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District 'broke and broken', board told

"We are in a crisis situation and there are new surprises every day."

Floyd County board chairman Terry Dotson

by Susan Allen
Staff Writer

In a welcomed turnabout, members of Kentucky's Board of Education seemed pleased with proposed efforts by local school officials to get the Floyd County school system on the road to financial and academic recovery.

Floyd County school officials told state board members Tuesday that the district is "broke and broken," and organization is the key to turning the system around.

Floyd board chairman Terry Dotson

and State Manager Woodrow Carter appeared before the state school board Tuesday afternoon in Florence to give a report on the system "in crisis."

Dotson told the state board that regulations and bureaucratic red tape are slowing down positive changes that can be made immediately in the system and he asked that some short-cuts be allowed.

"We are in a crisis situation and there are new surprises every day," Dotson said. "I'd say there's been more work done in the last 60-90 days than in a long time. We are working as

fast as we possibly can. It would help dramatically ... if I could recommend when the state takes over a system, it should have some ability to bypass some of these things. There could be a book written on how not to run a school system and Floyd could do that."

Education Commissioner Wilmer Cody vowed to assist Floyd school officials to speed up the implementation of needed changes.

"I want to pledge my efforts and my staff's to help get rid of those impediments, whatever they might be," Cody announced. "It's going to be

hard enough as it is."

While state education officials were touting their improvement efforts in Floyd County, one state board member said the problems had been allowed to go on too long.

Board member Thomas Gish said he felt local and state officials, as well as the people of Floyd County, were to blame for troubles in the school system.

Gish said the 1997 plan for improvement struck him as being "very similar" to a plan developed in 1992 in response to another management audit.

"The problems that were highlighted in this report clearly remain in Floyd County," Gish said. "Not too much has changed ... and that in itself is a pretty serious indictment of the Floyd County School System ... and, I also think it is a pretty serious indictment of this board and the Department of Education that we have let so many problems continue to exist for so many years without really taking effective action."

"It's hard for me to accept the fact that you can wander into a Floyd

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\$21 million in state budget for Floyd Co.

New district judge, circuit 'family court' in spending plans

by Scott Perry
Times Editor

Barring any last minute line-item vetoes by Governor Paul Patton, Floyd County is in line for some \$21 million worth of projects and related funding over the next two years. And, that total doesn't include Transportation Cabinet spending in the county.

The final version of the state's executive budget, which will take effect July 1 if signed by Governor Patton, provides significant funding for educational and economic

Four seeking vacant seat in District 3

by Susan Allen
Staff Writer

Interviews for four applicants seeking to fill the vacancy on Floyd County's Board of Education will be held Thursday at the central office in Prestonsburg.

There is an empty seat on the board in District Three due to the resignation of B.J. Newsome. Newsome resigned in February after filing to run for county commissioner. Under state law, Newsome became ineligible to be a board member once he filed nomination papers for commissioner.

Four persons have applied for Newsome's seat, which will be filled by state Education Commissioner Wilmer Cody.

The four applicants are:
• Juanita Akers, 62, is a nursing school graduate who has worked at the Horizon Health Care center in Ohio.

development projects in the county as well as for senior citizens' centers and rescue squads.

On the educational front, the budget provides some \$6.6 million for the construction of a classroom/wellness center on the campus of Prestonsburg Community College and adds another \$2.6 million for the development of the East Kentucky Center for Science, Mathematics and Technology. The budget specifies that the new science, math and technology center be built on PCC's campus, and it will receive \$200,000 a year from the state for operating costs.

"This project," State Representative Greg Stumbo said Monday, "may be the most significant effort we've undertaken in a long while to improve math and science education in Floyd County and Eastern Kentucky. The opportunities are really unlimited."

Stumbo and Senator Benny Ray Bailey, whose district includes Floyd County, were instrumental in developing the final executive budget, and both said they expect Governor Patton to sign it.

The funding plan also calls for an expansion of the Otter Creek Correctional Center at Wheelwright where, Bailey said, the addition of 200 more beds will require additional employees. The budget allocates \$4.3 million to the Otter Creek expansion.

The City of Prestonsburg scored well in the budget, getting a \$3 million allocation to continue plans for a mountaintop golf and recreation project. The city will receive another \$1.5 million to provide water and sewer services to a 40-acre tract on the mountain that has been designated as a site for industrial development.

Other budget beneficiaries include:

- The Floyd County and Left Beaver rescue squads, \$100,000 each;
- The Jenny Wiley Theatre, \$200,000 for debt reduction;

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Readmore Bookstore hosted a book signing by children's book author Joe Bonsall, who also sings tenor for the Oak Ridge Boys. Bonsall attended the signing of his "Molly" book series last Friday before the concert at the MAC. Bonsall is seen with two of his fans, who came out to meet "the man who writes about Molly the Cat." (photo by Cindy Yates)



Pre-flight check...

Prestonsburg Community College instructor David Turnbull did a last minute check before lift-off of a rocket made by Adams Middle School students Allison May and April Jennings during the Science Olympiad at PCC recently. (photo by Rita Brock)

Leftover building funds to be used to buy parking space

by Chris McDavid
Staff Writer

Prospective property purchases may eliminate parking problems in Prestonsburg.

The Floyd Fiscal Court authorized Judge-Executive Ben Hale Monday to purchase a piece of property, adjacent to the courthouse, to be utilized as a parking facility.

During a special meeting Monday, Hale explained that money left over from the construction of the detention center can be used for the purchase and construction of the parking lot.

"When the detention center was built, there was money left over

from the construction account," Hale said. "We can use (the money) for demolition and construction of the parking lot."

The judge-executive said the property owners, Charles and Sara Butcher, have agreed to sell the property for the balance of their mortgage.

"The payoff is up to \$139,000," Hale said. "The appraisal is well above what the payoff is."

Magistrate Jackie Owens asked the judge-executive if the parking lot would cost the county any money. Hale said it would not.

Magistrates Gerald DeRossett, Elmer Ray Johnson and Eral Tackett agreed that something had to be done to make more parking

spaces available for county residents conducting business at the courthouse or justice center.

The property is expected to provide 49 additional parking spaces near the courthouse.

The court unanimously approved a motion to purchase the property.

On a related topic, Hale said another piece of property may also be purchased in the near future to further assist with the county's parking woes.

He explained that contingency funds and interest earned on money from the Administrative Office of the Courts' (AOC's) bond used for

(See Parking, page three)

COPS seminar aims at improved relations

by Cindy Yates
Editorial Assistant

The Community-Oriented Policing Services (COPS) training program is coming to Prestonsburg.

This two-day seminar, funded by Eastern Kentucky University, is a free course, open to the public, with the goal being to better enhance relations between the police force and the public it serves.

"If you see problems in your community, like drugs or nuisance-type situations, and you aren't sure exactly how to deal with them, then this is the course for you," said Prestonsburg Police Chief Darrell Conley. "This seminar will provide an opportunity for individuals to learn more about how they can help their community, and teach them what they can do to really make a difference."

"Public safety - that's our utmost concern. If we can improve rela-

tionships with those in the community, then we can better serve them when they need us," Conley said.

Prestonsburg is one of twenty cities selected to host a COPS program. Last year, Paintsville was one of the area's cities that participated in the program.

"This program is for citizens, students, community leaders, anyone interested in making their community a safer place," Conley said. "It is a course that is taught by civilians for civilians."

Making an effective partnership in the community between cities, community leaders, law enforcement agencies, school personnel, social service agencies and others is the primary goal of the program.

"A better working relationship between the public and law enforcement is the key to making our community a safer place in which to work and live," Chief Conley said.



Prestonsburg High School students attended a health fair at the school's gymnasium Friday. Various organizations and groups set up booths during the event to educate students about health-related issues ranging from sex to the hazards of using tobacco products. (photo by Chris McDavid)

Youth is killed after wandering into road

by Chris McDavid
Staff Writer

A Floyd County child was killed Tuesday morning when he ran into traffic on Route 23 in Pikeville.

Two-year-old Joseph Grant Collins, of Stanville, suffered fatal injuries when he was struck by a vehicle around 11:20 a.m. Tuesday in the southbound lane of the highway.

Collins was transported to Pikeville Methodist Hospital, where he was pronounced dead shortly after the mishap by Pike County Coroner Charles Morris.

According to a state police press release, Collins "ran from a driveway at the Sunshine Grove Nursery in Coal Run Village" prior to being struck by the vehicle, driven by Pat May.

"Mrs. May tried to avoid striking the child, but was unable to," the release says. No charges have been filed against the driver.

Trooper Eddie Crum and the Pike County Coroner's office is investigating Tuesday's fatal mishap.

Collins is survived by his parents, Greg and Rose Collins; and one brother, Chase.

Funeral arrangements were incomplete at press time.

Power outage planned for Lancer Wednesday

Electric service will be disrupted Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. in the Lancer area of Floyd County in order for American Electric Power (NYSE:AEP) crews to remove a temporary substation from service at the East Prestonsburg Station. The mobile unit was used while AEP installed new more efficient equipment in the station.

The outage will last about one hour.

Coroner's law enforcement duties are varied

by Susan Allen
Staff Writer

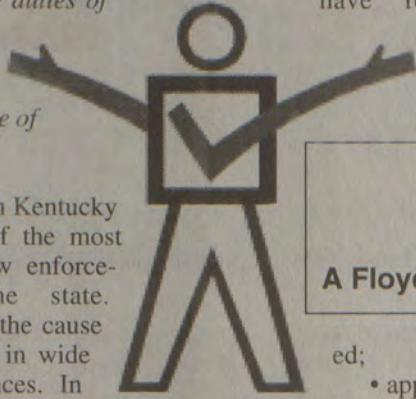
The following article is part of a series explaining the duties of elected county officials. This installment deals with the duties of the office of coroner.

Being a coroner in Kentucky may well be one of the most varied positions, law enforcement-wise, in the state. Coroners determine the cause of death of persons in wide array of circumstances. In most cases, the manner in which a coroner collects evidence and conducts an investigation can make or break a case for prosecutors.

A death investigation is required in all cases which meet the criteria

to be deemed a coroner's case. The guidelines for determining coroner's cases are:

- deaths which appear to have resulted from homicide or being violence-related;



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- deaths resulting from motor vehicle accidents and deaths from accidents which show no obvious trauma, or other accidental deaths;
- deaths occurring in state mental

hospitals and mental institutions when there's no medical history explaining the cause of death;

- deaths of persons while in police custody, jails or prisons;
- deaths related to fires or explosions and drownings;
- child deaths in which prior

explain the death;

- work-related deaths;
- bodies scheduled for cremation when there is no medical evidence to explain the death;
- sudden and unexplained deaths when the person was not receiving medical care to explain the cause of death.

Once a death investigation is considered to be a coroner's case, the official may seize all items considered to be evidence, including medical specimens. In criminal cases, the coroner is to retain all his evidence until the prosecution or courts ask for it.

If the cause of death is not apparent or a coroner is unable to determine the cause of death, autopsies and coroner's inquests can be held. When an autopsy is ordered, a

coroner may seek the help of the state's medical examiner to perform the post-mortem exam. If a coroner refuses to order an autopsy in criminal cases, county prosecutors can ask the courts to order an exam.

Costs of autopsies are usually paid by fiscal courts. The Medical Examiner Program through the Department of Justice may, according to budgetary considerations, contract to pay for autopsies.

If an autopsy or other examination shows a cause of death which differs from a death certificate, a coroner is to notify the state's Office of Vital Statistics to report changes.

A coroner's inquest is much like a trial and is held when a determination of death is questionable. Six citizens are called to serve as jurors and will hear evidence presented.

If the jury rules that a crime has been committed, the coroner is directed to either arrest the person named or contact law enforcement officials.

During an inquest, the coroner has the power to call witnesses and seek contempt charges if subpoenas are ignored. A copy of the jury's verdict is to be filed in the circuit court clerk's office.

Hospitals, institutions or persons who have found or have possession of a body which would be determined to be a coroner's case, must immediately notify the coroner, deputy coroner or police agency.

People are prohibited from moving the body or taking anything from the body until the coroner tells them they can.

If law enforcement officials fail to arrive at the scene within a reasonable time period, the coroner may order the body, effects and evi-

dence removed.

Other duties include ordering the burial of unclaimed bodies; permitting the cremation of bodies; and permitting the removal of cornea or corneal tissue from dead bodies, if permissible.

Deputy coroners can be appointed but there can be no more than one deputy per 25,000 residents in a county. A coroner, with fiscal court approval, can appoint two deputies regardless of population.

Coroners must complete a basic training course through the Department of Justice and must finish at least 18 hours a year of continuing education to remain certified.

Coroner's can be removed from office for failing to order an autopsy when a death has occurred under the provisions which would determine it to be a coroner's case.

Anyone who fails to notify the coroner under the appropriate circumstance or interferes with the coroner's duties can be jailed for 90 days and fined no less than \$250.

Coroners and deputies have the powers of arrest; power to carry weapons and administer oaths. While investigating a death, coroners and deputies can seize property and evidence; question persons; and order that pertinent written documents be delivered.

Qualifications include: being 24 years old; a citizen of the state; and a one-year resident of the county in which election is sought. A coroner must have a training certificate to perform postmortem examinations.

Source: The Legislative Research Commission's booklet, "Duties of Elected County Officials."

Board

County school and look in the freezer and find rotting food..." Gish said. "...I find it disturbing that after all these years, they still are putting (people) on the payroll."

Gish noted that special education aides without any training were being hired to assist disabled students; that professional development is "a mess"; and that the financial condition of the system is "a mess."

Dotson said state officials couldn't be blamed for a lot of the problems in the district and said that the people of the county share in the blame for the system's failure. He said the community supported changes in the district, but with November elections for four of the board seats, he said the appointed members are not likely to survive some of the "tough decisions that need to be made."

Floyd County's state manager Carter candidly told state officials that the school system is a failure and offered proposals being implemented in an effort to get the school system on its feet.

"Providing a quality education: we're not doing that," Carter said. "I know it when I see it and I know it when it's not there ... The climate is not conducive for a quality education ... My assessment is that we have developed a false value system that produces some cheap victories that are political or quasi-political. We've been more concerned in times past for the

Vacancy

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- Jimmy Osborne, 38, is a medical technologist at Our Lady of the Way Hospital in Martin.
 - Charles Scoville, 42, is an IRS agent.
 - Bryon Sturgill, 33, is an accountant who works at Anderson and Sturgill Inc. in Pikeville.
- The interview committee is composed of Bill Birdwell, with the Kentucky Department of Education; Rowan County School Board member Bill Redwine; and Johnson County School Board member Bob Hutchinson.

Budget

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- The Samuel May House renovation project; \$50,000.
- Senior citizen centers at McDowell, Mud Creek, Betsy Layne and Wayland, \$50,000 each for maintenance and capital expenditures;
- Dewey Lake environmental cleanup, \$50,000;
- Wheelwright water and sewer project, \$300,000;
- Prestonsburg Senior Citizens program, \$400,000; Martin Senior Citizens, \$300,000; and Wheelwright Senior Citizens, \$100,000; and
- A total of \$690,000 to Mountain Comprehensive Care Center for adult and child crisis stabilization units.

In addition to the executive branch budget allocations, Floyd County will also receive funding for two new judicial offices. The judicial branch budget calls for the creation of a new district judgeship in 1998, and the creation of a new "Family Court" circuit judgeship in 1999.

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alliances we have created within a school system in central office."

Mistrust of "central office decision making" within the central office and outside the office is a main concern, Carter reported. He said administrative personnel have been told they are "going to have to have a lot of courage to make these changes."

"We're going to have to mobilize the community to make some very courageous decisions," Carter said. "We are going to have to address a failing system of educating."

Dotson said that in Floyd County, "they don't drink too much from the accountability cup."

State Board Chairman Joe Kelly asked Carter what was on the district's "to do list" to get improvements implemented in the county.

Carter explained that getting a handle on the finances and personnel were the main points being looked at to begin making a change in the district. He said the district's motto is "children first" and that he intends to see that educating children remains the top priority.

Kelly said one of the main goals in the district is to hold people accountable and make sure the staff understands "they will be judged" on their performance.

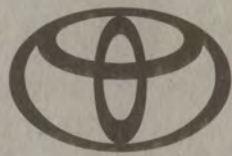
State Board Member Helen Mountjoy called Dotson's and

Carter's presentation to the board a difference "between daylight and darkness" from other Floyd County presentations made to the state board. In the past, state board members have chided Floyd officials for their lack of knowledge about the operation of the school system, or the sparse reports that have been given regarding improvements in the system.

The state board accepted the implemented plan, which has been called a "living document" and is expected to undergo more changes by local officials.

Dotson and Carter were the only two representatives from the board at Tuesday's meeting in Florence.

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Parking

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the new justice center may also be available for the county to purchase another piece of property for additional parking spaces.

"We can acquire another piece of property beside the justice center," Hale said, adding that there is not enough parking at the facility for employees. "We definitely need parking there too."

The judge-executive said an AOC representative has indicated the county would be permitted to use the contingency and interest money for a parking lot.

"Instead of (the money) going back down to the state...we'll utilize it," Hale said. "It's a good thing and we need to go ahead..."

The property, located adjacent to the justice center, is co-owned by Rose Collins, the judge-executive said.

Although Hale said he did not have an exact number of spaces which would be in that lot, he estimated there would be approximately 35 additional spaces.

In other business during Monday's special meeting, the fiscal court set salary for elected officials and established the number of employees each official can employ for the next four-year term.

Floyd County Treasurer David Allen explained to the court that the annual salaries for each elected official is "based on last year's" salaries.

"It is based on everybody's pay right now," Allen said.

The salaries and number of employees were set accordingly:

Judge-Executive, \$48,726.05; county attorney, \$35,649.90, five employees; court clerk, \$48,726.05, 14 full-time and five part-time workers; coroner, \$22,458, two deputy coroners;

Commissioners (including expenses), \$34,298.50; constables, \$2,269.54; jailer, \$44,602, with 14 deputies, four cooks and five matrons; and \$48,726.05 for the sheriff.

Magistrate DeRossett asked Hale about salaries, if any, for justices of the peace.

"I don't know if there's a statutory requirement (for their salaries)," the judge-executive said, adding that the county attorney's office was checking into the matter.

The fact that there will be three districts under the commissioner form of government prompted one magistrate to point out the increased coverage area for commissioners.

"Commissioner jobs will be a lot tougher and cover a larger area," Magistrate Owens said. "It will be tougher than it ever has been."

"My understanding is the commissioners aren't supposed to do anything," DeRossett said.

The court approved for the salaries of elected officials to remain the same.

In other business Monday, the fiscal court:

- adopted the Jervis and Jarvis Cemetery Road, located off KY Route 3385 at Endicott, into the county road system;

- hired Thomas Arthur Poe, Gary Douglas Beverly, and Eddie Darrell Tackett as custodial maintenance workers at the justice center at an annual salary of \$12,500 each;

- hired Rebecca Moon as a part-time worker at the justice center at an hourly rate of \$7.50 per hour; and
- issued a \$385 check to ACC-PAC International for the upgrade of the county's accounting software.

All members of the fiscal court were present at Monday's special meeting.

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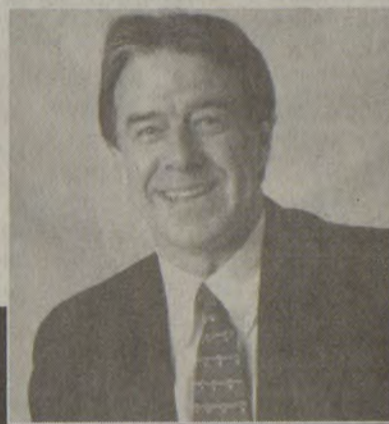
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Sometimes we would have as many as 8 slips in our district---MAJOR SLIPS. We didn't try to move these slips right then. We just got the roads opened and the people moving at each location. Then we would go back after we got everybody moving and started cleaning up each slip.

During the 30" snow in 1 degree weather---I was right there for the people in my district. Many times, I was borrowing graders from coal companies to help clear county roads. We've rented graders from Mountain Enterprise to help. I've gone and borrowed chains from gas companies and coal companies to put on their machines so they could help us because they mostly just used their equipment to do blacktopping during the summer months. I have graded as high as 30 hours straight myself during these 27" and 30" snows.

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People, don't let these other candidates snow you.---When they knock on your door and tell you they will gravel your private drive OR promise you jobs that are not there---they are lying to you. The ONLY PROMISE that I'M making is that I will work hard for the people of District 2 and stand up for you at the Fiscal Court. If it's right---I WON'T BACK DOWN!

PD. FOR BY JACKIE OWENS, HUEYSVILLE, KY.

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people to peaceably assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.

—First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution

Viewpoint

Quote of the week...

"Not Truth but Faith it is, that keeps the world alive."

—Edna St. Vincent Millay

Editorial

Friends in high places

by Scott Perry

May we have the envelope, please? And the winner is... Floyd County. There is no doubt that it pays to have friends in high places, and Floyd County has three if you read the state's executive budget as we do.

First, there's Benny Ray Bailey, Senate budget boss.

Next, there's State Rep Greg Stumbo, House Houdini.

Then there's the man himself, Governor Paul Patton.

They may not be the three amigos, given the occasional spat here and there, but the bottom line tells all.

Floyd County is in line for \$21 million over the next two years, not including another several million in road projects.

And, despite those who may cry foul over the fact that some of the money will go to build golf courses, this is a good spending plan that devotes considerable attention to education and economic development.

We have the opportunity for new jobs on Left Beaver, where an expansion of the Otter Creek Correctional Center is planned; we have the opportunity for educational enhancement with a new building at PCC and a brand new Center for Science, Mathematics and Technology to be built on the PCC campus; and we have the opportunity to improve our tourism appeal with funding for the city's hilltop golf course project.

No, this budget will not be all things to all people, but it will unquestionably make Floyd County more user friendly and that, folks, is a beginning.

It is quite possible, our friends in high places suggest, that this joy ride could continue through the next budget.

We hope it does but, for now, let's count our blessings.

Three good friends looking out for our interests and 21 million bucks on the way.

That adds up to hope, and that is the beginning of all good things.



"Bye-bye, Son. It's tax time... you're my firstborn... you know the rules."

Letters to the Editor

Let the children's voices be heard

Editor:

I would like to say that I am so upset at the way problems are handled that relate to kids. My sister (Cindy Allen) was one of the parents who "exposed" the problems at the Mountaintop Preschool. I would like to say that the problems there were not unfounded. She has the pictures to prove this. That is why she got involved. She is a very honest, caring person. She is not a "liar" as referred to in Friday's paper by Pam Shingler.

We were taught to tell the truth, not a lie, and the truth would win in the end. Ms. Shingler is an employee of The David School, which I believe to be a conflict of interest. How can she look at this situation objectively?

From what I understand, calling the paper was the right thing to do. The school did not once ask to sit down with parents and discuss this matter. Nor have they asked for any parent conferences in the past. My sister asked Betty Cavins and Ann Green both when the next board of directors meeting was and, to date has not heard from either. I believe they don't want parents to attend. Who's on the board?

I believe we, as citizens, know where the blame lies and it is not with the parents or the teacher. It's always easier to blame someone else than to own up to your mistakes. The old saying "honesty is the best policy" is sometimes thrown by the wayside. The Bible says this about honesty: "Ye shall not steal, neither deal falsely, neither lie to one another." Leviticus 19:11. I guess it's easier to be dishonest.

