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## Closings may be board's homework

by Susan Allen  
Staff Writer

Floyd County's three newly-appointed school board members may begin to feel like the loneliest people in the world while gearing up to make what are sure to be some very unpopular decisions.

Years of apparent financial mismanagement in the school system, which has caused the district to have a budget deficit for the past three years, has apparently brought the issue of school closings and school consolidation to the front burner for the board.

At Tuesday's special board meeting, an in-depth discussion was held to re-

activate the district's Local Planning Committee (LPC), a state mandated group to survey school facilities in the district.

Under law, school districts are required to appoint a 17-member Local Planning Committee to develop a five-year plan for school construction projects.

The district's current building plan expired last November and the board is faced with asking the Kentucky Board of Education for a waiver in order to develop and submit a new five-year plan for approval.

Interim superintendent Bill Rideout told board members that the issue of developing a new plan comes "at a very

important time" with the board's decision to appoint a committee to study the district's transportation routes and district boundaries.

Department of Education consultant Wendell Strange told board members Tuesday that there are not enough members left of the old LPC for a quorum and it's imperative to appoint a new LPC.

With the district facing another possible budget deficit at the end of this school year, due in part to two recent and substantial court judgments against the system, board members seem resigned to addressing the issue of closing schools.

Board member Carol Stumbo said

state officials have informed them that the system is facing a "financial crisis" and that something needs to be done "very quickly" to save money.

Under the old facilities plan, the LPC recommended closing Auxier, Prater and Harold elementaries. Melvin Elementary could also be targeted for closure.

Last year, the board appointed two people to the LPC, Anthony Castle and Danny O'Neal, as representatives of the business community.

On Tuesday, board chairman Terry Dotson and board member Johnnie Ross asked if it was appropriate to start over

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## Misty is movin' on

by Cindy Yates  
Editorial Assistant

The Mountain Arts Center's touchstone, Misty Daniels, gave her last performance there Wednesday. At least for awhile.

Trying to talk with media between performances for East Kentucky Beverages/Pepsico, Inc., Daniels described the events of the last week in her life.

"I read in the arts and entertainment section of a newspaper that auditions were being held for the Nashville, Tennessee Ryman Auditorium's production of 'Bye Bye Love - The Everly Brothers Musical,'" Daniels said.

The casting call read "we need actors who can sing and singers who can act." Only two female roles are in the production, and Daniels was chosen from a pool of about 70 other performers.



Misty Daniels

Daniels auditioned for the role in Cincinnati February 19, after two of her friends suggested she do so.

After the audition on that Thursday, Daniels got a callback to Nashville for Sunday. There, she gave three performances that day as she watched the competition whittle down after each try.

"I was told after the third performance that they needed to see me again the next day. I told them, 'I can't. I have a job to go to tomorrow.' "They told me that was okay, they already had an idea of what I could do and was capable of, and that they'd be in touch."

When Tuesday came with no word, Daniels called them. Told there had been a delay, she called her mother to explain.

"When I told her she said, 'Well, that's funny, the producer called here looking for

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### The pursuit of 'excellence'

David Hicks, a son of Cindy and Coley Martin and Jan Hicks of Martin, became the district spelling bee champion Wednesday when he correctly spelled "excellence" and "overconfidently." Ashleigh Ousley (left) was runner-up. She is the daughter of Paul and Angela Ousley of Auxier. Pictured with the spelling champs are Patricia Watson, Floyd County spelling bee coordinator, and Janice Allen, principal at Adams Middle School. See story inside.

photo by Rita Brock

## Suspect a go-between, attorney says at hearing

by Chris McDavid  
Staff Writer

Prestonsburg attorney Ned Pillersdorf indicated Wednesday that his client, one of several area residents netted during a drug round-up effort last week, may have been "just paying for the state police's cocaine" and not actually trafficking the drug.

Pillersdorf's client, Twila Gay Barnett, 36, of Martin, was arrested last Thursday and charged with two felony counts of trafficking cocaine.

During a preliminary hearing Wednesday, Pillersdorf said that the state police did not know if Barnett was supplying the cocaine or merely being a "go-between" during the transactions when a KSP trooper and a confidential informant allegedly purchased the drugs.

KSP trooper Tim Dials testified Wednesday that he did not maintain visual contact with Barnett during the entire alleged transactions and that she had entered a business and a private residence before allegedly supplying the drugs.

"The state police went out and bought cocaine from somebody," Pillersdorf said, "(but) you don't know who it was."

Trooper Dials said Barnett was given the money and she supplied the cocaine. "She came back with the cocaine in her hand..." he said.

"This is not a situation where you hand her money and she gives you cocaine," Pillersdorf said. The

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## Staff allocations okayed but extended employment tabled

by Susan Allen  
Staff Writer

Tough decisions and severe budget cuts lie ahead for Floyd County School Board members who are facing a grim budget forecast for the 1998-99 school year.

At Tuesday's special board meeting, board members approved staffing allocations to site-based councils for the coming school year, but they refrained from giving school principals a traditional 240 days of employment.

Kenya Koch, a financial specialist with the Department of Education, told board members that staffing allocations to councils had to be made by March 1, but appropriations for extended employ-

ment and extra duty pay can be deferred.

Board member Johnnie Ross asked Koch how administrative staff in schools were affected by the proposed staffing allocations.

Overall, two administrative positions were reduced and 1.7 teaching units were eliminated, Koch said.

Ross asked how it was determined that all school principals were allotted 240 days of employment.

Koch said the district's budget committee recommended the staffing allocations and deferred to instruction director Phil Paige, who worked with a budget sub-committee to determine the allocations.

Paige explained that under Kentucky's Education Reform Act (KERA) princi-

pal's duties and responsibilities "changed dramatically" and subcommittee members felt the positions "are valuable to the schools" and should be staffed for those days. He added there was no "rhyme or reason" for the number of extra days for principals and it was a tradition in the district.

Board chairman Terry Dotson commented that some customs need to be changed.

"If we don't change some traditions here, we'll be out of business," the chairman said.

Ross asked if it was a common practice, statewide, that the number of extra days for high school and elementary prin-

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## Prosecutor vows to get tough on drug suspects

by Chris McDavid  
Staff Writer

Assistant county attorney Lance Daniels is apparently taking an aggressive approach to prosecuting drug-related offenses.

Local law enforcement agencies netted 20 alleged drug offenders during a round-up effort last Thursday morning. Several of those arrested were arraigned on the charges last Friday in Floyd District Court.

During the arraignments, Daniels recommended stiffer bonds, speedy trials for those accused of drug crimes and firm jail sentences for those who pleaded guilty to

the charges.

The assistant county attorney sought a little more than a slap on the wrist for two Floyd County men who pleaded guilty to misdemeanor drug charges.

Clinton Willis Thomas, 23, of Prestonsburg, was sentenced to 12 months in jail when he pleaded guilty to one count of trafficking marijuana. Two months of his sentence were probated on the condition he does not violate any other laws for a two-year period.

In another case, Paul S. Castellanos, 30, of Tram, received a six-month jail sentence for cultivating three marijuana

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## Five jailed, more sought in Valentine's Day theft

by Chris McDavid  
Staff Writer

An investigation into the Valentine's Day burglary of a Floyd County residence has landed five people in jail, with three additional arrests expected.

Two of the suspects were taken into custody after troopers Byron Hansford and Micki Waston discovered nearly 300 marijuana plants, valued at \$586,000, growing inside area residences during the investigation into the burglary.

In a preliminary hearing Wednesday, trooper Hansford testified that

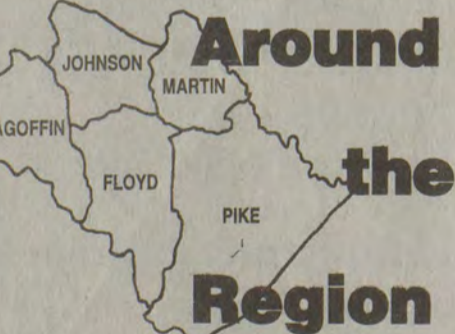
three subjects were arrested for their alleged involvement in the burglary of Ralph Crager's home on February 14.

The trooper said that Susan Crum and Frank Conley were charged with complicity to burglary and criminal mischief because they had knowledge of the alleged crime.

Mark T. Adams is charged with burglary and first degree criminal mischief.

Trooper Hansford said that authorities are attempting to locate Richard Jervis, for also having

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### Former ambulance director arrested

### The week ahead...

Floyd County residents can discover the wonders of science and math at the Mobile Discovery Center March 2-6 at Prestonsburg Community College. The center is an outreach program of the National Science Center and is located in an 18-wheel truck, painted red, white, and blue.

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cipals varied.

Paige said the number of extended days were comparable with some school districts he had surveyed, but at some smaller high schools and grade schools, principals worked from 195 to 205 days.

Board member Carol Stumbo wanted to know if there was an administrator assigned to see if principals showed up the required number of days at their schools during the summer.

Paige said there was no administrator designated to make those checks and that duty is the responsibility of the superintendent.

Cutting 15 days from the proposed extended employment would save the district about \$13,000 total, according to chairman Dotson.

Koch said staff in Frankfort could do a statewide survey on the number of extended days principals work based on the number of students in the schools. She suggested that the board could defer a decision on allotting extra duty and extended employment days.

The district's interim superintendent, Dr. Bill Rideout, warned the board that it is "critically important"

that they hold their superintendent accountable for following the approved staffing allocations.

"In the past, that's got the board in a lot of trouble," Rideout said.

When Rideout was working in the district as consultant last year, it was discovered that the system was overstaffed by 14.4 teaching positions, which cost the system approximately \$500,000, he said.

With student enrollment declining, more teachers were hired rather than making transfers to over-staffed schools, Rideout said. Actions like those contributed to the district's current financial crisis, he said.

Board members voted to adopt the staffing proposal without allocating extended employment and extra duty pay for principals.

Also Tuesday, board members directed Rideout to work with attorney Mike Schmitt, hired by the board on a temporary basis, to cancel a contract for mobile classrooms.

Under a contract with GE Capital Rental, a previous board voted to pay just over \$128,000 a year in a lease/purchase agreement for 22 mobile units used in the system.

According to the contract with the rental company, the lease can be broken if the board votes to eliminate funding for the expenditure, Schmitt said. Notice must be given 120 days in advance if the district intends to cease funding for the units.

Out of those 22 units, schools could "basically give up 14," Rideout said, and units owned by the system could be used at schools that need the extra space.

Facilities director Greg Adams, responding to questions from the board, reported that it usually costs about \$1,300 to transport a unit back to the company, which is located in Louisville. He added that a company representative inspects a unit and the district makes any repairs needed in order to return the portable classrooms.

Rideout said the return cost per unit was "a very high figure," and Dotson asked Adams to solicit bids in an effort to lower the cost.

Board member Jody Mullins asked if it would cost the district "any more money" by breaking the lease.

Schmitt assured Mullins that if

the contract was terminated properly the district would be on solid legal ground. He added that the rental company has sued districts in the past to enforce contracts.

Also Tuesday:

- The board voted to expand a committee formed to study the student code of conduct to include two child advocates.

- A survey of district-owned buildings to assess whether the system is in compliance with the American With Disabilities Act was approved. Rideout told the board that the survey was overdue and there is a threat the system could lose all federal funding if it is not done. "This is another thing that's been delayed and it needs immediate attention," Rideout said. The interim superintendent said he would seek quotes for the survey in an attempt to keep the cost down.

- The starting time for the board's scheduled March 17 regular meeting was set at 7 p.m. Dotson said he requested the time change because he will be out of town and wouldn't be able to attend it at 6:30 p.m.

- The board voted to hire Rideout as interim superintendent rather than

interim state manager due to conflicting legal opinions on the matter. Associate Education Commissioner Tom Willis informed the board that they have asked for a legal opinion whether a school system must have a "legal superintendent" in place, in addition to a state manager. He added that the education department will pay all of Rideout's expenses.

- Paintsville attorney Mike Schmitt was hired on a temporary basis to take care of the district's daily ongoing legal needs until a permanent board attorney is hired. The board voted to pay Schmitt, who is also the Johnson County School Board attorney, \$95 per hour.

All members were present at Tuesday's meeting.

## Misty

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you," Daniels said. "I called him up and was offered the role. I told him I really had to think about it."

"I think everything through very carefully. Sometimes, I think myself right out of things. After a few minutes, I phoned back and said 'yes.'"

Daniels said her job at the MAC and her plans to play the leading role in "The Jenny Wiley Story" this summer at the amphitheatre in Prestonsburg were high among the reasons she had to "think" without an immediate commitment. She was also concerned about leaving family and friends.

Taking the role meant she had to leave Eastern Kentucky almost immediately for rehearsals. Friends and co-workers surrounded her Wednesday at the MAC, and a good-bye party was held in her honor. Pink roses adorned her office among the boxes she was packing.

Daniels has left for Lubbock, Texas for three weeks of rehearsals. The play is originating there

because the Everlys were good friends with the legendary Buddy Holly, who performed his music there.

Then, it's on to Nashville for her big moment in the Ryman Auditorium's spotlight. The show will run three days a week from May 14 through October 24.

"I'll be back now and again," said Daniels. "They (MAC) can't get rid of me that easily."

Bob Meyer, executive director at the MAC, said "I guess I'm shell-shocked. We're so proud and happy for Misty, but we will miss her so much."

What Daniels calls "a last-minute audition on a whim," has netted her a chance to perform in Nashville, the undisputed place to be for a performer of folk and country music who has acting in the blood.

"I'll keep in touch. After a few performances, I'll let you know how I'm doing," she promised as she hurried off to the stage.

# Hicks is district spelling bee winner

Sixth-grader David Hicks' spelling "excellence" made him a winner Wednesday during the district spelling bee competition at Adams Middle School.

The Martin Middle School student correctly spelled the word "excellence" after eighth-grade Adams student Ashleigh Ousley misspelled it. Hicks then spelled "overconfidently" and was declared the district spelling bee champion.

Hicks is the son of Cindy and Coley Martin and Jan Hicks of

Martin. Ousley is the daughter of Paul and Angela Ousley of Auxier.

Both Hicks and Ousley will compete in regional competition in Huntington in March. Regional winners will then compete in a national spelling bee.

"I'd sure like to send someone to the nationals," Patricia Watson, coordinator of the district event for Floyd County schools, said.

Watson commented that may happen soon due to changes in the school system's spelling bee policy

and that this year's spelling bee was "an improvement over past competitions. This was one of the best we've had because the students came prepared. They seemed to have confidence in themselves. I don't know to what to attribute this... We gave them a common spelling list. The (list) was an advantage point.... This was the longest spelling bee I've ever had," Watson commented.

The event lasted 2 1/2 hours as the 15 school champions slowly dwindled to the final two competi-

tors.

Watson also commented on the students' behavior during the spelling bee, and said the words "please" and "thank you" were heard often.

"At the end of the competition, when (Hicks) knew he had won, he walked over to her and shook hands with her," Watson said, praising the champion's thoughtfulness toward his opponent.

An awards ceremony was held before the spelling bee competition to recognize each of the 15 students as champions of their schools.

"That's quite an achievement," Watson said.

In addition to Watson, spelling bee officials included Thelma Spears and Emily Allen. Glenda Blackburn served as the pronouncer.

## Tough

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plants in a yard last summer. Three months of his sentence were probated on the same condition.

Daniels asked the court to increase the bond for 36-year-old Twila Gay Barnett. He also requested that she not be permitted to post a property bond for release.

Barnett, of Martin, is charged with two felony counts of trafficking cocaine. Her bond was initially set at \$10,000 or ten percent, but Judge James R. Allen doubled that amount at Daniels' request.

Although the increase was expected to prevent Barnett from being released from custody or to ensure her appearance at a scheduled court date, she was released Monday after trial commissioner Jack Hyden changed the bond to \$5,000 or ten percent.

Other Floyd County residents arrested during Thursday's drug roundup include:

- Bill Thomas Shepherd, 46, of Blue River. He is charged with two felony counts of trafficking a controlled substance.

- Anthony Hamilton, 19, of Town Branch. He is charged with trafficking less than eight ounces of marijuana, a misdemeanor.

- Debra Lambkin, 26, of David. She is accused of trafficking and possessing marijuana, and possessing drug paraphernalia.

- Helen Keithley, no age available, of Branham's Creek. She is charged with cultivating marijuana, a misdemeanor.

Lambkin and Keithley were not arraigned on the charges in Floyd District Court last Friday.

## Theft

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knowledge of the incident, and Chad Jervis, a juvenile, for burglarizing Mr. Crager's home.

The trooper explained that when he questioned Crum about the incident prior to her arrest, he saw Chad Jervis at Crum's residence. He later discovered that shoe prints on the floor to Crager's residence appeared to have come from Chad Jervis' shoes.

"I went back to (Crum's residence), but he had already left," trooper Hansford said. "...In my opinion, that was the shoe that kicked the door in."

Trooper Hansford explained Thursday that the three subjects who have been, or will be charged with complicity to the crime found Adams and Chad Jervis at the crime scene.

Adams and Chad Jervis apparently borrowed Frank Conley's vehicle, and the three alleged conspirators had gone looking for the two, the trooper said.

Crum apparently approached the trooper at the courthouse and said Chad Jervis admitted to being the sole perpetrator in the burglary, according to the trooper's testimony.

As a result of the investigation into the burglary and attempts to locate Chad and Richard Jervis, the troopers have charged two area residents with felony counts of cultivating marijuana.

Felony cultivating charges are constituted when more than five marijuana plants are involved.

Gary Hall, 41, of Estill, was arrested last Friday. He was charged with cultivating and possession of drug paraphernalia.

According to trooper Watson, Hall was growing 265 marijuana

plants in his home.

On Thursday, a second drug-related arrest was made when the troopers went to a Corn Fork residence while searching for the two Jervis subjects.

Trooper Hansford said Thursday that he and trooper Watson went to 59-year-old Gradis Jervis' residence, where the two suspects apparently live.

"He said they weren't there," Trooper Hansford said. "We asked if we could go in the house and look around."

Trooper Watson found a bucket

with 25 marijuana plants in a bedroom of Gradis Jervis' residence.

"He said someone opened his window and put (the marijuana) there," trooper Hansford said, as trooper Watson was fingerprinting Mr. Jervis.

A third area resident is also being sought by the troopers as a result of their investigation into the burglary. The troopers would not identify that suspect.

Floyd District Judge James R. Allen waived the felony charges against Crum, Conley and Adams to the grand jury.

## Suspect

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trooper promptly replied that "basically it was."

The informant was an acquaintance of Barnett and alleged that she could get the illegal substance, the trooper explained. "We talked to her about purchasing cocaine and she supplied (the drugs)," he said.

The confidential informant allegedly gave Barnett about \$100 to \$125 for a gram of cocaine. Trooper Dials provided the money for the alleged transactions.

Barnett's arrest was the result of a 15-month investigation, the trooper said, noting that he and the informant purchased cocaine from Barnett on two separate occasions in July 1997.

"You can't arrest one or two people and make any headway," the trooper said when Barnett's attorney asked why his client was arrested more than six months after the alleged violations.

Pillersdorf also asked if authori-

ties knew who actually supplied the cocaine. At one point in the trooper's testimony, he said he did not know where Barnett got the cocaine.

"I can't say...I don't know," the trooper said, and speculated Barnett could have gotten the cocaine out of her pocket when she went out of sight.

Trooper Dials later testified that he had "an idea" of who was supplying Barnett with the cocaine. He did not identify that suspect.

During questioning about the confidential informant, the trooper admitted that the informant was cooperating with the state police to get out of trouble.

"He was cooperating out of his own free will, and that's a fair statement," Trooper Dials said. "...He was trying to help himself get out of a little trouble."

Floyd District Judge James R. Allen found probable cause to refer Barnett's case to a grand jury.

## Board

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and name a new LPC.

Strange told the board they could and he said there was no verification that some school personnel listed as being members of the LPC were chosen as outlined by state regulations.

Strange also suggested that the board present the current five-year facility plan to state officials and make any necessary amendments after the LPC has reviewed school facilities.

An extensive management audit of the district last year showed that the system is maintaining space for 11,000 students but there are only about 7,000 children in the system.

The issue is expected to be discussed further at a special board meeting to be scheduled next week.

In another potential money-saving proposal offered Tuesday, the board accepted and is reviewing a list of the district's surplus property.

Pete Grigsby Jr., an administrative assistant to the superintendent, supplied the board with a list of the district's properties, which included two tracts, one at Auxier and one at

Mare Creek, that have just "been found."

Dotson asked Grigsby if any of the surplus properties have been appraised, as directed by the previous board.

Grigsby said the appraisals have not been done.

Grigsby added that he has been unable to locate deeds to the central office and old Allen Elementary properties.

Board member Jody Mullins appeared to be at odds with the three other board members concerning the old Garrett school property.

Mullins told the board that the county has a lease on the land and plans to use it as a community park for Right Beaver residents. He said that Allen Central High School uses the land as a baseball field.

Board member Johnnie Ross commented that there is "nothing" on the site and he has seen "weeds tall as my head" on the land.

Mullins argued that selling the property would "hurt children" and asked, "where do we get off unloading everything for a price?"

Dotson explained to Mullins that academics had to come first.

"Absolutely the most important thing is to educate children academically," Dotson said. "We can't give teachers money for supplies. Academics have to come first."

"Sports kinda educates them, too," Mullins replied.

Dotson said he was not opposed to athletics, but stressed that the board should first ensure students have what they need to learn.

Rideout recommended the board accept sealed bids when the decision is made to sell the surplus property because bids can be rejected if prices are too low. If the board opted to sell property at public auction, the selling price would stand, Rideout said.

Ross appealed to the business community and asked that persons in those professions offer to appraise the properties at "little or no cost" to the board.

The issue was tabled until more information is obtained and is expected to be discussed at a special meeting next week. No date for that meeting has been announced.

### Samara Celebrates Her First Year



To celebrate my birthday and me turning ONE, Mommy made a cake and invited EVERYONE to come!

To my house they came with a gift in their hand, Ma Della, Uncle Joey, Uncle Michael—the whole clan!

Papaw Harley and Mamaw Trish, came to see me make a wish!

Uncle Billy and Aunt Lisa, and, of course, Cousin Kory! Good friends that can't be beat, like Bethany and Lori!

Uncle Jamie and Aunt Tracy, Cousins Jessica and Madison, one of my wishes was that EVERYONE had fun!

Other good friends, I just couldn't spare, are Jill and Nichole, and especially Blair!

Beverly and Tara, Elizabeth and Chris, my Great Aunt Gerald, "you" I couldn't miss!

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Stumbo Elementary MATHCOUNTS team members are from left, Pat Howard, KSPE state director; Josh Allen; Trent Tackett; Marcus Allen; Heather Evans; and Michael Johnson, math coach.

## Stumbo Elementary School wins MATHCOUNTS competition

A team of eighth grade Grethel math students from Stumbo Elementary School has won the regional finals of the MATHCOUNTS contest. The top individual scorer was Josh Allen, also from Stumbo Elementary. Allen received a \$300 scholarship for his winning effort. Members of the winning team are: Allen, Marcus Allen, Trent Tackett and Heather Evans. The team was coached by Michael Johnson. The winning team will go

to the state finals in Louisville, on March 27.

The second place team is Inez Middle School, Inez. Members of the Inez Middle School team are: Sara Bolen, Krystal Wicker, Heather Horn and Annalyse McCoy. The team coach is Amy Allen. The second place team is also eligible to compete in the state finals in Louisville.

Josh Queen, James A. Duff Elementary School and James

Mullins, Mullins Elementary, are individual winning students. The individual winning are also eligible to compete in the state competition.

The students competed at Prestonsburg Community College on February 14. All the participating students receiving a MATHCOUNTS T-shirt.

MATHCOUNTS targets seventh and eighth graders, who are at a crucial stage in developing and sustaining interest and ability in math.



### Cookie time

Girl Scouts in Floyd County began delivering cookies this week. The cookies arrived by the truckload in Floyd County Monday after area Girl Scouts sold 1,492 boxes of cookies.

## Cabinet for Health Services makes changes in nursing care review process

The Cabinet for Health Services has instituted several changes in the way nursing care reviews are being handled for the Medicaid program.

The changes will help nursing home patients and their families when the state conducts eligibility reviews, Health Services Secretary John Morse said. The new system is designed to better inform patients and families, make sure adequate medical information is provided during the reviews, and give advance notice of the review and the appeals process.

"These changes will make the initial decisions more thorough and patients and families more knowledgeable of the process," Morse said. "This will help them understand their appeal rights and their placement options."

The changes that have been made include:

- The state will provide Medicaid coverage for nursing care through the state administrative hearing—the second step in the appeal process. Under the old process, nursing care coverage lasted through the first appeal to Healthcare Review, which conducts the reviews under a state contract. A regulation making this change will be filed this month.

- Healthcare Review will speak to the attending physician before discontinuing nursing care coverage. Attending physicians are being asked to fax a document to Healthcare Review to show why nursing care is necessary.

- The patient or a responsible party will be contacted by a Department for Medicaid Services representative to explain the process and appeal rights before nursing care coverage is discontinued.

- A notice is being sent to the patient, the family, the doctor, the nursing home and the long term care ombudsman to explain that their case is under review and that Medicaid criteria may not be met. This will help insure that Healthcare Review has access to the full medical record and speak

to the attending physician. This occurs before the decision is made to discontinue nursing care coverage. These notices also include phone numbers for the ombudsman and Department for Medicaid Services.

- Appeals to the state will be handled by the Administrative Hearings Branch in the Cabinet for Health Services.

- The cabinet, with the help of the nursing home industry, will develop a brochure to help educate patients and families about Medicaid coverage. The cabinet also will work with the industry on improving discharge planning when patients leave a nursing home.

The changes are in response to a

review ordered in November by Gov. Paul Patton after concerns were raised about some patients getting notices informing them they would lose Medicaid coverage for nursing home care. In some cases, Healthcare Review didn't have access to full medical records or hadn't spoken to attending physicians.

"I would like to commend the cabinet's efforts to address the issues and concerns of the vulnerable aging population and their families," said Rep. Steve Nunn, R-Glasgow, a member of the House Health and Welfare Committee.

Morse said the cabinet would continue monitoring the eligibility reviews and appeals process.



Top seller

Joshua Wiley, son of Larry and Cindy Wiley of Auxier, recently won a big bear for his efforts to help his class. Linda's Carousel Day Care, Inc. had a fund raiser first before Christmas. The students sold chances on a lovely Christmas center piece. Josh was the top seller. The winner of the center piece was Sherry Conn of Martin.

## Forest fire hazard season begins March 1 in Kentucky

Kentucky law designates March 1 through May 15 as "Spring Forest Fire Hazard Season." During this time, burning within 150 feet of the woods or burning anything capable of spreading fire into the woods between the hours of midnight and 4:30 p.m. local time is prohibited. This is called the "4:30 Burning Law." It intended to prevent fires by allowing burning only during the time when typically the wind is calm and humidity is increased. Other state and local air quality regulations may further restrict outdoor burning.

"Last year, 913 forest fires burned 14,447 acres of Kentucky's forests," said Mark Matuszewski, director of the Kentucky Division of Forestry. "Forest fires cause damage and destruction of our forest resources such as timber supplies,

wildlife habitat, scenic beauty, and water quality. This damage and destruction affects all Kentuckians."

"Burning only in the late evening and taking adequate precautions to prevent fires from spreading into woods will rid Kentucky of one of its leading causes of forest fires," Matuszewski said, referring to fires that accidentally escape when people burn trash and other unwanted material.

Kentuckians are encouraged to report forest fires to their local Division of Forestry office. Arsonists can be reported by calling

the Division of Forestry or by calling the Target Arson "Hotline" at 1-800-27-ARSON.

### ACHS council to meet

Allen Central High School's regularly scheduled site base council meeting will be held on March 3 at 6 p.m. in the library. The meeting is open to the public.

### Omission

A recent article regarding a health services award to Lucreasie Reed failed to mention that Ms. Reed is a graduate of Prestonsburg Community College.

Ms. Reed received the 1998 Catholic Health Initiative/CARITAS Health Services Nursing Practice Award at the eighth annual Spalding University Board of Overseers Leadership in Nursing Awards on Tuesday, February 24.

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# Viewpoint

## Quote of the week...

"The income tax has made more liars out of the American people than golf has."

—Will Rogers

## Editorial

### Hard choices

by Scott Perry

Martin residents have some hard choices to make.

City officials have approved the enactment of an occupational tax in that small town as a means of offsetting the escalating costs of providing city services.

That idea has met with great resistance from employees within the Martin city limits who feel that price is too much to pay for what little services they have.

City officials have apparently not done a very good job selling the tax or explaining its necessity. Likewise, there is no sure figure on how much the tax will raise or what the funds will be used for.

Taxes are terrible things in our book, but they are often necessary.

They should be set as low as possible, administered equitably, and the revenues they provide should be spent on specific needs.

No city can survive, let alone progress, without keeping up with inflation. Martin apparently has not kept pace.

So the real question here is whether the people of Martin want their city to survive and, if so, in what form.

As long as Martin

has debt on its balance sheet, it is prohibited by law from dissolving its corporate charter. That debt is an obligation city residents, through their elected officials, have agreed to assume. The city must raise enough revenue from its residents to pay off that debt and maintain necessary services, like fire and police protection, that are incumbent upon any municipality.

Residents do not have to set growth as a priority issue, though, and may choose, again through their elected officials, to just maintain the status quo.

So, perhaps there is room to compromise on this tax debate.

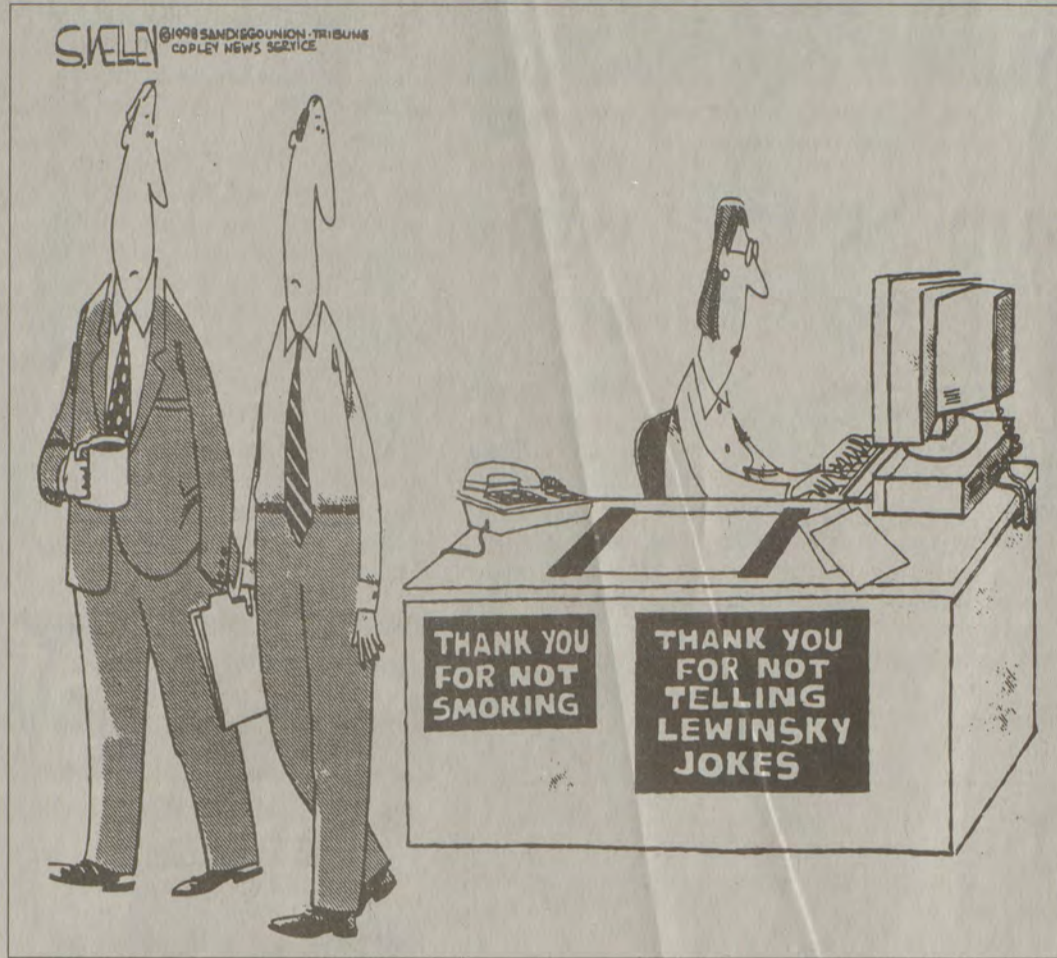
If there is truly no alternative to imposition of an occupational tax, maybe the rate can be reduced to a more tolerable level.

City officials should find out exactly how much new money they need to survive, why they need it, and then convince the city residents of the need.

If they cannot, then they should make every effort to pay off the city's debt and dissolve the charter.

Either way, the issues should be put to the voters.

The choices, however tough they may be, are theirs to make.



## Letters to the Editor

### Biological implications of...piano playing?

Editor:

Miss Stacey Barrier, a petite dynamo of a pianist from UK, really won the respect and admiration of her audience at PCC's Pike Auditorium last Friday evening, February 20th. She was terrific, playing works of Schumann, Brahms, Liszt, Bartok, Debussy, and ending the program with a concerto by Dmitri Shostakovich, accompanied by her cousin, Kimberly Dick, also a talented pianist. Stacey's strength and stamina as a concert performer clearly displayed itself in this piece.

I was pleased to sponsor this talented young woman through the Division of Biological Sciences and the Community Biology Club here at PCC. It wasn't easy to do, though. After all, I'm a biologist, not a musician. Who ever thinks of biology when they listen to a piano concerto, or vice versa? How could I justify sponsoring such an event?

All I can say is, "Where there's a will, there's a way!" With the help of my family, it didn't take long before we had a plan to link biology to piano playing, and the invitation to Stacey was in the mail. The kids got busy drawing pianos, people seated at pianos, hand positions on the keys, etc., while my wife absorbed herself in doing a little research on the physical aspects of playing this "king of instruments."

