complex. Ceremonies begin at 7 p.m. This year's senior class had 126

members. The top students graduating with a high distinction status include:

• Tara Lynn Johnson, valedictorian, with a GPA of 4.326. She is the daughter of Lynn and Carlyn Johnson of Harold.

• Jeremy Parsons, salutatorian, with a GPA of 4.313. His parents

are Johnny and Janice Parsons of Beaver.

• Ronald "Pete" Collins, with a GPA of 4.240. He is the son of Ronald and Elizabeth Collins of Allen.

• Andrea Westfall, with a GPA of 4.182. Her parents are Tommy and Sheila Westfall of Ivel.

• E. Craig Hamilton, with a GPA of 4.061. His parents are Kathy and Ricky Hamilton of Harold.

• Deanna Spears, with a GPA of 4.049. She is the daughter of James and Ruth Spears of Harold.

• Jason Collins, who has a GPA of 4.045. He is the son of Raymond and Novie Collins of Grethel.

• Ashley Tackett. Her GPA is 4.030, and she is the daughter of Paul and Anita Tackett of Teaberry.

• Manda Dye. She is the daughter of Jasel and Mary Dye of Grethel and has a GPA of 3.952.

• Rounding out the list of the top ten students is D. Shonnelle Spears, with a GPA of 3.914. She is the

daughter of Darwin and Norma Spears of Prestonsburg.

Betsy Layne High School will pay tribute to the graduating seniors on Thursday, June 5, at 7 p.m. during Honors Day.

College representatives will be on hand during the ceremony to award scholarships.



Tara Johnson



Jeremy Parsons



Ronald Collins



Andrea Westfall



Craig Hamilton



Deanna Spears



Jason Collins



Ashley Tackett



Manda Dye



Shonnelle Spears

Sheriff out to collect a million—dollars

by Chris McDavid
Staff Writer

It's that time of year again when property taxes must be paid, and Floyd County Sheriff Paul Hunt

to be collected in Floyd County for property taxes, and the sheriff estimates that about half of that amount is collectible.

Thompson said that many landowners will have paid two property tax bills in the past year and that he understands some taxpayers will be short of money.

He explained that the state Revenue Cabinet began reassessing all of the property in Kentucky in 1991. "That reassessment has caused property bills to be late every year, but last year was the final year," he said.

The sheriff said 1995 property taxes came out in January 1996, and the 1996 property taxes came out in November 1996.

But, Thompson said some residents - who owe property taxes and have the money - just "don't want to part with the money."

And then there's the scenario where those who owe the taxes have their property paid for, but don't have the cash on hand. "If they have the collateral, they have ways to obtain the money," the sheriff said.

He added that some residents "truly" may not have a way to get the money for the taxes and that he doesn't want to put them in a financial strain.

"I realize that there is sometimes a financial situation and some people can't pay," the sheriff said. "I

can sympathize with those situations because I've been there, but I have a constitutional obligation to collect as many taxes as possible."

Thompson said collecting the county's property taxes is a tough job with many situations that can make the process even more difficult.

For example, he said ThunderRidge Racing owes a large tax bill, but the question of whether those taxes can be collected was raised after the race track filed for bankruptcy in federal court.

"Legal research is being done to determine if being in a federal bankruptcy court supersedes my

statutory obligation about collecting the taxes," Thompson said.

He noted that property tax collection can be hindered by several other situations, such as when banks include tax bills into mortgage payments; there is a lack of finances or assets available; or mailing addresses are incorrect on the tax bills.

"You can rest assured that there's going to be a hard push made on (collecting) tax bills," the sheriff said. "This is an advance warning that people should be making arrangements to pay their taxes."

Those who fail to take heed to the sheriff's warning, he said would be subject to civil litigation.

Bartley to target county's top delinquent taxpayers

by Chris McDavid
Staff Writer

With a "hard push" being made toward collecting 1996 property taxes, Floyd County Attorney Keith Bartley is focusing on bringing civil action against residents who are delinquent on previous tax bills.

Bartley said Monday that he has begun sifting through a computerized list of residents who have refused to pay property taxes even after they have been notified of the delinquent account.

The list consists of residents who are delinquent on their property taxes for the years from 1988 to 1994.

He said the list originally had more than 13,000 delinquent tax bills, and only about half of those bills have been paid.

By going through the delinquent bills, Bartley said he was trying to determine which of the biggest debtors most likely have the ability to pay their delinquent accounts.

"We are going to start out with 20 or 30 lawsuits," Bartley said, "and just work through the list."

Bartley said that he is working on the lawsuits "right now," and that they would be filed within the next two weeks.

The county attorney said he has recently been given a list of 1995 delinquent property bills, and he would be sending out notices to those residents in the near future.

"You've got a vast majority of Floyd Countians who pay (their property taxes) - and it's not fair for them," Bartley said. "Plus, it's more money for the county when the tax bills are collected."

He explained that the money collected goes to the fiscal court, library, fire departments, the board of education, and other public agencies.

"Collection is obviously extremely important," the county attorney said. "It's important to the number of entities. It aides everybody in the county."

Bartley said collection may actually save the board of education from a threatened ouster due to a financial deficit. "(The board) could use all the money (it) can get," he added.

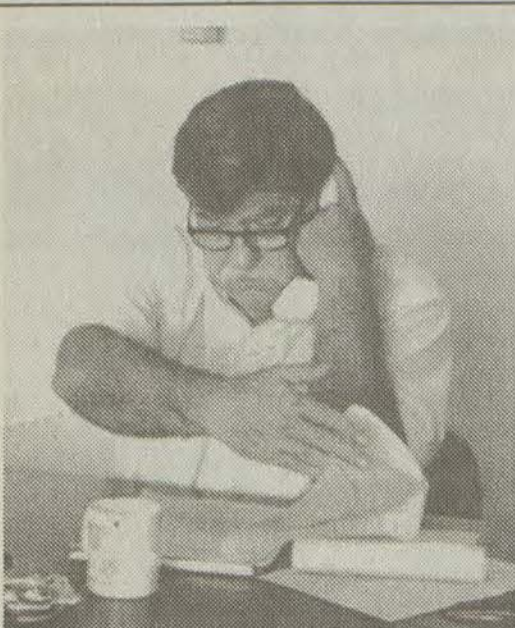
As the county attorney prepares for litigation to collect the delinquent property taxes for the last seven years, Sheriff Paul Hunt Thompson is sending out a warning that next week he will begin seizing assets from residents who don't pay their 1996 tax bills.



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Calling all delinquents

Floyd County Sheriff Paul Hunt Thompson is letting his fingers do the walking—for now—to collect delinquent property taxes. Calling delinquent taxpayers is the first step by the sheriff to collect the unpaid taxes before trying to seize property. (photo by Chris McDavid)

Thompson is sending out a warning to all property owners who haven't yet settled up.

With only 87 percent of the county's 1996 property taxes being collected as of May 30, Sheriff Thompson said that figure is "unacceptable" and he would begin seizing assets from those who haven't paid their taxes.

"Next week, we are going to seize some bank accounts, property and vehicles," the sheriff said Monday.

Nearly \$1 million dollars is yet

Tourism

(Continued from page one)

pects (of his job duties) such as Main Street." They said that a definition of James' job duties will be made at a future meeting.

Chairman Mark Miller said Tuesday that James was not receiving an increase in salary or benefits because James had been receiving that amount from other sources, such as the Main Street grant.

"We feel like we're getting the benefit," Miller said. "Nobody asked Fred to take a cut (in pay)."

With the \$10,000 increase, James' salary will be \$39,000 per year from the tourism commission. His benefits package with tourism increased by \$2,000 per year and will cost the tourism commission \$9,000 per year.

The increase caught the attention of the Prestonsburg City Councilman Gorman Collins Jr. when the city council's finance and revenue committee reviewed a tourism budget last week in preparing a new city budget, which was scheduled to get its first reading Tuesday.

The tourism budget had yet to be approved by the commission and that also angered Collins.

"I'd like to express my anger at the fact that this budget was submitted to the finance and revenue committee without your full knowledge or approval..." Collins wrote. "This committee perceived this to be a recommendation of this commission. I feel that it is an insult to you who have worked and been a part of this commission and to the voters of Prestonsburg."

The tourism budget reviewed by the council committee was a previously proposed budget but, evidently, was presented to the committee as a new budget that had been adopted by the tourism commission.

In his letter, Collins accused Prestonsburg Tourism Director Fred James of presenting the budget to the committee before it was passed.

Responding to the written accusation, James said he did not present the budget to the committee, "and had no idea how they got it." He added that earlier this year he gave Prestonsburg Major Jerry Fannin a copy of the budget the commission was reviewing, and that might be the one the finance committee had.

Collins also expressed concern that the proposed budget "cuts severely into over \$40,000 in contingencies and funds not spent in the last two years."

Anticipated revenue for the new fiscal year is \$148,100, plus contingency funds. Proposed spending tallies \$180,000, which means the spending will cut into contingencies that include an \$11,783 balance from '96-97 funds and \$32,000 from a carry-over contingency. That leaves a contingency fund of \$12,883 at the end of the new fiscal year.

The Prestonsburg City Council Tuesday held its first reading of an ordinance to pass the budget. But a portion of the ordinance noting expenditures and a contingency did not match the budget approved by tourism commissioners Saturday.

The council's budget listed projected expenditures for tourism at \$185,000 — \$5,000 more than tourism's budget — and a contingency of \$6,883 — \$5,000 less than tourism had estimated.

After hearing about the discrepancies in figures Tuesday, tourism chairman Mark Miller said that apparently the council had used information from an April budget worksheet that listed \$185,000 in expenditures and a contingency fund of \$6,883. Miller said he would contact the city council and give them tourism's budget figures.

Tourism director Fred James was out of the office Tuesday and could not be questioned about the discrepancies in numbers. Councilman Gorman Collins Jr., who is out of town, did not attend Tuesday's council meeting.

In his letter to the tourism commission Saturday, Collins said that several major tourism projects are in the works or are proposed and urged tourism commissioners to consider those projects.

"There are several other projects that are being discussed, such as the completion of the May House, talk of a museum in the downtown business district, as well as desires to see continued growth of the Jenny Wiley Pioneer Festival," Collins said.

"If we spend too liberally now, we will find ourselves short when dealing with these and other projects to bring tourists into the town and the area."

Chairman Mark Miller said he didn't "have a problem with spending every penny."

"I'd rather use the funds and grow. We should budget high, and if we don't get the dollars, then pull back on (the spending). If I've got an asset and I spend that asset, I've got to have a return on it. I've got to make sure I utilize it on the right thing," Miller said.

"We have an obligation to spend wisely ... I'm banking on, with the things we've got going on, we're going to grow," he added.

Miller welcomed inquiries into the commission's activities and said the commission delayed passing the budget at its last meeting because all tourism commissioners were not in attendance.

The commission is currently operating without two of its members. Terms expired in March for commissioners Tommy Lafferty and Jim Sparks. They have not been reappointed and no one has been named to replace the two.

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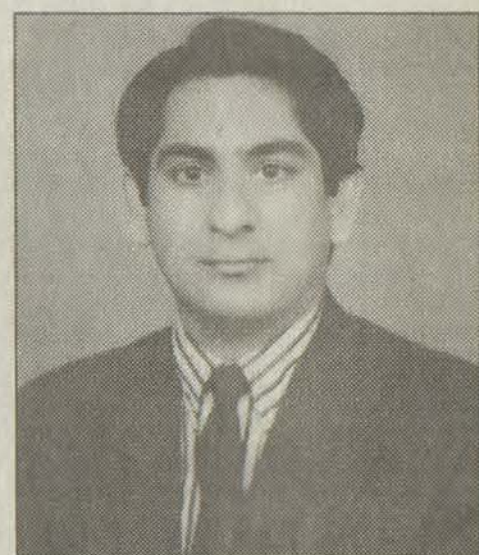
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Drift Woman's Club met in April

The KFWC Drift Woman's Club met April 7, at 6 p.m., at the Viola Bailey Community Center Building. The president, Ruby Akers, presided and opened the meeting by reading, "Wouldn't It Be Nice."

A devotional, "The Diary of Life," was given by Celia Little. This was followed by Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag by all club members and guests.

The president presented the speaker, Johnnie Ross, an environmental inspector of Conservation for the Kentucky Department Environmental Protection. Ross is the only environmental inspector assigned to a 13-county region in Eastern Kentucky. He said that local environmental officers have written 14 violations before he hit Pike County recently. The state is cracking down on illegal roadside dumps, which have become Eastern Kentucky's most visible environmental ill.

Clean up the trash or go to Frankfort and face a heavy fine, Ross said is the message Frankfort officials hope to convey. Residents and companies have been ordered to Frankfort—not local courts—where they face fines up to \$5,000. Sheriff Paul Hunt Thompson is supervising the prisoners in cleaning up roads and ditches, according to Ross.

The secretary, Cécilia Little, read the minutes of the previous meeting. Treasurer Jerri Turner distributed the treasurer's report.

McDowell 1934-1993 McDowell homecoming was discussed. The president appointed a contact committee consisting of Ruby Damron, Roberta Luxmore and Kathryn Youmans to contact the contact person for each class to be sure each graduate from 1934 to 1993 at McDowell High School receives a letter.

Jerri Turner announced that the

yards from Printer to Price would be judged by the Home Life Committee and club members. The yard of the month will have a sign placed in the yard from May to September 1997.

Celia Little was nominated for the KFWC Volunteer Service Award to be awarded at the KFWC Convention in Louisville.

The KFWC Drift Woman's Club will sponsor the 29th annual Horse Show at Archer park in Prestonsburg, July 12.

Refreshments were served by the hostess Ruby Akers to Roney Clark, Celia Little, Ruby Damron, Roberta Luxmore, Jerri Turner, Donna Allen, Alice Skeans, Alma Mosley, Geraldine Ward, Lorraine Corley, Kathryn Youmans, Mildred Salisbury and guest speaker, Johnnie Ross.

The KFWC Drift Woman's Club will meet April 28, at the McDowell School Library.

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miles south of Prestonsburg.

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Correction:

An article regarding the Floyd County Chamber of Commerce's annual awards ceremony incorrectly listed two award presenters. The Hall of Fame Award was presented by Burl Wells Spurlock, with First Commonwealth Bank, and the Business of the Year Award was presented by Dina Sparkman, representing McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital.

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Good luck and welcome back?

by Scott Perry

Graduation time usually gives rise to considerable optimism as young people make the transition from one stage of life to another.

Those hopes are often tempered, though, by our concerns that, while great things may be ahead for them, the odds are that they'll have to happen someplace else.

For so long now, going off to college meant going off for good because our region has not offered the opportunities our young people seek to make their careers at home.

With a little luck and continued persistence, the Class of 1997 may find things have changed.

The Big Sandy region is on the verge of an historic breakthrough, a breakthrough that can make our optimism real, with no strings attached.

We've spent a generation or more discussing economic diversification in Eastern Kentucky and it appears that all the talking, all the studying and all the planning is about to produce some real results.

A four-county coalition has been formed to develop and market a sizable industrial park near the Big Sandy Regional Airport.

The same area will serve as the site for a federal prison, which will bring an estimated 300 to 400 good paying jobs to the Big Sandy.

In Paintsville, a public/private partnership has been formed to develop a factory at East Point that could bring dozens more jobs to the region.

These and other projects are, by no stretch of the imagination, the end-all to our economic woes and they offer no sure-fire guarantees of anything.

They do, however, offer the hope...the transition of ideas to bricks and mortar...that our region so desperately needs.

When the Class of 1997 completes the next phase of education, we could very well be sending them more than our good luck wishes.

We may be welcoming them home, where jobs, careers and opportunity awaits.

Won't that be a welcome change...and a graduation gift we all can share?



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.

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Letters may be edited for clarity and length.

Win some, lose some

Editor:

In the past months, I have read about a company called RND Inc. that was given incentives by the county with taxpayers' money to come here from California and create jobs. There was quite a bit of discussion about them at one time as some wanted to do it and some weren't so sure.

I hadn't heard much about them for some time until about three weeks ago, when I noticed in the Lexington Herald-Leader that they filed for Chapter 7 bankruptcy, listing \$1,640,385.00 in debts, and \$1,064,990.00 in property.

I don't know where their \$1,000,000.00 in property is, it surely isn't in that building at Warco, maybe it is in Utah or California or in other locations.

I'm pretty sure of one thing, however, I bet most of the \$1,640,385.00 debt is in that location.

The economy is improving in California, so maybe they are moving back. I hope they aren't leaving with some of our 911 pagers; on the other hand, maybe we should give them one, that way we could keep in touch.

Well, as they say, you win some and you lose some.

John F. Billips
Martin

More information on costs of information

Editor:

I recently wrote to the Floyd County Times protesting the fact that I had to pay \$1.00 per page for photocopies in the Floyd County Clerks Office. I pointed out that photocopies were available in other business establishments in Prestonsburg ranging from 5 cents to 25 cents per page.

An astute individual told me that \$1.00 per page would probably be a violation of Kentucky's Open Records Act, which require a public agency to furnish photocopies of public records at "a reasonable fee." The law further states that a reasonable fee would not exceed actual costs of producing the photocopy.

I discussed this subject with a colleague from Pike County and found out that her group had already requested an opinion on photocopying cost per page from the Attorney General. This request concerned the Pike County School Board which charged her group 50 cents per page for photocopies.

The Attorney General's Office stated in OAG 96-186, that 50 cents per page for photocopies was excessive within the meaning of "a reasonable fee" set forth in the open records act.

The opinion further stated that public employee salaries, nor wages, could not be considered in computing the cost of a photocopy. The OAG simply stated in September 1996, that 10 cents per page for photocopies was "a reasonable fee."

It is interesting to note that the attorney general "went public" with the September 1996 opinion, which lists a dozen or so prior decisions concerning unreasonable fees by public agencies. These opinions were apparently not reported to the public by the public agencies. We will obtain copies of these opinions and find out who the bad guys were.

Now, in light of the Kentucky Open Records Act and the dozen or so opinions by the Attorney General's Office on unreasonable fees for photocopying; simply ask our county court clerk to roll back the price per page for photocopies to 10 cents each. And I thank her in advance for this gracious act in doing so.

Lloyd Blue Goble
Prestonsburg

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Coffee Break

by Scott Perry

The Guv will be afforded no ticker tape parades to commemorate his upset victory over the University of Kentucky in the higher ed reform championship game, but he has certainly established himself as force to be reckoned with.

Maybe he'll go pro early and skip the remaining years of eligibility he has as point guard for the Commonwealth.

The way he's been dribbling through the pressure defenses posted up by his detractors, Patton is bound to have attracted the attention of the big time scouts, who are sorely in need of some talent to replace the cellar-dwelling (or is that gutter-dwelling) squad which now suits up in the White House.

Kicking UK's butt on its home court is not something that endears anyone to the Big Blue faithful, but fans know talent when they see it and, when that

talent is working in opposition to their goals, they'd just as soon see it working at another level of competition.

Perhaps Patton and Pitino could team up.

One has the money, the other has the time.

If you consider that the opponents hail from (a.) Arkansas and (b.) Tennessee, there is some historical precedence for healthy rivalry.

Sic 'em Paul.

Kentucky has not grown a president since Abe Lincoln, and Illinois claims him, so why not dream a little?

Besides, after ticking off all the lawyers, workers, and alums of UK, Patton's odds of succeeding himself as governor may be tougher to overcome than those associated with moving up to the big show.

Hey, even Honest Abe couldn't get elected in his home state, losing five political campaigns before winning the big one.

No guts, no glory.

Okay, enough of that.

Let's talk about something important...like the weather.

May has officially been designated the second most dreariest in the history of time, which makes us feel lucky we weren't around for the first most dreary occasion.

Not being meteorologically inclined, we can't account for the cause of the month's first three weeks of gloominess, but we have indisputable proof of why the last week of the month was so ugly.

We were on vacation.

Some people have all the luck.

Here's hoping a sizable portion of that luck goes to the Class of '97, whether they be making the transition from kindergarten to primary or from college to the wide, wide world of reality.

No boring speeches from us, just a simple 'good luck' and a word or two of advice...

When the sight, sound, touch, taste or smell of life appears to be more than you can bear, another sense will help pull you through...

Your sense of humor.
Don't lose it.

The state Supreme Court is considering a proposal to ban campaign contributions from lawyers to judicial candidates, but the idea isn't likely to stick...and it shouldn't. While

political and monetary influences might have some effect on our system of justice, there are too many levels of checks and balances to suspect the whole process is corrupt.

Lawyers aren't the most respected among professionals, that's true, but when they contribute to judicial candidates, we imagine it's more toward ensuring a fair shake than it is toward buying a verdict.

Still, the spectre of politics looms large in the judicial system and it will as long as our judges are elected.

Many states avoid that, using non-partisan and diverse commissions to appoint their judges.

That's something to consider in Kentucky.

Judges are like referees, and they should be chosen for their impartiality and their knowledge of the rules, not on their ability to raise money and win votes.

Testimony begins in trial for accused bank bandits

by Chris McDavid
Staff Writer

The bank teller of a Floyd County bank which was robbed in July 1996, testified Tuesday in federal court that the robbers were similar in height and taller than her, but the defendants do not appear to match that description.

Immediately following the robbery at the Garrett Branch of Bank Josephine, head teller Brenda Mullins wrote in a robbery description form that the perpetrators were both males, and that she had to look up at them.

A robbery description form is an information sheet bank employees fill out after a robbery — while the descriptions are still fresh in their minds — to help authorities with the identities of the robbers.

Mullins testified that one of the robbers, who had the gun and who is believed to be Nora Lee Mastin, was heavily built and "seemed to be taller than me."

Mastin, who has been a special education teacher for the Knott County School System, and her brother, Charles Ray Moore, were arrested after they were indicted in March 1997.

The bank was robbed on July 23,

1996, and two robbers took \$14,266 before fleeing the scene on stolen all-terrain vehicles (ATVs).

Mullins also testified that both robbers appeared to be the same height.

Mastin's attorney, Ned Pillersdorf, requested that FBI agent Steve Stacy measure his client. Moore's attorney, Steve Owens, also made the same request.

On two separate occasions, both defendants were measured in the courtroom and there is about a seven-inch difference between them.

"There is a vast amount of evidence about the size of the perpetrators in the bank," Pillersdorf said in his opening statement. "Evidence will totally exclude (Mastin and Moore) as the robbers."

Pillersdorf said Monday that Mastin would testify at the trial that she had nothing to do with the robbery.

In Owens' opening statement, he said that "technology" gives his client an alibi at a Perry County gas station, which is about 45 minutes from the Garrett bank.

A surveillance camera at the gas station showed that Moore's vehicle was at the station just minutes after the robbery occurred, Owens said.

But, Assistant U.S. Attorney Tom Self said in his opening statement that he has two witnesses who can place Mastin and Moore on ATVs about 30 minutes before the robbery.

"(The defendants) didn't have helmets on and they went right in front of (my witnesses)," Self said. "They got a good look at them. They will describe to you — in detail — the two individuals. (The witnesses) gave authorities a description that fits them to a tee."

Self also told the jury that Mastin told FBI agents that she did not have a gun, but her ex-husband will testify that she had his gun when the bank was robbed.

"It looked like a perfect crime," Self said, "except maybe for a little luck here and there."

Self referred to the defendants as a "modern day female Jesse James and her brother."

The prosecutor also said he would provide financial records which would show Mastin was in a financial strain and needed cash fast.

But Mastin's attorney said he would prove that his client had a better financial status before the robbery.

The trial continues today (Wednesday).

CEDAR awards Pike, Floyd students \$20,000 in scholarships

CEDAR Inc. (Coal Education Development and Resource Council) in partnership with the Pike County Dollars for Scholars Organization awarded scholarships to nine high school seniors from Pike and Floyd counties, totaling \$20,000, at an awards banquet held Thursday, May 8, at the Landmark Inn's Mark II Convention Center, in Pikeville.

A \$1,000 scholarship was made available to all 13 high schools in Pike and Floyd counties. One school did not have any entries, while three others had no students meeting the minimum scoring requirements. Thus, nine schools qualified for participation in the first year of this scholarship program.

In order to participate, students were required to submit an application to the Dollars For Scholars Organization, with each being ranked by qualification of the following criteria: 1) Need; 2) Minimum GPA 2.75; 3) School and/or Community Involvement. CEDAR then invited the top four from each school to compete by entering a written submission consisting of a minimum of three pages and maximum of ten pages addressed to the following prompt:

As a graduating senior from an Eastern Kentucky high school, students had to address a real world audience (legislators, coal industry officials, community and business leaders, etc...) using a real world situation from an article, editorial, speech, proposal, etc. The student's purpose was to convince his/her audiences that coal is beneficial and that it impacts lives in a positive way.

There were 31 students who submitted an entry with nine chosen to receive the \$1,000 scholarship made

available for their particular school. The nine winners then participated in the Oral Presentation part of the judging, thus competing for overall awards of additional scholarships of \$5,000 for first place; \$3,000 for second place; and \$1,000 for third place. There was a tie for first place and CEDAR decided to present both students with the first place award of \$5,000.

First place went to Jacqueline M. Layne of Belfry High School and Amanda Lynn Justice of Pikeville High School.

The students receiving the \$1,000 scholarships were James C. Smallwood, Millard High School; Marissa Harrison, Elkhorn City High School; Daniel Hunt, Jr., Feds Creek High School; Vernon E. Little, Pike County Central High School; Jacqueline M. Layne, Belfry High School; Amanda Lynn Justice, Pikeville High School; Richard J. Johnson, South Floyd High School; Edmund C. Hamilton, Betsy Layne High School; and Jonathan R. Smith, Piarist School.

Third Place and \$1,000 went to Edmund C. Hamilton of Betsy Layne High School.

These scholarships are to be used

for any legitimate expense that is not covered by other scholarships or grants that these students may receive.

This scholarship program was created, developed and fully funded by CEDAR, and its implementation was made possible through its partnership with the Pike County Dollars For Scholars Organization who provided the application and screening process of the program.

Crawford graduates

Marine Staff Sgt. James A. Crawford, a 1984 graduate of Conner Senior High School of Hebron, recently graduated from the Marine Corps Computer Technician Course.

During the course which is taught with Headquarters Battalion, Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center, Twenty Nine Palms, California, students learn computer concepts and operation, the theory of computer-based tactics and maintenance and repair of specific computer systems and peripheral equipment.

He joined the Marine Corps in January 1984.

Youth

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and "he went in and got her," according to Comellia Martin, a neighbor.

Martin said she did not see Hunter fall into the water or Tuttle go in and get her, but she did witness him bringing her out of the water and handing her to her father, Everitt.

Tuttle's mother, Patricia, said his sister was with him when the incident occurred Sunday.

"They heard the mother screaming," Tuttle's mother said. "He said he saw a mother hollering and a baby floating (in the water)."

"Mommy, he just didn't stop," Tuttle's sister, Sherry, told her mother. "He just jumped in got the little girl."

Left Beaver Rescue Squad responded to the scene and transported Hunter to McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital, where she was checked out and released, according to the child's mother.

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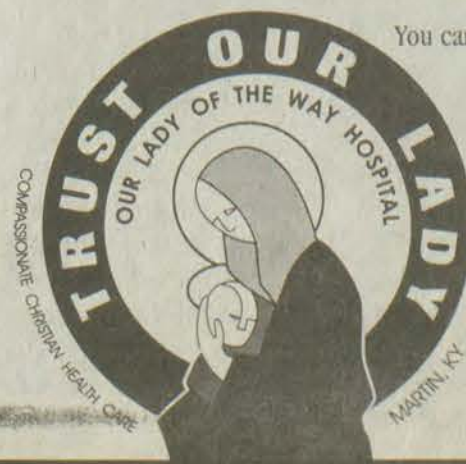
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Letters

Writer expresses anger over treatment of poor

Editor:
I really appreciate our Floyd County Times and that fellow (the editor) tells it just like it is. He is no jelly fish. We need more people like him.

In 1998, when we have our election, if all the people on Mud Creek and all of Left Beaver would get out and vote, we could make a change. We could get rid of them fat cats. If you don't have a way to go, call 285-9155, and I will take you.

You ought to realize by now that we poor people are out, and we do pay our taxes, and don't get anything from them.

If you drive around and see where the fat cats live and what their children have, you can see where our money goes, and we can't get a wheelbarrow of gravel. The school board wouldn't give me a load of gravel to fix my driveway and they tore it up.

I warned them not to pull a bus on my property again. A few days ago here comes a school bus. I really got mad. It had better never happen again.

They have our tax money, our 911, and all they are interested in is golf courses, club houses, and car races, and poor people are needing water and can't get it. They are looking out for something that will feather their own nests.

The old people and poor children will do without. You fat cats ought to lose five dollars every time they take a dollar from these poor kids. I hope to see the day when your kids will have to do without a few things.

The good Lord said, "the poor you have with you always." He didn't have too much good to say about the wealthy.

They should take the 911 money and pay the garbage bills for the ones that can't pay.

Nora Martin
Printer
P.S.: Well, I was going to get a contractor to pave my driveway. When I saw what they did to 122, Left Beaver Creek, I changed my mind. And to think it was my tax money that helped do that. That made me sick.

Insulting teenagers distress writer

Editor:
I have lived in Floyd County all my life, and more and more, I see how disrespectful the teenagers around here can be.

The other day my daughter, son and I, ran out of gas on the Water Gap Road. It was raining, and we were walking along when this carload of loud-mouth insulting kids passed us about three times, insulting us.

Well, I took all I could, so I picked up a rock and threw it at them. I think it is a disgrace how the parents of the so-called good kids do not know what they are doing, or don't care, as long as they are out of their hair.

Well, I know you know who you are, if you can read. So keep smarting off, but remember that rock has been traded in for a big stick.

I also want to say, if parents can teach their monkeys to drive a car, then they could teach them a little manners.

Also, that poor old man that you kept taunting, is now in the hospital. So, I hope you are proud of yourselves.

Madeline Goble
Prestonsburg

Expresses appreciation

Editor:
The staff of Prestonsburg Elementary would like to take this opportunity to express our sincere appreciation to all the parents who brought food, drinks, paper products, etc., during National Teacher's Appreciation Week, May 4-10.

Delicious food was provided daily for this special occasion.

Again, thanks to each parent who participated.

Gwen Harmon
Principal
Prestonsburg Elementary

Thanks for "tribute to Baby Sarah"

Editor:
We want to thank Everyone who took a part in the "First Annual Tribute To Baby Sarah" gospel sing. The singing was held at Stumbo Park, Allen, on Saturday, May 31.

We send our deepest appreciation to all who helped; concession stand volunteers, all who sang; and, especially, to all who came. With your help, the Make-A-Wish Children's Fountain, will receive a check for more than \$1200 because of everyone's efforts.

It's been asked that it become an annual event. Thanks, to Sarah's parents for being so considerate.

Next year, the Second Annual Gospel Sing will be on the first Saturday in June. We look forward to seeing you there.

A special thanks to Pastor B.J. Crider for doing the emceeing for the event.

Again, thanks, and God Bless, Lenora and John H. Blackburn
Blue River

Remembers hospitality

Editor:
I was called, May 17, and told that my sister's husband, Ermal "Bob" Scutchfield went to be with the Lord.

At the funeral and the wake everyone was thanked for their attendance, food and kind words. This letter is not about them. But about the strangers in vehicles who stopped along the road out of respect to the ride to the cemetery.

I moved from Prestonsburg about 40 years ago and have only been back a couple of times. Everything has changed so much. I never recognized anything.

The one thing that did not change was the hospitality. Believe me, you never would have seen an auto pulled over up here out of respect, in Michigan or Indiana. I've lived in all three states.

I think loafers' corner should have been kept as a monument in remembrance of us senior citizens who used to walk past just to be whistled at.

Nancy Snipes
Woodsfield, Ohio

Student says thanks to teachers

Editor:
I am writing this letter to say thanks to the eighth grade teachers of Dr. W. D. Osborne Elementary School. As we go through life we will look back on our eighth grade year, and say those teachers taught us something, even though we may not have been listening.

Personal thanks to science teacher and personal friend, Mrs. Tammy Meade, who has helped us through thick and thin, taught us many things and done us many favors; reading and English teacher, Ms. April Bradford, she gave our class many speeches about the things we have done. Some people let it go through one ear and out the other; social studies teacher, Mrs. Susan Tackett, we've enjoyed all the fun times of her joking with us. When you went to the hospital toward the end of the year, we really missed you.

Math teacher, Jeff Castle, sitting back in your class and listening to you tell us how to do a math problem, but most of the time telling us to be quiet or telling us to go to the office; and principal, Paul Tackett, even though we may have been sitting in your office listening to you tell us to behave, you've given us many more privileges than any other principal had.

As we leave this school, we shall always look back, and say, thanks!
Ricky Jason Slone
Hi Hat

Girls, boys track team runners-up in competition

Editor:
This past weekend, the South Floyd High School Girls and Boys Track Team were regional runners-up in the Class AA Track and Field competition in Leslie County. First place went to the girls and boys of Leslie County who, coincidentally, have a track. Sixteen members of the SFHS track team will be competing at the state level this weekend.

The SFHS Track Team has proved that miracles can happen with very limited resources. Here are the facts:

The track team has a total of \$1000 that was budgeted for the entire season.

The money budgeted pays for bus trips to the track meets, uniforms and equipment. The trips to the meets (approximately five) uses the majority of the monies budgeted.

SFHS has no high jump, long jump or pole vault equipment/area. Students who compete in these events have to drive to Pikeville or Allen Central to practice. **Note—Olivia Stewart and Timothy Butler—both SFHS students, won the high jump at the regional competition and will compete at the state level.

SFHS students have to practice in the parking lot of the school. This means that the only time that the coaches can get times on the team is at actual track meets.

In the four years that SFHS has been in existence, the girls track team has two regional runner-up trophies, one 3rd place trophy and a regional championship trophy.

The Boys and Girls Track Team won the Big Sandy Conference Championship this year.

Several students have received college scholarships for their abilities in track and field, and several other students have been recruited.

In the region in which South Floyd competes, the following schools have a track facility: Allen Central, Leslie County, Breathitt County, Whitesburg, and Knott County Central.

Other competitors with a track include: Pikeville, Paintsville and Shelby Valley. Prestonsburg is supposed to be getting a multi-million dollar athletic complex. Do all these schools deserve an outdoor facility more than the students on Left Beaver? How much longer must these students prove themselves worthy? It is indeed a "miracle" that a whole track team can promote Floyd County in such a positive way with very limited resources. We are so very proud of their accomplishments and we hope that a new outdoor facility can soon be located at this high school.

The parents, students and Raider supporters of the South Floyd High School Boys and Girls Track Team
Sabrina Hall

This letter was signed by 101 others.

Thanks volunteers for Dewey Lake Trash Bash success

Editor:
The Corps of Engineers would like to thank all the many volunteers and sponsors of the 7th annual Dewey Lake Trash Bash held on Saturday, April 26. The Trash Bash was a tremendous success with 161 volunteers picking up a total of 4.36 tons (that's 8,720 lbs) of trash from the lake area.

We are very grateful to the following volunteers for their time and effort, many of whom return each year to help with the clean-up!

Volunteers were, Stumbo and Sons Inc., Floyd County Sheriff's Department, Floyd County Emergency and Rescue Squad, Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Environmental Protection Group, Sheldon Clark High School Environmental Club, Dr. Shiber's class at Prestonsburg Community College, Johnson and Floyd county 4-H Clubs, Inez Volunteer House, United Waste System of Kentucky Inc., and many

individuals and families who took time to support their community and help the environment.

Thanks also to the many generous sponsors who support the Dewey Lake Trash Bash by so generously donating year after year to the cookout held after the clean-up.

Sponsors were, Food World of Prestonsburg, Food City of Prestonsburg, McDonald's of Eastern Kentucky, Dairy Queen of Prestonsburg, Lee's Famous Recipe of Prestonsburg, Save-A-Lot of Paintsville, East Kentucky Beverage at Staffordsville, Coca-Cola Bottling Company of Pikeville, Foodland of Prestonsburg, Dairy Cheer of Prestonsburg, Winn-Dixie of Prestonsburg, Kroger of Paintsville, Food World of McDowell, SuperAmerica of Martin, W & E Produce of Martin, and Magic and Company of Huntington, West Virginia.

The Corps of Engineers greatly appreciates the tremendous support from the local community and surrounding counties during the 1997 Trash Bash. Your generosity during the clean-up is a shining example of Eastern Kentuckians working together for a common cause. Your efforts are to be commended. We hope you had a good time, and will support us again next year.

Shirla Wells, park ranger and staff of Dewey Lake

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Chamber banquet is a success

The Floyd County Chamber of Commerce 1997 Annual Awards Banquet was a success! The group of approximately 150 Chamber members enjoyed the insightful presentation of "The Rhino Lady" who delivered the keynote address at the Thursday, May 29th, event.

Award honors for the year were bestowed upon Evergreen Bowling Center, named Business of the Year, presented by Dena Sparkman of McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital, Malcom Layne of Layne Bros. Ford, named Business Person of the Year, presented by Harold Cooley of Cooley Apothecary/Cooley Medical Equipment, and Paul P. Hughes of Music Carter Hughes Carter Hughes Toyota, was named Floyd County of the Year, presented by Prestonsburg Mayor Jerry Fannin.



by Carla Coburn

The Chamber Excellence Award was presented for the second year, and recognizes dedication to the business organization beyond membership. The award recipients selected this year by Executive Director, Carla S. Coburn were Cablevision of Prestonsburg and First Commonwealth Bank.

This year the Chamber inducted two community leaders into its Hall of Fame, Susan Martin Wells, of Highlands Regional Medical Center, and Johnny Hall, of Hall Funeral Home, were announced members of the Hall of Fame by Burl Wells Spurlock, of First Commonwealth Bank, who is also a member of the Hall of Fame.

The Chamber recognized outgoing members of the board of directors: Debbie Allen, Mayor Jerry Fannin, Tommy Hall, Tim Hites, Dan Perry, George Spiggle, David Tackett and Susan M. Wells. And we welcomed new members of our board of directors: Stephanie Baldwin, Anne Chaney, Rebecca Derossett, Kathy Friend, Phillip Hunt, Suzanne Hyden, Glenda Lawson, Norm Marcum and Greg Wilson.

A special tribute by Chamber President, James R. Kennedy was dedicated in memory of two Chamber members, Roy Ramey and Chalmer Frazier who recently passed away.

The Chamber of Commerce sends thanks to everyone who helped make our banquet a success. We thank our corporate sponsors: Action Petroleum, City of

Prestonsburg, Cooley Medical Equipment, First Commonwealth Bank, Highlands Regional Medical Center, McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital, Music Carter Hughes/Carter Hughes Toyota, Pikeville National Bank, Prestonsburg City's Utilities, and The Bank Josephine. We thank First Commonwealth Bank for sponsoring our reception, State Wide Press for program printing, Food City for flower arrangements, and the Floyd County Times, WQHY, WDOC, WPRG-TV and Cablevision for press coverage. We send special thanks to H. Allen Bolling for photographing the event even though he was under the weather! We appreciate the contributions of all chamber members that made this and other Chamber of

Commerce projects a success for the business community.