As for being a "sow who eats its young," I guess Ms. Shingler was referring to the fact these parents were hurting their children by not sending them into those conditions. She must not be a parent. We, as parents, are a voice for our children. Cindy made her daughter's voice heard on that Monday. She stood up to the tyrants in this world who try to cover up their mistakes with big words, also using the media. If we would stand up to the tyrants in this world, maybe they would never win. I know my sister has no problem sleeping at night. I wonder if others can say the same, and you know who you are.

Let us not forget that this is "Child Abuse Prevention Month." Pray that the children's voices will be heard. Let us hope that they do not get caught up in the ignorance and fear that overpower the judgment of right and wrong. If this should happen, again the tyrants win.

Pray for the children.
Jennifer Burke
Pikeville

Director says article marred by misunderstandings

Editor:

For 25 years, The David School has supplemented the educational opportunities of people in this area. It has offered a second chance to hundreds of young people who have been cast aside by the local public schools. It has helped hundreds, perhaps thousands, of adults to learn to read and/or to earn a GED. Before the public schools offered free kindergarten programs, The David School offered that opportunity to children in the local area, as well as a preschool program that continues today to prepare them academically and socially for public school.

Our operation is by no means perfect. But I suspect that same statement could be made about the newspaper, about almost any business and any agency in the area. Rest assured we will always try to address any area which may be of a concern.

The story about Mountaintop Preschool in Wednesday's edition of The Floyd County Times was devastating. It was marred by misunderstandings and inaccuracies and was weighted heavily against the school. It is also impossible to refute without getting back into a he said/she said mode, where the truth is a casualty and we all appear to be yelling at walls. And it is also impossible to refute without being accused of character assassination. If we wanted to prolong this situation and to be as vindictive as our accusers, we could. But we choose to take a different path.

What we will do is attempt to give the facts of the story as we see them, minus the language of accusation and allegation that was used in Wednesday's newspaper article. We will also raise what we consider to be some obvious questions.

Fact: The preschool bathroom was fully out of commission only on Friday when the preschool is not normally in session and on Monday while the lines were being repaired. If it was not functioning for as long as was stated in the article, why would the parents continue to allow their children to attend the preschool? Why did they put the children on the bus Monday morning? And why did a reporter appear on the scene just as two parents apparently had second thoughts and arrived to pick up their children? Further, when the reporter received the call alerting her to these conditions, did she ask for any documentation that the problem had been raised to me previously?

Fact: The teacher had the power and had

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Don't ask us how an egg-toting rabbit and baskets full of chocolate candy got mixed up with the Resurrection, one of the most significant events in all of Christendom, but who are we to knock tradition?

In America, shopping is our national pastime, and holidays are cause for extra effort.

What's a celebration, after all, without food, fellowship and a new set of duds, especially when the food part involves solid milk chocolate bunnies and marshmallow "peeps?"

Perhaps there really is some significant relationship between baskets of goodies and the celebration of Easter.

Each is certainly a gift in its own right.

That rabbit, though, is a mystery.

How'd he get into the act?

Coffee Break

by Scott Perry

State legislators did the right thing by revising the test Kentucky students must take each year to prove their progress in the classroom.

We're not necessarily talking so much about the changes in the test itself as we are the name.

The old test was called KIRIS, which sounded like and was often compared to some sort of mythological beast.

The new test will be called CATS, an acronym most of us will find pleasing to the ear and one which true Kentuckians will find difficult to criticize.

Of course you've always got that minority who aren't all that fond of our CATS, but we need to remind them that, as education goes, they've had their subliminal way long enough.

Do report CARDS sound familiar? Hey, with a test called CATS, we should be number one in no time.

For those of you who have had neither the occasion nor opportunity to travel long distances by air, rest assured that you have not been left out of the "jet lag" loop. You get to experience the body clock phenomenon each spring, when Daylight Savings Time kicks in.

Granted, we just have to adjust to the loss of one hour's sleep when we spring forward, but it is still cruel and unusual punishment to have to make the adjustment on a Monday, after your weekend has been shortened by an hour.

Since the First Amendment gives us the right to petition our government for a "redress of grievances," we think we ought to petition Congress to make the Monday after the start of Daylight Savings Time a national holiday. If that's too much to ask, maybe they'd go, at least, for a national nap time.

Right after lunch would be good.

Kentucky voters will be asked this fall if they will approve an amendment to our state constitution allowing for annual sessions of our general assembly.

Right now, the legislature meets in regular session every two years, but special sessions can be called without limit and they pretty much have been in the recent past.

Frankly, we think voters ought to have more options on the question, like a multiple choice test...

Should the state legislature meet:

(A.) every year?

(B.) every other year?

(C.) every chance they get?

(D.) every time Hell freezes over?

Hey, we've just given state legislators (well, actually they've given themselves) a whopping 45 percent pay hike, and we need to start getting our money's worth out of them.

Say, do you suppose if we gave them a little more money, they'd agree to just stay home?

Now there would be tax money well spent.

Okay, that's a cheap shot.

Fact is, our legislators did a pretty good job this session.

It helped that there was an extra half-billion bucks to spread around, but we're not the type to look a gift horse in the mouth.

We'll take what we can get in Eastern Kentucky, ask for more, and not be the least bit ashamed about it.

Some critics of the state's new spending plan say it's full of pork.

All we can say to that is...pass the potatoes.

We'll worry about our cholesterol later.

Letters

exercised it in the past to cancel preschool classes and to remove the children, as in the case of inclement weather and breakouts of communicable childhood diseases. Under no circumstances was she "ordered" by me to remain at the facility while the bathroom was not working. Anyone who knows me knows that I would never do such a thing. She was, in fact, given three options: take the children to the adult education center, take them to the new high school building, or take them home. Just two weeks prior to the incident the pre-school director canceled school because pink eye was going around. Wouldn't the director just close school if there were no bathroom facilities?

Fact: The children who were gathered around the gate and who allegedly fell were there only after their parents arrived and moved onto the porch. In addition, the gate on the porch is safety-approved, is used by thousands of families everywhere, and was selected by the teacher herself. My own child attends the preschool. Would I put him in what I knew to be unsafe conditions, and why would anyone purchase a gate that he or she considered unsafe?

Fact: When the preschool teacher said she wanted to cook hot dogs and other food items on the premises instead of having it catered in as it had previously been done, it did not occur to anyone that we should seek a permit. This was an oversight, but we certainly did not intend to violate health department policy. The preschool will no longer have cooking of any kind on the premises under any circumstances.

Fact: No food has knowingly been served to high school or preschool children that is "ruined". This statement is malicious and extremely hurtful to Doris Slone who has cooked for the school for over 20 years and who has grandchildren in the preschool. Are we to believe that she would serve her own family unsafe food? The statement is also hurtful to Sr. Emma Kriz who has dedicated herself to this school and this area for more than 15 years and who oversees the kitchen operation. By the way, in the most recent health department inspection, the kitchen received a 99 rating and the grounds a 100 rating.

Fact: The preschool has more than adequate learning materials. In fact, a common complaint is that we don't have enough storage for the books, toys, games and other materials that we do have. Not only do we purchase these items, but we also have long-time supporters who regularly send supplies for the preschool.

Fact: The preschool was closed by school management as soon as the severity of the problem was made known. State agencies that regulate aspects of the preschool were called and were asked to inspect the facility as soon as possible. The inspections were accomplished by Thursday and the go-ahead was given to re-open the preschool as early as Monday, April 6.

What makes the article and the allegations more devastating is that we are committed to providing to this community a program that will enhance family life and the child's future. Parents pay absolutely nothing to send their child to the preschool. All that is asked is that they set and carry out their own educational goals, that they participate in parenting sessions and that they spend one hour a week in learning activities with their child.

Our aim is to help families create and share a learning atmosphere in the home. We believe that a significant number of the education and economic problems in this area would disappear if the educational level of our people improves, if families become more positively involved in their children's education, and if we learn to work together within families and among our-

selves. The David School receives no public support locally. Any state or federal funds that we receive are the result of competitive grant-writing. Thus, the majority of funding we receive comes from private foundations and from individuals across the country who believe in our mission and in our service. Every dollar that we do receive goes into the educational programs, and anyone who has had to engage in fundraising knows that it is a difficult task and that funds are always scarce.

What is behind the attempt to destroy the preschool program? What is the motivation of people who want to undo everything? What will be gained? The answers are beyond my ability to comprehend. Rest assured that we are re-opening the preschool and are resuming our family learning program. We remain committed to the families of our region and to making a positive difference.

Daniel J. Greene
Director, The David School

Discovering pieces of history puzzle

Editor:

Monday, April 20, 1998, at the Floyd County Library in Prestonsburg, the Floyd County Historical and Genealogical Society will have their monthly meeting. I would like to invite each and everyone of you to come out and join us. This meeting will be on genealogy. Bring your family history, questions, current explorations, stumbling blocks, etc. and join us in the search to uncover our past in Floyd County.

We are very fortunate to have Blanche Dingus of Martin as our guest speaker. She will tell us what's available for our use at the genealogy research library of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints at Martin and explain how to use the library. This is an excellent source of information for genealogical research.

I want to thank everyone that has helped to make our society grow, we need you all. This is for everyone in Floyd County, please come out and explore with us. We have so much more to learn about the past of Floyd County, and each of you has a piece to the puzzle. We need you all before the tapestry of our history can be completed. Come out and help us put the pieces of our puzzle together. We meet the third Monday of each month at the Floyd County Library in Prestonsburg, at 7 p.m. See you there.

Terry Webb Buchanan
President
Floyd County Historical and Genealogical Society

Safer roads needed

Editor:

Two years ago, on December 7, 1995, at Galveston, KY on Route 3379 (Branham's Creek) a fatal accident claimed the lives of two very special people, Richard and Connie Hunter Porter. Their two sons, Joshua Dean Porter and Christopher Den Porter were in this accident along with a cousin, Regina Nicole Deal. Fortunately, the children survived, but they will be emotionally scarred for life. These children had to watch their loved ones drown because the seat belts in the car in which they were traveling would not unbuckle.

One child received neck injuries and was transported to a Lexington hospital. The two others were taken by ambulance to a Pike County hospital where they were later released.

Since this fatal accident, Den Hunter has been working very hard

to get guardrails on Route 3379. It has been two years since this fatal accident and still there are no guardrails. The road is slick and dangerous, especially during the winter when there is black ice.

Den and Geneva Hunter are raising their grandsons who must pass the scene two to four times a day or more. It isn't easy.

Residents on Branham's Creek keep wondering when the next fatal accident will occur. These people know it is just a matter of time. Next time it could be a bus load of innocent school children.

Please encourage our politicians, from the local level to state level, to push for better, safer roads in the mountains. Let's work together to see that our many children, their families and our friends and neighbors have some protection when driving Route 3379 and other dangerous, mountainous terrain.

According to the Transportation Cabinet, "The alignment of KY 3379 was determined by existing terrain and the route competes for space with the creek and development. It does not qualify for guardrail as there is adequate shoulder for a road of this type and only a five foot drop beyond that. KY 3379 is not on the list of guardrail needs for the region."

I am taking pictures of some hills on Route 3379 to let all the voters see how wrong the transportation cabinet is. It is true that in some spots there is only a five foot drop to the creek. The pictures I have taken show locations where the road is elevated 75 to 100 feet. These pictures indicate where the guard rails are over the hill, just like the signs used to be.

This is not the only hazardous place in Eastern Kentucky. I have tried to get a signal light at the entrance to Mullins school. I was told in Frankfort that there are several lights on US 23, which is correct. There are 11 signal lights from

Prestonsburg in Floyd County to Island Creek in Pike County. It seems to me that a signal light at the entrance to a school should not cause that much of a problem to be installed.

I believe that our Governor should support the people in his own hometown area. We only want safe conditions for our children and residents and benefits due to our coal miners. It is not too much to ask.

Den Hunter
Galveston

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And now, with the addition of Arkansas, Martin, Halbert, Drift, John Ant/Frasure's Creek, and Gearheart, I'm asking the fine people of District #2 to come to the David/Middle Creek area and ask your neighbors just how they feel about our existing magistrate.

The only promises I can make at this time is to work extremely hard for the people and I'll make sure every problem facing District #2 will be handled as fairly and equally as possible.

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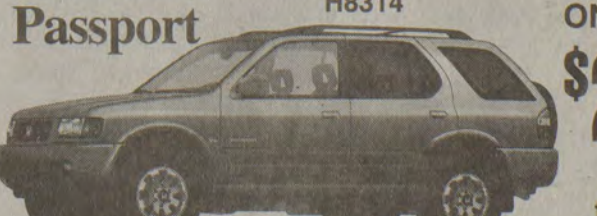
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Adams Middle School's Steve Romas was recognized as the most improved user of the Home-work Hotline. Michelle Keathley, Y.S.C. Coordinator said, "I feel this is an educational tool for both students and parents. This provides essential information for users twenty-four hours a day." Awards were donated by local merchants.

MSHA extends grace period for mining-related illness reporting

The Labor Department's Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) recently announced it has extended the "grace period" during which mine operators can report occupational illness cases to the agency without the risk of penalty. The present grace period was scheduled to end on February 13, but has now been extended until April 17, because of a continuing request from both industry and labor.

"We have received more than 1,300 reports of occupational illnesses during the grace period that will be extremely valuable in helping us determine the nature and scope of mining-related illnesses in the industry," said Davitt McAteer, assistant secretary of labor for mine safety and health. "This extension of the grace period will allow us to receive even more of this important information."

MSHA began the grace period on October 15, and extended it until February 13, to allow mine operators additional time to review their records and verify that they have reported all cases of occupational illness that have occurred in the last

five years. To date, MSHA has received reports of black lung, asbestosis, silicosis, chemical exposures, dermatitis and hearing loss. The new extension announced recently gives mine operators more time to report previously unreported illness cases to MSHA. The agency will take no enforcement action for late filing of reports of illnesses if the reports are filed during the grace period.

Mine operators, including independent contractors, are required by law to send a report to MSHA within ten days after they are notified or otherwise learn that a miner has an illness that may have resulted from working at a mining operation, or for which an award of compensation has been made.

Miners and operators who want to find out if an illness has been reported, or to leave a message, comment or anything else they would like to tell MSHA, may call toll free at 1-888-249-8223 on MSHA's "Grace Period" Hotline. This toll free line will be available for use until April 17.

After the grace period ends on April 17, citations issued for failure

Greisman joins HRMC

Bernard Greisman, M.D., obstetrician/gynecologist, has joined the medical staff at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

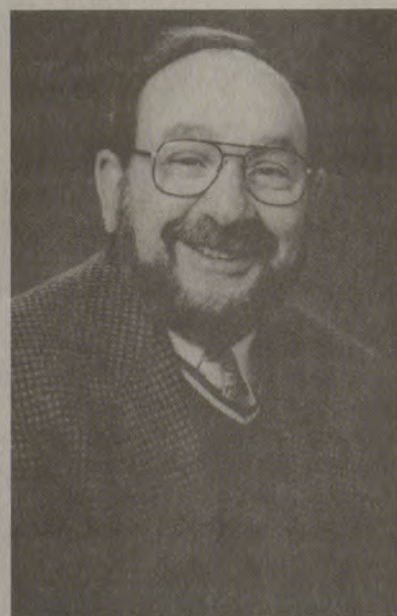
Dr. Greisman is the newest addition to Women's Care, the obstetrics/gynecology practice located on campus in Highlands Medical Office Building.

Dr. Greisman received his bachelor's degree from the University of Western Ontario in London, Ontario, Canada; his medical degree from the University of Ottawa in Ottawa, Ontario, Canada; served a rotating internship at New Mt. Sinai Hospital in Toronto, Ontario, Canada; completed his residency in obstetrics/gynecology at Kingston General Hospital in Kingston, Ontario, Canada; received his fellowship from the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons (Canada) in 1972 in the specialty of obstetrics/gynecology; and is a fellow of the American College of Obstetrics/Gynecology (1978). Before coming to Highlands, Dr. Greisman was in practice in Massachusetts for six years, the last two years as chief of obstetrics/gynecology in Gardner, Massachusetts.

Dr. Greisman believes in the Total Patient Care concept as opposed to just treating a disease process. He said, "I treat human beings, not just illness, I believe that if you educate the patient, she will educate her spouse and her children and soon the learning process has become a family affair, and everyone benefits."

Obstetrics and Gynecology is a field of medicine where you get to know your patients. You admit one and usually discharge two or three, no other branch of medicine does this.

By the end of the birthing process you know the whole family and as the patient returns for post natal care, then routine gynecological care, you grow with them and sometimes even deliver the children.



Bernard Greisman

Pregnancy is not a disease. It's natural and is usually a happy event, and it's the area of medicine I always wanted to practice in."

When asked about gynecological care and the woman who has completed her family, Dr. Greisman said, "America is an aging society. The mature woman has a lot to offer our society. She is a wisdom keeper and can be a mentor with great value to the community."

"Unfortunately, many women lose their sense of purpose and often suffer depression. Paying close attention to their physical, social and emotional health adds purpose to living."

"The overall purpose of health-care is to facilitate environment and growth of each and every moment of life in each individual."

Dr. Greisman joins Dr. James Alford, Dr. Clifford Gary, and Certified Nurse Midwife Ann Moore in Women's Care, an obstetrics and gynecology practice emphasizing personalized care for women.

Appointments with Dr. Greisman or any of the Women's Care physicians can be made by calling 886-2664.

Pikeville man injured in shooting

by Chris McDavid
Staff Writer

An apparent argument at an Ivel residence Thursday night escalated into a shooting incident which landed one area resident in jail and another in a hospital.

In what reports indicate was an alcohol-related incident, 50-year-

old Ronald G. Chaney allegedly shot Gary T. Slone, of Pikeville, in the arm Thursday night with a .22 caliber rifle.

Court records indicate the incident occurred at Chaney's Ivel residence around 8:30 p.m. Thursday. Reports also indicate Slone is the brother of Chaney's girlfriend.

Slone, 45, of Pikeville, was

transported to Pikeville Methodist Hospital, where he was admitted and treated for the gunshot wound. He was released from the facility Friday morning.

Chaney was arrested by detective Kenneth Slone and lodged in the Floyd County Adult Detention Center. He is charged with one count of first degree assault.

Chaney was arraigned on the felony charge Friday morning in Floyd District Court.

Judge James R. Allen entered a not-guilty plea to Chaney's charge and ordered that the defendant be held at the jail in lieu of a \$25,000 or ten percent bond. He was later released from custody after posting the bond.

A preliminary hearing is scheduled for 2:30 p.m. Wednesday (today) to determine if there is probable cause to refer the matter to a grand jury. Det. Slone is investigating the shooting incident.

Taxi driver is charged with fondling passenger

A Prestonsburg cab driver is scheduled to appear in a Johnson County court this week to face allegations that he fondled one of his fares in February.

A criminal charge was filed last month against Rick Joseph, of Prestonsburg, in Johnson District Court. He is charged with a misdemeanor count of sex abuse.

A civil complaint alleges Joseph placed his hands on the breasts of a female passenger on February 27 while transporting her to and from Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center.

Joseph is also accused of attempting to put his hands in the woman's pants.

District Judge Susan Johnson removed herself from the case and assigned the case to a special judge. District Judge Terry Jacobs, for Magoffin and Knott counties, will be presiding.

Joseph's court appearance before the special judge is scheduled for 11:30 a.m. Wednesday (today) in Johnson District Court.

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to report occupational illnesses will be subject to review for consideration of a higher penalty than normally levied for such violations.

Visual Art Guild Exhibit on display

A Floyd County, Morehead State University student is displaying his own art works in the second annual "Visual Art Guild Exhibit," now through April 15, in the Strider Gallery of the Claypool-Young Art Building.

The artist is Xavier Scott, Langley freshman. Scott is one of nine MSU artists participating in the exhibition.

Among the different mediums the students are exhibiting include charcoal, oil paint, pastel, water color, mixed media, marker and clay.

"The Visual Art Guild offers students an opportunity to be self-motivated," said Elizabeth Mesa-Gaido, assistant professor of art and club adviser. "It is empowering because they are responsible for what is displayed in the show and how the show is arranged."

The Strider Gallery is open from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m., weekdays. There is no charge for viewing.

Anyone interested in becoming a member of the guild may call Mesa-Gaido at (606) 783-2763.

Priority advising and registration begins Monday

Priority advising and registration for currently enrolled students at Prestonsburg Community College will begin Monday, April 13, 1998, and will continue through Friday, April 24, 1998, at both the Prestonsburg and Pike County campuses for the 1998 Summer Session and 1998 Fall semester.

Students are encouraged to schedule appointments with their advisor through April 24, which is the final date for schedule entry for the priority registration period.

On the Prestonsburg campus, services are available 8 a.m. until 5 p.m., Monday-Thursday; and 8 a.m. until 1 p.m., Fridays.

On the Pike County campus, services are available 8:30 a.m. until noon, Monday-Thursday; 1 p.m. until 5:30 p.m., Monday-Thursday; and 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. Fridays.

Unemployment rate falls in Floyd in 1997

Annual unemployment rates fell in 71 counties from 1996 to 1997, increased in 42 counties and stayed the same in seven.

In Floyd County, the rate fell from 10.8 percent to 8.9 percent. In 1997, Floyd County had about 12,857 people employed from a labor force of 14,118.

In 1997, 13 counties recorded unemployment rates at or above ten percent, as compared to 19 counties with double-digit jobless rates in 1996.

Johnson County averaged 7.7 percent and Pike recorded 8 percent unemployment for the fiscal year.

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The four newly-elected officers of the Piast School Beta Club were recently sworn in during an evening ceremony in the school gymnasium. They were (left to right) seniors Andrea Griffith of Ivel (treasurer), Cori Duty of Prestonsburg (president), Jesse Robertson of Prestonsburg (vice president), and Rachael Woods of Auxier (secretary).

Orthopedic Clinic planned

An Orthopedic Clinic for children under the age of 21 is scheduled for Friday, May 1, at the Big Sandy District Office of the Commission for Children with Special Health Care Needs at 741 Parkway Dr., Salyersville.

The commission's program provides diagnostic evaluation, clinical follow-up, x-rays, hospitalization, surgery, medical equipment, supplies and therapy services for certain disabling conditions whether they are congenital or acquired.

Examinations will be conducted by Dr. David Stevens from the Shriners Hospital in Lexington. X-

rays will also be taken and read on clinic day.

For information on how to apply for services, call Monday thru Friday at 349-7411, or toll free 1-800-594-7058. In addition to the Orthopedic Clinic, Ear, Heart and Eye clinics are also available through the Big Sandy District Office.

Anyone can make a referral to one of the clinics. Patients will be seen by appointment only. Clinic fees are based on a sliding fee scale according to income and family size. Medicaid and insurance cards are also accepted.

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Harris Family Reunion

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For more information, call:

874-0555, 886-8652 or 874-2632

Forestry leadership camp slated

Each year the Floyd County Soil Conservation District sponsors two high school students entering their junior or senior year to participate in this program.

The week-long program will focus on forest management, related subjects and wildlife habitat. Students will have the opportunity to utilize a hands-on approach to the challenges and problems professionals face every day.

The camp will be held at the Kentucky Leadership center in Jabez, Kentucky, June 8-12, 1998. Deadline for registration is May 8. For further information, call the Floyd County Conservation District at 606/886-9545, ext. #3.

Pikeville College to host annual spring concert

The hills are alive with the sound of music at Pikeville College this month. Pikeville College will host a Spring Concert featuring the Pikeville College Choir, Community Choir, and Symphonic Band on Thursday, April 23, at 7:30 p.m. in Booth Auditorium. The concert, which is free and open to the public, is under the direction of Brad Daniels, director of music ensembles, and Margaret Andraso, instructor of music.