Before long, it became clear that nearly all biological systems are involved in playing the piano. The fingers, arms, shoulders and back are composed of bones, ligaments and muscles which are, of course, parts of the skeletal and muscular systems. The respiratory (breathing) and circulatory systems are very important, too, because a performing pianist needs more oxygen than usual, due to the body's increased activity. Breathing guides and controls both the phrasing and pace of playing a musical composition.

Coordination and the senses, especially of touch, sight, and hearing are very critical to a pianist, as is memory. These and other vital facets of piano playing are under the control of

the nervous system.

No artistic endeavor would be complete without expressing sensitivity and emotion. Hence, one's state of mind, or mood, during a performance is very important, and this is controlled by hormones in the endocrine system.

Strangely enough, the digestive system also plays a role in piano playing. In order to maintain the stamina required in practice (5-6 hours a day for Stacey) and concert work, good nutrition is essential.

The above is just a glimpse of how inextricably our body systems are related to such activities as piano playing. With this information, some drawings by my children, and a few incidental pieces about highly regarded, but little known, female pianists/composers (such as Mozart's sister, "Nannerle," and Schumann's wife, Clara), we created quite an interesting display at the entrance of the Pike Auditorium. This will remain there for a few more weeks, if you're interested in seeing it.

Stacey is back at UK now, continuing to practice for her senior recital, which will qualify her for graduation in May. She plans to go on for her master's degree in piano performance, also at UK. We wish her all the luck, and we thank her for obliging us, through her visit, to learn a bit more about how biology is implicated in all aspects of human endeavor.

I would also like to thank the following for their generous support making this concert a success: Mrs. Myra Elliott, chairperson of the Division of Biological Sciences; Business Affairs Dean, John Herald; the M & O crew of Prestonsburg Community College; Ms. Linda Smith of the Holiday Inn; Jenny Wiley Florist; and Christina's Flower & Gift Shop, all of Prestonsburg; Cherysh's Flower & Gift Shop, Patty's Green Florist, Williams Floral Company, and Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Dorton, all of Paintsville; and, of course, Mrs. Terrie Wells, the music teacher at Paintsville Elementary School, who was instrumental in arranging this performance by her most talented, charming niece.

Professor John G. Shiber, Ph.D.  
Division of Biological Sciences  
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### WEDNESDAY EDITION:

Lifestyles, Business, all pictures .....2 p.m. Friday  
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### FRIDAY EDITION:

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

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

## Not "as good as it gets"

It's been widely reported that at showings of the new Jack Nicholson movie, "As Good As it Gets," audiences break out into spontaneous applause when the heroine explodes in frustration over the treatment her child receives through a managed care program.

I haven't seen the movie, and I believe HMOs are successfully providing quality care to thousands of Americans. But since Congress gave states the go-ahead last

## Report to KY

by Wendell Ford

year to require Medicaid patients to enroll in managed care plans, I've had serious concerns about the impact on mentally retarded and severely disabled adult Medicaid patients.

For years now, states have been looking for ways to cut costs when it comes to Medicaid spending. Many states, including Kentucky, received waivers from the Federal government to experiment with ways to cut their costs.

Last year, Congress went even further in budget legislation, providing a broad grant of authority for states to move their Medicaid patients into managed care plans.

For the most part, states have been reluctant to shift certain groups of Medicaid recipients—like those in nursing homes or special needs children—into managed care.

In fact, last year's legislation specifically exempted certain categories of special needs children under the age of nineteen. Congress was right to make this exemption, but they didn't go far enough. For certain individuals it just doesn't make sense to limit this exemption to under age nineteen.

Polly Spare, president of the Voice of the Retarded, understands all too well. Living in Pennsylvania, a state that has already begun moving some of their disabled population into prepaid care, she's seen first-hand the shortcomings of this approach.

"It's our belief that age is an arbitrary, artificial barrier to the provision of health care services. Mental retardation is a life-long impairment that does not disappear at age 19."

That's why I've introduced legislation prohibiting states from placing mentally retarded or severely disabled adult Medicaid patients into mandated managed care programs.

Serving disabled beneficiaries through Medicaid managed care poses complex, new challenges to the states. And few states have any experience with prepaid care for disabled Medicaid beneficiaries, many with chronic conditions requiring ongoing and costly specialty care.

According to a recent report from the Government Accounting Office (GAO), the watchdog of the federal government, with so little experience under their belts, states still need to work out the necessary assurances that disabled beneficiaries' health care needs are being met and develop a system that is financially sound.

It seems clear to me that we're still a long way from a managed care system guaranteeing quality care for this particular population."

No parent should see their special needs son or daughter—whether they're five or fifty—be a test case. And they certainly shouldn't settle for someone telling them, "this is as good as it gets."

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# Stumbo introduces recycling bill to clean up Kentucky

House Bill 371, introduced by House Floor Leader Gregory Stumbo, is a container recycling bill designed to clean up roadways and waterways in Kentucky. In spite of erroneous facts circulated by distributors, the only people apt to lose money as a result of this legislation will be the individuals who choose to throw their trash out of the window of their vehicles and those who make a conscious decision not to recycle, according to Stumbo.

One of the positive aspects of

the proposal is the financial enhancement local governments will receive if the bill passed the General Assembly, Stumbo said. They will receive funds realized as a result of 1/4 cent for the advance disposal fee to discard beverage cups and 2 cents handling fee to redemption centers. These financial sources can be used for a variety of local expenditures, decided upon by the needs most urgent to that area, Stumbo said. The fees are based on the miles of highway in a county and the population.

In Floyd County, those funds are estimated to be \$314,957 from handling fees and \$850,031 from advance disposal fees.

Stumbo said a lot of boogie men have been scared up by those who oppose the legislation leading Kentuckians to believe that his recycling bill would cost the average person a lot of money, drive business out of the state and cause a decrease in jobs. "I foresee an increase in jobs," Stumbo said. "When the recycling markets start running full strength, jobs will be created," he predicted.

"The recycling business can be lucrative," he said.

And, in addition he said, "Protecting our environment is the right thing to do for our children and the citizens of the twenty-first century, as well as enhancing our tourism opportunities by eliminating eye sores like piles of styrofoam and plastic bottles along our highways."

A public hearing will be conducted on the measure, Tuesday, February 24, at noon in Room 131, in the Capitol Annex.



**Stumbo holds conference on House Bill 371**

State Representative Gregory D. Stumbo conducted a press conference in Frankfort to announce the financial incentives provided for counties if House Bill 371 is approved by the General Assembly. In a blown-up map of the state, Stumbo pinpointed various counties and discussed their funding possibilities. The recycling legislation that charges fees on styrofoam, glass and plastic will be discussed in a public hearing scheduled for Tuesday, February 24, at 10 a.m. in room 131 of the Capitol Annex. Those fees will be returned to all consumers recycling their containers.

## Local county churches collect miles of pennies

It takes 84,480 pennies laid side-by-side to create a trail a mile long. Benedict Baptist Church in Slick Rock collected that number of pennies on behalf of Kentucky Baptist Homes for Children, and the McDowell Baptist Church has collected four times that number.

The churches participated in collecting the Mile of Pennies as part of a special project to help KBHC provide care for children and youth who have been abused and neglected, and for families in crisis. The program is sponsored by the agency's Women's Advisory Board to involve young and old alike in reaching out to children in need.

Women's Advisory Board President Barbara Jett congratulated the congregations on the accomplishment. "You would be hard-pressed to go into a county that has not been touched in some way by Kentucky Baptist Homes for Children, so the Mile of Pennies is really about communities helping their own people. No gift is too small for God to use."

Brenda Gray, vice president for development and communications at KBHC, also expressed appreciation.

"Every gift means encouragement and resources to young people and families in need. Even though a penny seems like a small amount, we cannot stress enough the positive impact these gifts are having across the state," she said.

Kentucky Baptist Homes for Children provides care for children

who have been abused, neglected, or whose families are in crisis. The agency assists more than 3,300 children and adults each year.

Residential programs include Spring Meadows Children's Home in Louisville; Glen Dale Children's Home in Glendale; the Baptist Youth Ranch in Elizabethtown; the Dixon Temporary Shelter in Dixon; the Baptist Youth Shelter in Morehead; the Genesis Home in Mayfield; the Southern Region Shelter in Bronston; and Wilderness Camping Treatment Program in Somerset.

KBHC also has a pregnancy counseling and adoption program, manages private foster homes, provides family preservation and reunification services and independent living, college, and career programs.

KBHC's Cornerstone Counseling ministry provides professional Christian counseling to individuals and families through offices in Ashland, Berea, Bowling Green, Corbin, Erlanger, Frankfort, Harlan, Harold, Hazard, Henderson, Hopkinsville, La Grange, London, Louisa, Madisonville, New Castle, Owensboro, Pineville, Stanford and Somerset.

Founded in 1869, Kentucky Baptist Homes for Children is the oldest Southern Baptist child care ministry and the largest private child care program in Kentucky.

For details on how your organization can participate in the Mile of Pennies, call 1-800-456-1386.



Adams Middle School Youth Service Center is offering a service to students and parents called the Homework Hotline. With this type of communication the students can find out what assignments that are expected. The parents and the community can also use the hotline for special events, and committee meetings, and stay informed on school occurrences. One of Adams Middle School sixth grade teachers, Carole Bentley, received a reward for her constant use of the Homework Hotline. Presenting Bentley the award is Michelle Keathley, coordinator of A.M.S.Y.S.C. Rewards courtesy of local merchants. (photo by Rita Brock)

## Cincinnati Bengals team up with Division of Child Support

The Cincinnati Bengals, the Kentucky Division of Child Support Enforcement and the Ohio Child Support Division have teamed up to promote the importance of fathers' involvement and support in their children's lives.

"Children need the love and support of both parents," said Steve Veno, director of the Kentucky Division of Child Support Enforcement. "With these positive role models, we hope to help young fathers understand how important it is to be involved in their children's lives."

Cincinnati Bengals safety Bo Orlando and linebacker Rico McDonald are featured in the media campaign with their children, conveying the slogans "Responsible fatherhood...don't drop the ball"; "Fatherhood...a job every dad should tackle"; and "No penalty for holding." Both athletes volunteered their time to promote the most important role they have off the

field—being fathers. The campaign began in Michigan with the Detroit Lions three years ago and has become a nationwide joint endeavor of the National Football League and the National Child Support Enforcement Association.

**"Fatherhood... a job every dad should tackle"**

The three public-service announcements involving the Bengals began running on TV stations around Kentucky on November 22. The Cabinet for Families and Children purchased air time targeting the male population during the Thanksgiving holidays and during the NFL playoffs and the Super Bowl.

The ads, which were produced by Destiny Productions in Frankfort, should continue throughout the spring.

The Cabinet for Families and Children hopes to shoot a new round of ads when the Bengals return to Georgetown, for spring training.

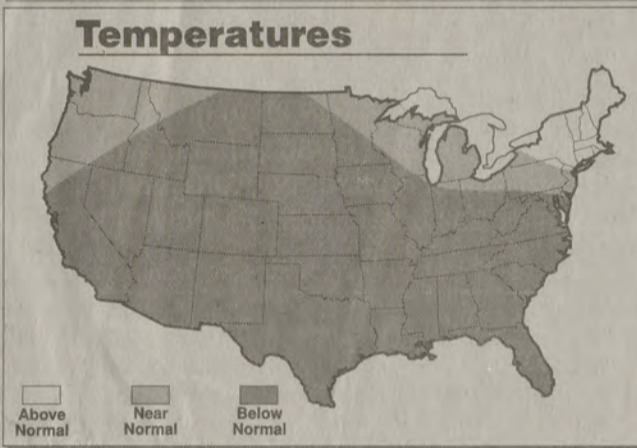
## Forecast for Floyd County, KY

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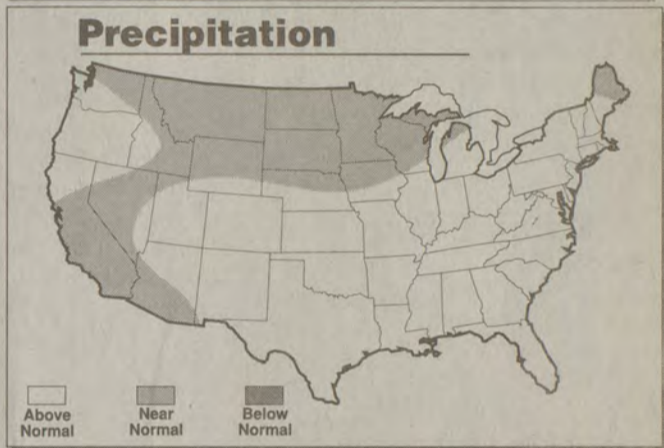
### THE WEEK AHEAD...



### NATIONAL SUMMARY

A cold, stormy weather pattern will cover the nation during the period. A strong southern jet stream will guide a series of storms across the southern third of the nation. As a result, rain and snow will fall across the Southwest, Plains and Southeast. Elsewhere, mild weather will remain in the Northeast. Stormy weather will continue to batter the Pacific Northwest with rain and mountain snow.

### THE WEEK AHEAD...



### U.S. TRAVELER'S CITIES

City	Today			Saturday			Sunday			Monday			Tuesday		
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Atlanta	64	45	pc	61	46	c	56	37	sh	50	33	pc	53	36	pc
Boston	50	37	pc	52	38	pc	51	38	pc	49	30	sh	43	28	pc
Chicago	52	30	sh	44	27	sh	39	25	i	36	22	pc	38	21	pc
Cleveland	54	36	sh	51	37	r	50	30	sh	40	25	c	38	24	pc
Denver	32	14	pc	32	11	pc	43	20	pc	45	22	pc	45	19	sn
Des Moines	41	28	sn	34	22	sf	32	20	pc	38	21	pc	36	21	pc
Detroit	54	33	sh	49	34	sh	44	28	sn	38	25	c	38	23	pc
Houston	66	43	pc	59	34	pc	57	35	pc	61	43	pc	66	49	pc
Indianapolis	55	33	pc	48	32	t	42	25	sn	38	21	pc	41	25	pc
Kansas City	42	25	c	39	23	c	42	21	pc	43	24	pc	42	25	pc
Los Angeles	65	40	s	69	41	s	70	42	pc	67	42	pc	66	41	pc
Miami	83	68	pc	85	70	pc	83	66	pc	78	59	pc	76	58	pc
Minn.- St. Paul	42	26	r	34	23	sf	34	19	sn	35	17	pc	31	15	pc
New Orleans	66	48	s	65	48	pc	58	39	pc	58	40	pc	60	46	pc
New York City	52	38	pc	53	41	c	53	40	sh	46	33	sh	44	30	pc
Omaha	38	24	sn	39	21	sf	41	19	pc	40	19	pc	37	20	pc
Phoenix	63	35	s	60	39	s	67	44	pc	70	46	pc	69	45	pc
San Francisco	59	44	pc	58	45	pc	56	42	pc	56	41	pc	55	42	pc
Seattle	46	36	pc	51	38	c	50	34	sh	49	34	pc	48	34	pc
Washington	57	41	c	58	45	c	58	41	sh	50	31	pc	50	31	pc

### SUN & MOON

Sunrise		Sunset	
Fri. ....	7:06 a.m.	6:22 p.m.	
Sat. ....	7:04 a.m.	6:23 p.m.	
Moonrise		Moonset	
Fri. ....	7:43 a.m.	7:47 p.m.	
Sat. ....	8:23 a.m.	8:58 p.m.	

### Moon Phases

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Feb 26	Mar 5	Mar 12	Mar 21

Weather (W):  
s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy,  
sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain,  
sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice.

### WORLD TRAVELER'S CITIES

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Berlin	51	40	c	42	23	r	24	15	pc	26	21	s	33	32	s
Buenos Aires	83	57	s	79	60	s	83	64	pc	84	64	pc	84	66	pc
Cairo	67	44	s	68	46	pc	63	46	pc	66	46	pc	66	44	pc
Jerusalem	52	38	pc	51	36	pc	52	38	pc	54	39	pc	55	36	pc
Johannesburg	81	63	pc	86	62	s	84	62	pc	83	62	pc	83	62	pc
London	50	40	pc	41	21	pc	30	22	s	45	39	s	57	49	pc
Madrid	65	38	s	64	37	s	59	36	pc	58	40	pc	66	48	s
Mexico City	79	47	s	73	45	s	72	45	pc	72	46	pc	73	49	s
Moscow	37	34	c	38	34	sn	39	25	pc	39	29	r	30	14	sn
Paris	51	37	c	42	23	sn	30	19	s	40	35	s	54	46	s
Rio de Janeiro	88	75	pc	87	78	pc	89	77	pc	88	76	pc	86	74	pc
Rome	61	43	s	64	43	s	53	31	pc	50	34	s	58	47	s
San Juan	84	68	s	82	73	s	87	75	pc	88	75	pc	87	73	pc
Seoul	46	26	sn	40	27	c	46	30	pc	47	28	pc	43	28	pc
Sydney	88	67	s	69	62	c	77	66	s	77	65	pc	77	67	pc
Toronto	48	32	sh	43	27	r	52	33	sn	36	16	sf	32	15	pc
Tokyo	55	46	sh	54	48	pc	49	40	r	53	43	pc	49	38	pc
Winnipeg	24	15	sn	29	7	sf	20	1	c	21	-1	pc	20	-3	c
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# REGIONAL OBITUARIES

## Johnson County

Kimberly Sue Slone, 25, of Meally, died February 21. She was a student. She is survived by her parents, Bobby Gene Slone and Donna Sue Branham Slone. Funeral services were February 24, at the Whitaker Freewill Baptist Church, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Brittany Ann Mayhan, 7, died February 21. She is survived by her parents, Gary Mayhan and Ruth Parker. Funeral services were February 24, at the Jones-Preston Funeral Home Chapel.

Alka Daniels, 93, of Tutor Key, died February 18. She was preceded in death by her husband, Charles Daniels. Funeral services were February 22, at the Baker Branch Freewill Baptist Church.

Dr. Ernest E. Musgrave, 75, of Paintsville, died February 14. He was a general practitioner in downtown Paintsville. He is survived by his wife, Gail Shepherd Musgrave. Funeral services were February 17, at the Southside Freewill Baptist Church.

Haskell Hitchcock, 95, of Paintsville, died February 22. He was a gauger for Ashland Oil. He was preceded in death by his wife, Carma Dixon Hitchcock. Funeral services were February 25, at the Jones-Preston Funeral Home Chapel.

Henly Clarence Dutton, 74, of Williamsport, died February 9. He was a retired teacher. He was preceded in death by his wife, Ellen Wells Dutton. Funeral services were February 11, at the Preston Funeral Home Chapel.

## Martin County

Stewart Preece, 61, of Inez, died February 19. He is survived by his wife, Nadine Ollie Robinson

# OBITUARIES

## Wanda Lou Hamilton Newsome

Wanda Lou Hamilton Newsome, 56, of Pikeville, died Wednesday, February 25, 1998, at her residence, following an extended illness.

Born June 18, 1941 at Martin, she was the daughter of the late Squire Hamilton and Hazel Halbert Hamilton. She was a member of the Community Church of God in Jesus Name, Arkansas Creek, Martin.

Survivors include her husband, Gary Newsome; two sons, John Curtis Hall of Stanville and Squire Gregory Hall of Pikeville; one stepson, Michael Newsome of Loraine, Ohio; one daughter, Hazel Melinda Leanne Belcher of Pikeville; and 15 grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Friday, February 27, at 11 a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home Chapel, with Bud Crum and Earnest Reynolds officiating.

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

## Junie Handshoe

Junie Handshoe, 74, of Hindman, died Tuesday, February 24, 1998, at her residence, following an extended illness.

Born June 3, 1923 in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late Linzie and Sara Jane Sawyers Hicks. She was a member of the Cross Roads Community Baptist Church at Ogden Creek, Hindman. She was preceded in death by her husband, Walter Handshoe.

Survivors include four sons, Earl Handshoe of LaGrange, Indiana, Victor Handshoe of Stroe, Indiana, and Ray Handshoe and Dennie Handshoe, both of Hindman; five daughters, Lucinda Combs of London, Ada Hicks of LaGrange, Indiana, Luna Sexton and Teresa Campbell Hall, both of Litt Carr, and Patricia Hicks of Hindman; 25 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Thursday, February 26, at 1 p.m., at the Cross Roads Community Baptist Church at Hindman, with Willie Collins and Donnie Patrick officiating.

Burial was in the Bolen Cemetery, Rock Fork at Garrett, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Preece. Funeral services were February 22, at the Phelps and Son Funeral Home Chapel.

Ora Pauley, 91, of Inez, died February 21. Funeral services were February 24, at the Pack Bottom Church, under the direction of Richmond-Callahan Funeral Home.

## Pike County

Eugene Smith, 73, of Canada, died February 23. He was a disabled army veteran; serving in World War II. He is survived by his wife, Tracey Nora Brown Smith. Funeral services were February 26, at the Rogers Funeral Home Chapel.

Nettie McClanahan, 60, of Phelps, died February 18, the result of injuries sustained in an automobile accident. She is survived by her mother, Minnie Coleman McClanahan of Phelps. Funeral services were February 22, at the Phelps Church of God, under the direction of Phelps Funeral Home.

Mary Ruth Blackburn Easterling, 48, of Elkhorn City, died February 18. She is survived by her husband, Jake "J.D." Easterling, and her mother, Hattie Kelly Blackburn. Funeral services were

February 21, at the Lucas & Hall Funeral Home Chapel.

Junior Casey, 75, of Phelps, died February 20. He was a disabled coal miner. He is survived by his wife, Fannie May Casey. Funeral services were February 22, at the Peter Creek Primitive Baptist Church, under the direction of the Bailey Funeral Home.

Jesse Teamus Bartley, 106, of Ashcamp, died February 21. He was a retired coal miner. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Georgia Ann Wallace Bartley; and his second wife, Rushie Clevinger Bartley. Funeral services were February 24, at the Bailey Funeral Home Chapel.

Kernie Dean Miller, 37, of Mouthcard, died February 21. He was a security guard. He is survived by his mother, Ann Thacker Miller of Feds Creek. Funeral services were February 25, at the Bailey Funeral Home Chapel.

Roma Dixie Mullins, 92, of Belcher, died February 21. She was preceded in death by her husband, Ray Mullins. Funeral services were February 24, at the Bailey Funeral Home Chapel.

Paul Butcher, 75, of Pikeville, died February 22. He was a retired athletics director and coach at Pikeville College and a World War II Army veteran. He is survived by his wife, Doris E. Butcher. Funeral services were February 25, at the First Baptist Church, under the direction of Justice Funeral Services.

Peggy Robinette, 67, of Varney, died February 21. She was preceded in death by her husband, Vergil Robinette. She is survived by her mother, Trudy Stanley Maynard of Pikeville. Funeral services were February 24, at the Pilgrim Home Old Regular Baptist Church, under the direction of Lucas & Hall Funeral Home.

Jennifer Belcher Adams, 45, of Belcher, died February 21. She is survived by her mother, Oma Belcher. Funeral services were February 25, at the Bailey Funeral Home Chapel.

Nolan Keith Auton, 65, of Pikeville, died February 22. He was a dozer operator, employed by Lodestar Energy. He is survived by his wife, Dorothy Bryant Auton. Funeral services were February 26, at the Breathitt Funeral Home

Chapel.

Mae Large Blevins, 92, of Stone, died February 22. She was preceded in death by her husband, C.H. Blevins. Funeral services were February 25, at the Rogers Funeral Home Chapel.

Dora Ford, 75, of Pikeville, died February 17. She was preceded in death by her husband, Bill Ford. Funeral services were February 20, at the J.W. Call and Son Funeral Home Chapel.

Carmel Little, 74, of Virgie, died February 17. Funeral services were February 21, at the R.S. Jones and Son Funeral Home Chapel.

Myra Kinney Runyon, 81, of Pikeville, died February 18. She was preceded in death by her husband, James H. Runyon. Funeral services were February 21, at the Justice Funeral Services Chapel.

Oma Looney, 85, of Belcher, died February 17. She was preceded in death by her husband, Olen Looney. Funeral services were February 20, at the Bailey Funeral Home Chapel.

## Magoffin County

Harry Patrick, 56, of Salyersville, died February 12. He is survived by his parents, Beecher and Easter Howard Patrick of Salyersville. He was a truck driver. Funeral services were February 15, at the Dunn-Kelley/Prater & Dunn Funeral Home Chapel.

John Reed, 86, of Salyersville,

died February 15. He was a farmer. Funeral services were February 18, at the Dunn-Kelley/Prater & Dunn Funeral Home Chapel.

Betty Gillum Howard, 72, of Salyersville, died February 12. She is survived by her husband, George F. Howard. She was a retired postmaster. Funeral services were February 15, at the Dunn-Kelley/Prater & Dunn Funeral Home Chapel.

## Knott County

Waneida Felmore, 73, of Talcum, died February 15. Graveside services were held February 18, at the Versailles Cemetery, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services.

Mollie Combs Handshoe, 86, of Gunlock, died February 15. She was preceded in death by her husband, Dennis Handshoe. Funeral services were February 18, at the Salt Lick United Baptist Church, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services.

Elizabeth Ritchie, 92, of Talcum died February 16. She was preceded in death by her husband, James L. Ritchie. Funeral services were February 18, at the Hindman Funeral Services Chapel.

Luvornia Fugate, 85, of Talcum, died February 16. She was preceded in death by her husband, Leonard Fugate. Funeral services were February 19, at the New Bethlehem Regular Baptist Church, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services.

## PAUL PRATHER

# PERSPECTIVES ON FAITH

For a half-dozen years I worked as the religion writer for the Lexington Herald-Leader. For more years than that—close to 20—I've also been a minister.

In both those capacities I've enjoyed debates with people who are unsure whether God exists. And I've met others who figure God probably is real, but don't understand why that means they might be wise to try to obey Him.

Here are some of the more common questions and comments I've heard from such folks, most of whom are fine people. Following each comment is my response to it. I don't pretend that my answers are the wittiest or most air-tight.

People of other denominations or faiths might differ with me on the specifics. That's OK. But I've found that those of us who regularly practice our faiths are pretty close on our basic concepts about God, whether we're Protestants, Catholics or Jews.

Question: If God is real, why can't we see Him?

My answer: Because God is a Spirit. We don't come to know God by seeing Him, but by believing Him. There's a big difference.

"We walk by faith, not by sight," the Bible says. If we could see God, we wouldn't need faith, would we?

God Himself operates that way; He created the earth by commanding it to spring to life—and then believing that what He'd said would come to pass. The Scripture says He "calls those things which are not as though they are."

He wants us to imitate Him.

Q: I've prayed, but I've never felt God's presence.

A: God never promised that a relationship with Him would be based upon our feelings. It's based upon mutual faith—His faith in us, and our faith in Him.

He promises to believe that those who follow Him will eventually turn out well, even though we act like zeros today. We're asked to believe that He is who He says He is, and that He'll do what He says He'll do in our lives.

There's nothing wrong with being emotional about your faith. In the church where I preach, at times we praise God loudly and even dance with joy.

But it's vital that our faith not be based primarily upon our feelings, because our feelings change about every 10 minutes. God never changes.

Q: What difference does it make whether I give my heart to God?

A: It could make all the difference.

As Pascal said, if a person believes in God, and then it turns out there is no God—well, that person has lost nothing. But if a person ignores God and someday it turns out there is a God, that person has lost everything, even his own soul.

Q: I don't think I can live a godly life.

A: You're probably right. By your own efforts you can't. But if you surrender to God, He promises to send His own Spirit to live through you. Jesus said, "For you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you."

Q: Can't I spend Sundays in the woods and be as spiritual as I can in church?

A: Nope. God's rule is, "Forsake not the assembling of yourselves

together." You see, at church we're forced to interact with other believers. Their presence renews in us a desire to worship God. They encourage us when we're down and correct us when we're wrong.

If nothing else, they're there to irritate the self-righteousness out of us when we've begun to think we're more holy than we really are.

Q: What about all the hypocrites I see in church?

A: We've always got room for one more.

Q: If I start going to church, will I be OK with God?

A: No. Going to church won't turn you into a Christian any more than hanging out in a Pepsi factory will turn you into a soft drink. You become acceptable to God by surrendering your whole body, mind and spirit to Him.

Nothing less will do, and nothing more is possible.

Q: If God is real, why do cats have ear mites? Why do children die of cancer?

A: God creates good things. "Every good and perfect gift comes down from above," the Bible tells us. But God also has a sworn enemy, Satan, who wants only to kill, steal and pervert what God has created.

Those two supernatural beings are locked in a cosmic struggle for control of earth and for control of the hearts of men and women.

Satan has infected the whole cosmos with sin—which brings with it all kinds of pains, diseases and strifes.

Q: I'm sincere in my doubts about God.

A: What if you're sincerely wrong? You might sincerely believe that you can hold out your hand and stop a Mack truck. The truck will still flatten you.



Paul Prather

## THE "WORD" FOR THE WEEK

by Dennis J. Prutow

Life is full of ups and downs, good times and bad, fortune and misfortune. We usually rejoice in good times and abhor misfortune. The Bible makes an amazing statement. "We also exult in our tribulations" (Romans 5:3). How could this be?

In the end, we must acknowledge the importance of the unseen spiritual world about which the Bible speaks so much. God extends hope to human hearts out of this unseen world. Coming to grips with this hope is a primary objective of Christianity. This brings us back to the hard times.

The Bible goes on to say, "Tribulation brings about perseverance; and perseverance, proven character; and proven character,

hope" (Romans 5:3-4). Difficulties in this life cultivate patience, perseverance and endurance. The Bible exhorts, "Let endurance have its perfect result" (James 1:4).

Difficult times have a way of bringing out a person's character. Is there deep and abiding faith in God? Is there commitment to live for God through thick and thin? Trouble proves the character of faith. Misfortune tests us. It tests our character. Tribulation results in character proven under fire. The outcome is hope.

The person who goes through deep personal trials, whether financial, physical, or emotional, with his or her faith intact knows the hope that only comes from God. Such a person has good reason to exalt in those tribulations.

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**Horn Chapel Methodist**, Auxier Rd.; Sunday Morning Services, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School 10:30; Bible Study, Wednesday 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. David Fultz.

## ABBOTT

**The Father House**, Big Branch, Abbott Creek; Sunday School, 10:00; Worship, 6:00 p.m.; Pastor, J.J. Wright.

## ALLEN

**Allen First Baptist Church**, Allen; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Evening Worship at 7 p.m.; Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting, 7 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Arnold Turner.

**Christ United Methodist**, Allen, Ky.; Sunday School, 9:45; Worship, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Sunday Night, 7 p.m.; Pastor, Kenneth Lemaster.

## BANNER

**Prater Creek Baptist Church**, Prater Creek; Sunday School, 10:00; Sunday Morning, 11:00; Sunday Evening, 7:00; Wednesday Prayer Meeting, 7:00; Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.; Kids for Christ Club meets: Sunday, 11:00 a.m., Jr. and Beginners Church meets; Independent Fundamental Baptist Church; Pastor, Gary Fish.

**Daniels Creek Baptist Fellowship Church of God**, Banner, Sunday School, 10:00; Sunday Service, 7:00; Tuesday Bible Study, 6:30; Everyone Welcome. Pastor, David Shepherd.

## BEAVER

**Elliott's Chapel Free Methodist Church**, Beaver, Rt. 979; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m.; Pastor, Philip T. Smith.

## BETSY LAYNE

**Betsy Layne United Methodist Church**, next to B.L. Gymnasium; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m.; Pastor, Randy Blackburn

**Betsy Layne Church of God**, Old U.S. 23; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Night Service, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Night family training hour, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Judith Caudill.

**Betsy Layne Free Will Baptist Church**; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m.; Wed. Night Prayer & Youth Services, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Tracy Patton.

**Calvary Southern Baptist Church**, Betsy Layne; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Evening Worship, 7 p.m.; Youth Meeting, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday prayer meeting and Bible study, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Troy Lee Tackett.

**Betsy Layne Church of Christ** at Betsy Layne; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Worship Service 11:00 a.m., Sunday Night Service, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Minister, Tommy J. Spears

## BLUE RIVER

**Middle Creek Baptist Church**, Blue River; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Sunday Evening Worship, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Service, 7:00 p.m.; Independent Fundamental; Pastor, Vernon Slone.

## BONANZA

**Bonanza Freewill Baptist**, Abbott Creek Road; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship Service, 11:00 a.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Herb Arms.

## BUFFALO

**Endicott Freewill Baptist Church**; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Prayer Meeting and Youth Service, Wednesday, 7:00 p.m. and the first Saturday each month at 7:00 p.m.; Sunday Service, 6:00 p.m.; Pastor, B.J. Cridler

## CORN FORK

**Brandy Keg Freewill Baptist**, Corn Fork; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday worship, 11 a.m.; Prayer Meeting and Youth, Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Pastor, Roger Music.

## COW CREEK

**Cow Creek Freewill Baptist**, Cow Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.-11 a.m.; Sunday Evening, 6 p.m., 7:30 p.m.; 3rd Sunday Worship Service, 11:00 a.m. to 12 noon; Prayer Meeting and Youth Group, Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.; Pastor, Nathon Lafferty.

**Benedict Baptist Church**, Slick Rock Branch of Cow Creek, (half mile up Cow Creek on left); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Sunday Evening Service, 6 p.m.; Youth Service, 6 p.m. each Wednesday and Evening Service, 7 p.m. each Wednesday.

## DANA

**Sammy Clark Branch Freewill Baptist Church**, Dana; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Church, 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Night Service, 6:00 p.m.; Youth Meeting Sunday, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting, 6:30 p.m.; Pastor, Jody Spencer; Assistance Pastor, Terry Hall.

## DAVID

**Goodloe Pentecostal Church**, Rt. 850, David, Ky.; Sunday Night, 7 p.m.; Fourth Saturday Night, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Kilmer Lambert.

## DRIFT

**Drift Pentecostal Church**, Drift; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Wednesday Night, 7:00 p.m.; Worship Service, Saturday and Sunday Night, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Ted Shannon.