On Monday, June 2nd, the Floyd County Chamber of Committee held its first membership meeting under new leadership. Greg Wilson, president conducted the meeting and outlined his term with his "Get Involved" Campaign. Other incoming officers include: Rebecca Derossett, incoming president, PD Pelphrey, treasurer, Suzanne Hyden, secretary, Gary Bailey, elected officer, and Thomas Hereford III, elected officer.

This is an exciting time to be a part of our business organization. Just ask Paula Goble Photography, who is our newest chamber member.

Her company realizes the benefits of being involved in our organization. We invite your business to get involved, this is your Chamber of Commerce.

Goble, Thornsby, Garrett reunion

The reunion of the descendants of Alex, John, Mary, Elijah, Ance, Mont, Jane, Samuel and Willie Goble and members of the Thornsby and Garrett families will be held June 14, at Shelter No. 4 at Dewey Lake, beginning at 10 a.m. Bring favorite food dishes.

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Obituaries

Floyd Blackburn

Floyd Blackburn, 77, of Melvin, died Sunday, June 1, 1997, at Veteran Hospital in Huntington, West Virginia, following an extended illness.

Born May 22, 1920, at Dry Creek, he was the son of the late Bill Blackburn and Elizabeth McCurry Blackburn. He was a disabled carpenter and veteran. He was a member of the DAV Chapter 128 at Garrett.

Survivors include his wife, Hattie Newsome Blackburn; two sons, Floyd Blackburn Jr. of Roundrock, Texas, and Larry Lee Blackburn of Battle Creek, Michigan; two daughters, Christine Smith of Maryville, Tennessee, and Billie SESCO of Pikeville; one step-daughter, Verna Hall of Kite; two brothers, Bill Blackburn of Dayton, Ohio, and Gomer Blackburn of Melvin; two sisters, Trula Mae Younce of Melvin and Millie Burwick of Battle Creek, Michigan; 17 grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, June 4, at 1 p.m., at the Wheelwright Freewill Baptist Church, with Rev. Louis Ferrari officiating.

Burial will be in the Buckingham Cemetery, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Faye Elizabeth McGuire Collins

Faye Elizabeth McGuire Collins, 75, of Mt. Vernon, Illinois, formerly of Floyd County, died Monday, June 2, 1997, at her residence, following a sudden illness.

Born November 14, 1921 at Edgar, she was the daughter of the late William James "Jip" and Elizabeth "Lizzie" Spears McGuire. She was a member of the Central Christian Church in Mt. Vernon, Illinois.

Survivors include her husband, Ellsworth H. Collins; one daughter, Elizabeth Sharon Loveless of Brownsboro, Texas; one son, Ellsworth H. Collins Jr. of Louisville; four sisters, Fannie Smith of Kingsport, Tennessee, Jean Simpson of Auxier, Alta Steig of Columbus, Ohio, and Emma "Fuzzy" Baldridge of Beaver Creek, Ohio; five brothers, Hobert McGuire, Darwin McGuire, Solomon McGuire and Tom Oak McGuire, all of Prestonsburg, and John McGuire of Louisa; three grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Thursday, June 5, at 1 p.m., at the Carter Funeral Home Chapel, with Rev. Steven G. Treap officiating.

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

Visitation will be from 6-9 p.m. Wednesday, today, at the funeral home.

Rev. Robert Lou Martin

Rev. Robert Lou Martin, 87, of Liberty, formerly of Martin, died Sunday, June 1, 1997, at the Casey County Hospital.

Born December 23, 1909 in Letcher County, he was the son of the late Willie and Maryland Hall Martin. He was the pastor of the Faith Baptist Church for many years before retiring.

Survivors include his wife, Charlotte Sapp Martin; one son, Vernon Martin of Lorain, Ohio; two daughters, Myrtle Craft of Columbus, Ohio, and Margaret C. Martin of Liberty; four brothers, Cecil Martin of Letcher County, and Jr. Martin, Sam Martin and Gomer Martin, all of Cleveland, Ohio; three sisters, Ethel Lucus of Letcher County, and Dealie Johnson and Evie Holbrook, both of Cleveland, Ohio; 13 grandchildren and 26 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Tuesday, June 3, at 7 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, with Bruce Martin and Don Crisp officiating.

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

Veva Mondain Kendrick

Veva Mondain Kendrick, 75, of Prestonsburg, died Saturday, May 24, 1997, at the U.K. Medical Center, Lexington, following an extended illness.

Born May 13, 1922, in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late Malcolm L. Kendrick and Claudia Vaughn Kendrick. She was a retired surgical technician.

Survivors include one brother, Alton Kendrick of Jeffersonville; and one sister, Irma Goble of Ivel.

Memorial services will be held Sunday, June 8, at 2 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, with Rev. French Harmon officiating.

Burial will be in Davidson Memorial Gardens at Ivel, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Allen Baptist Church.

Pallbearers listed for Bernice Meade

Serving as pallbearers for the funeral of Bernice Sexton Meade were Curt Bartley, Evan Charles, Corbet Adkins, Bill Hensley, Donald Thompson, Frank Beck and Kenny Sexton.

Rebecca Hale Bingham

Rebecca Hale Bingham, 80, of Prestonsburg, died Sunday, June 1, 1997, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg, following an extended illness.

Born September 22, 1916 at Water Gap, she was the daughter of the late Robert and Ada Pigman Hale.

She was a member of the Tom Moore Freewill Baptist Church at Cliff for more than 40 years, and much of that time she was a Sunday School teacher.

She was a member of Miriam Rebekah Lodge No. 31, since April 1969. She was noble grand January 1972 and January 1974.

She was Rebekah of the Year in 1974, lodge deputy from 1978-1984, and president of District No. 4 in January 1986.

Survivors include one sister, Desmond Reynolds of Big Sandy, Tennessee; one brother, Ralph Hale of Clarkston, Michigan; nephew, Freddie Wills, and wife, of Prestonsburg; and two nieces, Ina Smith and Harriet "Sissy" Clark, both of Corona, California.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, June 4, at 11 a.m., at the Carter Funeral Home Chapel, with Rev. Clifford Austin officiating.

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

Serving as active pallbearers will be Jasper Dunaway, Don Branham, Paul David Laferty and Sam Isabell.

Honorary pallbearers will be Henry Laferty, Rodolph Burchett, Ollie Wallen and John Wallen.

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Venelia Odell Harris Rinehart

Venelia Odell Harris Rinehart, 91, of Prestonsburg, died Sunday, June 1, 1997, at Riverview Manor Nursing Home, Prestonsburg, following an extended illness.

Born September 26, 1905 in Prestonsburg, she was the daughter of the late Henry Clay and Jane Odell Harris.

She was a former social worker for the Kentucky Department of Human Resources.

She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Prestonsburg, Miriam Rebekah Lodge No. 31 for 66 years, Rebekah of the Year in 1975, noble grand for two terms, district president in 1945, and a musician for the lodge for many years.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Clifford Rinehart, in 1975.

Survivors include two nephews, Frank W. Bauers of Woodruff, Wisconsin, and Henry Louis Bauers of Manitowish Waters, Wisconsin.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, June 4, at 1:30 p.m., at the Presbyterian Church in Prestonsburg, with Rev. George Love officiating.

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

Erlas Hall

Erlas Hall, 72, of Wayland, died Friday, May 30, 1997, at Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital.

Born August 23, 1924, in Knott County, he was the son of the late Wess Hall and Lena Caudill Hall.

He was a retired county employee and member of the Martin Branch Freewill Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Maxine Gibson Hall; one son, David Hall of Raven; three daughters, Charline Coullier of Columbus, Ohio, Brenda Slone of Hamilton, Ohio, and Deborah Hall of Raven; two brothers, Brownie Hall and John M. Hall, both of Cleveland, Ohio; nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Monday, June 2, at noon, at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home Chapel, with Wayne Stephens, James "Red" Morris and George Roy Hansford officiating.

Burial was in Davidson Memorial Gardens at Ivel, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Bernice Rogers

Bernice Rogers, 63, of Grethel, died Sunday, June 1, 1997, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg, following an extended illness.

Born January 12, 1934, in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late Robert Adams and Minday Newsome Adams Adkins. She was a member of the Church of Christ at Galveston.

Survivors include her husband, C. C. Rogers of Grethel; two sons, Roger Lee Rogers of Galveston and Carlos Rogers of Galveston; five daughters, Jeanette Howell, Carol Sue Williams and Joyce Williams, all of Grethel, and Lizzie Keathley and Mindy Rogers, both of Galveston; one brother, Jay Lee Adams of Galveston; one half-sister, Laura Frisby of Maryland; 15 grandchildren, three step-grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Nightly services will be held by the ministers of the Old Regular Baptist Church.

Funeral services will be Thursday, June 5, at 11 a.m., at the Little Rachel Old Regular Baptist Church on Branham Creek, Galveston, with the Church of Christ minister officiating.

Burial will be in the Robert Hall Cemetery at Galveston, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Visitation will be at the Little Rachel Old Regular Baptist Church.

Card of Thanks

The family of Vanidan Ferrell would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their help in the loss of our loved one. Thanks to those who sent food and flowers, or just spoke comforting words. We deeply appreciate you all. A special thanks to the clergymen Hubert Harmon and Tommy Spears for their comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and efficient service.

The family of Vanidan Ferrell

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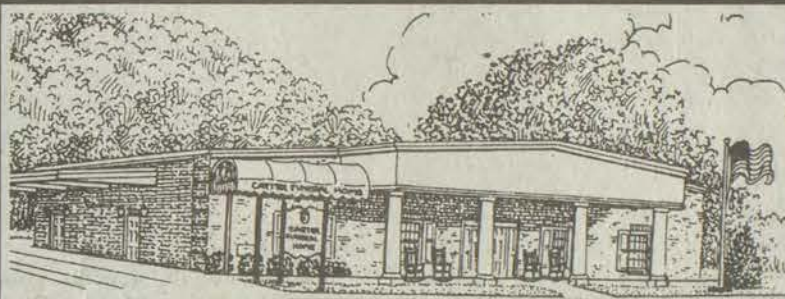
The family of Dixie M. Blevins wishes to thank all of those who were so kind and considerate during our time of grief. We want to thank those who sent flowers and gifts of love. We especially want to thank the Regular Baptist Church ministers for their comforting words and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

The family of Dixie M. Blevins

Card of Thanks

The family of Shirley T. Hall Trimble wishes to gratefully acknowledge the thoughtfulness and kindness of friends, relatives and neighbors in the loss of our loved one. Thanks to all who sent food, flowers, prayers, or spoke comforting words. We are especially grateful to the clergyman Paul Grainger for his comforting words and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

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The family of Ishmael Bailey 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 those who sent food, flowers, prayers or spoke comforting words. A special thanks for the use of the church and the Regular Baptist Church ministers of the church, and Jerry Manns for their comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control, a special thanks to all the doctors, nurses and staff at St. Vincent's Hospital in Toledo, Ohio, and a very special thanks to the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

The family of Ishmael Bailey

Card of Thanks

The family of Alka M. "Kay" Akers 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. Special thanks to clergymen Paul Grainger and Tom Biddle for their comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and efficient service.

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An Anti-Rabies Clinic, sponsored by the Floyd County Health Department and Martin Animal Hospital, Martin, is set for next week.

The schedule for June 11 is as follows:

8:30 a.m., Allen Happy Mart; 9:00 a.m., Dwale Post Office; 9:30 a.m., Emma Post Office; 10:00 a.m., Bill Wood's Grocery, Allen; 10:25 a.m., Banner Post Office; 10:45 a.m., Hammond's Grocery, Ivel; 11:10 a.m., Stanville Post Office; 11:25 a.m., Senior Citizen Center, Betsy Layne, next to Betsy Layne, Fire Dept.

11:45 a.m., Velocity Market, Betsy Layne; 12:05 p.m., Happy Mart, Harold; 12:30 p.m., Stop-A-Lot Market, Toler Creek; 12:50 p.m., Eddie's Shop A Lot, Amba; 1:15 p.m., Newman's Grocery, Branham's Creek; 1:35 p.m., John M. Stumbo School, Grethel; 1:50 p.m., Mud Creek Clinic, Grethel; 2:10 p.m., Spruce Pine School, Honaker; 2:45 p.m., Dana Post Office; and 3:15 p.m., voting house, Arkansas Creek, and bottom of Mine Power Product, next to Shirt Gallery.

Schedule for June 12:
8:30 a.m., Ray Crawford's Garage, Estill; 9:00 a.m., Wayland Post Office; 9:35 a.m., Lackey Post Office; 10:00 a.m., Scott's Grocery, Garrett; 10:20 a.m., Garrett Post Office; 11:00 a.m., AJ's Carryout,

Hueysville; 11:30 a.m., Hueysville Post Office; 12:00 p.m., Right Beaver Food Market; 12:30 p.m., Eastern Post Office; 1:05 p.m., Maytown Grade School; 1:30 p.m., Martin Grade School; 2:00 p.m., D & E Market, Water Gap; 2:30 p.m., Jenny Wiley Village, Lancer; and 3:00 p.m., Goble Lumber Co., Allen.

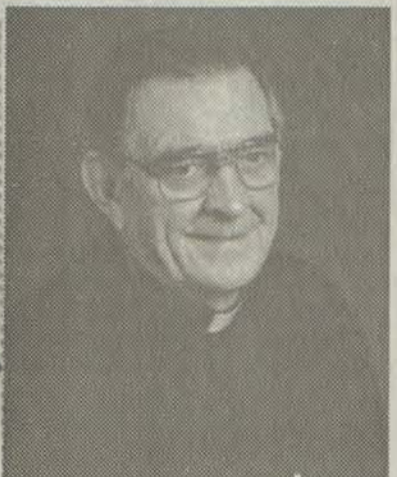
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Patton celebrates passage of historic higher education bill

Surrounded by lawmakers and schoolchildren, Governor Paul Patton ceremoniously signed the Higher Education Bill on the front steps of the Capitol. The ceremony took place shortly after the House of Representatives overwhelmingly approved the bill by a vote of 73-25. Earlier in the day, the Senate voted 25-13 to approve the bill. Companion funding legislation that puts \$40 million into higher educa-

tion also passed both houses.
In remarks to the crowd gathered on the Capitol steps, Governor Patton said, "I see a new Kentucky rising in the dawn of the 21st century. A Kentucky committed to progress, a Kentucky committed to change, a Kentucky committed to excellence. Excellence in quality of life, excellence in economic opportunity, and excellence in education."



Adieu, adieu

A going-away party will be held for Father Terence Hoppenjans at 4 p.m., June 8, at the St. Francis School in Pikeville. Dinner will be furnished.

Legislative Perspective

by Rep. Gregory D. Stumbo
Majority Floor Leader

The compromise last week between the governor and the University of Kentucky representatives established a point of reference with which to fashion an amendment to the original bill including those major points. As a result, after lengthy floor comments, the legislation passed the House of Representatives last Tuesday amended. I believe in the community college system as it currently exists and have worked to do what I thought was the best we could accomplish while retaining what people in this community want for their community college.

The compromise amendment allows the community colleges to remain under the umbrella of the University of Kentucky. The governing board of the community colleges and the technical schools will submit their budgets to the University of Kentucky and students will continue to be UK students and receive official UK degrees and diplomas. The compromise legislation will bring about more local flexibility and independence for community colleges to make administrative, curriculum and budgetary decisions allowing more effective planning to address local needs. Community college property and buildings will be owned by the University of Kentucky and faculty will remain a part of the UK personnel system.

I believe the new legislation will bring about less duplication of programs and make the transfer of credits from community colleges to the regional and state universities much easier.

Several floor amendments were approved; few with significant changes. The membership of the Strategic Committee on Postsecondary Education, that will oversee the restructuring of the Council on Higher Education, was set at 14, pulling individuals from both the General Assembly and the executive branch. One new section amended into the bill requires at least one-fourth of financial aid funds in a new trust fund be used for people whose families are below federal poverty guidelines.

On the House floor I supported a change in the original bill allowing community colleges to return to University of Kentucky direct control if they cannot be accredited under the new system adding yet another mechanism by which community college students' affiliation with the University of Kentucky is safeguarded. And, finally, the bill was amended to require equal gender representation on the Council on Postsecondary Education and Kentucky Community and Technical College System boards.

House Bill 1 as amended is now being scrutinized by the Senate Committee on Education and is slated to be voted upon sometime next week.

Next week House members are scheduled to vote on House Bill 4, the legislation containing the necessary budget appropriations to fund the postsecondary reform measure.

I think this proposed budget will allow community colleges and technical schools more dollars to enhance and expand their academic programs.

- Significant allocations include:
- \$3,061,100 in general fund appropriations to Eastern Kentucky University.
 - \$125,800 in general fund appropriation for Kentucky State University.
 - \$1,326,400 in general fund appropriation for Morehead State University.
 - \$224,900 in general fund appropriations for Murray State University.
 - \$929,700 in general fund appropriations for Northern Kentucky University.
 - \$1,480,000 in general fund appropriations for the University of Kentucky.
 - \$2,719,200 in general fund appropriations for the University of Louisville; and
 - \$761,300 in general fund appropriations for Western Kentucky University.

The budget legislation creates a budget for the Kentucky Community and Technical College System and designates \$11,768,700

in 1997-98. And in addition, the measure authorizes \$103,386,000 in bond funds for capital construction projects. The legislation supplies the Strategic Investment and Incentive Funding Program with Research Challenge Trust Fund moneys of \$6,000,000, the Regional University Excellence Trust Fund for \$6,000,000 and the Postsecondary Workforce Development Trust Fund with \$3,000,000.

These are very important appropriations of public money and we must be sure that the dollars are going to improve the quality of postsecondary education for the students in the Commonwealth.

I welcome any comments or questions you might have regarding the issues now pending affecting postsecondary education. Please call the toll-free legislative hotline, 1-800-372-7181 and I will return your call.

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Floyd County Budget Comparisons

1996-97 REVENUE		1997-98 REVENUE	
Local Taxes	\$4,929,504	Local Taxes	\$5,151,331
Unmined Minerals	\$363,218	Unmined Minerals	\$350,000
State Seek	\$23,376,608	State Seek	\$23,449,377
Vocational Trans.	\$125,000	Vocational Trans.	\$125,000
Misc.	\$500,000	Misc.	\$500,000
Balance	\$(994,734)	Balance	\$0
Total	\$28,651,044	Total	\$29,575,708

1996-97 EXPENDITURES		1997-98 EXPENDITURES	
Certified Salaries	\$17,838,000	Certified Salaries	\$18,067,200
Classified Salaries	\$4,593,430	Classified Salaries	\$4,639,364



Salaries include all employees as of February 1, 1997, including those paid from federal funds that do not impact the general fund. In this budget, all salaries total 81%; however, only 60% of this total is for certified salaries. This also includes employee benefits and the yearly wage increments (steps). Three members of FCEA, a representative from the Kentucky Department of Education, and a representative of KEA, created this budget during one Friday evening and Saturday morning session. If we can produce a balanced budget that does not cut positions or programs, why can't our school board? Parents, teachers, community leaders, and all concerned citizens, should let our board members know that we have high expectations for education in Floyd County. Voice your opinion to the board and members of the budget committee NOW!

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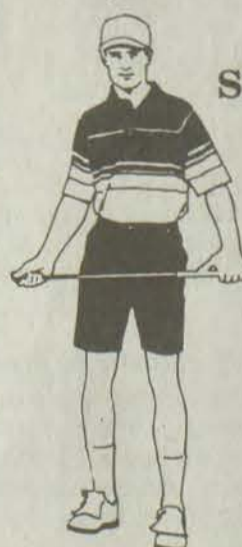
FCEA represents 85% of all teachers in Floyd County. We have previously asked the Superintendent to meet with us on six specific dates—no answer. Again this week we have given the Superintendent five days we can meet with him. We hope he responds.

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Floyd attorney receives Attorney of the Year award

John Harlan Callis III (Jay), a senior partner with Boehl, Stopher and Graves in Prestonsburg, was presented the first "Floyd County Volunteer Lawyers For Appalachia Kentucky (VLAK) Attorney of the Year" award by Beverly Carroll, pro

bono coordinator for Appalred's 37-county service area.

Callis is the recipient of this prestigious award for having accepted the greatest number of referrals from Appalred's VLAK indigent client program over a 12-month period.

Callis volunteered his time and professional expertise in more than 30 cases to assure deserving clients legal representation.

During an interview on the eve of his 11th anniversary with Boehl, Stopher and Graves, a multi-state law firm headquartered in Louisville, Jay Callis freely shared his feelings about his chosen career as an attorney.

"It has been my desire to be a lawyer since I was 16. I feel it was a high calling, where God wanted to

use me in this manner to help people."

Helping people to receive justice is an on-going, day-to-day experience he finds rewarding. Steve Sanders, directing attorney of Appalred's office in Prestonsburg, said, "I thank Jay for his willingness to represent individuals at no charge who otherwise would not have legal representation. Many times he has freely donated his time and expertise in an effort to assure that a person's claims and defenses were properly

brought before the court so that the court could make a fair determination on the evidence. This reflects highly on his professional commitment to our system of justice."

Other highlights of Jay Callis' career include his having been sworn in before the Bar of the Supreme Court of the United States of America and the fact that he has argued two cases before the Kentucky Supreme Court since being licensed. Among the highlights of his career, he mentioned, "I felt honored just by being asked to serve on the Appalred Board...to have become chair for the board of directors is an even greater honor with serious responsibilities."

His chief concern regarding his profession is "The disdain that legislators and the people hold about lawyers in general. It's very politically popular to beat up on attor-

neys." When asked about the tremendous support he gives to the people he serves through VLAK in Eastern Kentucky, he was very quick to give significant credit to his dedicated support staff. Jay Callis feels, "It is every lawyer's responsibility to participate in pro bono. Only 20 percent of Kentucky's population live in the thirty-seven counties served by Appalred, yet 35 percent of all Kentuckians in poverty live in this area. Therefore, the need is overwhelming. I believe the Bible's exhortation, 'To whom much is given, much is required.'

Callis' chief areas of interest in his legal practice include workman's compensation, civil litigation, insurance law, and domestic relations issues.

Jay Callis and his wife, DeeDec, and two kids, reside at Hager Hill.



John Harlan Callis III

Health Kamp registration underway

Summer '97 marks the sixth anniversary of Our Lady of the Way Hospital's "Kid's Health Kamp." Registrations are now being accepted. "Kid's Health Kamp" will be held, July 28-August 1, at Camp Shawnee in Floyd County. Children ages 7-13 who have asthma, diabetes or weight control problems are eligible to attend.

"Kid's Health Kamp" began in 1992 as the day camp for children with asthma or diabetes. In 1993, the camp was changed and continues to be a week-long overnight camp for children who have asthma, diabetes or weight control problems. In 1996, 57 campers

from Floyd, Knott, Pike, Johnson and Greenup counties in Kentucky, and Whyoming County, West Virginia, participated in the week-long event.

The camp's schedule includes events such as swimming, canoeing, paddleboating, nature walks, evening campfires, scavenger hunts, arts and crafts, bingo, line dancing, basketball, volleyball and Olympic games. Daily education sessions covering information pertinent to each camper's condition are conducted each morning. Special presentations on drug, alcohol and smoking prevention, first aid and self-esteem are also an important part of "Kid's Health Kamp."

Openings for the camp are limited and the registration deadline is July 11. Parents may obtain further information by contacting the Community Health Education Department at (606) 285-5181, ext. 301 or 342.

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.

Nickels-Elam reunion

The 19th annual Nickels-Elam reunion will be held June 8, at the Twin Springs High School, near Nickelsville, Virginia. Contact Edwin E. Nickels, 682 Rocky Branch Rd., Blountville, TN 37617 or call (423) 323-2009 for more info.

Friends of Fishtrap Lake clean-up

The annual Fishtrap Lake Clean-up sponsored by Friends of Fishtrap is June 7, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Registration will be at the Damsite recreation area, Grapevine recreation area and the Lick Creek boat ramp. A picnic for all participants will be held at the Damsite recreation area near the marina.

Chicken-n-dumpling dinner

A chicken-n-dumpling dinner will be held June 5, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Little Dove Church on Little Mud. All you can eat for \$4. Call 478-5773, 478-9944, or 478-5268 for delivery.

Revival

Trinity Chapel Pentecostal Holiness Church at Martin will hold a revival June 5-8, at 7 p.m. nightly, with Rev. Sam Perry from Norwalk, Ohio.

Retired teachers to meet

The Floyd County Retired Teachers Association will meet June 5, at the Josie Harkins schoolhouse at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park, beginning at 10 a.m. Roberta Fugate, president, will preside. The meeting will be devoted to a memorial service honoring retired educators who have died since June 6, 1996.

Kindergarten registration

Kindergarten registration at Clark Elementary will be held June 2-6, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Bring your child's immunization record, T.B. skin test, physical, Social Security card and birth certificate. Call 886-2487 for more information.

PHS council to meet

The Prestonsburg High School SBDM council will meet Thursday, June 5, at 7 p.m.

Martin Middle School SBDM meeting

Martin Middle School will hold a site base meeting Wednesday, June 4, at 5 p.m. The meeting is open to the public.

Jenny Wiley State Resort Park activities

The following recreation and/or interpretive programs have been planned for your enjoyment and are free unless otherwise indicated.

For additional information or to find out where the programs are held, call Ron R. Vanover, director of recreation and interpretation, or recreation leaders, David Gearheart, Beth Puckett or Doug Wireman, at the park.

Wednesday, June 4

- Pontoon boat rides at 10:15 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. Cost is \$3 for adults and \$1 for children under 12.
- Scavenger hunt at 1:30 p.m.
- Tree identification walk at 2:30 p.m.
- Journey through time at 8:30 p.m.
- Through the seasons slide show at 9 p.m.

Thursday, June 5

- Pontoon boat rides at 10:15 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. Cost is \$3 for adults and \$1 for children under 12.
- Play Family Feud at 2 p.m.
- Amphibians of Kentucky slide show at 2:30 p.m.
- Salamander walk at 3:30 p.m.
- Ice cream social at 4 p.m.
- Bird of Prey slide presentation at 8:45 p.m.
- Owl prowl. See an owl up close at 9:15 p.m.

Friday, June 6

- Hike along the Sassafras Trail at 10:30 p.m.
- Learn how to make a fun craft at 1:30 p.m.
- Salty Dog Rag and Amos Moses lessons at 7 p.m.
- Square, folk and country line dancing at 8 p.m.

Saturday, June 7

- National Trails Day Hike at 9 a.m.
- Bicycle rodeo at 3:30 p.m.
- "Wacky" games at 4 p.m.
- County line dancing at 7 p.m.
- Square, folk and country line dancing at 8 p.m.

Sunday, June 8

- Inner-denominational worship service at Josie D. Harkins Schoolhouse, at 8:30 a.m. Allen First Baptist Church worship service.

Lost items?

If your child has left items of clothing at the Martin Middle School, check the Youth Service Center. After school closes on June 9, any items of clothing left in the center will be put in the clothing bank to be given away.

Career opportunity

Air Force Recruiter Robert K. Hamilton will be attending ACHS Career Day June 6, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information, call (540) 669-5524 or (540) 669-1422 collect.

Initiations

Hollie Blanton, worthy matron, of Adah Chapter, Order of Eastern Star announced that initiations will be held June 9, at 7 p.m. All officers and members are urged to attend.

End of school bash

An end of school bash featuring Christian comedians/musicians Jim and Paul Rice with contemporary Christian arts Soul Cafe, will be held June 12, at 7 p.m., at the municipal parking. Admission is free. Sponsor is the First United Methodist Church Youth Fellowship.

Kindergarten registration

Appointments for kindergarten registration are being taken at Allen Elementary. Call 874-2165 for more information.

National Trails Day Hike

National Trails Day Hike will be held Saturday, June 7, at 9 a.m. along the Jenny Wiley Trail. Meet at the office of recreation and interpretation, next to Jenny Wiley Boat Dock. Call 886-2711 or 1-800-325-0142 for more information.

Little Jimmy Dickens concert cancelled

The Little Jimmy Dickens concert scheduled for June 5, at the Mountain Arts Center has been cancelled.

Advisory council to meet

The advisory council of Adams Middle School Youth Service Center will meet Monday, June 9, at 7 p.m. in the youth service center. The meeting is open to the public.

Gospel Singing

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—Native American Saying

Helpful hints for outdoor cooking

Recently at an in-service training at the University of Kentucky, I obtained some helpful hints on outdoor cooking. This information was given by Sandra Bastin, UK Food and Nutrition Specialist.

The thrill of the grill
Sandra Bastin, Food and Nutrition Specialist

According to the Barbecue Industry Association we fired up our grills more than 2.6 billion times last year. Grill ownership is at its highest level with the backyard chef grilling year-round and using side burners, wood chips or other products to enhance their cook-outs. Using the following safety and cooking tips, you too, can feel the successful thrill of the grill!

Methods of cooking

Any food that can be broiled or roasted can also be cooked on the grill. The type of food you grill and the type of grill you use determines whether you should cook by the direct or indirect method. Grilling times will vary, depending on the size and temperature of the food, the coals or heat source and the weather.

Use the direct method for foods that cook quickly. The food is placed directly on the grid above medium coals or heat. The grill can be opened or covered. Roasts and larger foods that require a lower temperature must use the indirect method. The food is placed on the grid over a drip pan with coals on each side of the pan. Cover the grill and cook with the vents open.

Food safety

Meat and poultry cooked on the grill often brown very fast on the outside, so use a thermometer to make sure the food has reached a safe internal temperature. Whole poultry should reach 180°F and breasts 170°F. Juices should run clear and flesh should not be pink.

Ground burgers should reach 160°F or be brown in the middle with no pink juices. Beef, veal and lamb steaks, roasts and chops can be cooked to 145°F. All cuts of pork should reach 160°F.

- Refrigerate perishable foods, such as meat, poultry and fish, as soon as you get home from the grocery.

- Marinate foods in the refrigerator. Don't reuse marinades unless they have been boiled.

- Pre-cook foods just before placing on the grill.

- Use a different platter and utensils when handling raw and cooked meats.

- In weather above 90°F, don't allow food to sit out for more than one hour.

- After cooking meat and poultry on the grill, keep it hot until served. Either set the cooked meats to the side of the grill rack, not directly over the coals or keep in a 200°F oven, in a chafing dish, slow cooker or on a warming tray.

Grilling tips

- Keep the grate clean. Coat lightly with oil to keep food from sticking. Scrub with a wire brush after use.

- Have the grate hot before placing steaks and hamburgers on the grill. Foods that need to retain their juices, should be seared over a fairly hot fire and then covered to finish cooking on lower heat.

- Grill chicken or fish on low heat.

- Place fish in a separate rack so you don't have to flip it with a spatula.

- Use barbecue sauce only in the last few minutes of cooking as it burns easily.

- Cook with the lid down as much as you can. Fast-cooking foods like hamburgers and vegetables should be grilled without a cover.

- Use a thermometer to assess doneness of large cuts of meat.

Marinating

Marinades add flavor, and in some cases even tenderize. The marinade usually includes an acidic ingredient in combination with water, oil and seasonings or herbs. To tenderize, a marinade must contain an acidic ingredient such as lemon juice, wine, vinegar or yogurt. The acid penetrates the meat fibers about 1/4 inch from the cut surface. Marinate food from six to twelve hours. Over 24 hours yields a mushy texture. To marinate for flavor, cover with marinade for 15 minutes to two hours. The thicker the meat, the longer you marinate.

Cool the marinade before adding to the food. Always marinate food in the refrigerator, covered and do not

be a risk of cancer from eating food cooked by high heat cooking methods such as grilling, frying and broiling. However, research also shows that eating moderate amounts of grilled meats like fish, meat and poultry cooked without charring to a safe, yet medium temperature, do not

pose a risk. The American Cancer Society suggests trimming visible fat that could make the fire flame up and char the food.

Cleaning the grill thoroughly each time, precooking in the

microwave to lessen grilling time and raising the cooking level of the grill so food is farther from the heat can also reduce the risks of charring. Avoid eating charred food.

Look for more information in next week's column: Tips on purchasing a grill and delicious recipes for you to try.

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Floyd County Extension Agent
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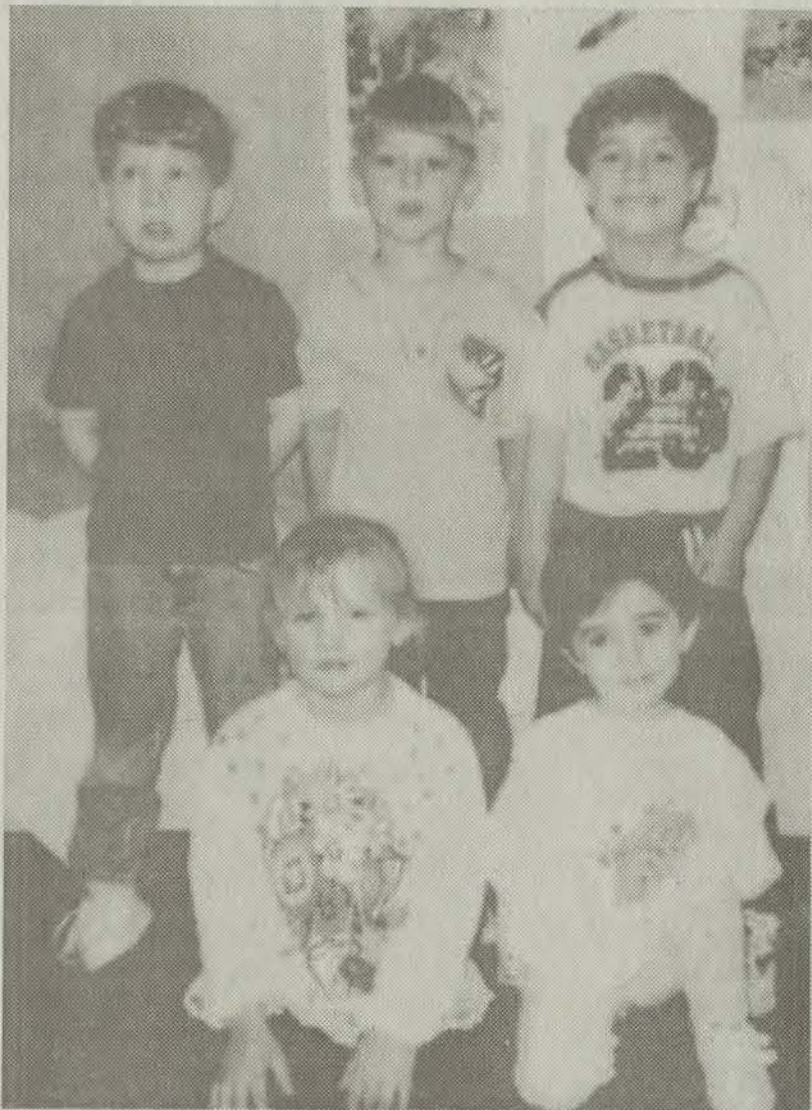


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reuse the marinade, unless you boil it. Reserve a portion of the marinade, before adding the meat, for later use as a sauce or for basting.

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May birthdays

Allen Headstart celebrated five birthdays for May. Ladonna Jarrell, daughter of James and Mary Jarrell; Keesha Scott, daughter of Jody and Tracy Scott; Cody Dillian, son of Winston and Teresa Dellion; Nathan Jarrell, son of Gary and Tammy Jarrell; and Jordan Ward, son of Rhonda Ward Yates and Brad Ward, and stepson of Charles Anthony Yates.

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A Look At Sports

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY...

To a very special person in my life, my wife Nancy. She celebrated her special day this past Sunday and what a great day it was for her. Happy birthday, Nancy.

STATE TRACK AND FIELD MEET

I attended my eighth track and field meet this past weekend at UK's Shively Complex and, as always, I enjoyed my day there. But Saturday was a different story as the monsoons fell on the town of Lexington.

Friday turned out to be a good day weather wise and I watched as our county athletes competed against the bigger schools and I couldn't be any prouder than I am right now for the great effort they put forth.

None of them won a state title in any event, but they gave it 110 percent and just the special effort and the joy of just being part of the great sport was rewarding enough for some of them. They got there by winning or placing second in a regional meet and that is quite an accomplishment.

I watched as Boyle County's David Blakeman went for the state 2A record in the pole vault. I watched as he sailed over the bar at 14-feet, 1-inch to win the 2A state title. Then he decided to go for the state record at 15-feet, 3-inches. On the sidelines he was skipping rope in staying loose as an official measuring device was called for.

On his first approach to the set, he didn't get up good and instead went to the mat in a non attempt. On his second approach, he went up with feet in the air and his feet hit the bar, failing to break a state record, but I was impressed with the young man and the effort he put forth. I did not see or hear him slam things to the ground, lose his temper or use language unbecoming as his attempt failed.

That is what sets track and field apart from the rest of sports. It is an individual effort but at the same time you are working together as a team.

To our Floyd County athletes who made the trip to compete this past weekend, thanks for the great season you had and the enjoyment you provided me in watching you perform. I look forward to next year for those of you who return.

I would like to comment on one Levi Wells and his sister Jenny. I can remember when both began in the field events of discus and shot put. Levi competed under the shadow of Shawn Robinson at Allen Central in discus while making his mark in the shot put. He later developed into a solid discus thrower and made trips to the state meet in his last four seasons. He leaves Allen Central after this year and I am going to miss watching him compete.

Jenny, of course, will be back next year but the tremendous strides she has made in discus and women's shot put, are remarkable.

I would like to urge anyone who is interested in the field events or just running track, to

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Jarvis to wear #24 in Nike's All-Star series

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

Jersey number 24 is very familiar to Prestonsburg basketball fans and fans across the 15th Region. The number is worn by 6'6" Andy Jarvis and he will bear the same number when he joins an array of talent for the Senior White as part of the Kentucky Nike All-Star team. School in Floyd County will have been barely out when Jarvis will take to the basketball court for an itinerary that will conclude with a July 18-20 trip to Disney World in Florida.

Jarvis averaged just over 15 points per game his junior season, pulled down 11 rebounds per outing in leading the Blackcats to the finals of the 15th Region basketball tournament at Pikeville in March.

Prestonsburg coach, Jack Pack, likes Jarvis' work ethic.

"Andy has really developed as a basketball player," he said. "He has improved by leaps and bounds. He works hard and when Andy plays his game he will dominate a game. I think we saw that in the regional tournament this past year and as a sophomore against Belfry he showed things to come."

Coach Pack said he expects to use Jarvis on the outside some this coming basketball season because... "he will probably play as a small forward in college."

"He is going to continue to develop as a player. He can walk out there every night with a dominating attitude. He can be a big time

player and I credit that to the fact we have played some tough competition the past two years."

The Prestonsburg coach said it was an "honor for Andy to be named to the number one team in the state."

"It will be good experience for him," said Pack. "We want Andy to develop an outside shot and that is something he has been working on already and we will continue to work on when practice begins. He needs to be able to hit the 16 footer consistently."

"Here in our region he can score inside and we know that. But in college he will be playing on the outside," he said.

Pack figures Jarvis will be recruited by colleges at four of the spots on the floor, but could be used on the high post at the fifth spot.