The College Choir will start off the program with selections including: the Latin piece "Kyrie," an American folk song called "Go 'Way from My Window," and a gospel tune titled "Heavenly Parade."

Following the performance by the College Choir, the Pikeville College Community Choir will take the stage for a performance that will include: an arrangement of "Singin' in the Rain," a traditional spiritual called "God's Gonna Set This World on Fire," and "Battle Hymn of the Republic."

Completing the scheduled performances will be the Pikeville College Symphonic Band. Tunes listed to perform include: "Robin Hood, Prince of Thieves," composed by Michael Kamen, "A Copland Portrait," adapted for symphonic band by Clare Grundman; "Under Three Flags," a folk rhapsody by Jessamine County, Kentucky native James Currrow; and "First Suite in E Flat" for military bands, by Gustav Holst.

For additional information, call (606) 437-3486 or (606) 432-9326.

Low rate housing available through rural development

USDA, Rural Development offers housing loans to low and very low income applicants in Floyd, Johnson, Pike, Knott, Martin counties.

Eligibility guidelines are as follows; have and acceptable credit history, adequate repayment ability, a steady source of income, and meet the income guidelines for a low or very low income family.

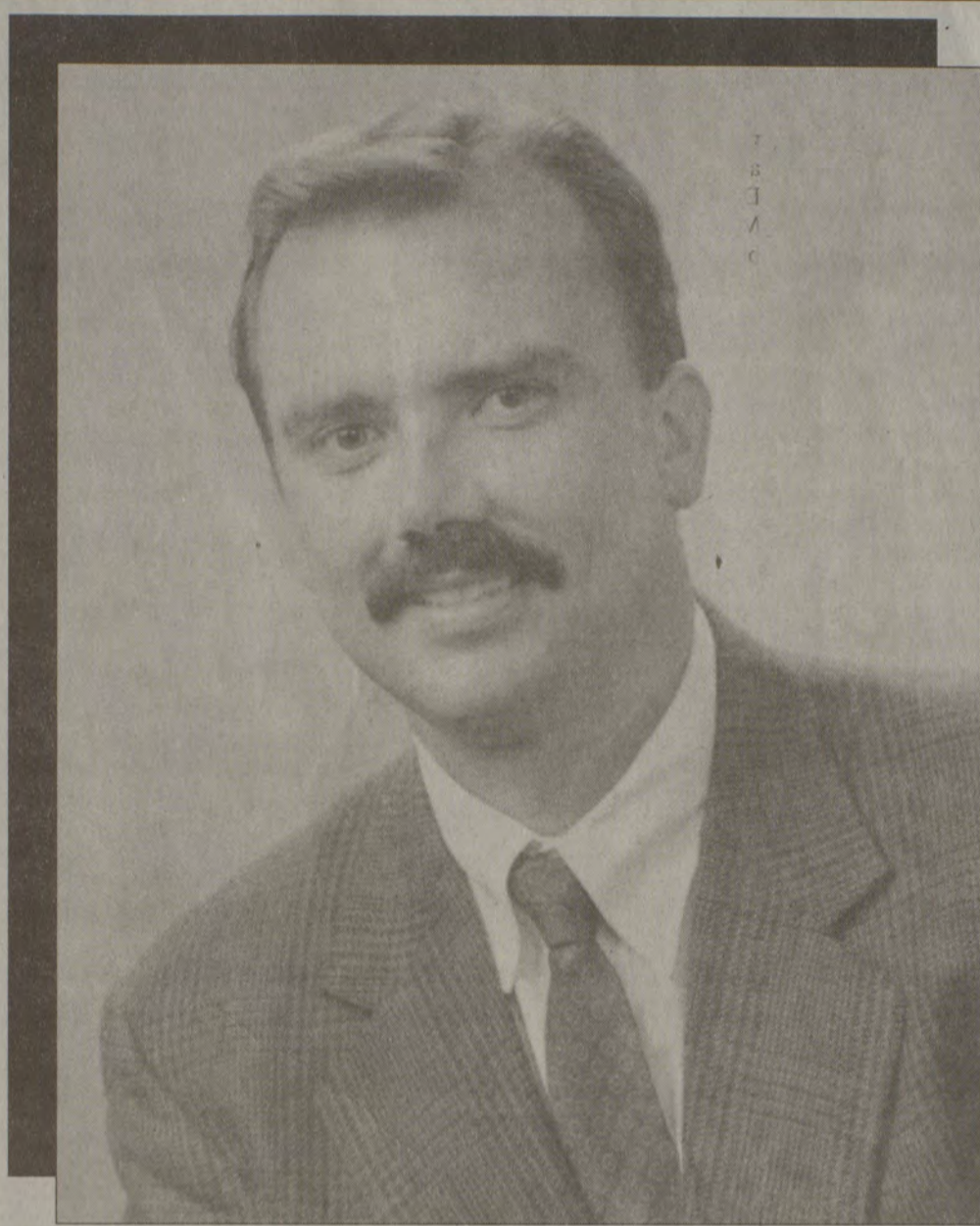
The adjusted annual income for a one person family cannot exceed \$16,700; a family of five cannot exceed \$25,750.

Floyd, Johnson, Pike, Knott, and Martin counties are served by the Prestonsburg Office of Rural Development and to inquire about a housing loan, visit the Prestonsburg office at 214 South Central Avenue, Suite 103, Prestonsburg, or call (606) 886-9545.

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My immediate concern was to get control of where your tax dollars were going. The only way to do it was to stop illegal spending and the giving of special privileges to a select few. That's why I stopped the spending of public money for private work of any kind, this included private roads and parking lots. I had to make a stand for the common good of all citizens.

I believed if I could stop the outflow of illegal spending for personal favor, for Political King-Pins, and the Kingdom building for other more ambitious Politicians, there would be enough money for the people who just wanted me to do what's right.

Guess what I found? At the end of the first full years of my administration, we had nearly a 3 million dollar surplus, the largest in the history of this county. That's nearly 3 million dollars more for you, the people that want this money spent according to the law on Public Roads, Water, Sewers, Senior Citizens, Fire Protection, Solid Waste, and of course, our Children. Instead of applause, I immediately became the target of some criticism. The enemies are those who seek to use your tax dollars to support themselves and their select group of friends.

I'm putting my trust and hope in you, the people who want honest government with every decision made for what is best for all of us. In the weeks ahead I will point out not only the county's accomplishments, but a plan for the future of Floyd County.

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Norma Cline

Norma Cline, 90, of Pikeville, died Sunday, April 5, 1998, in Gray, Tennessee.

Born January 14, 1908 in Martin County, she was the daughter of the late Matilda McCoy Robinson and Samuel Robinson. She was a member of the Regular Baptist Church.

Survivors include three daughters, Ocie Hastings of Gray, Tennessee, Emma Ray of Pikeville, and Recia Adams of Ft. Worth, Texas; two sisters, Mary Fields of Columbus, Ohio, and Irene Griffey of Prestonsburg; six grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren and six great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, April 8, at 1 p.m., at the Leannah Regular Baptist Church at Pilgrim, with Hiram Adkins and others officiating.

Burial will be in the Robinson-Cline Cemetery at Pilgrim in Martin County, under the direction of J.W. Call and Son Funeral Home Chapel.

Serving as active pallbearers will be her great-grandsons, Frankie Campton, Kris Fields, John Stanley, Jim Ratliff, Chad Bentley and Parker Packer.

Honorary pallbearers will be Sam Stanley, Bruce Parker, Jason Varney and Virgil Ray.

Ebbie Martin

Ebbie Thornsberry Martin, 82, of Litt Carr, died Wednesday, April 1, 1998, at her home.

Born February 17, 1917 in Knott County, she was the daughter of the late Bobby Thornsberry and Annie Bates Thornsberry. She was preceded in death by her husband, Babe Martin.

Survivors include seven sons, Delmas Martin of Glasgow, Daniel Martin and Charles Ray Martin, both of Whitesburg, Fred Martin of Elizabethtown, and Randolph Martin, Clyde Martin and Phillip Martin, all of Litt Carr; five daughters, Ruth Smith and Zella Mae Taylor, both of Elizabethtown, Jannette Amburgey of Pinetop, Claudia Ann Nichols of Indiana, and Imogene Honeycutt of Litt Carr; three sisters, Eva Gibson of Langley, Millie Everage of Brinkley, and Rosie Slone of Batesville, Indiana; 27 grandchildren, 24 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Friday, April 3, at 2 p.m., at the Hindman Funeral Services Chapel, with Bobby Amburgey and Don Pratt officiating. Burial was in the Martin Cemetery at Litt Carr, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services.

Lillie Belle Boyd

Lillie Belle Kimbler Boyd, 62, of Marshallville, formerly of Dana, died Sunday, April 5, 1998, at her residence in Marshallville.

Born April 8, 1935 at Honaker, she was the daughter of Susie Collins Kimbler of Harold and the late Bob Kimbler. She was a member of the Little Salem Regular Baptist Church at Dana.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Elder Aaron Boyd.

Survivors include two sons, James Edward Boyd of Salyersville and Ross Dean Boyd of Louisville; four daughters, Eva Mae Boyd of Banner, Ilene Boyd Howell and Dorothy Jean Conn, both of Dana, and Gloria Marie Damron of Lee City; four brothers, George Kimbler of New London, Ohio, Richard Kimbler of Honaker, Robie Kimbler of Ashland, Ohio, and Clinton Kimbler of Michigan; two sisters, Bama Shuman of New London, Ohio, and Carlie Kimbler of Harold; 22 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Tuesday, April 7, at 11 a.m., at the Little Salem Regular Baptist Church at Dana, with the Regular Baptist Church ministers officiating.

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

Serving as pallbearers were Christopher Boyd, Tate Boyd, Simon Boyd, Dean Howell, Adam Damron, Tim Boyd and Ellery Boyd.

Holena "Babe" Collins

Holena "Babe" Collins, 68, of McDowell, died Thursday, April 2, 1998, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital, following an extended illness.

Born April 26, 1929 at McDowell, she was the daughter of the late Ervin and Nannie Blevins Collins.

Survivors include three brothers, Carl Collins of West Virginia, and Gail Collins and Ervin Collins Jr., both of McDowell; and three sisters, Jeanne Moore of Fleming County, Pearl Henderson of Prestonsburg, and Gilva Blevins of McDowell.

Funeral services were Sunday, April 5, at 11 a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home Chapel, with Denver Meade officiating.

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

Clifford Hampton

Clifford Hampton, 70, of Salyersville, died Monday, April 6, 1998, at the Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center in Paintsville.

Born March 24, 1928 in Magoffin County, he was the son of the late Roscoe and Dora Arnett Hampton. He was a World War II Army veteran and a security guard at Continental Conveyor and Equipment in Salyersville.

Survivors include his wife, Eva Lee Reed Hampton; two sons, Ronald Earl Hampton of Prestonsburg and Donald Lee Hampton of Pikeville; one sister, Louise Hampton of Salyersville; and two grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, April 9, at 11 a.m., at the Salyersville Funeral Home Memorial Chapel, with Floyd Arnett officiating.

Burial will be in the Harper Cemetery at Harper, under the direction of the Salyersville Funeral Home in Magoffin County.

Masonic services will be held tonight (Wednesday) at 7 p.m.

Girtie DeBord

Girtie DeBord, 69, of McDowell, died Tuesday, April 7, 1998, at her residence, following an extended illness.

Born April 25, 1928 at McDowell, she was the daughter of the late Greenbury and Minnie Osborne Howell. She was a member of the Martin Branch Freewill Baptist Church at Estill.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Jephtha DeBord.

Survivors include one son, Dewey Lee Howell of Martin; one sister, Birdie Collins of McDowell; two grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services will be Thursday, April 9, at 11 a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home Chapel, with Buddy Jones and Wayne Stephens officiating.

Burial will be in the Elliott Cemetery at Frasurs Creek, McDowell, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Spicy Younce

Spicy Younce, 73, of Virgie, formerly of Little Robinson Creek, died Friday, April 3, 1998, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital.

Born December 12, 1924 in Pike County, she was the daughter of the late George and Minda Newsome Tackett. She was a member of the Robinson Creek Old Regular Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Pharo Younce.

Survivors include six sons, Robert Younce of Newark, Delaware, Cecil Younce of Morehead, Perry Younce of Virgie, Danny Younce of Virgie, Paul Younce of Cynthiana, and Mac Arthur of Robinson Creek; three daughters, Willa Jones of Virgie, Mary Bentley of Betsy Layne and Sonja Bolden of Robinson Creek; many brothers and sisters; 26 grandchildren and 31 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Monday, April 6, at 11 a.m., at the Robinson Creek Regular Baptist Church with Regular Baptist Church ministers officiating.

Burial was in the Pharo Younce Cemetery on Little Robinson Creek, under the direction of R.S. Jones and Son Funeral Home.

Serving as pallbearers were Ricky Jones, Richard Jones, Allen Younce, Josh Bolden, Keith Younce, Michale Younce, Eric Tackett, Arron Tackett, George Younce, Mickey Younce and Jeremy Younce.

Pallbearers for Hewen Shaler Spencer

Serving as pallbearers for the funeral of Hewen Shaler Spencer were Ralph Spencer, Gary Bailey, Joseph Gastwright, James Spencer, Tony Spencer, Phil Spencer, Brandon Spencer, and Tony Spencer II.

Honorary pallbearers were Phillip C. Spencer, Ray Combs, Shawn Spencer, Bill Cooper, Greg Blair and Desmond Spencer.

Card of Thanks

The family of Philip Case would like to extend their appreciation to all those friends, neighbors and loved ones who helped comfort them during their time of sorrow. Thanks to all who sent food, flowers, prayers or spoke comforting words. A special thanks to clergyman Denver Meade for his comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

The family of Phillip Case

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But you're somewhere better now, up in His big arms of love. And we'll meet there someday and rejoice with angels in that great place up there. So, Grandma, if you're listening and looking down on your family, we're doing good and we hope we'll meet you by the river up there.

Dedicated to Great Grandma Blevins.
Written by Racheal Nicole Blackburn.



Card of Thanks

The family of Margie Mae Spears wishes to thank all those friends, neighbors, and family who helped them in any way upon the passing of their loved one. Thanks to those who sent food, flowers, prayers and words of comfort expressed. A special thanks to clergyman Jim Smith for his comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and efficient service.

The family of Margie Mae Spears

Card of Thanks

The family of Lucreasey Slone wishes to thank all of those who were so kind and considerate during their time of grief. We want to thank those who sent food, flowers and gifts of love. We especially want to thank clergyman Marvin Booth for his comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

The family of Lucreasey Slone

Card of Thanks

The family of Martha Newman would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their help in the loss of our loved one. Thanks to those who sent food and flowers, or just spoke comforting words. We deeply appreciate you all. A special thanks to the United Baptist Ministers for their comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

The family of Martha Newman

Card of Thanks

The family of Sadie Hager wishes to thank everyone for the kindness, love, food and prayers upon the loss of our loved one. We are especially grateful to the Joppa Regular Baptist Church and their clergymen. Special thanks to Elmer Tackett for his prayer services.

Also, many thanks to Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home for all their help and the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control.

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Jenny Wiley Theatre is getting ready for the kids

Auditions are nearly over, actors and technicians are being hired, and the stage is being swept off for another summer season of wonderful family entertainment at Jenny Wiley Theatre. In addition, Jenny Wiley Theatre's educational programs are also getting in gear. This year, Jenny Wiley Theatre will once again offer "Children's Theatre in the Pines." This is an opportunity for area young people between the ages of 6 and 14 to learn and experience the joy of theatre.

Jenny Wiley Theatre-Children's Theatre in the Pines will offer two sessions of the summer theatre day camp. Session One will begin on June 22 and run for three weeks with a final performance in the Amphitheater on July 13. Children ages six through ten will rehearse and perform the classic children's story, The Three Little Pigs. Session Two will begin the following Monday, July 20, for ages 10 and 14. These students will rehearse and perform a new play, The True Story of Jack and the Beanstalk.

Both plays are written by Eastern Kentucky's own Joe Clark,

with music by Scott Bradley, who also wrote the music for Jenny Wiley Theatre's 'The Legend of Jenny Wiley.' Bradley is also the Theatre's Musical Director. Joe Clark, who is also an actor in the company, returns to direct the Children's Theatre program. "Mr. Joe," as his students affectionately call him, is a children's theatre and education consultant for the Mountain Arts Center and area schools. He recently directed five Greek plays and five Shakespeare plays at Adams Middle School, as well as many original "fairy tales" for the Mountain Arts Center and Adams Middle School. Clark will be assisted by Emily Damron. Damron is a senior at Transylvania University majoring in education, with minors in drama and vocal music. She has been a part of the Jenny Wiley Theatre company for six years, the last two with the Children's Theatre Program.

Each session will last three weeks, and meets Monday through Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., at the Pines facility near the campground in Jenny Wiley State Park.

For more information or to register your child, stop by or call Jenny Wiley Theatre at (606) 886-9274. Enrollment is limited to 20 students for each class and positions are available on a first-come basis.



Joe Clark

ALS support network meets via interactive video at PCC

The University of Kentucky Chandler Medical Center is sponsoring an A.L.S. Support Network in Kentucky via interactive video. The purpose of the support network, formed in 1996, is to provide an educational service to patients with ALS (Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis, aka Lou Gehrig's disease) and their families in a statewide monthly-meeting format. The next network meeting is at noon, Saturday, April 11 in room 132 in the Johnson Administration Building, Prestonsburg Community College.

ALS is a rare, progressive neurodegenerative disorder which produces profound muscle weakness. The weakness is severe in ALS, and eventually is responsible for the death of patients after a two-to-four year course of the disease. Many advances in understanding the cause of ALS have been made over the past seven years. Several clinical trials of experimental therapy are in progress. Recently, a new medication was approved for the treatment of ALS.

Many ALS patients and their families desire information about the disease, and in particular, desire information about new develop-

ments in treatment. Although some patients are connected to ALS support groups on the Internet, most are not.

Support groups for ALS patients and their families are difficult to sustain in rural areas for several reasons. First, ALS is a rare disease. The prevalence is about five ALS patients per 100,000 persons. There are approximately 150-to-200 ALS patients in the entire state of Kentucky. A large, critical mass of patients is needed to allow a support group to thrive. The critical mass of patients may be present in only a few urban areas. Second, the disease causes profound weakness. Mobility becomes limited with advancing disease. Travel, especially for long distances, is difficult for the patient and family. Even if patients are interested in a support group, they are not able to travel long distances to a meeting in Lexington or Louisville.

The formation, through interactive video, of the ALS Support Network in Kentucky serves to meet the educational and informational needs of patients and families and may indirectly provide emotional support for them, although this is not the primary focus.

Using the existing compressed video network of the University of Kentucky and linked to other states via the Kentucky TeleLinking Network, allows interested ALS patients and families to benefit from a statewide support group which meets monthly.

Edward J. Kasarskis, M.D., Ph.D., professor of neurology, UK College of Medicine and chief of the neurology service at the Veteran's Affairs Medical Center, proposed this novel concept, which is thought to be the only one of its kind in Kentucky and the United States. Sponsored by the UK Chandler Medical Center and Rhone-Poulenc Rorer, a pharmaceutical company, the statewide support network's benefits include the formation of a large, sustainable group of laypersons interested in ALS, while alleviating the need to travel to Lexington or Louisville. Patients and their families can travel to their nearest network site in order to participate. Outside speakers are hosted in Lexington or can participate themselves via interactive video from out-of-state via the Sprint network. Therefore, patients in Kentucky can have direct access to a number of experts from other universities and organizations.

Meetings are held the second Saturday of each month. Network sites are: University of Kentucky Chandler Medical Center's Health Sciences Learning Center, Ashland Community College, Covington campus of Northern Kentucky University, Somerset Community College, Prestonsburg Community College and University of Louisville Health Sciences Center.

Patients from adjoining regions may also participate. For example, Cincinnati, Ohio patients may go to Covington; Huntington, W. Va. patients to Ashland; and some Indiana patients to Louisville.

For more information including details and directions, patients and families may call (606) 281-4920.



Gregory Howell, GED student at May Valley Family Resource Center, received his GED certification from Prestonsburg Community College on April 2. Howell plans to attend PCC in the fall and major in accounting. His GED instructor is Joyce Hall.

Parks host 'birding for beginners'

Interested in birdwatching, but don't know how to get started? An upcoming event is just the ticket.

Two Kentucky state parks will join with the Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources to host a "birding for beginners" weekend on May 8-10. The parks are Jenny Wiley State Resort Park in Prestonsburg and Pennyriple Forest State Resort Park near Dawson Springs.

Expert speakers will discuss songbird conservation in Kentucky, and naturalists will lead hikes to identify birds in the field.

(Participants are urged to bring binoculars). Vendors selling birding supplies and merchandise will be on hand, and discounts on bird-related items will be available at the two park's gift shops.

Registration is \$12 per person, with children 16 and under admitted free. A 15 percent discount on park lodging will be available to participants. Registration is required by April 15.

For more information, contact Jenny Wiley at (800) 325-0142, or Pennyriple Forest at (800) 325-1711.

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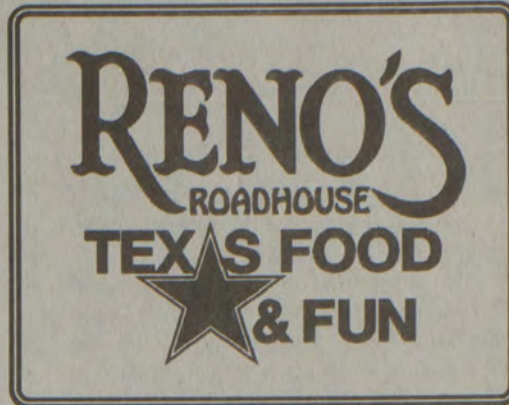
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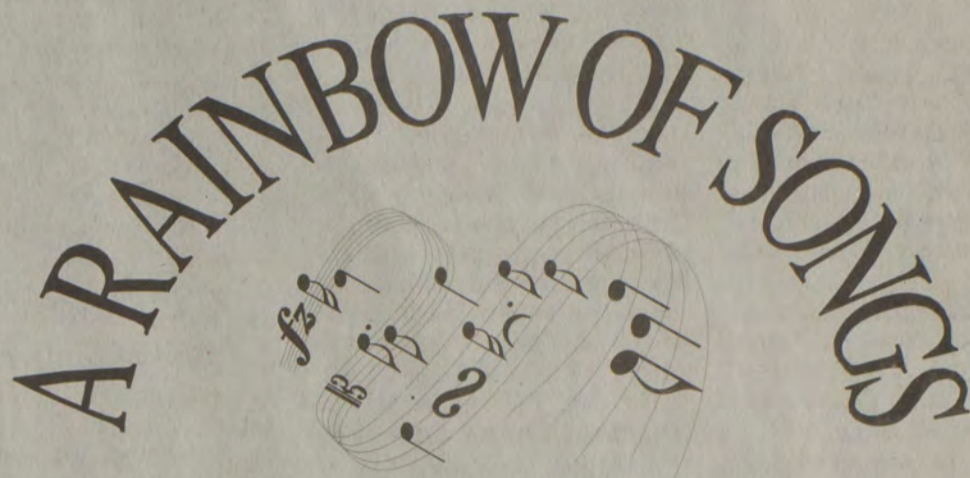
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I have 2 daughters, Andrea Moore Brandon and Theresa Moore Clark, both of Ann Arbor, Mi. and one granddaughter, Brooke Brandon.

I was raised at Drift, Ky., the daughter of Sherman and Jacqueline Akers Martin.