**Drift Independent Church**, Drift; Thursday, 6:30; Sunday, 11:00.

**Drift Freewill Baptist Church**, Drift; Prayer Service, 6:30 p.m., Thursday; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday Church Service, 6:30 p.m.; Pastor, Randy Turner.

**Drift Presbyterian Church**, Route 1101, Drift; Sunday Services, 11:00 a.m.; Part-time minister, Mary Alice Murray.

## DENVER

**Liberty Baptist Church**, Denver; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Evening Service, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Night Bible Study, 6 p.m.; Pastor, Merle Little.

## DWALE

**Dwale House of Prayer**, Dwale, Ky.; service Saturday night, 7:00 p.m.; Sunday night, 6:00 p.m.; Pastor, Woodrow Crum.

## EAST POINT

**Free Pentecostal Church of God**, East Point, Rt. 1428; Sunday School, 10:00; Sunday Service, 11:00; Sunday Night, 6:30; Thursday Night, 6:30; Pastor, Buster Hayton.

## EMMA

**Emma United Methodist**, Emma, Ky.; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship, 11:00; Wednesday, 6:00 p.m.; Paul Aiken, Pastor.

## ESTILL

**Martin Branch Freewill Baptist**, Estill; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Services, 11:15 a.m.; Sunday Night, 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Wayne Stevens.

## GARRETT

**Rock Fork Regular Baptist Church**, Garrett; 4th Sunday of each month at 9:30 a.m.; Moderator, Elder Earl Slone; Assistant Moderator, Elder Jerry Manns.

**Rock Fork Freewill Baptist Church**, Garrett, Ky.; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday Worship, 11 a.m.; Prayer Meeting, Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Pastor, Elder Brodey Amburgey.

**First Baptist Church**, Garrett; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Evening Worship, 7:00 p.m.; Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday; Pastor, Randy Osborne.

**Garrett Church of God**, Garrett; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Worship Service, 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Donald Bragg.

**Garrett Community Christian Church**, Route 550, Garrett, Ky.; Service Sunday

evening at 6:30 p.m. and Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. Regular meeting 2nd Saturday at 6:30 p.m. and Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m. Come and bring a friend. Everyone welcome. Pastor, Donnie Hackworth.

## GOBLE ROBERTS ADDITION

**Landmark Church of God**, Goble Roberts Addition; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:10 a.m.; Sunday Night, 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday Night, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Kenneth E. Prater, Jr.

**Community Freewill Baptist**, Goble Roberts; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Service, 11:00 a.m.; Wednesday Prayer Meeting, 7 p.m.; 4th Saturday Night, Regular Service & Business, 6:00 p.m.; Sunday Night Service, 6:00 p.m.; Pastor, Paul D. Coleman.

## GRETHEL

**Grethel Baptist Church**, State Route 3379, (Branham's Creek Road), telephone 587-2043; Junior Church and Morning worship at 11:00; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Youth meeting Wednesday night 6:30 p.m.; Prayer meeting and bible study at 6:30.

## HAROLD

**Harold Church of Christ**, at Harold. Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Worship Service 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Night Service, 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.; Minister, James H. Harmon

**Lower Toler Church of Christ** at Harold. Sunday School 10:00 a.m.; Worship Service 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Night Service 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study 6:30 p.m.; Minister, Doyle Meade.

## HI HAT

**The Church of God of Prophecy** at Hi Hat, invites you to worship with us each week. Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Sunday Evening Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Wednesday Service, 7 p.m.; Wednesday night is family night! Everyone welcome! Pastor, Don Fraley, Jr.

**United Christian Church**, Meade Bottom, Hi Hat, Ky; Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.; Saturday, 7:00 p.m.; Sunday, 10:00 a.m., 7:00 p.m. Brother, Bill Slone, Pastor

## HUEYSVILLE

**United Community Baptist Church**, Hwy. 7, Hueysville, Ky. Service each Friday night, 7:00 p.m. and each Sunday at 2:00 p.m. Come worship with us and bring a friend. Everyone welcome. Pastor, Carlos Beverly.

**Salt Lick United Baptist**, Salt Lick, Hueysville, Ky. Service each Thursday at 6:30 p.m. and the 4th Sunday at 10:30 a.m. Everyone welcome. Pastor, Jacob Jarvis.

## IVEL

**Tom's Creek Freewill Baptist**, U.S. 23, first exit (north of Layne Brothers); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Evening Service, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Prayer Meeting, 7 p.m.; Pastor, Chuck Ferguson.

## LACKEY

**Lackey Freewill Baptist Church**, Lackey. Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Sunday Worship Service, 11:00 a.m.; Wednesday Prayer Meeting, 7:00 p.m.; Everyone Welcome. Pastor Johnny J. Collins, of Wayland. "If we meet and you forget me you have lost nothing, but if you meet Jesus and forget him you have lost everything."

## LANCER

**Lancer Baptist Church**, Lancer, welcomes you to the services. Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Evening Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Tom Biddle.

**Trimble Chapel Freewill Baptist**, Lancer-Water Gap Road; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Night Service, 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday Night Service, 7:00 p.m.; Youth Service Wednesday, 6:30; Pastor, Joe Coleman.

**Pleasant Home Baptist Church**, Lancer-Water Gap Road; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning worship, 11 a.m.; Sunday night, 6 p.m.; Sunday Youth Meeting, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Evening Service, 7 p.m.; Wednesday programs available for children; Pastor, Mark Tackett.

## LANGLEY

**Maytown United Methodist Church**, Langley; Morning Worship, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Youth Sunday, 5:00 p.m.; Sunday Night, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Night, 6 p.m.; Pastor, Roy Harlow.

## MARTIN

**Stephens Branch Missionary Baptist Church**, Stephens Branch; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Sunday Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Mid-Week Bible Study, Wednesday, 6:00 p.m.

**Martin House of Worship**, in Martin on Old Post Office St. Saturday and Sunday

at 7 p.m.

**The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints**, Sunday; Relief Society/Priesthood/Primary 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School 10:30 a.m.; Sacrament Meeting 11:40 a.m.; Wednesday; Seminary 6:00 p.m.; Young Women/Young Men/Scouting 7:00 p.m.; Family History, Tuesday 12-8:00 p.m. and Thursday, 8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

**First Assembly of God**, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Night Service, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Prayer & Bible Study, 7 p.m.; Missionettes & Royal Rangers, 7 p.m.; Pastor, Lorie Vannucci.

**Trinity Chapel, Pentecostal Holiness Church**, North Main Street, Martin; services: Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Thursday evening worship, 7:00 p.m.; Thursday worship, 7:00 p.m.; Second Saturday Worship, 7:00 p.m.; Youth Activity nights, 1st and 3rd Saturday, 6:00 p.m.; Womens Ministries, 2nd Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.; Men's Ministries, 2nd Friday, 7:00 p.m.; Men's Bible study Monday evenings, 6:00 p.m.; Ellis J. Stevens, Pastor.

**Faith Bible Church**, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Sunday Evening, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Evening, 6 p.m.; Independent Fundamental Baptist; Pastor, Don Crisp.

**Martin Freewill Baptist Church**, Martin, Ky.; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Evening Service, 6 p.m.; Bible Study, Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Youth League, Tuesday, 6 p.m.; Pastor, Pastor, John L. Blair.

**First Baptist Church**, Martin, Ky.; Bible Study, 10:00; Worship, 11:00; Evening Worship, 6:00; Mid Week, 7:00; Pastor, Pastor, Russ Taylor.

**Community Church of God**, Arkansas Creek, Martin; Friday, 7 p.m.; Sunday Morning, 11 a.m.; Deacon, Bud Crum.

**Martin Church of Christ**, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Evening, 7 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m.; Wednesday Youth Group, 7 p.m.; Evangelist, Gary Mitchell.

**Martin Methodist Church**; Sunday School, 10:00; Morning Worship, 11:00; Wednesday Night Bible Study, 7:00; Pastor, Roy Harlow.

**Old Time Holiness Church**; 2 miles up Arkansas Creek, Brother John W. Patton. Friday Evening, 7:00; Sunday Evening, 7:00; Sunday School, 11:00; Everyone Welcome.

## MAYTOWN

**Maytown First Baptist Church**, Main Street; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Evening Service, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Evening Bible Study at 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Bob Varney.

## MCDOWELL

**McDowell First Baptist Church**, McDowell; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Evening Worship, 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday prayer meeting, 7 p.m.; individual counseling and family counseling by appointment. Pastor, Harry Hargis.

## MIDDLE CREEK

**Fitzpatrick First Baptist Church**, 2656 West Mt. Parkway Prestonsburg, (across from Clark Elem. School); Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Evening, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Jennings West.

**Spurlock Bible Church**, Spurlock Fork of Middle Creek, Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Evening Service, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Prayer Service, 7 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Dan Heintzelman.

## MOUNTAIN PARKWAY

**Free Pentecostal Deliverance Church**, Ext. 46 off Mt. Parkway at Campton, Saturday and Sunday, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Patricia Crider.

**Parkway First Calvary Pentecostal Church**, Located at the Floyd and Magoffin County line. Sunday night, 6:30; Wednesday night, 7:00. A worship Center for everyone. Pastor, Mike D. Caldwell welcomes all.

## PRESTONSBURG

**Faith Revelation Ministry**, 1/4 mile above WorldWide Equipment. Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Service, 11 a.m.; Sunday Night Service, 6:00; Midweek, Thursday, 7 p.m.; Pastor Randy Hagans.

**Seventh-Day Adventist**, 5 miles West on Mountain Parkway; Sabbath School, 9:15; Church Service, 10:30; Pastor, Mike Foraker, 886-3459.

**St. Martha Church**, Water Gap; Saturday evening mass, 5 p.m.; Sunday, 11:15 a.m.; Religious Education Classes, Sunday, 9:45-10:45 a.m.; Adult Class, Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.; Pastor: Father John Moriarty.

**Community United Methodist Church**,

141 Burke Ave., (off University Drive), Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Sunday morning worship, 11:00 a.m.; Sunday evening worship, 6 p.m.; Wednesday evening prayer service, 7 p.m.; classes for adults, youth and children; choir practice, Wednesday, 8 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Sam Knox.

**The Third Avenue Freewill Baptist Church**, Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10:00; Morning Worship, 11:00; Evening Worship, 6:00; Wednesday Prayer Meeting, 7:00; Pastor, Manford Fannin.

**First Christian Church**, 560 North Arnold Avenue, Prestonsburg. No Wednesday evening or Sunday evening services at present. Bible study, 10:00 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Minister, Kevin G. Jett.

**Highland Avenue Freewill Baptist Church**; Sunday School, 9:50 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Evening Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, David Garrett.

**First Baptist Church**, (Irene Cole Memorial), 54 S. Front St., Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Evening Worship, 7:00 p.m.; S.M.A.S.H. 6:45 (on Wednesday); Wednesday night, 7 pm.; Bible Study & Prayer Meeting, 7:00 p.m.; Dr. S. Thomas Valentine, Pastor.

**Praise Assembly**, 1 mile South of Prestonsburg, intersection of route 80 and U.S. 23; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Praise & Worship, 11 a.m.; Sunday evening services, 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday Prayer & Bible Study, 6:30 p.m.; nursery provided. Pastor, J.M. Sloce.

**Katy Friend Freewill Baptist Church**, located two miles up Abbott; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Evening Worship, 6 p.m.; Wed. Bible Study, 7 p.m.; Pastor, Van West.

**First Presbyterian**, North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Pastor, Rev. George C. Love.

**First United Methodist Church**, 138 S. Arnold Ave., Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 9:45; Morning Worship, 10:55; Evening Worship, 7:00; Wed. Prayer Meeting, 7:00. Pastor, Reverend David Fultz.

**Victory Christian Ministries Church**, 1428 E., Prestonsburg; Sunday Worship, 11 a.m.; Sunday School, 11:30 a.m.; Wednesday Night, 7 p.m.; Pastor, Sherm Williams.

**Parkway Baptist**, Rt. 1428, Sugar Loaf, Prestonsburg; Sun. School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Evening Service, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Prayer Service, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor Ed Taylor.

**Church of Christ**, South Lake Drive; Sunday, 10 a.m.; Sunday Evening, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Evening, 7:00 p.m.; Evangelist, Benny Blankenship.

**St. James Episcopal Church**, school starts 9:45. Enquire classes to begin in January. For more information, contact the Rev. Johnnie E. Ross, 886-8046.

**Faith Freewill Baptist Church**, 1/4 mile above Worldwide Equipment on Rt. 1428. Buddy Jones, Pastor; Sunday School, 10:00; Worship, 11:00; Wednesday Prayer meeting, 7:00; Sunday Night Service at 6:00 p.m.

**Prestonsburg Community College Baptist Student Union**; meets every Wednesday, 11:30-12:30 in 1102. Lunch, discussion, travel available to all students, faculty and staff. French B. Harmon, Director; Ella C. Goble, president. For more information, call: 874-9468 or 478-2978.

**First Church of God**, Prestonsburg; Sunday school, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10:45; Sunday Evening, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m.; Kids Bible Club, 7 p.m.; Pastor Allan Hutchinson.

**Town Branch Community Baptist**, Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Sunday Evening, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Evening, 6 p.m.

**Tom Moore Memorial Freewill Baptist Church**, Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10; Morning Worship, 11; Wednesday Night Bible Study, 7 p.m.; Pastor Clifford Austin.

**Benedict Baptist Church**, Cow Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Sunday evening, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Prayer Service, 7 p.m.; Pastor, Gordon Fitch.

## PAINTSVILLE

**Our Savior Lutheran Church**, Sipp Bayes Room Carriage House Motel, Paintsville; Sunday School, 11:00 a.m.; WKLW (600 a.m.) "Chapel Window", 12:05 p.m. every Sunday; Pastor Rev. Rolland Benstrup.

## PRINTER

**Salisbury United Methodist Church**, Printer; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Worship, 11:00; Evening Service, 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday Services, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Bobby G. Lawson.

## STANVILLE

**Mare Creek Church of Christ**, at Stanville. Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Worship Service 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Night Service, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Bible School, 6:30 p.m.; Minister, Tommy D. Bush

## WATER GAP

**Trimble Chapel Free Will Baptist**, Intersection of U.S. 23 and Ky. 80, Water Gap, Ky.; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Service, 11 a.m.; Sunday Night Service, 7:00; Wednesday youth meeting, 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Pastor Joe Coleman.

## WEEKSBURY

**Free Pentecostal Church of God**, Weeksbury; Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.; Saturday, 7:00 p.m.; Sunday, 7:00 p.m.; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Pastor, John "Jay" Patton.

**Weeksbury Church of Christ**; Sunday, 10 a.m.; Sunday Worship, 10:45 a.m.; Sunday Evening, 6:00 p.m.; Pastor, Mike Hall.

## WHEELWRIGHT

**Wheelwright United Methodist Church**, Wheelwright; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Worship, 11:00; Evening Service, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday, 7:00 services; Pastor, Bobby Isaac.

**Bypro Church of God**; Sunday School Services, 10:00 a.m.; Sunday Morning Services, 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Night Services, 7:00 p.m.; Thursday Night Services, 7:00 p.m.

**Wheelwright Freewill Baptist**, Wheelwright junction; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Evening Worship, 7 p.m.; Wednesday evening worship, 7 p.m.; Pastor, Louis Ferrari.

**Free Pentecostal Holiness Church**, Rt. 122, Upper Burton; Friday night, 7 p.m.; Sunday School, 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Evening, 6 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Louis Sanlan; Rev. David Pike, assistant pastor.

**Lighthouse Temple**, Hall Hollow, Wheelwright, Kentucky; Sunday Services, 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday and Friday Services, 7:00; Pastor, Roy Cosby.

## WEST PRESTONSBURG

**Faith Deliverance Tabernacle**, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Thursday, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Don Shepherd.

**Family Worship Assembly**, West Prestonsburg;

# 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.

## Math and science show coming to Prestonsburg

A vehicle with a unique mission will visit the Floyd County School district March 2-6 showing students the study of math and science can be fun. During its stay, it will be parked at Prestonsburg Community College.

The vehicle, called a Mobile Discovery Center, is one of the U.S. Army's outreach programs of the National Science Center in Augusta, Georgia.

The Mobile Discovery Center is an 18-wheel truck, brilliantly painted red, white and blue in a configuration similar to the American flag.

The purpose is to stimulate an interest in students in the study of science and math.

Soldiers with the van present programs showing students that studying math and science is not only fun, but essential to their future.

The Mobile Discovery Center is three things in one - a theater, a

## Coleman named to honors' list

A Floyd County woman has made the academic honors' list at Campbellsville University for the fall 1997 semester.

The academic honors' list recognizes students who achieve a grade point average of 3.50 or above for the semester on a course load of at least 12 hours. The fall 1997 honors' list includes a total of 348 students, with 99 achieving a 4.0 grade point average.

Olivia Marie Coleman was named to the achievement list last fall. She is a senior at Campbellsville.

## Shepherd is deployed

Marine Cpl. Danny R. Shepherd, whose wife, Leslie, is the daughter of Samuel and Ruth Hamman of Prestonsburg, recently participated in a training exercise while on a six-month deployment to Okinawa with 2nd Battalion 6th Marines, home-based at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina.

During the exercise, Marines from Shepherd's unit were tasked with securing an airfield and destroying a surface-to-air missile site without aerial or forward recon-

Monday for Wednesday's publication or 5 p.m. Wednesday for Friday's publication. These cannot be taken over the telephone.

### Retired teachers to meet

The Floyd County Retired Teachers Association will meet March 5, at May Lodge, Jenny Wiley State Resort Park, at 10 a.m. Shannon Ledbetter, district manager of the National Health Administration, will speak.

classroom, and an exhibit hall. As a theater, it features programs on math, science, electronics and computers. As a classroom, it provides training in those subjects for student and teachers. As an exhibit hall, it showcases small interactive exhibits and displays.

One of the soldiers working with the program said he never really understood science and math until the eleventh grade, when his teacher gave up teaching from the book and started doing experiments. He said that when things are done hands-on, students learn faster and remember them.

There are 29 hands-on science experiments. One is a "hair-raising" Van deGraaff generator, which generates static electricity.

Students can receive voltage with low amps so injuries are not a problem.

Also on board is the Tesla coil, where student learn how electricity travels through the air.

Many students visiting the van initially don't like math and science, but after they see both subjects "in action," they leave ready to become scientists and engineers.

As a U.S. Army outreach program of the National Science Center in Augusta, Georgia, over 260,000 students in 46 states have visited the Mobile Discovery Center since February 1992.

Other outreach programs of the National Science Center are: math and science summer camps, teleconferences, and math and science instruction in JROTC summer camps.

For more information, call Joyce Watson, Floyd County School District in Prestonsburg at (606) 886-8862, or the public affairs office in Fort Gordon, Georgia at (706) 791-6001.

naissance. This forced the unit to rely on their maps and land navigation skills.

Shepherd's unit is part of the Unit Deployment Program (UDP). UDP units based in the United States go to Okinawa for six months to train. From Okinawa they can deploy to mainland Japan, Korea and many other Pacific countries.

The 1992 graduate of Prestonsburg High School joined the Marine Corps in February 1994.

### Auction to benefit school

Our Lady of the Mountains School will sponsor an auction on February 28. Items to be auctioned include a football autographed by Coach Hal Mumme; an autographed basketball by coach Tubby Smith and the U.K. players; an autographed basketball by Scottie Pippen of the Chicago Bulls and other items.

### Pikeville College Phonathon

The Pikeville College Phonathon, the school's largest annual fundraiser, will be held on March 2-12. Support Pikeville College by making a pledge. All proceeds benefit the student scholarship fund. Call (606) 432-9326 to volunteer or for donor information.

### 35-year reunion

Martin Purple Flash Class of 1963 will be having their 35-year reunion. Addresses, phone numbers of classmates are needed. For information, contact Linda Gregory at (606) 285-0963 or 285-2918, or contact Ann Stumbo at 285-9474.

### Gospel concert

Danny Frederick will be in concert on Saturday, February 28, at 6:30 p.m., at the Horn Chapel Methodist Church, Auxier Road.

### John W. Hall Lodge 950 Master Mason degree

John W. Hall Lodge No. 950,

F&AM, will confer the Master Mason degree at a meeting to be held Saturday, February 28, at the lodge hall, at Martin, at 7 p.m. Dinner will be served and all master masons are encouraged to attend.

### Prestonsburg Elementary SBDM council to meet

The Prestonsburg Elementary School SBDM council will hold their regular meeting on Monday, March 2, at 6 p.m. in the school auditorium. The meeting is open to the public.

### MCA registration

Mountain Christian Academy is conducting registration. Students currently enrolled and their siblings may register between now and March 15. For students not currently enrolled, registration will begin March 15. For more information, call MCA at 285-5141.

### CPR classes

Our Lady of the Way Hospital will offer a basic CPR class for the public on March 20, at the Seton Complex. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m.; class starts at 9 a.m. Pre-registration is required by March 12. Call 285-5181, ext. 301 to register.

### Transition training class

The CE/CS office at Prestonsburg Community College will offer a transition training course beginning March 3, from 6-9 p.m. in the Johnson building. Call 886-3863, ext. 258 for more information or to register.

Autism meeting rescheduled

The Kentucky Autism Training Center (KATC) has rescheduled their informational meeting on autism for Wednesday, March 4, from 5-8 p.m. at the Mountain Arts Center. The speaker will be Dr. John Burke, director of KATC. Call (502) 852-4631 or (800) 344-8635 for more information.

### Entrance test

The Piarist School will hold its first entrance test for students entering the ninth or tenth grades in the

## Allen Central, Betsy Layne high schools host blood drives

Blood transfusions are saving more lives than ever before in communities served by the Central Kentucky Blood Center.

Two of the county's high schools will be hosting their own blood drives; Betsy Layne will hold theirs March 5, and Allen Central will follow with theirs March 9. Both schools will be taking donations from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

According to CKBC officials, transfusions of blood and components increased by a near-record 14 percent during the last year. Two hundred-fifty blood donors are needed daily at CKBC to meet the needs of the patients in area hospitals.

"Patients are benefiting from the

fall on March 7, at 9 a.m. The school is a small, private, tuition-free, college preparatory high school, located in Martin. Call 285-3950 or write for more information: The Piarist School, Hwy. 80, Box 870, Martin, KY 41649.

### HIV/AIDS update

Our Lady of the Way Hospital will offer a two-hour HIV/AIDS update on March 11, at the Seton Complex. Registration begins at 1 p.m.; workshop starts at 1:15 p.m. Preregistration required by March 6. Call 285-5181, ext. 301 for more information.

many high-tech medical procedures performed in Kentucky hospitals," says Sally Baker, CKBC spokeswoman. "Organ transplant programs, trauma centers and cancer therapies all rely on a dependable blood supply."

More volunteer donors are needed to ensure patients receive the life-saving blood they desperately require for medical treatment.

All donors must be 17 years of age or older, weigh a minimum of 100 pounds or more and be in good general health.

To find out how you can help your community as a blood donor, contact Mickey Bowling at (606) 439-2173.



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For more information, call or visit any of these BellSouth Mobility locations.

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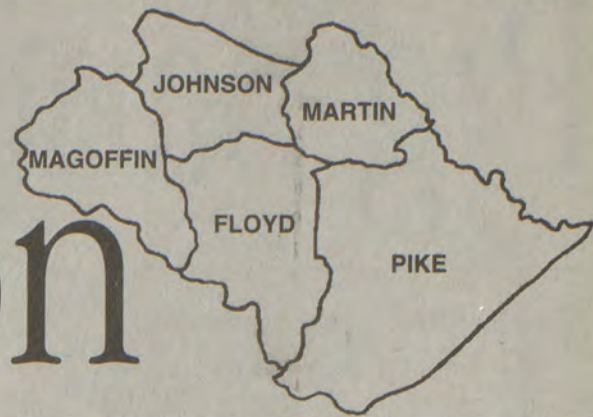


Count On It.



Well-known dog, "Honor Hound", recently enjoyed a chilly dip far above the greenish waters of Dewey Lake. This high-rock over-look is located about 1.5 miles up-lake and across from May Lodge. Photo by "Alligator John" Spurlock





# Around The Region

## Regional RE Events



### Do you love to sing?

The community is encouraged to get those vocal cords warmed up in order to join the Pikeville College Community Choir. Teens and adults alike are urged to participate.

The Pikeville College Community Choir rehearses Monday evenings from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the Record Memorial Building, room 407. The practices will culminate in the annual Spring Concert on Thursday, April 23.

For more information, contact director Margaret Andraso at (606) 432-9214 or Brad Daniels, director of music ensembles, at (606) 437-3486.

### Troubadour Concert Series

The Troubadour volunteer and Budweiser celebrates the beginning of the fourth year of the Troubadour Concert Series at the historic Paramount Arts Center by presenting the following national artists in concert. Tickets for all shows are on sale at the Paramount box office, 1300 Winchester Avenue in Ashland. Call 606-324-3175 for ticket information.

- Sam Bush Band, March 27;
- Leo Kottke, April 3;
- Joan Baez, April 23;
- Shawn Colvin, May 1;
- Ray Davies, May 15; (lead singer and songwriter to The Kinks).
- Rosanne Cash, June 19; and
- Kathy Mattea, June 26.

### Pikeville Methodist Calendar of Events

**CPR INSTRUCTORS CLASS:** American Heart Association Instructor Trainers will be teaching ACPR class, March 5 and 6, for any person who is currently CPR certified. Good clinical skills are required to participate in this course. This two-day course will be from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m., in the Pikeville Methodist Hospital Education Center, located in the Wallen and Cornett Building. To register call 437-3525.

**BASICS OF MEDICARE:** on March 9, will help individuals understand the basics of the Medicare Program. The class will be at 11 a.m., in the Pikeville Methodist Hospital Lifestyles Center located in the Collins and Love Building. The presentation is free.

**An EPIDURAL ANESTHESIA CLASS** for pregnant women wanting to know more about the use of epidural anesthesia will be held March 10 and 12. The class will meet from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m., at the Pikeville Methodist Hospital Education Center, in the Wallen and Cornett Building. Call 437-3938 to register. The class is free.

**AIDS UPDATE.** Dr. Mary Fox will present current information about AIDS from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m., in the Pikeville Methodist Hospital Education Center, located in the Wallen and Cornett Building, on March 20. This class meets AIDS continuing education requirements for Kentucky licensure of nurses and other health-care professionals. The public is also welcome. Call 437-3525 to register. The class is free.

Find out how to stop smoking using nicotine patches or gum during a free PANDA Program at 6 p.m., March 26, at the Pikeville Methodist Hospital Lifestyles Center in the Collins and Love Building. Don't put it off any longer. You can quit smoking. Register today for this free one-hour Presentation to Address Nicotine Dependence in Adults. Call 437-3563 to register.

## Former ambulance director arrested

by Mark Grayson  
Martin County Sun

A former director of the recently reorganized Martin County Ambulance Service found himself on the wrong side of the law again last week when he was arrested at his residence on Mills Branch Road of Rockhouse.

Dean Slone, 36, was arrested Thursday by KSP Trooper Arthur Maynard on a warrant charging Slone with Harassing Communications. The arrest warrant had been obtained by Martin County Emergency Service general manager Teresa L. Sansom.

According to the warrant, Slone had called Sansom at her office complaining that he had wanted to resume his duties as a paramedic. Sansom reportedly told Slone that the ambulance board had advised her not to allow him (Slone) to associate in any way with the service.

In the complaint filed by Sansom, she says Slone used abusive language and threatened to "get even with you when this thing is over." The ambulance board had accepted the resignation of Slone after his August 25, 1997 indictment and arrest.

Ms. Sansom told *The Sun* she believes "this thing" Slone referred to concerns this

recent indictment charging him with Theft by Unlawful Taking, Theft by Failure to make required Disposition and Eavesdropping. All are class D Felonies carrying possible penalties of 1-5 years in prison and up to \$10,000 in fines on each charge.

The crimes are alleged to have occurred while Slone was acting as the director of the ambulance service and concerned misconduct and abuse of his authority. Slone was appointed as director of the ambulance service by former director and current County Judge-Executive Kelly Callahan in 1992.

Sansom played a vital part in the investigation when she, along with three fellow

employees, blew the whistle last year on Slone. Reporting what they believed to be numerous illegal activities they had witnessed while employed at the ambulance service, making them key witnesses for Attorney General Prosecutor Luke Morgan's prosecution.

According to the indictment information, Slone had used ambulance service money as if it was his own allowing his wife, Sherry Slone, an ambulance board member at the time to make personal purchases, such as a computer, on the ambulance service account. Slone is also alleged to have given ambulance service money and favors (such as excessive overtime) to a female employee as well as giving her \$450 to pay for a divorce.

During Slone's tenure as director, the Martin County Fiscal Court was giving the private, for-profit company as much as \$90,000 per year in cash and gasoline allowances. The charges and subsequent investigation are part of a bitter squabble between Callahan and Martin County Sheriff Darriel Young, a former ambulance board member who resigned late last year from the post.

The private company had been receiving as much as \$60,000 per year from the Martin County Fiscal Court, but the money was cut off... last year causing Calloway to spend \$30,000 of his own money to keep the service, which has changed its name and bylaws, afloat financially.

If Slone declines the state's offer he would face a May 4 trial date. He is scheduled to be arraigned in Martin District Court March 10.

## Board signs contract with academy

by Kim Stacy  
Appalachian News-Express

It's deja vu all over again for the Pike County School System. However, the outcome may be drastically different this time around.

Once again, the Kentucky Youth Academy made a request to the board of education for a contract to provide educational services to the troubled juveniles it serves, and now the board is one step away from signing the contract.

However, at a special called meeting Wednesday night, the board did not vote by a narrow margin to sign a contract with the Kentucky Educational Collaborative for State Agency Children, which will reimburse the county school system for any expenses it incurs to provide educational services.

The vote passed 3-2 with Alvin Newsome, Shannon Justice and W. Keith Hall voting "yes" and John Blackburn and Bobby Varney voting "no".

The action came after a lengthy discussion in which the board was told by the Kentucky Department of Education and BOE attorney Bob Chenoweth that if the board did not enter into an agreement with KECSAC and the Kentucky Youth Academy, then the board would still have to provide educational services to those juveniles and the money would have to come from the local school board's general fund.

"The obligation to provide an education to those children rests with this county," said Chenoweth. "Without an agreement with KECSAC, the financial burden would rest entirely with the school district."

The thing that cannot be lost sight of is that we care about these children in this country right now and we have an obligation of this school district to these children."

According to Bruce Wolford, a representative of KECSAC, the state agency children's fund was established in 1992 to include kids in the Department of Juvenile Justice, private child-care agencies and day treatment agencies.

The local school district already had an agreement with the agency and is reimbursed for educational services provided at two day treatment centers in Pike County.

The agency will initially fund the local school district for 24 juveniles that are currently at the Kentucky Youth Academy, which is housed in the former Sycamore Elementary School, at a cost of \$2,844 per student.

Eventually, KECSAC will be providing funding to the BOE for 60 students.

Blackburn and Varney questioned the agreement.

"What are we doing here tonight?" asked Blackburn. "This is the third time this has been brought before us. The Office of Education Accountability has not concluded

its investigation and we unanimously decided not to enter into this contract until that investigation was complete."

Chenoweth responded, "I know nothing about an OEA investigation on this issue at all, regarding KECSAC or any agency agreement with the school district."

Blackburn said the Pike school district was told by the academy it would seek a contract with other school districts. Johns said the academy had been turned down by other districts.

"An alternative school district would have to agree to exchange certain funds with the Pike district," said Wolford. "If that school district is willing to take your children, then that's fine. But you can't force another school district to do that."



### Clowning around

Pikeville College professor Basil Clark "clowns around" every week for the pediatrics floor at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. He is pictured here with Shae Conn and her mother Lisa Ratliff from Bowman Bridge in Floyd County.

## Humane Society sues Johnson fiscal court

by Ralph B. Davis  
The Paintsville Herald

Three weeks ago, the Paintsville Humane Society was told the fiscal court would send its stray dogs to a Greenup County shelter. Last week, the Humane Society struck back against the county with a lawsuit seeking "tens of thousands" of dollars.

The suit, filed by both the Humane Society as a group and by its president, Sue Sherman, individually, accuse the fiscal court of not meeting its state-imposed obligation to "establish and maintain a dog pound."

The suit goes further to say the court had been in compliance with state law prior to 1994 when it funded the Humane Society's animal shelter at Tutor Key at a rate of \$2,000 a month. But the suit says after former County Judge-Executive Hobert Meade took office, funding was cut off and has not been restored since.

The plaintiffs say they have spent "tens of thousands of dollars" since that time "to preserve their investment in the animal shelter and maintain humane treatment of animals," but does not list a specific amount.

In earlier interviews with the Paintsville Herald, Sherman has said she has spent over \$100,000 of her own money to keep the center in operation.

Aside from seeking compensation and interest for money spent keeping the shelter open, the plaintiffs are also asking for a court order forcing the county to comply with state law regarding stray animals.

## Quilts stolen, reappear mysteriously

by Charles Longton  
Paintsville Herald

The handmade quilts that mysteriously disappeared from the Murphy's building on Main Street, Paintsville, have taken another turn into the mysterious by reappearing in the same building they were taken from nearly a month ago.

"I do not know who, how, or why, I am just thankful that they've been found; it will help a great deal in completing the project," said County Extension Agent for Home Economics, Brenda Cockerham.

The project began as a means to teach "networking," using the quilts as prototypes to market at trade shows world-wide on the Internet.

It is called the Historic Development Project.

The local artists who created the quilts designed them to show different aspects of Johnson County's unique history.

One such quilt which hasn't reappeared represents nine different times and places in the timeline of the county; from Mayo Mansion to the Loretta Lynn homeplace.

When the quilts were originally stolen, contributing artist Grace Ratliff said that she was "heartbroken."

Ratliff has been practicing her craft as a quilter for 15 years and was proud to be working with the Historic Development Project until things came to a screeching halt for all involved last month.

"If you look into the window of the Murphy's building on Main Street, you can see the footprints of the person who took them," said Cockerham.