"He has to work hard on his outside shooting," said the Prestonsburg mentor. "Our kids, when they play somewhere else, if they are going to score points they have to take the shots. That has hurt our kids around here. Thomas (Jenkins) needs to improve his outside shooting now that he is going to Morehead."

Jarvis seems to feast on playing defense and especially in blocking shots.

"Andy is a very good defensive player," said Coach Pack. "He runs the court well and he can score on the inside. He works every day. Every day. His timing on defense is great. He has those long arms and a lot of colleges will recruit you on

wing span."

Pack said with Jarvis' wing span, he is equal to a 6'8" player. He also noted that Jarvis is more than a great basketball player.

"There are two factors when it comes to Andy Jarvis," stated Pack. "Number one, he's a great kid. Number two, he's a great student. He has a grade point average of 4.0. He is in the top three or four of his class."

Jarvis will be joining such players as UK recruits J.P. Blevins (Metcalfe County) and Jaron Brown (Bryan Station).

The white team will also consist of Lexington Catholic's David Graves, University Heights' Harold Swanagan, Paul Blazer's Kyle Umberger, Bryan Station's Erik Brown, Lexington Catholic's Shawn Fields, Casey Simpson of Bowling Green and Jermaine Taylor of Eastern High.

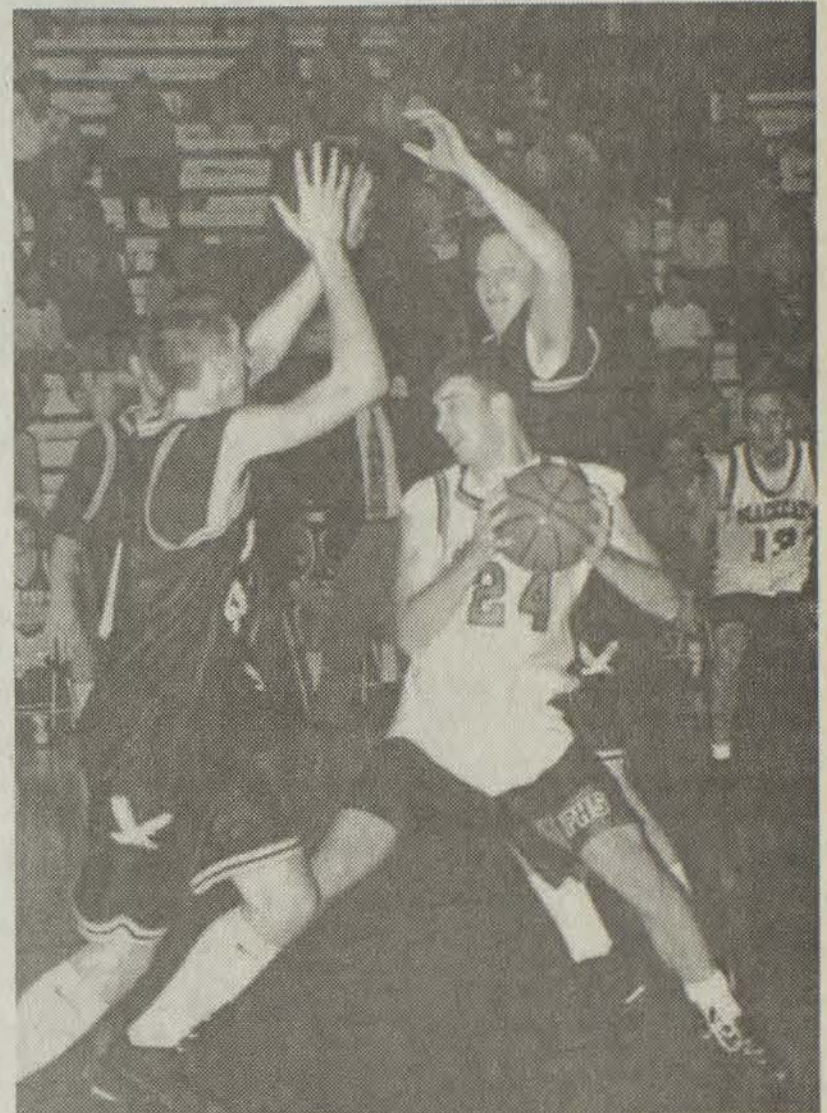
The list of colleges showing interest in Jarvis continues to grow but Western Kentucky, Brown, Dartmouth, Morehead, Transylvania and LSU have expressed an interest in the Blackcat senior.

Jarvis will be showcased in the King of the Bluegrass tournament in Louisville this basketball season.

Prestonsburg will be busy during the month of June when they attend the Georgetown team camp from June 12-16.

Right after that camp closes, Coach Pack will have a team in the state AAU tournament in Frankfort

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Nike All-Star

Prestonsburg's Andy Jarvis (24) will have a busy summer as part of the Nike All-Stars who will be playing in Louisville, Richmond and Florida this summer. Jarvis will be a senior next season and averaged 15 points per game as a junior. (photo by Ed Taylor)

Johnson handcuffs Pikeville on 4 hits

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

Pitching had been the word for coach Junior Newsome and the Betsy Layne Bobcats in the first two rounds of the 15th Region baseball tournament held at Shelby Valley last week. Junior Craig Johnson continued the good pitching with a 3-0 shutout of the Pikeville Panthers, handcuffing the Panthers on just four hits.

The performance followed a stellar outing by senior Brandon Castle in game one when he shut out Paintsville 4-0.

The only difficult time for Johnson came in the Panther sixth when they left the bases loaded. The Betsy Layne starter walked two batters in the inning and surrendered a base hit to Shannon Potter, his second of the game.

"I was getting tired out there," said Johnson, who threw 85 pitches for the game. "That and I sort of panic. I wasn't getting my pitches over like I was earlier. I was rushing my pitches."

But the hard throwing righthander finished off the Panthers in the sixth by getting Ben Howard on a pop to shortstop and striking our Derek Vliegenhart.

"Craig was a bulldog out there in the sixth," said Coach Newsome. "He got himself in a jam but worked out of it. It was a great pitching performance."

"I think he did tire some out there late. It was a very humid night," he said.

Coach Newsome said he did not hesitate in picking Johnson to hurl the second game of the tournament.

"He asked to pitch," he said. "I know a few people doubted me starting Craig the second game but he is a capable pitcher and he proved that tonight."

Chad Case had the big hit for Betsy Layne with a two run single in the fifth inning. The Bobcat fifth unfolded when Matt Kidd led off with an infield single and Brad Reynolds followed with a base hit on the infield. Kidd moved to third on Brent Tackett's long drive to right field and came on to score when Josh Shofner unleashed a wild pitch.

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Open arms...good form

Technique is very important in any event of track and field. Here South Floyd's Laura Chaffins showed good form in the women's 300-meter hurdles at the state track meet last Friday. (photo by Ed Taylor)

15th Region finals...

Again, Betsy Layne drops regional finals

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

Last year Betsy Layne hurler Chad Case faced the Johnson Central Eagles in the finals of the 15th Region baseball tournament and dropped a 1-0 decision that had haunted him until he walked on the mound Saturday afternoon to face Elkhorn City in the championship game of the 15th Region at Shelby Valley.

Case got a little more bat support in this one, but he could not keep the surprising Cougars from drawing first blood, something they did in the previous two games, en route to a 5-3 win over Betsy Layne, ending the Bobcats dream of a state tournament berth this year.

Cortney Clevenger won for the 10th time this season in going the full seven innings for Elkhorn City. He allowed three runs while

scattering six hits. He walked one batter and struck out three.

Case, in suffering the loss, walked three batters, hit one and struck out five. He gave up all five runs on six hits.

Despite playing some sloppy baseball, the Cougars were able to turn back the Bobcats when it came rally time. Betsy Layne stranded seven base runners, two in each of the fifth and seventh innings.

The Cougars struck for two runs in the first inning after Betsy Layne went out easily in the top of the inning. Case walked Scott Mullins to lead off the game but he was erased at second on a ground ball by Jamie Bartley. Tommy Belcher singled behind Bartley and both runners scored when Clevenger collected his first hit of the tournament, a two-run double

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Hardee, Butler place fifth in KHSAA meet

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

The raindrops fell and so did the tears as the 77th KHSAA track and field state meet was held this past weekend at the University of Kentucky's Shively Field in Lexington.

The weather for Friday's preliminaries was just right as, what appeared to be a larger turnout for the state meet than normal, runners and field participants had to qualify for the finals held on Saturday.

But the weather Saturday was anything but idea as the skies opened up and the rain fell all day long.

For local runners, Ryan Hardee of Prestonsburg and South Floyd's Timmy Butler had the highest finish in the state with fifth place finishes to medal.

Hardee, who has always been a strong distance runner, took fifth place in the state in the 1600 meter run. He finished with a time of 4:36. He also medaled in the two-mile run (3,200) with a time of 10:15. Hardee also competed with the Prestonsburg 3200-meter relay team.

Butler medaled in the 300-meter hurdles and also competed in the high jump where he was a regional champion. But the South Floyd harrier had to leave the high jump pit and run in the hurdles and then return to the high jump pit. He was at 5' 8" in the high jump event when he faltered and did not qualify for Saturday's finals. He had cleared the bar at 6'2" to win a regional crown.

South Floyd's girls team is young and runners-up in their regional but found the track and competition at UK a little tougher than at home.

The Lady Raiders two-mile relay team felt the cooler temperatures affected their performance, according to South Floyd coach Keith Smallwood.

"They ran a slower time than what they had in the regionals," he said. "Their muscles seemed to tighten up on them and that was because of the weather."

"I'm very proud of them," he

said. "They went out there and didn't quit."

The foursome was made of Launa Rose, Olivia Stewart, Lora Chaffins and Jada Hall.

Chaffins took part in the 300-meter hurdles and is a senior at South Floyd.

"Lora has had a great career here at South Floyd," said Smallwood. "The same with Jada Hall, a four year runner for us."

Lindsey Hall is just a freshman at South Floyd but had the ninth best time in the 400-meter dash in the state meet.

"It was good experience for her," said her coach. "I expect good things from her next year. She is going to be a good one."

Coach Smallwood said going into the state meet Friday, that his 1600-meter relay team would be the strongest of the three he put in the event.

"They ran a good race and had their best time in the heat race," he said. "But, let's be honest, it's another world down here. I just don't think our region is a strong region and we just couldn't compete against the Frankfort's, Western Hill's, and Paducah's."

But the South Floyd coach said there is no reason why they couldn't be very competitive in the next two years.

"We can compete," he said. "The 1600-meter relay team was comprised of Hall, Compton, Chaffins, and Stewart."

"Lindsey ran a good first leg with Amanda running the second leg," said Coach Smallwood. "Lora did well and Olivia ran a strong anchor for us. You can't knock them for their effort."

Stewart tied for 11th place in the women's state high jump. But the rain Saturday was a hinderance.

"Water on the pad threw her steps off," said the South Floyd coach.

In the women's two-mile run, Brandi Scott cut two minutes off her time from the regional meet. She had a time of 19:46 in the regions and posted a 17:42 in the state meet.

"I'm tickled to death with her effort," said Smallwood. "The reason is because she doesn't normally run the two-mile. She did with just a week's notice. The 17:42 is a new school record."

"We've had a good year," said Smallwood, who said he is already looking forward to next spring when his team comes back together. "We're looking to get us a high pleasing."

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Betsy Layne

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that gave the Cougars a 2-0 lead. The lead held up long enough for Betsy Layne to get Brad Reynolds on base with one out to start the second inning. Reynolds reached on a shortstop error before Brent Tackett drove the ball over the 390-foot sign in left center field for a two-run home run to tie the game at two.

Craig Johnson reached second when his fly ball to left field was

KHSAA

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jump pit that we can practice on next year. We need one bad."

Allen Central's Levi Wells placed seventh in the state in discus. He finished eighth in the shot put.

Prestonsburg's Jessie Burke medaled in the women's high jump on Saturday despite the rain.

Next year South Floyd will drop back to single A, where Coach Smallwood said it could be more difficult for his team.

"The Class A will be tougher competition," he said. "But we will work hard and be ready for it."

Jarvis

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from June 17-20. Then it will be off to Memphis for the Steamboat Classic from June 25-28.

Jarvis will be in the Hoops Stars Camp in Richmond on June 25 to start his tour with the All-Stars. After some free time, he will return July 11 for the Kentucky Hoop Fest in Louisville where he will take part in games throughout the day.

On July 13 the team will leave for Augusta, Georgia for the Nike Peach Jam that will run from July 13-14.

On July 17, the team travels to Orlando, Fla for the Nike Super Showcase.

July 18-20 the team will take part in the Nike Super Showcase games at Walt Disney World Sports Complex. The team will return home on July 20.

A Look At Sports

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sign up for next season and start working out at the Allen Central track now. Don't wait. To succeed on the state level, an athlete must be dedicated to the task of rising to the top. A slacker will never make his or her mark in the games.

A good place to begin would be the Bluegrass State Games coming in July. Get yourself an entry form and start training for the events right now. Know your limitations and try to steadily improve upon them.

We need to have an "Elementary Day" next year when we bring all the grade schools in for a day of competition at Allen Central. Kids, who never thought about running track or throwing a discus, would be introduced to the sport and get involved.

The beginning of a good program has to start in the grade school ranks. So, coaches Jamerson, Smallwood, Derossett, Campbell, let's plan a day for our grade schoolers with you coaches overseeing it all with the help of some high schoolers. It would be great fun and think of the parents you would attract to the sport.

I appreciate all four of our high school coaches and the effort they have put forth.

15TH REGION SPORTS FORUM..

Catch tonight's 15th Region Sports Forum beginning live at 8:30 p.m. over WPRG and the Double X. The call-in show will feature Prestonsburg's Jackie Pack Nike All-Star center Andy Jarvis.

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misplayed for a two base error. But he was left stranded when Brandon Castle and Doug Keathley were retired on ground balls.

In the Elkhorn City half of the third, Kenny O'Quinn doubled with two out and scored on Shawn Swiney's RBI single for a 3-2 game.

The Cougars made it 4-2 with a single run in the third inning, again with two out. On a ground ball bad hop past third, Ashley Potter reached first and moved to second on a balk call against Case. He scored from third on Barley's ground ball to third as the Bobcats went for a double play they never got.

The Bobcats pulled to within one, 4-3, with a run in the top of the sixth inning. Doug Keathley singled, stole second and moved to third on a passed ball. He scored when Tackett blooped a single to centerfield for his third RBI.

Elkhorn City got the run back in their half of the sixth on a lead off walk to Chad Cure, a hit batsmen, sacrifice by Potter and a walk to Mulins. Cure scored on Bartley's sacrifice fly to center field.

Betsy Layne put the tying runs on base in the top of the seventh but could not push a runner home. Chris Holbrook collected his second hit of the game, he singled in the fifth, but was erased on Case's ground ball to third. Johnson then grounded to short for a force on Case. Brandon Castle, walked but Keathley went out to right field for the final out to end the game.

Betsy Layne finishes their season with a 25-11 record while Elkhorn City will advance on to sectional play at Knott County Central with a 30-8 record.



Tough competitor

Lindsey Hall of South Floyd circled the oval track during the KHSAA state track meet in Lexington over the past weekend. Hall completed in the women's 400-meter dash. (photo by Ed Taylor)

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Johnson

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Jake Carroll, who forced Reynolds at second, and Chris Holbrook, who walked, both scored on Case's two-run single to give the Bobcats a 3-0 lead.

"He threw me a fast ball and I always could hit the fast ball," said Case. "I hit the first pitch."

Both Shofner and Johnson were in their respective grooves as the offense for both teams failed to put any runs on the board through the first four innings in a swift moving game.

Betsy Layne's Doug Keathley had collected the Bobcats lone hit

through four when he led off the second with a base hit to right center. But Shofner retired the next three Bobcats.

Johnson yielded a one-out single to Potter, who has half of the Panthers hits, in the first inning, but he got Shofner on a ground ball to third and Howard on a bouncer back to the mound.

Pikeville put a runner on base in the second inning with two out. Designated hitter Chad Childer singled to left center. Kyle Bow delivered a long drive to center field that looked for sure to go for extra

bases, but centerfielder Chris Holbrook made a catch that even Willie Mays would have been proud of when he raced from left center toward the fence to haul in the long drive while slipping down.

"It was hard to pick up the ball in centerfield because of the lights," said Holbrook, who has been known to make more than one great catch.

With the catch by Holbrook, Johnson retired 11 consecutive batters before Potter singled with one out in the sixth inning.

In the Pikeville seventh, Clark Batten led off the inning with a solid single to center field but Johnson got Childers on strikes, Bow on a fly ball to center and struck out Noah Batten to end the game.

Johnson went the full seven innings allowing no runs while scattering four hits. He struck out seven and issued but two walks.

Shofner, in suffering the setback, allowed three runs, all earned, on four hits. He struck out eight batters and walked one.

Betsy Layne played errorless baseball while Pikeville committed one error. The Bobcats stranded two runners and Pikeville left six runners on base.

Pikeville fell to 21-13 in closing out their season. Betsy Layne improved to 25-10.

NOTES:

- It was the final game as head

baseball coach for Pikeville's Dave Thomas. After 10 seasons with the Panthers, Thomas decided to resign the position. Assistant coach Chris Lawson will take over the helm of the club next year.

"I just had to cut out some things," said Coach Thomas, who has done much for high school baseball over his ten year tenure. "I will continue to coach basketball at Pikeville."

As the Bobcats moved into the championship game of the 15th Region tournament (Saturday afternoon) Coach Newsome could be coaching his last game as head coach of Betsy Layne.

In speaking of the pitching performance of Johnson, Newsome said, "He is just a junior and is going to make some one a good pitcher next year."

Newsome has contended he will retire from coaching and teaching after this year. But it was rumored that he informed his team he would return next season.

Both Newsome and Thomas have been pluses for the game of high school baseball and much is owed to both for their contributions to their respective programs.



800-meter relays


The sun came out last Friday in Lexington for the start of the KHSAA State Track and Field Meet at UK's Shively Field. Laura Chaffins of South Floyd ran in the 800-meter relays and also the women's 300 hurdles. (photo by Ed Taylor)



Last meet

Allen Central's Levi Wells has been a familiar participant at the KHSAA state track and field meets over the past four years. Last Friday and Saturday, Wells competed for his final time as a senior at Allen Central. He placed seventh overall in discus and competed in shot put as well. (photo by Ed Taylor)

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Mud Creek Pee Wee results

CUBS VS REDS

Matthew Little picked up the win for the Mud Creek Cubs in a 20-1 mercy win this past Sunday in the Mud Creek Pee Wee league played at the John M. Stumbo school.

The Cubs scored nine times in the third inning for the mercy win. Bo Hamilton had a two-run single in the third. Joe Slone doubled across two runs and Caleb Tackett had a two-run double in the inning.

The Reds scored their lone run in the first inning on three consecutive walks and Brandon Hall's RBI single.

The Cubs plated seven runs in the first to lead 7-1. Hamilton had a two-run single and Kyle Hamilton picked up an RBI with a base hit. Roy Henry singled home a run also for the Cubs.

Caleb Tackett hit a home run to lead off the Cubs second inning when they scored four times. Trippy Slone had a two-run double in the frame.

BRAVES VS REDS

The Mud Creek Braves scored five times in the first inning and made it stand up for a 7-1 win over the Mud Creek Reds. Ryan Bryant had an RBI triple in the first for the

Braves.

The Reds got their run in the bottom of the fourth on a one-out single by Jarrod Newman and Dusty Newsome's RBI single.

The Braves added their final two runs in the top of the fifth. Dallas Mitchell tripled for the Braves in the inning and scored.

REDS VS CUBS

The Reds posted a 16-7 win over the Cubs, with Dusty Newsome picking up the win for the Reds. He got some relief help from Mason Hall.

The Reds scored four times in the top of the first inning to lead 4-0. Mason Hall tripled home two runs and Corey Lee had an RBI single. The fourth run scored on Dusty Newsome's RBI base hit.

The Cubs pushed home three in their half of the first for a 4-3 game. Caleb Tackett and Kyle Hamilton had hits for the Cubs in the first.

The Reds took a 9-3 lead with five in the second. Lee had an RBI single and Dusty Newsome singled home two runs in the inning.

It was 9-7 after the Cubs batted in the bottom of the second. Bo Hamilton scored two runs with his base hit.

The Reds added three runs in the third and four in the fourth in shutting down the Cubs over the final three innings. Hall homered in the Reds third and doubled home two runs in the fourth.

BRAVES VS SOX

The Sox held back a fifth inning rally by the Braves and posted a 10-9 win in league play. The Sox held a 10-5 lead going into the fifth inning when the Braves scored four times and left the bases loaded when the final out was recorded.

Kyle Hall had a two run double in the first inning for the Sox when they took a 2-0 lead. The Braves added a run in the bottom of the inning for a 2-1 game. Ryan Bryant singled home the lone Braves run.

A run in the Sox half of the second inning gave them a 3-1 lead. But the Braves came back and tied the game at three with two in the bottom of the frame.

Three runs scored for the Sox in the third for a 6-3 contest. Kyle Hall drove in two runs in the third for the Sox.

The Braves plated two runs in the bottom of the third to stay close at 6-5. But they failed to score in the bottom of the fourth inning after the

Sox had scored in the top of the inning to take a 7-5 lead.

CUBS VS REDS

In a game played Monday night, the Cubs edged the Reds 6-5 with all the scoring for both teams coming in the first three innings.

The loss was the first of the season for the Reds as they dropped to 7-1 on the season. The Cubs improved to 3-5 on the year.

The Cubs took a 4-0 lead in the top of the first inning on an RBI double off the bat of Matthew Little and Brock Slone's two-run double. Trippy Slone drove in a run with a base hit.

The Reds plated three in the first on a run-producing triple by Mason Hall and Jarrod Newsome single. Dusty Newsome doubled across the third run.

After the Cubs went out in order in the second, the Reds tied the game at four with a run in the second. Kedron Hall walked and scored on a bases loaded walk to Derrick Newman.

The Cubs went in front to play with two in the third and the Reds scored one in the bottom of the inning. Neither team could score in the final two at bats.

Orange Crush wins behind Burke's three goals

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

The threat of rain Saturday failed to discourage soccer teams as four games were played in the Floyd County Youth Soccer League at the Prestonsburg Community College and Hindman Settlement School.

ORANGE CRUSH VS WILDCATS

Tyler Burke scored three goals while Kevin Vogelsang and Drew Hilton kicked two each to lead the Orange Crush to an 8-0 win over the Wildcats this past Saturday morning at PCC. Robert Absher added a single goal for the winners.

Brooks Herrick, Charlie Beatty and Caitlin Clark had goal attempts for the Wildcats, a team that played with a lot of heart and spirit.

"The team put it all together and clicked on all cylinders today," said Orange Crush coach Wayne Taylor. "It's clear the practice is paying off as our players are developing a good understanding of the subtleties of the game."

Coach Taylor said a performance such as the win Saturday was needed.

"We needed an inspired performance in order to defeat a tough Wildcat team," he said.

"Molly Burchett and Tiffany Meade did a great job for us as goalies," said Wildcat coach Bob Beatty. "Taylor Clark and Lauren Preston had an outstanding defensive game as well. We also got a solid defensive effort from Elizabeth Chaffin, Candice Meade, Misty Marsillett, and Katherine Adams."

SHOOTING STARS VS VICAR'S CHOICE

Ian Murray scored a goal in the first half and another in the second half to lead Vicar's Choice past the Shooting Stars 4-1 in a match played in Hindman.

Murray's first goal gave the Choice a 1-0 lead. Later Seth Bailey kicked a goal to make it 2-0 and Nick Hall's goal gave the Choice a 3-0 half time lead.

The Shooting Stars avoided a shutout with a goal to start the second half when midfielder Laura

Barrett, on a breakaway pass from Danielle Tourigny, scored the Stars lone goal. Murray then added his second goal for the final 4-1 margin.

"This was our team's best effort of the season," said Stars coach Jay Barrett. "I have noticed a big improvement in everyone's play, especially Allanna Greene."

Coach Barrett was pleased with the performance of his team in holding back the potent offense of the Vicar's Choice.

"We held them to only one goal in the second half and that goes to the aggressive play of defenders Shane Sergeant, Tyler Rice and Justin Hackworth."

HORDE VS PIKEVILLE PURSUIT

Played at the PCC grounds, the Pikeville Pursuit edged a good Horde team 8-6 in a fast paced game that lasted the entire 60 min-

utes. Both teams played hard and the action was exciting right up to the final whistle.

Brandon Powers, Matt Francis, and Roger Collins scored two goals each for the Horde. Billy Ousley, Kevin Sester and P.J. Collins played an excellent defensive game for the local team.

PIKEVILLE RAVENS VS PURPLE CYCLONES

Fegan Jones had the only goal for the Purple Cyclones in an 11-1 setback to the Pikeville Ravens. Jenna Gearheart played a strong defensive game while Ryan Thornberry was solid on offense.

ORANGE CRUSH VS PURPLE CYCLONES

In a make up game played at the PCC grounds Monday, Tyler Burke scored a career high five goals and Drew Hilton added a career high four goals as the Orange Crush

defeated the Purple Cyclones 10-1. Kevin Vogelsang had the other goal for the Crushes.

Burke and Hilton got some needed assists off the strong play of Jameson Alford and Vogelsang.

Crush coach Wayne Taylor had praise for the efforts of Sarah Rectenwald and Leah Isaac.

Soccer action continues this Saturday at the PCC grounds with the Shooting Stars hosting the Campus Kids in a 9 a.m. start. At 10:30 Doc's Friends will visit The Irish followed by a match up between The Wildcats and The Saints at 11:45.

On field two, the Shamrocks match up against the Untouchables at 9 a.m.

The Ravens and Horde will meet at Pikeville in a 9 a.m. game. The Purple Cyclones will face the Pursuit in a 10:30 a.m. game. On field two, The Rattlers and Green Wave meet at 11:45.

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Allen Central's Gordon Reeves, running back for the Rebels, carried the stick in the men's 1600-meter relays last Friday in Lexington. The state track and field meet was held at UK's Shively Field. (photo by Ed Taylor)

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Nelson's bat, Clay's pitching keep Astros perfect

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

the first on four walks and a hit in the second inning sending eight and Conn had base hits in the batsman. They scored three times players to the plate. Bill Collins inning.

Allen Astro catcher Tommy Nelson collected three hits, stole six bases and Nick Clay kept his personal record at 3-0 on the season as the Astros posted a 10-4 win over the Prater Creek Indians to remain unbeaten at 7-0 on the year.

Nelson stole home in two of his six stolen bases. Clay collected two hits in picking up the win for Allen. He had a fourth inning triple. Brian Johnson had two hits for the Astros as well, with a sixth inning triple.

Clay allowed four runs while scattering five hits. He struck out 11 batters and issued 10 walks. Joey Bryant suffered the loss for Prater Creek but went the distance allowing 10 runs on eight hits. He fanned 10 batters and walked eight.

The Indians left 11 runners stranded on the base paths and left them loaded in the third inning when Clay worked out of a jam with only one run scoring against him.

The Astros jumped in front 3-0 in the first inning when Johnson singled to start the game and Jason Lafferty walked. With one out, Nelson singled home Johnson. Lafferty stole home. Nelson stole second and third, before swiping home for a 3-0 game.

The Indians made it a one run affair with two runs in the bottom of the first. Clay walked Joey Bryant to start the inning. Bryant stole second and third and came home on Jordan Kidd's ground out. Mike Rogers singled and went to second on an error at third base and eventually stole home for a 3-2 game.

Both teams went out in the second inning without much noise. After giving up a lead off walk to Jarred Flannery to start the Indians second, Clay fanned the next three batters. Nathan Goble had a single for the Astros in the second but was left stranded.

Each team scored a run in their respective half of the third inning for a 4-3 game. Nelson singled and stole his way around the base paths for the Astros. Back-to-back doubles by Jordan Kidd and Rogers accounted for the lone run for the Indians in the third. The Indians left the bases jammed in the third.

The Astros broke loose for three runs in the fourth frame to lead 7-3. Clay tripled with two out and two on and scored the third run of the inning on Nelson's RBI double.

Clay allowed the Indians their final run in the fourth inning on a walk to Steven Conn and Brent Still. Conn scored on an error at second base for a 7-4 game.

The Astros added two runs in the fifth and one in the sixth for the victory.

Rogers and Daniels each had two hits for the Indians. Kidd had the other.

While the "A" team remained unbeaten, the "B" team did not fair so well as they lost for the first time this season to fall to 6-1 on the year.

The Indians posted a 5-2 win over Mike Jarrell's team in a three inning affair.

Steven Conn was on the hill for the Indians and twirled a one-hitter allowing the Astros a second inning single by Brett Combs who scored on three stolen bases. Conn then struck out the next three batters in the inning.

The Astros scored their first run in the first inning on a base hit by Steven Chafin with one out. He eventually scored by stealing home.

The Indians took a 2-1 lead in



Happy just to be there

The Prestonsburg women's 400-meter relay team was all smiles just after they competed in the state track meet in Lexington last Friday morning. The foursome gave forth a good effort in competing. (photo by Ed Taylor)

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Entry fee for the tournament is \$100 per team.

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TIME OUT

Howdy Y'all



John Frazier
Outdoor Editor

Speak now, or forever hold your peace

A recent visit to Prestonsburg Community College to sit in on a public meeting concerning the possible reintroduction of elk to Eastern Kentucky brought some disturbing news.

The Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources (KDFWR) is conducting a series of public meetings to gather public opinion of the elk proposal. In speaking with KDFWR Commissioner Doug Hensley and biologist John Phillips, I gathered that public opinion at the meetings has been favorable.

Unfortunately, Ky Farm Bureau has come out against the proposal and is lobbying to stop the proposal from becoming a reality. Public opinion may overcome the disgruntled comments of one company, but only if the public makes their voices heard.

It has been my experience that the majority of eastern Kentuckians, including myself, are in overwhelming favor of the proposal. Scheduled for a vote at the next KDFWR Commission meeting, June 13, the time for public comment is growing short.

I urge anyone with an interest in the project to call the KDFWR and let their comments be heard.

This project will not only restore these magnificent, once native animals to our Kentucky hills, but promises to generate nearly \$2.5 million in hunting and tourism annually.

Call today, or make plans to attend one of the two remaining meetings. KDFWR will be holding meetings in Jackson at the Breathitt County Courthouse on June 5, and again on June 10, in Hyden at the Tim Lee Carter Building on 2431. Meeting begin at 7 p.m. local time.

All too often, concerned citizens are content to remain silent on important issues. The restoration of elk to Eastern Kentucky could have a life-long impact on the residents of our area and this is not the time for procrastination. The proposal will be voted upon June 13, and the time to call is now. To learn more about the proposal or to voice your opinion, call the KDFWR at (502) 564-4336. Call today. Don't let your future be determined without your input.

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

Illinois angler pulls new state record perch from Kentucky Lake

A new record has been fished out of Kentucky Lake. Placide Houser, of Marion Illinois, caught a 0.67-pound yellow perch and now holds the Kentucky record for that species.

Houser's April 16 catch beats out the previous record yellow perch by nearly three ounces. She was casting minnows with her Shakespeare Alpha Graphite when the perch struck. The fish measured 11 inches and had a girth of seven and one-half inches.

To qualify for the state record fish program, anglers must estab-

lish a new record or beat an existing record by at least one ounce. Fish must be caught by sport fishing methods only and be verified by a Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources fishery biologist. Fish taken on commercial gear, by trotlines or by snagging or snaring are not eligible.

The fish must be weighed on a scale certified legal for trade and the weighing must be witnessed by at least three persons whose signatures must appear either on the record fish application or a separate sheet attached to the applica-

tion. For an application or further information, call (502) 564-4336.

Anglers, remember the small-mouth bass record is open and the KDFWR is taking applications until December 1997. The previous record has been retired based on falsification of application information.

The minimum weight accepted for all applications is six pounds. The new record will be announced in the spring of 1998, once all applications submitted have been investigated and verified for authenticity.

TROUT RELEASE

The Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources will be releasing trout into the tailwaters of three area lakes Wednesday, June 18.

The release will consist of 3,200 trout in the Paintsville Lake tailwaters; 1,500 at Dewey Lake; and 2,200 trout to be released at Fish-trap Lake.

All releases will be in the tailwaters of the three respective lakes.

Volunteers work hard to improve wildlife habitat at Dewey Lake

Eleven members of the Dewey Lake Fish and Game club strapped on their workboots this past weekend in an effort to improve wildlife habitat at the wildlife management area.

The group planted over 25 acres in grasses and various other plants beneficial to the area's wildlife. Working closely with the Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources and the Corps of Engineers, the organization is constantly striving to preserve and protect wildlife and its habitat in Eastern Kentucky.

The club expressed its appreciation to East Equipment for their assistance in obtaining a tractor for the project, Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife for supplying seed, and all the members who gave their time and effort to make the food plots a reality.

Participating members included Andy Wright, Jimmy Wright, Tim Goble, Jeff Goble, Neal Goble, Eric Hall, Gerald Jones, Larry Lafferty, Greg Conn, Lonnie Webb and Johnny Lafferty.

"We were real pleased with the members who showed up to work on the project, and we hope to do more on Dewey Lake with the help of Fish and Wildlife and the Corps. Together we can make a difference," stated club president Johnny Lafferty.

The Dewey Lake Fish and Game Club recently awarded certificates of recognition to three members for their dedication and support of the club's objectives. Members receiving recognition in-

clude Larry Lafferty, Lonnie Webb and Greg Conn.

The Dewey Lake Fish and Game Club offers a \$500 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of any poacher on Dewey Lake Wildlife Management Area.

The club meets the second Monday of each month at its facility at the lake. Anyone interested in becoming a part of the organization is welcome to attend. For more information, contact club president Johnny Lafferty at (606) 874-9359.

Corps boat ramps to collect daily user fees

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will expand the collection of recreation user fees this year to include boat launching ramps at many of its day-use areas beginning June 2, 1997. The fees collected will be used to help pay operation costs and maintenance costs in the Corps recreation program.

A daily fee of \$2 will be charged to launch, or an annual pass may be purchased for \$25. The annual pass will permit the holder and accompanying passengers to use all boat launching ramps and swimming beaches at Corps-operated areas without further charges.

Annual passes may be purchased at the lake offices listed, during business hours Monday through Friday, or at most Corps campgrounds any day of the week.

Golden Age and Golden Access passport holders will be eligible to purchase the annual pass for half price or pay the daily fee at half price.

BOAT RAMPS REQUIRING DAY-USE FEES

KENTUCKY Fishtrap Lake	BOAT RAMPS Damsite/Marina Area Grapevine Area
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Burnsville Lake	Rifle Run/Marina Area Bulltown Area
Sutton Lake	Bee Run/Marina Area South Abutment/Damsite
Summersville Lake	Battle Run Area Salmon Run Area Long Point/Marina Area
R.D. Bailey Lake	Guyandotte Point/Marina

The Corps was given authorization to collect day-use fees in the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993 (Public Law 103-66).

Fees will be collected at all Corps-managed boat ramps having one or more of the following facilities: restrooms, security lighting, picnicking facilities, swimming facilities, or other developed recreation facilities. Fees will be collected using a Self Deposit Honor Vault System. A sign will be installed instructing the user on the self deposit system and how to display the permit stub in their vehicle. Park Rangers will be given the responsibility of enforcing compliance with the new system.

Ladies hone their skills at Jenny Wiley golf clinic

Ladies' golf is hot! Thirty-eight percent of new golfers are women, according to a study done by the National Golf Foundation, reported in the May/June issue of Golf Market Today.

Following this trend, 48 ladies gathered at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park on May 9 and 10 for a ladies' golf clinic, co-sponsored by the park and the Floyd County Chamber of Commerce.

"This is the second year the Chamber and the park have combined efforts to present this type of event," said Chamber Director Carla Coburn.

On Friday evening, despite chilly temperatures, interest was high among the novice golfers. Ladies received expert instruction from PGA golf professional Jimmy Brewley, Barren River State Resort Park, assisted by Richard Harris. Instruction ranged from golf etiquette to basic rules and proper form. Hands-on guidance continued on the course, as the group worked on swing and coordination.

Saturday morning at 8:00, the group assembled at the pro shop for a scramble. Rules were adjusted to allow one "pro-shot" per team from Brewley and other instructors, who roved the course to provide on-the-spot assistance. Volunteer coaches included Wes Halbert, Stewart Ted Hall, Roger Hayes, Jim Kennedy and Tom Rose.

At noon, the group reconvened at the pro shop for a buffet luncheon and awards



A Good Crowd

The Floyd County Chamber of Commerce, in conjunction with Jenny Wiley State Resort Park, attracted 48 ladies to the links for the golf clinic held May 9-10. Professional instruction and friendly competition highlighted the event, as ladies received instruction in the areas of course etiquette, proper form and much more.

ceremony. First place went to the team of Christi Salmons, Amy Halbert, Kay Blevins, Kelly Justice, Michelle Anderson and Cassandra Akers.

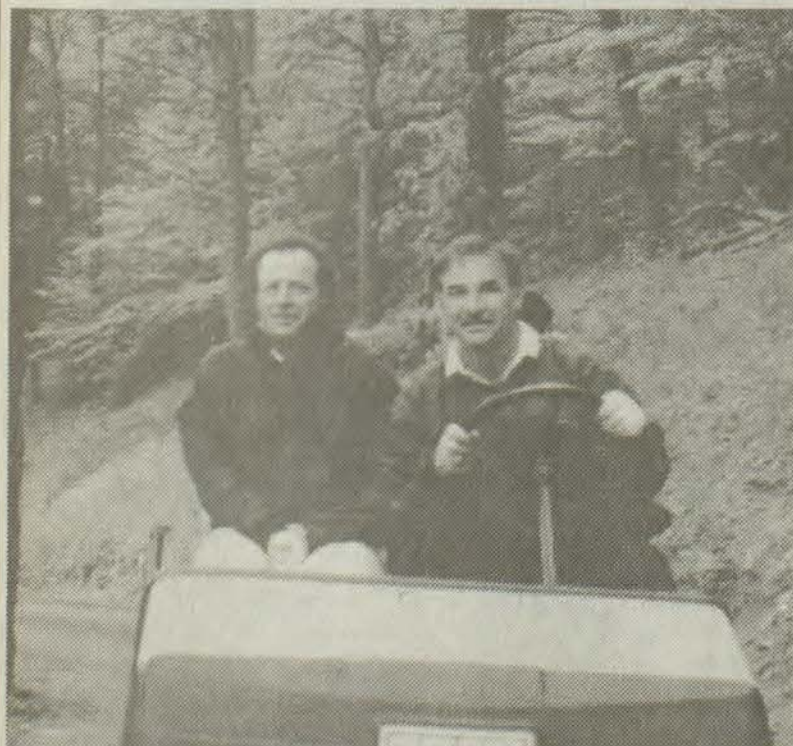
Arlene Jenkinson, Amanda Reynolds, Carrie Reynolds and Alanna McDonald captured second place, and the

team of Virginia Campbell, Linda Howell, Betty Greene and Jean Adams finished third.