I have one sister, Jean Martin Allen of Drift, Ky. and three brothers and their wives, Sherman Jr. and Linda Conn Martin of Louisville, Ky., John and Sherry Jackson Martin of Drift, Ky and Sheridan and Lisa Lafferty Martin of Prestonsburg, Ky.

My paternal grandparents were the late H. D. (Manhoss) and Monnie Patton Martin of Drift, Ky.

I have three Aunts, Topsy Butler of Drift, Ky., Nelma Martin Hall of Mason Ohio, and Norma Martin Bone of Louisville, Ky. and two Uncles, McClellan Martin of Bedford, Ky., and the late Sheridan Martin of Drift, Ky.

My maternal grandparents were the late Paul and Pricie Damron Akers of Louisa, Ky.

I have one Uncle and his wife, Wayne and Tootsie Hayes Akers of Printer, Ky. and one Aunt, Wanda Akers Isaac and her husband Jack of Louisa, Ky.

My husband Clarence and I live at Stephens Branch at Martin. He has three daughters. Michelle Hale Thompson of Prestonsburg, Ky., Edwinna Hale Blair and husband Alan of Watergap, Ky., and Clarissa Hale of Auxier, Ky., and two grandchildren, Justin Thompson of Prestonsburg, Ky and Bobbie Lynn Blair of Watergap, Ky.

Clarence is the son of Clyde and Avanelle Ratliff Hale of Stephens Branch.

He has two brothers, Roy Hale and the late Herschell Hale both of Stephens Branch. He also has one Uncle, Lawrence Hale of Prestonsburg, Ky.

Also, there are numerous nieces, nephews and cousins that are very important!

Make the clerks office once again, accountable to the people!
Make your vote count!

I RESPECTFULLY SEEK YOUR VOTE AND SUPPORT ON MAY 26, 1998.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Calendar items will be printed as space permits

Editor's note: As a service to the many clubs and committees that meet in our community, the Floyd County Times' Community Calendar will post meeting and public service announcements. Articles for the Community Calendar must be submitted in writing to the Times no later than 5 p.m. Monday for Wednesday's publication or 5 p.m. Wednesday for Friday's publication. These cannot be taken over the telephone.

Easter clothing giveaway

The Town Branch Church in Prestonsburg will be giving away new complete Easter outfits for small children, sizes 4-7. Distribution begins at 8 a.m. until 2 p.m. daily until April 10 and will continue until all clothing is distributed.

McDowell reunion

The McDowell High School class of 1978 is planning a reunion. An organizational meeting will be held on Friday, April 10, at 6:30 p.m. at the McDowell Grade School. Call Rita Moore at 377-1125 or Hazel Boatwright at 889-9485 for more information.

Easter Sunrise Service

The Floyd County Ministerial Association will conduct the first annual Floyd County Community Easter Sunrise service in the Mountain Arts Center, 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. on Sunday, April 12. The program features worship band, community choir, MEGA worship youth, special vocal music, scripture readings, and a Jesus film. Anyone who wants to sing in the choir must attend practice Thursday, April 9, at 8 p.m. at the Prestonsburg First Presbyterian Church. Call 886-8031 or 3319.

Holy Week events

- Holy Week services: April 6-10, at the First Baptist Church (Irene Cole Memorial) in Prestonsburg. Various ministers will speak. Everyone is welcome.
- Community Choir rehearsal for

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Pastor: Rev. John Moriarty
Phone 874-9526

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Sunday School 10:00 a.m., Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Night 6:00 p.m., including youth
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Family Night
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Sunrise Services will be held April 9, at 8 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church in Prestonsburg.

- The ministerial association will conduct the first annual interdenominational Easter Sunrise Service on April 12, from 7:30-8:30 a.m. at the Mountain Arts Center.

Easter celebration

Jenny Wiley State Resort Park will hold an Easter celebration and egg hunts on April 10-12. Activities include Easter egg hunts, visit with the Easter bunny and sunrise services. Free to the public. An Easter buffet will be served at most state resort parks. Call the park for dates and schedules.

Biblical drama

Coming to Logan, West Virginia, on April 11, at 6:30 p.m., will be Emmanuel, The Life of Christ. The Biblical drama portrays the life of Jesus, from birth to death and resurrection, with a cast of 40-50 people. Admission is free. For more information, call (304) 675-4054.

Special Olympics meeting

A follow-up meeting for all coaches, volunteers and committee coordinators of the Kentucky Special Olympics will be held April 9, at 6 p.m. at the N. Mayo Trail Matewan Bank (located across from the Wedding Plaza Shopping Center) in Pikeville. The Special Olympics will be held April 21.

Music in the Air Festival

The third annual Music in the Air Festival will be held August 22, at Indian Fort Theater in Berea. Applications now being accepted for craft exhibitors, independent business exhibitors and food vendors. Call Betty Jo Foster at 1-800-265-9040 for an application or more information.

Shipmates sought

The USS LST Association is looking for all LSTER's to have a reunion with shipmates, from WW2 to present date. The next reunion will be in Washington, D.C. September 2-8. Contact Bob Garner LST 461, HC 52 Box 362, Hemphill, Texas 75948, or call 1-800-228-5870.

Newsome reunion

The descendants of Daniel Newsome of Teaberry will meet for their annual reunion May 24 at the Army Corps of Engineers Dewey Dam Spillway, Shelter No. 4. Family members are asked to bring a covered dish, deserts, drinks, etc.

MS Walk

The Multiple Sclerosis Society will conduct a MS Walk on May 3 at Prestonsburg Community

College. Registration begins at 1 p.m., and the walk begins at 2 p.m. Call 886-3633 or 1-800-628-5645 for more information.

Trout release

A trout release is scheduled for April 9 at 4:15 p.m. 2,700 trout will be released in the Fishtrap Lake tailwater. For daily lake information, i.e. lake levels, outflow conditions, trout releases and upcoming special events, call the Fishtrap Lake Information Line at (606) 437-9426.

Spring meeting

The spring meeting of the Prestonsburg District United Methodist Women will be held Saturday, April 18, at the Prestonsburg First United Methodist Church, Prestonsburg. Registration is at 9 a.m. The meeting begins at 10 a.m. Sandra Savage is guest speaker. Rebecca Haywood will provide the special music.

Mining conference

Governor Paul Patton and Assistant Secretary of Labor J. Davitt McAteer will speak at the Kentucky Mine Safety Conference in Pikeville April 22-24 at the Mark II Convention Center. For more information, call (606) 432-2161.

Retired teachers to meet at May Lodge

The Big Sandy District Retired Teachers Association will meet at May Lodge on Thursday, April 9. Registration begins at 10 a.m. with the meeting starting at 10:30 a.m. Topics include insurance, health care and legislative concerns.

COPS coming

The Prestonsburg Police Department will host a training session for the Community-Oriented Policing Services (COPS) training program on April 16 and April 30. The program is designed to create an effective working partnership between the individuals in the community and law enforcement. Call (606) 323-3700 or 1-800-876-4552 for more information.

SB Council meeting at Martin Middle School

The site base decision making council will hold their monthly meeting on Monday, April 13 at 6 p.m. at the school. The meeting is open to the public.

Clark SBDM meeting

The regular SBDM meeting will be held April 8 at 6 p.m. and, as with all meetings, will be held in the school library. Everyone welcome.

Mended Hearts to meet at HRMC

Chapter 220 of the Mended Hearts, Inc. will be meeting April 14 at 6 p.m. in Conference Room B at HRMC, new addition, behind the cafeteria. Mended Hearts offers support, encouragement and educational resources to heart patients and their families.

BLHS representatives for '98-'99 to be elected

The election of parent representatives and PTO officers will be

held May 5 at 6 p.m. at the school library. Parents unable to attend this meeting may vote in the library from 2:45 to 3:45 p.m. Written nominations will be taken in the office of the principal during school hours from April 3-May 4. Contact the school for further information.

Depressed Anonymous to meet

Every Thursday at 7 p.m. in the conference room of the Big Sandy ADD office the 12-step program, Depressed Anonymous, meets. Anyone interested may attend. For more information, call 886-0483.

Incredible Magic Circus

The Incredible Magic Circus is coming to the National Guard Armory at Prestonsburg April 14 at 7 p.m. for one show. It will feature a lady on the flying trapeze, as well as a magician, acrobats, clowns and exotic animals. Children ages 14 and under admitted free, 15-18 years of age are \$4 at the door, and adults are \$7.

JW Easter Egg Hunt

There will be an Easter Egg Hunt at the Resort Park Campground of the Jenny Wiley State Park Saturday, April 11 at 2 p.m. for children ages 12 and under. For more information, call 886-2711.

South Floyd Youth Services Center Activities

- Adult Learning Center open Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8 a.m. to noon. ALC is sponsored by the David School. It is free, and open to the public.
- Clothing Bank open on Wednesdays and Fridays by appointment.
- Student Activity held from 3-4 p.m. on school days.
- The Youth Center is open from 8-4 Mondays through Fridays, located at suite 232 at SFHS. For more information, call Keith Smallwood or Mable Hall at 452-9600, ext. 158 & 145, FAX 452-9303.

Organizational Meeting for Men's Softball at Archer Park

There will be an organizational meeting for the men's softball league April 15 at 6:30 p.m. at Archer Park, Prestonsburg. It is requested that at least one representative from your team be present. For more information, call Cory Vicars at 874-2121, or 874-0444.

PCC Community Chorus in concert at MAC

The PCC Community Chorus will give a concert at the Mountain Arts Center May 3 at 3 p.m. and will provide a program of varied selections. The concert is free and open to the public.

Friends of May House to exhibit

The Friends of the Samuel May House will host an open house and exhibit, "Seed Plantin' Time," on Saturday and Sunday, April 18 and 19. Citizens in Floyd and surrounding counties are asked to loan the old farm tools, pictures and related items. Call David Hereford at 886-3057.

Kindergarten registration at May Valley

May Valley Elementary will be having their kindergarten registration May 8 from 9-12 noon.

Please bring the following records with you: verification of a TB skin test, immunization certificate, birth certificate, and physical exam results.

Harris Family Reunion

The Harris family will be having their reunion May 2 at the Cow Creek Freewill Baptist Church Annex beginning at 11 a.m. for the descendants of William Harris, James Harris, John Q. Harris, Buena Vista Harris, California Harris, and Newton Perry Harris.

Each relative is asked to bring a covered dish, salad or dessert. For more information, call 874-0555, 886-8652, or 874-2632.

Fall kindergarten registration at PGS

There will be a registration for kindergarten classes for Prestonsburg Elementary May 15 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon at the school.

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Sunday, April 12, at 11 a.m.

Easter Egg Hunt for all children following worship service.



We are located at 1320 N. Lake Drive, between Jerry's and Dairy Queen



Easter Week Services

at Highland Avenue

Freewill Baptist Church

Revival begins Wednesday night

with Elder Berky Lewis,

Services begin at 7 p.m. Special singing nightly

Footwashing, Thursday night

Sunrise Services, Sunday at 6 a.m.

Sunday School, 9:55 a.m.

Morning Worship, 11 a.m.

St. James Episcopal Church Worship Schedule for Holy Week

554 University Dr., Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653

606-886-8046

The Reverend Johnnie E. Ross, Rector

April 8th—Wednesday7 p.m.

Men's Bible Study, Daughters of the King
Celebration of the Holy Eucharist & Healing

April 9th—Maundy Thursday6 p.m.

Community Pot Luck Supper

April 10th—Good Friday7 p.m.

A Service for the Burial of our Lord

April 11th—Holy Saturday7 p.m.

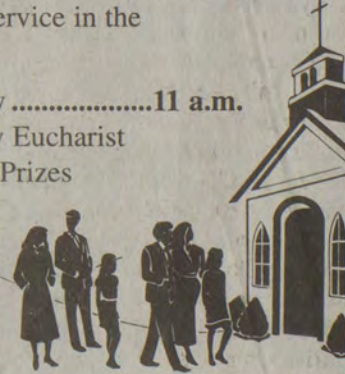
The Easter Vigil (A candlelight service in the tradition of the early Church)

April 12th—Resurrection Sunday11 a.m.

A Festive Celebration of the Holy Eucharist
Children's Easter Egg Hunt with Prizes

Choose your place of worship not based on someone you know, but someone you'd like to know better!

Worship God in a family church, come worship at St. James!



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Eucharist and Foot Washing

Good Friday 4/10/98 8:00 p.m.
SOLEMN LITURGY OF THE LORD'S PASSION
Passion from the Gospel of Saint John

Holy Saturday 4/11/98 8:30 p.m.
SOLEMN EASTER VIGIL
Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist
The most important service of the year!

Easter Sunday 4/12/98 11:15 a.m.
EASTER SUNDAY MASS
Rededication to our Baptismal Promises

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Floyd County Ministerial Association Presents First Annual Easter Sunrise Service

Service, Sunday, April 12, 7:30-8:30 a.m.



Worship Band....MEGA Worship Youth....Special Vocal Music
Scripture Readings....Jesus Film....Community Choir
(Choir practice will be at the Prestonsburg
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Everyone Welcome. Please support this exciting opportunity and help establish an annual Easter observance in Floyd County

For more information, call 886-8031 or 3319

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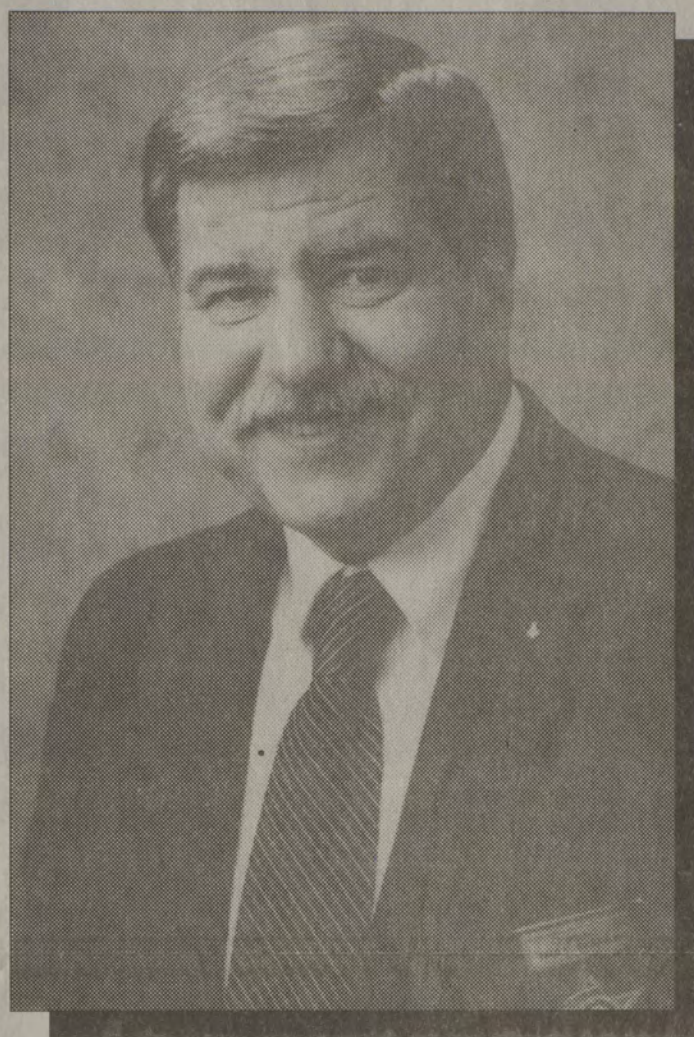
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Paul Hunt Thompson can and will work with federal officials to provide water and sewer line extensions by obtaining federal PRIDE grants.

- ★ Has already helped to obtain funding for several projects in Floyd County; including McDowell, Wayland, Middle Creek, and Prestonsburg areas.
- ★ Will work to obtain funding to extend sewer lines from Wheelwright (now operating at about 50% capacity) into the Weeksbury and Melvin area.
- ★ Will work to extend the Wayland sewer project into the Garrett area.
- ★ Will work to extend the new Prestonsburg sewer lines to the Pike County line, and other communities, such as Prater Creek, Daniels Creek, Mare Creek, and Betsy Layne area will then be able to apply for funding for their communities.
- ★ Will Continue to clean up trash and litter in Floyd County by using prisoners from the Otter Creek Correctional Facility

A MESSAGE TO THE VOTERS OF FLOYD COUNTY:

We must clean up our environment in order to promote economic development and tourism. As your County Judge-Executive I will take the action necessary to stop illegal dumps and provide affordable water and sewer service to the people of Floyd County.

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Jason Meade demonstrated his high jump ability during dual track meet.

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A Look At Sports

Distrubing news: Wheelwright gym to close doors

The good folks up Left Beaver received some bad news from the school board. The school board has plans to close the Wheelwright gym, which means Osborne and Melvin elementaries will have to return to their cracker box facilities.

Osborne coach Roger Johnson said the school was notified of the closing and is shaken over the decision.

"It means the community is going to lose a lot of money," he said. "That is a gathering place for the community up here."

Melvin and Osborne have been playing their home basketball games at the old Wheelwright gym since South Floyd became a high school. If you have ever been at a home game for either school, you could easily see that they draw more fans than anyone in the county.

Again, economics wins over the need of the kids. I would like to see the parents and concerned alumni make their voices heard in this one. What is happening is shameful, and so bad that the community has called for a meeting at the Weeksbury Community Center this evening at 7 p.m. All concerned citizens, Wheelwright alumni and others are urged to be at the meeting.

"It's about saving our gym," said Coach Johnson. "We need everyone to come out."

The old Wayland gym and the Wheelwright gym hold many, many memories for Floyd Countians. How many excellent basketball players have went through that gym? And, think of the great teams that have performed there. Memories. Let's preserve some of them.

I have contended over and over again that we need a Hall of Fame. The old Wayland gym would have made a great place for one. Some great basketball players have come out of both schools.

Maybe the concerned citizens can purchase the old gym.

Congratulations to coach Wes Case and the Allen Central AAU girls' 14-under basketball team who won the All Ohio Slam-N-Jam tournament this past weekend. This group of girls, when in high school, could very well be one of the dominating teams in the state. Watch out for them!

QUESTION: Where are all the bleachers that once seated the fans at the Allen Park (high school field) when baseball season was going on? The fans from Feds Creek had to sit in the team dugout in order to find a place to sit down. As of Monday, still no bleachers on the high school field side. I noticed some fans had to bring blankets and were sitting on the hard pavement.

At the Betsy Layne/Allen Central conference game Monday night, the park was filled with fans. What a great sight it was! Even at the girls' softball game, Betsy Layne/Millard, the fans gathered in a large number. The weather has been nothing short of perfect for baseball and softball.

The Hatfield and McCoy football bowl is scheduled for Saturday, August 1, in Matewan, West Virginia. Two players from South Floyd and four from Prestonsburg will be competing. We will have more on this later.

Happy birthday to one of the best basketball players to come out our district. Todd Howard will celebrate number 18 this Friday. So, when you see Todd, wish him a happy birthday. Happy birthday, Todd!

Be sure to catch the 15th Region Sports Forum tonight. We will be talking about high school baseball with some special guests. Give us a call. Show time is 8:30 p.m., live and in living color.

I still need baseball schedules for Prestonsburg High School and softball schedule for Allen Central.

Until Friday, good sports everyone and be good sports!



Ed Taylor Sports Editor

Paintsville's Todd Tackett to ink with UK Thursday

Tiger guard gets offer from Kentucky coach

by Ed Taylor Sports Editor

The University of Kentucky, in looking for a replacement for the 1998 NCAA Tournament's Most Outstanding Player, Jeff Sheppard, turned down the interstate to the Mountain Parkway and on to Paintsville where they offered a scholarship to Paintsville Tiger guard and former Floyd Countain Todd Tackett.

The last hour offer came this past Sunday when Kentucky coach Tubby Smith said he wanted Tackett to come to Kentucky, fulfilling a boyhood dream of Tackett's.

Today is the first day colleges can sign high school athletes to a letter of intent, but Tackett will not sign until tomorrow at Paintsville High School.

Tackett, back in November, had made an oral commitment to Clemson University and coach Rick Barnes, but never signed with the Tigers.

Tackett helped lead the Paintsville Tigers

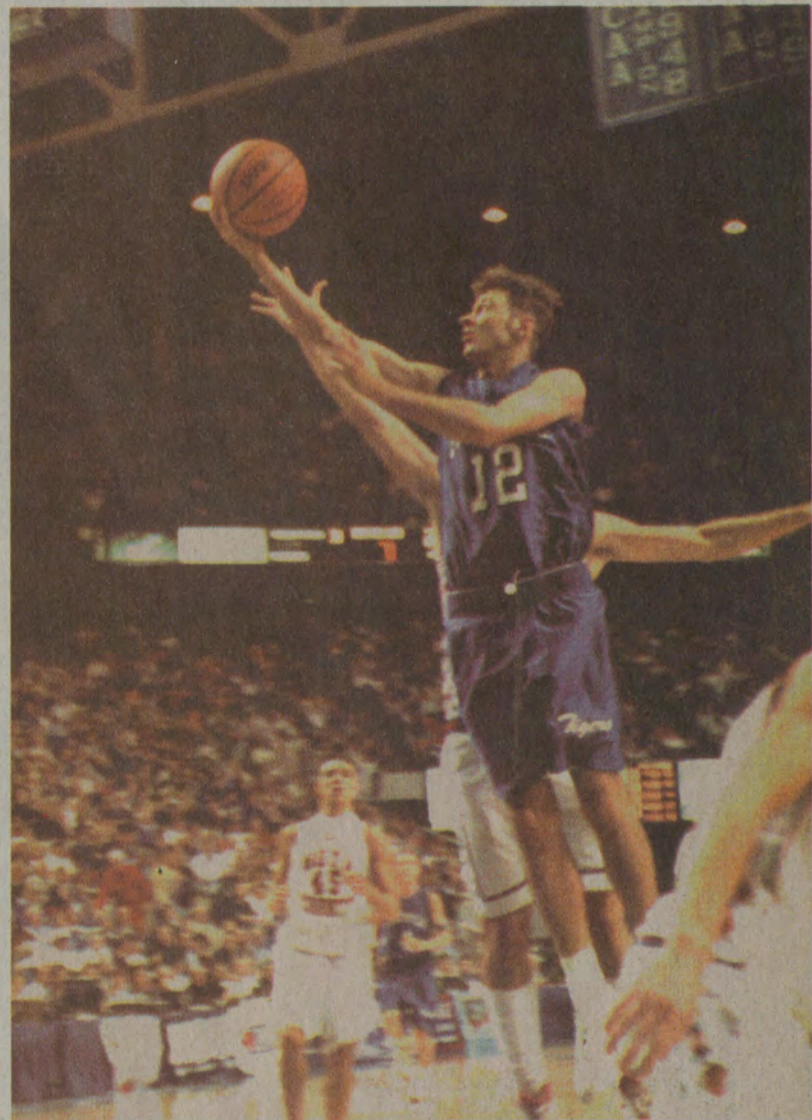
to the finals of this year's Sweet Sixteen against Scott County. Tackett, on his way to being named the tournament's Most Valuable Player, injured his back and had to sit out most of the second half. Paintsville lost to Scott County in the state tournament.

Tackett, who averaged just over 20 points per game and pulled in four rebounds per contest, was named recently to the Herald-Leader All-State team, along with teammate J.R. Vanhoose. Vanhoose inked with Marshall University last November.

Rumors circulated around Rupp Arena, during the state tournament, about UK coaches in the stands who were attending to have a look at Tackett. The events started to unfold last week when Tackett's father, Jerry Tackett, informed UK that his son was interested in coming to Kentucky.