But now, most of the items have been returned without a clue as to how, with the exception of the nine-piece historic quilt, a wooden trunk, and some historic landscaping pieces.

As tenants began cleaning this past weekend they came upon garbage bags tucked underneath a counter in the old building — garbage bags stuffed with nearly \$3,000 worth of handmade quilts and

afghans.

The development project plans to make haste and call a meeting of interested artisans to participate by getting the project underway once again.

## Honey Branch will enter Phase 1 on March 18

From The Martin County Sun

Federal Bureau of Prison's Representative Jim Jones explained on Monday that the firm chosen to construct the new prison at the Honey Branch Site in Martin County will not bid for the job. It is a design build, and companies will be chosen based on experience and cost effectiveness.

On March 18, Phase 1 will begin. The

first phase is solicitation. "We will advertise in the Commerce Business Daily, and any company interested in the job will have thirty days to respond," said Jones.

Each company will have 30 days to send a qualification proposal, if they are interested. The second phase will include selections, at which time five or less companies will be chosen to continue discussion. Eventually, the choice will be narrowed down to one and negotiations will begin.

## Missing man's body found

From the Appalachian News-Express

The body of a Pikeville man who had been missing from his job as a bulldozer operator at a local mining company since Friday was found early Sunday morning after round-the-clock recovery efforts.

The body of Nolan Auton, 65, of Cowpen Road, was recovered from a slurry impoundment at Lodestar Energy Inc.'s Chapparral Preparation Plant at Marion Branch at Island Creek.

According to a report from Lodestar Energy, the body was found about 7:50 a.m. in the dozer, which was buried between 15 and 20 feet deep. The body was pronounced

dead at 8 a.m. by Pike County Coroner Charles Morris.

Morris said preliminary autopsy results listed the cause of death as asphyxiation.

John Shepherd, human resources director for Lodestar Energy, said on Saturday it appeared Auton disappeared into the pond-like area filled with slurry material, a washed coal product, shortly after he began his 6 a.m. shift on Friday.

Lodestar was assisted in the recovery by officials of state and federal mining agencies, accident recovery specialists Donohue Brothers, Inc. of Barbourville, W. Va., Pike County Rescue Squad and the Island Creek Volunteer Fire Department.

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## Twice-convicted murder is apprehended in Magoffin

Earl Ray Perkins, 39, of Magoffin County, was apprehended February 7 when Salyersville Police Detective Creed Patrick and Kentucky State Police Trooper Rick Conn responded to a drunk and disorderly complaint at a residence.

Perkins was convicted in 1971 of the rape and murder of Rissie Day and the armed robbery that took place at her residence in Morgan County. He escaped and apparently committed another murder in Lyon County and was again convicted in 1973.

He surfaced again in Magoffin County in 1986 when he was charged with robbery and assault. He escaped at least twice from the Magoffin County Jail where he was lodged. He was arrested and was apparently out on probation when the latest arrest occurred.

A warrant was issued against Perkins on August 21, 1996 on charges of probation violation. Several past charges were also cited, such as the two murder convictions, three counts of escape in the second degree, theft by deception and a jail summons.

He was declared a fugitive from justice. — *The Salyersville Independent*



## State Department of Education, the Magoffin County school system is once again operating under its own direction.

The Magoffin County Board of Education got official word on February 9 that no longer would the self-declared state of financial emergency be in effect. The declaration has been in effect since the state accepted the district's appeal for assistance in December of 1996.

Until the Kentucky State Board of Education voted on February 4 to release the district, all expenditures were required to be approved by the KDE, as were all personnel decisions.

From this point until July of this year, when the annual financial reports are completed, the district is still required to submit monthly code reports. — *The Salyersville Independent*

## Board asks for amendment of facilities plan

A letter has been drafted and approved by the Magoffin County Board of Education to officially request the approval from the Kentucky Department of Education for an amendment to the local facilities plan.

This amendment would allow the board to plan three K-8 elementary school buildings and one new high school. The letter outlines a proposed rationale for the plan which would close all current elementaries as well as the Herald Whitaker Middle School. — *The Salyersville Independent*

## School district regains control of finances

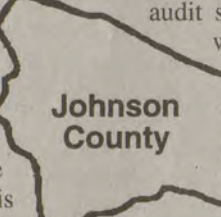
After 16 months of close scrutiny by the Kentucky

## Doctor denies sex allegations

A doctor accused of sexually assaulting a female patient at Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center has denied any wrongdoing.

Dr. Kamal K. Garg was accused in a complaint filed February 9 of improperly touching a 19-year-old female patient identified only as "Jane Doe." The woman had said the doctor had fondled her breasts on at least two occasions and pushed her buttocks, after she was taken to the hospital following a car wreck for treatment of back and shoulder pain. The woman also said Garg allegedly gave her his pager number and invited her to Lexington "for an apparent sexual encounter."

An answer on behalf of Garg was submitted last week admitting the physician treated the woman but denying he touched her improperly, invited her to Lexington or gave her his pager number. — *The Paintsville Herald*



"We'd like to give the county judges some of their money back now that we're starting to see a good financial return," said Daniel of his motion proposing the decreased juvenile rate. "It's giving (the counties) a financial break."

Daniels also said during the meeting that if the state audit shows the jail in good financial standing, he would then also propose to reward the employees of the facility, citing raises and a retirement plan as possible bonuses.

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## Three locals netted in drug sweep

Twenty area residents, including three Johnson Countians, were reeled in on felony charges as Kentucky State Police cast a net over suspected drug activity in the Big Sandy Valley.

Police said the arrests came after an undercover investigation over the past several months. Pike County sheriff deputies, Pikeville police officers, and the Martin County Sheriff's Department joined in the effort.

The suspects rounded up early Thursday morning were Darrell Lemaster, 19, of Hager Hill for second degree drug trafficking; Bill T. Hitchcock, 37, of Van Lear, for misdemeanor marijuana trafficking; and Scottie Ratliff, 25, of Paintsville, for misdemeanor marijuana trafficking. — *The Paintsville Herald*

## Jail board gives counties a break

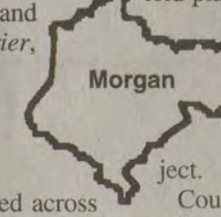
The Big Sandy Regional Jail Authority decided last Wednesday to give the counties it serves a financial break for a change.

Effective March 1, the counties of Martin, Lawrence, Magoffin and Johnson will receive decrease in the fee for housing from \$70 per day to \$60 per day. The decrease, said member and county judge-executive candidate RT "Tucker" Daniel, was a result of "seeing a good financial return in the past couple of years."

## 11 defendants plead guilty in circuit court

Eleven of the 13 defendants scheduled for trial on felony offenses in Morgan County Circuit court last week pleaded guilty, and two cases were redocketed.

Defendants who entered guilty pleas were Michael Baker, Kathy Collins, John Frank Fugett, Frederick Helton, James Allen Jolly, Krisie Mullins, Randy J. Wise, Ruby P. Wise, Janie Ball, Mike Ball, and Chalmer Bolin. — *The Licking Valley Courier*, West Liberty



13th on trampoline. She will compete in the second ranking in April. — *The Licking Valley Courier*, West Liberty

## Council says it won't build water plant if rate hike needed

The West Liberty City Council at its meeting Monday told planners and engineers who are working to obtain funding for a proposed new two million gallon per day water treatment plant at Cave Run Lake that if it appears that construction costs are going to require increases in water rates for West Liberty citizens it will drop the project.

Council members noted that while the new plant would make it easier for county government to expand rural water lines, the existing plant has adequate capacity to meet West Liberty's needs alone. — *Licking Valley Courier*, West Liberty

## Communities to get AML water study

The state Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet earlier this month agreed to enter a Memorandum of Agreement with the Morgan County Fiscal Court to conduct a study to determine the impact of mining on groundwater quality in the White Oak Creek, Lacy Creek, Rockhouse Creek, Jones Creek, and War Creek communities. — *The Licking Valley Courier*,

## West Liberty youth makes national Junior Olympic team

Bridgett Fannin of West Liberty has tumbled across the map again, just returning home from Las Vegas, Nevada, to compete in the 1998 Go For It Classic competition to earn spots on the AAU National Jr. Olympic team and the first of three meets to qualify her for the USA World Team.

Fannin competed at the top level of competition in advanced levels. She was the only competitor in the country to place in the top three in all three events. She was first in trampoline, third in tumbling, and third in double mini. On the second day, she placed first in tumbling, first in trampoline and second in double mini.

On the third and last day for the USA World Team trials she placed sixth in tumbling, ninth in double mini and

## State police, sheriff's men arrest four in early morning raid at Johnson Bottom

A five-county drug sweep resulted in the arrest of seven Martin Countians last Thursday morning.

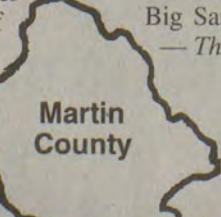
The pre-dawn roundup started at 5 a.m. last Thursday when KSP Sergeant Lowell Ward and Martin County Sheriff Darriel Young each dispatched two officers with orders to arrest seven Martin Countians as the result of nearly a year of undercover drug buys by KSP officer Tim Dials and confidential informants.

Chief Deputy Pete Fitzpatrick and volunteer deputy G. L. McCallister, along with KSP Troopers Mike Thorpe and Mickey Watson selected Johnson Bottom as their starting point. Armed with warrants, the officers first awoke Edna Johnson, 50, and placed her under arrest charging her with three counts of trafficking of a controlled substance, and one count of the sale or transfer of a controlled substance. Billy Perry was also arrested and charged with one count of possession of marijuana after the officers observed Perry attempt to hide some joints behind the couple's bed.

When asked by officers why he tried to hide the dope, Perry reportedly said "I just woke up and I didn't want to go to jail."

Also arrested were Phillip Johnson, son of Edna Johnson. He was charged with one count of trafficking in a controlled substance, third degree. The last of the four arrested at Johnson Bottom was Richard P. "Rick" Houston, 39, who was charged with one count of trafficking a controlled substance, second degree.

Also arrested or receiving additional charges during the raid were Tammy Charles, 27, of Warfield; John Charles, 29, of Warfield; and Wendal M. Johnson, 20,



who is serving time in the Floyd County Jail on an unrelated charge. — *The Martin County Sun*

## Court does away with housing board

During its February meeting held Monday night, members of the Martin County Fiscal Court voted unanimously for a pair of contracts that will eliminate the local housing board.

Under an agreement, the Mountain Housing Corporation and the Big Sandy Area Community Action Program, along with the fiscal court, will handle all matters pertaining to the disbursement of funds from the refinancing of bonds from the Dempsey Housing Project.

The Mountain Housing Corporation is located in the Big Sandy Area Development office in Prestonsburg. — *The Martin County Sun*

## Fiscal court finds \$342,000 in unbudgeted receipts

Stories about budget problems for the Martin County Fiscal Court have made the headlines in abundance during the past few months. Court members have slashed emergency services and have spoken of a \$50,000 deficit.

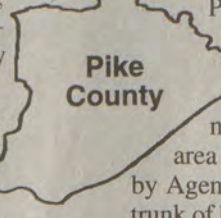
Treasurer Linda Sumpter read an ordinance Monday night that indicates Martin County has realized unbudgeted receipts from 11 different sources. The budget for the 1997-98 fiscal year was amended to show an increase of \$342,577.96. The bulk of the increase is being realized from the county clerk's payroll. Nearly \$153,000 is being returned to the county budget in the form of reimbursements from the clerk's office. — *The Martin County Sun*

## Authorities arrest 20, four from Pike, in early morning drug roundup

An early morning drug bust by Kentucky State Police netted 20 arrests in a four-county area and involved more than 37 drug charges, ranging from trafficking in controlled substances to possession of marijuana and obtaining a controlled substance by fraud.

Law enforcement officials began serving warrants and making arrests at about 6 a.m. Tuesday morning in Pike, Floyd, Martin and Johnson counties, and according to KSP Public Relations director Mike Goble, involved primarily "low-level" dealers.

Assisting the state police with the arrests were sheriff's departments in all four counties and the Pikeville State Police Department. — *The Appalachian News Express*



## Woman killed in crash with armored truck

A late Wednesday afternoon accident involving an armored truck and a passenger car resulted in the death of a Jamboree woman, police said.

Nettie M. McClanahan, 60, of Jamboree, was killed near Narrows Branch when her 1982 Buick station wagon collided with an armored truck driven by Christopher R. Goins of Covington, police said.

Goins and the truck's two other passengers suffered only minor injuries and were not transported to the hospital. The accident occurred about 3:40 p.m., police said. — *The Appalachian News Express*

## Heart attack claims life of convicted FBI agent's wife

Even after FBI agent Mark Putnam admitted to the affair he had with Susan Daniels Smith and his subsequent murder of the woman, his wife, Kathy Putnam, had remained by his side and had continued to do so until the apparent heart attack which took her life February 5.

Putnam was found by the couple's 13-year-old daughter in their home, and was 38-years-old.

Former Pikeville FBI agent Mark Putnam had the distinction of being the first agent ever convicted on a homicide charge.

The case was the subject of a book, co-authored by Kathy Putnam and a former editor of the Wall Street Journal.

Smith had been an informant assisting Mark Putnam in an investigation, the two became romantically involved and Smith became pregnant.

Threatening to reveal the affair and pregnancy to his wife, Smith was driven to a remote area in Pike County in 1989 and strangled to death by Agent Putnam. He then drove with her body in the trunk of his car for a day before he dumped Smith's body into a ravine. After a year of silence, he lead officials to the body because of the guilt he suffered.

He received a 16-year sentence for his crime, and becomes eligible for his first parole hearing this June. — *The Appalachian News Express*

## Local gas prices fall below state average

Gas prices in Louisa continued to dip over the past month, coming down from \$1.19 per gallon of regular unleaded in January to as low as 95.9 cents per gallon at one station as of Tuesday. Most of the stations in Louisa had prices of 97.9 cents per gallon on Tuesday.

The falling prices are following a statewide trend, according to figures released from the Bluegrass/Kentucky AAA. In Kentucky, the average price for a gallon of self-serve regular unleaded was \$1.02 per gallon, right on par with the prices in Louisa. Prices had been higher in Louisa than in surrounding areas, but have since dropped below the state average. — *The Big Sandy News*, Louisa



## Jail escapee, theft suspect caught

An escapee from the Carter County Jail was captured in Perry, Iowa, after police there saw him driving a vehicle that was reported stolen from Lawrence County.

Daniel Paul Hensley, 18, of Grayson is the prime suspect in three burglaries and two auto thefts in the Carter and Lawrence county areas since his February 14 escape from the jail.

The first burglary occurred February 15 near Webbville. The second burglary happened later that day in Fallsburg. That night, someone stole a vehicle from the same residence in Fallsburg that was burglarized earlier.

The car was spotted in Iowa. Hensley was apprehended after a short vehicular and foot pursuit. — *The Big Sandy News*, Louisa

## Reward offered for stolen four-wheelers

A Lawrence County man is offering a reward for two four-wheelers stolen from his home either late Saturday night or early Sunday morning.

Joel Thacker, who lives near Louisa, said he discovered Sunday morning that his 1998 Honda and a 1996 Kawasaki four-wheel drive ATV had been stolen. Together they were valued at \$9,000.

The Honda has a smiley face and hubcaps and alien stickers. Thacker is offering a \$500 reward for the return, or an arrest that leads to the return, of each vehicle.

Anyone with information about this case is asked to contact the Lawrence County Sheriff's Department at 638-4368. — *The Big Sandy News*, Louisa

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# The Weekend EXTRA

by Janice Shepherd  
Managing Editor

Four musicians — three with Floyd County connections — have banded together to produce a CD of rock music.

Trevor Huff, a former Floyd County deejay; LD, a native of Martin; Daniel Adams (Dan A.), a son of Janice Adams of Prestonsburg and Dorbin Adams of Frankfort; and Brad McAlister of Madison, Indiana, and a student at Eastern Kentucky University, last year formed a rock group, Flat Mary Stone. The four-piece band is based in Vest, about 40 miles west of Pikeville.

The group just recently released their cutting-edge rock sound on a new CD, which is available at Sound Ideas in Pikeville.

The band just seemed to come together naturally, according to Trevor, lead singer and songwriter for the group. Trevor and LD (who refuses to divulge any other name but LD) have been playing music together with various bands since about 1987.

Trevor, 23, has been playing guitar since he was 12 years old. He learned to play trumpet in a Knott County high school band. LD, 22, began playing drums at the age of 11, and played drums for his Knott County school band.

Trevor and LD's love of music drew them together in high school, and they became good friends. They performed off and on with various bands, and then joined a tortoise-based band in Hazard for awhile. Trevor put college on hold and began working for WKCB radio in Hindman. LD graduated from Hazard Community College. Then the band fell apart.

Trevor and LD didn't want to give up the music scene. Trevor had written several songs, and the two discussed getting a band together to produce a CD.

"When we brought Dan into the group, the songs were written. They (Dan and Brad) helped make it flow in the general direction it needed to flow," Trevor said.

"They are fantastic people. They're both solid and down to earth and very serious about music. When we're practicing, we actually sit and converse about the things going on in the music and each individual role," he added.

The group has distributed more than 60 copies of their CD in promotion packages and press kits. The CD is getting a lot of airplay in bigger cities, such as Louisville, but not so much in Eastern Kentucky because Bluegrass and country rule the airways, according to the lead guitarist and vocalist.

"We're in a hard spot to start from," Trevor said. "We're actually against a wall. We had a show scheduled, but we were told we couldn't play there

because (the club) would not allow anyone 18 and under to attend. Because (the club) sold drinks, they had to be 18 and over to come...that wouldn't be worth our time if only people 21 and older could hear our music. Our audience is chiefly a younger audience."

He expressed concern about the lack of opportunities for teenagers to get together to hear the type of music they want to hear.

"We hope to bring attention to the possible (change in the) music scene in Eastern Kentucky. Kids are the main thing. We hope to get the kids to voice their opinions louder and to let (community leaders) know what they want."

When people say rock music is more noise than art, Trevor gets angry.

"My boss at the radio station, and people of his generation, put down groups like White Zombie. They say it's noise, and there's no art to it. I may not call it (technical) music, but I call it fun. I don't think everything has to be artsey technically, but fun. Rock is fun, but as far as appreciation, it's something a lot of people overlook when it comes to music."

Playing music is soothing to the guitarist.

"It's a fantastic hobby. I always thought it was so different," he added, saying that some musicians gave rock a bad name when they became famous and got into drugs.

The local musician isn't into that scene; nor are his fellow band members.

"I get my kicks playing music," Trevor said. "If you do it with the right attitude, and keep your head on straight, you can make it. You can't get far if you're blitzed out of your mind."

Trevor goes on the defensive when he's asked if he expects to become successful in the rock music industry.

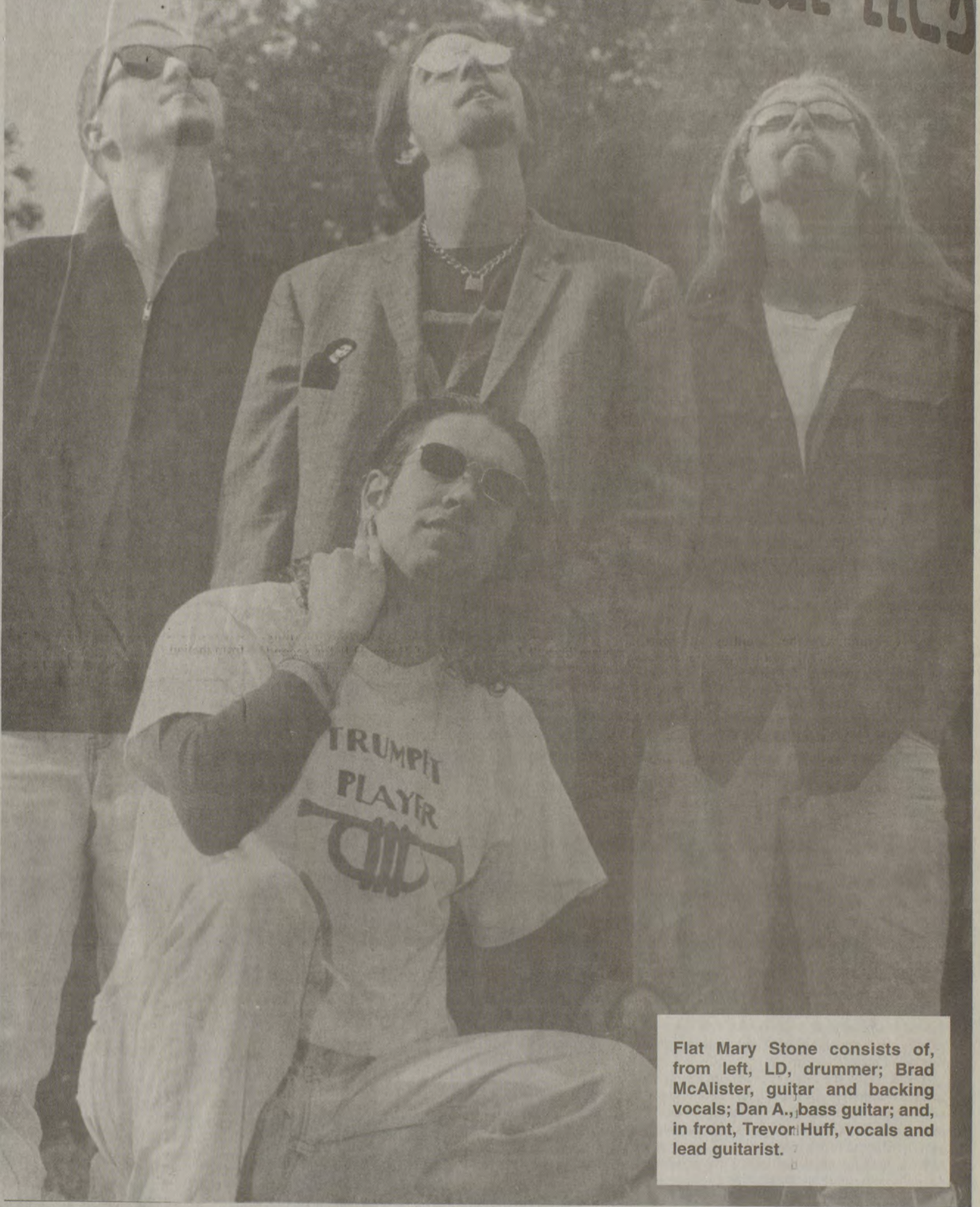
"I'm offended (people) have to ask. I wouldn't be doing it if I didn't think I could. People say I have as much chance of making it in a rock band as winning the lottery. The lottery is a game of numbers. If I keep my head on straight, work hard, and stay focused, my chances greatly increase of making it in a rock band.

"Bad bands with good attitudes make it. Good bands with bad attitudes never make it. This band has a great attitude," he said.

Flat Mary Stone will spend the next 18 months promoting their first CD. They are available to perform locally for high schools or other community centers and businesses. For more information about Flat Mary Stone, write them at: P.O. Box 316, Leburn, KY 41831; call (606) 785-4102; or check out their e-mail: flatmarystone@hotmail.com. Their internet listing is <http://www.geocities.com/SunsetStrip/Alley/9325>.

## Flat Mary Stone

### Rising stars with local ties



Flat Mary Stone consists of, from left, LD, drummer; Brad McAlister, guitar and backing vocals; Dan A., bass guitar; and, in front, Trevor Huff, vocals and lead guitarist.

by Chuck Shepherd

## News of the Weird

— Social Security Administration investigators revealed in January that they had uncovered massive fraud involving members of a single extended Georgia family. Three hundred relatives over four generations were on the rolls, including 181 collecting from the Supplemental Security Income program for people unable to work because of disability, with a large number claiming some form of mental impairment, many through the recommendations of a single local doctor. So far, 90 of the original claims have been found to be fraudulent, but in the course of the investigation, more relatives turned up, running the number under suspicion up to around 500.

— Slam-Dunkers at Risk: Peter Martin Vella, 18, filed a lawsuit against the city of Milford, Conn., in December, claiming that he ripped his nose open during a city playground basketball game. He said his nostril caught on a protruding hook (on which the net hangs) on the basket rim. And a 20-year-old man was killed in Melbourne, Australia, in January when the brick wall of a garage collapsed; the wall had a basketball backboard attached, and the man had held onto the rim after a slam-dunk, bringing the backboard and the wall down on top of him.

— In January, the executor of the estate of the late Larry Lee Hillblom agreed to pay out at least \$90 million each to four Pacific Islands teenagers whose DNA showed Hillblom was their father. Hillblom, who founded the DHL international courier firm and died in a 1995 plane crash, was described by one lawyer in the case as a pedophile who obsessively pursued teenage virgin bargirls in the Philippines and the Micronesian islands. At least one of the children will see quite an income bump this year, from the \$125 a month he and his grandmother now earn in Palau.

### THE ENTREPRENEURIAL SPIRIT

— In July, the Lomsko Pivo brewery in Lom, Bulgaria, announced that

brewmaster Yordan Platikanov has developed a beer that could neutralize any lingering amounts of uranium 134 and strontium in the body after exposure to nuclear radiation. Platikanov said the new beer should be urged on nuclear power plant workers relaxing at the end of a shift.

— In December, Clearwater, Fla., entrepreneur Victoria Morton announced that she has developed a brassiere that can increase cup size during wear by repositioning fat near the breasts. "If a woman has extra tissue anywhere above her waist, even on her back, she can use this bra to create bigger, firmer breasts," said Morton, 62, in a press release. Morton is the person credited with inventing the "mineral body wrap" weight-loss technique in the 1960s.

### THE WEIRDO-AMERICAN COMMUNITY

— The Washington Post reported in November on the unusual cat obsession of Kristin Kierig in Fairfax County, Va., unusual because the 114 cats that live with her are well-fed, and her townhouse is clean and orderly. More typical stories were of foul-smelling houses in Oshawa, Ontario, in August (120 cats), Edmonton, Alberta, in September (59 cats), and Piedmont, Calif., in October (150 cats, most of them diseased, plus another 250 dead cats in the freezer). Said Piedmont police Capt. Fred Gouveia: "One litter box and 150 cats. You have a problem."

— Latest Indoor Landfill: In November, a 27-year-old woman in Swansea, R.I., was so distraught when she took a peek at the inside of her stepmother's home that she called 911. In most rooms, garbage was piled to the ceiling, and some rooms couldn't be entered because of trash blocking the doors. Apparently, the stepmother and her two sons lived in the house uneventfully, although the boys told police that they didn't like it that the house had been so dirty for a couple of years now. The stepmother was said to have become distraught when some relatives died.

— Speaking to an audience at the Forger Shakespeare Library in Washington, D.C., in October, novelist Kathryn Harrison (who previously had written about her four-year affair with her father) read a letter she had written to her dead grandmother, in which she confessed to sticking her finger into the woman's cremated ashes and licking it off, then doing the same thing with her whole hand. According to the New York Post, "The crowd responded with polite applause."

— In October, librarians at several Ohio colleges reported that hundreds of their books had been vandalized by someone's clipping photographs from them, all of young boys. Targets included children's books, fine arts books, and health and medical books, and pictures of Anglo, Middle Eastern and Asian boys were taken. The vandal or vandals are still at large.

— The Weirdo-German Community: In a November letter to the New England Journal of Medicine, three physicians describe the case of a German female hospital-lab technician, age 45, who was treated for 13 episodes of malaria during 1994-1996. Because of the frequency and the fact that the underlying parasite genotypes were different in several of the attacks, the physicians quizzed the patient, who immediately broke down and admitted she had been deliberately injecting herself with malaria-infected blood.

### I WANT MY RIGHTS

— In December, veterinary student Beate Broese-Quinn filed a lawsuit against Foothill College in San Jose, Calif., which had flunked her after she declined to do a class assignment to dissect a fetal pig. Said her lawyer, "(Forcing) her to (dissect) is antithetical to everything this country is founded on" because her love of animals is the equivalent to other people's belief in God.

— According to The Times of London in December, the latest group to take offense at the workings of the world is a federation of meat-shop owners in France, who say they're hurt that reporters routinely refer to vicious murderers as "butchers." Butchers, said the association, are "gentle, peace-loving artisans."

— In November, Oakland (Calif.) Community College student Anita S. Lee filed a sexual harassment complaint with the U.S. Department of Education against psychology professor Joel M. Cohen. She was offended not at the actual content of his Introduction to Psychology class, whose opening session she left after about ten minutes, deciding it was not for her, but at the warning that Cohen had put on the syllabus, alerting students that "adult themes and topics" would be explored in an "open, frank" and "controversial" way. A member of the National Association for Women in Education, supporting Lee, said, "I read (the warning), and said, 'If I was a student, I'd be scared stiff.'"

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# The Friday Comics

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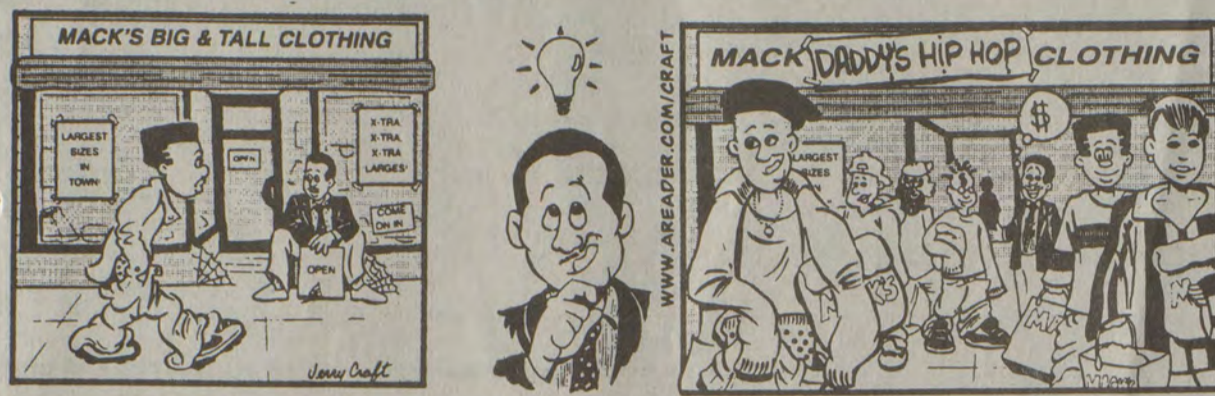


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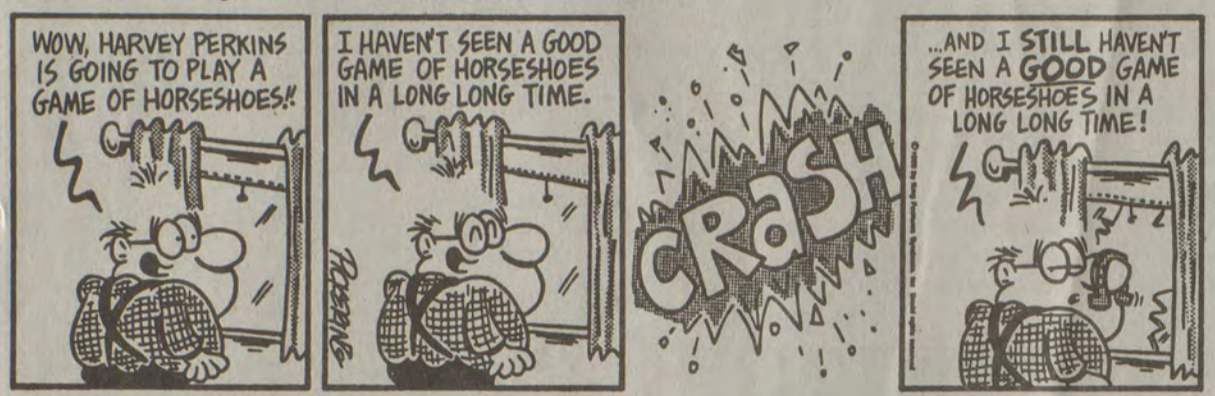
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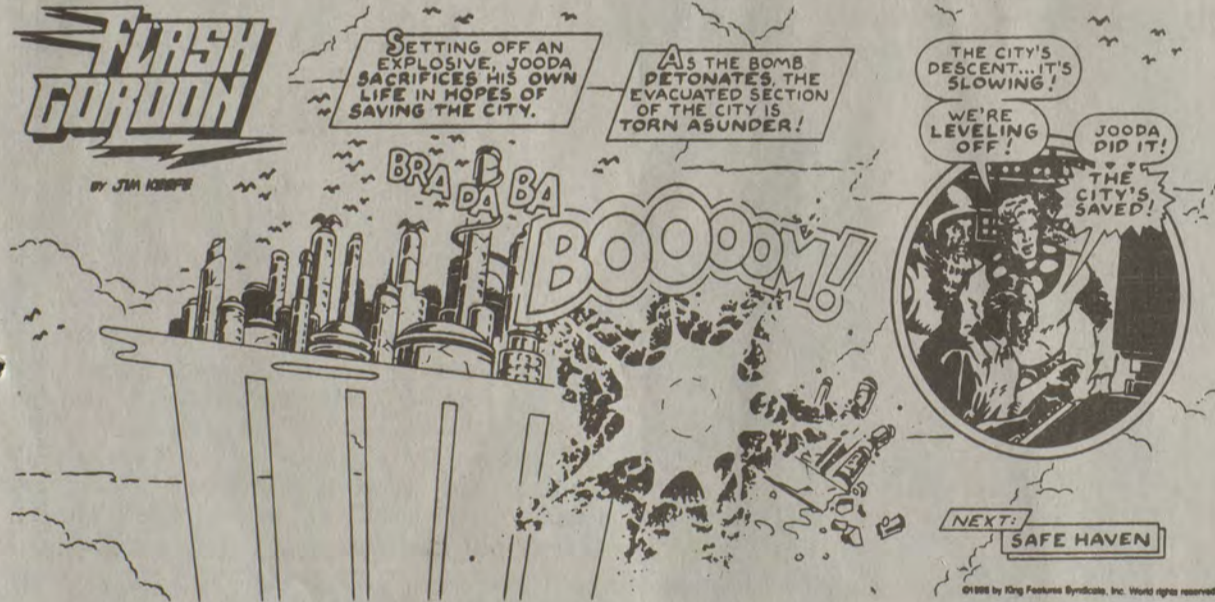
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### BRINGING UP FATHER