Janet Conley was awarded Most Improved Player, and all participants received certificates.

"The clinic is a good way to promote ladies' golf here

at Jenny Wiley," said Park Manager Jim Kennedy. "We want to offer these ladies every opportunity to use this course on a regular basis." Kennedy stated that Mondays have been designated Ladies' Day, and a selection of ladies' sportswear has been placed in the pro shop.



Help is on the way

Richard Harris (left) and Jimmy Brewley, PGA Professional Barren River State Resort Park, tour the course offering on-the-spot assistance to participants in the scramble as part of the recent ladies' golf clinic.

Sports in Kentucky

by Bob Watkins

This is America: Hey Tiger Woods, 'we love you, man!' ... get used to it

Hey, Rick Pitino? Meet your relief, Tiger Woods.

Yo, Tiger, try not to notice while we love you to death, man.

Try and be understanding, considerate and polite as we hug you so tight for so many days of the week you'll have elbow-room trouble changing a Nike polo shirt or flashing your American Express card.

Yes, yes, Tiger, it ought to be enough for all of us to stand behind the rope and watch the spectacle of your gift. To gaze upon the extraordinary and do it in muted awe while you curl in another 30-footer.

But America's media say we want loud, man. Swagger and big noise. Da herd gets better pulp time from Dennis Rainbow and Sir Charles Angry than Olajuwon civility or Tiger smile 'n lighten up.

It ought to be enough for us to witness the bud of youth and see with young eyes the flower of your emerging manhood, even juxtapose our own to it, and reflect upon our days of 20 when we believed everything was possible and it was if only because nobody was hugging the hell out of us.

It ought to be enough, Tiger, to enjoy watching you stroll the pastoral lawns of Augusta and to amble the meadows at Colonial. It ought to be enough. But, sorry Tiger, it isn't. "We love you, man!"

"We lovvvve you, man! Get used to it!"

"And sorry, but we gotta hug you 'til you can't breath, man. And shut up with the protests, Tig. This is America."

Ah, the saga of a Tiger goes on. Driven by profit and television ratings and prodigious egos of those armed with perfumed adjectives, America's media herd — tramping in lock-step with corporate profit-man — is intent on smothering a Tiger and force-imaging him into "Jack Nicklaus with a short game" pigeon hole; and making him a merchandise mule.

In a month's time golf's progeny, indeed American sports' new hero, has been signed and re-designed, changed from a fresh face kid a year (early) out of Stanford U. into a guy wearing a sandwich board and not smiling much. Front, back, cap and profile ... Nike. How about a gold tooth in front with a swoosh inlay?

And here comes the torrent of adjectives. Some laudable, some trite, and most laughable as the media embraces its prey the way it did Magic and Michael, Arnie and Griffey.

Two Saturdays ago a reporter said Woods was going relentlessly after his third tournament title in a row, at Colonial in Fort Worth. Relentlessly? Was this a linebacker chasing Aikman?

On Sunday Tiger's tie-for-fourth finish was called a collapse.

The 21-year-old multi-millionaire's 12-under-par 268 that stuck \$70,400 in his Nike shirt pocket was a collapse?

Please. Criticisms? Tiger told off-the-cuff ethnic jokes to Charles Pierce in GQ Mag. Gee, there was a first, huh Fuzz? A first perhaps for a non-white, non-country club card carrier.

Last month Tiger was herded to media center stage to explain why he did not accept quickly enough an apology from Fuzzy Zoeller. He had left old Fuzz twisting in the wind (with his size 11s stuck in his mouth)

Quickly enough for whom? I wondered. What logic was in play to say Woods must make haste to rescue Zoeller from his own comic routine gone bad?

Tiger Woods should be left alone. Given space to breath, change his shirt, take a vacation, tell a joke, count his money, hang out, meet a girl. Be 21 years old.

Of course he will not be allowed and we all know it.

And, I suspect, Tiger Woods will grow up trying to get swing room for his tee shots. When the media is finished with him he will be labeled moody, surly, sullen, testy and unappreciative. Owlsh Ted Koppel will interrogate him on Nightline to tell us where Tiger went wrong. He will be analyzed in Sports Illustrated and eventually earn a down-arrow in Newsweek. Then will come the book with Forward by Bill Cosby, and a movie starring Denzel Washington.

It's just how things are in America today, Tiger. We lovvvve you, man.

UK FOOTBALL'S NEW VOICE

The new UK football radio network voice for the Wildcats will be a familiar one. Tom Leach replacing Ralph Hacker this autumn marks an in-house promotion at WVLK Radio for the 36-year-old Paris

native who came to Lexington from Mt. Sterling in 1984.

"Yes, this is a dream job for me," Leach says. "But having done the call-in shows and so forth the last several years, I know what to expect. And the timing is good with a new coach (Hal Mumme) and fans being hopeful and optimistic again. There won't be any dark clouds there."

"Because of the style of play, the passing game, which means spreading the football around (to a stable of receivers), I'll be doing lots of preparation in the area of recognizing players and so on," he explained. "Number one, it should be exciting, and number two, the games should be longer unless Tim (Couch) completes every pass."

Leach honed his skills for the step up by handling pre-game and post-game work for UK football and basketball games as well as doing high school play-by-play the last 13 years.

The broadcast work, along with the extensive preparations for UK pre-game and post-game broadcasts, allowed Leach to be close to the pedestal occupied by Cawood Leford and Hacker.

Leach knows the game, understands its ebb and flow and is intent on reporting it smoothly and with an economy UK football fans will come back to after three years of disgruntlement with Hacker.

"I understand part of the challenge is to make the broadcast interesting," Leach says. "This summer I will be listening to game tapes and examining styles of others in the business. I won't try and imitate anybody necessarily, but I am big on preparation."

An added advantage of taking on his new football play-by-play duties, Leach gets to work with one of the premier color analysts in football, Jeff Van Note.

"Yes, he's outstanding, just one of the best. That part is going to be a joy," Leach says.

Will UK's new football voice be 'a homer'?

Operating out of a Cawood Leford-like style, probably. That is, Kentucky fans will understand who 'the home team' is, but not to the detriment of the broadcast nor reputation of a game official.

"One thing I do intend to do this summer is spend time with Ben Oldham who is a veteran SEC football official who is from Kentucky," Leach says. "I want to pick his brains, learn the rules and do that homework. If I do criticize an official I want to know the rules where-of I speak."

Tom Leach on...

Hal Mumme: "I will be spending time with him (in June). Getting to know him and the staff, putting names with faces. Things like that. Mumme seems to present the same

confidence level as (Steve) Spurrier. But he does it in a more humble fashion."

Orlando 'Tubby' Smith: "When he was an assistant here Tubby played on our softball team at the station so I got to know him a little. Tubby's very approachable. I think more of the state population will be able to relate to Tubby than they did Rick. He's a wonderful choice for the job."

'SUCCEED' RICK PITINO?

At least two Kentuckians (we know of) tendered applications to C.M. Newton to succeed Pitino as UK basketball coach.

Thurman Jerome Hamlin wanted to succeed Pitino at UK and felt so strongly he filed a federal lawsuit against UK president Charles Wethington, director of athletics C.M. Newton and the United States of America.

According to The Associated Press, Hamlin, who is 73 and white, cited age and race discrimination. In his complaint Hamlin said UK was spending too much money on its basketball coaches and he offered to coach the team for \$1.

His suit was dismissed by a U.S. judge as frivolous.

Alan B. Gibson sports editor of The Clinton County News in Albany had a better idea. During Pitino's televised press conference to announce he was leaving for the Celtics, Gibson hurriedly put together his resume' and mailed it to C.M. Newton. Reasoning that nobody can follow a legend, Gibson volunteered himself as a 'sacrificial lamb' to be UK's coach for two seasons "after which time (Newton) could fire me and send me back to Albany. Then C.M. could hire a real coach who wouldn't have the Pitino shadow hanging over him."

Gibson said he would take the

job for half the salary Pitino was making.

Alas, the U.S. Post Office did not deliver Gibson's letter in time and Newton hired Tubby Smith.

"I'm also sure that when I was fired, two years later," Gibson said in his newspaper column the following week. "I would have at least been able to secure two season tickets to the Wildcats games for the rest of my life."

Postscript: Newton answered Alan's letter, thanked him for offering to be a 'sacrificial lamb' and added, "We do appreciate your offer. However, we felt that Tubby Smith was the man for the job."

Newton promised to keep Gibson's application letter on file. Stay tuned.

EX-UK ASSISTANT O'BRIEN HITS JACKPOT

Jim O'Brien, Rick Pitino's top assistant who accompanied Da Coach to the Celtics hasn't done too badly. The NBA's lowest paid head coach, Darrell Walker of the Toronto Raptors makes \$270,000. According to one NBA watcher, "That's less than what O'Brien will make as Pitino's top assistant in Boston."

Footnote: I suppose that means Winston Bennett, who also joined the Celtics staff, will be compensated well enough that he will no longer have to charge a stiff fee to speak at church and middle school functions here in Kentucky.

WORTH REPEATING

Shaun Powell is a columnist for The Sporting News who writes about the NBA. Including on his 'Wish List for the NBA' was this item: "Tone down the carnival atmosphere in the arenas, starting with the obnoxious public-address announcers."

Comment: Got me thinking,

wonder if Rick Pitino took his Rupp Arena PA man with him to Boston. For reasons cited on Powell's wish list, I hope so.

And so it goes.

Have a point of view you would like to share? Write to Bob Watkins, Sports In Ky. P.O. Box 124, Glendale, Ky. 42740. Or, E-Mail SptsInKy@aol.com.

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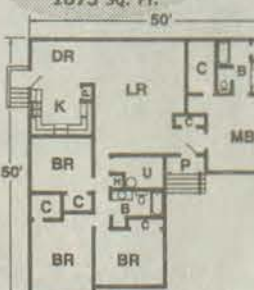
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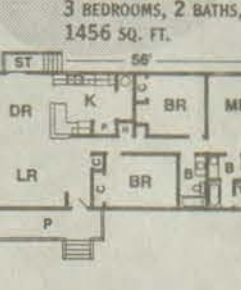
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The Racing Reporter

by Gerald Hodges

RUDD KEEPS STREAK ALIVE IN MILLER 500

Ricky Rudd admitted in victory lane that he didn't think he had the fastest car of the day Sunday, June 1, in the Miller 500, at Dover Downs, but he did have the fastest one at the end, as he led the final 23 laps around the one mile concrete oval.

Starting from the 13th position, Rudd had tire problems all day. Some tires were better than others, and crew chief, Jim Long, was constantly adjusting tire pressure to compensate handling problems with Rudd's no. 10 Tide Ford Thunderbird.

"I didn't think we could hold them off," Rudd said. "We probably had a top five car. Man, I couldn't believe the way things happened out there. It's like the race was being given to us."

Rudd had a tough battle with runner-up Mark Martin, driver of

Roush racing's no. 6 Thunderbird. Rudd's margin of victory could be counted in thousandths-of-a-second, because as Rudd and Martin crossed the finish line, the two cars were nose-to-tail. It was that close.

Pole-sitter, Bobby Labonte led the first 28 laps, but on lap 29, Kyle Petty nudged the rear of Labonte's Pontiac going into turn three, sending him into the wall.

Perhaps the biggest disappointments of the race were the two Robert Yates cars.

On lap 451, with Dale Jarrett leading in Yates no. 88, John Andretti spun in front of the leaders. Jarrett checked up, but Jeff Gordon, who was running second, didn't see the accident and ran into the back of Jarrett, sending him into a spin.

Jarrett's thunderbird received only superficial damage to the rear, but Godon's no. 24 Chevrolet Monte Carlo sustained a crack in

the radiator.

Meanwhile, back on the track, Jarrett was still the leader. He had built a half-straightway lead over teammate, Ernie Irvan, when suddenly, Jarrett's motor blew.

This gave Irvan the lead on lap 461, and he then pulled away from the second-place car of Ricky Rudd. But on lap 473, Irvan ran over some rear-end oil that had leaked from Chad Little's Pontiac, and he was in to the second turn wall, hard.

Rudd then assumed the lead. For the remaining 22 green laps, Martin tried to get around him, but each time Rudd closed the door.

Rudd has now won at least one Winston Cup race each year since 1983.

The cars of Dale Jarrett and Ernie Irvan, both owned by Robert Yates, led 396 laps of the 500 lap race, but both wound up with DNF's.

The first four finishing cars were Ford Thunderbirds. The highest finishing Chevrolet Monte Carlo was the sixth place no. 33, driven by Ken Schrader. The best for Pontiac was the fifth place of Kyle Petty.

TOP 20 FINISHERS:

1) Ricky Rudd, 2) Mark Martin, 3) Jeff Burton, 4) Jeremy Mayfield, 5) Kyle Petty, 6) Ken Schrader, 7) Michael Waltrip, 8) Bill Elliott, 9) Mike Skinner, 10) Sterling Marlin, 11) Ted Musgrave, 12) Rick Mast, 13) Ricky Craven, 14) Terry

Labonte, 15) Joe Nemechek, 16) Dale Earnhardt, 17) Bobby Hamilton, 18) David Green, 19) Hut Stricklin, 20) Derrick Cope.

TOP TEN POINTS LEADERS:

1) Terry Labonte, 1,812, 2) Jeff Gordon, 1,775, 3) Mark Martin, 1,734, 4) Dale Jarrett, 1,656, 5) Jeff Burton, 1,602, 6) Dale Earnhardt, 1,553, 7) Bobby Labonte, 1,532, 8) Ricky Rudd, 1,486, 9) Michael Waltrip, 1,384, 10) Bill Elliott, 1,365.

LABONTE DOMINATES GOODWRENCH 200

Bobby Labonte and his number 44 Shell Oil Pontiac dominated the Goodwrench 200 at Dover Downs, Saturday, May 31, leading 97 of the 200 laps.

TOP TEN FINISHERS:

1) Labonte, 2) Jeff Burton, 3) Randy LaJoie, 4) Kevin Lepage, 5) Steve Park, 6) Dale Jarrett, 7) Todd Bodine, 8) Terry Labonte, 9) Elton Sawyer, 10) Michale Waltrip, 11) Matt Kenseth, 12) Elliott Sadler, 13) Jason Keller, 14) Hermie Sadler, 15) Tim Fedewa, 16) Ricky Craven, 17) Buckshot Jones, 18) Phil Parsons, 19) Mike Dillon, 20) Joe Besey.

SAUTER HOLDS OFF SPRAGUE FOR TRUCK WIN

Top 20 finishers of the Pennzoil VIP Discount Auto Parts 200, run on Saturday, May 31.

1) Jay Suter, 2) Jack Sprague, 3)

Rick Carelli, 4) Boris Said, 5) Kenny Irwin, 6) Rick Crawford, 7) Dave Rezendes, 8) Bryan Reffner, 9) Joe Ruttman, 10) Chuck Brown, 11) Kevin Grubb, 12) Bob Keselowski, 13) Tammy Jo Kirk, 14) Butch Miller, 15) Stacy Compton, 16) Bobby Dotter, 17) Mike Bliss, 18) Mike Cope, 19) Tony Roper, 20) Rich Bickle

NASHVILLE HONORS NASCAR FLAGMAN DOYLE FORD

Nashville native, Doyle Ford, a NASCAR official and flagman, who retired one week ago from the Winston Cup circuit after 39-years, was given a standing ovation by the fans. Promoter, Bob Harmon presented Ford with a plaque and a Gibson guitar. Ford was also given a set of hand made racing flags with his name embossed on the handles.

Winner of the first half of the televised Twin 101 events went to SuperTruck driver, Jimmy Valentine in a Dodge. Roy Binckley finished second in a Chevrolet.

Second half of the twin bill was a 101 lap late model race. Andy Kirby of Nashville held off Mark Day for the win.

AFTER MUCH ADVERSITY, THE NEMECHEK STAR IS RISING

When Joe Nemechek won the CarQuest Auto Parts 300 Busch

Series race Saturday, May 24th, it was the first time he had been in victory lane since 1994.

Joe's older brother, John, died March 21, 1997 as a result of head injuries he suffered in a racing accident at the Homestead Motorsports Complex during a Craftsman Truck series event.

"A lot has happened in our life this year," said Nemechek. "And not all has been good, but this win was for John. We won the pole for him at Talladega. I just wish he was here with us, but I know he is in spirit."

Nemechek has had two good qualifying runs. He started fifth in the Coca-Cola 600 at Charlotte, and fourth in Sunday's, Miller 500.

"At least we've been consistent," Nemechek said. "We're coming up to all the tracks I love. I thought we should have won a race or two at Dover in 1994 when I was driving for Larry Hedrick. We were awesome and led those races. I've had some good runs at Pocono. A lot of people don't like those tracks, but I love them."

He did not compete in Saturday's GM Goodwrench/Delco 200 Busch race at Dover. His next Busch outing is scheduled for June 29 at Watkins Glen, but his wife, Andrea, is expecting her first child near that date. Team SABCO driver, Walley Dallenbach may stand in for him, if Andrea's delivery date coincides with the race date.



Finishes strong

Betsy Layne third baseman Doug Keathley started the baseball season on a slow note but had a strong second half to help the Bobcats to the regional finals. (photo by Ed Taylor)

Robert F. Kennedy 3,000 meter run to be held at Paintsville Lake

The Second Annual Robert F. Kennedy 3,000 meter run will take place at Paintsville Lake on Saturday, June 7 with a large turnout expected.

According to race director Rick Roberts, hopefully the rain will stay away this year.

"Last year we ran the race in a downpour that sent half the field in the wrong direction because of problems in seeing the signs along the course," he said. "In case of rain this year, the race will continue but

we will wait until after the rain ceases before resuming it."

Registration for the race will be from 4-4:45 p.m. the day of the race. The race will begin promptly at 5 p.m.

The race is dedicated in memory of the late Robert F. Kennedy, Attorney General for President John Kennedy and a 1968 presidential candidate.

He was assassinated in Los Angeles after winning the California primary on June 6, 1968.

Prerace favorites will be Chris Fleming, the overall winner from last last year, and female winner Emily Salyer. Both runners could face a challenge this year. Salyer could be contested heavily by Renata Friendtate of Baltimore, Maryland or Terry Ashley, formerly of Gillette, Wyoming.

Roberts and Chuck Wetzal, both of Van Lear, could give Fleming some problems.

Entry forms may be picked up at the Paintsville Tourism Center.

Entry fee is \$15 per runner. Refreshments will be served. Trophies and commemorative race shirts will be given to each runner.

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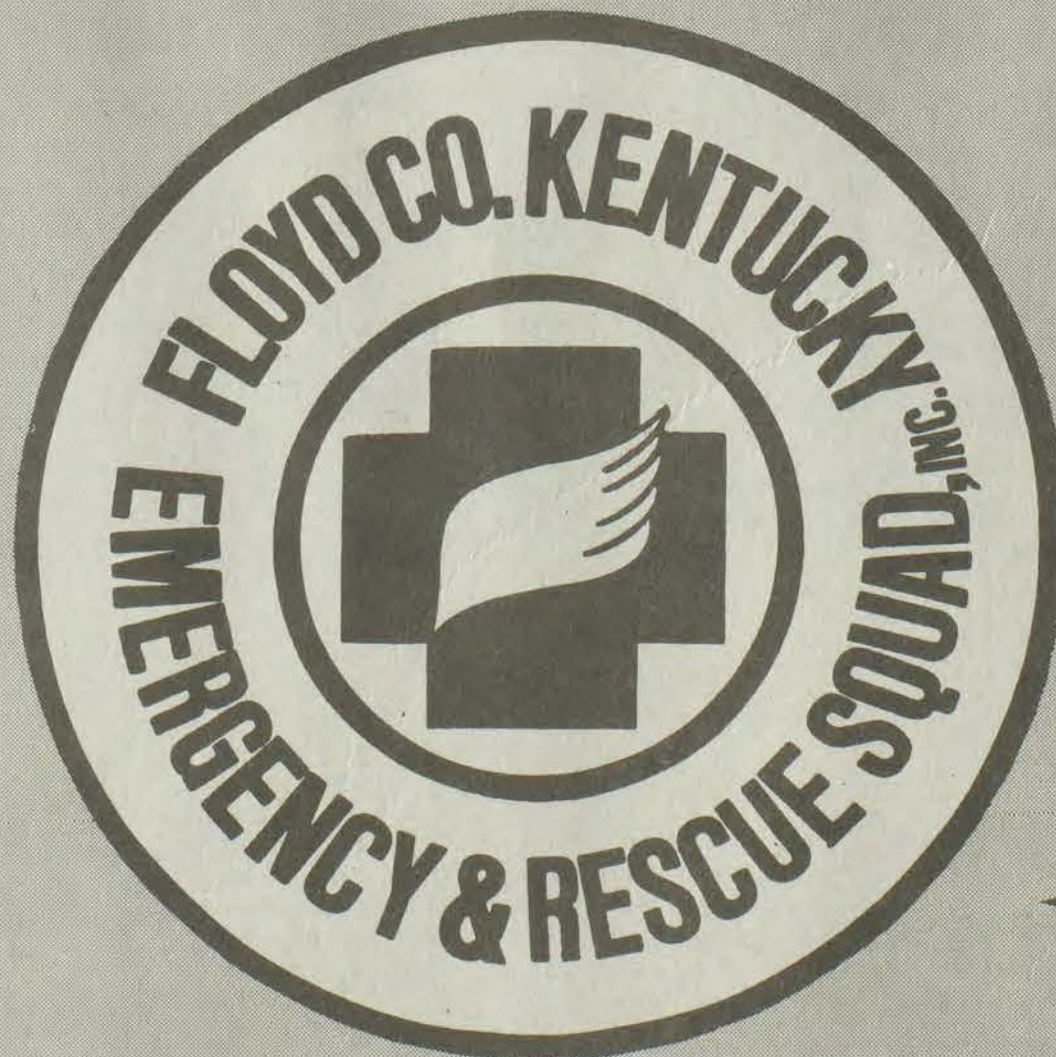
Roberts had invited former president Jimmy Carter to lead the race but he declined.

"I even offered to accommodate him by changing the date of the race," said Roberts. "But I received a nice reply from him thanking me for inviting him. But he couldn't make it."

The Floyd County Emergency and Rescue Squad was organized on April 27, 1958 as a result of the tragic school bus disaster on February 28, 1958. Twenty-six children and the driver lost their lives.

On June 4, 5 & 6, from 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., on WDOC 1310 AM, and June 7, from 12:00 noon to 9:00 p.m., on WDOC 1310 AM, and Q95 WQHY with Saturday coverage also, we will be conducting our

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Time does a number

Well, we proved that, for at least a brief moment in time, you can go home again.

After nearly six months of planning, 31 of the 55 remaining seniors of the Meade Memorial High School class of '57 gathered in the old high school cafeteria a couple of Saturday nights ago.

Many of those present hadn't seen each other since that night 40 years ago when we marched across the stage in the old gym and then-Superintendent Bill Stapleton handed us our hard-earned diplomas.

As would be expected, time has done a number on most of us.

I'm proud to say, though, that I recognized everybody. At the same time, I'll admit that had I met some of them on the street instead of in a setting where they were expected to be, I may have walked right by them.

We were either the 24th or 25th Meade graduating class (there are conflicts in documentation) and were 60 in number 40 years ago. Five of our class members have deceased: Walter Meek, Phyllis Daniels, Ted Hager, Durwood Gross and Steve Davis. Of course, they were sorely missed and their absence duly noted.

A half a dozen or so of our teachers were there, too, most looking as young, or even younger, than their former students. Several other teachers are still around, but for one reason or another, were unable to attend.

Anyway, for two or three hours it was as if no time had passed.

It really has, however, and thanks to June Rice, a fellow-retired teacher and columnist, I can prove it.

The other day she ran across a copy of the October 26, 1957, The Saturday Evening Post. Having read in one of my previous columns that we were planning the reunion, she thought that maybe I'd be interested in seeing it.

She was right.

I mean, nothing can make you more aware of the passage of time than seeing a full-page, full-color ad featuring perky little Doris Day (remember her?) staring lovingly at a Parker 61 capillary pen, "unlike any pen in the world." On the very next page was an ad for Texaco PT anti-freeze, distributed by "Texaco dealers in all 48 states."

And if that isn't enough to make you realize that 40 years is a long, long time, what about the ad for a General Electric Big-Screen Portable TV. It bragged that it "pulled in a sharp picture from 62 1/2 miles away."

I almost laughed out loud, though, when I came across the article about Frank Gifford. Yes, he's the same Frank Gifford that's now married to Kathie Lee.

"Handsome Frank Gifford," the sub-title read, "the National Football League's quadruple-threat back, also possesses a unique array of off-field talents."

Poison Oak

Clyde Pack



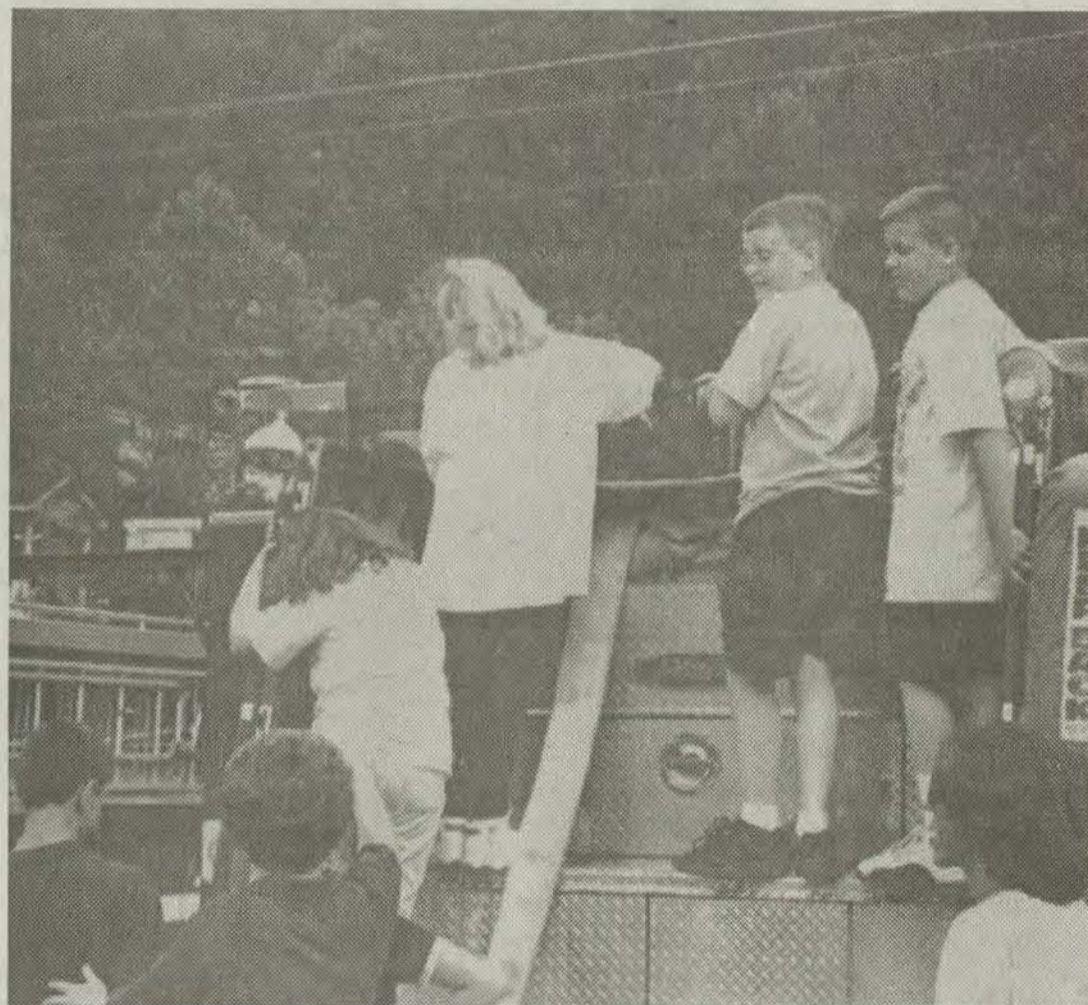
Lifestyles

DARE Day



held last Friday

D.A.R.E students played a fast-paced game of jump rope during the D.A.R.E. Day of fun at the New Salem Association of the Old Regular Baptist Church. The D.A.R.E. Day of fun was sponsored by the Floyd County Sheriff's Department. (photo by Chris McDavid)



Students took turns looking over the fire equipment on Prestonsburg and Allen Fire Department vehicles. (photo by Chris McDavid)

by Chris McDavid
Staff Writer

More than 600 fifth graders attended the Floyd County Sheriff Department's Dare Day Friday at the New Salem Association of the Old Regular Baptist Church.

Lt. Ricky Thornsberry said the Floyd County Dare Program was established in 1990 to show youth that they could have fun without drugs and alcohol.

Lt. Thornsberry has directed the program since it was started in the county.

During the event, Floyd County youth were given the opportunity to inspect emergency vehicles and equipment used for fire departments and rescue units from throughout the county.

Many youngsters climbed on and got into the fire trucks of the Allen and Prestonsburg fire departments.

The Left Beaver Rescue Squad was also present at the event with a display of emergency units and equipment used for extricating victims from accidents, and paramedics and emergency medical technicians (EMTs) were on hand to answer questions.

Entertainment at the event included numerous types of games, face painting, and music was provided by Q-95 FM.

Health Net, the helicopter used for trans-

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Ten Years Ago (June 10, 1987)

Grundy.

Former Superintendent Pete Grigsby sued the Floyd County Board of Education for his job back as administrative assistant to the superintendent ... More than 200 Left Beaver residents packed a meeting of the board of education to make it clear that Grigsby would not be welcome as principal of either the McDowell high or grade school ... Florence Nelson, 54, was arrested for first-degree assault in the shooting of Michael Fitzpatrick, 18, of East Point, and her husband, Ambers Nelson, 72, was arrested for first-degree arson after allegedly setting their house on fire ... At least two black bears, and possibly more, provided an evening's entertainment for a large crowd of people in the Weeksbury area ... A wave of violent crime and miscellaneous mayhem swept across Floyd County ... There died: Mrs. Willie B. Parker, 86, of Indiana, June 6 at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Justin W. Slone, 3, of Indiana, June 4 in Indiana; Samuel Fraley, 74, of Wayland, June 5 at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Earl Fields, 47, of Mare Creek, June 9; Irvin Stumbo, 84, of Harold, June 6 at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Bessie Lee Stratton Sowder, 48, of Louisville, April 11 in Louisville; Charlie Johnson, 60, of Hi Hat, June 9 at the Potter Clinic at Wheelwright; Angie Wells Honeycutt, West Van Lear resident, June 8, at Riverview Manor Nursing Home; Darius S. Roark, 69, of Prestonsburg, June 7 at his home; Jerry Gibson, formerly of Prestonsburg, June 5, in Michigan; and Gracie Bentley, 74, of Grundy, Virginia, May 11 in

Twenty Years Ago (June 8, 1977)

The old school term had barely ended when the Floyd County Board of Education last week employed teachers—464 of them—for the next school year...Members of the state legislature's Interim Joint Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources traveled through Eastern Kentucky last Thursday viewing strip-mining sites in the Prestonsburg area...For the last three years clubwomen, church groups, schools, fraternal organizations and hundreds of individuals have participated in fund-raising efforts to meet the \$47,219 cost of equipment needed by the Area Volunteer Fire Department based at Wayland...Strikes at two Right Beaver Creek plants continue, and one reached circuit court last week...Of the more than \$2 million damage suffered by Floyd County Schools during the April flood, HUD will reimburse the school system \$750,000, Supt. of Schools E.P. Grigsby Jr. said this week...Congressman Carl D. Perkins will hold two public meetings in Pike County, June 18, to discuss plans and proposals for providing greater flood protection in the Tug and Levisa forks of the Big

Sandy River...Area artists and craftsmen soon will have their own gallery here at a display and outlet facility. Ronald L. Hager was employed by the Floyd County Board of Education last Wednesday as assistant superintendent of instruction for a three-year period ending July 1, 1980...A special meeting of the board of directors of the Floyd County Chapter, American Red Cross, Monday afternoon, resulted in the unanimous approval by board members of the appointment of Mrs. Shelby Willis as new executive director of the Floyd chapter...There died: Darkie Sparkman Owens, 78, of Garrett, May 30 at her home; Gus Crisp, 81, formerly of Floyd County, May 20 at a hospital in Sciotoville, O.; Stella Gwenn Whitt Stidham, 53, formerly of the McDowell area, May 27 at M c D o w e l l Appalachian Regional Hospital; Dorothy Jones Bentley, 76, of McDowell, June 3 at the McDowell home of her daughter; Elizabeth Lynch Bierman, 88, of North Pleasureville, Ky., June 1 at the Medical Arts Nursing Center there; Inez Weddington, 62, formerly of Banner, May 25 in Baltimore, Md.; Thomas S. (Tommy) Salisbury, 71, of Harold, May 31 at his home; Benjamin Franklin Hall, 67, of Banner, June 3 at Highlands Regional

Medical Center; Lace Hunt, 96, one of this county's oldest residents, of Ivel, May 29 at his home.

Thirty Years Ago (June 8, 1967)

The U.S. Office of Economic Opportunity last Thursday announced a grant of \$469,175 to the Big Sandy Area Community Action Council to provide a comprehensive health program to poor residents of Floyd County...Floyd County's annual Cleanup Drive began Monday, to continue through the month, and officials and civic leaders joined in urging citizens of the county to cooperate in the work of making the county more beautiful and liveable...Former Governor Bert Combs, who began his public career in Prestonsburg, left the political arena Monday, when he donned the robe of a judge of the Sixth U.S. Court of Appeals...Fertilization of Dewey Lake began Tuesday, with employees of the Department of Fish & Wildlife Resources engaged in the project, the first of its kind to be undertaken of a major impoundment...Mrs. Edith F. James, Prestonsburg woman who has made the preservation of folk music a work of years, has been honored with the Award of Merit in the 1967 Parade of American Music...Married: Miss Patricia Baldrige and Mr. David W. Allen, both of Prestonsburg, May 26 at the First Methodist Church, Paintsville; Miss Elizabeth Lee Clark, and Mr. Terry Gene Kinzer, both of

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Our Yesterdays

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

Society News

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Tiffany Vaughan

DAR Good Citizen

Tiffany Amber Steffey Vaughan, Prestonsburg High School senior, has been named 1997 DAR Good Citizen by John Graham Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, Prestonsburg.

At the May 10, SAR-DAR joint luncheon-business meeting at the Holiday Inn, chairman Virginia S. Goble, presented the medal, certificate, and \$50 check to Tiffany for outstanding qualities in scholarship, leadership, history and community affairs.

Vaughan is a member of Who's Who Among American High School Students, Congressional Youth Leadership member, DARE teen leader, dance team captain, honor choir, marching band, concert, pep, and all-county band, National Honor Society, yearbook editor, science club vice-president, junior class vice-president, mathematical tutor in extended service program. She also plays on the softball and powderpuff football teams.

In her winning essay, she wrote: "The heritage of the mountains is instilled in me. Beginning with the first pioneers who struggled over the Cumberland Gap, Pound Mountain, Wilderness Road, or floated down the Ohio River, they faced danger and odds, but reached their goal to create a home and future for themselves. These pioneers passed on to future generations an independence of spirit, strength, determination, and self-reliance. These intangible possessions inherited from pioneer ancestors have given me a strong obligation to return to my community some of what has been given to me."

Goble recognized her parents, Glenn and Sharon Vaughan, of State Road Fork. She recognized sponsor, Carolyn Stout, PHS English instructor, and thanked Ray Brackett and Jerry Laferty Jr. for their help.

SAR-DAR meet

The Big Sandy Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution, and John Graham Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, held their annual luncheon-business meeting, Saturday, May 10, at Holiday Inn, near Prestonsburg. Dr. Larry Leslie, SAR president, presided.

Chaplain James B. Goble opened the meeting with the invocation. John Graham regent Eleanor S. Horn led the group in DAR rituals and in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the USA.

DAR Good Citizen Chairman Virginia S. Goble introduced Tiffany Amber Steffey, Prestonsburg High senior, as the 1997 DAR Good Citizen. Goble presented her with the medal, certificate, and \$50. Goble also introduced Vaughan's parents, Glenn and Sharon Vaughan, and sponsor, Carolyn Stout, Prestonsburg High English instructor.

Past KSDAR State President Ray Brackett presented the fire-fighter's medal for outstanding work to Tom Blackburn, Prestonsburg Fire Chief, and recognized Blackburn's wife, D. Sue Blackburn. Brackett also announced that 20 JROTC medals had been presented to outstanding cadets throughout the Big Sandy Valley area.

Regent Horn announced that Ray and Frances Brackett had presented the Auxier Family History written by Dr. Dave Auxier to the NSDAR Library in Washington, D.C., in memory of their son, Stephen R. Preston Brackett, past KSDAR vice-president and past Big Sandy Chapter SAR president.

Members and guests attending were Leslie; Brackett; Horn; James and Virginia Goble, SAR secretary-treasurer, Frank Fitzpatrick; Thomas and Sue Blackburn; Carolyn Stout; Glenn and Sharon Vaughan; Tiffany Vaughan; Terry Buchanan; Nancy P. Webb; Charles and Carlos Wells; Reverend Julie Hager Love; Betty Jean Conn; Robert and Helen McAninch; Betsy Lambert, and Vivian Hale.

Golden wedding anniversary

Berkley and Audrey Gibson Marshall of Decatur, Georgia, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Sunday, June 1. They are former residents of Floyd County.

Attend graduation

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Miller of Prestonsburg, attended the graduation of their granddaughter, Sarah McGuire, from Transylvania University in Lexington, last Saturday.

Miss McGuire will enter the University of Kentucky College of Law this fall. She is the daughter of Dr. Tom O. and Janie McGuire of Pikeville.

Visit friend here

Paul and Darlene Osborn of Ypsilanti, Michigan, were here last week visiting Wanda Rodebaugh at her home on Westminster Street, Prestonsburg.

Return from vacation

David and Peggy Hereford, and Laura Goble of Lexington, have returned home after spending their vacation in St. Thomas, the Virgin Islands.

Jenkins-Turner wedding

Misty Renee Jenkins and Allen Van Turner II were united in marriage, Saturday afternoon, May 24, at the Garrett First Baptist Church in Garrett.

Misty is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen G. Jenkins of Martin. Allen is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Van Turner of Minnie.

Attends graduation

Linda Deerfield, of Prestonsburg attended the eighth grade graduation of her grandson, Calvin Duncan, at the McKell Middle School in South Shore, last Thursday.

Hughes-Akers wedding

Clara J. Hughes and Everett "Poody" Akers were united in marriage Saturday evening, May 30, at the AmVets Club in Martin.

A reception was held following the ceremony.

Clara is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hughes of Manton. Poody is the son of Adis Akers of Martin and the late Everett Akers.

Martin-Storey wedding

Amy Renee Martin and Jason Spencer Storey were united in marriage Saturday afternoon, May 24, at the Christian Fellowship Center in Winterville.

The reception was held immediately following the ceremony at the Paintsville Recreation Center.