"The offer has been made and Todd has

(See Tackett, page three)



From Tiger to Wildcat

Paintsville's Todd Tackett (12) will sign a letter-of-intent with the University of Kentucky either Thursday or Friday. Tackett received a scholarship offer from UK Coach Tubby Smith Sunday. (photo by Chuck Jones, Paintsville Herald)



Over the bar

Track and field season opened this past Thursday with a dual meet between Allen Central and South Floyd. South Floyd won the girls' class while Allen Central captured the boys' division. (photo by Ed Taylor)

Allen Central, South Floyd duel in dual track meet

by Ed Taylor Sports Editor

Allen Central High School hosted their first track and field meet of the year this past Thursday with a dual meet between the Rebels and South Floyd Raiders. Allen Central outscored the South Floyd boys 82-8, while South Floyd won the girls' division 59-37 over Allen Central.

Megan Ousley, a sixth grader at McDowell Elementary, set a new South Floyd school record in the women's 200-meter run. Ousley had a time of 29.85 for the top spot. Allen Central's Crystal Martin was second at 32.43, while Lillian Rose had a time of 32.91 for third place.

South Floyd dominated the top two spots in the women's 800-meter run. Monica Newsome took first place followed by Sara Johnson, an eighth grader at McDowell. Allen Central's Jessi Mosley finished third.

South Floyd finished first in the women's 1600-meter relays. The foursome posted a time of 5:50.46.

In the field events, Crystal Martin cleared the high jump bar at 4'8" to take first place. April Sexton, also of Allen Central, finished second and South Floyd's Tabitha Berger took third place.

Martin also won the women's long jump with a distance of 13'7". South Floyd took second and third

place. Melissa Dorton finished second at 11'4" and Jamie Reed finished third at 11'3".

Jenny Wells won both the women's discus and shot put. Well had a toss of 80'11" in discus while being measured at 27' 1" in the shot put. Jessica Martin finished second in both events with a throw of 75'9" in the discus and 26' 1" in the shot put. Sonya Tackett finished third in the discus at 71' 5", and Danielle Tackett placed third in the shot put with a toss of 26 feet.

David Poff led the way for the Rebels in the boys' division. Poff captured both the triple jump and long jump. He was measured at 34 feet in the difficult triple jump and the tape measure showed a jump of 16' 5" in the long jump pit. Allen Central took all three of the top spots in both events. Jonathan Ellis finished second in both the triple jump and long jump. James Hunter took third place in both events.

Poff cleared the high jump bar at 5' 6" for first place. Ellis cleared the bar at 5' 4" for second place. South Floyd's John Meade had a leap of 5' 2" for third place.

Jesse Hall had a distance of 79' 10" for first place in the men's discus. South Floyd took the second and third spots, with Shannon Hall placing second and Ricky Joe Hall third.

(See Track, page three)

Bobcats beat out 25 hits in rout of Vikings

by Ed Taylor Sports Editor

Kenneth Johnson was in full control on the mound for the Betsy Layne Bobcats Friday night, and he also starred at the plate for coach Tim Rice. Johnson hurled a two-hit shutout of the Vikings in a five inning mercy game, allowing but two hits. He collected two hits, including a third inning two-run triple.

What started out as a varsity game resembled more of a junior varsity affair from the third inning on. Coach Rice inserted his JV squad after Betsy Layne had reached Feds Creek pitching for 14 runs in the first two innings.

Johnson had only four strike outs in the game while not issuing a walk to the Vikings. The Bobcat defense played outstanding behind the right hander.

Feds Creek, who fielded a very young team last year, is still trying to establish their baseball program.

The younger Vikings played well, but pitching is still the name of the game. Jason Walton, an exchange student from Australia, took the mound for the Vikings in his first-ever baseball game. Needless to say it was the wrong game to be on the hill.

Betsy Layne pounded him for 15 hits in the inning and a third he worked. He fanned one batter and walked one allowing 14 runs.

Lee Stiltner came on in relief with one out in the second and worked out of a jam. But in the Betsy Layne third, they collected seven hits and scored seven

(See Bobcats, page three)



Top hurler

Betsy Layne's Kenneth Johnson was in control from the mound as he hurled the Bobcats to a 24-0 win over Feds Creek last Friday evening. (photo by Ed Taylor)

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- '97 Ford Aspire - stk. #H205
- '96 Dodge Neon - stk. #H194
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- '95 Pontiac Firebird - stk. #H192
- '96 Chevy Blazer - stk. #HT185
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- '95 Eagle Talon - stk. #H164
- '95 Toyota 4-Runner - stk. #HT163
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- '97 Mazda 626 - stk. #HT095A
- '94 Ford Explorer - stk. #T1600A
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- '95 Nissan Pathfinder - stk. #HT130
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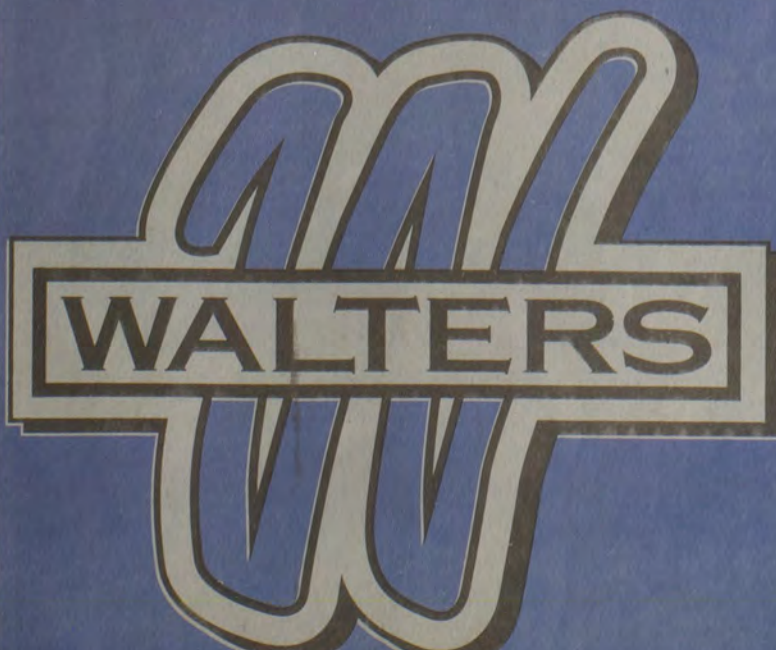
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- '96 Chevy C1500 - stk. #GT475
- '95 Olds Aurora - stk. #G501
- '95 Chevy C1500 4x4 - stk. #4420P
- '95 Ford C1500 4x4 - stk. #G2516

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- '96 Toyota 4-Runner - stk. #4932P
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- '97 Lincoln Town Car - stk. #H118
- '97 Toyota 4-Runner - stk. #4866P
- '94 Lexus 400LS - stk. #739A
- '97 Chevy C1500 - stk. #632A1
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Tackett

accepted the scholarship offer," Jerry Tackett said Tuesday. "I'm a graduate of UK. I graduated from dental school in '79, and I was a student during that national championship (1978). As far as I am concerned, they are the number one program in the nation."

"I'm excited as a parent, but the main thing is I am excited about Todd getting a chance to play for his home school. The fact is he is from Kentucky. In fact I think it is the best opportunity for Todd to get to the next level because he does have NBA aspirations. He feels he can play at that level, and so do I."

Before he gets there, though, his father thinks there are areas in which he needs to improve.

"Absolutely. He has to get a lot stronger. I feel he has to improve his dribble in the open court," said the

senior Tackett.

The scholarship offer came Sunday from Coach Smith. The offer was reaffirmed on Monday. This is a "dead period" for college coaches, and Smith nor his staff will be attending the signing Thursday or Friday.

Although being recruited as a two-guard, Tackett could play some point at UK, to Smith reportedly told Jerry Tackett.

Once the offer came from Kentucky, Tackett withdrew his commitment to Clemson Monday night.

According to his father, Smith was to mail out the necessary paperwork Tuesday with the papers arriving at Paintsville today (Wednesday). A news conference for the signing will take place either Thursday or Friday at the high

school.

Tackett, who went from Wheelwright to the Paintsville school system while in the fifth grade, still has family ties in Floyd County. He has a large supporting cast in the Left Beaver area, as well as in Martin and other parts of the county.

"I graduated from Wheelwright where I played basketball," his father Jerry said. "I played for Frankie Francis on the 1970 team that went to the state tournament. We still have close ties to people there."

Paintsville won the state tournament in his sophomore season, and the Tigers advanced to the final four his junior year before losing. Tackett has been compared to Kentucky standout Rex Chapman in his quickness and leaping ability.

The hunt for a replacement for Sheppard should end this week when Tackett is expected to ink the letter of intent.

Track

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Hall edged Shawn Case in winning the shot put event. Hall was measured at 38' 6". Case had a throw of 35-feet. Eric Combs was third at 33' 4".

In the men's 200-meter run, Mark Dunfee had a time of 24.42 for the top spot. Allen Central's James Hunter was second at 28.45, and Israel Shepherd finished third at 34.15.

Allen Central's mile relay team took first place.

Bobcats

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runs as the hit paraded from the plate continued. Betsy Layne sent 10 batters to the plate in the second, scoring seven times for a 21-0 advantage.

Robert Rose, who entered the game in the third for lead-off batter Jake Carroll, collected three hits in as many at bats and had two runs batted in. Bradley Brooks, the Bobcats' designated hitter and who later went behind the plate, had three hits in the game, Fred Grey entered the game in the bottom of the third and went two-for-three. He had two RBI's.

Brad Reynolds, who celebrated his birthday last Friday, collected two hits and two RBIs in the game.

Chris Abshire had a first inning double, and Walton laced a double to right field for the only two Feds Creek hits.

Betsy Layne pulled off the game's only double play in the second inning. Betsy Layne left five base runners stranded, while the Vikings left three runners on base.

Betsy Layne improved to 4-1 on the season.



Easy sailing

South Floyd's James Meade cleared the high jump bar with ease in finishing third in the event last Thursday at Allen Central. Allen Central won the dual meet. (photo by Ed Taylor)

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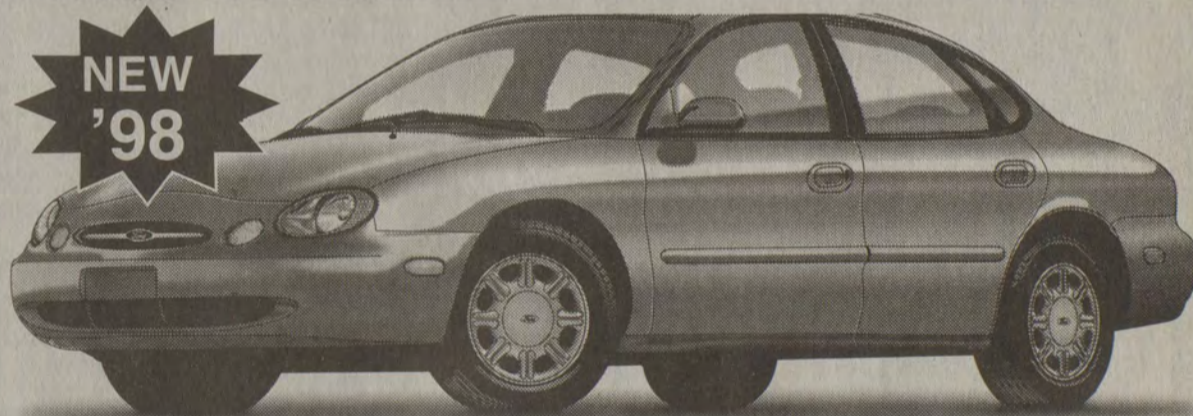
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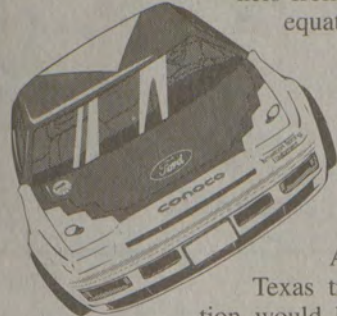
Last weekend's return to Texas Motor Speedway by both the Busch and Winston Cup Series was one of the most anticipated race weekends on the entire schedule. The level of anticipation rose because of the memory of single file racing and multi-car wrecks caused by a poorly designed race track.

The true sense of everything that happens in Texas does so in a big way could never be proved wrong by what transpired on both Saturday and Sunday at the Texas track. With qualifying and practice being cut short due to the fact that moisture was coming to the surface in one of the turns, any predictions for either race could have been made just as easily by flipping a coin as studying the individual race teams.

The short history of the track has been well documented with the numerous cars that have felt the tug of a tow truck in finding their way back to their pit stall. Both races last week made sure that no wrecker or ambulance driver ever got to kick back and just watch the race instead of being one of the central figures.

Lost in the weekend was the performances by some drivers who don't normally play a major role in the outcome of a race. Chad Little and Robert Pressley are two Winston Cup drivers that you normally don't hear much about when the race is winding down each week. Last Sunday both drivers

were able to post their best finishes of the year and Little even had a shot at the win in the final laps. Maybe they just weren't used to running up front and with all of the excitement just forgot to pay attention to a track that was having a field day removing would-be winners from the equation.



As Texas tradition would have it, the biggest moment of the 1998 Busch Series came Saturday when Dale Earnhardt, Jr. won his first ever Busch race. It wasn't just a matter of outlasting the field either, he won the race in the same fashion that his famous dad has done so many times before.

In true Earnhardt fashion, his team rolled the dice with just fifteen laps to go with his AC Delco Chevrolet in first place. He pulled onto pit road to take on four new tires while everyone else decided to go with the worn tires they had. When he came back on the track he had fallen back to third place and had the task of running down Joe Nemechek with only a handful of

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laps remaining. His new tires had him on the rear bumper of Nemechek with less than five laps remaining.

With his dad on the other end of Dale Jr.'s headphones, the younger Earnhardt pulled up so tight on Nemechek's bumper that it seemed he was pushing him going into the last lap. Nemechek got loose just enough to allow the younger Earnhardt to get the front end of his Monte Carlo underneath him. At that point Dale Jr. didn't need anyone on he headphones to tell him what to do. He pushed his own number three past Nemechek and headed across the finish line first on his way to his first ever trip to victory lane.

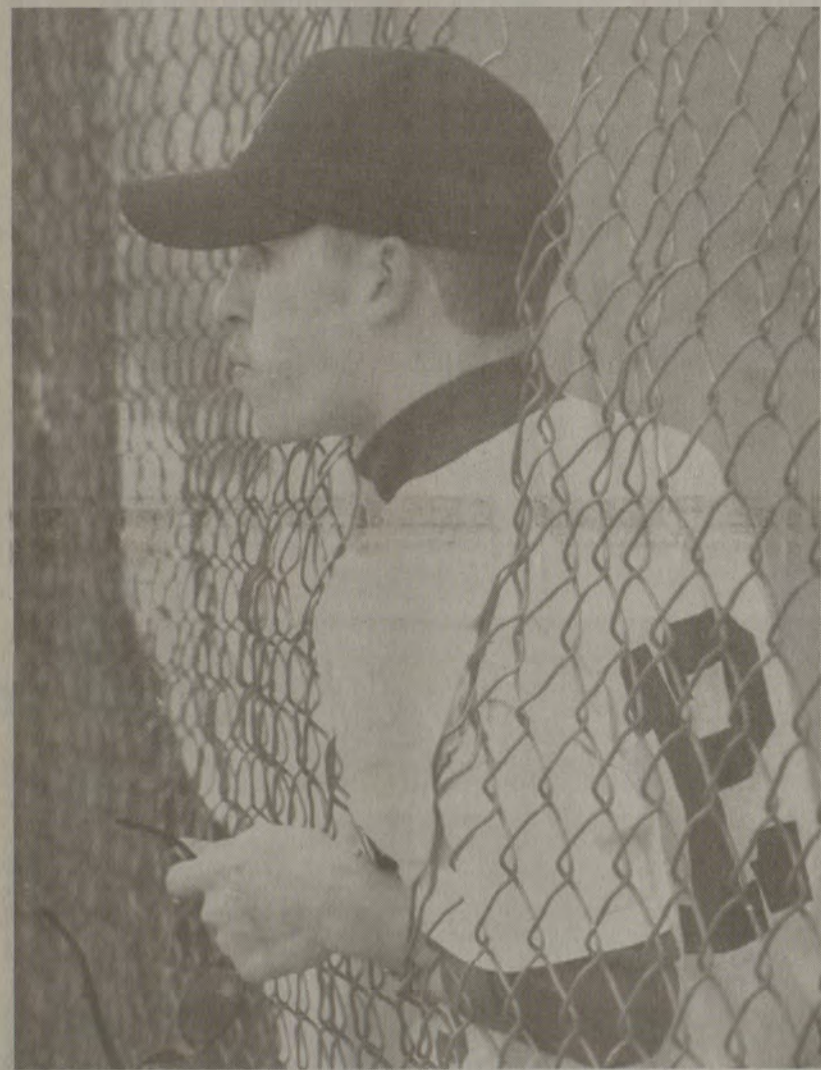
It seemed that the elder Earnhardt once again showed some of the same emotion that slipped from him in February after he won the Daytona 500. This time the emotional display was not only triggered by a race win but the words of his youngest son coming across the radio saying, "Daddy, I love you to death!"

This is Earnhardt's Jr.'s first full season of racing in the Busch Series. He is not eligible for Rookie of the Year honors because he ran in seven races last year. It was decided by the elder Earnhardt that the experience that Dale Jr. could get by running in these races would be far more beneficial than waiting until this season to run for the rookie honors. It seems that the decision was a right one as not only has he posted his first win of the season, he also finds himself in first place in the Busch series standings.

Earnhardt Jr. is the only new piece of a highly successful Busch series team that is owned by his father. Last year, Steve Park drove the AC Delco Chevrolet to three wins and twelve top five finishes before moving on this year to become the driver of Earnhardt's Winston Cup team.

The win by the younger Earnhardt also puts the Earnhardt name a little deeper into the NASCAR history books. He was the third generation of Earnhardt's to post a victory in NASCAR. His grandfather, Ralph Earnhardt won while racing in NASCAR before it became the Winston Cup series and his father's track exploits speak for themselves.

After last weekend's trek to Texas it is only fitting that the Winston Cup boys get a weekend off to regroup before they head back to the short track wars at Martinsville. For Dale Jr. and the rest of the Busch Series drivers they go to Hickory for their own version of the short track war this Saturday.



Hole in the fence gang

The home side dugout has a hole in the front of it, and it seems to be one of the favorite places from which to view a game as this Betsy Layne demonstrates. The "hole" has been there for a number of years, and no one wants it repaired. (photo by Ed Taylor)

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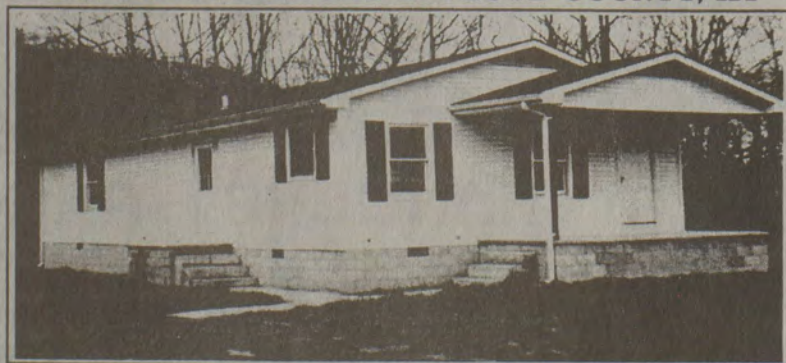
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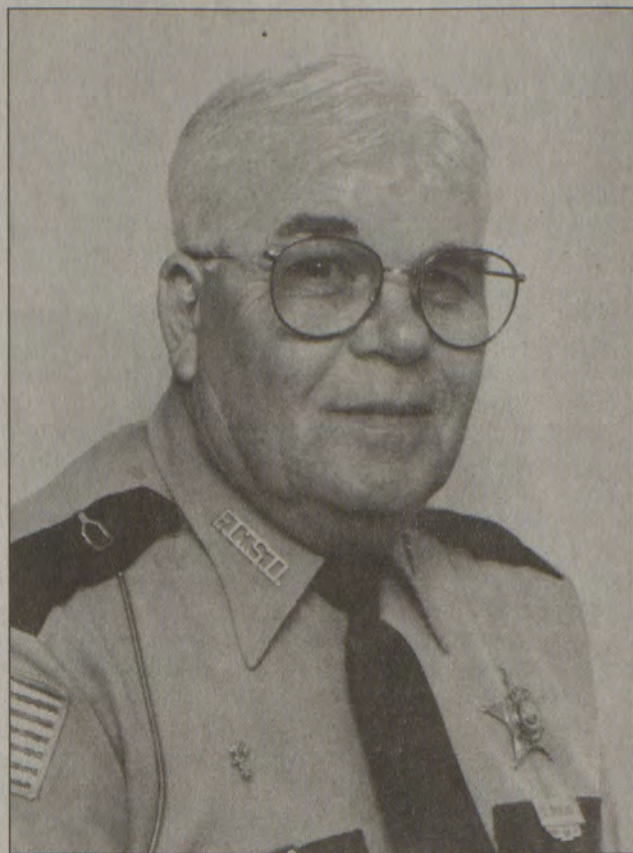
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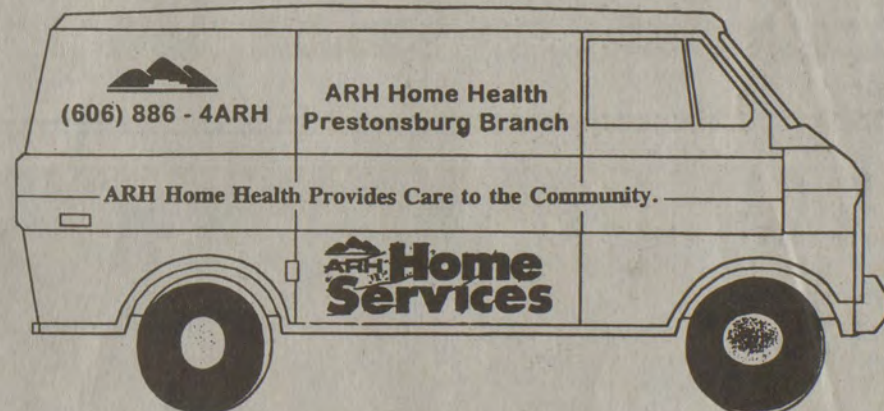
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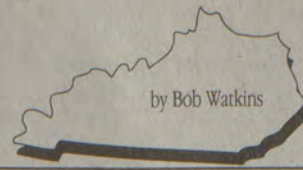
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SPORTS IN KENTUCKY



'Stylish' Wildcats NCAA title run continues to draw rave reviews

Amid a flurry of praise from Sports Illustrated to SportsCenter to a blizzard of tee-shirt variations and sales and newspaper and magazine specials, a state continues to celebrate college basketball's national championship with uncommon affection. And why not, what with the stylish way the Wildcats earned their crown?

Meanwhile, a UK fan in Benton (tongue in cheek) wonders if the State Legislature might entertain a motion to alter the state's name.

Kentucky.
At least another good idea for a tee-shirt front.

One of my favorites in a flurry of letters received the last few days, is an e-mail from Gayle M. Ruffli: "As a Kentuckian I think we ought to be as proud of the UK team for (its) sportsmanship as for their winning. On ESPN's SportsReporters there was general consensus that the UK team should receive the sportsmanship award and that it was a class act after wins over both Duke and Stanford."