### Super Crossword

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- 1 Little lizard
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  - 29 "For shame!"
  - 30 Gymnast Korbut
  - 31 Earl Grey's place
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  - 40 Let up
  - 44 Less available
  - 46 1940 Cary Grant film
  - 48 Part of ETA
  - 49 City with spirit?
  - 51 Surpass
  - 52 Tina's ex
  - 55 By means of
  - 56 Deck out
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  - 60 '70 Elton John tune
  - 62 Pugnacious pig
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  - 66 Bank mach.
  - 67 Officer's ornament
  - 70 Flaubert's friend
  - 71 "Pelleas et Melisande" composer
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  - 76 '89 Tom Selleck movie
  - 81 Demonic
  - 82 "To be, — to be ..."
  - 84 Croc's kin
  - 85 Sought office
  - 86 Enthusiast
  - 87 Biblical people
  - 89 Lodger
  - 90 Chemical ending
  - 91 Eve Arden series
  - 95 Detection device
  - 97 Put in the shade
  - 98 Crucifixes
  - 99 Pound with pebbles
  - 100 Horner's fruit
  - 101 Play a flute
  - 103 Lower California
  - 106 Unwell
  - 107 Kikuyu, e.g.
  - 110 Poet Teasdale
  - 111 — man (everyone)
  - 114 Grazing ground
  - 115 '92 Geena Davis flick
  - 121 Legendary Bruin
  - 122 Take advantage of
  - 123 Comic Korman
  - 124 Scheduled
  - 125 Cobb and Hardin
  - 126 '60s chic
  - 127 "The Innocents Abroad" author
  - 128 Unfeeling
  - 1 Melodious Marvin
  - 2 Schoolboy's jacket
  - 3 Swallow the suds
  - 4 Prefix with plunk or plop
  - 5 Ryan of "Barry Lyndon"
  - 6 Bankbook abbr.
  - 7 Fury
  - 8 Knight's title
  - 9 Some
  - 10 Release
  - 11 Eshkol's successor
  - 12 Track sound
  - 13 Actor Grant
  - 14 Quite satisfactory
  - 15 Swallow up
  - 16 Lusterless
  - 18 Full of oneself
  - 19 Blanc or Brooks
  - 23 Affirmative vote
  - 24 Utterly rotten
  - 30 TV's "Life to Live"
  - 31 Scrumptious
  - 32 Therefore
  - 33 King of the ring
  - 34 "— favor"
  - 35 He'll give you a squeeze
  - 36 Turkey topping
  - 37 Tenor Del Monaco
  - 38 Pianist Claudio
  - 39 Sahara vision
  - 41 Soviet
  - 42 Silly Caesar
  - 43 Maestro de Waart
  - 45 Cooks chestnuts
  - 46 It holds plenty!
  - 47 Chateau valley
  - 50 Fancy dances
  - 53 Relatives
  - 54 Antipollution grp.
  - 57 Go from 0 to 60?
  - 58 Sentry's shout
  - 59 Cruise
  - 61 Actor Julia
  - 62 Scott of "Charles in Charge"
  - 64 Hitter Hank
  - 65 Intelligence
  - 68 Dieter's discomfort
  - 69 Gratitude
  - 71 C-G link
  - 72 Actress Le Gallienne
  - 73 Bird-watching gear
  - 74 Bear and Berra
  - 77 Homeric letters
  - 78 Ryan of "The Beverly Hillbillies"
  - 79 Trite
  - 80 Motionless
  - 83 Key stone?
  - 84 Hollow stone
  - 87 Med. test
  - 88 Rock band's need
  - 89 Hoe or hammer
  - 92 Einstein's birthplace
  - 93 Buddy
  - 94 Baloney
  - 96 — Locka, Fla.
  - 97 Queen of mystery
  - 100 Helmsman
  - 102 Must
  - 103 Crank's comment
  - 104 Ormyr Olympian
  - 105 Places for perps
  - 107 111 Down's creator
  - 108 As well
  - 109 Require
  - 110 Porker's palace
  - 111 Dorothy's dog
  - 112 Writer Wister
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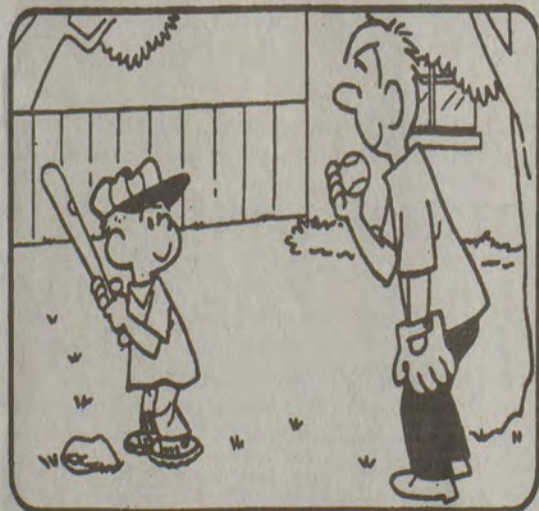
WORDS ENDING IN "IAN"

Answers on B4

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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions-forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

- Civilian
- Guardian
- Indian
- Italian
- Julian
- Magician
- Martian
- Median
- Meridian
- Mortician
- Musician
- Radian
- Russian
- Utopian
- Vegetarian



### HOCUS-FOCUS



FIND AT LEAST 6 DIFFERENCES BETWEEN PANELS.  
Differences: 1. Cap is different. 2. Shirt is torn. 3. Fence board is missing. 4. Arm is missing. 5. Fence is different. 6. Glove is different.

Answers on B4

by  
Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

# Sports

Check out the  
Girls' 15th Region  
Competition in  
today's paper!

## A Look At Sports

### 58th District: Everyone likes a good ballgame

What a good night it was last Wednesday when the 58th District tournament tipped off at the Prestonsburg Fieldhouse with two games.

A good crowd was on hand for the opening games and everything went the way a tournament should go. Oh, we had the usual boeing of the officials and now and then tempers would flare on the court, but nothing serious. The fans seemed to enjoy the games and were on their best behavior. The bands sounded great and it was just a good opening evening.

The hospitality room? What can you say about it? It was the best. The caterers (Reno's) did a great job and the food was outstanding.

The championship games are tonight and don't forget that the first game will tip off at 6 p.m. instead of 6:30 p.m. The change is because of the trophy presentation that will take place after the girls' final game.

An All-Conference as well as an All-District team will be named. This year, a traveling sportsmanship trophy will be awarded.

Come out tonight and fill the Prestonsburg Fieldhouse and cheer these young men and women on. Some will be playing their final high school game and that is sad, but has to be.

What a great game the South Floyd Lady Raiders played against Allen Central. Olivia Stewart has really come on strong at the end of the season. She played some great basketball. She is a senior at South Floyd.

Advice: If you want to succeed on the court, take this summer and work hard at your game. Don't say you will wait until practice starts in October. Do it now! After the season is over, get at it. Good things come to those who work hard. Don't assume anything, but make certain of it.

I see so many good young players (boys and girls) in our county and the potential they have in becoming excellent basketball players. Don't let anything or anyone hinder you from becoming the best player you can possibly be. To be successful takes hard work and dedication. You have to work at it.

Elementary players, just because your season is over, you should be working hard to ready yourself for high school next year. It is a different level when you move up. Just because you were successful in grade school, doesn't guarantee a successful high school career. Here is one old boy that is a big fan of all of you and believes in you. You can do it.

#### BASEBALL...

The Cincinnati Reds are in spring training in Sarasota, Florida and the brass of the club are busy trying to promote the team and get the fans back into the old ball park.

Of course, the way to do that is produce a winning team or a team that half-way tries. I like the way the Reds finished the season under Jack McKeon. I like the young players they finished up with and I, for one, was glad

(See Sports, page seven)

## Allen Central breezes, but not before scare

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

The Allen Central Lady Rebels, defending 58th District girls' champions, scored 10 unanswered points in the second quarter and rolled to a 66-45 win over a vastly-improved South Floyd Lady Raiders' team. But it wasn't as easy as the final score would indicate.

South Floyd coach John Martin's ballclub looked impressive in the first 16 minutes of the game and led by as many as eight points over Allen Central.

But the second half was a different story for the Lady Raiders as they could not solve the Allen Central pressure in ending their season.

Misty Scott scored 16 points to lead a trio of players in double figures. Jennifer Hopkins and Jessica Martin added 11 points each. Ramanda Music and Crystal Martin finished with eight points.

Game-scoring honors went to South Floyd's Olivia Stewart, who played her final game for the Lady Raiders. She is a senior this year and she scored 21 points

in the game. Margret Morgan and Martha Crawford had six points apiece.

Led by a barrage of three-pointers, Allen Central pulled away in the third

period to open up a 44-32 lead after three quarters. Hopkins and Scott each drilled two three-point baskets in the third stanza.

Crystal Martin and Jessica Martin got in the flow from the arch and had treys in the fourth quarter.

South Floyd appeared to tire in the fourth period against the relentless Allen Central press.

"We did tire in the fourth quarter," said Coach Martin. "We made some bad passes and rushed our shots."

South Floyd gave the local fans some hope of pulling off the huge upset by

their play in the first two quarters. They led 11-7 after the first quarter and rolled out to a 18-10 lead on a three-point basket by Morgan in the second quarter.

Scott put the Lady Rebels in the lead with a basket to start the game. A basket by Shawna Hall tied the game before Jessica Martin gave the Lady Rebels the lead at 4-2.

But a three-point basket by Stewart, a Hall layup and Stewart's second three-point in the period staked the Lady Raiders to a 9-4 advantage.

Crawford opened the South Floyd second with a long trey and hit one of two free throws for a 15-7 game. Hopkins drained a trey but Morgan answered with a three-point basket of her own and the Lady Raiders netted

their biggest lead, eight points, 18-10.

At the 2:54 mark, Allen Central caught South Floyd at 18-18 on a short jumper by Crystal Martin. Karen Wallen ignited the 10-0 run by the Lady Rebels with a short jumper. Scott finished the run with a basket just before the horn to end the first half with Allen Central holding a 22-18 half time lead.

The game was tied at 22-22 but Allen Central took a lead they never relinquished when they went in front 26-23 on baskets by Scott and Crystal Martin. Hopkins then buried a trey and Jessica Martin scored on a short jumper as the Lady Rebels opened up a 12-point lead. Hopkins, Jessica Martin and Scott hit consecutive three-point baskets.

Allen Central's biggest lead came at the finish of the game when Barb Prater and Jennifer Risner hit consecutive three-point baskets for the final 66-45 win.

Allen Central (17-7) advances to tonight's championship game, facing either Prestonsburg or Betsy Layne in a 6:30 p.m. tip-off time.

## Scott scores 16 as Lady Rebels advance, 66-45

## Allen Elementary to host basketball benefit games

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

Allen Elementary will be the site of an unusual day of basketball when the elementary school puts on three benefit games to raise money for the Mandy May fund.

"This is to help out with the family's expenses," said Chuck May, game director.

The three games will feature a battle royale between the women faculty members and the girls' basketball team. Another will feature the girls' basketball coaches facing off against the school's "B" team boys. Game three will feature the boys' coaches meeting the eighth grade players.

Admission to all three games is only \$2 per person. However, any donation to the fund would be greatly appreciated. Games begin at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 3.

## EKAA, Fish and Game join forces

The East Kentucky Archery Association has joined the Dewey Lake Fish and Game Club. The Archery Club will be holding their shoots at the Dewey Lake Fish and Game Club property on Stratton Branch, up from the public pool.

The first shoot will be Sunday, March 1. Sign-up time for the shoot is from 9:30 a.m. until 2 p.m. The next two shoots for March are 8 and 22. The top three shooters in the nine divisions will receive awards.

The local archery club has just purchased new 3D life-sized targets such as deer, bear, boar, coyote, antelope, mountain lion, wolf, bighorn, sheep, caribou, turkey, elk and javelina.

Shoot fees are \$5 for members and \$7 for non-members. Club membership is only \$10.

If the temperature is below 32 degrees or if raining, the shoot will be canceled at noon.

The range is situated on Stratton Branch off Route 3 at the Dewey Lake Fish and Game Club.



### Physical game

South Floyd's Shawna Hall (14) went to the middle and scored against Allen Central in the opening game of the 58th District basketball tournament at Prestonsburg Wednesday night. The Lady Rebels advance to the championship game tonight with a 66-45 win over the Lady Raiders. (photo by Ed Taylor)

## Deliberate tactics fail as Prestonsburg moves on in district over Betsy Layne

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

When you face a team twice during the regular season and lose both times, you look for a different tactic the third time around. That is what Betsy Layne coach Tim Rice did when his Bobcats faced the number one seed, Prestonsburg, in an opening round game of the boys' 58th District basketball tournament at the Prestonsburg Fieldhouse Wednesday night.

The game plan was simple, keep the ball out of Prestonsburg's hands as long as you can and they can't score if they don't have the ball.

So, Coach Rice went to, not a stall tactic, but a more deliberate game by showing a lot of patience on offense. The plan worked, for awhile, but didn't prevent the Bobcats from dropping a 67-53 decision to the Blackcats.

Betsy Layne forgot that the Blackcats themselves had a game plan and that was to stop the outside shooting of Betsy Layne and they did just that.

With Wes Samons and John Ortega shutting down the outside game, 6'7" cen-

ter Andy Jarvis was patrolling the inside and preventing any inside scoring. The result was a 14-point victory for Prestonsburg.

Hot-shooting Craig Johnson must have

### Jarvis nets 27 in 67-53 district win over Bobcats

thought Ortega was his shadow as he was dogged all night by the junior guard. Johnson finished his brilliant high school career with 15 points, below his 21-point average. Ortega tracked him, denying Johnson room to set up outside the three-point arch.

Samons was the other "bloodhound" as he fronted the other three-point specialist, Justin Bartley, in holding him to just one three-point basket. Bartley had just nine points in the game, below his 13-point average.

Jarvis did it all inside, as he has done all season. In a game that was very physical, Jarvis scored 27 points and pulled down 15 rebounds. He also had four assists in the game and five blocked shots (unofficial).

Samons, who went scoreless over the first three quarters, scored all 11 of his points in the fourth period. Ortega and Joe Campbell finished with 10 points apiece.

Adam Tackett, who has been playing superb basketball over the last three weeks, had 10 points for the Bobcats before fouling out. Scott Collins finished with 11.

The slow-down tactic looked like it was going to reap dividends when they held Prestonsburg to

just a 10-9 lead after the first quarter. Betsy Layne scored the first five points of the game, but that wasn't until the game was a little over two minutes old. Collins scored underneath and Bartley drained a trey for the 5-0 advantage. A free throw by Tackett and an old-fashioned three-point play by the sophomore forward, gave Betsy Layne a 9-4 lead. But a layup by Nathan Leslie, a basket and two free throws by Jarvis gave Prestonsburg the 10-9 first-quarter lead.

Coach Tim Rice kept urging his ballclub to be patient on offense but the pressure on defense by Prestonsburg forced the Bobcats into several second-quarter turnovers as Prestonsburg held them to just

(See Prestonsburg, page seven)

### Scores two

Betsy Layne's Scott Collins (24) set up against Prestonsburg's Jason Keathley (22) when the two teams collided on the basketball court Wednesday night. Collins scored 11 points in the game, but it was Prestonsburg coming away with a 67-53 win over the Bobcats. Keathley had five points in the game. Prestonsburg will meet either Allen Central or South Floyd in tonight's championship game. (photo by Ed Taylor)



# THE RACING REPORTER

## GORDON, RAINBOW WARRIORS BACK

Jeff Gordon fought an ill-handling car for the first 300 laps of the 393-lap GM Goodwrench 400, but crew chief Ray Evernham and the number 24 Chevrolet Dupont team made adjustments in time for Gordon to lead the last laps and take a 1.28 second win over Rusty Wallace in a Ford Taurus.

"We fought the car in the early stages," said Gordon. "I just wanted to stay on the lead lap. I never thought I would be here. This Monte Carlo really showed those Ford Tauruses."

The next six cars finishing behind Gordon's Monte Carlo were Fords.

"We were running good," said second-place finisher Rusty Wallace. "I told everyone on the team after Daytona that on a scale of one to ten, the Taurus was an eight. This is the best start we've ever had."

Meanwhile, Darrell Waltrip, driver of the number 17 Speedblock Monte Carlo, was singing a different song. He hit the wall after running across some oil and had a DNF. "I tell you, I called this car every dag-gum thing in the book. I told my crew it was the worst car I've ever driven. NASCAR has got to do something for the Monte Carlos."

**TOP 20 FINISHERS:** 1) Jeff Gordon, 2) Rusty Wallace, 3) Mark Martin, 4) Jimmy Spencer, 5) Geoff Bodine, 6) Bill Elliott, 7) Dale

Jarrett, 8) Terry Labonte, 9) Bobby Hamilton, 10) Ricky Craven, 11) Ward Burton, 12) Rick Mast, 13) John Andretti, 14) Jeremy Mayfield, 15) Derricke Cope, 16) Brett Bodine, 17) Dale Earnhardt, 18) Jeff Burton, 19) Ernie Irvan, 20) Steve Grissom.

## STEWART LOSES BUSCH RACE TO KENSETH

Matt Kenseth, driving for Robbie Rieser, scored his first career Busch Series win in the GM Goodwrench Service 200, Saturday.

Kenseth bumped leader Tony Stewart coming out of turn four less than 200 yards from the finish line. Stewart, the former Indy Racing League start, was forced to let up on the gas, allowing Kenseth to get by for an .092 second win.

"I really didn't need to bump him," said Kenseth. "I thought I could have won the race one-on-one, but we got into some lapped traffic there at the end, and that's just the way it turned out."

However, Stewart, driver of Joe Gibb's number 44 Shell Pontiac, didn't see it that way. "We had him beat until turn four," says Stewart. "I had to run against lapped traffic real hard. It was probably inexperience on my part. He got into us in the left rear and got us loose a little bit. Had I been in Matt's position, I wouldn't have taken him out."

**TOP 10 FINISHERS:** 1) Matt Kenseth, 2) Tony Stewart, 3) Mark Martin, 4) Jeff Burton, 5) Mike McLaughlin, 6) Elliott Sadler, 7) Randy LaJoie, 8) Mike Dillon, 9) Mark Green, 10) Jason Keller.

**TOP TEN POINTS LEADERS:** 1) Matt Kenseth, Mark Martin (tie), 330, 3) Randy LaJoie, 301, 4) Buckshot Jones, 278, 5) Jeff Purvis, 273, 6) Jeff Burton, 272, 7) Mike McLaughlin, 264, 8) Mark Green, 259, 9) Hermie Sadler, 254, 10) Jason Keller, 249.

## MR. RACING, KEN SCHRADER, JUST KEEPS ROLLING

Just like the Mississippi River that flows by his hometown, Ken Schrader rolls from one race track to another. Never sure when or where his next race will be. Wherever there is a race track, you might expect to see this 42-year old Fenton, Missouri owner/driver behind the wheel of a race car.

Racing is the only life Schrader

has ever known. "My daddy owned a repair shop and raced too," said Schrader. "I remember he had an old go-cart tied to a cable, which was fastened to a post. When I was three-years-old, my mom would put me in that cart and I'd go around in circles until I ran out of gas. Then they'd fill up and I'd go some more. I've been going around in circles ever since."

Schrader, driver of the number 33 Skoal Bandit Chevrolet on the Winston Cup circuit, readily admits to being consumed by racing. But unlike many drivers, Schrader maintains a low profile and dignified manner, both on and off the track.

"You know people talk all the time about how much they've sacrificed to be in racing," he says. "But racing has given me my life. I didn't feel like I've sacrificed. I feel like racing has given me everything."

And Schrader in turn gives his all to racing. He was injured three days before the 1998 Daytona 500 when he crashed head first into a retaining wall during the Twin 125. The result: a fractured sternum.

Most drivers would have called it quits for that week, but not Ken. Within an hour after the Twin 125, his crew had rolled out the backup car, and Schrader was back on the track turning hot laps.

Outfitted with a specially designed flak jacket and electric impulse to ease the pain, Schrader drove owner Andy Petree's green/white number 33 to a fourth-place finish just 1.005 seconds behind the winner, Dale Earnhardt.

When asked after the race how he felt, he replied, "When them guys are laid up all over you like that, you don't think about a couple little hurts. I tell you, it was there. But I had bigger things on my mind, but I'll feel better tomorrow."

He did take two days off but he was back in the shop, Wednesday, with Andy Petree discussing plans for the upcoming GM Goodwrench 400 at Rockingham.

There is no off season for Schrader. Owner of a garage full of cars from ASA cars down to sprints, he competes every week, sometimes in a many as three races. When the Winston cars have the weekend off, Ken might travel from his home in Concord, NC to Wisconsin, just to run a short track

race.

In January, 1998, he took a weekend off from practicing at Daytona to travel all the way to Phoenix, Arizona to run in the 200 lap Copper Classic event, which he won.

"I haven't a clue what I would be doing if it wasn't for racing," Schrader said. "I don't think I have any real skills. Maybe I'd have a welding shop or fabrication shop, but then again, if my dad hadn't been a racer, and I didn't have to build my own race cars, I wouldn't know how to weld. So racing is, and always has been in my life."

Schrader continued on what seemed like a pre-ordained path to racing's big leagues. "I moved out of the house when I was 19," he explained. "And I never really had a job that didn't relate to racing. I worked at a Western Auto store after high school because they sponsored my race car. Then I drove a propane truck for a couple winters for people who owned a race car I drove, so to me, I've never had a real job."

## Prestonsburg

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two second half field goals. Prestonsburg scored the final eight points of the half to lead 24-15 at the half. The Blackcats defense had held Johnson to zero points in the first two quarters.

Jarvis scored 10 straight points late in the third quarter in vaulting Prestonsburg to a 42-27 lead after three quarters. Johnson finally got in the scoring column with consecutive layups. Prestonsburg's biggest lead came at 61-41 on a basket by Samons. The Blackcats led by 20 points again, 67-47 before Betsy Layne scored the final six points of the game for the final margin.

Prestonsburg (17-10) will advance to the tournament finals tonight when they take on either Allen Central or South Floyd.

### BETSY LAYNE (53)

players	fg	3pt	fta-m	tp
Johnson	5	1	7-2	15
Newsome	0	0	2-2	2
Collins	4	0	4-3	11
Tackett	2	0	8-6	10
Bartley	3	1	0-0	9
Gross	2	0	0-0	4
Arnett	1	0	0-0	2
Brooks	0	0	1-0	0

### PRESTONSBURG (67)

players	fg	3pt	fta-m	tp
Jarvis	11	0	8-5	27
Samons	3	1	2-2	11
Ortega	2	1	5-3	10
Leslie	1	0	0-0	2
Campbell	1	2	2-2	10
Keathley	1	0	4-3	5
Patton	1	0	2-0	2

Betsy Layne..... 9 6 12 26 - 53  
Prestonsburg.....10 14 18 25 - 67

## Sports

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to see some of players not coming back this season.

Barry Larkin and Reggie Sanders will have to have healthy seasons and with Chris Stynes and Joe Nunnally picking up where they left off last season.

I hope to take in a couple of games this year. I still hope to make spring training in March. But, I will have to wait and see.

### TOURNAMENT TIME...

The SEC tournament is just a week away and it looks like several teams could win the title. Kentucky, Arkansas, South Carolina, Mississippi, Tennessee, and Florida looked primed to make a run for it.

I look for a great NCAA tournament with Duke, North Carolina, Kansas and Arizona as my Final Four. Kentucky should make the round of 16 teams, but the elite eight is not in their future.

### BAILEY AN ALL-STAR

Prestonsburg's Adam Bailey, one of the nicest individuals you want to meet, was named to the

Kentucky All-Star team and will perform against the Tennessee All-Stars this summer in football action. Bailey recently inked with Eastern Kentucky University.

The high school football programs will get a shot in the arm as they will suit up for spring football practice. Schools may begin their spring schedule when the basketball teams have been eliminated from tournament play.

Each school has 15 days to get 10 days of practice in.

### GIRLS' REGIONAL

The girls' 15th Region basketball tournament tips off Monday night at South Floyd High School. The tournament finals are set for Thursday night.

The boys will tip off beginning Friday night, and conclude Tuesday of the following week.

Still plenty of high school basketball to be played. The best to all the teams.

Until Wednesday, good sports everyone and be good sports! Take the kids to Sunday School and church Sunday.

## Players of the Week



**Andy Jarvis**

Senior at Prestonsburg  
**27 points**  
**15 rebounds**  
vs. Betsy Layne



**Oliva Stewart**

Senior at South Floyd  
**21 points**  
**6 rebounds, 5 assists**  
vs. Allen Central

## The Floyd County Times

(Selected by Floyd County Times Sports Editor, Ed Taylor)

**Fax in your scores to Ed Taylor at 886-3603**



**Typical night**

Betsy Layne's Neil Newsome (33) and Bradley Brooks (11) hemmed in Prestonsburg's Andy Jarvis (24) Wednesday night in the first round of the boys' 58th District tournament. Jarvis scored 27 points and pulled in 15 rebounds to lead Prestonsburg to a 67-53 win over the Bobcats. (photo by Ed Taylor)

## Dairy Queen of Prestonsburg SPORTS FAN OF THE WEEK



If you are the sports fan circled here...it's your lucky day!

Bring this photo to the Floyd County Times office at 112 South Central Avenue (down the street from the courthouse) to claim your **Gift Certificate**, which will entitle you to a free 8-inch ice cream cake of your choice, redeemable at **Dairy Queen of Prestonsburg**, and a **Sports Fan of the Week T-Shirt**.

# NASCAR

## This Week

### On TV

#### All times Eastern

- Winston Cup qualifying, Las Vegas 6 p.m. • Friday • ESPN2
- Busch GN, Las Vegas 300 4 p.m. • Saturday • ESPN
- Winston Cup, Las Vegas 400 2:30 p.m. • Sunday • ABC



## THE WINSTON CUP CIRCUIT

### THE WINSTON CUP SERIES

**COMING UP:** Las Vegas 400  
**WHERE:** Las Vegas Motor Speedway, Las Vegas, Nev.  
**WHEN:** Sunday, March 1.  
**DEFENDING CHAMPION:** First race.  
**NOTABLE:** This is NASCAR's second visit to Las Vegas and the state of Nevada and the first in 44 years. ... LVMS is the only new track on the

**Schrader**

1998 schedule. ... Jeff Gordon won the first race at California Speedway last summer. ... The race was sold out

### ALMOST HOME COOKING

Check out Bobby McGee's, at 1030 E. Flamingo Road, Las Vegas. Also highly recommended are Boison's, 4503 Paradise Road, and Ferraro's, 5900 W. Flamingo. Ruth's Chris Steak House has two locations, 3900 Paradise Road and 4561 W. Flamingo Road.

shortly after tickets went on sale. ... More than 107,000 fans are expected at the \$200 million facility.

**BUSCH GRAND NATIONAL**  
**COMING UP:** Las Vegas 300  
**WHERE:** Las Vegas Motor Speedway, Las Vegas, Nev.

**WHEN:** Saturday, Feb. 28  
**DEFENDING CHAMPION:** Jeff Green  
**NOTABLE:** Green's victory was instrumental in his promotion to the Diamond Ridge Motorsports Winston Cup ride in 1997. ... Last year's race was witnessed by the largest-ever BGN television audience.

**WINSTON WEST SERIES**  
**WHERE:** Las Vegas Motor Speedway, Las Vegas, Nev.  
**WHEN:** Wednesday, Feb. 25  
**NOTABLE:** Winston Cup driver Kenny Schrader is entered in this event. ... Anaheim, Calif., driver Butch Gilliland won four of this division's races last year and also won the opening race of this season on Jan. 11 at Tucson (Ariz.) Raceway Park.

### POINTS STANDINGS

WINSTON CUP	BUSCH	TRUCK
1. Rusty Wallace, 335.	1. Matt Kenseth, 330.	1. Ron Hornaday, 180.
2. Dale Earnhardt, 302.	1. Mark Martin, 330.	2. Joe Ruttman, 170.
3. Jeff Gordon, 300.	3. Randy LaJoie, 301.	3. Rick Carelli, 165.
4. Jeremy Mayfield, 291.	4. Buckshot Jones, 278.	4. Jack Sprague, 160.
5. Bill Elliott, 289.	5. Jeff Purvis, 273.	5. Greg Biffle, 155.
6. Jimmy Spencer, 278.	6. Jeff Burton, 272.	6. Joe Nemechek, 150.
7. Terry Labonte, 271.	7. Mike McLaughlin, 264.	7. Jay Sauter, 146.
8. Bobby Hamilton, 270.	8. Mark Green, 259.	8. Bob Keselowski, 142.
9. Ricky Craven, 260.	9. Elliott Sadler, 254.	9. Butch Miller, 138.
10. Emie Ivan, 256.	10. Jason Keller, 249.	10. Rich Bickle, 134.

### FROM LAST WEEK

**WINSTON CUP SERIES:**  
 At North Carolina Speedway, Jeff Gordon, armed only with his trusty Monte Carlo, took on a Ford army and made it obediently line up behind him.  
 The Taurus were a sight to behold. For more than 200 of the 391 laps, they dominated the Goodwrench Service Plus 400 by margins unprecedented in NASCAR since the heyday of Petty Enterprises back in the 1960s. By race's end, the rounded, ungainly Taurus held six of the top seven positions.  
 Only one problem.  
 Gordon, piloting that reliable Monte Carlo of his, won the race. And for the second straight year, he stole it right out from under the Ford might. In 1997, Ford driver Dale Jarrett domi-

nated the race, only to see Gordon pass him effortlessly at its end. This time Ford had reinforcements, and still Gordon managed to triumph.  
 "I feel like I'm in a dream and haven't woken up," said the Count of Monte Carlo.  
**BUSCH GRAND NATIONAL:**  
 Youth was served Saturday at North Carolina Speedway, where 25-year-old Matt Kenseth nudged his way past 26-year-old Tony Stewart in the fourth turn of the final lap to win the Goodwrench Service 200.  
 Kenseth, from Cambridge, Wis., drove an unsponsored Chevrolet owned by Robbie Reiser and Jack Roush. Roush invested in the team earlier this year, in part to affiliate himself with Kenseth.

### TOP TEN

Weekly rankings by NASCAR This Week writer Monte Dutton. Last week's ranking is in parentheses.

- Jeff Gordon (1)
- Rusty Wallace (6)
- Dale Earnhardt (2)
- Mark Martin (4)
- Dale Jarrett (3)
- Jeremy Mayfield (NR)
- Bobby Labonte (5)
- Jeff Burton (7)
- Terry Labonte (8)
- Bill Elliott (10)

### ON THE SCHEDULE

Date	Race	1997 Winner	Pole
March 1	Las Vegas, Nev.	First event	
March 8	Primestar 500, Hampton, Ga.	Jarrett	R. Gordon
March 22	TranSouth 400, Darlington, S.C.	Jarrett	Jarrett
March 29	Food City 500, Bristol, Tenn.	J. Gordon	R. Wallace
April 5	Interstate 500, Fort Worth, Texas	J. Burton	Jarrett
April 19	Goody's 500, Martinsville, Va.	J. Gordon	K. Wallace
April 26	DieHard 500, Talladega, Ala.	J. Gordon	Martin
May 3	California 500, Fontana, Calif.	J. Gordon	Nemechek
May 16	The Winston, Concord, N.C.*	J. Gordon	Elliott
May 24	Coca-Cola 600, Concord, N.C.	J. Gordon	J. Gordon
May 31	Miller 500, Dover, Del.	Rudd	B. Labonte
June 6	Pontiac 400, Richmond, Va.	R. Wallace	T. Labonte
June 14	Miller 400, Brooklyn, Mich.	Irvan	Jarrett
June 21	Pococno 500, Long Pond, Pa.	J. Gordon	Hamilton
June 28	Save Mart 300, Sonoma, Calif.	J. Gordon	Martin
July 4	Pepsi 400, Daytona Beach, Fla.	Andretti	Skinner
July 12	Jiffy Lube 300, Loudon, N.H.	J. Burton	Schrader

### FEUD OF THE WEEK

**Jeremy Mayfield vs. Dale Earnhardt**  
 Mayfield was livid after Earnhardt, a lap down, bumped his Ford from behind shortly after Mayfield had gotten around the Daytona 500 winner. "(Earnhardt's) just mad because he had a bad day," said Mayfield.  
**NASCAR This Week Writer Monte Dutton gives his opin-**

ion: "The path to victory often leads right through the No. 3 car, whether it's for first place or track position. If Earnhardt is not a contender himself, he somehow manages to play a role in most races' outcome anyway."

### FROM THE ARCHIVES:

**The rich history of NASCAR**  
 With the Winston Cup Series making its first visit to Las Vegas Motor Speedway this week, one cannot help but recall Riverside International Raceway, the 2.62-mile road course in southern California that closed in 1988. Bobby Allison won six times on the historic course, once more than Richard Petty, Dan Gurney and Darrell Waltrip.

## Kenny Wallace feels good about chances with new Taurus

**By Monte Dutton**  
**ROCKINGHAM, N.C.** — Kenny Wallace said he and the new Taurus were made for each other.  
 "This Taurus is really neat for my situation because when the Thunderbird was here, I came in on the ninth year of the Thunderbird," said the youngest of three Wallace brothers. "(Mark) Martin and all those guys had nine years of development. Now, we're at ground level with the Taurus, and I think my guys have done a good job with this body."  
 Wallace qualified second behind Rick Mast.