Amy is the daughter of Carla Felty of Paintsville and Wade S. Martin of McDowell. Jason is the son of Don and Joan Storey of Prestonsburg.

Garden of the Month

The yard of Harry Robert and Barbara Burke on Arnold Avenue, Prestonsburg, was chosen as Garden of the Month for May by the Prestonsburg Woman's Club.

This is a project of the Woman's Club that is a cherished award for residents of Prestonsburg.

Visit family here

Robert and Linda Deerfield had as their guests this past week at their home on the Lake Road, Prestonsburg, Virginia Beloit, Wilma Doss, Jackie Matthews and Andrea Duncan, all from Ashland.

Grethel news

The Grethel Baptist Church had a welcoming celebration for their new pastor, Ronnie Blair, wife Versie, Son Peyton four years old, and Rebekah, 19 months old, May 11, following the Sunday afternoon service at the church annex.

Included in the same celebration was a "Bon Voyage" for Hannah Newsome, Alan, and Marsha Williams, who were leaving May 18, from Lexington airport to the Philippine Islands for a two-week visit with Hannah Newsome's daughter, Eulette Newsome Cox, son-in-law, Mark Cox, and grandchildren, Debra and Stephen Cox, who are serving there with New Tribes Mission.

The 26 persons who attended were served pizza, vegetables with dip, chips, soft drinks and two decorated cakes.

Guest speakers at the Grethel Baptist Church Sunday, May 18 were Clifton Cauthorne, graduate student at Bob Jones University, Greenville, South Carolina and Aaron Langendorfer, B.J.U. junior.

Mr. Cauthorne served as Bob Jones University Intern for 10 weeks in 1995 at the Grethel Baptist Church.

Returns home

Fannie Hall Goble, who has been a patient at the Salyersville Health Care Center, has returned to her home at Allen. She appreciated the many cards and flowers from friends.

Annual reunion held

The annual Wheelwright reunion was held May 24, at Jacobson Park and Shoney's Inn in Lexington. The affair is hosted by Mr. and Mrs. Forest Newsome (Rita Caldwell) of Campbellsville. The reunion is always the weekend of Memorial Day. Several hundred were in attendance. The class of 1957 held its reunion, also. For reservations for 1998, call Shoney's in Lexington, 269-4999.

Stanley-Hall wedding

Alisha Renea Stanley and Donovan Lee Hall were united in marriage, Saturday afternoon, May 24, at the Lackey Freewill Baptist Church. The gracious custom of an open wedding was observed.

The reception was held following the ceremony in the church dining room.

Alisha is the daughter of Ina Osborne of Wayland and David Stanley of Detroit, Michigan. Lee is the son of Dean and Sue Hall of Lackey.

Visiting from Michigan

May Purucker, Billie Fox and Mary and Ernie Smith of Marshall, Michigan, and Judy Finley of Albion, Michigan, were here last week visiting family and friends.

McCoy-McKinney wedding

Mary Elizabeth McCoy and John Rodney McKinney were united in marriage, Saturday afternoon, May 31, at the First United Methodist Church in Prestonsburg.

Rev. David Fultz officiated at the double-ring ceremony.

The reception was held following the ceremony at the Jenny Wiley State Park Convention Center.

After a wedding trip, the couple will reside in Richmond.

Elizabeth is the daughter of Janie Goodman Wright and Gary McCoy of Prestonsburg. John is the son of Carolyn Buckley and Rodney McKinney of Prestonsburg.

Visits cousins here

Winifred and Tom Blackburn and Tippy Lee has as their houseguests last week at their home on Arnold Avenue, Prestonsburg, their cousins' Katy Boston and Fonzie Boston of Fern Creek, and Connie Boston of Fairdale.

Visit family here

Paula and Cliff Latta III of Wilmore, were here last week visiting with family members and friends. They were the houseguests of Cliff and Ann Latta at their home on Arnold Avenue, Prestonsburg.

While here, they visiting his grandmother, Kathleen Parker, and cousin, Betsy Burchett.

Shelton-Blust wedding

Jessica Sheree Shelton and Jeremy Lawrence Blust were united in marriage, Saturday evening, May 24, in a candlelight ceremony at the Cathedral of Christ the King in Lexington.

Jessica is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Shelton of Versailles and the granddaughter of Eddie Shelton of Drift and the late Nellie Shelton, and Thelma Conway, formerly of Wheelwright, and the late Paul Conway.

After a wedding trip to Jamaica, the couple will reside in Burlington.

Visit family here

Pauline Haskamp and Penny Bailey of Brookville, Indiana, were here last week visiting Lawrence Adkins of McDowell, Kathleen Parker of Prestonsburg, Gladys Adkins of Langley, and Maxine Conley of Allen. They were the houseguests of Mrs. Conley.

Home from college

David Gearheart, a student at Morehead State University, is spending the summer vacation with his parents, Ashland Jr. and Linda Gearheart in Prestonsburg.

He is employed this summer with the recreation department at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park.

Visits from Atlanta

Honey May Wilbanks of Atlanta, Georgia, has been here visiting with family members and friends. She was a houseguest of Jean Burke at her home on Clifton Street, Prestonsburg. She was Mrs. Burke were entertained for dinner by Burieta Gearhart during her visit here.

Visits from Lawrenceburg

Mary Joyce Gash from Lawrenceburg, has been here visiting her father, Lawrence Adkins in McDowell, and her son and daughter-in-law, Charles and Jackie Meade at Printer.

Visits brother

Mrs. Nevada Osborne Smith of Sheridan, Wyoming, has been visiting her brother, Joseph Osborne of Bevinsville, and his wife, Maxine, since April 28.

Mr. and Mrs. Osborne hadn't seen or heard from his sister since 1943 until last February.

Mr. and Mrs. Osborne held an open house for Mrs. Smith on May 3. She met a lot of her relatives and friends at that time and later.

She was accompanied to Kentucky by her daughter, Jill, who returned to her home in Greeley, Colorado, after five days.

Nevada returned to her home in Sheridan, Wyoming, on May 23.

She has two adopted children, a daughter, Jill Andre, of Greeley, Colorado, and a son, Holly Holi-field, of Sheridan, Wyoming.

She has six grandchildren, one of whom plays baseball for the Florida Gators.

Nevada and Joe had a good time reliving the 54 years since they last saw each other. She said her one regret is finding so many of her family deceased. She and Joe are the only two remaining.

Visit aunt here

Don Hay of Valdosta, Georgia, and Mr. and Mrs. Victor Breehve of Cincinnati, Ohio, were here last week visiting their aunt, Helen Branham Chaffin, at her home on Arnold Avenue, Prestonsburg.

Visit parents here

John and Tia Anderson, and their daughter, of Lexington, were here last weekend visiting their parents, Marvin Eugene and Ella Faye Music and John and Doris Anderson.

Visit sister here

Don and Maxine Goble has as their houseguests last week, her sisters, Iva Crutcher of Louisville, and Jan Montgomery of Lexington. During their stay, the group visited with relatives in Hi Hat and Mousie.

Medical auxiliary meet

The Highlands Regional Medical Center Auxiliary general membership meeting was held May 13, at 4 p.m., in the Chalmer Frazier Board Room.

The meeting was called to order by President Garnet Fairchild. Mrs. Fairchild presented a reading on Maturity. The minutes of the April meeting were read and approved.

The finance committee made a report to buy a Vital Sign Monitor for the emergency room, two sleep chairs for ICCU, special wheelchair for X-ray, EKG machine for cardiology, and front lobby renovation.

These were approved for purchase for these departments.

Group pictures will be taken at the next meeting on June 10.

Members present were Garnett Fairchild, Earlene Daniels, Jane Back, Kathleen Setser, Jean Burke, Susie Burchett, Margaret Ackerman, Rebecca Vaughn, Myrtle Burchett, Annis C. Clark, Dorothy Stover, Shirley Nelson, Helen B. Chaffins, Elizabeth Ramey and Danise Amburgey.

Rebekahs meet

The regular meeting of Miriam Rebekah Lodge was held on May 20. The meeting was opened in regular form with Noble Grand Wanda Elste presiding.

Plans were discussed for the visit of Assembly President, Edna Edwards, of Hopkinsville, on June 17.

Sick members were discussed and will continue to be remembered in prayer.

The altar was draped in memory of Dan Ware, past grand master of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, I.O.O.F., who passed away in March.

Members present were Wanda Elste, Hope Whitten, Violetta Wright, Paulena Owens, Claudine Johns and Mable Jean LeMaster.

The next meeting will be held June 3, at 7 p.m., in the I.O.O.F. Hall.

Slone-Hamilton wedding

Stephanie Renea Slone and Richard Glenn Hamilton were united in marriage, Saturday afternoon, May 24, at the McDowell First Baptist Church.

The reception was held following the ceremony at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Allen at Minnie.

After a wedding trip to Paradise Island in the Bahamas, the couple will reside in Morehead.

Stephanie is the daughter of Jimmie Slone of Ligon and the late Connie Hartley Slone. Richard is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Hamilton of McDowell.

Dalton-Stumbo wedding

Mae Paige Dalton and Dickie Edward Stumbo were united in marriage on May 24, in Townsend, Tennessee.

Mae is the daughter of Garlie and Marie Page of Wayland. Dickie is the son of Gervie Stumbo of Wayland and the late Erman "Buck" Stumbo.

Hospital association convention

The Kentucky Hospital Association convention was held in Louisville at the Hyatt Regency/Commonwealth Convention Center on May 19-21.

Volunteers attending from Highlands Regional Medical Center in Prestonsburg were Kathy Allen, director of volunteers; Danise Amburgey, member of volunteers service convention for Kentucky Hospital Association; Annis Clark; Dorothy Stover; and Elizabeth Ramey.

Visit parents here

Ronnie and Laura Goble of Lexington were here last weekend visiting their parents, Don and Maxine Goble and David and Peggy Hereford.

Fishing trip in Alabama

Steve and Wilda Stout and daughter, Virginia, of Martin, have returned home from a successful fishing trip at Weiss Lake in Alabama.

Camping here

John and Ann Huff from Cincinnati, Ohio, have been here visiting with family members and friends. They camped at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park.

Retirement luncheon

Frank Salyers from Minnie, who was job coordinator for the Kentucky Works Program, was honored with a retirement luncheon at May Lodge, Jenny Wiley State Resort Park, last week. His staff was hostesses for this occasion.

Visits here

Julia Curtis from Lawrenceburg, was here last week visiting with family members and friends. She was the houseguest of Helen Branham Chaffin at her home on Arnold Avenue, Prestonsburg.

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 Misty Renee Jenkins, 20, of Minnie and Allen Van Turner II, 23, of Minnie.
 Cynthia Lynn Greathouse, 29, of Auxier and Richard Allen Vickery, 43, of Cleveland, Ohio.
 Melissa Dawn Powers, 17, of David and Merle David Marsall, 26, of David.
 Amanda Leigh King, 20, of Teaberry and Charles Anthony Howell, 21, of Richmond.
 Karen Elizabeth Gibson, 32, of Mousie and James Arthur Anderson, 27, of Prestonsburg.
 Jamie L. Hall, 21, of Prestonsburg and Timmy Johnson, 18, of Prestonsburg.
 Heather Maranda Slone, 15, of Middle Creek and Scotty Tackett, 22, of Hi Hat.
 Rebecca Leah Webb, 21, of Prestonsburg and Robert Dale Thacker, 23, of Prestonsburg.
 Elizabeth Ann Blanton, 39, of Staffordsville and Andrew Roger Blackburn, 51, of Hager Hill.
 Mary Elizabeth McCoy, 21, of Richmond and John Rodney McKinney, 29, of Richmond.
 Hattie Ann Marie Harvey, 18, of Martin and Darren Keith Shepherd, 21, of Huesville.
 Pamela Lynn Shepherd, 25, of Huesville and James Terry Martin, 22, of Martin.
 Clara Hughes, 41, of Martin and Everett L. Akers Jr., 53, of Martin.
 Mary Jean Carlin, 60, of Lackey and Curtis Gene Compton, 44, of Lackey.

Property Transfers

Ronald and Sammie Hatfield to Dwight P. Smith, property on Right Fork of Abbott Creek, at the mouth of Bee Fork at Bonanza.
 Kentucky Coalition Inc. to Thomas M. Smith, property in Prestonsburg.
 Ruby T. Lewis to Justin Bobby Trimble, property at Ivy Creek.
 Anna Turner to Ivan Turner, property location not listed.
 Tammy Dian Potter to Dian Ward Adkins, property at Tram.
 Louie James Hamilton and Emmitt Eugene Hamilton to Randa Sue Hamilton, property on Tinkerfork of Big Mud Creek.
 Gregory R. Jones to J.R.M. Coal Company, property location not listed.
 Denzil Ray and Donna Sue Hall

and Morris and Marcia K. Hylton to Hall and Hylton Development Inc., property Pen Hook Branch.
 Hattie Akers Crisp and James Crisp to Ben Hampton, property in Goble-Roberts Subdivision.
 Earvin Lee and Kathleen Crum to Arkansas Creek Community Church of God, property on Arkansas Creek.
 Edna Cooley to Hattie Cooley Owens, property on Prater Fork of Brush Creek.
 Janet and Claude J. Webb to Hattie L. and Jackie E. Owens, property on Prater Fork of Brush Creek.
 Bennie Lynwood and Gwendolyn Lafferty, Frank Gordon Grey, Jimmy Delano and Kaye Allen Gray, Frankie Gray Jr. and Sandra Gray, Betty Jean and David Ford, Nellie Kinzer Lafferty, Gretchen Lafferty and Tincy L. Crisp to Jerry Kinzer and Terry Kinzer, property on Left Fork of Bull Creek.
 Beulah Roberts to Rhonda Gale Newman, property location not listed.
 Beulah Roberts to Jeffrey Newman, property location not listed.
 Beulah Roberts to Rhonda Gale and Jeffrey Newman, property location not listed.
 Buck and Ruth Keen to Brenda Anderson, property location not listed.
 Eddie D. and Nancy Hall, Dorothy J. and Charles Becker, Barbara Sue and Bruce Caudill, Donald E. and Carla Hall, and Darrell E. Hall to Andy and Annette Jackson, property at Wheelwright.
 Delmar and Lillian Baldrige, Harold L. Baldrige, Patty and Bill Spradlin, Hattie and O.R. Howard, Bonnie and Paul Hughes, and Barbara and Jerry Meek to Jerry and Barbara Meek, property at East Point.
 Linda Foster Castle to Bryan S. and Gina M. Hall, property location not listed.
 John and Judy Salisbury to Mickey and Debra Kay Stapleton, property location not listed.
 Dana D. Milton Jr. and Gertrude Flannery to Thomas and Grace Taylor, property location not listed.
 Kentucky District Council of the Assemblies of God to Anthony Castle, property on Bull Creek at Water Gap, Prestonsburg.
 Paul Dean and Fronie McKinney, Gay Nell McKinney and Richard Leboda, George and Evelyn McKinney, Thomas Williamson, Karen Williamson and William Steveling, and Kenneth Williamson to Gay Nell Leboda, property on Deadening Fork of Toler Creek.
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William Steveling, and Kenneth Williamson to Thomas Williamson, Karen W. Steveling and Kenneth Williamson, property on Deadening Fork of Toler Creek.
 Paul Dean and Fronie McKinney, Gay Nell McKinney and Richard Leboda, George and Evelyn McKinney, Thomas Williamson, Karen Williamson and William Steveling, and Kenneth Williamson to Paul Dean McKinney, property on Deadening Fork of Toler Creek.
 Paul Dean and Fronie McKinney, Gay Nell McKinney and Richard Leboda, George and Evelyn McKinney, Thomas Williamson, Karen Williamson and William Steveling, and Kenneth Williamson to George McKinney, property on Deadening Fork of Toler Creek.
 J. C. and Mary Rose Martin, Robert A. and Carolyn L. Branham, J. C. Martin and Robert A. Branham, d/b/a B&M Properties to M&B Properties LLC, property at Martin.
 Gregory D. Stumbo, Deborah G. Stumbo, David A. Barber and Mary A. Barber to Our Lady of the Way Hospital Inc., property in Martin.
 Robert Ansom and Caroline Branham, Clara Juanita Branham Schultz and Bob Schultz, Walter Branham, Willie David and Darlene Branham, and Danie Columbus Branham and Carolyn Branham to Bonnie Jean Burgess, property on Buck's Branch.
 Valerie Ousley to Our Lady of the Way Hospital, property at Martin.
 Trans Financial Bank FSC to Eugene and Noma Jean Crisp, property location not listed.
 Raghu and Laxmi Sundaram to Our Lady of the Way Hospital, property at Martin.
 Jerry Dale and Anna Sue Hall to Otis and Imojean Hall, property on Branham's Creek.
 Elmo and Alene Allen to Teresa Allen Craft and Larry Craft, property location not listed.
 Randy L. and Sheila D. Hansford to Phyllis Parks and Teresa Music, property location not listed.
 Lonzo and Elsie Lafferty to Billie Lafferty, property location not listed.
 Judith Elder to Bill Parsons, property location not listed.
 Magalene Tackett to Gregory Allen Tackett, property location not listed.
 Emogene Conn to Michael and Nancy Alley, property at Betsy Layne.
 Vernie Johnson and Jeanice Johnson, property at Abner Fork.
 First Commonwealth Bank to Andy Lee Hamilton, property location not listed.
 William S. and Leatha F. Kendrick to James R. and Rita G. Allen, property in Prestonsburg.
 Victoria Akers to Clevert Akers, property in John Allen Subdivision.
 Cecil R. Hatton and Billie Kay Hatton to Cecil R. Hatton or successor trustee of Cecil R. Hatton Revocable Trust, property location not listed.
 Patricia Davis and Forest Davis to David Hall, Phyllis Davis,

Patricia Davis, Forrest Davis and Ronnie D. Cordle, property location not listed.
 Laredo Dorothy Conley, Esther Riller and Waldo Beaman Cummings, and Blanche Euphra and Robert Prescott to Fred Blackburn Jr., property at Otter Creek.
 Eastern Autobaun, 94 in retail and 94 in deli: No self-closing door in restroom. No lid on dumpster. Floor and ceiling needs repairs.
 Sam an Tonio's, Prestonsburg, 90: Food not covered on lower shelf. Not all food preparation employees wearing hair restraints. Microwave needs to be cleaned. Cooler lid in bad repair. Wiping cloths not in chlorine solution. Floor needs repair. Sink in bad repair.
 Taylor's Restaurant, Martin, 85: Critical violation found. Outer opening created by screen doors in bad repair in the back storage area. This should be repaired as soon as possible.
 Other violations: All refrigeration and freezer units should have thermometers. Food items stored under refrigeration should be covered. Gaskets in bad repair on several refrigeration and freezer units. Wiping cloths not stored in a sanitary solution.
 Tops of equipment in severe need of cleaning and sanitizing. Restrooms are in need of more intensive cleaning and sanitizing. Facility has installed a new floor covering in the food preparation area; however, floors in the back storage area remain in bad repair. Ceilings in back area in bad repair. Cleaning equipment (mops and brooms) not properly stored. Also, there is a slight debris buildup in the back storage area.
 Note: Facility has made some improvements. Recommend more attention in cleaning and sanitization procedures.

Restaurant, School and Mobile Home Park Inspections

All inspections are made by Floyd County Health Department environmentalists John L. Bailey and Russell Wallace.
 • Prestonsburg Inn, not rated: Room No. 21 has four occupants. Toilet facilities only allows two people. Doors should open outward. Owner has ten days to correct violations of hotel code.
 • Super 8 Motel, 94: inadequate fire extinguisher in some areas. In some places, exterior of structure needs repairs.
 • Pappy's Mart, Teaberry, 88: Critical violation found. Large gap at the bottom of side entrance, creating an outer opening, allowing entrance of insects or rodents. Follow-up visit will be made.
 Other violations: Several food items stored on the floor. Inside microwave needs cleaning. Restroom has no self-closing door. Ceiling in restroom not complete. Lights in walk-in cooler not properly shielded.

Garden Phil-osophy

by Philip W. Case

If you're planning your garden by the phases of the moon and signs of the zodiac, here's the information you'll need for the upcoming week. We're in the midst of a great week for planting according to the phases of the moon and signs of the zodiac, so hopefully the weather will cooperate.

MOON CHANGING PHASES THURSDAY

The moon is in the dark phase now and will remain there until the new moon—or no moon visible in the sky—comes into force at 2:03 a.m. Thursday. Until then, plant only those veggies that produce below the ground.

Then beginning Thursday and continuing until the full moon June 20, only those veggies that produce above the ground should be planted.

GREAT WEEK UNDERWAY

We're in the midst of a period of outstanding planting which began Monday and continues through Sunday, June 8. Here's how it shapes up.

Today finds the sign in Taurus (the neck), one of the four fruitful signs for planting anything that pro-

duces beneath the ground since the moon's in the dark phase. So if the ground's dry and you have planting to do, put the paper down and go.

BEAN DAYS COMING

Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday the sign is in Gemini (the arms)—the much-prized bean sign. However, Wednesday remains under the influence of the dark moon and since beans produce above the ground, no planting should occur. Thursday and Friday,

however, will both be under the influences of the light moon since it changes phases early Thursday. Thus you can cut loose on the beans Thursday and Friday.

Great general planting for above-ground producers is on tap for Saturday and Sunday, June 7-8. The moon will be in the light phase and the sign in Cancer (the breast), one of the four fruitful signs. On either of these days you may plant anything that produces above the ground.

Get your planting done before Monday, June 9, when the sign moves to Leo (the heart), a killing sign. Leo continues its influence Tuesday, June 10, before we begin a series of flowering days, June 11-15.



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Yesterdays

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Allen, May 19 at the Allen Methodist Church...There died: Mrs. Jane Vance, 71, of Martin, Sunday at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; Mrs. Myrtle Adkins Damron, 78, former Floyd teacher, May 25 at Lincoln Park, Mich.; Mrs. Sarah Hall, 69, of Melvin, Tuesday at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital.

Forty Years Ago (June 6, 1957)

Three Democratic nominations to county office could be decided by the count of absentee ballots. Tightest race of all is that for the Magisterial nomination in District 1, where Grover C. Holbrook, incumbent, held at the end of precinct tabulation, a one-vote (776 to 775) edge over James Wesley Howard. Tensest race of all, however, is the County Clerk's battle-to-the-wire finish between DuRan Moore, incumbent, and Banner Meade. The latter holds a lead of 95 votes...A suit to restrain members and representatives of a United Construction Workers local from interfering with work on a 12-inch pipeline project from Warco to Boldman except for peaceful picketing and to collect \$35,000 damages from them, was filed in circuit court Saturday by the Jackson Pipeline Construction Co., contractor on the job...A Floyd County safety council was organized at the courthouse here last week by Frank O. Parker, field representative of the state Division of Accident Control of the Department of Public Safety...Born: to Dr. and Mrs. E. B. Webber, of Wheaton, Ill., a son, Richard Jay; to Mr. and Mrs. Ess Ell Reed, of Martin, a daughter, Jane Ann, May 15 at the Beaver Valley Hospital, Martin...There died: David H. Hatcher, 75, retired Floyd attorney, last Wednesday at the Methodist Hospital, Pikeville.

Fifty Years Ago (June 5, 1947)

A reconnaissance of the Dewey dam reservoir area will be made June 17 by representatives of the National Park Service, the Kentucky Parks Commission and others, it was announced this week...Talks between Southern operators and UMWA representatives have at least temporarily broken down, with the union rejecting operators' offer of new wage boosts...An even dozen more

teachers were employed by the Floyd County Board of Education at its Tuesday afternoon meeting, leaving only a few vacancies in the county's schools. Date for opening of the rural term was set for July 14...John R. Eibner, former University of Kentucky grid star, will direct the athletic activities of Prestonsburg High School for the next year, it was announced this week...Playing his first game in Prestonsburg uniform this season, Frank Heinze turned in at Pikeville, Sunday, the first triple play to be executed in the Eastern Kentucky Baseball League...There died: Mrs. Stella Fielder Vaughan, 53, Tuesday morning at her home here; Mrs. Artie Moore Hamilton, 55, Friday at her home near Craynor; William Conley, 61, Tuesday at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; Cleve Miller, 62, Sunday at his home on Bull Creek; Jimmy Joe, four-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Waverly King, of Osborn, Friday at the Gearheart Hospital, Martin.

Sixty Years Ago (June 4, 1937)

With the funds appropriated last fall for this purpose, the Left Beaver road is to be surfaced, the portion about Clear Creek is to be graded and drained, and the Allen-Lackey road on Right Beaver from the end of the pavement near Dinwood to the Knott County line will be concreted...Ten coal company officials from Floyd County were elected to the board of directors of the Big Sandy Coal Operators Association at its annual meeting in Ashland, June 1...Graduation exercises for 192 seniors from 10 high schools were held Tuesday night in the Prestonsburg gymnasium at the inaugural countywide commencement exercises...Fireworks, free shows, gifts and souvenirs will be awaiting for visitors to Prestonsburg's "Free Day," Saturday...Memories of Civil War days, of steamboats paddling up the Big Sandy, and of life in Prestonsburg during the 1850's, 60's and 70's were recalled by 92-year-old William Johnson, of Halo, when he visited Harry Hill here a few days ago...Married: Miss Marie Blackburn, of Yeager, Ky., and Mr. Luther Herald, of Prestonsburg, Sunday at Yeager...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. H. M. May, a son, Wilkie Dean...There died: John McCarthy, 47, May 28 at Betsy Layne.



D.A.R.E. students had fun with a parachute and the air currents created by a flowing motion of the chute. (photo by Chris McDavid)

Some students got all wrapped up in the parachute fun during D.A.R.E. Day last Friday.

(photo by Chris McDavid)



DARE

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porting patients who need emergency medical attention, was also at Friday's event.

The event, which is normally held at the Jenny Wiley State Park, was held at the church's parking lot because the park grounds were too muddy and wet.

Lt. Thornberry said this year's event "went better than expected," because of the weather.

"(Dare Day) went very well," Lt. Thornberry said. "The kids had a lot of fun and we wanted to show them they can have fun without having drugs in their system."

Friday's event came to a close with Sheriff Paul Hunt Thompson spraying all of the kids down with a fire hose.

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Sunshine Lines

by Beverly Carroll



Thank you, Ms. M.W., for calling on Wednesday. I'm glad you read Sunshine Lines every week and really enjoy it. The newspaper who carries it, as well as the writer, like to hear positive comments. After all, the Floyd County Times feels this is a worthwhile column dedicated to senior

citizens, for which it donates space every week. If it were not for this newspaper's concern about issues that affect older Americans, the newspaper could use this space to generate revenue from advertising. Our senior citizens owe a debt of gratitude to this newspaper. The Floyd County Times is concerned about you!

Now, back to my conversation with Ms. W., one of our area's senior citizens. When she called, a warmth and pleasantness came through. Even while she discussed her reason for calling, which had to do with an article I had written during National Nursing Home week about nursing homes, she remained pleasant. However, when her mother was in a nursing home, in another state, as recent as approximately two years ago, she indicated that the

care she expected for her mother simply was not there.

She indicated that the outward appearance of the particular nursing home was well-groomed and eye-appealing. The esthetics of the interior was pleasing and it appeared clean in those areas most visitors would see. But, she continued, after several requests of the staff, my daughter or I had to clean my mother's bathroom every time we visited. The caller commented on a few other areas where she felt there were problems. She thought it was pathetic the way they tied residents in chairs so the staff wouldn't have to deal with them, and she felt that most people who work in nursing homes are only interested in receiving a pay check. She was most complimentary of the meals that were served in this particular facility, but she was not pleased with what she observed as the day-to-day care of the senior citizens who lived there. Her concerns seemed worthy of consideration as there might be others who have the same concerns Ms. W. had and don't know what to do about them.

Though I know that modern nursing homes have come a long, long way from where they were during my father and grandparent's day—when my father asked only one thing of his kids and that was that we wouldn't put him in a nursing home, I am aware that there are problems that arise today that must be addressed.

I personally don't look forward to the day when I might have to be placed in a nursing home. Few people do. However, I do not have the fears that were so prevalent thirty or forty years ago. And, I don't want our children to have to interrupt whatever careers they may have built by that time to be right at my side. Maybe, by that time I will have mellowed to the point that any one of our children could stand having me live with them for a while to delay being placed in a home. But should the time come that I would have to be placed in a nursing home, I certainly wouldn't want them to feel guilty, but I do hope they would visit often. I've seen a change—a big change for the better in today's nursing homes and the care they provide—though I still maintain the opinion that the best cared for are the residents who have family that visit often and unannounced.

I did not totally agree with the caller that most who are employed

by nursing homes are there only for the paycheck. The employees with this attitude usually don't stay around long. They either find something that better suits them or their bad attitude about their job builds until which time it becomes problematic and by necessity they are dismissed. Of course, as with every situation in life, there are exceptions. But I have personally known many dedicated people who work in nursing homes. One of the biggest problems some of these employees have is getting too close to the residents. And then, when the resident is dismissed or expires, some caretakers must go to therapy as they go through the grieving process. I do think guidelines should be tightened as to the ratio of aides to patients, but I think those caretakers who stay around are the ones who are genuinely concerned about the welfare of the residents assigned to them in their "line of duty."

In regard to the caller's concerns about residents being tied in chairs. Sometimes this is for the patient's welfare. If you've ever been around someone with "sun downers" or in the advanced stages of alzheimer disease, tying residents in their chairs for short periods of time would be better understood. It has kept many residents from experiencing falls and serious injuries to themselves or to other residents. Too, those with the tendency to leave the facility, or "run away," are often able to find their way to the door leading outside the home, but they become so disoriented that they usually cannot find their way back or even tell a police officer their name. That's why most doors in today's nursing homes are equipped with alarms or some type of security device so staff are instantly notified when a resident tries to leave. What some visitors may not understand is that the resident is not tied in a chair from the time of waking in the morning until going to bed at night. And, if memory serves me right from my studies in geriatrics, a resident cannot be tied in a chair or restrained in any way, except in an emergency situa-

tion, without a doctor's order.

Again, if you have concerns about the way your loved one is being treated in a nursing home in the Big Sandy area, or anywhere throughout the state for that matter, I would suggest that you take the following steps in the order outlined if the problem cannot be resolved with the administrator and it becomes necessary to proceed: 1) Talk with the administrator; 2) Call your local ombudsman. In the Big Sandy area you would call Ms. Sue Jones, Ombudsman, at 886-2374. She may want to discuss your situation with her supervisor in Morehead. 3) Contact the Long Term Care Ombudsman with her supervisor in Morehead. 4) Contact the Long Term Care Ombudsman office/Division of Aging Services at 1-800-372-2991. (Numbers 2 and 3 have limited power and can only advocate and mediate in an effort to work through problems between the resident, the resident's family and the nursing home). If problems cannot be rectified by taking the aforementioned steps then you could, 4) contact the regional office of the Division of Licensing and Regulation serving Eastern and Southcentral Kentucky. The office serving the Big Sandy area is in London, and can be reached by calling 606-878-7827. Regional offices, supervised by the state office in Frankfort, have the power to get things done, if problems cannot be resolved before they are asked to get involved. My understanding of the regional offices' role, is that they can make recommendations to the office in Frankfort, to close a facility not in

compliance with the state's rules, regulations and/or recommendations made by state employees governing nursing homes in efforts to correct problems. The telephone number for the Division of Licensing and Regulation in Frankfort is: 502-564-2800. Oftentimes, consulting with an attorney before you feel you must take it to the regional/state level can encourage and expedite compliance at the local level.

No. Modern nursing homes are not perfect. But they are the perfect places to be when your loved ones or beloved friends are no longer able to care for you. I personally feel that nursing homes have come a long way over the last four decades. I also feel that many of today's nursing homes must deal with the stigma societies of yesterday attached to them. This is not an easy feat to overcome. And, yes, there are many dedicated employees in most nursing homes today.

I thank Ms. W. for calling. It afforded me the opportunity to speak once again, on the improvements made in nursing home care over the years and to give you insight on the steps you might want to consider taking if you or a loved one are having problems in a nursing home and you can't seem to work through them with its administrator or your local ombudsman.

This column is written as an outreach effort on behalf of the Kentucky Benefits Counseling Program for Senior Citizens. For more information about this program, contact Charles Slone, benefits counseling coordinator at 886-3876 or toll-free at 1-800-556-3876.

Anniversary



50th wedding anniversary

Rev. John and Minervia Pelphrey recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Pelphrey were married June 1, 1947, at the Paintsville United Baptist Church. They reside at Allen. The Pelphrey's celebrated their anniversary at Renfro Valley.

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Engagements



Bridget Jeannette Conn and George Clayton Vanover

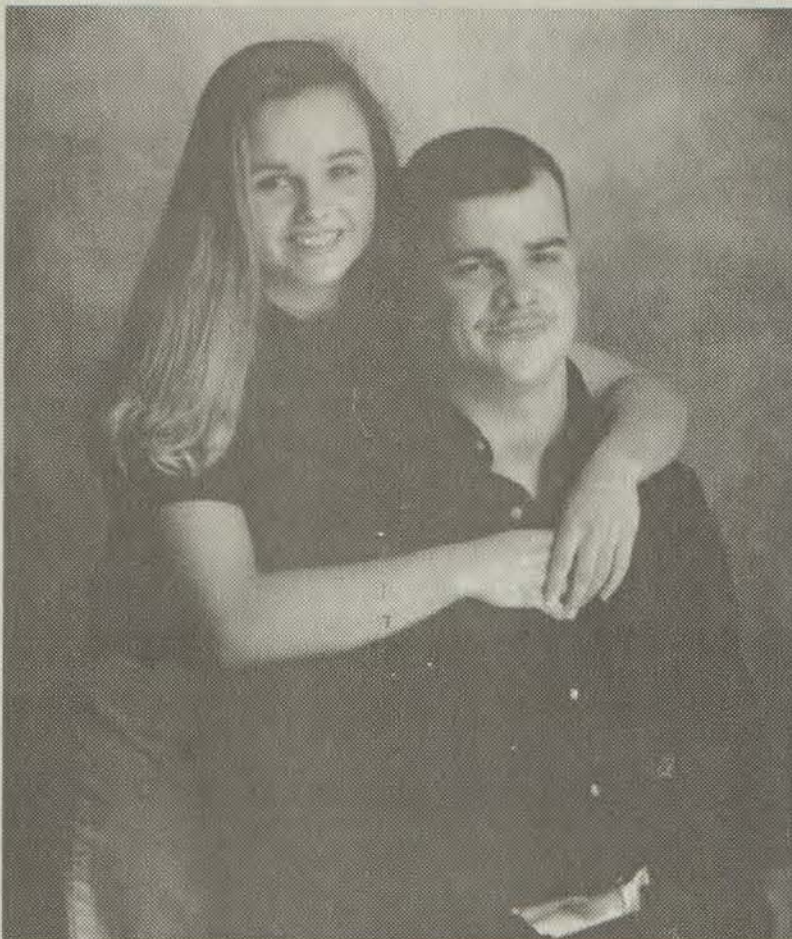
Conn, Vanover to wed

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Conn of Endicott, announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Bridget Jeannette Conn, and George Clayton Vanover, son of Belva Lee Vanover of Hueysville, and the late George Milburn Vanover.

Bridget is the granddaughter of Jerlen S. Jervis of Endicott and late Curtis Jervis. Her paternal grandparents are Harry Conn of Arkansas and the late Ruth Conn. George is the grandson of Cordelia Conley of Hueysville and the late Milton Conley.

Vanover's paternal grandparents are Sarah Vanover of Auxier and the late Harrison Clark Vanover.

The wedding ceremony will be conducted by pastor B.J. Crider, Saturday, June 21, at 2:30 p.m., at the Endicott Freewill Baptist Church. The custom of an open wedding will be observed.



Kimberlee Lynn Orsborn and Gregory Scott Slone

Orsborn, Slone to wed

James (Bud) and Henrietta Orsborn of Auxier, announce the engagement of their daughter, Kimberlee Lynn Orsborn, and Gregory Scott Slone, son of Gold and Betty Slone of Prestonsburg.

Kimberlee is a 1994 graduate of Prestonsburg High School and a 1996 graduate of the Respiratory Therapy Technician program at Mayo. She is employed by the Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital.

Gregory is a 1991 graduate of Prestonsburg High School and a 1995 graduate of Nashville Auto Diesel College in Nashville, Tennessee. Greg is employed by Gold Slone Transmission Service.

A September wedding is planned.



July wedding planned

Bill Powell of Auxier and Mary Powell of Stanton, announce the marriage of their daughter, Becky M. Powell, and William A. Poe, son of Loretta Hyden and step-son of Randall Hyden of Prestonsburg, July 3, at 7 p.m. at the Community Freewill Baptist Church, Third Street, Goble-Roberts Addition, Prestonsburg. An open ceremony will be observed and a reception will follow. The bride is registered at Wal-

Birthdays

Belated birthday party for Arnett

Though Rebecca Arnett's birthday was Thursday, May 8, her husband and their three children planned for a celebration on Saturday, May 10. This day was more convenient for out-of-town relatives.

As a result of the plans, friends and relatives began arriving about 1:30 p.m., at the Holiday Inn, on Saturday, May 10, to join in the celebration, honoring Mrs. Arnett's 83rd birthday.

After the luncheon was served, a time of fellowship and visiting was held. At this time, pictures were taken, as well as a video of the event was filmed by the youngest Arnett son, Glenn Philip.

Drawing for door prizes was made. The winners were Jack Gibson and Brett Layne Campbell.

At the request by Mrs. Arnett, Lori Sizemore favored the group

with a song.

Relatives attending were the Arnett's children: Joe Jack of Louisville; Lolita Ann Campbell of Lexington and Glenn Philip of Reston, Virginia. The only grandchildren attending were Dwayne Campbell and his wife, Ruth, of Lexington; Joey Campbell and wife, Audrey; and Tina Clark of Abbott Road; great-grandchildren, Joseph Wesley Campbell and Brett Layne Campbell, sons of Joey; Zack and Nick Clark, sons of Tina; her niece Minerva Ann Branham and granddaughter, Jessica Branham; Jan Wells and granddaughter, Madison Rose Wells, all of Abbott Road; Rhona Burchett and daughter, Jennifer, of Sugar Leaf; a cousin, Kathryn Poe and husband, Isom, of Middle Creek Road.

Friends and neighbors present

were the Arnett's pastor, Rev. Sam Smith and wife, Paula, of Martin; John and Helen Clark of Abbott; Rita Campbell of Abbott Road; Jake and Glenda Fraley and daughter, Sara, of Abbott Mountain.

West Prestonsburg residents attending were Doug and Martha Burke, Ethel Hale, and Jack and Joan Gibson. Others attending were Steve Warrix of Prestonsburg; and Lou Ellen Chandler and Joann Burchett of Auxier.

Friends from Salyersville present were Linda Fitzpatrick, Lori Sizemore, Joan Puckett and Barbara Puckett.

Mrs. Arnett expressed thanks to her family and friends for helping to make the day a joyous time, which she said she would always treasure in memory.