"This is just one more accolade for Coach Tubby Smith after a very impressive season. One's team is not a "class act" unless the coach has class. Having raised two sons who played sports as thousands of Kentucky children do for the "fun" of it and to enjoy being around their friends I hope coaches and fans of Kentucky's children who play sports will adopt UK's model of sportsmanship and being a class act as much as they have the focus on winning. Obviously they are not mutually exclusive. Stanford also exhibited grace and sportsmanship in losing, unlike North Carolina who received derision for its behavior. Right now I am very proud to be from Kentucky."

READERS (RIGHT) WRITE

✓ About those national champions on Kentucky Wildcats...

Joyce Coffman, Benton (E-Mail): "Having observed the non-arrogant and sportsman-like conduct of the UK players and coaching staff, not to mention the National Championship, do you think it is too soon in his coaching tenure to consider renaming our fair state Kentubby?"

Greg Smith, Lawrenceburg (E-Mail): "...great bunch of guys and first rate coach's wife. We are all ecstatic about the (NCAA title) win, proud of how hard the guys played. I hope they know how happy we are for them and how proud we are of not only how they played but how they acted. They reflected a brilliant light on Kentucky, collegiate athletics and I'd say there are an awful lot of parents who cried their eyes out seeing how beautifully their young sons behaved with all the world to see."

John Barrett (E-mail): "It's perhaps a bit corny, but I believe that the glue that held this team together was the religious faith and strength that (Cameron) Mills and (Jeff) Sheppard brought to the fore. This

Pikeville Colleges sweeps two from Clinch Valley

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

Melanie Joyce and Krissy Wyrick tossed shutouts as the Pikeville College Lady Bears softball team swept Clinch Valley in a doubleheader last Thursday on the road at Clinch Valley.

Joyce tossed a three-hit shutout in game one as Pikeville posted a 9-0 win. Wyrick shutout Clinch Valley in the night cap on just two hits for a 8-0 victory.

Pikeville scored four runs in each of the third and fifth innings of game one, collecting five hits. The Lady Bears got some help from Clinch Valley as they committed seven errors in the game. Pikeville had four.

Michelle Jones had a double for the Lady Bears for the only extra-base hit for Pikeville.

The win ran Joyce's personal record to 5-5 on the season.

Wyrick went over the 500 mark to improve to 6-5 on the year in the second game win. Pikeville took a 1-0 lead in the first inning and pushed home six runs in the top of the third inning and added a single run in the fifth.

Clinch Valley committed five errors in the second game, while Pikeville had one. Jill Couch had a third inning double for the Lady Bears.

was not only a good team, it was a good team in the spiritual sense. That influence prevented the team from becoming just another trash-talking, ref-baiting, high-strutting group of punks that seem to dominate the college landscape. I cannot recall any incident of taunting, pointing, sulking or poor sportsmanship on this team all year."

COMMENT: Amen.
Responding to an item in this space suggesting that Lady Luck played a role in UK's march to the national championship...

Robert Walker of Glendale: "...one bit of luck you forgot to mention that went Kentucky's way was — with six seconds left against Stanford when Scott Padgett was tied-up on the inbounds play — the possession arrow was pointed Kentucky's way."

COMMENT: Amen.

BLACK SHEEP '88

Since UK won NCAA titles in 1948, '58, '78 and '98, what, you may ask, happened in 1968 and 1988?

1968. One of Adolph Rupp's most promising teams, commonly referred to as Issel-Casey & Pratt, finished the regular season 21-4, won the SEC and was ranked 4th nationally. UK was chosen to host the NCAA Midwest Regional and designed to wear home white uniforms over the heated protests of a coach from one of the Regional finalists, Marquette coach Al McGuire.

Kentucky crushed the Warriors 107-89 and played Ohio State for the right to go to the Final Four. UK was stunned on a Bill Sorenson last second shot from the sideline, 82-81. The Wildcats finished 22-5. UCLA beat North Carolina for the NCAA title and Ohio State topped Houston in the consolation game.

Footnote: A member of the UK Kittens freshmen that season was a kid from Barbourville named Terry Mills (Cameron's father).

1988. The record was 25-5, but NCAA sanctions fell on Kentucky. Before summer the starting lineup evaporated — sophomore Rex Chapman opted for the NBA, freshman Eric Manual was ruled ineligible and seniors Winston Bennett, Ed Davender and Rob Lock were gone. And, a national magazine cover would proclaim Kentucky's shame.

RECRUITING SCUTTLEBUTT

Dirk Norwitzki. A 7-foot, 260-pound 19-year-old German native impressed college recruiters at the Nike-sponsored Hoop Summit in San Antonio during the Final Four as the International Juniors beat the USA.

Norwitzki (nor-WIT-ski) combines a big man body with power forward skills. Runs the court well and has reasonable ball handling and passing skills. Currently in the military in his native Germany, but out in June, he plans to attend college in the US. His final three college choices are said to be UCLA, California and Kentucky.

Anthony Grundy, the 6-2 native

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of Louisville and Warren Central graduate who played at Chatham (Va.) Hargrave Military, may be leaning to North Carolina State, but still in pursuit are UofL, Murray State, Tennessee and Kentucky.

JUST WONDERING

Jerry Tarkanian, Fresno State's coach assured ESPN's Dick Vitale, "Jeff Sheppard will not score 10 points against (Utah's) Drew Hansen."

Tark was right. Sheppard scored 16 and was named Most Outstanding Player of the Final Four. Never mind, a day later Tarkanian was awarded a \$2.5 million settlement from the NCAA.

Paul Finebaum, columnist for the Birmingham Post-Herald, says he hates Kentucky. In a column on the day of the NCAA championship game, under a headline: In a perfect world, UK would lose...

"I hate Kentucky. I really do. And you should, too.

This is a pontifical program that gives good taste a bad name. Even on what many have described as "a down-year," the Wildcats are playing for the national college basketball championship again tonight.

It just doesn't seem fair. Go Utah!"

Alas, space prohibits offering the rest of Finebaum's hateful diatribe.

WORTH REPEATING DEPT.

Ex-UK Wildcat Derek Anderson was asked recently how he felt about Rick Pitino holding him out of the 1997 NCAA title game.

"...it was the coach's decision and looking back, I think it was a good one. He showed respect for my future and not just one game."

About the 1998 Wildcats, Anderson said, "...they play well together as a team and are just as good we were. But we had really only one go-to guy and they have several they can go to."

PARTING SHOTS

Rick Majerus: "Players leaving (college) early has hurt them and the NBA more than it's hurt the college game."

John Wooden: "There are things about college basketball that concern me. I think the influence of the pros has filtered down into the colleges. I think it's become far more physical than it used to be. Basketball is a beautiful game that doesn't need that kind of distracting stuff (showmanship and taunting). I'm not sure team play has progressed. In fact, I think it's deteriorated some. And that's not good."

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

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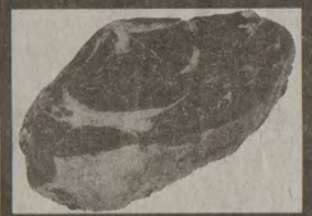
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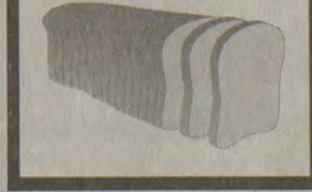
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Allen Central AAU captures Ohio tourney

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

Asked to describe his team that took to the road and traveled into Columbus, Ohio this past weekend, Coach Wes Case said, "they were awesome."

"When you looked out there and saw who was on the floor, boy what a team," said Coach Case, who hadn't yet come down to earth. He had reason to be rejoicing after his 14-and-under AAU girls' basketball team won the All Ohio Slam-N-Jam Girls' Hoop Challenge at the Willis-Mock Athletic Complex.

It wasn't your normal type tournament, as each game consisted of a 20-minute session.

"It was different," said Case. "If you were fouled in the act of shooting, you only got one shot but it counted for two points. They didn't keep track of fouls. The clock did not stop for anything."

Music, Combs combine to lead Allen Central past Sizzlers in tourney finals

In the championship game, Ramanda Music scored ten points, her tournament high, to lead her team to a 28-19 win over the Sizzlers, an all-star team from Upper Sandusky, Ohio. Beth Combs and Jaelyn Martin added four points apiece. Megan Hyden and Jaelyn Brown had two points each.

Allen Central finished with a 6-1 record, losing to a team from Pittsburgh, Pa., in the regular round of pool play. However, when the two teams met in the opening round of the tournament,

Allen Central posted a win, 29-23 to avenge the earlier loss. Combs led Allen Central with 15 points in the victory. Music added eight. Johanna Ison, Martin and Tonya Howard scored two points each.

"It was a good game," said Case. "Beth played a great game. She couldn't miss."

Allen Central played seven

games in a five-hour time span. But it wasn't anything this team hasn't faced before as they have played all year. The local AAU team posted a 49-12 win in their first game of pool play as ten players got into the scoring box. Music scored ten points in the win, with Combs pumping in eight. Amber Scott finished with seven, with Hyden and Martin scoring six each. Ison added four with Brown, Howard, Jeni Jo Spurlock and Jessica Isaac scoring two each.

Music and Combs combined for 15 points in game two in a 32-21 win. Music had eight points and Combs finished with seven. Scott netted five. Ison and Brown scored four points each, with Hyden and Martin tossing in two.

In game three, Allen Central couldn't hit the basket as they fell to the Pittsburgh team 26-14. Music scored six of the 14 points with Spurlock, Ison, Combs and Isaac netting two apiece.

It would be the only defeat the team would suffer as they came back and posted a 30-20 win in game four. Combs led the way with eight points, while Music and Isaac scored six apiece. Spurlock and Ison had four with Martin scoring two.

In the final game of their pool, Martin led Allen Central with eight points as they rolled to a 40-12 win in game five. Ison, Combs, and Brown had six points apiece. Scott and Music finished with four. Hyden, Howard and Isaac scored two each.

"It was a good experience for our team," said Case. "We had about four college scouts sitting on our bench taking notes. They couldn't talk with us, but they were looking."

A local television station interviewed Music after the first game, according to Case.

Tournament note:

Allen Central senior Misty Scott made the trip to Columbus with the AAU team and was placed on a high school-age team.

"Misty did well," said Case. "They were 1-3 in their pool. But she was placed in with girls from all over."



Short jumper

Jaelyn Martin put up a short jumper in the championship game of the Ohio Slam-N-Jam Tournament in Columbus, Ohio last weekend. Allen Central won the AAU tournament. (photo by Kenny Music)

Eight-run third sends Betsy Layne past Pikeville

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

Craig Johnson picked up his second win of the young baseball season this past week when the Betsy Layne Bobcats posted a 9-3 win over 15th Regional power Pikeville.

Johnson struck out six batters while scattering five Pikeville hits. Johnson also had two hits and an

Johnson picks up second win in 9-3 win over Panthers

RBI for the Bobcats. Lead off batter, Jake Carroll, collected two hits and drove in a pair of runs. He had a two-run double in the third inning when Betsy Layne scored eight times. Ken Johnson had two hits and a run batted in.

Howard started on the hill for Pikeville and went two and a third innings before giving way to May in the third inning. Howard took the loss for Pikeville.

Betsy Layne sent 12 batters to the plate in the third inning when they pushed across eight runs for a 9-0 lead. Betsy Layne collected five hits in the inning, with Carroll getting a single and the two-run double. Bradley Brooks, the designated hitter, had an RBI single in the frame, as did Dwayne Hughes.

Betsy Layne took a 1-0 lead with a run in the bottom of the first. Matt Kidd singled with one out and

scored on Brad Reynolds's RBI single. Kenneth Johnson had a first inning single.

Pikeville threatened in the top of the first against Johnson but left the bases loaded when Howard fanned to end the inning. Johnson retired the Panthers in order in the second and got out of a third inning jam. Batten and Childers singled with one out, but Johnson got Bow to line hard to Carroll in center field for the final out.

After getting the first three batters in the Pikeville fourth, Pikeville pushed across three runs in the bottom of the fifth. Shannon Potter started the three-run rally with a lead-off single and scored on John Mims's RBI triple. Mims scored when Justin Bartley booted Batten's grounder to short. Batten moved to third on a ground out and came home on Childers's sacrifice fly to center.

Johnson retired the final nine batters he faced to secure the win.

Matt Kidd led off the Bobcat sixth with a double, but was left stranded at third base.

Betsy Layne left seven runners stranded. They committed one error in the game. Pikeville stranded five base runners and had three errors.

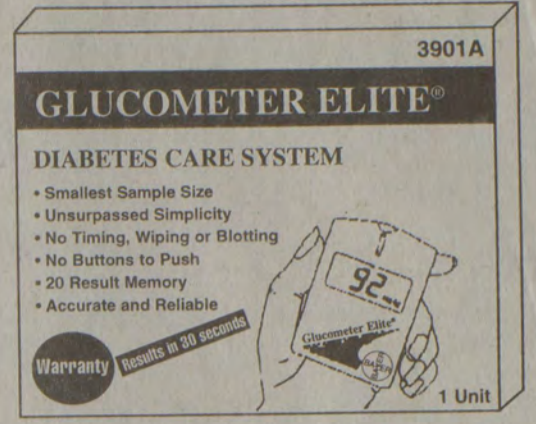
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Kid's Day In The Park celebrates fifth season

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

Food City and WMDJ radio will sponsor their fifth annual Kid's Day in the Park at Archer Park on Saturday, May 2 and it is all free.

The annual day, just for kids, has become one of the top events to kick off spring in Floyd County. Last year nearly 1,000 kids gathered at the local park for a day of fun, competition and treats. This year promises to be even better.

Seven different classes of competition for ages nine and under, topped by the popular Big Wheel Race, will highlight the day of activities. But there will be more than just competing for trophies. Kids will have a chance to ride the Prestonsburg Fire Department Little Plunger. The younger athletes will have a chance to meet the affectionate television character Barney, and get a look up close of Dale Earnhardt's No. 3 Food City NASCAR show race car.

Throughout the day, those competing will be walked from one event to another allowing all present to compete in all seven events. Other events, besides the Big Wheel race, include hot shot, sack race, kickball, yard darts, football toss, and the 50-yard dash.

The Mayfield Cow will be present with 1,000 free ice cream sandwiches. There will be free snack and drink stops throughout the park. There will be free treat bags for all the kids.

A sight to behold will be a close up look at the giant Food City shopping cart that will on display at the

park.

Something new this year is the Exploration Station that will allow kids a "hands on" demonstration by the Prestonsburg Fire Department. Also, as part of the Exploration Station, the Floyd County Emergency and Rescue Squad will be present with the Rescue Suburban Truck with boat and four wheelers. The Shiners medical transport van with clowns will be

part of the Station.

Also, the National Guard Army Hum-Vee fighting machine, the Kentucky State Police Mobile Museum with a 1949 cruiser, as well as a '98 Ford cruiser will be present. There will be a hands on demonstration for everyone and it is all free.

Trophies will be presented to winners in every age group. Harman Medical will have a first

aid medical station at the event. Prizes will be given away throughout the day.

The entire day is free for all children nine and under. However, race car souvenirs will be available for purchase. Also, the Allen Central Junior ROTC will operate a concession stand.

Kids, you don't want to miss this one. So, make plans to take in the 1998 Kid's Day in the Park on May



Strong arm

South Floyd's Misty Berger gave it the college try in women's shot put at Allen Central last Thursday. South Floyd has over 50 participants on their track and field roster. (photo by Ed Taylor)

201 SPEEDWAY

HISTORIC 201 SPEEDWAY GETS MAJOR FACE-LIFT

by Chris Belcher
Track Writer

Historic 201 Speedway, the longest-running dirt track for stock car racing, got the green flag this past January from new owner, William Barker, owner of Barker Mobile Homes. Barker acquired the speedway from Bill McCloud.

A full crew of local workers, under the direction of Barker and McCloud, quickly started the enormous task of putting a major face-lift on the Johnson County-located speedway, which over the years has hosted thousands of fans and drivers alike.

According to Barker, the object is, "to create a dirt track racing facility which drivers and spectators can enjoy taking part in a family atmosphere, and look forward to returning every Saturday night."

According to Barker, the renovations will proceed with the fans in mind.

A trip to the track reveals the massive undertaking that will include a new racing surface surrounded with new guardrails, stacked high enough to eliminate any new members to the "Over the Hill Club."

Bulldozers have been active since January, adding spacious parking areas where fans will be able to view racing from an elevated position. The old wooden bleachers will be replaced with a completely new grandstand, able to accommodate well over 1,200 fans. The new seating area will also have a scenic terrace for those who bring their own folding chairs.

A new concession stand has been constructed with the scorer's booth directly above. Many other changes are currently underway in an effort to welcome the public to this virtually-new dirt track.

The 1998 season will see 201

host a field of drivers in five divisions: claim bombers, super bombers, road hogs, and limited late model sportsman. The speedway will introduce the new four cylinder class, which will permit pickups as well as cars as long as motors are not tune port-injected.

Another innovation to the track will be televised events which are to be aired over a large area on most cable systems (check for your particular area). Special racing events are to be announced soon.

The first opportunity for fans to view the renovated facility will be at the test and tune date scheduled for April 26. Drivers will undergo pre-race day inspections for the first dates of competition on Saturday, May 2.

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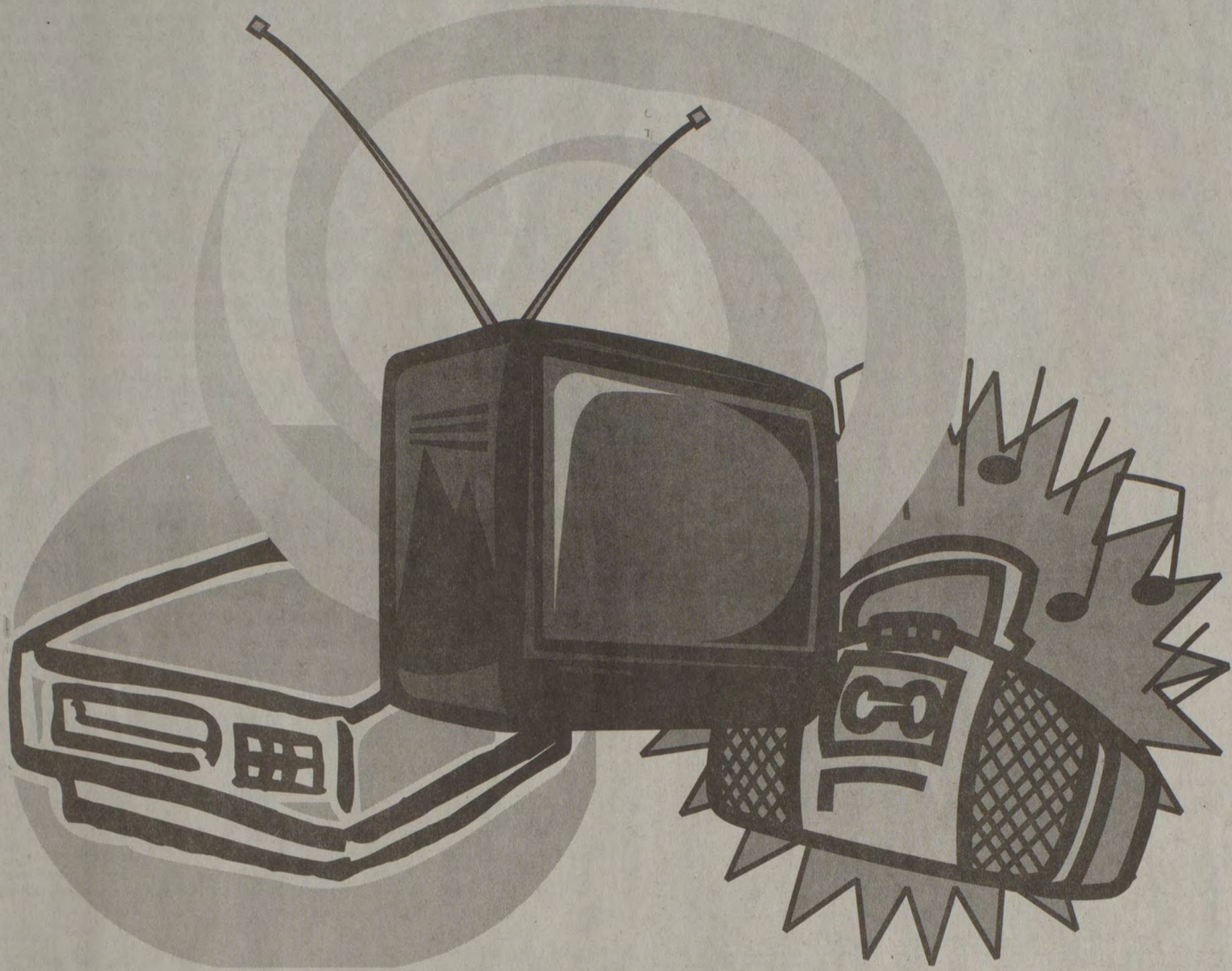
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THE RACING REPORTER

MARK MARTIN SAVES HIS BEST FOR LAST

Mark Martin gained the lead in the Texas 500 coming out of the pits on lap 307 of the 334-lap event and held off teammate, Chad Little for his second 1998 Winston Cup victory.

When the final caution came out, owner Jack Roush made the call to change only the two right side tires on Martin and Little's car. This allowed Martin to take the lead, with Little second.

"Man, it was unreal," said Martin. "We didn't have a bit of trouble here today. I didn't really step on it until I needed it at the end. It was a fun day!"

Dale Jarrett, who was the race leader going into the pits, elected to change all four tires. He lost five positions. However, he began to experience handling problems once the race resumed and was never able to challenge the leaders.

Jeremy Mayfield, the fastest qualifier, also led the most laps but finished a lap down after a tire went down and he hit the wall.

TOP 20 FINISHERS: 1) Mark Martin, 2) Chad Little, 3) Robert Pressley, 4) Joe Nemechek, 5) Johnny Benson, 6) Terry Labonte, 7) Jimmy Spencer, 8) Bobby Labonte, 9) Michael Waltrip, 10) Steve Grissom, 11) Dale Jarrett, 12) Rusty Wallace, 13) Bill Elliott, 14) Sterling Marlin, 15) Ward Burton, 16) Brett Bodine, 17) Kyle Petty, 18) David Green, 19) Wally Dallenbach, 20) Lake Speed.

TOP 10 POINTS LEADERS: 1) Rusty Wallace, 1,036, 2) Jeremy Mayfield, 1,012, 3) Terry Labonte, 1,001, 4) Mark Martin, 979, 5) Jeff Gordon, 978, 6) Bill Elliott, 928, 7) Dale Jarrett, 920, 8) Jeff Burton, 875, 9) Dale Earnhardt, 176, 10) Johnny Benson, 843.

EARNHARDT JR. WINS TEXAS BUSCH 300

Dale Earnhardt, Jr. gave up the lead with 15 laps to go in the Busch Grand National Coca-Cola 300 to take on new tires. When he returned he was in third place. He moved into second behind Joe Nemechek with five laps remaining in the 200 lap event, then blew by Nemechek on lap 199 to post his first-career BGN victory.

Dale Sr. made the call on lap 185 to bring his son in for fresh tires. "I knew getting four new tires

would give us the chance to win," he said.

The Earnhardt family is now a three-generation winner. The 23-year-old Dale Jr. is carrying on the tradition of his father, Dale Sr. and his grandfather, Ralph Earnhardt.