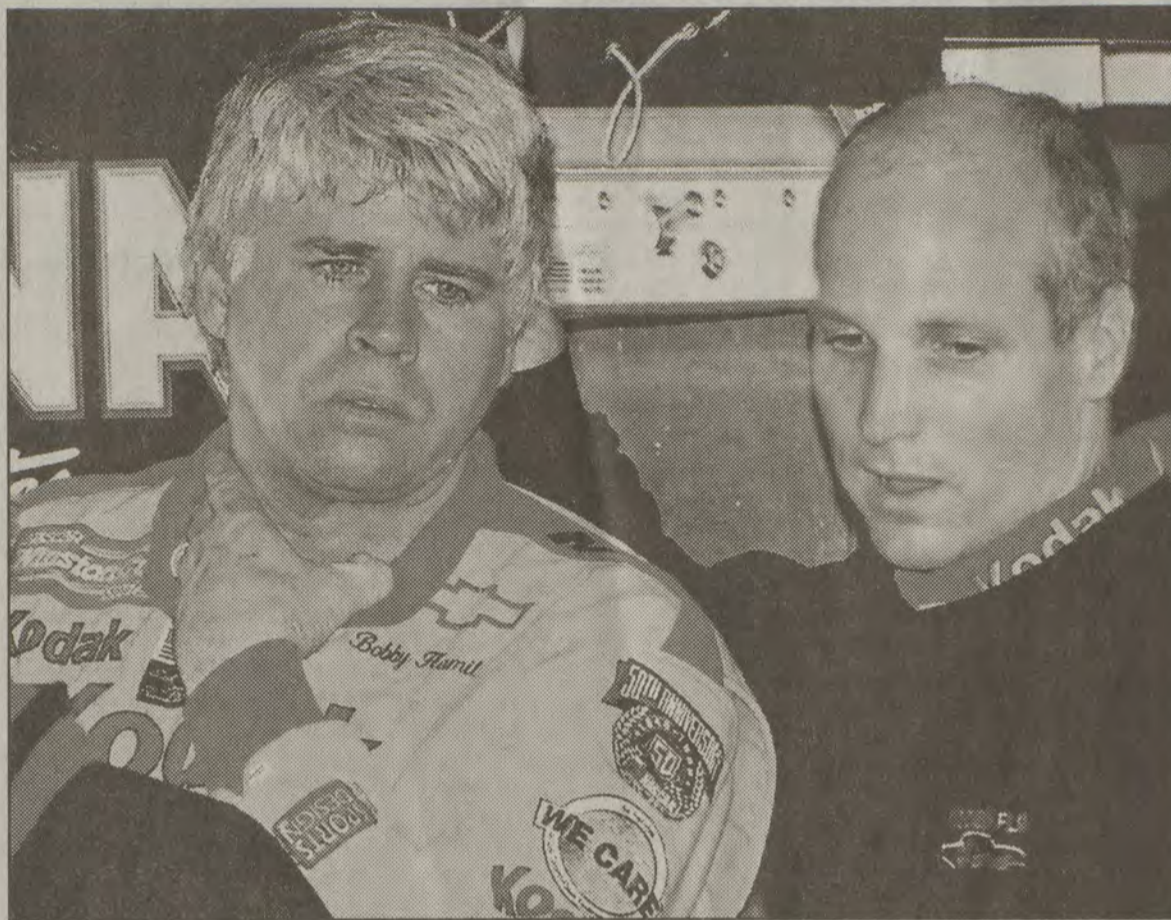
"I think the most gratifying thing about this week to me was that I was fast in every practice session, so it didn't surprise anyone. Everybody in the garage area had my name circled because I was a bullet that they had to watch for."  
**ONE-DIRECTION TRANSMISSION:** Kenny Wallace also submitted this week's entry in the Winston Cup Drivers' Wacky Use of the English Language competition.  
 "That's the most reverse thing about a race car driver," Wallace opined. "You never want to come out of the clear blue and run a quick lap because nobody

gives you credit for it."  
 Next week Kenny's seminar topic will be: What is the least reverse thing about a race car driver?  
**BRIGHT LIGHTS, BIG CITY:** Dale Earnhardt had a busy week after his Daytona 500 victory, and none of it had anything to do with testing, chassis setups or even autograph sessions.  
 Earnhardt had more celebrity sightings than Robin Leach.  
 In New York on Monday, he read the nightly Top 10 on the "Late Show With David Letterman" and was interviewed via satellite by the CBS sports crew in Nagano, Japan, for

the Olympics.  
 Flying to the West Coast from New York on Tuesday, Earnhardt made a cameo appearance in a feature film "BASEketball," being filmed in Burbank with Yasmine Bleeth and 12 child actors. Earnhardt portrayed a cab driver in the cameo.  
 On Wednesday, still in L.A., Earnhardt appeared on the syndicated "Crier Report," Fox Sports' "Rewind" with Steve Lyons, "Great American Athletes" with Byron Allen, and NBC's "Later" with Pat O'Brien.  
 Oh, yes. He also hooked up, via telephone, with "John Boy and Billy."

### PROFILE

## Bobby Hamilton



John Clark/NASCAR This Week

Bobby Hamilton (left) is getting to know his new racing team.

This Tennessee driver took a calculated gamble this year by switching from Richard Petty's Pontiac, in which he had won races in each of the past two seasons, to Larry McClure's Chevrolet.  
 Hamilton won autumn races at Phoenix in 1996 and Rockingham in 1997, returning Petty to the victory lane for the first time since the legendary driver won his final race in 1984. He was the first driver not named Petty to win for the team since Buddy Baker in 1972.  
 The Winston Cup rookie of the year in 1991, Hamilton began his career as driver of a special "movie car" used in the filming of "Days of Thunder."  
**AGE:** 40  
**WIFE:** Debbie  
**CHILD:** Bobby Jr. (20).  
**CAR:** No. 4 Kodak Film Chevrolet, owned by Larry McClure.  
**CAREER RECORD:** 202 starts, 4 poles, 2 wins, 13

top 5s, 38 top 10s, almost \$5 million in earnings.  
**FIRSTS:** Start (Nov. 5, 1989, at Phoenix), pole (June 21, 1996, at Michigan), win (Oct. 27, 1996, at Phoenix).  
**YOUR CAR OWNER HAS WON THE DAYTONA 500 THREE TIMES. HOW DID YOU FEEL ABOUT YOUR FIRST 500 IN THE MORGAN-McCLURE CHEVROLET?** "We didn't do what we wanted to do at Daytona, but we weren't going to do what we wanted to do unless we won the race. That's what we went there for. We spent some time learning about each other and what each other likes and doesn't like, and that's going to happen any time a team has a new driver. But we knew more about each other and knew better how to communicate by the end of two weeks down there than at the beginning of the two weeks. There were some teams

down there that didn't learn a thing about each other over the entire two weeks, and you know those guys are going to be struggling at the end of the year the same way they were at the first of the year. That's not going to happen with us."  
**WHAT BROUGHT YOU TO THIS TEAM?** "This is a good race team. I wouldn't have come here unless I really believed that. There is a tremendous amount of potential here, and I think we're going to be able to take advantage of that. They've always had good cars. With a guy like Runt Pittman and the guys in the engine room, you know they are going to have good engines. With the luck they had last year, I figure they are due, so you know they are going to have good luck. With a break or two, and by running consistently well all year, we could get this team right back to the top."

## YOUR TURN

### Letters From Our Readers

Dear NASCAR This Week,  
 My husband and I enjoy your NASCAR news sheet each week. It is very exciting to get my paper early on Saturday and read NASCAR news. We are both very avid race fans. Please tell us more about Dale Earnhardt and his plans for the coming year. Also, please give an address where we can write to him. He has been our favorite since he began racing. Thank you again for your NASCAR news. We hope you will keep it up.  
 William D. & Betsy Gregson  
 Sanford, N.C.  
 Dear Mrs. and Mrs. Gregson,  
 Thanks for your kind remarks. In addition to his driving duties with Richard Childress' No. 3 Chevrolet, Earnhardt and wife Teresa will be Winston Cup car owners for the first time. Rookie Steve Park will drive a Pennzoil-sponsored No. 1 Chevrolet owned by the Earnhardts. Direct letters to Earnhardt c/o Champion Sports Group Inc., 1811 S. Main St., Kannapolis, N.C. 28081.

Dear NASCAR This Week,  
 My questions are about car numbers. Recently I read that car owner Dale Earnhardt had switched his car No. 14 with Richard Jackson (No. 1), and that Ricky Craven will drive No. 50 instead of No. 25. What are NASCAR's rules concerning who gets a certain number? Are the rights to use the number bought by the owners? Are there numbers which cannot be used? I know Dan Gurney drove No. 121 for the Wood brothers, but I haven't seen a three-digit number in recent years. How does NASCAR play the numbers game?  
 Gary D. Perry  
 Mattoon, Ill.  
 Dear Gary,  
 The car numbers are not purchased by the car owners, but they are their property. Any time a team enters a sport, NASCAR awards a number. Earnhardt and Jackson agreed to switch numbers, so they successfully sought NASCAR approval. Gurney drove No. 121 at Riverside only, because the races on the old road course were combination events between the Winston Cup (then Grand National) and Winston West series, and there weren't enough different numbers to go around. Pamelli Jones also won at Riverside in a No. 115.

**If you've got a question or a comment, write: NASCAR This Week Your Turn, c/o The Gaston Gazette, 2500 E. Franklin Blvd., Gastonia, N.C. 28054**

**CREW OF THE WEEK**  
 In the early laps of the Goodwrench Service Plus 400, Jeff Gordon fell as far back as 31st. Over a period of three or four pit stops, Ray Evernham and his Rainbow Warriors experimented with the setup on Gordon's No. 24 Chevrolet, and by race's end, the Winston Cup champion had the fastest car and managed to win on a day in which the new Ford Taurus was otherwise dominant.

## TRIVIA

- What four-time winner of the Indianapolis 500 was listed recently as one of NASCAR's 50 greatest all-time drivers?
- What is the more popular nickname of "The Randleman Rocket"?
- What driver from the 1960s and 1970s was known as "Soapy"?

**ANSWERS**  
 1. A.J. Foyt  
 2. King Richard Petty  
 3. Neil Castles

### AROUND THE GARAGE

### RACING ON THE WEB

Las Vegas Motor Speedway  
 www.lvms.com  
**Strong points:** As befits a race track in Las Vegas, this Web page is informative, colorful and well designed. If the track lives up to its Web page, then NASCAR will be returning to this desert jewel for many years.  
**Weak points:** Still in the development stage. Understandably, it dwells on the facility's strong points. It will be interesting to see how the page changes after the first Winston Cup race.



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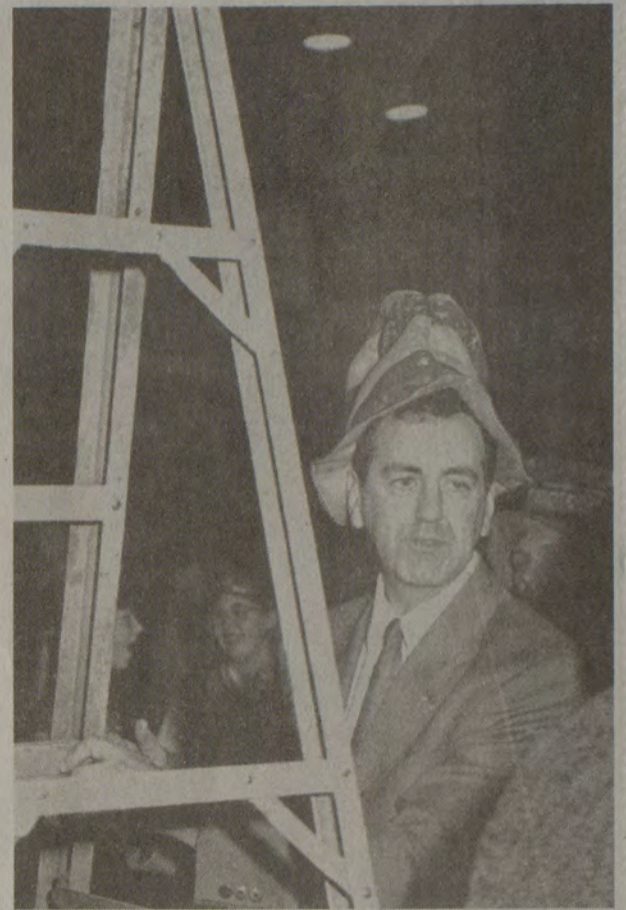



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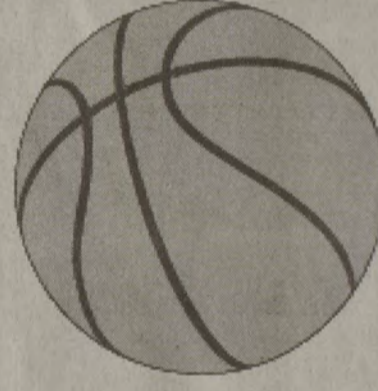


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## Johnson Central Lady Eagles

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### 1997-98 Roster

12	Jamie Blair	11
21	Josie Melvin	11
25	Megan Salyer	11
22	Christina Fairchild	10
3	Teresa Lewis	10
44	Jessica Taylor	10
10	Emma Burke	9
42	Amanda Griffith	9
24	Becky McKenzie	9
23	Emily Salyer	9
14	Goldie Wells	9
34	Selena Williams	9
54	Sheena Scott	9
32	Leslie Conley	9

Head Coach: Philip Wireman  
Record: 14-12

## Sheldon Clark Lady Cardinals

### 1997-98 Roster

35	Jenny Foley
24	Anitga Harless
10	Jani Castle
12	Robbi Presley
22	Mandy Harmon
11	Kelly Hinkle
14	Keisha Webb
20	Tausha Achive
3	Nikki Copeland
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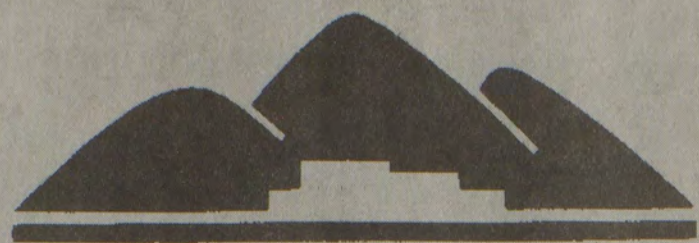
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**Allen Central  
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**Allen Central  
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1997-98 Roster

20	Natalie Cooley	10
33	Misty Scott	12
34	Crystal Martin	12
50	Jessica Martin	10
12	Jennifer Hopkins	10
54	Ramanda Music	8
40	Shanna Howell	10
25	Karen Wallen	12
55	Gina Hall	12
23	Jennifer Brown	12
15	Barb Prater	9
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10	Shannon Sizemore	9
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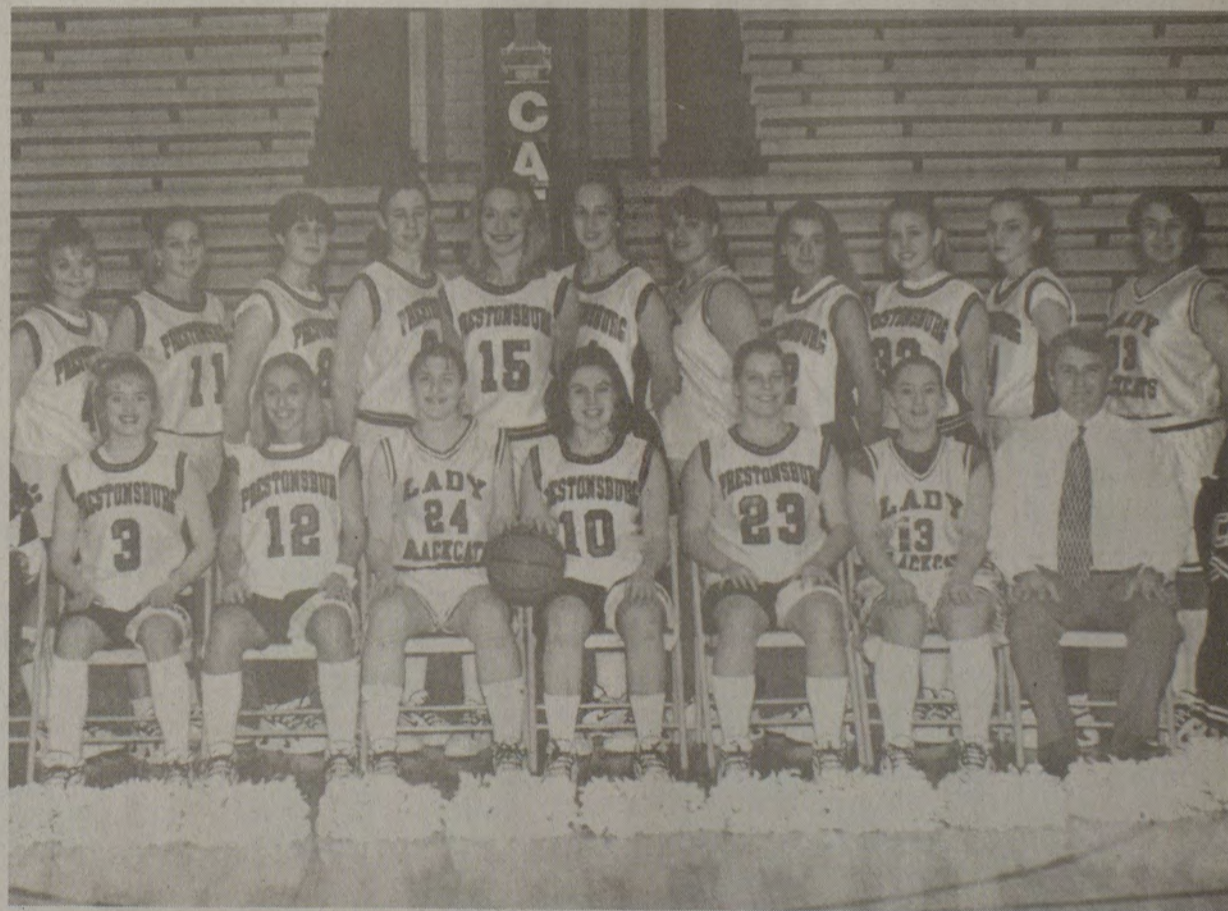
Head Coach: Anthony Moore  
 Record: 16-7

**Prestonsburg  
 Lady Blackcats**

1997-98 Roster

11	Ladonna Slone	12
15	Jessi Burke	12
23	Shelly Greathouse	11
32	Crystal Slone	11
44	Amelia Conley	9
10	Brandi Wells	10
33	Kimi Nunnery	11
14	Brooke Coleman	9
35	Sarah Mollett	10
21	Nicole Samons	10
3	Angela Howell	9
42	Stephanie Adams	9
12	Brittany Hites	9
33	Tiffany Ousley	10
25	Brandi Slone	10

Head Coach: Jackie Day Crisp  
 Record: 9-17



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# A Look at Girls' Basketball

## Belfry, Pike Central considered top of region

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

The girls' 15th Region basketball tournament tips off Monday evening, and what a tournament it promises to be. If you are looking for favorites, then I suppose you would have to consider the Belfry Lady Pirates and Pike County Central Lady Hawks just that.

Belfry is the defending champion from last season and no one sees any reason why they cannot repeat. However, there are some ballclubs, on a given night, that could pull the surprise and win it all.

Girls' basketball has come a long, long ways in past years

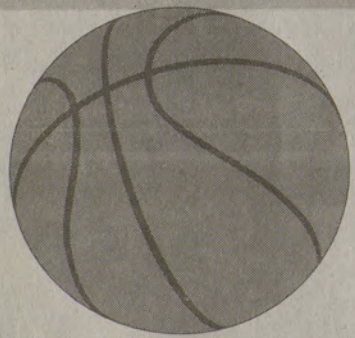
and much can be contributed to the outstanding coaches in the 15th Region. Knowledge of the game, teaching skills and describing the fundamentals of the game to listening ears, is the mark of a good coach.

Belfry's Cindy Halbert is one of the best and she has her Lady Pirates running and gunning for another regional title. Tammy Tussey has come a long way since her days at old Mullins High School, and she has built the Lady Hawk program into one of the most consist in the region. Many fans don't realize that this is a very young Pike Central team and the future looks very good for the Lady Hawks and Coach Tussey.

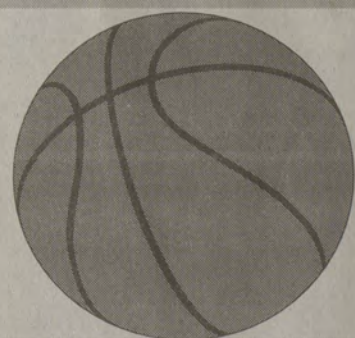
Anthony Moore took over a storybook team at the beginning of the season and the Allen Central Lady Rebels are certainly a team to be reckoned with as tournament time begins. Moore took over for one of the premiere coaches in the region when he replaced Bonita Compton at the helm of the Lady Rebs.

Allen Central struggled earlier in the season as they adjusted to their new coach, but are playing as good basketball as anyone in the region in the last three weeks.

Bobby Spears returned to Shelby Valley last season and he has his Lady Wildcats primed for a run at a title. When you speak of youth, just put Shelby Valley at the top of the list. Yes, younger than



## Players to watch



**Allen Central Lady Rebels**

Ramanda Music, Misty Scott, Crystal Martin, Jessica Martin: Music could be one of the best to come out of Allen Central by the time she is a senior. Just an eighth grader. Scott has had a solid four years at Allen Central as has Crystal Martin. Jessica Martin is just a very good basketball player that gets better each season.

**Sheldon Clark Lady Cardinals**

Mandy Harmon, Jenny Foley, Jani Castle: Harmon is a scorer. Not just a shooter, but a scorer. Foley is solid in the middle and Castle is the three-point

shooter.

**Pike County Central Lady Hawks**

Tiffany Slone, Amanda Collins, Ashley Melvin: Slone has had the best season of her high school career. Collins is destined to be a solid college prospect. Melvin is just one of the many good young players for Pike Central.

**Shelby Valley Lady Wildcats**

Ashley Damron, Summer Jones, Candace Tackett: Jones is just a freshman and what a job she has done already. A very good three-point shooter. Tackett works the inside as well as any-

one and Damron is just an all-around player who does many things well.

**Johnson Central Lady Eagles**

Jamie Blair, Josie Melvin, Teresa Lewis: Blair is the slasher-type player but can also hit the short jumpers. Melvin does everything well and is more of a team player. Lewis takes the ball to the basket and shoot the free throws very well.

**Belfry Lady Pirates**

Susan Thomas, Tonya Francis, Mandy Smith: Thomas has signed with Pikeville College for next season....has a nice jump shot and uses the base line well.

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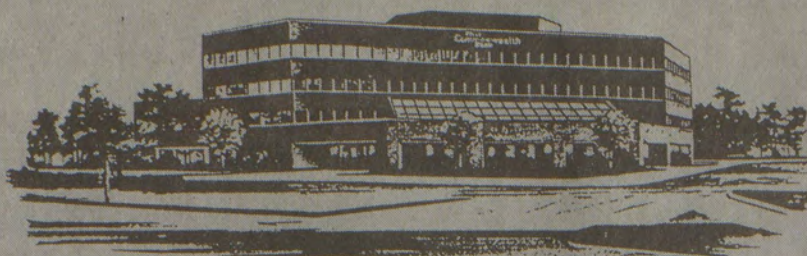
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even Pike Central.

Only one senior dots the Lady Wildcat roster and that is Jessica Wright, a 5'5" senior. There are no juniors on this team, but seven talented sophomores. Add a good freshman crop and some promising eighth graders and Shelby Valley is ready for the next two seasons.

Coach Philip Wireman is a coach of consistency and his Lady Eagles have been competitive year in and year out.

Johnson Central finished 14-12 on the regular season but played their best basketball toward the end, when it was needed.

Again, youth makes up the mixture on this roster and Coach Wireman has an outstanding group of young players to watch.

Remember the glory days of the Sheldon Clark Lady Cardinals when no one could find a way to dethrone them in regional competition? Well those days could very well be back or soon coming with coach Robin Harmon-Newsome back at the helm. The Lady Cardinals may not be too big, but they can shoot the basketball and play defense, and isn't that what the game's all about?

Elkhorn City has also known its good times under coach B.J. Elswick. Elswick left the sport for several years but has returned to take a spot on the bench as the Lady Cougars are one of the bright prospect teams

## Ed's Rating of the Girls Elite Eight

1. Belfry
2. Pike Central
3. Allen Central
4. Sheldon Clark
5. Johnson Central
6. Prestonsburg
7. Elkhorn City
8. Shelby Valley



in the region.

Elswick's former Lady Cougar teams knew what it took to make the Sweet Sixteen and Elswick is hopeful to instill that mixture into this year's team.

As of press time, it was not known the eighth team that would be part of the tournament bracket. However, it is certain to be either Betsy Layne or Prestonsburg.

Both teams have had up and down seasons with Prestonsburg under first year coach Jackie Day Crisp. Crisp had his team playing great basketball toward season's end. The Lady Blackcats owned two regular season victories over the Lady Cats, but we all know this is tournament time when what was done yesterday does not matter.

If it is Betsy Layne, then veteran coach Bill Newsome has been to the big show before and would love to see his team perform to the ability that may be expected before the season began.

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From this desk, I wish every team the best and know whoever makes the Sweet Sixteen will represent our region well.



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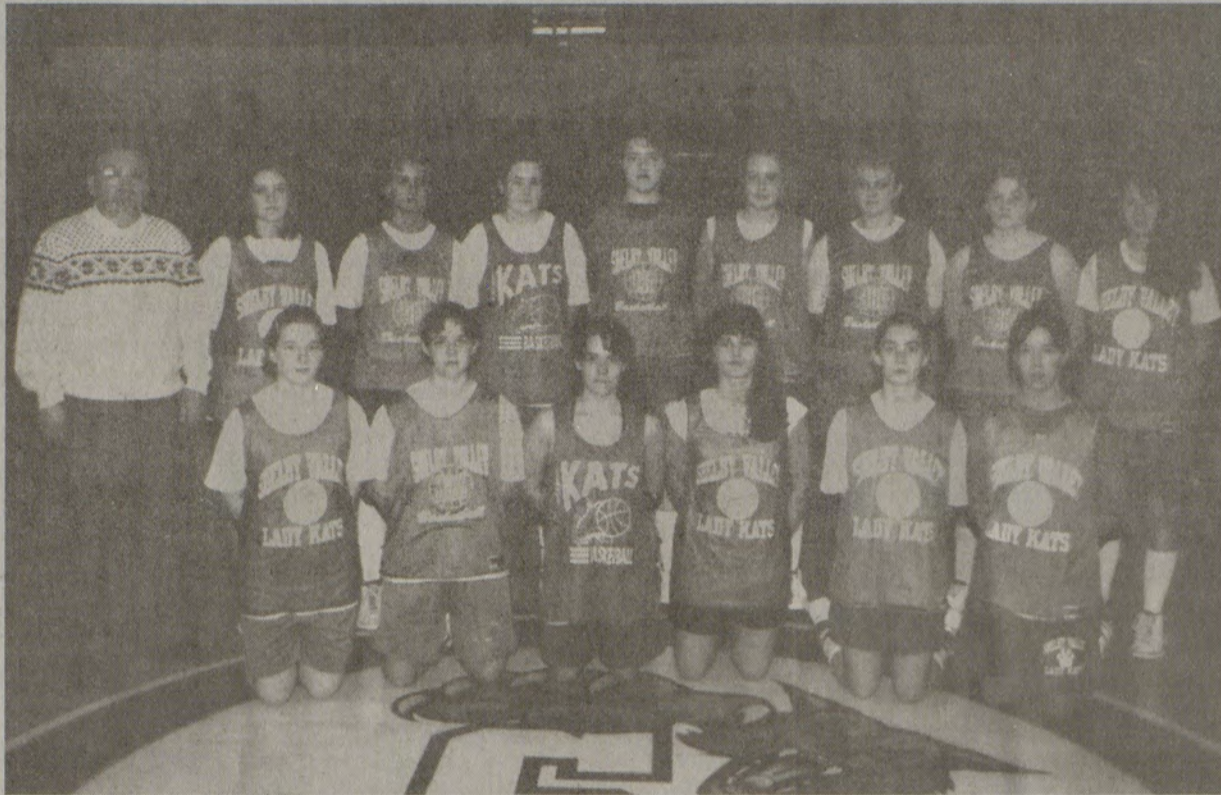
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## Shelby Valley Lady Wildcats

1997-98 Roster

10	Jessica Wright	12
34	Amanda Newsome	11
32	Tasha Bakay	10
40	Brandi Wright	10
44	Candace Tackett	10
15	Pam Caudill	10
23	April Damron	10
3	Candace Kane	10
33	Summer Jones	9
13	Ashley Damron	9
24	Sarah Vanover	9
55	Fallon Sparks	9
12	Jessica Justice	8
21	Danielle Ramey	8

Head Coach: Bobby Spears

## Pike County Central Lady Hawks

1997-98 Roster

55	Tiffany Slone
31	Amanda Collins
33	K. Hall
12	B. Bliffen
3	Ashley Melvin
4	R. Pugh
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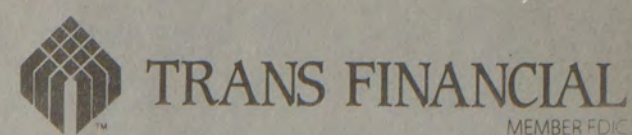
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### Belfry Lady Pirates

### Belfry Lady Pirates

1997-98 Roster

23	Camille Kline	12
24	Debra McCoy	12
33	Mandy Smith	12
10	Susan Thomas	12
22	Christina Chafin	11
21	Tonya Francis	11
50	Ashley Rosen	11
12	Veronica Leedy	10
3	Heather Whitt	10
20	Katie Blackburn	9
15	Tiffany Cantrall	9
14	Samantha Hackney	9
11	Nikki McCoy	9
44	Lesley Runyon	9
34	Melissa Dotson	8
5	Jessica Lovell	8

Head Coach: Cindy Halbert

### Elkhorn City Lady Cougars

1997-98 Roster

31	Amanda Ratliff	2
34	Melissa Fraley	12
15	Kelly Cline	12
35	Amy Taylor	11
42	Molly Stewart	11
55	Brandi Spearman	11
44	Larissa Davis	10
32	Cindi Belcher	9
5	Jenny Ford	9
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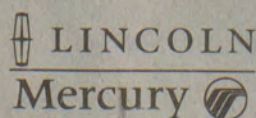
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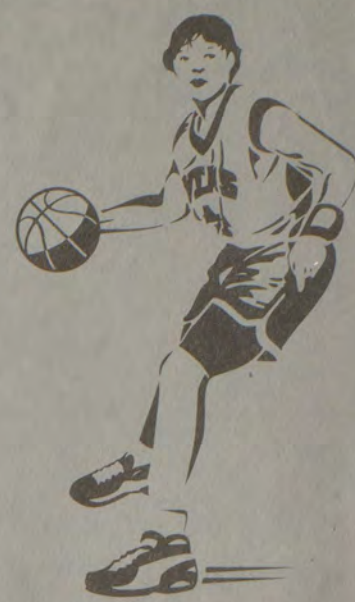
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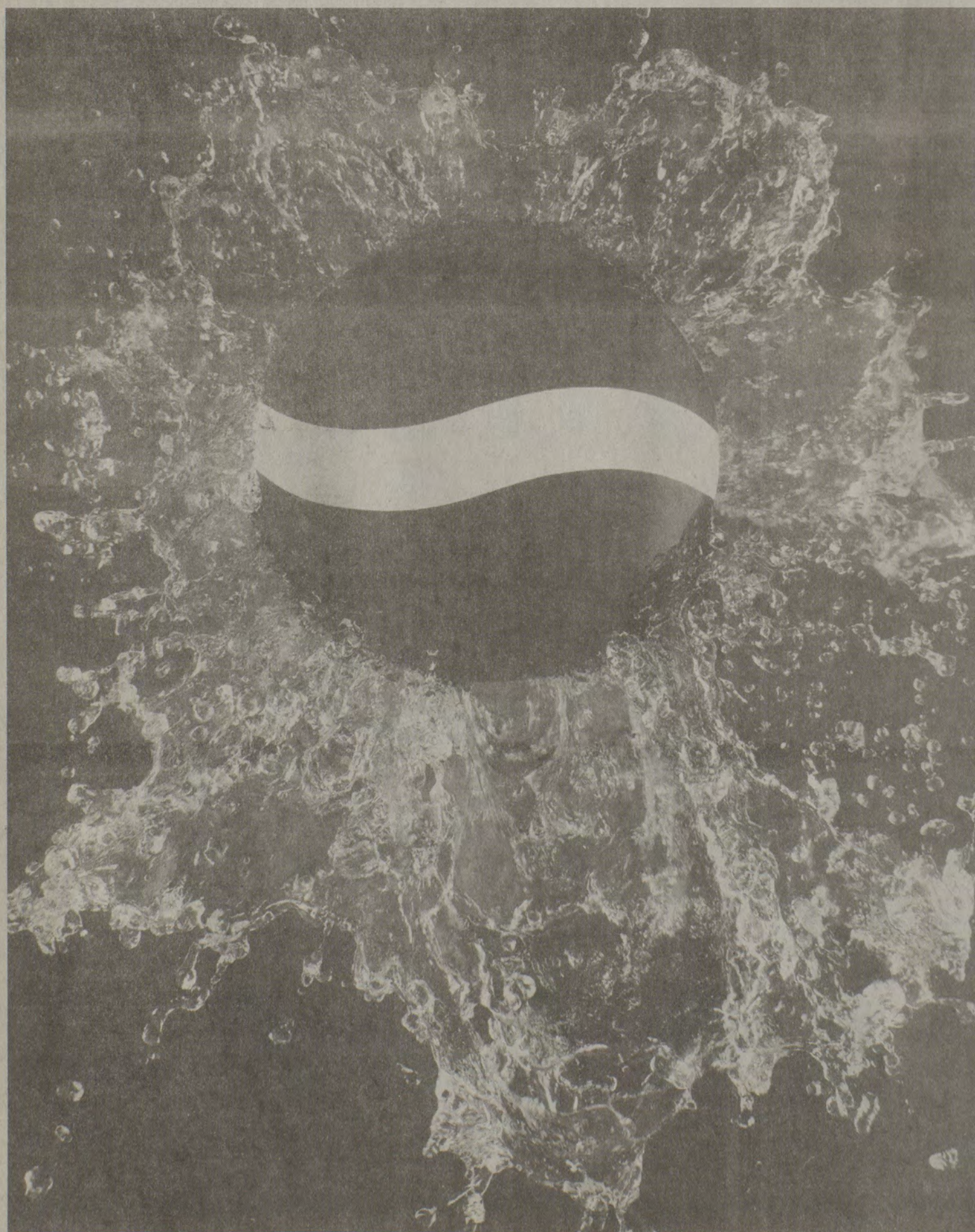
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# Kids start investing early in their future

by Cindy Yates  
Editorial Assistant

There are many different types of collections; sports cards, model cars, and dolls are the usual items many young people covet.