88th birthday

Anderson Laferty, 88, of Prestonsburg, was honored with a birthday dinner at the home of his daughter, Shirley Halbert, of Pikeville, on Saturday, May 3. He received many gifts and enjoyed the fellowship of all his children, many of his grandchildren, and friends. Those attending the dinner were Dr. and Mrs. Dennis Halbert, Jason and Joseph, Mary Jo Halbert, Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Chaffins, Almee, Joel, and Anna, Geoff Cody, Matt Crawford, Thelma and Chaddi Laferty and Leah Vaughn, Clarence and Justin Lafferty, Stewart Laferty and Patty Justice.



Tania Shepherd and Kevin Holbrook

Shepherd, Holbrook to wed

Dora Salyer of Prestonsburg and Calvin Shepherd of David, announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Tania Shepherd, and Kevin Holbrook, son of Mr. and Mrs. John L. Holbrook of Van Lear.

Miss Shepherd is a graduate of Prestonsburg High School and Morehead State University, where she was a member of the Delta Gamma Sorority. She is employed as a paralegal with Anna Melvin and is the commonwealth's detective for the 24th Judicial Circuit.

Mr. Holbrook is a graduate of Johnson Central High School, the University of Kentucky and the Salmon P. Chase College of Law. He is an attorney at Preston and Holbrook Law Office and is the assistant Johnson County Attorney.

The wedding will take place at 6:30 p.m., on June 7, at the First United Methodist Church, Prestonsburg. The gracious custom of an open church wedding will be observed.



Family celebration

Pictured from left, Delcie Endicott of Endicott and Darlene and Johnny Endicott of Floyd County and Morehead celebrated their birthdays at the Ponderosa Restaurant in Morehead on May 8. Also attending the celebration was Thurston Endicott, who snapped the birthday picture.



93rd birthday

Beatrice Hall celebrated her 93rd birthday, May 28, at her home at Beaver. Beatrice has ten children, all living. Some were present to help her celebrate with a cookout in her honor. Several friends and relatives came to visit, others called to wish her a happy birthday.



Fourth birthday

Cheyenne Blair Sloan celebrated her fourth birthday on May 23. She celebrated with a "101 Dalmations" party. She is the daughter of William and Tami Sloan of Wheelwright. Her maternal grandparents are Helen Blair, of Wheelwright, and the late Curt Blair. Her paternal grandparents are Homer and Christine Sloan of Melvin.

Births

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May 13: A daughter, Samantha Rose, to Billie Jo and David Wayne May of Staffordsville; a daughter, Paul Alexander Maynard, to Karen Salyer Phillips of Tomahawk; a son, Devin Cleo, to Crystal and Cleo Hamilton of Byro.

May 14: A son, Donovan Harold, to Dena Rachelle and Lucky Collett Jr. of Garrett.

May 15: A daughter, Monica Lee, to Sharlene and Homer Lee Hall of Topmost; a son, Benny

Jared, to Patricia A. and Benny Rodney Butcher of Boonscamp.

May 16: A daughter, Brittany Rachelle Pigg, to Selena Michelle Curtis of Wittensville; a son, Andrew Joseph, to Deonna and Joey Dean Bailey of Teaberry; a son, Colton Blake, to Tonya Lee and Terry Lee Williams of Salyersville; a daughter, Katlyn Nicole, to Jennifer and Johnny W. Russell of Salyersville.

May 17: A son, Travis Reao Hamilton, to Tiesha Marie Bryant of Byro.

May 18: A daughter, Christina Tyler, to Helen Renee Marsilett of

Martin; a daughter, Madison Cheyanne, to Susan and Bill Carpenter of Staffordsville.

May 19: A son, Sayeed Abdurahman, to Sabiha and Mujeeb U. Siddiqui of Prestonsburg; a daughter, Tori Cheyanne, to Christina and Jody Kestner of River; a son, Jeremiah James, to Carrie Ann and Delbert Music of Nippa.

May 20: A daughter, Kynzie Madison, to Lonna Carole and Eric Floyd Cray of Van Lear; a son, Kelly Patrick Moore II, to Jessica Lee Collins of Allen; a daughter, Kailey Alissa, to Tina and Joseph Cole of Stambaugh; a son, Johnathon Tyler, to Ella Mae West

of Salyersville.

May 21: A daughter, Breanna Michelle, to Karen and Michael Conley of Martin; a son, Deven Chase, to Rebecca Sue and Daniel LeRoy Ables of Royalton; a son, Zachary David, to Cecilia Angelique and John David Clark of Langley; a son, Taylor Lee Dalton, to Pamela and Jerry Howard of Salyersville.

May 22: A daughter, Mikayla Joelle, to Recina and David Allen Estep of Paintsville; a daughter, Hali Nichole, to Kristie Dee and Nathan Allen Johnson of Martin.

May 23: A daughter, Kaitlyn

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Business/Real Estate

60 Kentucky counties certified to use KREDA incentives for new jobs

The Kentucky Economic Development Finance Authority (KEDFA) recently officially certified 60 Kentucky counties as eligible to participate in the KREDA tax incentive program for the upcoming fiscal year.

The Kentucky Rural Economic Development Act (KREDA) is a special tax incentive program designed to attract manufacturing jobs to certain Kentucky counties in which the unemployment rate has been higher than the state average for the past five consecutive years.

New or existing companies which create new manufacturing jobs in KREDA counties have the potential to recover the entire

investment in land, buildings, fixtures and equipment for up to 15 years. When a county's unemployment rate decreases to or below the state average, that county is decertified from the KREDA program.

The following counties have been certified as KREDA qualified counties for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1998: Adair, Ballard, Bath, Bell, Boyd, Bracken, Breathitt, Breckinridge, Butler, Carlisle, Carter, Clay, Clinton, Crittenden, Cumberland, Edmonson, Elliott, Estill, Floyd, Graves, Grayson, Greenup, Hancock, Harlan, Hopkins, Jackson, Johnson, Knott, Knox, Laurel, Lawrence, Lee, Leslie, Letcher, Lewis, Livingston,

Lyon, McCreary, McLean, Magoffin, Marion, Marshall, Martin, Menifee, Morgan, Muhlenberg, Nelson, Ohio, Perry, Pike, Powell, Pulaski, Rockcastle, Rowan, Russell, Union, Wayne, Webster, Whitley, and Wolfe.

Montgomery County was decertified from the KREDA program because its unemployment rate decreased to a level below the state average.

However, Montgomery County will still have a one-year grace period, ending June 30, 1998, in which to attract new manufacturing jobs under KREDA provisions.

Any Kentucky county which does not qualify to use the KREDA

program to attract new manufacturing jobs is eligible to use another state tax incentive program, called the Kentucky Industrial Development Act (KIDA).

New or expanding industries which create jobs under the KIDA program have the potential to recover up to their entire investment in land, buildings and fixtures, plus certain equipment costs, for up to 10 years.

Eligibility for the KREDA program is based on unemployment rates calculated by the Kentucky Department for Employment Services using a formula established by the U.S. Department of Labor.

Higher rates for new EE savings bonds

Series EE savings bonds purchased on or after May 1, will earn interest based on market yields for five-year Treasury securities right from the start. The new rate for EE bonds will be 90 percent of the average yields on five-year Treasury securities for the preceding six months.

MONTHLY INTEREST

Now, new Series EE bonds will increase in value every month. The announced interest rate is compounded semiannually.

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Bonds cashed before five years are subject to a 3-month interest penalty. For example, if you cash a bond after 18 months you will get 15 months' worth of interest. The savings bond program encourages Americans to save for longer-term goals such as education or retire-

ment. This rewards longer-term bond holders who then benefit from higher five-year rates over the full life of the bond.

EASY TO UNDERSTAND

The rates announced each May and November are the annual rates that apply to bonds for that six month earning period. For example, the six-month earning period for a bond issued in May is from May through October; for a bond issued in June, it's June through November.

INTEREST EARNING LIFE

Series EE bonds earn interest for 30 years. This long life lets investors use savings bonds for truly long term goals like education and retirement.

TAX ADVANTAGES

Interest earned on your Series EE bonds is exempt from State and local income taxes. You can defer

Federal income tax until you redeem the bonds or they stop earning interest after 30 years. This means you can plan ahead and choose when might be the best time to realize income tax purposes. And, since your interest isn't taxed until you redeem a bond your savings grow faster.

There are also special tax benefits available for education savings. If you qualify, you can exclude all or part of the interest earned on Series EE bonds from income when the bonds are redeemed to pay for post-secondary tuition and fees.

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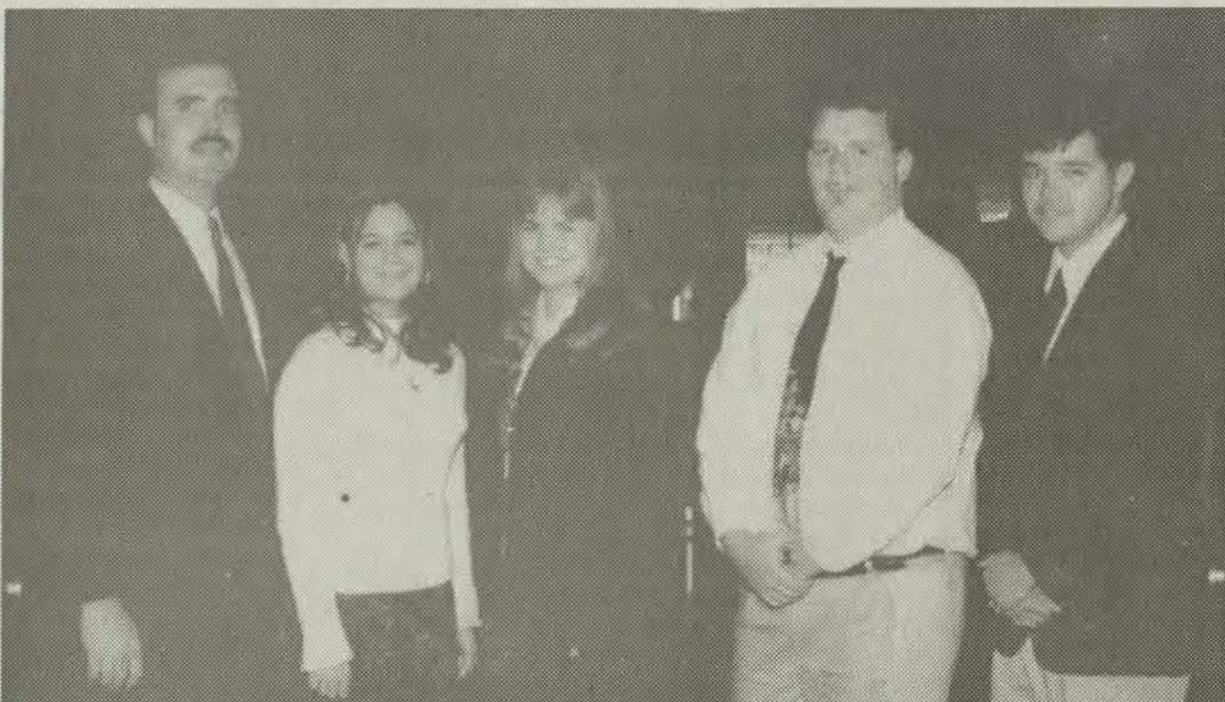
Series EE Bonds are sold at half their face value and are available in denominations ranging from \$50 through \$10,000. Because EE bond interest is pegged to market rates that change every six months, there

is no way to predict when a bond will reach its face value. In the unlikely event that rates are so low that a bond doesn't reach face value by the time it is 17 years old, Treasury will make a one-time adjustment to increase the bond's value to face value at that time.

LIQUIDITY

You can cash Series EE bonds any time after 6 months. Most investors plan to hold bonds for longer term goals, yet they know they can get their money with interest if they need it. Of course, if a bond is redeemed before five years, a three-month interest penalty applies.

Bonds issued before May 1, 1997 Savings bonds and notes issued before May 1, 1997, are not affected by these changes and continue earn interest under the terms in effect before May 1, 1997.



Betsy Layne students take part in summit

Students and administrators from Betsy Layne High School took part last month in a meeting for students and business leaders sponsored by the Partnership for Kentucky Schools and the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce. The students, Andrea Westfall, Tara Johnson, Brad Kimbler, and Jeremy Parsons, and Coy D. Samons, principal, were among 50 students and administrators from eight Kentucky high schools invited to the summit, held April 24, in Louisville. Also attending were members of the Education Ambassadors, former participants in the Governor's Scholars Program who volunteer their time to work for improved schools in Kentucky. At the meeting, the students and business leaders held a wide-ranging discussion about issues facing schools and students in the state, including higher academic standards, student motivation, and the expectations business leaders have for high school students. Information from the meeting is being gathered into a report which will be released soon, said Carolyn Witt Jones, director of the Partnership for Kentucky Schools. Business leaders, taking part in the summit included representatives of Lexmark, United Parcel Service, the Kentucky Farm Bureau, and Ashland Inc.

MSHA reemphasizes inspection focus on lung hazards in coal mines

The Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) is strengthening existing enforcement procedures to give coal miners better protection against lung diseases caused by respirable dust, Assistant Secretary of Labor for Mine Safety and Health Davitt McAteer announced. The procedures reflect several recommendations offered last November by the Secretary of Labor's Advisory Committee on the Elimination of Pneumoconiosis Among Coal Mine Workers.

Beginning June 15, MSHA inspectors will follow new instructions during inspections to:

- Provide protection for contractor employees and construction workers at mine sites with regard to dust control plans, training, hazard surveillance and compliance activities;
- Inspect for compliance with ventilation regulations adopted last year that require operators of underground coal mines to perform an on-shift examination of respirable dust controls;
- Place increased emphasis on examination of dust controls where 100 micrograms or more of quartz (crystalline silica) is present in respirable coal mine dust samples; and
- Place increased inspector

emphasis on examining dust controls on roof bolting machines and of machine-mounted dust collectors on continuous mining machines.

The new instructions to MSHA inspectors are set forth in Procedure Instruction Letters 197-V-5 through 197-V-8. To help apprise the mining community of the procedures, copies of the procedure instruction letters are being mailed to all coal mine operators. The procedure instruction

Union effort fails in tie vote; eleven ballots contested by UMWA

Last Thursday, the United Mine Workers Union (UMW) failed in its second attempt to organize miners at the Upper Big Branch Mine. In an election conducted by the National Labor Relations Board, 61 miners voted against union representation, and 54 miners voted in favor.

The union's first attempt to organize miners at Upper Big Branch occurred in December 1995. In that election, 49 miners voted against union representation, and 49 voted in favor. The tie vote denied the union the majority required to win.

Although 11 additional ballots cast today were contested by the

letters may also be found on MSHA's Home Page on the World Wide Web at <http://www.msha.gov/>, where they can be accessed via links from Program Information Bulletin P97-9. On MSHA's home page, all recent agency program information bulletins may be found under "Compliance Assistance Information," which is located under "Statutory and Regulatory Information."

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union and sealed pending rulings by the NLRB, they are unlikely to change the outcome of the election. "Miners here at Upper Big Branch already have a good thing going," said Joe Evans, president of Performance Coal Company. "They've built a safe, productive, and successful workplace. They value what they've accomplished together, and today's vote is evidence of that fact. We'll continue working together, as we have in the past, to provide good jobs and maintain our competitive edge."

Performance Coal Company is an operating subsidiary of A.T. Massey Coal Company Inc.

Anthem board approves \$44 million capital infusion plan

Responding to 1996 losses in its Kentucky operations, the board of directors of Anthem Inc. today approved a transfer of \$44 million to its largest regulated entity in Kentucky (Southeastern United Medigroup Inc.).

Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield products are underwritten in Kentucky through two regulated entities, Southeastern United Medigroup Inc. (SUMI) and Southeastern Group Inc. (SGI). SUMI underwrites Blue Cross and Blue Shield's managed care products; SGI its standard indemnity-type plans.

Anthem's SUMI and SGI operations today reported the following 1996 combined financial results.

- Underwriting gain/loss: (\$50) million
- After-tax net income/(loss): (\$5) million

The bulk of losses were concentrated in SUMI, which recorded underwriting losses of (\$6) million and net losses of (\$33) million after investment income and taxes. The majority of SUMI's customers are individuals and small employer groups, the two markets that have been impacted most by Kentucky's health care reforms.

SUMI losses reduced its surplus to \$51 million at year end 1996. Kentucky Blue Cross and Blue Shield President Jim LeMaster said that level was an "unacceptable low."

SGI surplus at year end 1996 were \$116 million.

LeMaster said the financial losses reflect "the continued crisis facing Kentucky's insurance market in the wake of health-care reform."

"There's no doubt that our losses are a direct result of Kentucky's health-care reforms. Anthem's other Blue Cross and Blue Shield operations in Ohio and Indiana recorded profitable years," LeMaster said, noting that net income for Kentucky Blue Cross and Blue Shield had ranged between \$30 and \$50 million from 1991 through 1994—the year before health-care reform was implemented.

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The Floyd County Health Department has a vacancy for a Senior Health Environmentalist. Beginning salary for this position is \$23,907.00 annually. Minimum requirements for this position are: Four-year degree from a college or university, with a minor or equivalent course (24 semester hours) in environmental health, biological or physical science, and one year of experience as a health environmentalist. Must have knowledge of all aspects of environmental programs of the health department, but primary emphasis of this position will be on-site sewage program. Criminal background check may be required. For more information concerning this position, please call 606-886-2788. Applications for this position may be obtained at the Floyd County Health Department in Prestonsburg, Ky. Applications must be received by the Merit System for Local Health Personnel at 275 East Main St., Frankfort, KY 40621 on or before midnight June 24, 1997. An Equal Opportunity Employer

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For 1, 2 & 3-bedroom apartments.
Regency Park Apartments
U.S. 321 (Below Hospital)
886-8318
from 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

APARTMENTS NOW AVAILABLE
Applications now being accepted for 2 & 3 bedroom apartments for low and very low income people at Highland Heights in Goble Roberts Addn, and Cliffside Apts. located on Cliff Road. Office hours are 8:30 to noon and 1 to 4:30 at Cliffside, and 1 to 6 p.m. at Highland Heights (closed on Wed. afternoons). Or call (606) 886-1819 (Cliffside); (606) 886-0608 Highland Hgts; TDD—1-800-247-2510. Church Housing Assoc. Of Prestonsburg, Inc. DBA Highland Heights and Cliffside Apts. does not discriminate in admission or employment in subsidized housing on account of race, color, creed, religion, sex national origin, age, familial status or handicap.

SCHOOL BUS DRIVERS
School Bus Driver positions in Floyd County. Starting pay is \$40.59 daily. Applicants must be at least 21 years of age and have a high school diploma or GED. Training program leads to licensing and certification. Applicants must submit to a criminal records check. The Floyd County Board of Education does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, religion, marital status, sex, or handicap. To apply, contact David Layne at the School Bus Garage in Martin, Kentucky.

POSITION AVAILABLE
Opportunity to make a vital difference in the life of people, and enhance your own.
RN Full Time
Working with terminally ill patients and their families. In-home support and care. Two years experience desired.
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Immediate Opening for Maintenance/Security Worker
Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Inc. has an immediate opening for a Maintenance/Security Worker on a PRN (as needed) basis. Job Qualifications: Must have valid Kentucky driver's license; High school diploma or GED. Position reports directly to the Chief Operating Officer. Qualified candidates should apply at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Human Resources Department, P.O. Box 910, Martin, Kentucky 41649 or call (606) 285-5181, extension 302. An Equal Opportunity Employer

Office/Retail Space For Rent

OFFICE/RETAIL SPACE FOR RENT. 14x20. New Allen. Call 874-8978 or 874-8039 after 5 p.m.

FOR LEASE: 925 sq. ft. office space located in Jenny Wiley Village. Will remodel to tenant's specifications. Call 886-8179.

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*Parking *1 Block from Courthouse *First Floor *Handicap Equipped *Private Entrance *Bookcases & Storage *Kitchenette *10 office suite or two 5 office suites. Located in Downtown Prestonsburg. Call 285-0900, 874-9976 or 874-9052.

FOR RENT Cheap! Cheap!

4,000 sq. ft. warehouse, wholesale, retail or storage space with 14 ft. high ceilings, overhead door, two offices and two baths. Near Highlands Regional Hospital. Call 886-8110 or see Don Pelphrey.

Mobile Home Lots For Rent

TRAILER SPACE FOR RENT. Harold, across bridge. Call 432-5415 days or 432-2311 after 7 p.m.

Employment Available

AVON: BUY OR SELL. Call Jancy at 886-2082.

\$300-\$500 WEEKLY. Full/part time processing U.S. Gov't FHA mortgage refunds. Call 8a.-9 p, M-F, cst, 504-429-9233, ext. 4810D22.

PARK RANGERS! Game Wardens, park police. \$6-\$20 per hour. Year round positions for men and women. Call M-F, 8a.m.-9p.m. cst., 504-429-9231, ext. 4810P22.

NEED SOMEONE TO STAY in home with elderly man. Light housekeeping, variable hours. Pay negotiable. Call 886-8781 after 5 p.m.

POSTAL JOBS: Start \$12.68hr. plus benefits. For application and exam info call 1-800-256-7606, ext. KY109, 8 a.m.-9 p.m. 7 days.

FIELD SERVICE TECHNICIAN

A Career with a Future EMARK, a leading automated teller machine sales and service company nationwide, has an immediate opening for a Field Service Technician in their East Kentucky regional office. Successful candidates will have the following qualifications: field experience in a technician area, computers, copiers, bank equipment; a 2-year degree or certificate in electronics or related field. Excellent pay and benefits. Top level training provided. For immediate consideration send resume to: EMARK, Attn: Field Service Engineer, 1111 Executive Court, Suite 200, Westmont, IL 60559; or fax to 630-789-1463.

Job Opening PRINCIPALSHIP

The Knott County School District is accepting applications for the position of Principal of Cordia School due to retirement of the current Principal. Cordia School is located 10 miles southeast of Hazard, KY, and approximately 20 miles southwest of Hindman, KY. (Approximately 297 students, P-12.) A new building is under construction with completion expected during the 1997-98 school term. Appropriate Kentucky certification is required. Salary is according to Rank and experience schedule for the 225 day annual contract. Send letter of application plus resume with names, addresses, and phone numbers of three professional references to Dr. Jim Pack, Supt., Knott County Schools, P.O. Box 869, Hindman, KY 41822. Phone 606-785-3153; Fax: 606-785-0800. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

LOCAL BUSINESS, NEW IN AREA, now hiring. Full and part time positions. Pay starting \$200-\$700 per week. Call for appointments Thursday, June 5, 889-0307.

EARN \$\$\$ with AVON. Work your own schedule. Call 1-800-840-4902.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

City of Prestonsburg, Ky.

Wednesday, June 11, 5:30 p.m.

Council Room, Municipal Building, Prestonsburg

A public meeting will take place on Wednesday, June 11, 1997, at 5:30 p.m. at the Council meeting room in the Municipal Building, 31 North lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Ky., for the purpose of providing general information to the public regarding the proposed US 23/Cow Creek Water Line Extension Project. The public is invited to attend and comment on such issues as economic and environmental impacts, service area, alternatives to the project, or any other pertinent issues.

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION FOR INFORMING THE PUBLIC OF POSSIBLE IMPACT TO AN IMPORTANT LAND RESOURCE

The U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, is considering a pre-application for financial assistance sponsored by the City of Prestonsburg.

The proposed project consists of approximately 3.8 miles of 10", 6" and 4" PVC water pipe, two 200,000-gallon water storage tanks and one 400-gallon per minute booster pumping station. Approximately 120 residents and businesses in the Tram, Toms Creek, Ivy Creek, Daniels Creek, Woods Branch and Slick Rock Branch areas and possibly contiguous areas of northeast Floyd County are proposed to be served.

If implemented, the proposed action may impact important farmland and designated floodplain within the corridors and/or sites of the proposed improvements. The purpose of this notice is to inform the public of this possible result and to request comments concerning (1) the impacts of the proposed location of farmland and floodplain; (2) alternative sites or actions that would avoid these impacts; and (3) methods that could be used to reduce these impacts.

The proposed action is available for review at the Rural Development Office, 220 West First Street, Morehead, KY 40351. Any person interested in commenting on the proposed action may do so by sending such comments within 30 days to Joseph C. Frazier, USDA-RD, 220 West First Street, Morehead, KY 40351.

Federal law prohibits discrimination on the grounds of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, handicap, and age under this program.

BY: MAYOR JERRY FANNIN, CITY OF PRESTONSBURG

EOE

BILLING CLERK POSITION AVAILABLE: Responsibilities include A/R payments, processing encounter data, collection data, overdue accounts, etc. Qualifications: High school degree, minimum two years computer experience, type 40 wpm, prefer knowledge of CPT and ICD-9 codes. Deadline June 6. Send resume to: Big Sandy Health Care, Inc., Attn: Billing Supervisor, 1709 KY. Rt. 321, Suite 3, Prestonsburg, KY 41653; or fax to 606-886-8548 #19.

ABBOTT ENGINEERING, INC. has an immediate opening for experienced Autocad Technician. Experience in surface and underground mine mapping update, traversing survey field notes, reserve calculations, property plats, etc. Send resume to: Abbott Engineering, Inc., 3073 Ky. Rt. 321, Prestonsburg, KY 41653; or call 606-886-1221.

PROFESSIONAL MINING ENGINEER Rapidly growing mining and land company has openings for Professional Mining Engineer and an Engineering Technician Engineering candidates should have BS in Mining/Civil Engineering and be registered in Kentucky. Engineering Technician candidates should have strong background in permitting and Autocad. If interested please send confidential resume to: Coal Office P.O. Box 279 Pikeville, KY 41502 (Equal Opportunity Employer)

WILDLIFE/CONSERVATION JOBS: Now hiring Game Wardens, Security, Maintenance, Park Rangers. No experience necessary. For application and info call 800-299-2470, ext. KY116C, 8 a.m.-9 p.m. 7 days.

VETERANS

Free Job Search Training (CDL, Etc.), Housing Assistance 886-3582 (COLLECT)

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SEVEN WEEK OLD POMERANIANS. Light in color. Two male, one female. \$150. Call 886-0055 between 7 p.m. and 10 p.m.

Garage & Yard Sales

MOVING SALE: Thursday, June 5, 35 North Second Street, behind Bank Josephine in New Allen. Children and romance books, bicycle that looks like a motorcycle, clothes, bicycles, toys, houseware, waterbed, etc. If raining sale will be Saturday, June 7. 874-9478.

CARPORT SALE: Friday-Saturday, June 6-7. 9a-4p. Second house on right behind Allen Fire Department. Rain or shine. Home interior, toys, household and miscellaneous items. Follow signs.

COMMUNITY YARD SALE: Allen, KY. Crafts, computer, clothing, miscellaneous, exercise equipment, some free items. Saturday, June 7.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEE RUMMAGE SALE: Health Department parking lot. Saturday, June 7, from 8 a.m.-3 p.m. If it rains, will reschedule.

FIVE FAMILY YARD SALE: Friday, June 6, at Stanville behind car wash on hill.

BIG YARD SALE: Saturday, June 7, 8a-?? 9/10 mile up Cow Creek.

YARD SALE: Get some real bargains! Friday, June 6, and Saturday, June 7, at 481 Riverside, Prestonsburg, back of Giovanni's Pizza.

HUGE GARAGE SALE: Baby and children's items; household items. Thursday-Friday, 9a-3p. 619 North Arnold Avenue, Prestonsburg.

YARD SALE: Thursday-Friday, June 5-6. 180 North Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, behind Layne's Hardware.

ST. MARTHA CATHOLIC CHURCH SUMMER GARAGE SALE

Wednesday-Thursday, June 4-5. 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Home of Mrs. Lucille Nunery 27 South Arnold Ave. Prestonsburg.

TWO FAMILY YARD SALE: Clothes and miscellaneous; roll top desk; weight bench and weights; spreads and curtains. June 2, 3 & 4 from 9-5. One fourth mile up Sugarloaf. Look for signs.

Work Wanted

SUMMER WORK WANTED: Sixteen-year-old student wants to work for you. Experienced in lawn care, general labor helper, and processing materials. Call Blake at 285-0190.

Social Security Claims Services

TURNED DOWN ON SOCIAL Security/SSI? Free Consultation. 1-800-896-1130. No fee unless we win your case.

Child Care Services

WILLING TO BABYSIT or clean houses in Prestonsburg area. References provided. Call 886-3437.

DAYCARE PROVIDER has four openings in Wayland. Monday-Friday, first shift only. Certified in Daycare, Nutrition and Health & Safety. Meals provided. Call 358-9788.

Home Inspection Service

TOP TO BOTTOM HOME INSPECTION SERVICES, INC. Do you know the true condition of the house you are buying or building? Call 606-358-5505 for a home inspection. Timothy Ray Shepherd inspecting new and older homes.

Pressure Cleaning

UNITY Services Unlimited Complete pressure cleaning service. Houses, brick, block, or any type siding; mobile homes; any type buildings; concrete sidewalks, driveways, patios; trucks; cars; large equipment; boats; decks; porches. Also, sealants for brick, block, concrete and driveways. We also do general construction. For any and all your cleaning needs call 874-8057, 874-8141 or 874-8656. Free estimates! Yes We Can!!

Tree Service

TREE CUTTING AND TRIMMING, topping, brush removal, land clearing, etc. Large or small jobs. Free estimates. Call 874-9271.

YARD WORK, HILLSIDE CLEANING, TREE TRIMMING. Will haul junk or clean out garages. Call 889-0794.

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EAST KENTUCKY TRANSPORTATION, INC.

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PROTECT INSURE

We now offer 12 monthly premiums on car insurance. No interest or installment charges--only the first month downpayment. If it has to do with any kind of insurance you'll find it first at the Darby & Allen Insurance Agency Allen/Prestonsburg 874-2162

Mobile Home Movers

NEED YOUR MOBILE HOME MOVED? Call Crum's Moving Service at 886-6665 or 886-5375 (pager). Insured and bonded.

LITTLE'S MOVERS: Highway, 80, near Martin. Move singlewides or doublewides. Fast and dependable service, no waiting. Insured. Call 285-0633.

Home Repair

WILL DO INTERIOR/ EXTERIOR PAINTING AND MINOR HOUSE REPAIR. Fifteen years experience. References on request. Call Chris Shepherd at 886-9978 after 5 p.m.

Driver Training

DRIVER EDUCATION Save money on car insurance. Check with your agent. Take Driver Education at PCC Monday through Saturday. Cost \$250. Six hours on the road and six hours classroom instruction. Call 886-3863 to register.

Cleaning Services

ROOFTOPS AND SIDING CLEANED: waterproofing; sealants. Satisfaction guaranteed. BOB'S CLEANING SERVICE 606-587-2613.

Concrete Work

CONCRETE WORK: Patios, driveways, carports, basements, retaining walls. Also do block work. Small or large jobs. 25 years experience. Free estimates. Call 886-6718.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The second reading and adoption of the Floyd County proposed budget ordinance for Fiscal Year 1997-1998 is scheduled to be held in the Circuit Courtroom of the Floyd County Courthouse on June 20, 1997, at 10:00 a.m.

ORDINANCE #97-001 1997-1998 BUDGET SUMMARY

AN ORDINANCE relating to the Annual Budget and Appropriations BE IT ORDAINED BY THE FISCAL COURT OF FLOYD COUNTY, KENTUCKY:

WHEREAS: the proposed budget was tentatively approved by the Fiscal Court on the 2nd day of May, 1997, and approved as to form and classification by the State Local Finance Officer on the 19th day of May, 1997: SECTION ONE: The following budget is adopted for the Fiscal Year 1997-1998 and the amounts stated are appropriated for the purpose indicated.

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SECTION TWO. This ordinance shall be published in the Floyd County Times newspaper by title and summary within thirty (30) days following adoption. SECTION THREE: This ordinance becomes effective upon passage and publication.

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

All interested persons and organizations in Floyd County are hereby notified that a copy of the County's proposed budget in full is available for public inspection at the office of the County Judge/Executive during normal business hours.

Carpentry Work

CARPENTRY WORK, ALL TYPES: New homes from ground up; remodeling or additions; all finish work; drywall; painting (interior, exterior and trim work); all types concrete work, driveways, sidewalks, foundations, etc.; any size pole buildings; garages; decks. Over 20 years experience. Robie Johnson, Jr., call anytime, 886-8896.

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Contractors

BOYD CONTRACTORS: Home building and remodeling. We build decks, porches, roofing. Small or large jobs. Contract or by the hour. Experienced and insured. Free estimates. Call 478-9678 or 478-4230. Sonny or Eddie Boyd.

Roofing & Construction

FOR ALL YOUR ROOFING AND CONSTRUCTION NEEDS call Ricky Yates. Remember for the best rates, call Yates Construction at 886-3452 or 874-9488.

HANDYMAN'S ROOFING AND CONSTRUCTION. Specialties are roofs, porches and buildings. Free estimates. Nine years experience. Commercial and residential. Call 788-9186.

Plumbing

PORTER PLUMBING COMPANY
Allen, KY
Commercial, residential and service work. Licensed and insured. Rotor roofer service, drain cleaning, etc. CALL US FIRST! 874-2794.

Firearm Training

SATURDAY CONCEALED WEAPONS CLASS. Call certified firearms instructor John Endicott at 606-874-8119 for more information.

Personal

WANTED: Lady needed to stay full time with elderly gentleman at his residence. Call 874-9485.

REDUCE: Lose weight while you sleep. Take OPAL. Available at Reid's Pharmacy, 127 Main Street in Martin.

Heating & Cooling

DARWIN'S HEATING AND AIR CONDITIONING. Hippo. Installation and service. Free estimates. Insured & licensed. (License #MO3765) Call 358-5627 or 358-9725.

BLANTON HEATING & AIR CONDITIONING
Sales, Service & Installation. Free estimates. Call 874-2308. (license # MO2405)

Miscellaneous

VISIT THE LARGEST PANELING CENTER in Eastern Kentucky at Goble Lumber. Over 80 different prefinished panels in stock and as low as \$4.95 per panel. Call Goble Lumber, 874-9281.

Flooring

MOUNTAIN HERITAGE FLOORING CO.
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Red Oak, White Oak, Ash, Maple Tongue and Groove Flooring. Located three miles west of Lackey on KY 550 (old KY 80). Stop in and check our prices, or call 606-358-4977.

Lost

LOST: Part Siamese cat with blue eyes. Answers to Louie. Last seen May 31 in University Drive, North Lake Drive area. May be injured. If found please call 886-9386.

Piano Tuning

PIANO TUNER: Qualified to tune, repair or rebuild all makes of pianos. 23 years experience. For information call 889-9721. Phil Cole, Tuner/Technician.

Want To Buy

INTERESTED IN BUYING STANDING TIMBER. Will pay \$70 per thousand. Contact David McCarter at 614-384-4617 or 384-2518.

Legals

PUBLIC NOTICE DISCONTINUANCE OF A PORTION OF A FLOYD COUNTY ROAD ORDINANCE #96-018

At the regular meeting of the Floyd County Fiscal Court held on May 12, 1997, the first Reading on Ordinance #96-018, regarding the discontinuance of a portion of a Floyd County Road known as the Kidd Fork Road located at Little Mud listed in the Floyd County Road System in Quad section two, (2) number 1109 was held and the summary of which follows:

That the Floyd County Fiscal Court deemed, that it appears that the closing of the approximately 500 foot portion of Kidd Fork Road located off Big Branch Road of Little Mud Creek, would be in the interest of Floyd County.

A copy of the full text of Ordinance #96-018 discontinuing the above-described road portion is available at the office of the County Judge/Executive, during normal business hours, Mondays through Fridays.

The Second Reading regarding Ordinance #96-018 discontinuing the portion of Kidd Fork Road will be held on June 20, 1997, at the regular Floyd County Fiscal Court meeting to be held in the Circuit Courtroom, beginning at 10:00 a.m. Any comments from citizens is to be written and presented to the office of the Floyd County Judge/Executive, during normal business hours, Monday through Friday, or mail to Floyd County Judge/Executive, Courthouse Annex, 76 Westminster Street, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, before June 16, 1997.

FLOYD COUNTY FISCAL COURT
BEN HALE COUNTY JUDGE/EXECUTIVE

INVITATION TO BID Swimming Pool Renovation City of Wheelwright, Kentucky

The City of Wheelwright, Kentucky will receive bids from qualified contractors on a General Construction Contract for the development of a new swimming pool and renovation of existing swimming pool facilities. The work will include the demolition of existing pool area

improvements, the construction of a new 3,400 s. f. stainless steel pool and the removal and reconstruction of pool concrete decking, draining systems, pump house and mechanical systems, electrical systems, lighting, playground equipment, fencing and landscaping.

BID METHOD, DATE and TIME. All bids must be on a lump sum basis; segregated bids will not be accepted.

The City of Wheelwright, Kentucky will receive bids until: 4:00 p.m., local time, June 20, 1997, at City Hall, Wheelwright, Kentucky 41669.

Bids received after this time will not be accepted. Immediately following the scheduled closing time for the reception of bids, all proposals which have been submitted in accordance with the above conditions will be publicly opened and read aloud.

Bid proposals shall be submitted only on the Standard Form of Proposal obtained at the office of the Architect. A form is included in the Project Manual.

Proposals shall be enclosed in a sealed envelope with written information which acknowledges the Project, Bid Date, and Bid Time as follows: **BID DOCUMENTS, (NAME OF PROJECT), (NAME OF CLIENT), 4:00 P.M. LOCAL TIME, (DATE).**

The bid opening will be open to all bidders.

REVIEW AND AVAILABILITY OF DRAWINGS AND SPECIFICATIONS: Drawings and Specifications may be examined at: Mark Arnold - David White, Landscape Architects and Planners, 157c North Broadway, Lexington, Kentucky 40507, 606-243-0587; Big Sandy Area Development District, 100 Resource Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653; F.W. Dodge, One Paragon Center, Lexington, Kentucky 40504.

OWNER'S RIGHT TO ACCEPT, REJECT OR WAIVE BIDS. The Owner reserves the right to waive informalities and irregularities; and, shall have the right to accept, reject, or waive any and all bids.

Attention of bidders is particularly called to the requirements as to conditions of employment to be observed and minimum wage rates to be paid under the contract, Section 3, Segregated Facility, Section 109 and E.O. 11246 and Title VI. Minority bidders are encouraged to bid.

END OF INVITATION TO BID
David M. Sammons
Mayor, City of Wheelwright
5/28/97

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Big Sandy Health Care, Inc. is taking contract bids for cleaning and floor care of their office in Prestonsburg. For bidding information write Big Sandy Health Care, Inc., 1709 Kentucky Route 321, Suite 3, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Bids must be received no later than June 11, 1997.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-5139, Renewal #2

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Reynolds Branch Coal Co., Inc., Hwy. 550, P.O. Box 620, Martin, Kentucky 41649, has filed an application for Renewal of a surface and underground coal mining and reclamation operation. The proposed operation will affect a surface disturbance of 7.98 acres and will underlie an additional 1274.72 acres for a total proposed permit acreage of 1282.7 acres located 1.42 miles Northeast of Hi Hat in Floyd County.

The proposed operation is approximately 1.42 miles Northeast from KY 979's junction with KY 122

and located 0.47 mile North of Clear Creek. The latitude is 37° 23' 17" and the longitude is 82° 42' 21."