TOP 20 FINISHERS: 1) Dale Earnhardt, Jr., 2) Elliott Sadler, 3) Joe Nemechek, 4) Phil Parsons, 5) Jeff Krogh, 6) Randy LaJoie, 7) Mark Green, 8) Matt Kenseth, 9) Jeff Green, 10) Jeff Burton, 11) Mike McLaughlin, 12) Kyle Petty, 13) Tim Fedewa, 14) Mike Dillon, 15) Tony Stewart, 16) Ed Berrier, 17) Michael Waltrip, 18) Tracy Leslie, 19) Andy Santerre, 20) Mark Krogh.

TOP 10 POINTS LEADERS: 1) Dale Earnhardt, Jr., 1,006, 2) Elliott Sadler, 981, 3) Mike McLaughlin, 953, 4) Matt Kenseth, 952, 5) Randy LaJoie, 902, 6) Buckshot Jones, 838, 7) Mark Green, 820, 8) Hermie Sadler, 800, 9) Jeff Burton, 797, 10) Elton Sawyer, 779.

CRAWFORD SCORES FIRST TRUCK WIN

Rick Crawford wheeled his No. 14 Circle Bar Motel and RV Park Ford into victory lane this past Saturday.

Crawford, of Mobile, Alabama,

held off defending NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series champion Jack Sprague over the last 31 laps of the 167 lap of the Dodge Dealers 400.

Crawford finished runner-up to Kenny Irwin for Rookie of the Year honors in 1997.

TOP 10 FINISHERS: 1) Rick Crawford, 2) Jack Sprague, 3) Jay Sauter, 4) Greg Biffle, 5) Ron Barfield, 6) Stacy Compton, 7) Bob Keselowski, 8) Ron Hornaday, 9) Dave Rezendes, 10) Scot Walters.

TOP 10 POINTS LEADERS: 1) Jack Sprague, 330, 2) Ron Hornaday, 322, 3) Greg Biffle, 315, 4) Jay Sauter, 311, 5) Bob Keselowski, 288, 6) Rick Carelli, 274, 7) Joe Ruttman, 267, 8) Rick Crawford, 256, 9) Ron Barfield, 252, 10) Mike Bliss, 248.

YARBOROUGH CELEBRATES 59TH BIRTHDAY

In his day, Cale Yarborough, was one of the most fierce competitors to ever sit behind the wheel of a race car. The fact that he is the only driver in history to have won three consecutive NASCAR Winston Cup driving titles (1976-1978) attests to that fact.

"Cale was one of the toughest drivers the sport of racing has ever known," said Buddy Baker. "When

I say, he would race you, I mean just that. He wouldn't give up as long as he even thought he had a car capable of winning, and he usually did."

Yarborough celebrated his 59th birthday in Bristol, Tennessee with his race team during the Food City 500.

A successful business man who owns car dealerships and fast-food franchises, he is also the owner of the Thorn Apple No. 98 Winston Cup car driven by Greg Sacks. Even though he enjoyed success as a driver, he has not enjoyed that same success as a team owner.

In 1987, Yarborough purchased a team owned by Jack Beebe. That year, he was both owner/driver. The following year, he hired Dale Jarrett to drive 19 races while he drove 10. That was his last year behind the wheel of his No. 98 RCA Ford.

During the last week of October, 1997, Yarborough lost his driver and sponsor all within a week. But being a true competitor, he announced within two weeks that he had signed Sacks to drive his No. 98. Two weeks later, he had landed a new sponsor.

There is no doubt about Yarborough's intentions. He wants to win, and his goal is nothing less than to sit at the head table at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel as a car owner.

Happy birthday, Cale.

FRANCE CELEBRATES 65TH

Bill France, Jr., President of NASCAR celebrated his 65th birthday, April 4. France, the son of Bill Sr., was born in Washington, D.C. on April 4, 1933.

Happy birthday, Bill.



Shot put

South Floyd's Danielle Tackett placed third in the women's shot put at Allen Central last Thursday. South Floyd is one of the top women's teams in the region. (photo by Ed Taylor)

Thunder Ridge Results

Rain canceled racing at Thunder Ridge this past Saturday, but three classes ran on Sunday on a make-up date.

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Two parents will be elected to sit on the council, along with three teachers and the principal, for the 1998-1999 school year. Written nominations for parent representative will be taken in the principal's office during school hours from April 3-May 4.

Parents interested in running for site-based council must meet the following criteria:

- Must be a parent, step-parent, or foster parent of a student who will be attending Betsy Layne High School during the 1998-1999 school year (or have legal custody, pursuant to a court order, of a student who lives with them).
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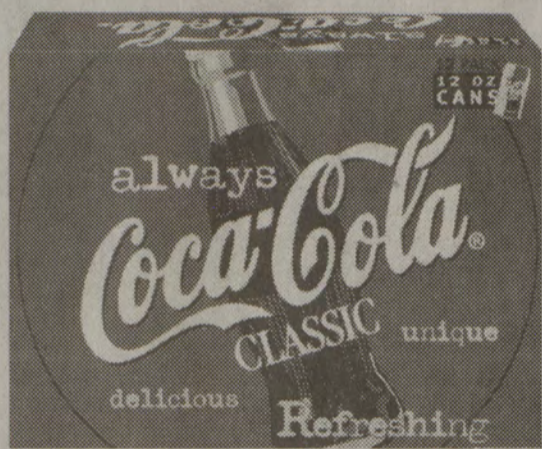
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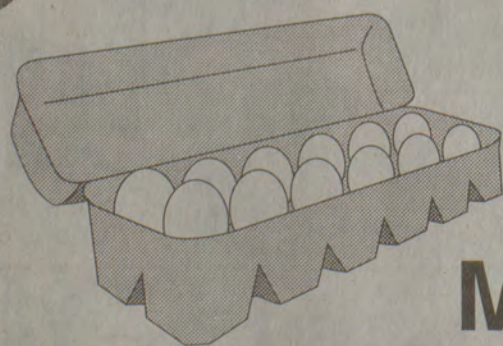
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First annual grouse hunt held at Paintsville Lake

By Ronnie Wells
Paintsville Recreation
Dept. Director

The Paintsville Recreation Department and the Kentucky Grouse Hunters Association sponsored the first partner bird dog trial ever held in the tri-county area on March 15.

Anyone who hunts birds in Eastern Kentucky knows, when you see two men in an old four-wheel drive truck, carrying a dog box and wearing orange, that they're going gousin'.

But on this date we had 28 hunters participating in this event with 28 dogs roaming the mountains of Eastern Kentucky, hunting a bird that most of these dogs see little of during hunting season. Quail were used on this trial and the men and dogs who hunted them are "Blue Blood" grouse hunters by choice.

Hunters from Johnson, Lawrence, Magoffin and Pike counties joined together for a day of fun, watching their dogs do what they do best, hunt.

Sexton Brothers Feed Company at Willard supplied the prizes for

this event. First place won 120 lbs. of dog food, 2nd place 80 lbs. and 3rd place 40 lbs.

John Cantrell and Mike Ferguson finished third, with a time of 17:51 and five birds. John was hunting a young setter called Idabell, owned by Brittany and Zachary Cantrell. Mike's dog is a 13-month old setter called Cocoa. Ronnie Wells and Vessie Jordan took second place with five birds in 11:20. Vessie was hunting with a 2 1/2-year-old setter called Buck. Wells was working a three-year-old setter owned by Mike (Dip) Stafford, called Petey. Eddie Ross and Perry Tackett won first place with a time of 10:46. Eddie hunted a 2 1/2-year-old pointer called Ed Gunsmoke Luke the Drifter. Perry followed with a 1 1/2-year-old setter called (Jill) Rockets Blue Lady.

All quail taken on this trial will be prepared for supper on April 5 during the next Kentucky Grouse Hunters meeting. Anyone wishing to join this organization or participate in our next trial, April 19, should be at this meeting. For more information call 789-2612; 789-4218; 789-8597 or 349-2511.

Baseball talk on Sports Forum

The 15th Region Sports Forum will air tonight over WPRG, Channel 5. The live call-in show will discuss the high school baseball and softball seasons.

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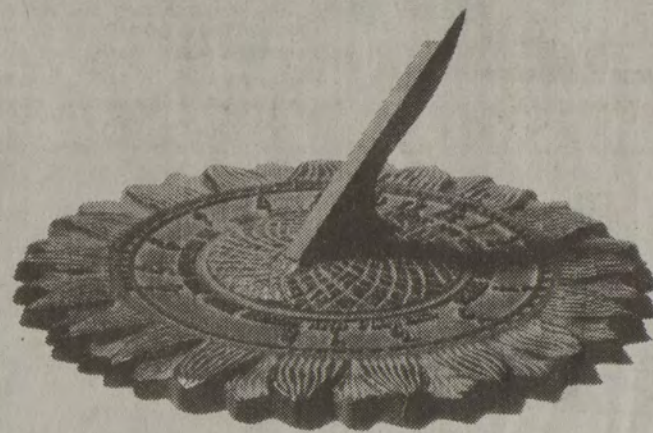


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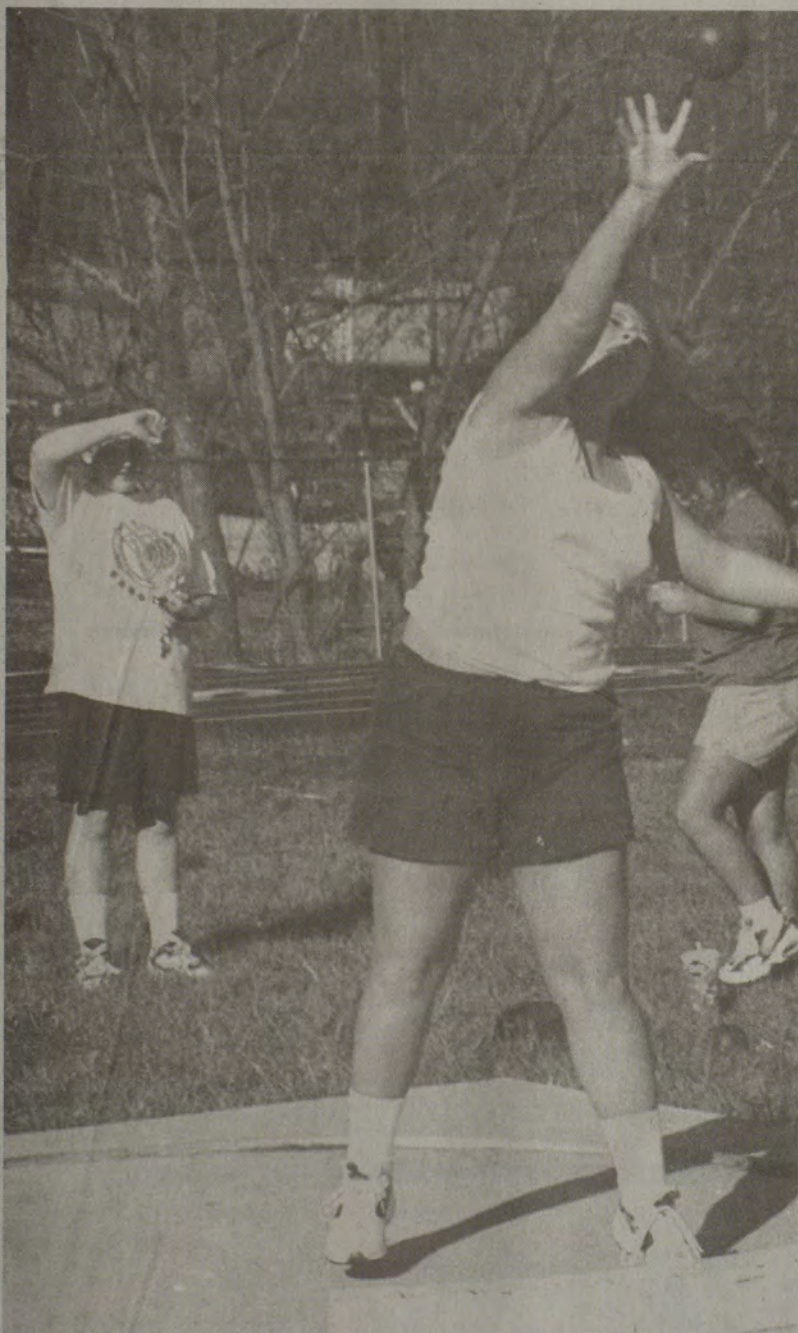
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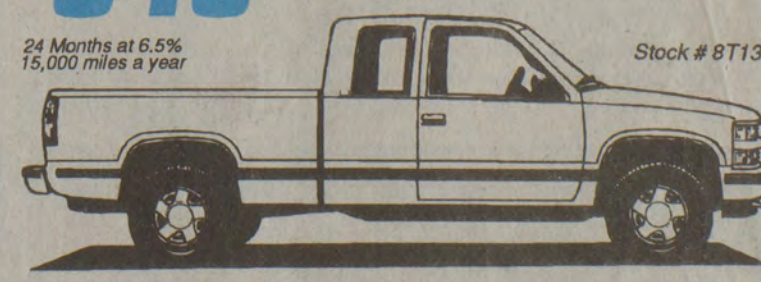
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Digging up the past

Those who are into genealogy must have the patience of Job. They are definitely to be admired for hours spent in the public library or in some stuffy courthouse backroom poring over volumes of mildewed documents as they search for lost ancestors.



Poison Oak
 Clyde Pack

Occasionally, someone will compile a book, but most of the time all the work is done simply for the pleasure of

knowing. I got a brochure in the mail the other day from a man in Ohio who has researched our family name and is in the process of publishing a book about it. I haven't decided yet if I'm going to buy one.

But, if anybody knows less than I about from whence they came, I pity them. I can only go back to my grandparents, but, for the most part, only as far as names. I have no earthly clue of the type of individuals many of them were, let alone knowing anything about their parents and grandparents.

As a matter of fact, I'd like to know more about my own parents. If dad had lived, he would have been 98 this year. Mom would have been 94. I'd like to know things like how they spent their childhoods; what they did for fun; how they met; how they courted; what times were like when they began their married life.

I know that my grandfather (Pack) lived in Martin County and died when Dad was 13. But, I don't know how old he was, if he died from natural causes or was killed in some sort of accident. I know, too, that Dad, being the oldest of several children, dropped out of school and began working in the coal mines when he inherited the head-of-the-household status. I can barely remember seeing my grandmother Pack. Her name was Mary and she died when I was four or five years old.

My mother was a Baldrige and grew up on Hammond Creek in Johnson County. She had a couple of sisters and two half-brothers, but I can barely remember seeing them.

There's got to be some sort of thrill from diligently researching, and then actually finding, information for which you've been looking; barring, of course, the discovery that your great-grandfather on your mother's side rode with Jesse James, or that you're a direct descendant of John Wilkes Booth. On the other hand, I've heard tales that some of the Booths descended directly from English royalty and were very well off.

No such lore has been related about wealthy Packs, except I understand there's a place in Ashville, North Carolina, called Pack Place, a sort of museum/monument named in honor of a philanthropist by that name. Five will get you ten, however, that he's from another set of Packs altogether.

Anyway, maybe someday I too will join the throng of researchers who dedicate themselves to digging up their past. If I should be successful and discover that my family was important to the development of this country, I might even write my own book. On the other hand, if I find that throughout the years we've been nothing but a bunch of crooks, I'll keep it to myself.

Then again, I might just might forego the labor involved, go fishing and order the book from the man from Ohio.

Students prove science is a "Mission Impossible"



Laura Neeley, Prestonsburg High School student, used her head — and her teeth — to burst a balloon in Pentathlon category. According to the rules, Neeley, couldn't use her hands, her feet, or her bottom to burst the balloon. (photo by Rita Brock)



Josh Francis and Lowell Brock (in goggles) were ready to run their cart in the wheeled vehicle category of the Science Olympiad. Both students are seven graders at Adams Middle School. (photo by Rita Brock)



Instructor Larry Short and his team from Prestonsburg High School looked over a project in the category Mission Possible. (photo by Rita Brock)

by Rita Brock
 Contributing Writer

The Floyd County Conservation District and the Big Sandy Natural Science Center co-sponsored the 5th Annual Regional Science Olympiad held at Prestonsburg Community College March 28.

Prestonsburg High School carried home top prizes from the regional competition in the Kentucky Science Olympiad. In Division C, Prestonsburg High was second place overall, Piast School was third. South Floyd was fourth, and Allen Central was fifth.

These schools will compete for state honors on April 18 at Morehead State University.

In Division B, Allen Elementary had two teams winning top honors. The Einsteins placed first, and the Darwins tied for second place with Osborne Elementary. The third place honors went to Adams Middle School's Black Team. Duff Elementary students also won some top honors.

Contests range from pencil-and-paper problem-solving to testing of water to construction of a wheeled vehicle.

"This is excellent for the students of Floyd County to increase student interest in science," Leslie Stout, a senior at Prestonsburg High School and a daughter of James and Carolyn Stout of Abbott, said.

Stout was asked to explain the category "Mission Possible."

"In competing in Mission Possible, the whole objective is to get a ball in a cup and, by doing that, you have to use five energy forms and as many action transfers as possible.

"We commence with a cup dropping sand, which tips the balance, which raises the candle to burn the string. The string releases the block of ice that is melted on a special plate.

"The ice melts and the water falls down to a plate of sodium. The sodium ignites a string, which runs across the plate and releases a ball onto a mouse trap. This mouse trap triggers a switch, which releases an electro-magnet. The ball drops, hitting the dominoes. A string, attached to the dominoes, is attached to a pulley, which raises a cover to allow a light to shine on an electric eye.

"The electric eye powers a fan to blow a bolt across a pan of water which hits a ping-pong ball and knocks it in a cup," Stout said.

She went on to say that the activity was fun, but "an extremely lot of work went into this project."

(See Science, page six)

Ten Years Ago Today (April 6, 1988)

Last Thursday the two percent restaurant tax became effective, and the revenue will be used to promote tourism...Child support collection is said to have risen 67 percent since the 1986 law which allows back pay to be deducted from wages...A halt was seen on the work of a road on new Route 3 due to a lack of right-of-way...An apartment at Dixie Heights netted the sheriff's department an arrest and confiscation of marijuana and drug paraphernalia...Drive-thru was given a new meaning for Ken's Gulf Service Station on South Lake Drive in Prestonsburg as a woman lost control of her car and ran through the garage doors, and almost made it out through the other side...Last Wednesday a brother and sister met for the first time. Allen Bentley of Great Britain and Katherine Fields of Allen had been separated by the Atlantic Ocean and, after years of wondering about the other, met here in the U.S...There died: Lona Gibson, 69, Monday at her residence at Tram; Flora Brown, formerly of Hall Hollow, March 16 in Pennsylvania; Anna Moore, 53, of McDowell, Saturday at her residence; John Mollett, 84, of Weeksburg, Monday at HRMC; James Goble, 78, of Prestonsburg, Sunday at HRMC; Jessica Housah, 95, of Prestonsburg, Monday at HRMC; Raleigh Barnett, 51, formerly of Martin, Saturday in Florida; Oscar Ousley, 77, of Martin, Thursday at his residence; Imogene Barnett, 62, of Ivel, Monday at HRMC; Geneva Turner, 62, of Garrett, Saturday at HRMC; Florene Wilcox, 62, March 25 in Ohio; and Luther Tackett, 72,

formerly of Floyd County, Saturday in Cleveland, Ohio.

Twenty Years Ago (April 5, 1978)

A gasoline spill at the Marvin Music Gulf Distributors bulk plant at West Prestonsburg and the resulting threat of explosion and fire, forced the evacuation, late Saturday night, of an estimated 300 to 400 residents there...Although completion of the new \$1.8 million Riverview Manor is not expected before early fall, the 116-bed extended care facility was under roof this past week and inside finishing work had begun...Owners of gas wells on three leases in the Prestonsburg vicinity filed suit last Thursday against the City of Prestonsburg, alleging that the city had violated its contract to buy from them all marketable gas produced from their premises...Floyd county will begin on May 1 what its fiscal court hopes will be the greatest cleanup effort in its history. The month has been declared Cleanup and Beautification Month by the court, and John M. Stumbo has been designated to head the effort...A resolution aimed at removing union President Arnold Miller from office was adopted by representatives of seven UMW districts at a meeting here Saturday,

and locals around the country will soon be receiving copies of the resolution...There died: Mrs. Hattie Porter, 94, of Martin, March 28 at Mountain Manor Nursing Home; Ruth Hager DeRossett, 57, formerly of Bull Creek, Sunday at Mary Chiles Hospital in Mt. Sterling; Robert Lee Boyd, 89, of Banner, Saturday at the Paintsville Hospital in Oil City, Pa.; Martin Hall, 52, of Martin, whose body was found in front of a church at Hite, Sunday; Joseph Wade Spears, 88, of Galveston, Wednesday at Methodist Hospital, Pikeville; Mrs. Alta Greene, 67, of Jenny's Creek, Sunday morning at U.K. Medical Center; Mrs. Julia B. Stephens, 87, formerly of Prestonsburg, Tuesday at Mayfield Nursing Home in Lexington.

Thirty Years Ago (April 4, 1968)

Rumor became stark reality last Thursday afternoon when the David mines of the Princess Elkhorn division of Princess Coals closed permanently after 27 years of work...Jerry Neace, 39, of Prestonsburg, was instantly killed shortly after noon Friday in a highway construction accident on Daniels Creek...Sam Bittman, English instructor at Prestonsburg Community College, has been appointed director of the 1968 summer Amphitheatre

Our Yesterdays

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

program at Jenny Wiley State Park, it was announced recently...Commenting on the liquor situation this week, Sheriff Joe W. Lewis said Floyd county is ringed with bootlegging joints which are in the jurisdiction of sheriffs of other counties or state police...Married: Miss Linda Marie Baker, of Columbus City, Ind., and Cpl. Mitchell Dingus, of Floyd County, March 10 at Columbus City; Miss Ulanda Lucas, of Ligon, and Mr. Gary Rose, of Hi Hat, March 28 at Clintwood, Virginia...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Hassell Hall, of Hi Hat, a daughter, March 25; to Mr. and Mrs. Everett Maggard, of Minnie, a son, March 26; to Mr. and Mrs. Victory Ray, of Beaver, a son, March 30...There died: Mrs. Ruie Draugh, 69, of Leburn, Tuesday at Ary, Ky.; Mrs. Lucinda Chaffins, 89, Monday at her home at Garrett; Mrs. Elizabeth Horn Copley, 83, native of Prestonsburg, last Wednesday at a Paintsville Hospital; Lloyd (Bus) Haee, 58, formerly of David, Saturday at her home at Lackey; Kessie Boyd, 46, formerly of Dana, last Wednesday at Ashland; Elder Jonah Isaacs, 92, of Ligon, Saturday at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Rev. Benard (Ben) Parker, 63, last Wednesday en route to Prestonsburg General Hospital; George Robinette, 86, Tuesday at his home at Harold.

Forty Years Ago (April 3, 1958)

"There is no reason why Eastern Kentucky couldn't become the mountain

(See Yesterdays, page four)

Society

Woman's club holds meeting

The GFWC-KFWC Prestonsburg Woman's Club met April 2 at the clubhouse in Archer Park.

The meeting was called to order by Sandy Burchett, president. The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was given by all. Devotion, entitled "A Person Is Not A Thing," was given by Garnett Fairchild, followed by the Lord's Prayer.

Boots Adams introduced the special guest, Joe Campbell, Hugh O'Brien Youth award winner. The Woman's Club sponsored Mr. Campbell, who attended the seminar. Campbell told the club members about the seminar, which was attended by about 150 young people. The club is sponsoring Bethany Lynn Vaughan, who will attend this year. She is the daughter of Sharon and Glen Vaughan. She is a member of the honor choir, the dance team and ranks first in her class.