Consider this—why not collect something that can, if you hold onto it long enough, be worth money? A lot of money.

If this sounds like a plan to you, then stamp collecting may be the way to go.

Two of the county's young people recently brought their

collections to the Minnie Post Office to compare and discuss collecting stamps.

Jamie Meade, a seven-year-old second grader at Duff Elementary, has the beginnings of a beautiful stamp collection. "My grandmother got me started,"

she said. "I like dolls, ballerinas, animals, things like that."

Jamie's grandmother, Dollie, is a carrier for both the Printer and Minnie post offices. Whenever a new stamp

is issued that she thinks will appeal to Jamie, she gets it.

"I earn my stamp money by being cute," Jamie said, and when she smiles, you un-

**"I earn my stamp money by being cute," Jamie said, and when she smiles, you understand why.**

derstand why.

For someone that never seems to stay still for more than a moment or two, Jamie will sit still and gaze through her album, proudly pointing out a sheet of the American

Doll collection.

"I guess they're my favorite," she decided.

Jason Samons, son of Jody and Lisa Samons of Minnie, also brought in quite an impressive collection.

His grandmother began the family's collection tradition, and passed it on to her son, who, in turn got his son Jason started.

"He's a third-generation stamp collector," his mom said. "Actually, he wasn't just given his start when he was younger. It was the pictures—the pictures on some stamps he saw that attracted him."

The collection Jason has reflects the typical themes expected in the life of a sixth grade boy: sports, monsters, dinosaurs, and anything related to space travel.

However, there's nothing typical about his outlook on collecting stamps. "They're a good investment," he explained with a practicality well beyond his years.

Minnie postmaster Vickie Boyd showed Jason the new space "Pathfinder" stamp, and in an instant his mom knew a sale was imminent.

"Let's see, what chore can you do to earn the money for this one?" she asked him.

Jason usually uses his own

money to purchase his stamps, and earns some of it by working in the family gift shop in Minnie.

Both youngsters are interested in the postal service's "Celebrate The Century" stamps.

In an effort to give the public what it wants, the postal service is leaving the final choice for its latest series, "Celebrate the Century, in the hands of the people.

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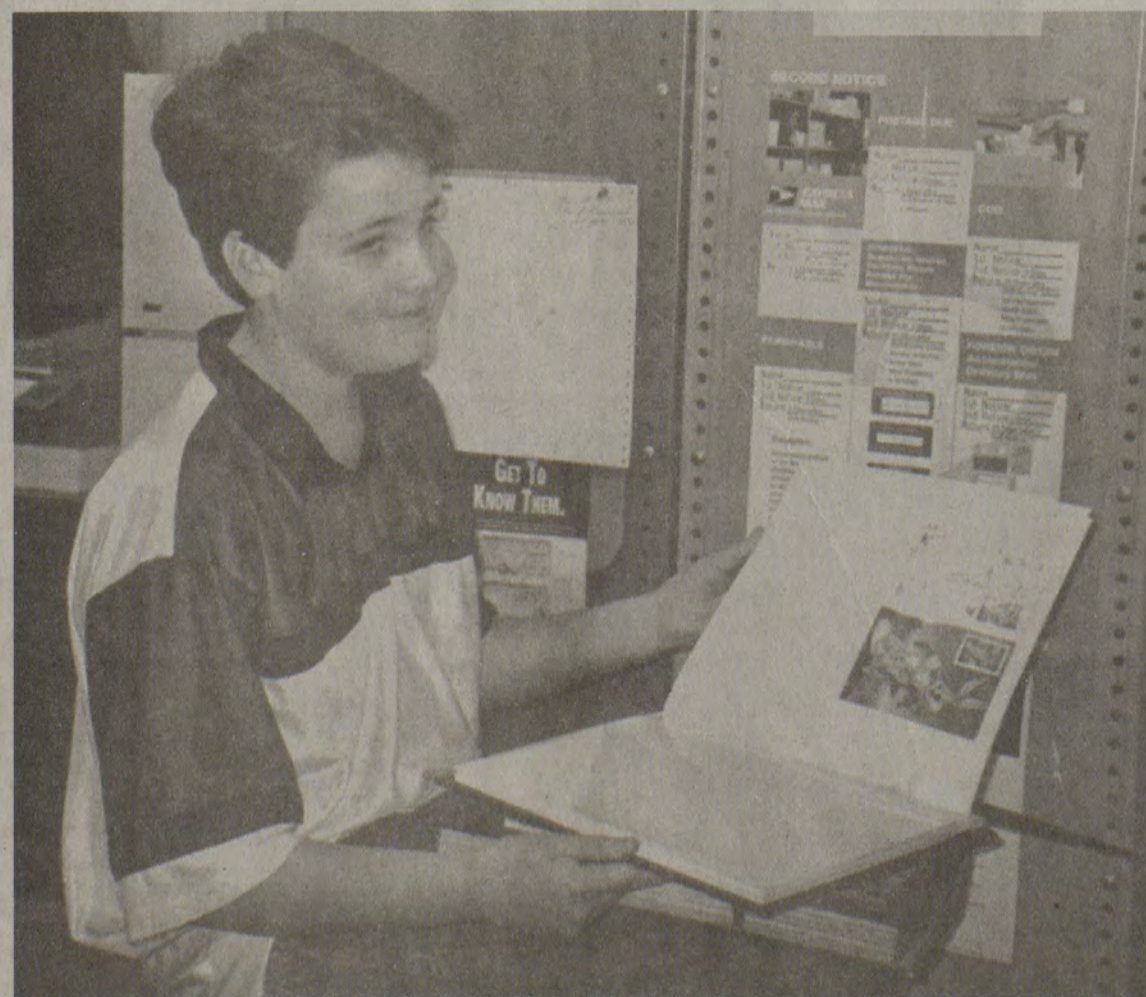
Voting ballots can be obtained through the local post office, and the voting for the 1950s must be done by February 28.

Both Jamie and Jason own the 1900s and 1910 edition of the series, and plan to vote for the stamps they would like to see represent the decades the postal service has on their voting ballots.

The Minnie Post Office has been the primary site of both Jason's and Jamie's purchases. Vickie Boyd is the "Celebrate The Century" coordinator for the county, and can help you get started collecting, or provide you with assistance on voting in the CTS stamp series. She also provides educational materials on the series to area schools.



Jamie Meade of Duff Elementary looks through her stamp collection that she started with the assistance of her grandmother, Dollie, who is a carrier for both the Minnie and Printer post offices. (photo by Cindy Yates)



Jason Samons, a sixth-grade student at McDowell Elementary, is a third generation stamp collector. He has been interested in stamp collecting since he was six years old. (photo by Cindy Yates)

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**DEAR WENDI:** Sometimes the kids on my basketball team do something wrong. When I correct them, I feel like a little kid the way they look at me. Help.

— GOODY-GOODY

**DEAR G.G.:** I know you're just trying to help out your team, but your teammates may think you're being bossy and resent it. Why don't you concentrate on playing and let your coach do the coaching? If you have some ideas on how the team can play better, you could suggest them to your coach and let him or her decide whether to use them.

**DEAR WENDI:** This geeky girl follows me and my best friend. We said to her, "Please get lost!" She said OK, but then started to follow us again. It seems she does not understand. How do we say "get lost" or "stop it" nicely?

— BEING TORTURED

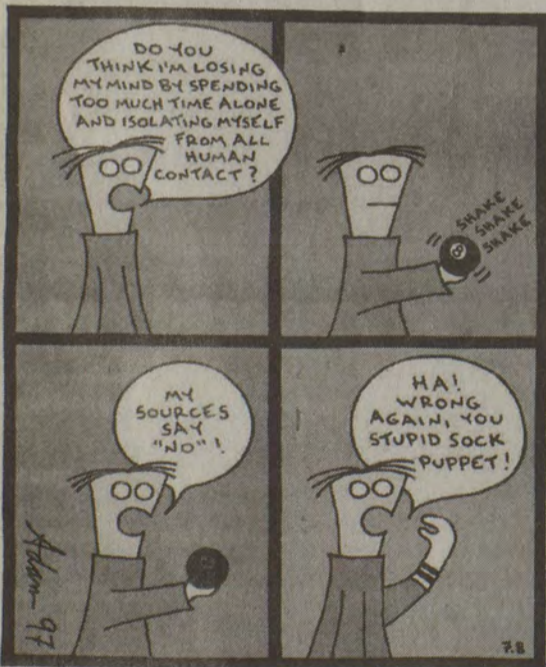
**DEAR BEING TORTURED:** I gotta say my heart goes out to geeky girl. Annoying as she is, she also sounds way lonely. Imagine how much it would hurt to understand that people don't want to be around you. And you can bet you aren't the first kids to tell this girl to get lost. Ouch. There are lots of ways you could handle this: Learn to ditch her — it isn't that hard if you put your mind to it; just ignore her if you're in public (she has a right to be there too); even try to hook her up with another geeky kid. Or, you could turn around and include her. You might be surprised at what you find — like a cool girl underneath that lonely geekiness.

**DEAR WENDI:** I've known this boy five years. He asked me out three years ago, and I said no. Now I like him, and I don't know how to tell him. Can you help?

— BOYFRIENDLESS

**DEAR BOYFRIENDLESS:** Did you show the poor boy some mercy when you said no three years ago? Hope so ... cuz you want him still to be thinking fondly of you. If so, why not just turn the tables and ask him out? If he liked you before, chances are he still has some feelings for you. But if you were mean to him three years ago, before you ask him out you have some kissing up to do! So be sweet for a while to soften his heart before asking him out.

## Adam



## Rips & Raves

"Super Street Fighter 2," "Super Street Fighter 2 Turbo" and "Street Fighter Alpha 2 Gold" (an updated version of "Street Fighter Alpha 2"). Fave characters Ryu, Guile, Chun-Li and Cammy are back.

## 'Street' three-peat

By MICHAEL MCGEEHEE  
Chicago Tribune

Great games never die. They get repackaged and sold in a collectors series.

"The Street Fighter Collection" (\$40, Sony PlayStation and Sega Saturn) is a compilation of three games from one of the most influential fighting-game series. The collection contains perfect arcade translations of

The game sound and graphics are predictably good. Plus, the characters' moves are smooth and fluid.

Even though some of the better "Street Fighter" games were left out, "Street Fight Collection" is a great game and a must-buy for fans of the series.



## Shop Talk

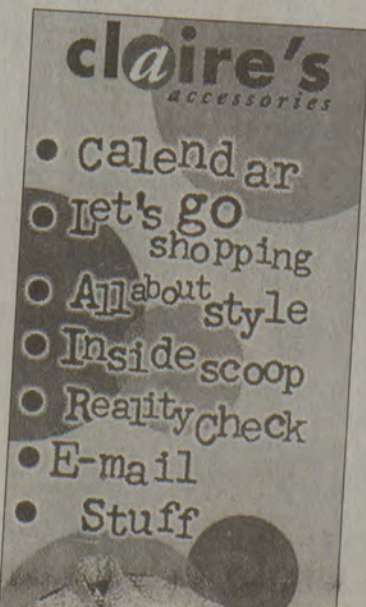
### Claire's best source: You!

By LESLIE MANN  
Chicago Tribune

Whether it's body glitter or metallic hair sticks, beaded room dividers or macrame chokers, you know what you like, right? And Claire's wants you to give 'em the goods.

"Your opinion does count," says Marlene Cota, director of marketing at Claire's Stores Inc., the fashion accessories

chain that's full of all things wild and wonderful, tough and trendy. "Your feedback helps us determine what to order."



Although the Claire's staff consults with professional style forecasters, the best trend-spotters are kids who hang at their stores. The easiest way to become an official Claire's spotter is to visit their Web site: www.claire.com.

Click on "Reality Check," where Cota posts pictures of new products and asks you to "Kiss It" or "Dis It." Check out the Web site's "Inside Click" for fashion previews, "Calendar" for celebrity tidbits or "Stuff" for a hodge-podge of what's new at Claire's stores. Or send Claire's some e-mail. Cota receives 200-plus e-mail letters a week, but she and her staff promise to respond to questions within 36 hours.

## Mini Ha-has

Why did the chef put his car in the oven?  
He wanted a HOT ROD!

What did the cheeseburger say to the pickle?  
You're dill-icious!

What's a vampire's favorite fruit?  
A nectarine!

Knock, knock.  
Who's there?  
Nunya.  
Nunya who?  
Nunya business!

# KID NEWS

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# lights, camera action!

By LOU CARLOZO  
Chicago Tribune

If the boys in Hanson can do it, there's no reason you can't. Create music videos, that is. Whether you're shooting a garage band or a dance performance, or just fooling with your own mini-movie, you can handle it! All it takes is the right equipment, a little imagination and some preparation. Here are some tips for getting started:



**MAKE A STORYBOARD.** You wouldn't take a road trip without a map, right? The storyboard shows how the video will play out, scene by scene. Think of how a Sunday cartoon strip looks, divided into separate frames, and you have an idea how to set up your storyboard. Use poster board or a dry erase board for presenting your ideas to your crew.

**SCOUT LOCATIONS AND PLAN YOUR WARDROBE.** Even if you're shooting in the living room, it helps to take a second look to see how things will appear through the eye of the camera. Where is the light coming



from? Is that photo of Granny gonna look goofy in the background? If you're going to shoot in a public place, make sure to get permission first and enough privacy to prevent unwanted "walk-ons." As for wardrobe, make sure costumes fit right and you have all the clothing changes you need on hand.

**KNOW YOUR EQUIPMENT!** What looks worse than the family picnic video where the camera shakes all over? Get a tripod to keep the lens steady and make sure you have a friend or adult on hand who knows how to use the camera. Shoot some rough footage to make sure the sound and lighting are right and everything's working. And if you're outdoors, bring backup batteries for the camera, fully charged.

**REHEARSE, REHEARSE, REHEARSE.** If you're a band, don't wait until the day of the shoot to learn your music. If you're a dancer, know your steps! And unless you're killer at improvising, don't add anything new to your routine once the action starts. A good way to get used

to being on camera is to practice in front of a mirror (but don't stare into the lens, unless you want to look goofy; act naturally).

## film school on cd-rom

If you have the desire, the drive and the dough, here's another way to learn video skills:

In March, Ohio University and Electronic Vision Inc. plan to release a two CD-ROM set, "How To Make Your Move: The Interactive Film School." One cool part of the set is that you can experiment with camera angles and lighting techniques on your computer. For a preview, check out the Web site at [www.ev.net/makefilm](http://www.ev.net/makefilm). The set "really is for all



ages, so someone 12 to 13 could use it, or younger," says Alex Davis of Electronic Vision. "You're going to learn all the terms you need to know and how to get the most out of camera work." The final price should be \$60 to \$80.

## Great Stuff

### Baby your Beanies!

By LISA SKOLNIK  
Chicago Tribune

Here's how to baby your Beanies, from top to bottom:



**▲ SNORE AND ADORE:** Your Beanies can wear crib clothes anyone would want to have. A robe and slippers set costs \$6.50 and comes in a dozen colors and some patterns, and reading glasses are \$3 each. Then there is a royal outfit for Princess Ty that comes in six colors (the hat's included). They cost \$7, and a portion of the proceeds are donated to Princess Di's favorite charities.

**◀ TOASTY TOGS:** Choose from a dozen kinds of sweaters to keep your Beanies toasty in the dead of winter. They cost \$4.50 each.

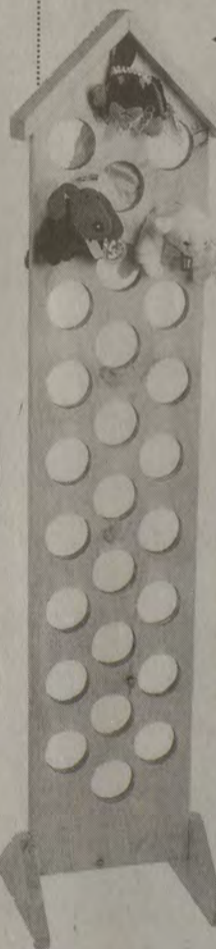
**▶ FASHION PLATES:** Curly and Velvet are ready to rock on anywhere in their spiffy rags. Curly's sweats and cap come in a dozen colors for \$5 each outfit. Velvet's dress and bonnet are part of a country collection that includes 12 outfits; each outfit is \$6.50. Keep both Beanies in line with these \$3 leashes, which come in two dozen kinds of ribbon.



**▶ OFF THE WALL:** Put your walls to work with a Beanie holder that hangs 20 at a time (it reminds us of the wall pockets you can buy for your shoes). Find it in this rainbow pattern or a country print for \$24 (or make your own if you're low on dough).



**◀ BEAN POLES:** Are Beanies taking over your room? Stash them on these tall stands. They take up less space than shelves, window sills or the floor. The tower is 62 inches high and holds 68 Beanies, and the board is 48 inches high and holds 28 Beanies. Both are \$43 each.



**▲ THE NAME GAME:** These colorful metal tags won't wear away. There's one for every Beanie made, complete with its name and birthdate, for \$1 each.

**TO BUY:** The bean poles are available through Covered Wagon in Hickory Hills, Ill. (708-430-0067). To mail order everything else, call SMD Promotions at (888) 634-8328.

# CORNER

# YAK'S



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## BRAINY-YAK

This week's Brainy-Yak question:

**WHO WROTE THE BOOK "HARRIET THE SPY"?**

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If your answer is drawn, it will appear in the next issue of S'Up with your name!

Last month's correct answer comes from Rachael Hill, who has once again correctly answered a Brainy-Yak question. Rachael writes that the Andes Mountains are located in South America. According to the World Book Encyclopedia, the Andes Mountains extend 4,500 miles and is the longest mountain range above sea level.

## AMAZING ANIMAL

There are 30 million different kinds of animals on Earth. Here's one that's amazing:

# RHINOCEROS BEETLE

### WHAT IS IT?

It's a large group of beetles with hundreds of species. The smallest are just under an inch long; the largest are three inches long. Most are dull brown or black, but a few have spots. All have hard outer shells, or exterior skeletons — some of the hardest of any beetles.

### WHY IS IT CALLED RHINOCEROS?

The males have large horns that resemble those of a rhinoceros. Like animals with much larger horns, such as sheep, the beetles use their horns to fight other males. The winner gets to mate and carry on the species. The loser gets flipped on its back, making it vulnerable to attack by larger mammals.

### WHERE DOES IT LIVE?

Most rhinoceros beetles live in tropical areas, including southeast Asia and parts of Africa, Australia and Central and South America. Asia is a real hotbed for these creatures.



### DO THEY FLY?

Yes, though only as adults. You can't see their wings. They're folded up underneath their bodies. But unlike bees and butterflies, they spend a lot of time crawling on the ground, which is how kids catch them.

### WHAT DOES IT EAT?

It eats decomposing plant material, such as ripened fruit that has dropped to the ground.

### WHAT EATS IT?

Non-human primates, including orangutans and monkeys, like rhinoceros beetle larvae. Many Asian people eat them. They are easily roasted or fried. You may recall that in "Temple of Doom" Indiana Jones was served some in India, along with monkey brains. Yum.

— Patricia Chargot, Knight Ridder Newspapers

SOURCES: Gary A. Dunn, director of education, Young Entomologists' Society, Lansing; Ken Kawata, curator, Belle Isle Zoo.

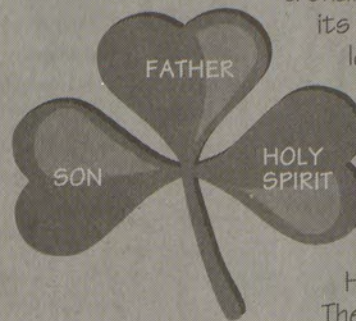
Photo courtesy of the University of Michigan Museum of Zoology.

## YAK CALENDAR

# SHAMROCK SEASON

With St. Patrick's Day coming up, you'll see bright green shamrocks on just about everything — napkins, paper cups, hats and flags. The three-part leaves are a symbol for both the Irish and the day that honors St. Patrick.

St. Patrick went to Ireland as a missionary to convert the Irish to Christianity. According to legend, he used a shamrock, with its three small leaflets, to teach the Irish about the belief in the Trinity — Father, Son and Holy Ghost.



The shamrock appears on the British coat of arms with the English rose, the Scottish thistle.

The word "shamrock" can be applied to several plants. Some people think the true shamrock is white clover. Others say it's an oxalis. Both grow in Ireland and both are sold in the U.S. for St. Patrick's Day.

Here are some other symbols and characters that surround St. Patrick's Day celebrations:



**Shillelagh (shi-LAY-lee):** A walking stick named for an Irish oak forest — a sprig cut from a tree in that forest was known as a "sprig of shillelagh"

**Wearing the green:** This stood for the Irish struggle for freedom from England.



**Leprechauns:** These tiny shoemakers are one of a large group of Irish fairies. They enjoy music and dancing.

— Knight Ridder Newspapers  
SOURCE: "Shamrocks, Harps and Shillelagh" by Edna Barth

## YAK YUKS

**WHY SHOULDN'T YOU TELL A SECRET TO A PIG?**

Because he's a squealer!

**WHAT ANIMAL SHOULD YOU NEVER PLAY CARDS WITH?**

A cheetah!

**WHAT KIND OF STORIES DO FROGS LIKE?**

Ones with hoppy endings!

## YAK PUZZLE

In honor of St. Patrick's Day, how many green things can you find below?

- |          |             |           |
|----------|-------------|-----------|
| Avocado  | Grasshopper | Money     |
| Cucumber | Kermit      | Peas      |
| Emerald  | Lime        | Peter Pan |
| Flubber  | Lizard      | Spinach   |

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 their pants first.



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Take a "clothes" look at the newspaper. See how many different clothes words you can find in five minutes. Look for these words: sweater, rain coat, sneakers, blouse, T-shirt, pants, jeans, skirt, dress, jacket, boots.

**Hats Off!**

There's a pattern to the outfits Greg is wearing. Based on the pattern, which outfit in the bottom row (A-E) should Greg wear next?



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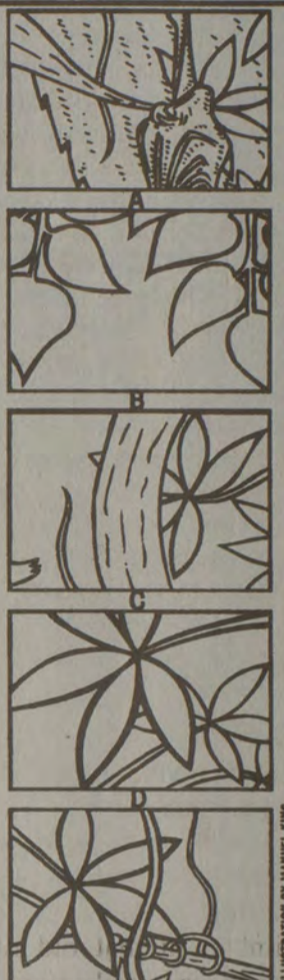
**Wild Things**

Lots of animals live in the jungle—and in this paper! How many can you find? Look for words or pictures of these animals: monkey, snake, leopard, tiger and chimpanzee.

Use the News

**Hanging Loose**

These animals love hanging around in the jungle. Each animal is checking out a different view. The five views are shown at the right. Which animal is seeing which view? Hint: Check out the angles and shapes of each object. Answer below.



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# Short Stories

## The Not-So-Fun Coal Truck Ride

by Wesley Turner

*Dedicated to my dad  
My hero always*

How many experiences can you remember when you were only four years old? Well, I have a story that will always stand out in my mind. Even now, at the age of eleven, I can recall most of it as if it were yesterday.

Like most kids, I enjoyed riding in coal trucks but this trip turned out to be an unpleasant one.

One Saturday, Dad, a truck driver, was going to haul away some slate from my papaw's coal mines. He asked Mom if we wanted to come along. We went along with Dad in my Uncle Barry's new air-conditioned coal truck. I sat in my Mom's lap on the way there. I remember the seat bouncing up and down because of the many potholes in the road.

When we got to the mines Dad backed the coal truck down into a loading hole. I watched as he climbed in that old rusty inloader which was used to load up the coal

trucks. Mom said I was starting to cry because I wanted to get out with my dad. I don't remember crying at that point of the trip but I do remember watching out the window as our truck was being loaded.

We saw a man walk up to where my Dad was, at the inloader. Dad climbed down from that old rusty bulldozer to talk to him. That man asked my Dad if he could haul some slate to his house and dump it in the backyard. My Dad said sure, but he had to go to tell my mom. Dad told my mom that the man wanted him to dump it in the backyard.

We seemed to think that would be okay. What Mom and I didn't know was to get to this man's house we would have to cross a very old wooden bridge.

We followed the man to where his house was and stopped at the bridge. Dad got out of the truck to talk to the man. Mom explained to me, now that I'm older, why Dad got out of the truck. He was worried about whether or not the bridge could hold a loaded coal truck.

Dad looked under the bridge to

see how much support was under the bridge. The man told Dad he was sure it would be okay because inloaders had been across the bridge before.

At age four, I was happy just to be

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Wesley Turner's book, "The Not-So-Fun Coal Truck Ride..." won the county-wide Young Author's competition in the computer graphics category.

The Young Author's program is sponsored by the Floyd County Board of Education. Students compete in their classrooms; then their schools; and finally, on the county level.

When Turner wrote his book, he was in the fifth grade.

Turner was a student of Tonda Johnson at McDowell Elementary School.

along for the ride. I was not old enough to be worried or afraid because I was with my Dad and was sitting safely in Mom's lap.

When we started across the bridge it started to squeak. Dad got all the way on the bridge and stopped. Then it happened! The boards on the bridge on Dad's side broke. The bridge sunk with us. I still remember

the awful sound of the cracking and bending of metal as the truck fell into the creek on it's side.

Mom and me landed on the top of Dad. Mom was still holding on to me. I could hear my Mom screaming and the man outside the truck yelling for help! Dad climbed over us and got out of the truck, through the window, and onto what was left of the bridge. I remember a woman reaching into the truck to get me from mom. I was crying because I was scared.

Dad then got my Mom out of the truck. Mom asked that woman if she could call the number 377-2366 which was my Granny's number.

I remember seeing lots of people coming by to see what had happened and to help out. People had to shovel the slate out of the creek so the coal truck could be lifted.

In just a little while, Granny was there to take me up to her house. Dad had to stay with the truck, while my other Granny took my Mom to the hospital. Mom had hurt her neck. I wasn't there when the coal truck

finally was lifted out of the creek but I'm told that a really big wrecker had to be called in.

Mom remembers it as being a scary time. She says that she was so upset because I was with her and I was so young.

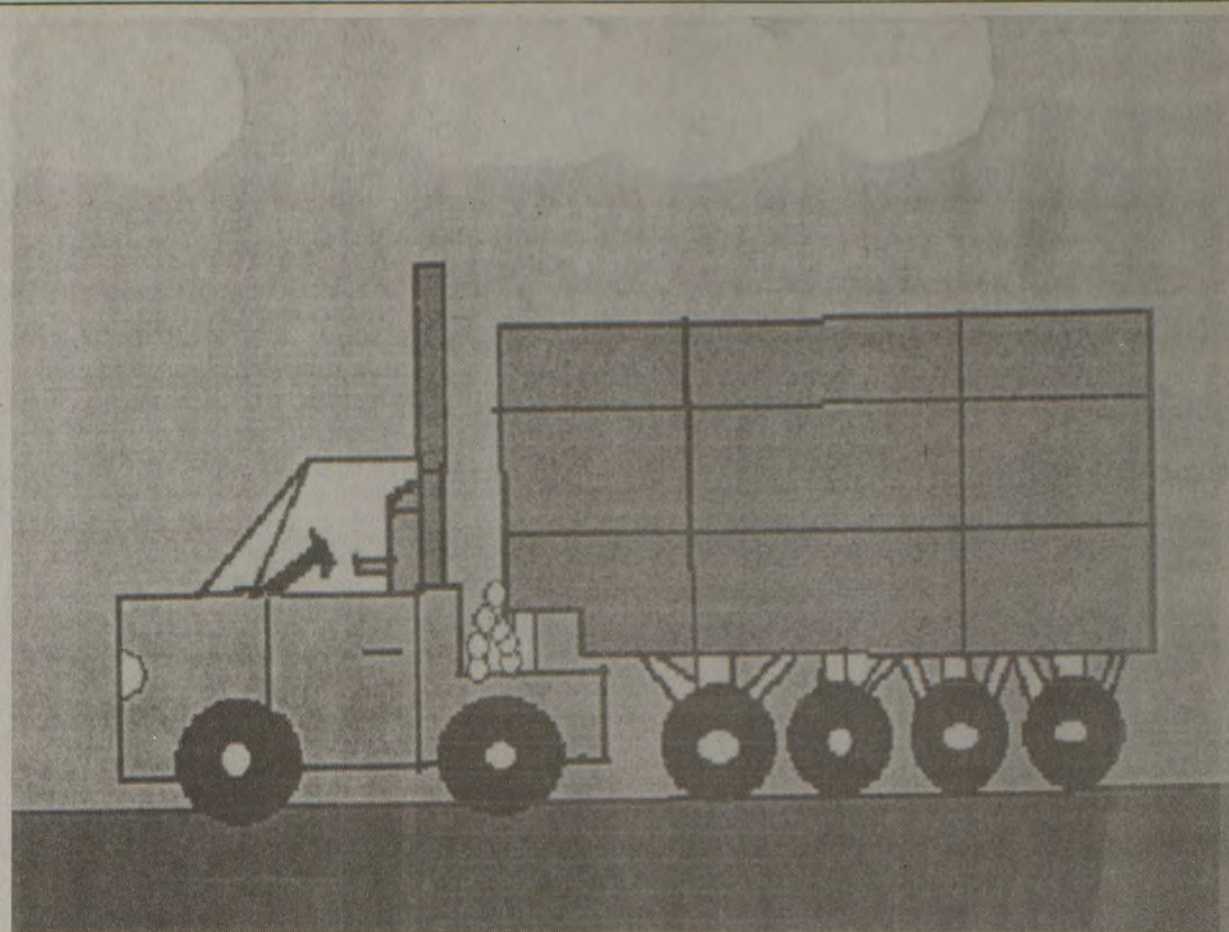
Mom says that Dad got real upset because he kept saying he should have known better than to try to go across the bridge and he felt bad because it wasn't even his coal truck. He said he felt as if Uncle Barry would probably kill him. But he was still glad that everybody was safe.

Our coal truck ride turned out to be an unpleasant experience for just a four-year-old.

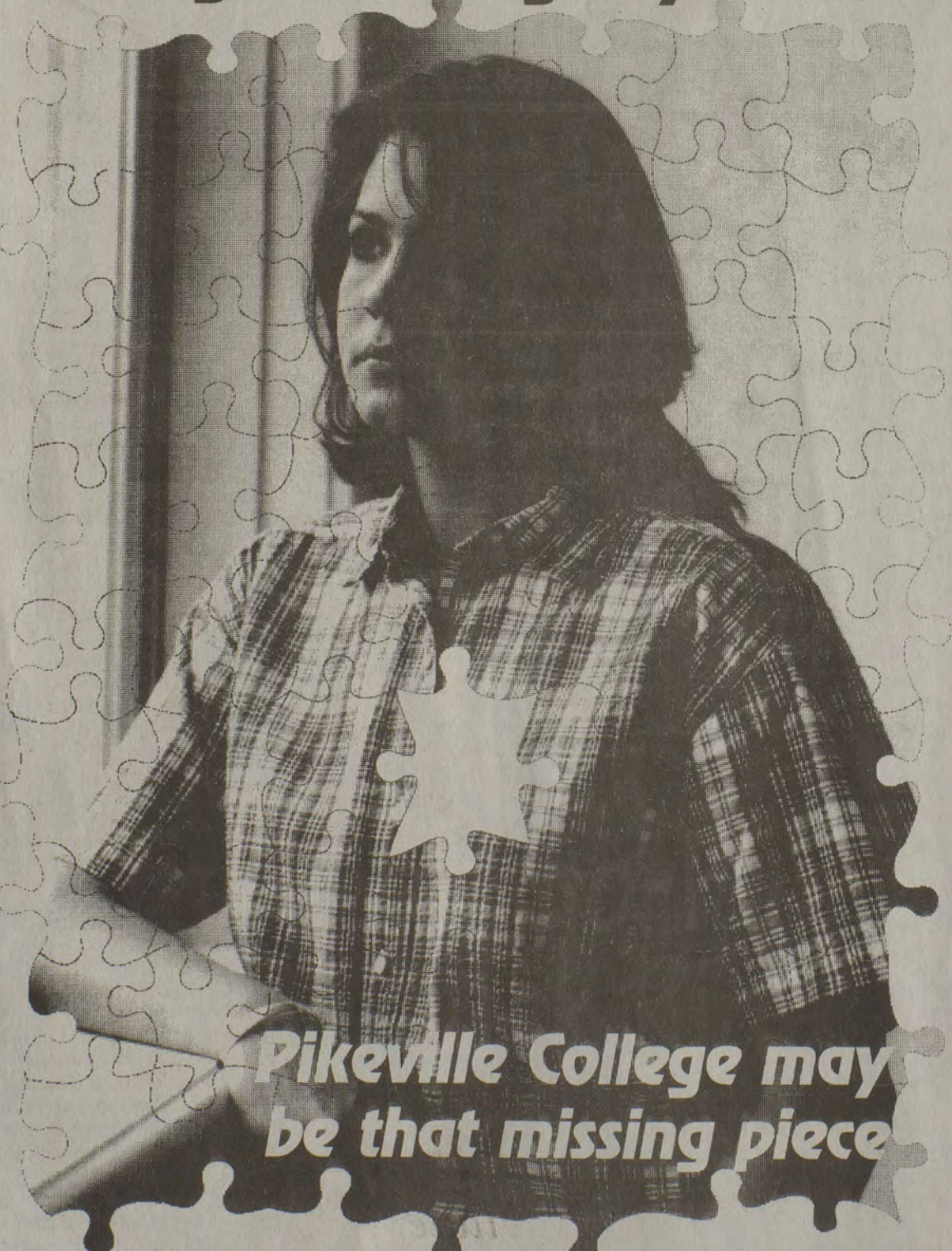
What can be learned from this experience? Well, several things if you think about it.