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 Polly Tackett Heirs and Elkhorn Coal Corporation.

The operation will underlie land owned by Pete Caudill, Marcetta Newman, Orbie Newman, Eugene Hall, Ed Stewart, Martha Newman, Bill Mosley, Julian Wilson, Carl Collins, Carl Mosley, Lonnie Akers, Millard Caudill, Vester Gayheart, Roland Gayheart, Alvin Gayheart, Walker Blevens, Liza Hamilton, Virnus Isaac, Lewis Hall, Trip Hall, Arthur Tackett, Curt Tackett, Cora Booth, Sonny Tackett, Elkhorn Coal Corporation, Levi Hall Estate, Cassie Hall, Eugene Hall and Mac Lewis, Frank Moore, Lewis Hall.

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.

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION I 97-CI-00106 NOTICE TO UNKNOWN DEFENDANTS

Jamie McCoy, PLAINTIFF vs. Casey's IGA/Pic Pac; Casey's Foods, Inc.; C&S Foods, Inc.; and Unknown Defendants, DEFENDANTS

The above action has been filed against Unknown Defendants of 158 North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky. The purpose of this suit is to recover damages caused by the Defendants' negligence when the Plaintiff allegedly fell and injured herself on the Defendants' property at 158 North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky.

The Plaintiff claims that on or about February 7, 1997, to enter a grocery store located at 158 North Lake Drive, in Prestonsburg, Kentucky, when she slipped and fell on water, ice or other debris which had collected in front of the entrance. Plaintiff claims that due to the Defendants' failure to keep the entrance to its place of business reasonably safe she has suffered serious bodily injury, mental anguish, and inconvenience, and has incurred medical expenses and a loss of earning capacity.

If you believe you are an unknown defendant in this action, you should contact Brett Davis, Attorney at Law, to obtain further information concerning this lawsuit.

This 2nd day of June, 1997.
Kazee, Kinner & Chafin
119 East Court Street
P.O. Box 700
Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653
606-886-2361
P. Franklin Heaberlin
Warning Order Attorney

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-5271 Major Revision No. 1

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Mat/Co., Inc., 432 Meadow Branch, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 has applied for a major revision to an existing underground coal mining and reclamation operation located 0.7 miles north of Dana in Floyd County.

The major revision will add 0.00 acres of surface disturbance acres and will underlie an additional 0.00 acres making a total area of 469.64 acres within the revised permit boundary.

The proposed major revision is approximately 0.25 mile south from KY 1426's junction with Cecil Branch County Road and located 0.50 mile west of Johnson Fork. The latitude is 37° 33' 48" and the longitude is 82° 41' 27."

The proposed major revision is located on the Harold U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be affected by the major revision is owned by Billy A. Williams.

The major revision proposes to change the post-mining land use from the existing pre-mining land use of forestland to a post-mining land use of pastureland.

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

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.093 notice is hereby given that Square Circle Coal Co., Inc., 413 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653 (606-886-2330) intends to apply for Phase II and III Bond Release on Permit No. 836-5014 which was last issued on December 12, 1984. The application covers an area of approximately 200.23 acres located at Printer in Floyd County.

The permit area is 2.50 miles southeast from the KY 122's junction with KY 2030. The latitude is 37° 30' 45" and the longitude is 82° 43' 07" and is located on the Harold 7 1/2 minute USGS quadrangle maps.

The performance bond (Surety) now in effect for the permit is \$4,600, 100% of the original bond amount of \$10,300 is included in this application for release.

Reclamation work thus far performed includes: backfilling and grading, sampling and testing, liming, fertilizing, seeding and mulching, and was completed in the Spring of 1989. Results thus far achieved include: establishment of vegetation and the post mining land use in accordance with the approved post mining land use plan.

Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, Frankfort, KY 40601 by July 18, 1997.

A hearing date for this bond release request has been set for July 21, 1997 at 1:00 p.m., at the Department for Surface Mining and Enforcement's Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. The hearing will be canceled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by July 18, 1997.

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.093 notice is hereby given that G&C Coal Co., Inc., 413 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653 (606-886-2330) intends to apply for Phase II and III Bond Release on Permit No. 836-5020 which was last issued on December 15, 1983. The application covers an area of approximately 151.50 acres, located at Dena in Floyd County.

The permit area is 0.17 miles southeast from the

Spurlock Road's junction with KY 1426. The latitude is 37° 33' 04" and the longitude is 82° 41' 06" and is located on the Harold 7 1/2 minute USGS quadrangle maps.

The performance bond (Surety) now in effect for the permit is \$4,800. 100% of the original bond amount of \$10,355 is included in this application for release.

Reclamation work thus far performed includes: backfilling and grading, sampling and testing, liming, fertilizing, seeding and mulching, and was completed in Fall 1989. Results thus far achieved include: establishment of vegetation and the post mining land use in accordance with the approved post mining land use plan.

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LEGAL NOTICE: Civil Action No. 97-115, styled: United States v. The Estate of James L. Williams, et al, has been filed in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky to foreclose a mortgage on certain real estate previously owned by James L. Williams, deceased, located in Floyd County, Kentucky. A copy of the Complaint has been lodged with the United States District Court Clerk, Federal Building, Pikeville, Kentucky, for all of the heirs and spouses of heirs of James L. Williams, known and unknown, and all other persons or entities claiming an interest in the real property which is described in the Complaint. Any heir or spouse of heir, known or unknown, or other person or entity claiming an interest in the property must file an Answer or other pleading with the Court within the time allowed by law, or be forever barred from doing so. If no pleading is filed, a Default Judgment will be entered against all such defendants, known and unknown, and their interest in the subject real property will be terminated.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application No. 836-5169, Amendment #4

In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Buck Coal, Inc., 415 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 has applied for an amendment to an existing underground mining and reclamation operation located 0.3 miles northwest of Craynor in Floyd County. The amendment will underlie an additional 465.00 acres making a total area of 1668.82 acres within the amended permit boundary.

The proposed amendment area is approximately 2.7 miles southwest from KY Route 979's junction with Mink Branch Road and located 1.3 miles southeast of East McDowell. The latitude is 37 degrees 26' 29" and the longitude is 82 degrees 40' 33."

The proposed amendment is located on the McDowell U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The amendment will underlie land owned by David Akers, Martha Newsome Estate, Lee Tackett, Loretta Sue Newman, Tessie Hall, Dorothy Bentley Estate and Brenda G. Moore. The operation includes the

underground method of 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. Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

INVITATION FOR BID

The Allen Volunteer Fire Department will receive sealed bids for the construction and renovation of the existing fire department, Allen, Kentucky. Bids will be received at the Fire Department Conference Room, located at Allen, Kentucky. The bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. Bids must be received on or before 2:00 p.m. local time, on June 12, 1997 at the Conference Room of the Allen Fire Department.

Copies of Plans, Specifications, Contract Documents, Form of Proposal and Proposal Envelope must be ordered from and deposit checks sent to the office of the Architect, Randall Burchett, 416 North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, 606-886-3929. Plans will be distributed from the office of the Architect. Deposit must be received by Architect before Contract Documents can be obtained. A complete set of plans and specifications require a deposit of \$75.00. The amount of \$50.00 of the deposit will be returned only to the bidder who submits a bonafide bid and returns the plans and specifications in good condition within ten days after the bids are opened, otherwise no refund will be due. All checks shall be made to the order of the Architect.

The Form of Proposal shall be requested from the Architect. Any bonafide bidder requesting a Proposal Form and Proposal Envelope, who has not previously obtained a copy of the Project Manual from the Architect shall be required to purchase the Manual. General Contractors shall be required to purchase complete Contract Documents which include Project Manual, Technical Specifications and Drawings. All bids shall be submitted only on the Form prepared by the Architect. The proposal Envelope will have the Project and respective bidder.

Plans and specifications may be examined at the office of the Architect and Engineers, office of the owner: 1. F.W. Dodge Corp., 2525 Harrodsburg Road, Lexington, KY; 2. Dodge Plan Room, 405 Capital St., Suite 509, Charleston, WV 25301.

Proposals shall be accompanied by a certified check or cash or bidder bond, executed by the Bidder and Surety Company. **IN THE SUM OF NOT LESS THAN TEN PERCENT (10%) OF THE AMOUNT OF THE BASE PROPOSAL.** The bid security is required as a guarantee that if the Proposal is accepted Contract will be immediately entered into and the performance of it properly secured. A cashier's check is not considered proper bid security.

Proposal Forms must be filled out and submitted in duplicate. No qualifying letters or statements will be considered. No bidder may withdraw a bid submitted for a period of sixty (60) days after the date set for the opening of bids.

In the event the Bidder to whom the Contract is awarded fails to execute a satisfactory Contract and Bond, he shall be eliminated and shall forfeit his certified check, cash of his Bid Bond and shall be

liable for the loss occasioned by the Owner by such failure.

Any bid which is not received on a timely basis or in the proper form shall be returned unopened.

There are major material items which will be bid through the General Contractor, but purchased direct by the Owner.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

At the regular meeting of the Floyd County Fiscal Court held on May 16, 1997, the following Resolution was offered:

WHEREAS, the Court hereby authorizes the County Judge/Executive to advertise for sealed bids for Floyd County cleaning supplies, gravel, blacktop, placement of blacktop, drain pipe, gabion baskets, bridge lumber, and food (for the Floyd County Detention Center) for Fiscal Year 1997-1998.

Specifications and bid packets may be picked up at the Office of the County/Judge Executive, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Bids will be accepted at the Office of the County Judge/Executive until June 12, 1997 at the hour of 5:00 p.m. Bids will be opened at the regular meeting of the Floyd County Fiscal Court on June 20, 1997 at the hour of 10:00 a.m. in the Circuit Courtroom of the Floyd County Courthouse.

Floyd County Fiscal Court reserves the right to reject any and all bids and will award to the lowest and/or best bidder.

FLOYD COUNTY FISCAL COURT Ben Hale, County Judge/Executive

Swim To Stay Fit

(NAPS)—Swimming is one of the best aerobic exercises the whole family can engage in and one they can enjoy together.

However, the family that stays fit together should also be safe together. Here are some helpful tips from Olin Corporation's Dave Knoop, a technical service expert and education advisor to the National Spa and Pool Institute:

1. One adult needs to carefully watch no more than two children in the pool.
2. Children who cannot swim yet should use life preservers or certified flotation devices.
3. Wear sneakers or other rubber-soled shoes to avoid slipping on wet pool surfaces.
4. Use only unbreakable dishware around the pool area.
5. Use the right pool chemicals for the right job. They can kill the bacteria that form in pool water.

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(NAPS)—Your family's health and safety can be better protected if you don't have any old or non-code-approved toilet fill valves that can introduce contaminants into your drinking water, say the expert at Fluidmaster

Green Magma, a juice powder made from young barley grass, is the world's best-selling supplement of its kind.

The first cookbook in the new Williams-Sonoma Seasonal Celebration series is Spring (Time-Life books \$21.95), now available at local bookstores. Free brochures are available.

County Kettle

ITALIAN CHEESECAKE

6-7 small biscotti (1-1/2 oz.)
1/3 c. golden raisins
2 Tbs. rum, brandy, or apple juice
2 lbs. part-skim milk ricotta cheese (note)
1/2 c. sugar
Grated zest of 2 lemons
1 tsp. ground cinnamon
1-1/2 tsp. vanilla
6 egg whites
1-1/2 oz. bittersweet chocolate, finely chopped

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Soak the raisins in the rum or fruit juice in a small bowl until they are plump, about 15 minutes. Drain them and set aside.

Grind the biscotti to a powder in a food processor or blender. Lightly spray an 8" x 2" round cakepan with non-stick cooking spray. Spread the biscotti crumbs over the bottom of the pan evenly. Set the pan aside.

Wipe out the bowl of the food processor or blender. Rinse off the metal blade and replace it. Puree the cheese in the food processor for 1 minute. Add the sugar and lemon zest, and blend. Add the cinnamon and vanilla and blend them in. One by one, beat in the egg whites, mixing well before adding the next one. Add the chocolate and the reserved raisins and pulse 2-3 times, just to get them evenly distributed though the batter, taking care not to chop them.

Turn the cheese mixture into the prepared pan. Bake until a knife inserted in the center comes out clean, about 55 minutes. The cake will be somewhat puffed and the top light to medium brown. Set the cake on a rack and let it cool completely; it will sink somewhat. Cover with plastic wrap and chill the cake overnight; this gives the flavors a chance to develop and blend. Let stand at room temperature 15-20 minutes before serving.

Each of the twelve servings contains 192 calories and 7.8 grams of fat.

Note: the drier the ricotta the better. Often a local dairy makes the best product.

MARINATED MUSHROOM AND GARDEN VEGETABLE SALAD

10 ounces fresh white mushrooms, sliced (about 3 cups)
8 ounces broccoli florets (about 3 cups)
1 small zucchini, cut in 1/2-inch chunks (about 2 cups)
1 medium sweet red bell pepper, cut in 1-inch chunks (about 1 cup)
1 medium red onion, cut in 1-inch chunks (about 2 cups)
3/4 cup low-fat Italian dressing
1/4 cup balsamic vinegar
1/4 cup honey

In large bowl combine mushrooms, broccoli, zucchini, pepper, onion and tomatoes. In small bowl combine Italian dressing, vinegar and honey; mix well. Pour dressing over vegetable mixture; toss until well coated. Cover and refrigerate at least 2 hours or overnight, tossing occasionally. Just before serving drain lightly. Serve on bed of soft lettuce with bread sticks, if desired.

Yield: about 8 cups

SUGAR COOKIES

1 cup Domino® Granulated Sugar
3/4 cup Shedd's Spread Country Crock® Spreadable Sticks (11/2 sticks)
1 egg
1 tsp vanilla
2 1/4 cups all-purpose flour
1 tsp baking powder
1/2 tsp salt

In large mixing bowl, at low speed, cream Domino Sugar and Country Crock 1-2 minutes. Add egg and vanilla; mix well. Add flour, baking powder and salt, beating at low speed until well mixed.

Heat oven to 350°F. On floured board, using floured rolling pin, roll dough until 1/8-inch thick. Cut into shapes. Place on ungreased baking sheets. Bake 9-12 minutes or until lightly browned around edges. Cool. Decorate with frosting. Makes about 4 dozen cookies.

FROSTING

Combine one box Domino Flavored Confectioners Sugar in large bowl with 1/2 cup Shedd's Spread Country Crock Spreadable Sticks (1 stick). Gradually add 3-5 tablespoons milk to reach desired consistency.

Beat at medium speed 1-2 minutes until creamy.

Spread mouth-watering frosting on your favorite cookies and cakes.

PIZZA WITH THE WORKS

1 (12") pizza crust
1/2 pound extra-lean ground beef
1 large onion, sliced
1 small green bell pepper, chopped
1 can (3 1/2 ounces) sliced mushrooms, drained
1 cup Ragú Pizza Quick sauce
1 cup shredded mozzarella cheese

Preheat oven to 425 degrees F. In a skillet, thoroughly brown ground beef. Add onions and peppers; sauté until tender. Drain fat. Add mushrooms. Evenly top pizza crust with sauce, meat mixture and cheese. Bake 10 minutes or until bubbly.

Serves 4.

THREE CHEESE PIZZA

1/2 cup chopped scallions
1 cup sliced mushrooms
1 medium red bell pepper, sliced into thin strips
1 tablespoon margarine
1 loaf French bread (about 21" long), split lengthwise and toasted
1 jar (14 oz.) Ragú Pizza Quick sauce
1 cup shredded provolone cheese
1 cup shredded mozzarella cheese
1/4 cup grated Parmesan cheese

Preheat oven to 425 degrees F. In a large skillet, sauté scallions, mushrooms and pepper in margarine until vegetables are tender; set aside. Top each piece of bread evenly with sauce. Evenly top with vegetable mixture, provolone, mozzarella and Parmesan cheese. Bake 15 minutes or until heated through.

Serves 8.

More pizza recipes as well as other Italian dishes can be found at Ragú's Mama's Cucina on the Web at <http://www.eat.com>

CHILI SPICED STEAK WRAPS

6 servings
3/4 cup Wish-Bone® Italian Dressing
2 tbsp. lime juice
1 tbsp. chopped fresh cilantro (optional)
1 1/2 tsp. ground cumin
1 tsp. chili powder
1/2 tsp. grated lime peel
1 beef flank steak (about 11/2 lbs.)

6 large flour tortillas, heated
In large, shallow non-aluminum baking dish or plastic bag, combine all ingredients except steak and tortillas. Add steak; turn to coat. Cover, or close bag, and marinate in refrigerator, turning occasionally, 3 to 24 hours.

Remove steak from marinade, reserving marinade.
Grill or broil steak, turning once, until done.

Meanwhile, in small saucepan, bring reserved marinade to a boil; boil 1 minute. To serve, thinly slice

steak and serve in warm flour tortillas with boiled marinade and, if desired, grilled red and green bell pepper rings.

To receive your free grilling recipe booklet, send your name, address, including zip code, to Wish-Bone Year-Round Marinating and Grilling Recipes, P.O. Box 1100, Grand Rapids, MN 55745-1100.

RASPBERRY CREAM CAKE

1 1/2 cups powdered sugar
2 tablespoons margarine, cut up
1/3 cup SunSweet Lighter Bake
2 large eggs
1/2 teaspoon almond extract
1 1/3 cups all-purpose flour
1/2 teaspoon baking powder
2/3 cup low fat sweetened condensed milk
1/2 cup light (low fat) sour cream
4 teaspoons lemon juice
1/4 cup sliced almonds, toasted (optional)
1/3 cup seedless red raspberry jam or preserves

Heat oven to 325°F. Coat bottom and sides of 9-inch springform pan or 9-inch cake pan with cooking spray. In mixing bowl, beat powdered sugar and margarine

with electric mixer on low speed until blended. Add Lighter Bake, eggs and almond extract; beat until smooth. Combine flour and baking powder; beat into batter just until blended. Spread batter evenly in pan. Bake 20 to 25 minutes, or until pick inserted in center comes out clean. In small bowl, combine sweetened condensed milk, sour cream and lemon juice, whisk until smooth. Spread evenly over cake to within 1/4-inch of edge. If desired, sprinkle almonds around edge of cream. Return to oven for 5 minutes, until topping is set. Place on wire rack to cool. Stir jam until smooth and spread over top of cake. Serve warm or cool, cut into wedges. Refrigerate leftovers. Makes 12 servings.

Nutrients per serving: Calories 244 (15% calories from fat); Protein 5 g; Fat 4 g; Carbohydrate 47 g; Cholesterol 42 mg.

(For a free copy of How to be a Lighter Baker, with more great-tasting reduced fat recipes and baking tips, call 1-800-417-BAKE.)

SPICY GRILLED CHICKEN

(Serves 4)

1 pound boneless, skinless chicken breasts

1 tablespoon olive oil ("pure" or extra virgin)
2 tablespoons lemon or lime juice

1/2 cup dry white wine
1 tablespoon chili powder
1 teaspoon black pepper
1/4 cup fresh cilantro, chopped
1/4 teaspoon salt
1 tablespoon dry mustard
Rinse chicken breasts and pat dry. Set aside.

Mix remaining ingredients together in a medium bowl. Set aside 3 tablespoons of the mixture for basting during cooking. Add chicken to bowl; marinate for 15 minutes, or for enhanced flavor, marinate for up to 1 hour in the refrigerator.

Grill chicken breasts over medium-hot fire (or under pre-heated broiler) for approximately 3 - 5 minutes on each side until cooked all the way through. Baste with 3 tablespoons of reserved marinade while cooking.

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MEMBER FDIC

Ag News

Controlling mosquitoes

by Pat Spicer
CEA/Agriculture
Floyd County Cooperative
Extension Service

One beastie that is going to love all of the rain we've had this week is the mosquito. All mosquitoes must have water to develop.

They prefer slow-moving or stagnant water in which to lay their eggs. Each female mosquito can lay several hundred eggs. When more than one generation occurs annually, mosquito populations can increase rapidly. During warm weather, some mosquitoes can complete their life cycle in ten days.

Adult mosquitoes frequently rest in grass and shrubbery during the day, coming out in the evening to feed. Only the female mosquitoes bite. Most female mosquitoes need a blood meal to produce viable eggs. The male feeds on nectar and plant juices.

Here are some ways that you can protect yourself and your family from mosquitoes.

- Repair or install screens on windows, doors, porches and patios.

- Limit outdoor activities during dusk when mosquitoes are

most active.

- Use mosquito repellents before going outdoors.

- Empty stagnant water from containers in which mosquitoes can breed.

- Mosquitoes will lay their eggs almost anywhere there is water. Check around your home for potential mosquito breeding areas. Clean up old bottles, cans, tires, and toys. These containers can collect rainwater and become the perfect home for mosquitoes.

- Keep swimming pools properly circulating. Wading pools should be emptied at least weekly, and stored inside when not in use. Mosquito larvae in water gardens can be controlled by adding fish or there is a product on the market that contains nematodes which will kill only the young mosquitoes.

Because some types of mosquitoes are able to travel long distances, a community-wide effort may be required to reduce the numbers of mosquitoes that invade your backyard.

Contact Pat Spicer at 886-2668 for more information on controlling mosquitoes and organizing a mosquito-control program for your community.

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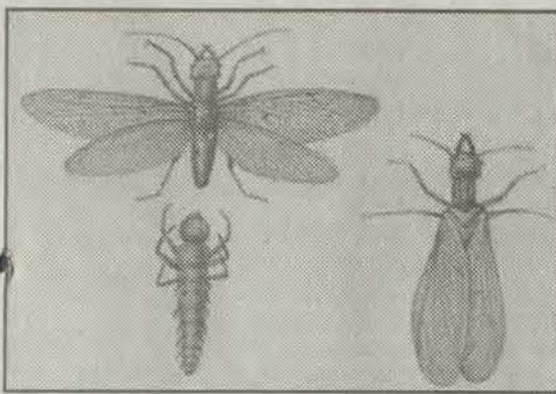
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Flora and Fauna

Hellgrammite

Hellgrammites are a favorite bait with fishermen because the larvae wiggle on the hook and catches the eye of the fish.

Hellgrammite is the name given to the black



larva stage of the dobsonfly insect.

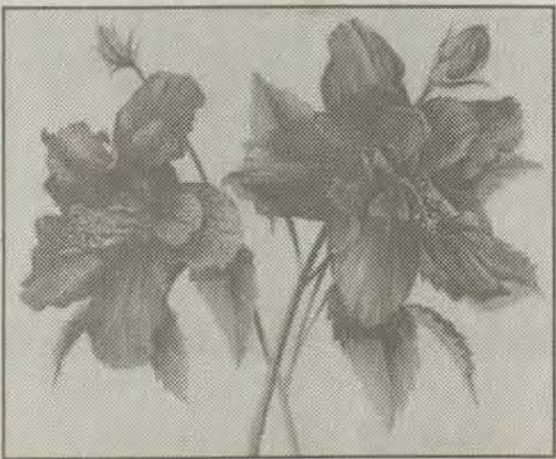
Hellgrammites live and develop in the water. They leave the water and pupate for about two weeks before they become dobsonflies. The pupate stage of an insect is the intermediate stage. During the pupate stage, the larvae usually becomes enclosed in a cocoon where it undergoes changes in its physical structure and finally emerges in the imago (adult) stage.

Adult hellgrammites, dobsonflies are four-winged insects that live under stones in swift streams of northern America.

Hibiscus

The hibiscus is a garden flower and is popular with homeowners in Floyd County. One type of hibiscus, Rose of Sharon, can be seen blooming in yards around the county. They are also used as border hedges.

Hibiscus have large white, pink, red or lavender flowers. The plants produce single or double blooms. The flowers span from four to seven inches across. The Chinese sometimes use the blossoms of the Chinese hibiscus, which are brightly colored, to stain their eyebrows or their teeth.



Another type of hibiscus, okra, is used as a vegetable. The pods of okra are cooked and served as a side dish. It is also used in soups and stews.

Hibiscus is a plant that belongs to the mallow family, a group of plants that have fibrous stems and sticky sap. Flowers in the mallow family have many stamens which are fused together into a tube-like structure.

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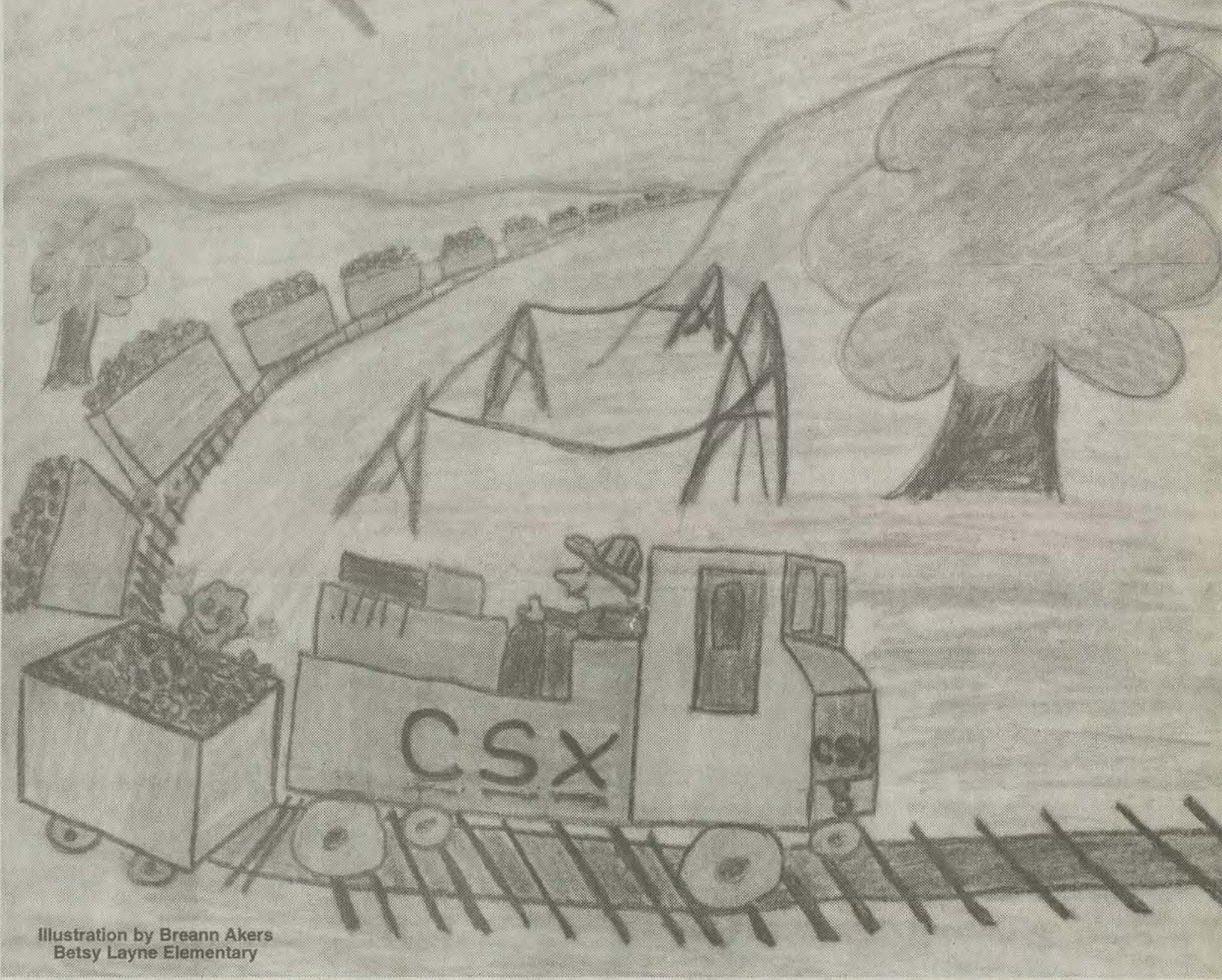


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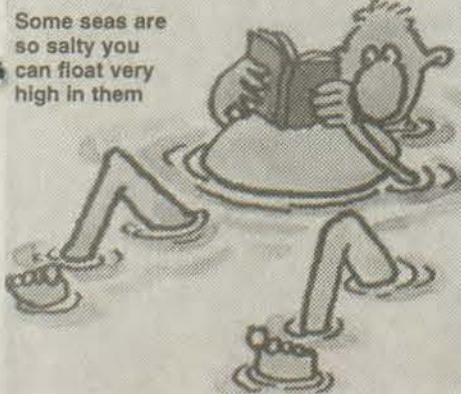
CSX TRANSPORTATION

by Brittney M. Flannery
4th grade
McDowell Elementary School

Why is the sea salty?

The main salt in the sea is the same as the salt that people put on their food. Its chemical name is sodium chloride. Ordinary sea water contains about 3.5 percent of salts, mostly sodium chloride.

Some seas are so salty you can float very high in them



This is why sea water is denser than fresh water and no good for drinking. The salt gets into the sea by being washed into it by rivers that flow from the land. The salt dissolves into rivers from Earth and rocks. But scientists are puzzled by the fact that the sea is not getting steadily saltier, and probably has not changed in saltiness for millions of years.

Where does the sea go when the tide goes out?

The times of the tides are different in different parts of the world. When it is low tide at one place, it is high tide somewhere else. Tides are caused by the pull of the Moon's gravity. It causes

water in the Earth's oceans to bulge toward the moon. At the same time, there is a bulge in the oceans on the opposite side of the world as the Moon pulls the Earth away from the water.

is no longer directly beneath the Moon and the water is not then pulled towards it. It will be low tide.

Why doesn't the Earth's oxygen run out?

There are huge amounts of oxygen in the atmosphere. But if it was never replaced, it gradually would be used up by living things breathing and chemical reactions such as burning. Oxygen is replaced, however, by plants and green plankton. Plants make much of their food from water, carbon dioxide and sunlight. This process, called photosynthesis, produces oxygen, some from land plants, but even more from green

plankton in the area.

Why is the sky blue?

The sky only looks blue to people on Earth looking up at it during the day. At night, and to an astronaut in space, the sky is black. The blueness of the daytime sky is caused by the gases and particles in the air. The gas molecules and other particles scatter sunlight, which is a mixture of many colors of light. The blue part of the light is scattered the most and reflected down to us. But when sunlight has to pass through a thicker layer of air at sunset and sunrise—or if there is a lot of dust in the air—red light is scattered most and the sky turns pink or red. At night there is no sunlight to be scattered, and the sky appears jet black.

WHY? WHY?

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One of the first suspension bridges built in Kentucky is located at Covington in Kenton County. The bridge had its beginnings from a pontoon bridge laid across the Ohio River during the Civil War.

In the summer of 1862, during a Confederate invasion of Kentucky, southern troops threatened the Union held city of Covington, which is located in Northern Kentucky, just across the Ohio River from Cincinnati, Ohio.

The Union general in charge of the troops at Covington declared martial law. The Union troops needed immediate help to prepare for the oncoming Confederate attack. The quickest way to get that help from the Union was to cross the Ohio River.

Coal barges were positioned on the Ohio River and a pontoon bridge was laid across the coal barges. Cincinnati troops rushed across the bridge to Covington and helped their comrades in arms build earthen fortifications south of the city.

Leaders in Covington and Cincinnati realized the value of that river connection and built a suspension

bridge in 1867. The bridge was first named the Covington and Cincinnati Suspension bridge. It was later named for its designer, John Roebling. The bridge became a prototype for the Brooklyn Bridge.

It spanned 1,057 feet and

civil engineering landmark by the American Society of Civil Engineers.

The bridge doesn't stand alone in historical places in Covington. The city's Riverside Drive-Licking River Historic area has several homes dating from the

Basilica of the Assumption, built in 1901. The church was modeled after the the Notre Dame Cathedral in France. It has 82 stained glass windows, including the largest stained glass church window in the world.

Christopher Gist explored the area in 1751. Gist was hired by the British government to explore the unknown land in preparation for its settlement. During another expedition down the Ohio River, Gist is credited with saving the life of Major George Washington, who later became first president of the United States.

The Point was also the site where government militia forces converged to attack Indian villages.

In 1780, George Muse, a veteran of the French and Indian War, was given 200 acres in the area for his service to his country. The land was sold or bartered in trade

several times. In 1791, Thomas Kennedy had possession of the land and established a prosperous farm, a ferryboat service and a tavern. Kennedy sold 150 acres of his land in 1814 to establish a city on the site.

The town of Covington was created in 1815. It was named in honor of General Leonard Wales Covington, a Maryland resident who died during the War of 1812.

Places in History



Covington



What do you know?

In 1850, Covington was Kentucky's second largest city because a large number of German and Irish immigrants settled there. In 1930, Covington's population was 65,252. The population began to decline when suburban communities sprang up nearby and businesses moved outside the city limits to the suburban areas. It is now the state's fourth largest city.

was the longest suspension bridge in the world.

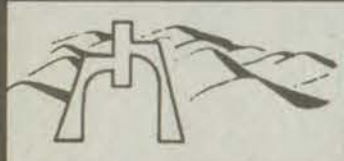
The bridge continues to span the Ohio River and is on the National Register of Historic Places. It is also a National Historic Landmark. It was also named a national historic

Civil War. Mimosa Mansion Museum is the area's largest single-family home and was built in 1853-55. The home has three floors, 22 rooms, 14 fireplaces, and its original gas lighting system.

Another historic place in Covington is the Cathedral

Covington is Kentucky's fourth largest city and is situated at the confluence of the Licking and the Ohio rivers. It was an ideal spot for development.

Known as the Point, it was a rendezvous place for early explorers. Pioneer



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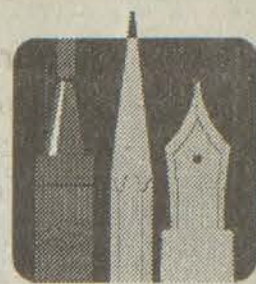
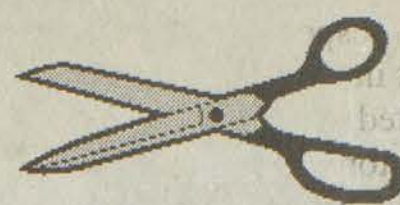
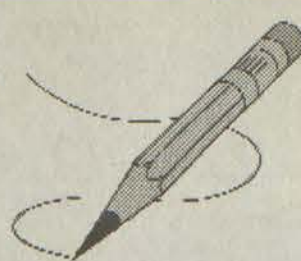
1976 - 1979

- 1976 • The 4,000th store opens in Montreal, Canada
- McDonald's sales surpass \$3 billion.
- McDonald's directors declare the first cash dividend.
- The 20 billionth hamburger is sold.
- "You, You're the One" advertising campaign introduced.
- 1977 • A complete breakfast line is added to our national menu.
- President and Chief Executive Officer Fred Turner is named Chairman of the Board of Directors, succeeding Ray Kroc, who is named Senior Chairman. Ed Schmitt is named President and Chief Administrative Officer.
- The first McDonald's All American High School Basketball Team is organized.
- Ray Kroc celebrates his 75th birthday.
- McDonald's announces plans to secure the land (80 acres) for its Home Office in Oak Brook, Illinois.
- 1978 • The 5,000th restaurant opens in Fujizawa City, Japan.
- The 25 billionth hamburger is served.
- The 15,000th student graduates from Hamburger University.
- Filming store for McDonald's commercials opens in the City of Industry, California.
- 1979 • McDonald's introduces its new advertising campaign "Nobody Can Do It Like McDonald's Can."
- The 30 billionth hamburger is sold.
- Happy Meals are added to the national menu.
- The average annual sales for a restaurant in existence for more than 13 months exceeds \$1 million for the first time.
- Four years after the domestic drive-thru concept was introduced, nearly half (2,884) of McDonald's restaurants have such a facility.



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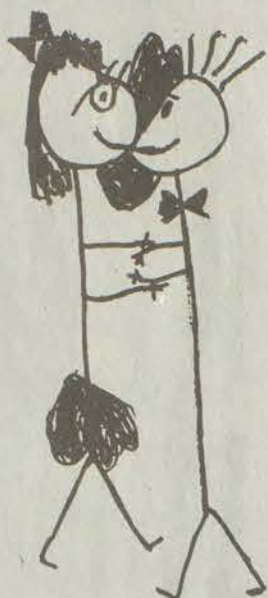
SHORT



The case of the missing (dum da dum dum) Burp and Slurp

Part I

Written and illustrated by Jocelyn
Delane Isaac



Once upon a time, high in the mountain of Wayland, Tyler and Jocelyn Blob were, as usual, busy kissing like smoochie fish. When Tyler Blob had to stop kissing and go to the bathroom. On his way back from the bathroom Tyler Blob said, "My dearest Jocelyn Blob, sweetheart, have you seen our two

wonderful children, Burp and Slurp?"

"Why, no, sweetie pie," replied Jocelyn. "Where, oh where could they be?"

Jocelyn Blob and Tyler Blob had been kissing for six days and had no idea where the twins were. Tyler Blob called grandma Blob, Kathy Blob, and asked, "Have you seen my precious babies?"

"Yes, Tyler, about four days ago," she replied. "Have you lost my precious grandbabies? How could you?" she screamed.

Jocelyn Blob called grandpa Bob Blob and asked the same question. Bob Blob said, "How could you, Jocelyn? Oh my babies!"

Jocelyn Blob asked her dad Bob Blob, "Please, daddy dearest, don't be upset with me, only tell me you have seen my beautiful children."

Bob Blob answered, "I did see them, about two days ago, crossing the Wilson Creek Bridge."

"Oh no," screamed Jocelyn Blob, "not the Wilson Creek Bridge, under that bridge is

where the terrible, horrible, big, bad, dirty, rotten troll lives."

"Come on Tyler, my love, let's go and find our children."

Jocelyn and Tyler Blob began walking along the dark and winding path that leads to the Wilson Creek Bridge. As they approached the bridge they heard some strange but familiar noises. (blurp, slurp) (burp, slurp)

"Oh, my babies," screamed Jocelyn. Tyler and Jocelyn ran under the bridge without a thought of their own safety, but when they got under the bridge all they found was the scariest creature they had ever seen in their blobby lives. It was the terrible, horrible, big, bad, dirty, rotten troll.

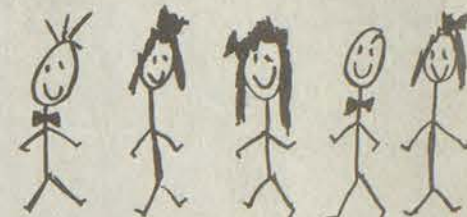
"The troll has eaten our babies," said Tyler Blob. "We must kill it and save our babies!"

"Get the knife and let's kill that monster!"