First, some coal truck rides are okay. It's kind of like life itself sometimes. Sometimes, the expected turns out to be the unexpected. My mom and I certainly were out just to have a little fun.

Second, be thankful for family. Mom's neck turned out to be only sprained and my Grannys helped us out once again.



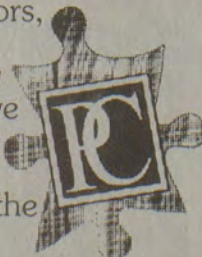
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Servings Per Container, 4

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Dietary Fiber	3g		12%
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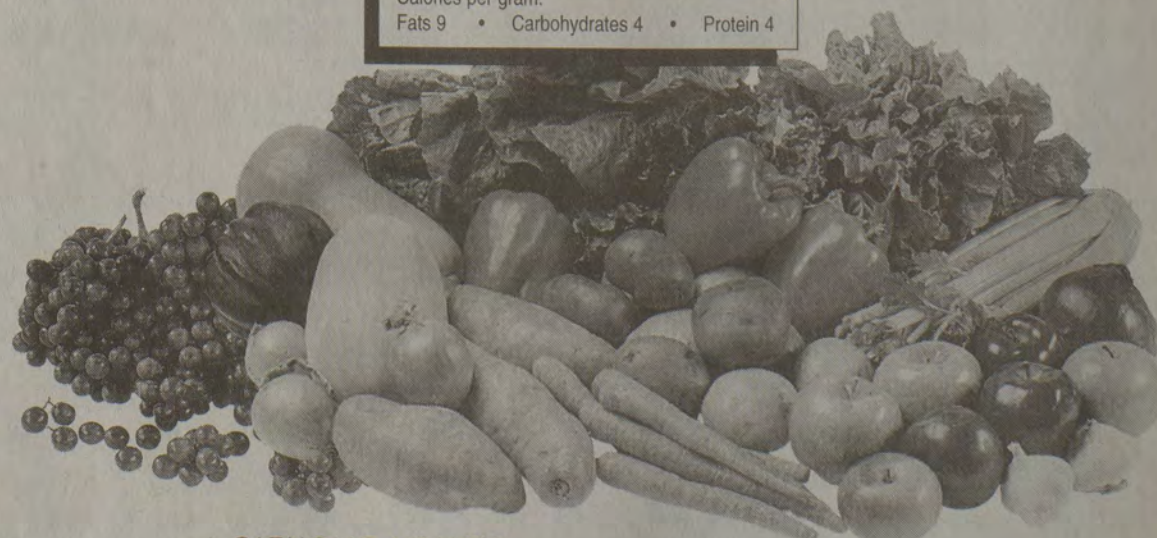
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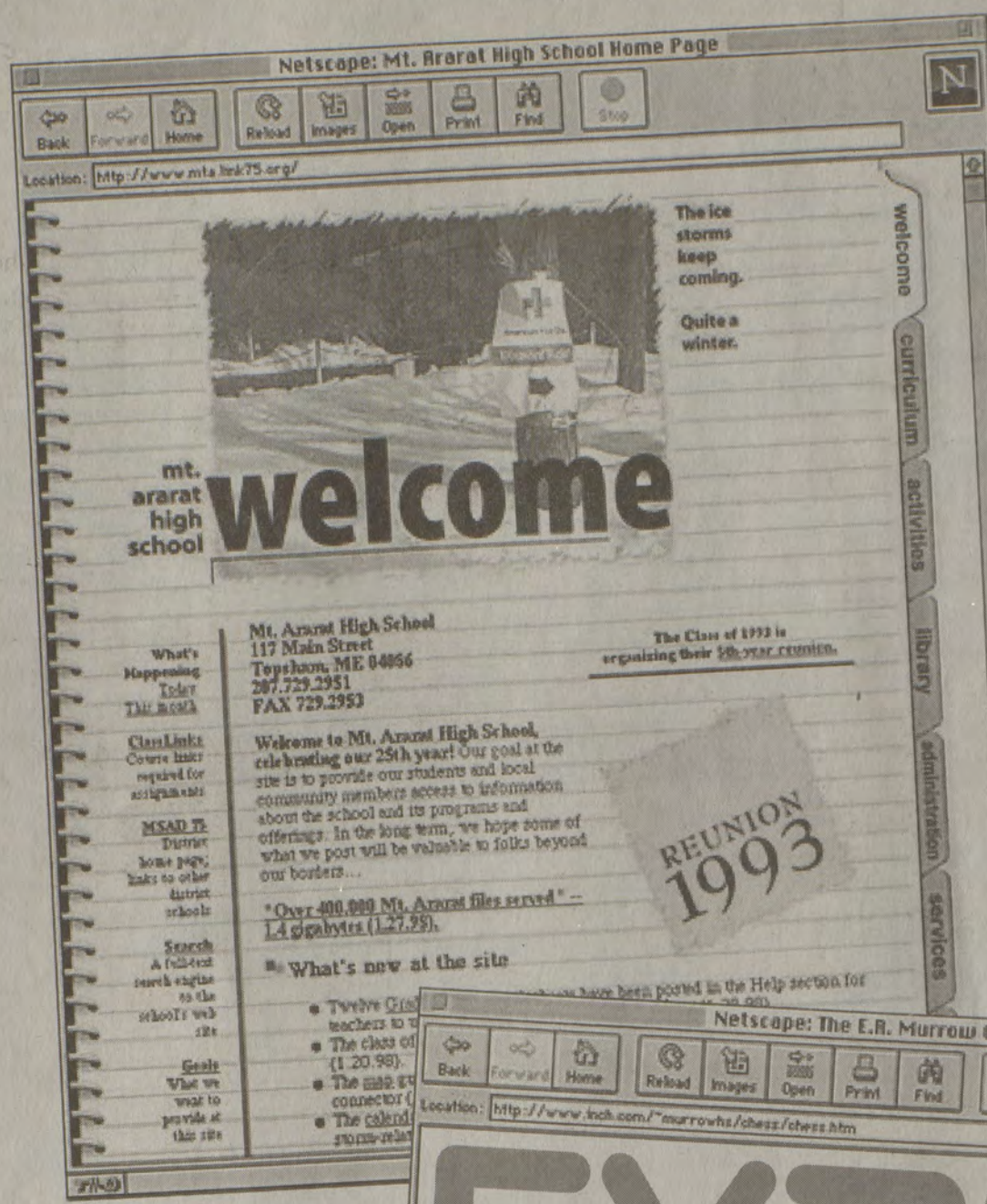
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## BUILD IT AND THEY WILL COME

For every school with a hot Web site, there are dozens still in the Jurassic age. But it only takes one student to do the time warp.

First, talk to your principal about your ideas and plans. See if any other schools in your district have Web sites. If so, that means officials are probably waiting for someone like you to take the initiative. Of course, your principal will want to see certain things on any "official" school Web site, so be open to his/her ideas.

If no other school in your district is on the Web, you'll have to get support from your principal and then maybe even the school board before going to the district for an OK. Your best ammunition will be pointing officials to other school sites.

Once you get approval, get your friends together for brainstorming sessions. Of course, you could always put together an "unofficial" site on your own — without anyone's knowledge or approval — but you'll probably have to pay for your own Web space. Either way, use software like Microsoft FrontPage 98 or Adobe PageMill (each sells for around \$100) for code-free page designs.

—Matt Peiken  
Knight Ridder Newspapers

## hype



## 'Meanie' babies

The guy who helped hype Barney the dinosaur during its purple heyday in the early 1990s is back — with the anti-Beanie. Gaseous, snot-dripping, vomiting little misfits called Meanies (from Idea Factory and TopKat) have invaded stores as an irreverent backlash to the adorable animal sacks.

Meanies were conceived by Allen LeWinter, who wanted a Beanie-like toy that would appeal to boys — something with "bathroom humor." Now a collection of 12 Meanies are for sale (\$6 at specialty stores nationwide), with names like Peter Gotta Peagull, Hurley the Pukin' Toucan, Fi & Do the Dalmutation, and the big seller, Splat the Roadkill Kat.

After Meanie fans collect all 12 edgy toys, they can send in proof of purchase, plus shipping and handling and receive the 13th Mystery Meanie. The creator is giving clues about the 13th toy on the Meanies Web site at [www.meanies.com](http://www.meanies.com). The second series of Meanies is due in the spring.

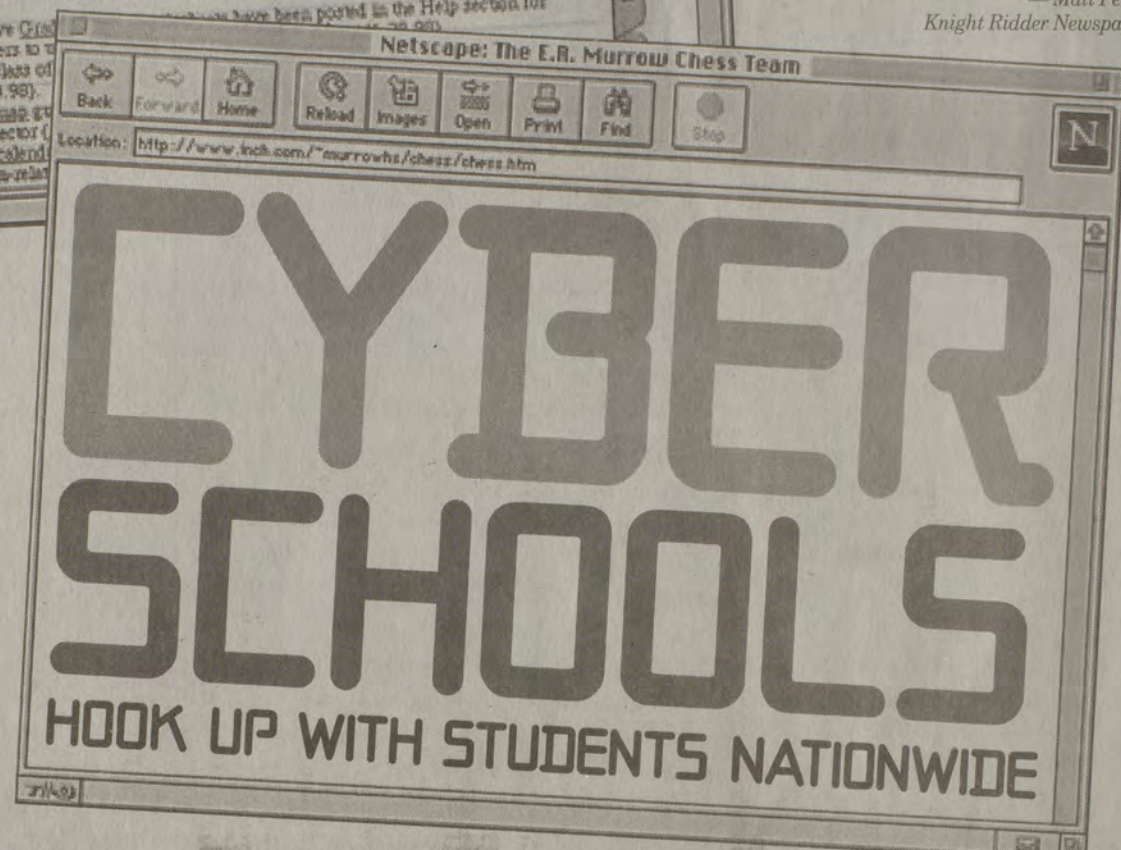
—Knight Ridder Newspapers

BY MATT PEIKEN  
Knight Ridder Newspapers

Ever wondered what it would be like to go to another high school? The Internet makes it easy to find out — just hop on and feed your curiosity.

High schools in every state are making statements on the Web. The best sites not only reek of students' personalities, but go off campus to hook up surfers with the area's cultures and customs.

The following sites aren't necessarily the best, but they're plucked from schools across the United States that are unique in their own ways.



**Wai'anae High School**  
Oahu, Hawaii  
[www.aloha.net/~wainahi](http://www.aloha.net/~wainahi)

When Wai'anae High students get bored, they can just gaze out the window and daydream to the sounds of the surf. But before jealousy totally greens you out, hang 10 at the school's Web site.

Take a virtual tour of the Wai'anae coast and find out what it's like to ride a wave. There's a Hawaiian history and resource section, including lots of photos and quick animations. Hawaiian Kupuna (elders) share their memories, special places and customs through RealAudio technology and Quicktime virtual-reality panoramas.

**J. Frank Dobie High School**  
Houston, Texas  
[www.serve.com/mh46/](http://www.serve.com/mh46/)

You know you're in Texas when a branded steer welcomes you to the home page. Roll past the first link (which for some reason takes you to some cattle company's Web site) to get to the school's offerings.

There's a slide show of sports shots, a calendar and a layout of the school's dress code. The "Teachers' Pets" button has nothing to do with favored students. There are links to other Web sites of Texan interest. The quiz link leads to off-campus Web sites dedicated to everything from Shakespearean insults to slang unique in dozens of U.S. cities.

**Carmel High School**  
Carmel, Calif.  
[www.carmelhigh.org/](http://www.carmelhigh.org/)

This well-designed Web site features 360-degree panoramic views of the school.

Links to student Web sites are divided by graduating class, and there's a list of graduates dating to 1941. Download issues of the school's paper for offline reading, and see how this environmentally conscious community has maintained the look of the school since the 1950s.

**Wichita High School East**  
Wichita, Kan.  
[www.fn.net/~east22/](http://www.fn.net/~east22/)

All high schools should publish online versions of the student newspaper. Here, the Messenger gives you all the dish that's fit to print. The school's drama department and gospel choir have their own mini Web site featuring course options and upcoming productions.

There's information about the school's International Baccalaureate program, and the school is starting an online contact list for students and alumni.

**Tiopia Zina Tribal School**  
Sisseton, S.D.  
[www.wambdi.bia.edu/](http://www.wambdi.bia.edu/)

The best high school Web sites not only tell you what's happening on campus, but give you a feel for

the school's history and character. Tiopia Zina Tribal School does that in rich detail.

A student in authentic tribal attire greets you at the home page. You also learn about the language of the Dakota and school's mission to maintain culture while teaching students to thrive in a tech-propelled society. There's an extensive photo gallery, and the sports diaphs can find out who led Tiopia Zina in rushing yardage this past football season.

**Vallivue High School**  
Caldwell, Idaho  
[www.s139.k12.id.us/](http://www.s139.k12.id.us/)

"The Falcon has landed" ominously greets visitors to Vallivue High's site, where you'll find school club information and updated student and staff news in the Falcon Flyer. When you check out students' home pages, don't skip over Jaron Wood's "cutting" edge skater animation.

**Mount Ararat High School**  
Topsham, Maine  
[www.mta.link75.org/](http://www.mta.link75.org/)

Calling up this Web site is like opening your school notebook. Pages look like notebook paper and sections are marked by file tabs.

Learn about the school's arts programs, math, science and English projects and curricula. The online library tab has links to national and regional news sources and

databases within the school's intranet. There's online help for college planning and a contact list for alumni.

**North Polk High School**  
North Polk, Iowa  
[www.n-polk.k12.ia.us/](http://www.n-polk.k12.ia.us/)

This boasts of being Iowa's first student-run Web site. First or not, it's definitely a cool one.

You can check out the lunch menu before deciding to brown-bag it. There's news about the school band's award-winning performance in district competition. Interested in Spanish? The four-year curriculum is laid out before your eyes. Sports links lead to team photos, lineups, schedules and statistics. You'll also find an alphabetical alumni contact list.

**Edward R. Murrow H.S.**  
Brooklyn, N.Y.  
[www.inch.com/~murrowhs](http://www.inch.com/~murrowhs)

Wouldn't you like your own TV show? Students here run programs out of their own studios on two cable channels.

Click on the pawn to learn about the school's elite chess team. Click on a playbill to sneak a peek into the drama department. Pick up on Murrow lingo, such as Swat (math tutors), the Slam (Science Lab Assistant Mile) and Listener (students new to the country). There's a virtual library for online homework help and links to student and alumni home pages.

## the bodsquad

## Whoooooosh! Tinnitus strikes

BY EILEEN NECHAS AND DENISE FOLEY  
Knight Ridder/Tribune News Service

*Sometimes I get these whooshing sounds in my ears, usually when I'm about to fall asleep at night. What is it?*

Sounds like tinnitus, a little known disorder until recently, when "Star Trek" actor William Shatner went public with his battle against this increasingly common form of noise-induced hearing loss.

Yours sounds like a mild case: You only notice the sound when everything is quiet around you. But some people with severe tinnitus — which is characterized by ringing, roaring or hissing in the ears — can't sleep, can't work and can't keep up their relationships because of the constant noise.

Infections, illnesses (such as thyroid problems or high blood pressure) and some medications cause tinnitus, but most of the time the culprit is loud noise. In the case of teenagers, it can probably be traced to a too-loud Walkman, boom boxes you carry on your shoulder and rock concerts. (Actually, it's not unusual for rock stars themselves to suffer hearing loss.)

Your first step is to see your doctor. Though tinnitus can't be cured, there are some effective treatments. Your next step is to turn down the volume on your stereo and wear ear plugs at rock concerts.

Source: American Tinnitus Association

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## say what?



"I'll be doing a show in Paris and see all these beautiful guys and know that I'll never get to talk to them because they'll never find me. They'll never talk to me. They'll never come up to me. It's okay, though it is kind of ironic."

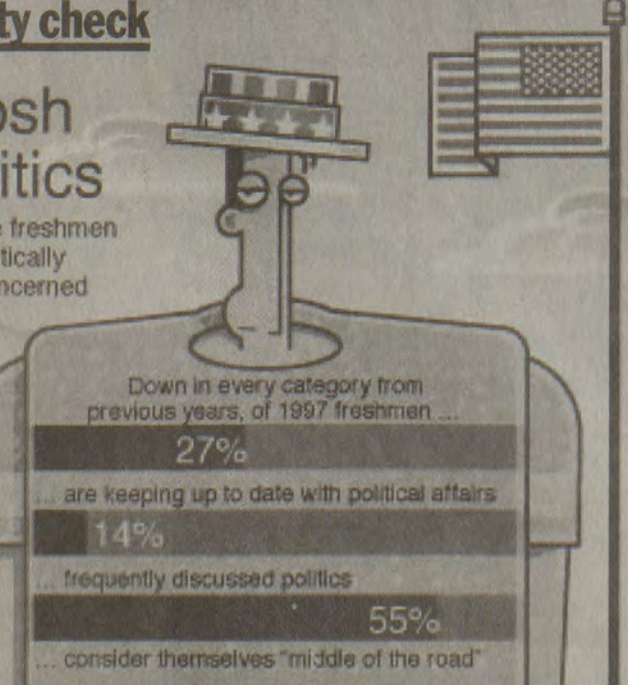
—Jewel, 23-year-old folkie, on how fame has deep-sized her love life.

## reality check

### Frosh politics

College freshmen are politically less concerned

SOURCE: UCLA annual survey of college freshmen, 1992-93; 91,464 freshmen



## cyberchick

### New Barbie a 'site' for sore eyes

BY MELANIE C. REDMOND  
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You've probably heard by now that one of the world's most recognizable dolls — Barbie, now aged 38 — is getting a makeover. And some plastic surgery.

Mattel is creating a new Barbie that will have smaller breasts, a larger waist and slimmer hips. (As of now, in human measurements, Barbie comes in at 38-18-34.) Mattel will tone down her makeup and whip up a new hairdo (in shades of

brown, black and red, not just the usual blonde) that doesn't look like it's supported by thousands of bottles of hairspray!

But Mattel is not about to throw out the old Barbie; out of 24 Barbies being introduced this year, six will have the new face and only one will have the new body. The rest will keep the "classic" Barbie look.

The new dolls, Mattel hopes, will better reflect the diversity of opinion on what constitutes female beauty. Some psychologists say this change may help little girls' self-esteem.

Will the new makeover silence concerns about girls being presented with unattainable body images? A lot of people in cyberspace want to know your opinion. For a peek into the world of Barbie as a Pop Icon, visit "The Distorted Barbie" site at [www.users.interport.net/~napier/barbie/barbie.html](http://www.users.interport.net/~napier/barbie/barbie.html).

The official Mattel site (which is

dwarfed by the 200-plus unofficial ones) can be found at [www.mattel.com](http://www.mattel.com).

For those who have suffered "Barbie Damage," you can relate to all the dialogue at [www.15minutes.com/May97/barbie.html](http://www.15minutes.com/May97/barbie.html)

Barbie may be for girls, but there are a lot of male collectors out there. A site where males and females alike can share their Barbie stories is "Living Vicariously Through Barbie Homepage" ([ziris.syr.edu/path/public\\_html/barbie/story.html](http://ziris.syr.edu/path/public_html/barbie/story.html)).

"Barbie: the Dolls, the Dish, and the Dollars" ([www.servtech.com/public/pippa/barbie/](http://www.servtech.com/public/pippa/barbie/)) features tons of links, graphics, reviews and secondary market pricing. The definitive site for hardcore collectors, young and old, features the soon-to-be "classic" Barbies: [barbie.dolls.miningco.com/](http://barbie.dolls.miningco.com/)

Then there are fans like

Taylor Marsh, who said on her personal home page that "Barbie symbolized independence, style and she was the only doll that didn't have to be mothered. Now that was cool."

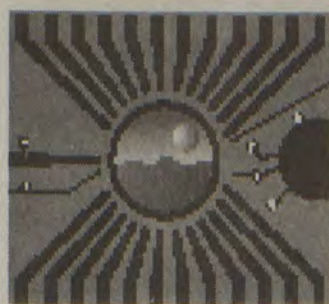
Personally, I did have a dip in self-esteem as a teen-ager once I hit puberty and realized my body wasn't going to resemble Barbie's without a little plastic surgery myself.

When I was even younger, I was just happy to get a black Barbie for Christmas so that I could dress up a doll that looked like me.

Barbies aren't going to go away anytime soon. But if you have a younger sister, you might consider buying her other dolls that reflect realistic body images.

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The following article is reprinted with permission from The PUMAS Collection, which can be found on the Internet at <http://pumas.jpl.nasa.gov>. This site is relatively new and provides good practical applications of math and science. Have fun!

by Joseph L. Ruby, Wiley, Rein & Fielding (law firm), 1776 K Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20006; e-mail: [jruby@wrf.com](mailto:jruby@wrf.com)

## A lawyer's use of some very simple science and math.

The facts are true, although simplified; the company names have been changed.

Acme Enameling Company operated a cast-iron foundry and enameling plant, where it made bathtubs and sinks for 27 years. It dumped factory wastes on vacant property behind the plant. Zenith Construction Company then bought the property and used it as a construction waste landfill.

Years later, Zenith decided to develop the property as an office park. In preliminary testing, Zenith discovered that the property was contaminated with lead. The state will not allow any development until the lead is removed to permissible levels. Zenith sues Acme, claiming that Acme's factory wastes are the source of the lead, and demanding that Acme pay \$26 million to clean up the problem. Acme says that almost all its wastes were clean sand and foundry wastes, containing no lead. Acme retains an expert, Dr. Smith, who submits a report saying that the levels of lead contamination on the site could not have come from Acme. He says that the landfill must be the source of the lead con-

amination.

## As the lawyer for Zenith, I learned the following facts:

1) Acme manufactured about ten tons (20,000 lb.) of enamel every

4) The plant had an "enameling yield" of about 90 percent. This means that ten percent of all pieces (tubs and sinks) were defective.

5) The defective pieces were

PbO, has an atomic weight of 223. Lead oxide is  $207/223=92.8\%$  lead by weight.

I now take the deposition of Dr. Smith. I take him through the facts

At the end of this line of questioning, Dr. Smith admitted that Acme's wastes caused at least some of the lead contamination at the site. Thus he was forced to repudiate the conclusion in his report.

Author's Note: The important math concept is that multiplication of even small quantities can yield large quantities. The important science concepts are: (1) repetition of seemingly trivial events over a long enough time can have real-world consequences, and (2) often, information that is easily obtained allows you to calculate results that you might have thought were unknowable.

Very simple math and science can reveal important truths, even to non-scientists, that mere words will never uncover — especially if it is someone's intent to hide the truth. There are people in the world who appear quite respectable (like Dr. Smith), and yet bend the truth. Such people may tell obvious sorts of untruths because they know that most people are simply not equipped to detect them. But with just a little knowledge — sometimes science and math, sometimes history, sometimes something else — many of these lies are quite easy to expose.

My major incentive for writing this example is to show non-science oriented kids — kids who want to be lawyers, or journalists, or business people, or whatever — how, if you're not afraid of science and math, you'll do better in whatever profession you choose.

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working day. All the raw materials used in the manufacture of the enamel wound up in the finished product.

2) The factory operated five days a week, 52 weeks a year, and was closed for holidays. Because there are about ten holidays, we can assume that the factory ran 250 days per year.

3) The enamel formula contained about four percent lead oxide (PbO) by weight as a raw material. Although the lead's chemical form changed from lead oxide to lead silicate in the manufacturing process, all the lead wound up in the finished product.

shot-blasted to remove the enamel from the cast iron, so that the iron could be re-enamelled. The blasted-off enamel was a fine, powdery material. It was disposed of by being dumped onsite with the foundry sand and slag.

6) Lead, Pb, has an atomic weight of 207. Oxygen, O, has an atomic weight of 16. Lead oxide,

in through 1-6 above, which he agrees are true. I then take him through the following calculations:

1) Out of the 20,000 lb. of enamel made each day, 4 percent by weight started out as lead oxide, so 800 lb. was lead oxide.

2)  $800 \text{ lb.} \times 92.8\% = 742.4 \text{ lb.}$  per day of lead used in the manufacture of enamel.

3) Because 10% of the finished product was defective and had to be shot-blasted, ten percent of all the enamel wound up as enameling waste from the shot-blasting process.

4)  $10\% \times 742.4 \text{ lb.} = 74.24 \text{ lb.}$  of lead (rounded to 74 lb.) in the enameling per waste per day.

5) Therefore, Acme dumped 74 lb. of lead on the property per day. Because the plant was in operation 250 days per year, Acme dumped  $74 \times 250 = 18,500 \text{ lb.}$  of lead on the property per year. Because the plant was in operation for 27 years, Acme dumped  $18,500 \times 27 = 499,500 \text{ lb.}$  or about half a million pounds of lead on the property during its years of operating the plant!



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Beakman or Jax  
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Question, name & address

**Dear Beakman,**

How can water run straight through your hand and out your knuckles?

Christopher Barnes  
Houston, Texas

Try it yourself. Let a thin stream of water flow into your hand. Watch it come out.

**Dear Christopher,**

Paying attention to the stuff the rest of us ignore is a sign of genius! So, first of all, thanks for paying attention to a wonderful thing.

The water is not running through your hand. It's sticking to your skin and flowing around your hand. How that can happen is another wonderful thing.

*Beakman*  
Beakman Place

**WHAT IS GOING ON:**

The water filled the spaces between the fibers in the paper. That's called *capillarity* (cap-uh-LAR-it-ee).

The strength of surface tension held the water inside its skin while it flowed along the outside of the paper rope.

But the pull of gravity got to be stronger than the strength of the surface tension, and the water broke through to flow down.

The same thing happens with your hand. The water clings to the rough surface of your skin and flows around it until it reaches your knuckles, where gravity's pull breaks the surface tension and the water flows down the drain.

**experiment #1**

**WHAT YOU NEED:** glass - faucet - teaspoon

**WHAT TO DO:**

Fill the glass with a slow, thin stream of water. When it's full, put it on the kitchen counter and use the spoon to add more water, drop by drop. Take the water up over the edge of the glass.

**SO WHAT:**

You can see a skin on the water. That's called *surface tension*. Surface tension is like a skin on the water. It's made of water molecules that are clinging together tightly.

The strength of the clinging does have its limits. The water inside the skin can get too heavy. That'll break the surface tension and the water will flow.

**experiment #2**

**WHAT YOU NEED:** Paper towel - faucet

**WHAT TO DO:**

Twist the towel up into a rope. Hold both ends and let it hang between your hands. Hold one end under a faucet with a long, slender stream of water. Where does the water come out?

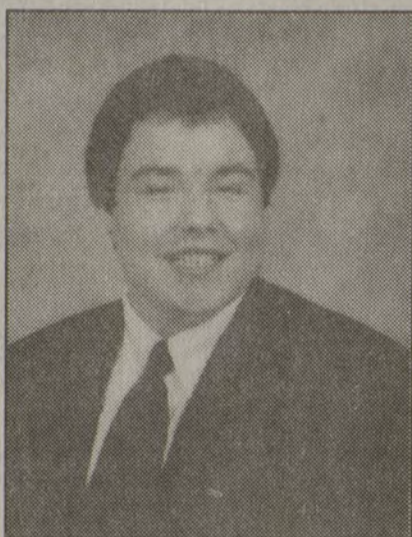
# ACADEMIC

## Student Spotlight

### Allen Central High School

Allen Central High School's student achiever is freshman, John Slone. He is the fourteen year old son of John and Shirley Slone of Estill. John was the valedictorian of his eighth grade class at Duff Elementary. He has won many outstanding awards state

wide, as well as nation wide, in Allen Central's academic program. John finished ninth in the state on the math written exam. He was also second in the nation in German proficiency. He has placed first in mathematics and third in social studies in the county academic league. John is a first year member of the Math and German club. Congratulations John Slone!



John Slone

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

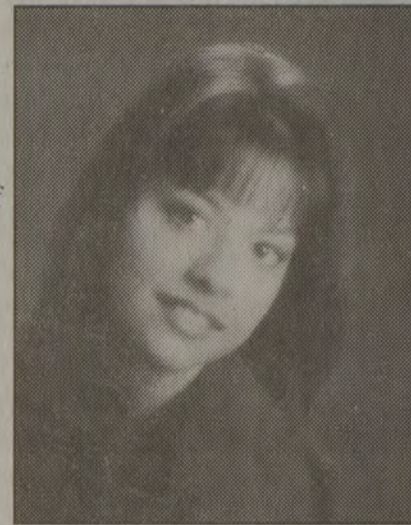
Andrea Britt Coleman is the 17-year-old daughter of Phillip and Carol Coleman of Stanville. She is a senior at Betsy Layne High School.

Britt has been a member of the BLHS Majorette Squad for two years where the team has won several national titles. She has also been a member of the band and varsity singers for four years. She has participated in all-state chorus for two years, been in all county chorus for four years and been in all district chorus for two years.

Throughout high school Britt has participated in various clubs such as FCA (where she is currently the co-captain), IMPACT bible study group, champions against drugs, student council, etc. Brett was also chosen to be a junior honor guard last year and was the secretary for her sophomore class. Britt was a member of the football - basketball court this year and was elected this year's Floyd County's Miss Red, White, Blue.

Britt currently holds a GPA of 3.7. In her spare time she enjoys hanging out with friends, playing the piano and singing.

After graduation, Britt plans to attend the University of Kentucky and major in music.



Andrea Coleman

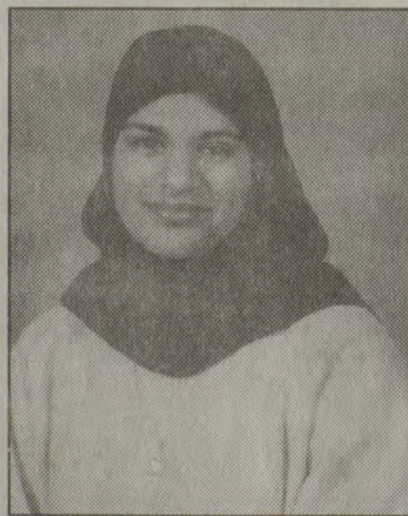
### Prestonsburg High School

Sulma Badrudduja is a junior at Prestonsburg High School. She is the 15-year-old daughter of Syed and Meraj Badrudduja.

She has an unweighted GPA of 4.0 and a weighted GPA of 4.207.

Her awards and achievements include: National Honor Society and Who's Who Among American High School Students.

Her hobbies include: Student Council, Champions Against Drugs, Academic Team, FBLA and Science Olympiad.



Sulma Badrudduja

### The Piarist School

Iris Stumbo is a freshman at The Piarist School who has maintained a 4.0 grade point average. She recently attended the Premier Program at the Kentucky Youth Assembly. She has been selected to receive the National English Merit Award. She is the Freshmen Class Representative on the student Council. She is also in the drama and French clubs and serves on the Prom committee. She hopes to major in Chemistry. She is the daughter of Johnnie and Glessie Stumbo of Prestonsburg.



Iris Stumbo

### South Floyd High School

Melissa Suzette Caudill is the daughter of Rita Martin and Ricky Caudill of Printer. She has a cumulative GPA of 4.38.

Her academic honors and awards include: National Honor Society, Class Representative ('96-'97), Student Council president, English II Awards, Honors English III award, French Award, Geography Award, Honors U.S. History Award, Honor Roll ('94-'98), Junior Honor Guard.

Extracurricular activities or clubs include: Academic team, Beta Club, Close-Up ('96-'97), FHA, Vice-President Co-Ed Y, 4-year Student Council Member, Girls Club, T.A.G.

Community Service: Food and clothes drives for the needy, Toys for Tots, blood Donor ('97-'98)

She plans to attend Berea College for the '98-'99 school year.



Melissa Caudill

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