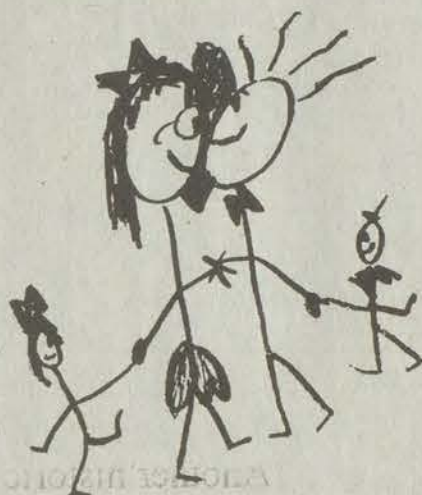
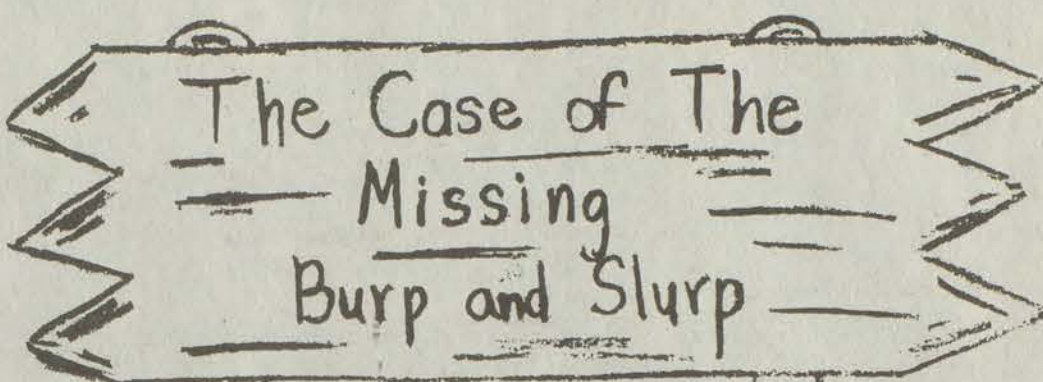
Jocelyn and Tyler knew where the Troll was sleeping. They cut his belly open and saved Blurp and Slurp. Burp and Slurp had missed their father and mother.

Today, Tyler and Jocelyn have five children and they are the Blobby Bunch. They live very happily high on the mountain in Wayland, far from the terrible, horrible, big, bad, dirty, rotten troll with Burp and Slurp who are still burping and slurping, burping and slurping.

The end
Stay tuned for the next adventure in the lives of Burp and Slurp and the whole Blobby Bunch . . . in the Case of the Missing (dum da dum dum) Burp and Slurp Part 2.



The Blobby Bunch



About the Author



Jocelyn Isaac

Jocelyn Isaac's book, "The Case of the Missing Burp and Slurp, Part I," was a county Young Author's winner in competition sponsored by the Floyd County Board of Education. Her book won in the Illustrated (Exceptional) division.

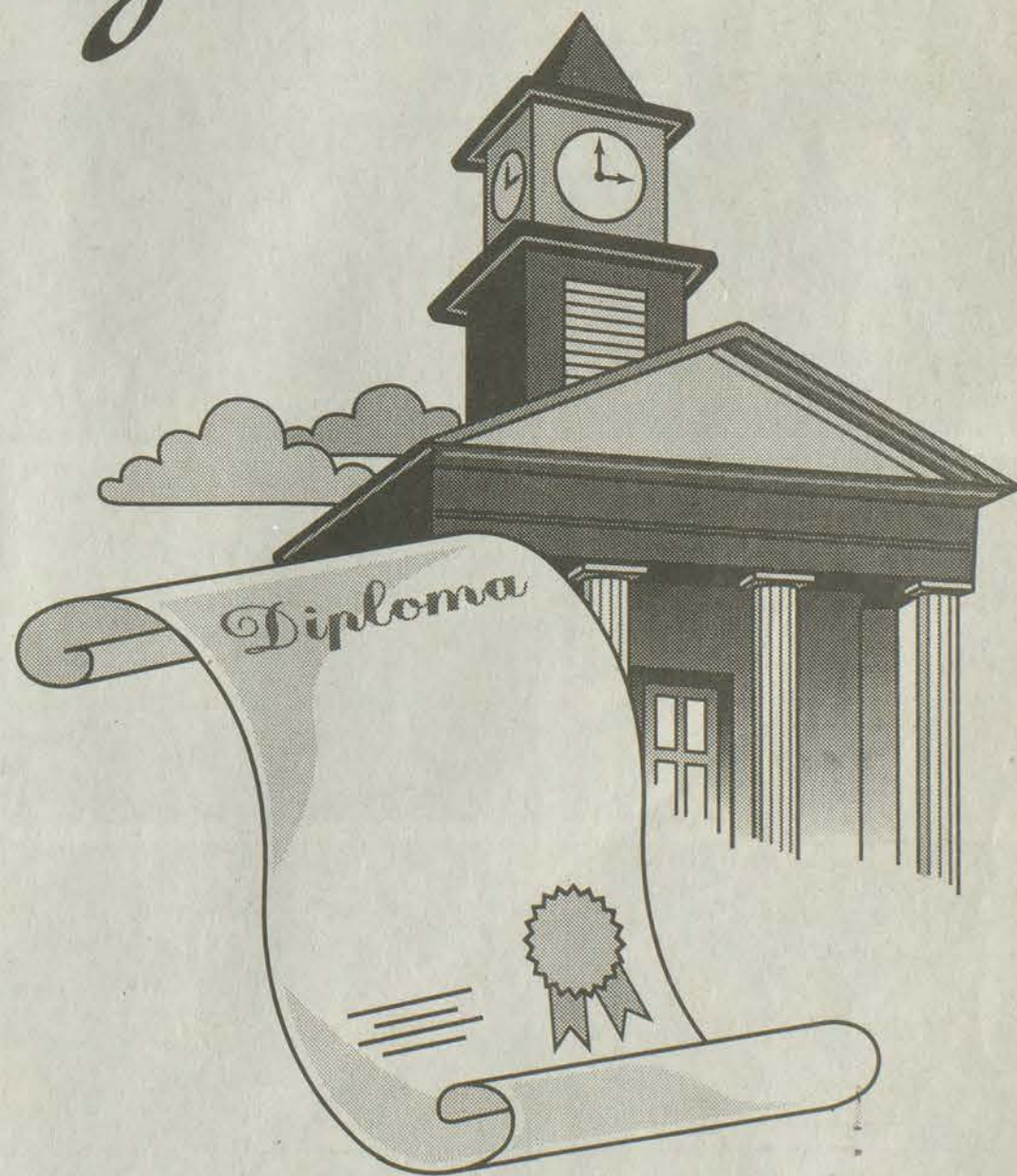
When Isaac wrote the book, she was in the fourth grade in Beverly Moore Scott's class at Duff Elementary.

She is the daughter of Bob and Debbie Isaac of Russell, formerly of Martin.

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Dear Beakman,
An empty bottle with its cap on will float, but the same bottle with its cap off will sink. I don't get it.
Jessica Lipp
Overland Park, Kansas

Dear Jessica,
This is really a floating question, and floating can be confusing. The weight of the thing that floats is not really important.* I mean, some ships weigh more than 1,000 tons, and they float. Floating is more about how water can hold up things. But water can't hold up something that is heavier than the water itself. If water can't hold up a thing, the thing sinks.

You Can do this experiment in your mind. Or, You Can find a capped bottle and use a bucket of water.

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floating: the mind movie

You Can do this experiment, or You Can think about it. Thinking isn't valued much as a skill, so we can use this as a way to practice thinking.

When you push an empty and capped bottle into the water, you push away some of the water. If you pushed a bottle like figure A underwater, you'd make a hole in the water in the shape of figure B.

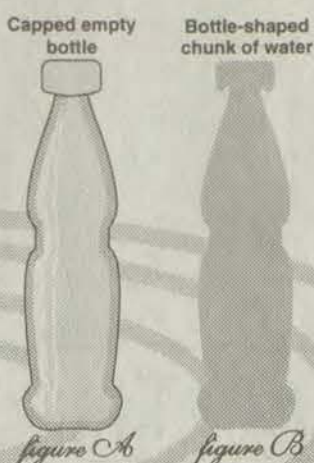
Let's think about that hole in the water. Think about how much water it takes to fill that hole. It would be as much water as figure B.

HERE'S THE FLOATING PART:

Anything that weighs less than figure B that is also the same shape as figure A will float in water. Anything heavier will not float. It'll just sink.

Another way to think about it is that anything will float as long as it weighs less than the water it pushes away.

When we make a hole in water, or push water away, we call that displacing water.

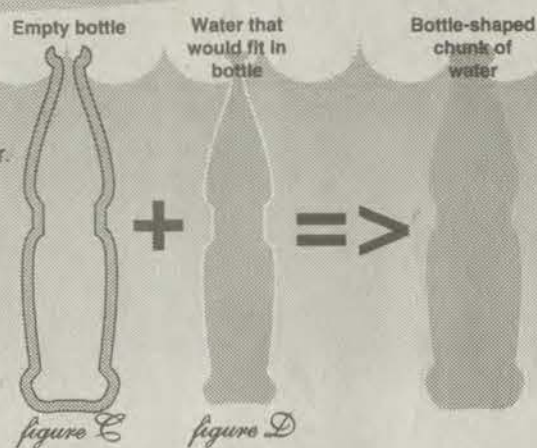


SO WHAT:

A capped bottle is full of air. It weighs a lot less than the bottle-shaped chunk of water. So it will float.

An uncapped bottle is not full of air. It can fill up with water. Figure C is the glass the bottle is made from. Figure D is the water that flows inside the bottle.

When you add the weights of figures C and D together, they weigh more than the bottle-shaped chunk of water (> is the symbol for more than). That means they can't float in water. The uncapped bottle sinks.



P.S. from Jax: *You Can make a boat from a piece of foil that will float. But if you smash it into a ball and squeeze out all the air, it will sink even though it weighs the same as the boat!

CEDAR Coal Fair



Warm Wishes to the Class of '97

Here's hoping all your future days are filled with success. Congratulations to all of you!



CEDAR, now in its fourth year, continues to grow and to offer teachers and students opportunities to learn about coal.

The exhibition this year, held Tuesday, May 20, in Pikeville College Gymnasium proved that point. The exhibition contained more than 400 displays on the importance of coal in our region. Displays ranged from quilts to models to coal formations.

A very good aspect about CEDAR is that they want family members to be involved in their child's coal project, said Patricia Watson, Floyd County Schools Writing and Language Arts coordinator. Watson first brought this program to Floyd County three years ago.

"Together parents and students learn," she said last week.

In classroom projects, teachers and students may be engaged in the design of their study unit so that individual interests are met, according to Watson. Skills and content are incorporated into the classroom so that learning takes place as this unit of study occurs.

CEDAR projects must focus on coal and are divided into four categories: Teacher's Coal Study Unit Program; Regional Coal Fair; School Awards Program; and CEDAR Scholarship Program.

There are three grade levels for judging: kindergarten through fourth grades; fifth through eighth grades; and ninth through twelfth grades.

Entry categories include science, math, English/literature, art, music, technology/multimedia, and social studies. Each grade level will have a first-, second-, and third-place winner in each of the seven categories.

First place winner receives \$150; second place, \$100; and third place, \$50.

The three grade level first-place winners will be grouped together and will be judged to determine an overall first-, second-, and third-place winner for the three grade levels.

The overall first-place winner receives

\$1,000; second place, \$500; and third place, \$250.

A teacher Recognition and Awards Banquet will be held and awards will be given to nine teachers for their excellence in teaching the coal study units. Ten schools will also be awarded cash prizes. Those awards are determined by the schools' high levels of participation in this year's CEDAR projects.

Pike and Floyd teachers who applied for grants to complete coal study units received more than \$54,000 this past year. In addition, \$11,000 was awarded to students as coal fair prizes for the 1996-97 school year. The coal fair is a separate project from the coal study unit grant program.

For the first time, scholarships were offered to high school students in Pike and Floyd counties. Students were given a real world writing task and asked to develop a proficient response. Then, the overall scholarship competitors were invited to compete for another round of funds by giving an oral defense of their answer. This year, \$20,000 has been awarded in scholarships.

Two other entries were new this year: the coal fair coordinators received \$2,500; and \$3,750 for school awards program.

Gene Davis, Floyd County School superintendent, attended the student awards program which was held Saturday, May 24.

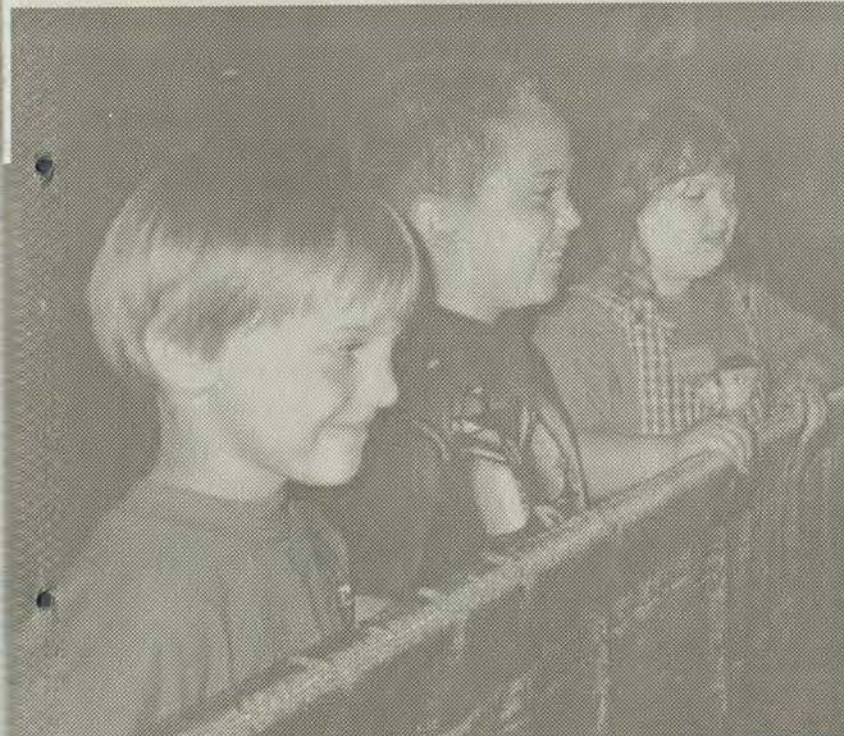
"This is one of the most impressive offerings for teachers and children," Davis said. "Everybody should see what these students have on display."

Watson, who serves as a CEDAR board member, commented that CEDAR continues to offer new opportunities for teachers and students.

"Scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 on up to \$5,000 for high school students are well worth the effort," Watson said.

(Portions of this article were written by Rita Brock, contributing writer)





In photo at the very top, right, Eric Westfall of Stumbo Elementary said CEDAR is "the greatest thing" and he liked the exhibit he was viewing. In large photo, Whitney Clark proudly looked at the quilt she helped make by coloring the hills green. She is a student at Clark Elementary. In photo, above left, Hannah Manuel of Clark Elementary pointed out details of a quilt made by Millard special education students to Delores Reichenbach. Clark Elementary students Teddy Ratliff, Mason Holbrook and Jessica Calhoun lined up to look at exhibits. Kristi Shepherd of Clark told her friend "Oh, wow, look."



Clinical depression can be successfully treated

Clinical depression is one of the most treatable of all medical illnesses. In fact, more than 80 percent of people with depression can be treated successfully with medication, psychotherapy or a combination of both. Only a qualified health professional can diagnose if someone has clinical depression. But knowing the symptoms of clinical depression can help you as you talk with your health professional.

As with many illnesses, if treatment is needed, the earlier it begins, the more effective it can be. And, early treatment increases the likelihood of preventing serious recurrences.

You cannot treat clinical depression on your own

Some people are embarrassed to get help for depression, or they are reluctant to talk about how they are feeling. Others believe that depression will just go away on its own, and that they should just "tough it out." Such views are simply wrong; like any other serious illness, clinical depression requires professional treatment.

Talking to friends, family members and clergy can often give people the support needed when going through life's difficult times. However, for those with clinical depression, such support is no substitute

for the care of a health professional. Remember, clinical depression is a serious illness that you cannot treat on your own.

You may need to help your loved one

People with clinical depression often do not have the motivation or energy to seek treatment. This means that it is very important that friends and family help. The best way to express concern when someone is depressed is by guiding the depressed person to seek treatment. Depression can even cause confusion and withdrawal. Therefore, it may be helpful for family or friends to accompany the depressed person to the initial health professional's evaluation, to ask questions and note instructions.

"For weeks, I was always on the verge of tears. I thought I had fallen into a black hole that I couldn't get out of. Was I going to feel this way forever?"



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Student Spotlight

Allen Central High School

Hannah Halbert is the 17-year-old daughter of Donnie Mckenzie of Garrett. She currently serves as president of the school's Beta Club and she is a member of the Rebel Marching and Pep Bands. Hannah has a cumulative grade point average of 3.55 and has been an honor student all four years of high school.



Hannah Halbert

Hannah recently visited Washington, D.C. as part of the Close-Up Program in which she was involved in various activities related to her interest in political science. She is a member of the school's academic team where she has placed in district competitions on various occasions during her past two years of high school. She is also a member of the math club. Hannah has received an academic scholarship to Transylvania University for this fall, and she intends to major in political science.

This page highlights student achievers from each of the high schools in Floyd County. One student will be chosen from each high school, grades nine through twelve. These achievers are selected by the guidance counselors of each school.

Betsy Layne High School

Jamie Hall is a senior with a 3.6 grade point average at Betsy Layne High School. She is the seventeen-year old-daughter of Johnny and Jemima Hall of Harold. Jamie has been a majorette and an active member of the band for the past four years. She has also been a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Champions Against Drugs and Co-ed Y. After high school Jamie plans to attend Prestonsburg Beauty College.



Jamie Hall

Prestonsburg High School

Lindsay Caldwell is a senior at Prestonsburg High School, she is the daughter of Gary and Kathleen Caldwell of Prestonsburg.



Lindsay Caldwell

She has a weighted GPA of 4.237 and an unweighted GPA of 4.0 She ranks No. one in a class of 176.

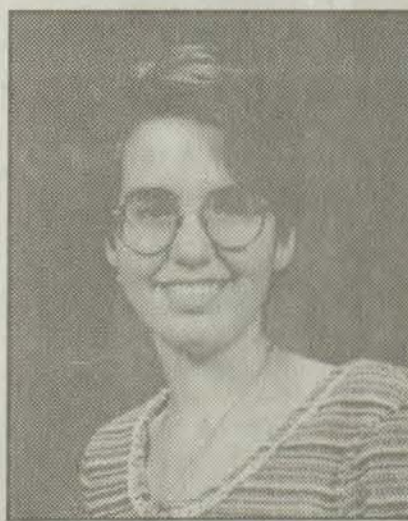
She was recommended by Ron Robinson, guidance counselor at Prestonsburg High School.

Her academic/leadership talents: She participates in marching band, and has been involved in it along with pep band for five years. She has also participated in concert band for eight years, member of Champions Against Drugs, two years; the National Honor Society, three years; and Who's Who, two years, and on the prom committee, and the annual staff.

Her honors and awards include: attended the Morehead Band Clinic for the past three years, and has been selected for all-county band for three years. She has also earned two excellents at solos and ensembles, one for a solo, and one for a duet.

The Piarist School

Sally Lambert is the 17-year-old daughter of Pauline Lambert and the granddaughter of Anna Mae Shepherd, both of Water Gap. She is a junior at The Piarist School. She is a four-year TIP student and a 1997 Governor's Scholar whose focus area is Visual Arts. She is the captain of the Academic Team, where she finished 18th in the state in Language Arts at the Governor's Cup competition. She is a three-year member of the Co-Ed Y-Club, and she is a founding member of the school Beta Club. She is also a member of the French Club, journalism club and Quill and Scroll. She was on last year's softball team. She likes to draw, and she has had a poem published in "Teen" magazine.



Sally Lambert

South Floyd High School

Jada Wynn Hall is the daughter of Freddy and Gloria Hall, of Hi Hat. She has a cumulative GPA of 3.83.



Jada Wynn Hall

Her academic honors and awards include, Who's Who Among American High School Students, Beta Club, honor roll, Jr. honor guard.

Her extracurricular activities are Track, four years; Beta Club, Cheerleader, Cross Country, FBLA, STLP, girls club, FHA president, FCA, Champions Against Drugs, PSI teen leader.

Community Service: Postponing Sexual Involvement, Fixed fruit baskets for elderly people, Participated in blood drive, and fixed baskets for the less fortunate on holidays, She also brought clothes for a clothes drive in the service center. She plans to attend Prestonsburg Community College for the '97-'98 school year.

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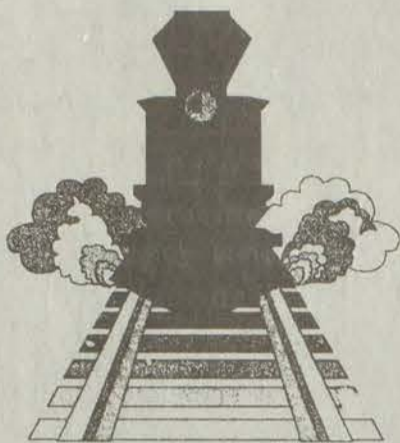
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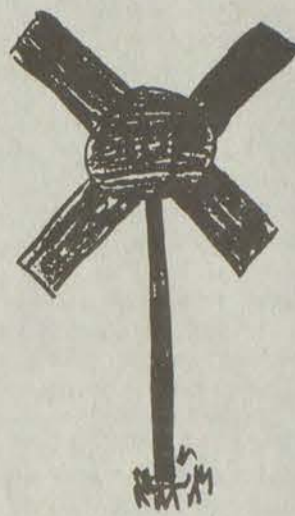


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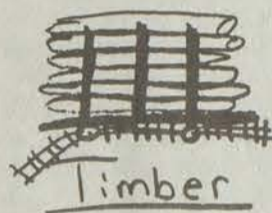
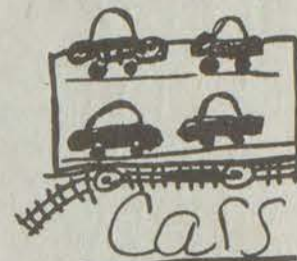
Miranda Gregory attends McDowell Elementary.
 Her teacher is Mrs. Jerri Turner.
 Miranda is from Minnie, Ky.

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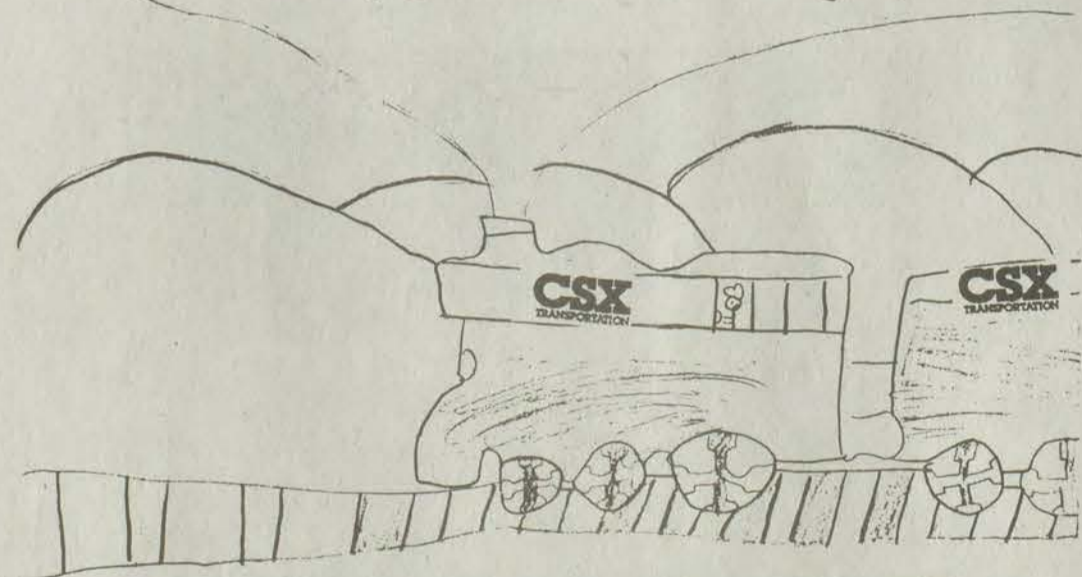


Dena Hamilton

1st PLACE WINNER, 6-8

Dena Ruth Hamilton attends Betsy Layne
 Elementary. Her teacher is Mrs. Rodriguez.
 Dena is from Harold, Kentucky.
 She likes to cheer in her spare time.

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2nd PLACE WINNER, 4-5

Sabrina Shortridge attends Prestonsburg
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 from Prestonsburg. Sabrina likes to collect Barbie's
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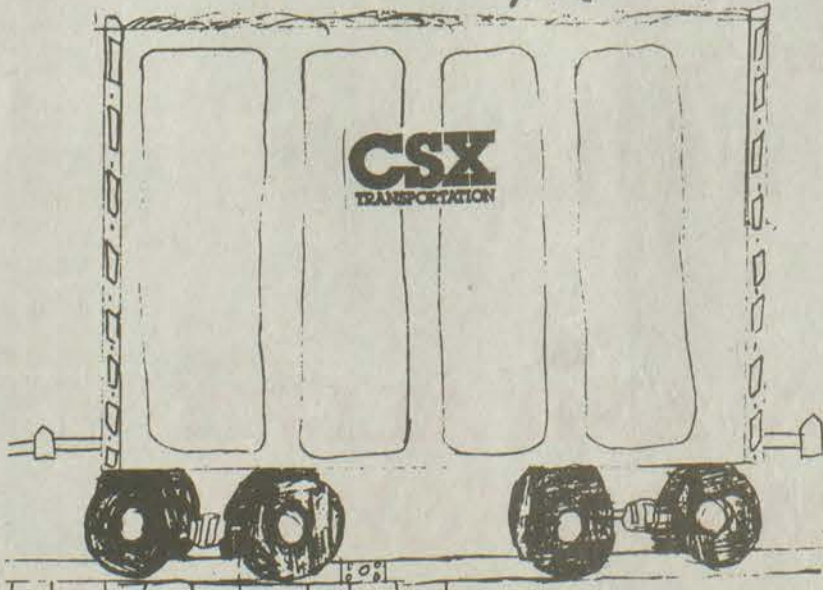
2nd PLACE WINNER, 6-8

Charles William Ruth attends Prater Elementary
 School. His teacher is Mr. Hall. Charles is from
 Dana, Kentucky. He likes to play baseball in his
 spare time. He also likes art and music.



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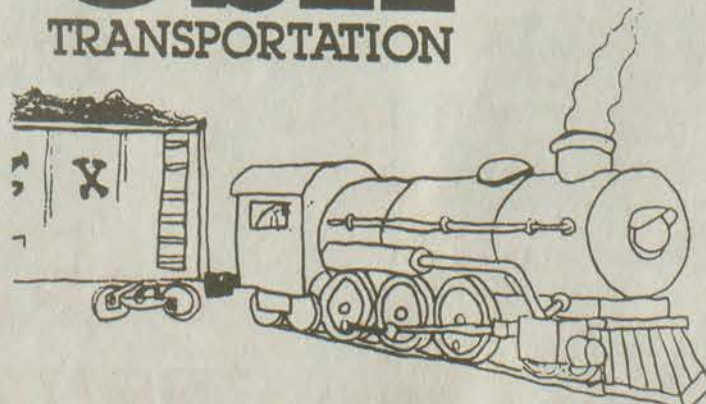
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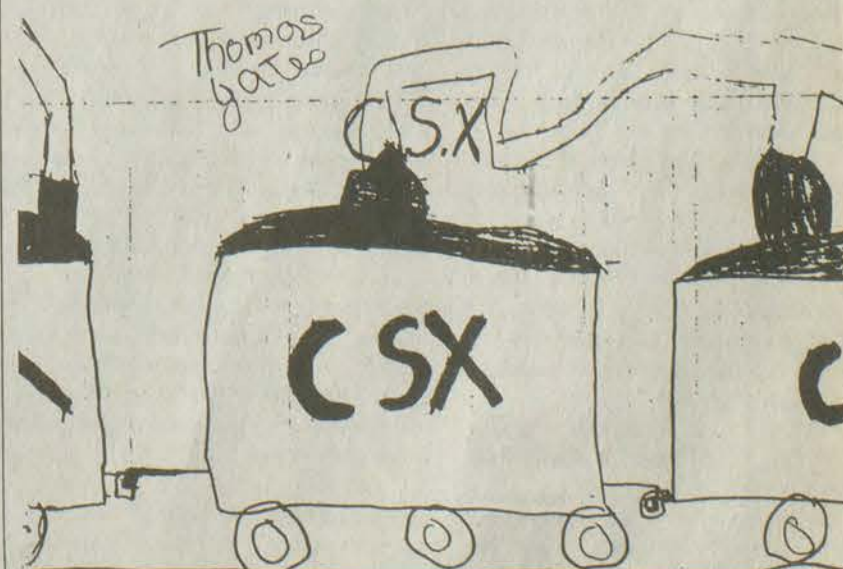
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Glimpse beneath earth's surface yields tantalizing clues to bizarre life forms

by Cheryl Lyn Dybas

In the classic tale *A Journey to the Center of the Earth*, Jules Verne imagined elaborate worlds in a hollow earth, miles beneath our feet.

More modern science-fiction novelists have dreamed of spheres in outer space where earthling astronauts encounter alien life forms.

Now these two ideas are being fused in a bubbling witches' cauldron: deep within the earth may be the best place to find new life forms on our planet—and glean clues to possible life on others. Vaporous hot pools far beneath earth's surface support microbes conducting the business of life at extreme temperatures and pressures. These microbes are known as extremophiles, and their potentially far-reaching domain is called the subsurface biosphere.

In mid-March, at a workshop funded by the National Science Foundation (NSF), more than 100 scientists gathered in Washington, D.C., to discuss the subsurface biosphere. At this stage, stated the workshop's organizers, there is little doubt that a subsurface biosphere exists; at issue are its nature and extent.

Scientists have sampled such environments as deep-sea hydrothermal vents and hot pools in Yellowstone National Park, there to discover extremophiles. But now tantalizing evidence is taking these scientists—or, more accurately, their instruments—deeper and deeper into the earth. Researchers have serendipitously stumbled upon clues leading them on a

descent into earth's heart, a chamber that looks to be riddled with subterranean passageways where an entire biosphere of extremophiles ferments in superheated, visepressed darkness.

Even more fantastically, the molecules that enable extremophiles to prosper are becoming useful to industry: the organisms' "survival kit" can potentially serve in an array of applications. By remaining active when other enzymes would not, such as high temperatures, enzymes from extremophiles might be used in everything from the production of sweeteners and "stonewashed" jeans to the genetic identification of criminals and the diagnosis of infectious and genetic diseases.

These ideas are being put to the test by scientists like John Baross and Marv Lilley, both of the University of Washington (UW) in Seattle, and Kim Juniper of GEOTOP at the Universite du Quebec in Montreal, Canada, among other researchers. Baross, Lilley, and Juniper were co-convenors of the NSF subsurface biosphere workshop.

These scientists believe that "superthermophilic" microorganisms inhabit pressurized environments beneath deep-sea hydrothermal vents, and further, that these superorganisms not only exist, but thrive, at temperatures up to and possibly beyond 150 degrees Centigrade (more than 300 degrees Fahrenheit), setting a new limit at which life can exist.

And there is new evidence that life in the subsurface is a two-way

street; microbes living beneath these deep-sea vents—called smokers because of the chimney-like structures through which fluids from within the earth are released to the surrounding deep ocean—change the chemistry of the froth spewing out, just as the microbes themselves depend upon this chemical stew to survive. Could there be an entire ecosystem functioning in earth's subsurface environment?

"Who knows, the subsurface biosphere may even be 'inoculating' the surface biosphere with new seeds of life," says Baross. "And perhaps, if there's a biosphere beneath the surface here, there might also be one under the surfaces of other planets."

To help scientists find answers to these questions, NSF has created a new funding initiative called "Life in Extreme Environments," or "LEXEn." "We believe that the study of extreme environments on earth, and the life they support," says Mike Purdy, coordinator of the new NSF initiative, "is the most effective way of understanding how and where life may exist on other planets, and what the limits of life might be on our own."

Wrote Jules Verne in *A Journey to the Center of the Earth*, "My eyes were quite prepared for any number of surprises, my imagination lived in expectation of something new and wonderful." Scientists like John Baross, Marv Lilley, and Kim Juniper would not doubt agree. "If anyone tells me they have a theory on this subject that's even remotely plausible," says Baross, "I have an open mind."

SEARCH WARRANT

SEARCH WARRANT — an order issued by a judge directing certain law enforcement officers to conduct a search of specified premises for specified things or persons, and to bring them before the court. It has long been a requirement of fundamental law that searches be conducted after the obtaining of a search warrant. The requirement was embedded in American law by the Fourth Amendment to the Constitution, which is now applicable to the states through the Fourteenth Amendment, and requires that all searches be reasonable and that search warrants issue only upon **probable cause** supported by sworn allegations and that the warrant "particularly describe the place to be searched, and the persons or things to be seized." The paramount evil to which the Fourth Amendment is addressed was the use of GENERAL WARRANTS to be used by the government to conduct unreasonable searches. Thus, general searches of the described premises and the seizure of things not described in the warrant, except in certain

instances where the unmentioned thing is in "plain view," have been proscribed by Supreme Court construction of the Fourth Amendment.

The "reasonableness" requirement of the Fourth Amendment does not mean that a warrant is required for all searches since there are exceptional circumstances under which a warrant is not required, although probable cause may be required. Warrants are constitutionally preferred and may be dispensed with only in certain exigent circumstances. A major exception to the warrant requirements is that a search of the person and the area within his control is permitted without warrant, incident to a valid arrest (i.e., one made upon probable cause).

In those cases where warrants are required, only a neutral and impartial judge or magistrate can issue it, and only upon a showing of probable cause that the described item is located in the designated place and that it was involved in the planning or commission of a crime.

Education in the information age

by Secretary Dan Glickman

In the 20th century, a strong public education system opened the door to the American dream for all our children. Now, as we head into a new millennium, folks want to know: Will young rural Americans have access to the 21st century American Dream?

We are entering the Information Age when 50 percent of U. S. jobs will require a high level of technological skills. Together, we can make sure rural American is ready.

As you may know, President Clinton has made education the top priority of his second term. He has challenged every community across the country to link every classroom and every library to the information superhighway by the year 2000.

This is an important goal. It ensures that all our young people—whether they live in a comfortable suburb, the inner city or a remote rural town—have access to the same universe of knowledge.

To this day, I hear stories about classrooms with encyclopedias that

still say, 'one day we may have a man on the moon.' All that could change with the click of a mouse. We need to make computer literacy a core component of a quality education.

For decades, USDA has worked hard to bring the best in communications technology to rural America. Especially in recent years, this effort has transformed the rural way of life, enabling rural citizens to transcend geographic boundaries. Today, we use cyberspace to bring together a specialist in a big-city hospital with a patient in a small rural town. We can link a Japanese language teacher with students who are hundreds of miles away.

I would like to share just one success story. A high school senior from Shallotte, North Carolina (population 1,123) wanted to take an AP statistics course to improve her chances of getting accepted into a good college. Unfortunately, the course was not available at her small rural high school. USDA offered the local community college a distance learning grant that

enabled her to take the course using interactive video. She did well, and is now a freshman at the University of North Carolina-Wilmington. She is also the first in her family to go to college.

There are hundreds more stories like hers. Since 1993, USDA has given nearly \$41 million in distance learning and telemedicine grants. In the spring, we plan on starting a \$150 million loan program to expand our efforts to link schools and libraries to the Internet. We are also donating our surplus computers to needy communities. Many times, the kids use them by day, and their parents learn how to 'log on' in night school. This way, they can add computer skills to their resume.

Together, we can ensure the information superhighway intersects the country road.

Technology has made our world smaller, but our challenges and opportunities are greater. USDA stands ready to do our part to prepare young rural Americans for the demands and rewards of the 21st century.

Our pets fill an emotional niche

by Mike Capuzzo
Author of Wild Things

One morning I was on the phone to Baltimore when I started barking. My producer, who had set up the interview with one of those morning zoo drive-time radio shows, looked at me quizzically. Why was I barking like a dog on the radio? I cupped the phone and whispered to her, "All the hosts are barking, too." She nodded as if to say, "Well, by all means, go ahead and bark, then."

The next stop, by phone, was Portland, Oregon Jerry Delaney, host of "Golden Hours," told me in hushed, tender tones that a mongrel dog was his best friend growing up, and now he and his wife deeply cherished their service dogs. Jerry and his wife were legally blind.

I hung up the phone then, after chatting with the Three Barking Radio Hosts and the blind man who loves his dog, and marveled at the ways our pets follow us anywhere we need them, from outer space (the Russian mongrel Laika was the first Earth creature rocketed to the stars) to the depths inside.

Most of us, who aren't barking Morning Zoo hosts or blind folk, find our pet love in simpler ways. One recent afternoon I was having lunch in Philadelphia when the woman at the next table insisted we share her desert, as three scoops of sorbet was too much for her. It was an unusually generous gesture by a stranger—a woman, in her 50s, eating alone—and I had the sudden

intuition that this was an animal person. One of the joys of being a pet person is that you can effortlessly share positive feelings and a deep, albeit brief, bond with strangers by discussing that shared topic almost as timeless, and certainly more heartfelt, as the weather.

We were half-way through the sorbet when the woman confided that her life hadn't been the same since the passing of her 21-year-old Siamese cat. And then she told me the remarkable story of how her Siamese nursed and nuzzled with her best friend after her best friend's surgery—the kind of Florence Nightingale story our culture traditionally associates with dogs, but I hear frequently from cat people. "Many, many people adopted cats after meeting my Siamese," the woman told me, "because they had no idea cats could be so loving."

Is the love of your life a dog? Or a cat? Or perhaps a gerbil or ferret?

You're not alone. Pet love is a status symbol of the '90s, a cultural marker. A revolutionary idea a decade ago is now common knowledge: The bond with cats, dogs and even pocket-pets like hamsters helps folks live longer, happier lives. It's no surprise, given our national divorce rate and our longing for love and acceptance, that pets fill a huge emotional niche in our society. But even your faithful pet columnist was surprised how strong the bond has grown (or has always been, and now is being revealed). You'd think barking radio hosts would have con-

vinced me.

According to the survey, nearly half of female respondents rely MORE on their family pet than a spouse or child for affection. This was a survey of 1,206 pet owners in the United States and Canada conducted by a reputable group, the Colorado-based American Animal Hospital Association. If you have ideas on how your spouse or mate could be a better partner by learning from your pet, please send them to the address below. We'll feature them in a future column.

Meanwhile, because pet love is a two-way street, here are some tips on Crate Training dogs. Some readers tell me they feel it's cruel to "imprison" a newly adopted dog. But the fact is dogs instinctively gravitate to sheltered den-like spaces that can help them learn to become housebroken and also feel acclimated to their new surroundings.

Let the dog go in and out of the crate of its own accord and don't close the door until the dog seems comfortable inside, says super veterinarian Nicholas Dodman of Tufts University. Put treats, meals water and toys in the open crate. Never use the crate as punishment. Once the crate feels like home, close the door and leave the room for gradually increasing periods of time. And watch this space for more crate and other relationship tips.

Send your animal and pet questions to Mike Capuzzo, "Wild Things," P.O. Box 157, Wenonah, NJ 08090.

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