The president introduced Linda Hutchinson, with the Big Sandy Family Abuse Center, who gave an interesting program. She showed a film on domestic violence. The club presented to Linda a solid oak rocking chair to be used at the spouse abuse center.

The minutes of the March meeting were read and approved. The treasurer gave a report which was approved and filed. A report was made that the dinner on St. Patrick's Day was successful.

Spring cleaning of the clubhouse was set for April 25 at 10 a.m. Anyone can help, please be at the clubhouse. Happy birthday was sung to member Cheri Mulling.

The next meeting will be May 7 at 6:30 p.m. This will be the installation of officers for next year and will be a pot luck dinner. New officers are Beverly Oxford, president; Lida Howard, first vice president; Melissa Forsyth, second, vice president; Pamela Skeens, third vice-president; Sabra Jacobs, recording secretary; Sandra Robertson, corresponding secretary and Paula Spriggs, treasurer.

Refreshments and Easter goodies were served by hostesses Boots Adams, Eileen Burchett, Wonnell Godsey, Roberta Sloan, Donna Carol Dye and Helen Wells.

Attending members were Wonnell Godsey, Eileen Burchett, Elizabeth Ramey, Nancy Martin, Sandy Burchett, Drema Miller, Boots Adams, Beverly Oxford, Barbara Davison, Garnett Fairchild, Cheri Mulling, Mable Brown, Carolyn Traum, Burieta Gearheart and Sabra Jacobs, and guests Joe Campbell, Linda Hutchinson and Eileen Westerwald.

Thompson and Vanover address Floyd County retired teachers

The Floyd County Retired Teachers Association met in regular session April 2 at May Lodge of

Jenny Wiley State Resort Park.

The 10:30 a.m. meeting was called to order by Roberta Fugate, president of FCRTA. Harold Burchell gave the invocation, and Alice Martin led the Pledge to the Flag and the group singing of "God Bless America."

After a few favorable comments concerning the weather and blossoming spring, Mrs. Fugate introduced the first speaker, Sheriff Paul Hunt Thompson. Thompson spoke to the group on the "Triad," a program started by AARP.

Sheriff Thompson explained the "Triad" as a partnership arrangement between law enforcement personnel and elderly citizens. In essence, its purpose is to ensure the well-being of older people by protecting them against scam artists who prey on the fears and concerns of seniors.

The sheriff concluded his talk with a brief "question and answer" session.

A few business items were dispensed with following Sheriff Thompson's speech.

Danny Branson reported on HB532, which will become law with the Governor's signature. He said there were two amendments to the bill, but it provided for a 3 percent cost-of-living raise for retired teachers and a death benefit of \$3,000, up from the previous \$2,800.

Following Branson's remarks, the president noted that FCRTA was entitled to another delegate to KRTA. Betty Porter was elected to this position.

Noting that FCRTA is without a treasurer, the president asked for a volunteer for this office. Gene Davis offered to serve.

Ron Vanover, recreation director at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park, addressed the crowd and then entertained them with a song. Vanover talked to the group about the customs of Easter celebration in many different countries. He concluded with a song entitled: "Rise again."

Two door prizes were given away at the FCRTA gathering. One, a ceramic rabbit in an Easter basket, was the personal contribution of Doris Osborne. The other, a gift certificate for two free dinners, was secured by Judy Music, courtesy of Jenny Wiley State Park. These prizes were won by Marie C. Mullins and Shirley Harmon, respectively.

The meeting concluded at noon with the benediction by Harold Burchell.

Registering at the April 2 meeting were Roberta Fugate, Etta C. Scott, Alice O. Martin, Jo Ann Johnson, W. Louise Howard, June Stephens, Gladys Shepherd, Sarah Laven, Bobby J. Hale, Mildred H. Whitaker, Betty H. Porter, Harold Burchell, Kaye McGuire, Judith H. Carter, Edith Jones, Judy Burchell, Carmel L. Akers, Connie Morrison Horn, Anne Howard, Ann Stumbo, Bert Layne, Doris Osborne, Judith Music, L. B. Price, Marsella Bradley, Marie C. Mullins, Daniel Branson, Gene Davis, Annis C. Clark, Imogene

Caldwell, Paul H. Thompson, James Roderick, Ron R. Vanover and Shirley G. Harmon.

Recycling committee discuss collection network

At its meeting Wednesday, March 18, the Floyd County Recycling Committee discussed the possibility of creating a network of collection points at schools and senior citizen centers to gather white paper, cardboard, and aluminum cans.

Although the plan would not be a comprehensive recycling plan to include all recyclables, it would greatly reduce the amount of waste going into the landfill, committee members agreed.

They also thought it might be possible to stir the interest of an entrepreneur to establish such a system, provided the local governments do not move forward with recycling efforts soon.

Committee member Hubert Puckett said that when the contract is up with USA Waste, re-negotiations would be easier if Floyd County had a recycling system in place, as the amount of waste would be reduced considerably by recycling.

Vivian Rudd, representing Southern Appalachian Recycling, said that at 50 percent participation, the volume of waste could be reduced by 80 percent.

In regards to fiscal court action, Rebecca Derossett, committee chair, said she had sent a letter to the fiscal court explaining that the recycling

committee has designated Blue Grass Regional Recycling (BGRR) as their choice for a recycling agent in the county.

Derossett pointed out that the letter was simply a recommendation and that city and county leaders would have to make the decision as to whether to enter into an agreement with the company.

Floyd County Judge-Executive Ben Hale told the group he would have to know particular details and cost projections from BGRR. At committee member Lon May's suggestion, BGRR president Mickey Mills, was contacted by phone and Hale discussed the matter with him.

The recycling committee agreed to schedule an appearance before the fiscal court in June to further discuss the issue of recycling.

Environmental events discussed at the meeting included the annual trash bash at Jenny Wiley State Park, which will be held April 18; a live call-in show on WPRG TV on Earth Day, April 22; and Floyd County Environmental Education Day at the Wilkinson-Stumbo Convention Center, Jenny Wiley State Resort Park, on May 8.

The group's next meeting will be held Wednesday, April 15, at the Chamber of Commerce Office, Prestonsburg at noon.

Attending were Rebecca Derossett, Vivian Bailey-Rudd, Hubert Puckett, Ben Hale, Steven Markham, Cindy Hackworth, Kathy Friend, and Lon May.



Heather Leslie and Celina Rowe, both seventh grade students at Mountain Christian Academy, hold a plaque awarded to Mountain Christian Academy. The award was given by the Eastern Kentucky Walking and Racking Association for "Best One Night Show of the Year" in recognition of MCA's 1997 Annual Horse Show. This year's show will be June 13, at Archer Park, Prestonsburg.

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ANNIVERSARIES



50th anniversary

Andy Jr. and Margie Kiser of Beaver, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on March 29. They were married at the Prestonsburg courthouse by Elder Jonah Isaac. Their children hosted a family dinner for them on March 28. They have four children: Daylio Kiser of Howe, Indiana, Andy Jay Kiser of Bronson, Michigan, Zachary Kiser of Harold and Angela Brown of Beaver; eight grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

FOR THE RECORD

Marriage Licenses

Robin Howell, 17, of Craynor, and Curtis Tackett, 18, of Teaberry.
 Bonnie Powers, 20, of Auxier, and Matthew Crum, 22, of Martin.
 Opal Tucker, 34, of Grantsville, West Virginia, and Kenneth Harris, 49, of Grantsville, West Virginia.
 Angela Martin, 25, of Prestonsburg, and Billy Ray Slone, 39, of Prestonsburg.
 Phyllis Burchell, 49, of Kendallville, Indiana, and Phillip Latta, 51, of Ringgold, Georgia.
 Kimberly Meade, 35, of Belleville, Michigan, and Jerry Sparkman, 46, of Belleville, Michigan.
 Misti Howell, 21, of Prestonsburg, and Carlos Cooley, 22, of Prestonsburg.

Restaurant, school and mobile home park inspections

Editor's Note: All inspections are made by Floyd County Health Department environmentalists John L. Bailey, Russell Wallace, and Mark Johnson.

- Tackett's Stop & Shop, 98: Floor and ceiling need repairs.
- Auxier Grade School, 95: Racks rusted. Inside upright refrigeration unit not maintained. Accurate thermometer on automatic dishwasher. Inside microwave and inside of ice machine has rust deposits evident. Walls and ceilings soiled with dust in preparation and sit down areas.
- Adkins Quick Stop, 91 in deli and 98 in retail: Critical violation found. Handwash sink not accessible and blocked by pizza oven. Also, the water is not connected to the handwash sink. Owner given ten days to correct critical violation.

Other violations: Not all freezer and refrigeration units have thermometers. Proper sequence dishwashing procedure not being used. (Should be wash, rinse, sanitize.) Facility has no chlorine test strips. Food service area has collection of items not needed. Recommend removal of nonessential articles. Walk-in has no light. Also, light not shielded in food preparation area.

- Pappy's Mart, 93: Walk-in cooler and several freezer units do not have thermometers. Restroom door is not self-closing. No towels in restroom. Garbage can in restroom has no lid or cover. Walls and ceilings not complete in the restroom. Mops stored in the restroom on the floor.
- Osborne's Pizza, 98: Several containers in upright freezer unit have no labels. Gaskets on upright refrigerator and chest-type freezer unit in slight disrepair.

District Court

Editor's note: Some district cases were heard earlier last month in court and records were not available to the Times because of the move to the new Justice Center. They are being printed now in an effort to update our readers. All first offense DUIs are allowed to do two days public service in lieu of \$200 of the total court costs and fines. All individuals who are charged in cases involving alcohol or drugs are referred to alcohol or drug counseling.

Terry Amburgey, 39, of Bypro; operating on suspended license, \$112.50, failure to register transfer, dismissed, improper registration plates, \$25, no insurance, dismissed.

Davy Akers, 24, of Harold; AI (1st, 2nd), \$87.50, fourth degree assault, 30 days probated, no unlawful contact with witness.

Irvin Adkins, 29, of Harold; operating a motor vehicle while impaired, three or more in five years, amend to second degree DUI, alcohol and drug education, \$607.50, 15 days, driving DUI under suspended license, \$100, 15 days to be served concurrently.

Lou Ann Nichols, 42, of Pikeville; AI (three or more), \$77.50.

Rita Yates, 36, of Prestonsburg; AI (1st, 2nd), \$25.
 Randall Yates, 44, of Prestonsburg; disorderly conduct, \$50 and court costs, 120 days to pay.

Wallace Johnson, 46, of Langley; AI (three or more), 10

days, \$72.50.

Stevie Mitchell, 22, of Beaver; speeding 26 mph and over, dismissed, reckless driving, dismissed, no seatbelts, dismissed, operating a motor vehicle under the influence, BA .130, \$457.50, two days public service, alcohol and drug education, no insurance, dismissed, no registration receipt, dismissed, license not in possession, dismissed.

Sam Chaffins, age unknown, of Blue River; second degree wanton endangerment, \$112.50, 90 days, probate 30, no contact with complaining witness and no law violations for one year.

Eddie Shepherd, 23, of David; operating a motor vehicle under the influence, BA .228, \$617.50, amend to second degree, 10 days, marijuana possession, 10 days concurrently.

Christian Cunningham, 41, of Lakeland, Florida; operating a motor vehicle under the influence, second degree, refused test, \$617.50, alcohol and drug education, seven days credit time served, to be served on weekends, driving DUI under suspended license, seven days to run concurrently.

Rufus Ray, Jr., 58, of Wheelwright; operating a motor vehicle under the influence, amend to AI, \$107.50, five days suspended for six months.

Virgil Howell, 38, of Wayland; drinking alcohol in public, \$25, attempt to elude police officer, 20 days, operating a motor vehicle under the influence, second degree, \$617.50, alcohol and drug education, 20 days served concurrently.

Lyman Branham, 54, of Langley; operating a motor vehicle under the influence, BA pending, \$457.50, alcohol and drug education, no seatbelts, dismissed.

Timothy Wheeler, 42, of Blaine; operating a motor vehicle while impaired, three or more in five years, BA .115, \$757.50, alcohol and drug education, 30 days credit time served, no seatbelts, dismissed, no insurance, dismissed, failure to produce insurance card, dismissed, driving side-to-side, dismissed, no registration receipt, dismissed, refuse to take test, dismissed.

Property Transfers

Fannie Walters to Tony Ray Walters; property located on Left Beaver Creek.

Lowell Steele and Peggy Steele to Joe H. Steele and Melissa B. Steele; property located on Mare Creek of the Big Sandy.

Steve Ousley to Karen Ousley; property location not listed.

James R. Allen and Rita G. Allen to Roland E. Gray, Sr.; property location not listed.

David M. Ellis and Susan R. Ellis to Timothy Curmutte and Misha Curmutte; property located on Bays Branch.

Roland E. Gray, Sr. to William E. Griffith and Della M. Griffith and Timothy Calhoun and Melissa L. Calhoun; property located on Little Paint Creek.

William Henry Jarvis (a/k/a William Henry Jervis) and Opal Jarvis, to Antony W. Bryant and Selena Bryant; property located at Auxier.

Katie Prater to Haskel Prater and Elva Prater; property location not listed.

Ruth Douglas Prater to Branham and Baker Coal Company; property located on Open Fork of Middle Creek.

Charles D. Johnson and Martha H. Johnson to Branham and Baker Coal Company; property located on Open Fork of Middle Creek.

Charles Prater and Mary Ruth Prater to Branham and Baker Coal Company; property located on Open Fork of Middle Creek.

Judy Ousley and Denver Ousley to Branham and Baker Coal Company; property located on Open Fork of Middle Creek.

Gregory Salyer and Pam Salyer and Keith Coleman and Rachel Coleman and Bobby Coleman to Leck Coleman Jr.; property located on Samson Branch.

Yvonne Manuel to Randy Lee Manuel; property located at Langley.

Ballard Tussey, Jr. to Wanda Tussey and Ballard Tussey, Sr. and Wanda Tussey; property located in West Prestonsburg.

Kenneth E. Prater, Jr. and Sadie Prater; Connie Prater and Ted McGinnis and Susan Reffett and Bill Reffett to Branham and Baker Coal Company; property located on Open Fork of Middle Creek.

Elizabeth Miller to Otis Hansel Cooley and Sarah H.C. Cooley and David Layne and Paula Layne; property location not listed.

Peachie Childers and Amon Childers, to Phillip Goble and Jackie Goble to John Goble and Ella Fay Goble; property located on Cow Creek.

B. B. Shepherd and Berta Shepherd to Pauline Shepherd Owens; property located on Right Fork of Middle Creek.

Hershel Owens and Paulena Owens to Krystal Lynn Hale; two tracts of property located on Middle Creek.

Bobbie Collins and Michelle Collins to Terry Collins; property location not listed.

Ruby Wells to Tammy Wells King; property location not listed.

Kathleen Newsome to Wheeler Newsome; property location not listed.

Lula Branham and Lillie Branham Ditto and Lloyd Edward Ditto and Anna Branham Benner and Paul E. R. Branham and Becky Branham to Jack Shepherd and Brenda M. Shepherd; property located at Langley.

Phaedra Spradlin, Trustee for the Bankruptcy Estate of J.R.M. Coal Co., Inc., United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky to Otis Hansel Cooley and Frances Cooley and David Layne and Paula Layne; property location not listed.

Douglas Layne and Dottie Gay Layne to Douglas Coleman and Barbara Coleman; property listed on Prater Creek.

Phaedra Spradlin, trustee for the Bankruptcy Estate of J.R.M. Coal Co., Inc. and United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky to Elk Horn Coal Corp.; property located on Frasure Creek.

Charles Edward Starett and Linda Kay Starett to Travis E. Miller; property located in Prestonsburg.

Charlotte Rodes and The Charlotte Rodes to Allen Rodes; property location not listed.

Muriel Francis to Maryland Francis to Ann L. Francis; property located at Garrett.

Tina Marie Williams, Kevin Williams and Tammy Michelle Davis to Rita Stumbo; property located at Dwale.

Forrest Music to Teresa Pigman; property located at Auxier.

Ted Prater and Helen Prater and Paul Prater to Billie Joe Prater and Thelma R. Prater to Ronald D. Rowe; property located on Abbott Creek.

Albrough Slone and Janice G. Slone to Glen Travis and Bonnie Travis; property located on Cow Creek.

Betty Lou Branham to Martha C. Davis, Joann Adams, Johnny R. Davis; property location not listed.

Ballard Harris to Irene Faye Moore; property location not listed.

Robert Harris to Ballard Harris; property location not listed.

Pamela Hesler to Ursula J. Crisp; property location not listed.

S S S & P, Inc. to David Warren Rhodes and Cristi L. Rhodes; property located on Mare Creek.

David Warren Rhodes and Cristi L. Rhodes to Deborah May; property located in the Wilderness Heights Subdivision.

Deborah May to David Warren Rhodes and Christi L. Rhodes; property location not listed.

Peggy Ann Tackett and Roy Lee Tackett to Lisa Lee Tackett Wardell and James Michael Wardell; property located on Toler Creek.

Opal Conn (by Peggy Ann Conn Tackett, legal guardian) to Lisa Lee Tackett Wardell and James Michael; seven tracts of property on Toler Creek.

Police Dispatch

Editor's note: Police dispatch records are taken from the logs of the Prestonsburg Police Department. Due to the dispatch's move to the updated office equipment system, the Times will be printing the previous week's dates until we are caught up.

March 23

6:17 p.m. — An anonymous report was made that teens were harassing customers in the parking lot of the Dollar Store.

March 24

12:11 a.m. — Evergreen Bowling Center reported a possible break-in.

4:12 p.m. — Two women were reported fighting at the dining area

of Hardee's.

10:10 p.m. — A Goble-Roberts woman reported her mom and dad and brother were "really going at it" and needed assistance.

March 25

2:38 p.m. — A Goble-Roberts woman reported a suspicious vehicle parked next door and that she heard a scream coming from there.

March 26

10:00 a.m. — The First Commonwealth Bank reported a payment had been stolen from the Division of Child Support.

7:56 p.m. — A man at the Justice Center requested an officer accompany his daughter to her car after an appearance in domestic court.

March 27

5:51 p.m. — A Dingus Street girl reported her brother was beating on her and her mom was not at home.

6:52 p.m. — A Green Acres woman reported a subject she had an EPO on was driving by her house.

8:30 p.m. — A fight was reported at Sun-E-Bunz's parking lot.

March 28

2:16 a.m. — A naked man was reported standing by a car on U.S. 23 South.

10:28 a.m. — A North Lake Drive woman reported receiving a threatening phone call.

10:53 a.m. — A Goble-Roberts woman reported that a woman with two children was walking towards the bridge and that a man was yelling at her.

4:29 p.m. — A Webb Lane woman reported obscene phone calls.

6:27 p.m. — A Goble-Roberts man reported that a six-year-old girl had been left in her Highland Heights apartment alone, and she was just wandering around, and her stepfather was playing pool at the grocery store there.

9:55 p.m. — Super 8 Motel reported that some teenagers had tried to rent a room and they were

still in the parking lot and would not leave.

March 29

1:10 a.m. — A report of loud music was made from Highland Heights.

1:16 a.m. — A domestic dispute was reported at Mays Branch.

2:35 a.m. — A woman on Big Branch reported someone was breaking in on her.

12:29 a.m. — The Layne House reported an intoxicated female had attempted suicide.

10:16 p.m. — The Job Corps

reported a male had been hit on the head with a pipe, and needed EMS.

March 30

5:52 p.m. — Riverview Nursing Home reported that a man and woman appeared to be engaging in lewd behavior near their parking lot.

8:10 p.m. — A fight was reported at the Job Corps.

March 31

1:37 a.m. — A Highland Heights resident was threatening suicide.

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NEW ARRIVALS

HIGHLANDS REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

March 16: A son, Cody Jarrett, to Chrystal and Billy King of Mousie.

March 17: A son, Taylor Gordon Howell, to Dianna Renea Patrick of Inez; a son, Michael Bryce Hancock, to Amanda Greer of Prestonsburg; a son, William Jeffrey Ellisworth, to Alicia and John Salisbury of Prestonsburg.

March 18: A son, Bryce Michael, to Jennifer Lynn and Michael Anthony Marcum of Hi Hat.

March 20: A son, Austin Patrick, to Sarah and Ricky Mullins of Topmost; a son, Jordan Adam, to George Adam and Jeanetta Gwynn Goble of Inez; a son, Larry Nicholas, to Teresa and Larry Combs of Blue River; a daughter, Kyla Paige Hale, to Chrisy Jo and Paul Tipton of Royalton; a daughter, Kelsi Sheyann, to Kelly Ann and Clivian Caudill III, of Topmost.

March 21: A daughter, Emily Marie, to Wanda and Richard Caldwell of Salyersville.

March 25: A son, Dakotah Scott Thomas, to Deena Ann Hurd of Prestonsburg; a son, Brenton Allen, to Angela R. and Freddie Allen Maynard of Pikeville.

March 26: A daughter, Sierra Lynn Stone, to Sherry Lynn Newsome of McDowell; a son, Samuel Kane, to Jennifer Lee and Samuel Thomas Taylor of Wayland.

March 27: A daughter, Allison Hope, to Theresa and Charles Hyden of Minnie; a son, Quentin Shawn, to Myra and Jeremy Howard of Salyersville; a son, Robert Christopher, to Nancy and Donald Smith Jr., of Debord; a son, Courtland Charley, to Claudia and Earl Freeman Cook Jr. of Inez.

March 29: A daughter, Caitlyn Dean, to Cigle and Misty Handshoe of Hueysville.

March 30: A son, Jason Michael, to Kimberly and Paul Stapleton of Flat Gap; a daughter, Caitlin Marie, to Amy and William Branham of Weeksbury.

March 31: A son, Aaron Bailey, to Tracy and Ronald Reed of Paintsville; a son, Larry Berneil, to Debe Sue and Larry Minix of Salyersville.

PIKEVILLE METHODIST

February 27: A son, Dylan Kyle Bowling, to Jamee Yvonne Ratliff and Brandon Shird Bowling; a daughter, Kylie Le'rae, to Mindy Mae Good and Riley Allen Hensley; a daughter, Sarah Dawn, to Pamela Ann Boyd; a daughter, Alyssa George, to Hasselena Prater.

February 28: A son, Kolby Chase, to Jennifer Ann and Billy Gene Ratliff.

March 3: A daughter, Kaycee Madison, to Samantha Christine and Daniel Garrick Collins; a daughter, Kimberly Paige, to April Dawn and William Huffman; a son, Brett Austin, to Jill Marie and Timothy Darrell Worrix; a daughter, Patricia Claudette, to Donna Lynn and Jerry Randall Hurley; a son, Braxton James, to Wilma Renee and Brady James Conn; a daughter, Jasmine Danielle, to Rhonda Dean Damron and Brian Daniel Little.

March 4: A daughter, Brittany Diane, to Karen Sue and Shawn Gregory Tackett; a daughter, Heather Nicole, to Rhonda Gail McCoy.

March 8: A son, Ryan Douglas, to Melinda Marie and Ralph Douglas Blackburn; a son, Tommy Hamilton, Jr., to Deborah D. Watson and Tommy Hamilton.

March 9: A son, Cameron Xavier, to Keri Lechelle and David Bradley Salisbury; a son, Austin Dwayne, to Sabrina Marie Wolford; a daughter, Skylar Dawn, to Misty Dawn and Matthew Wallace; a son, Richard Blake, to Jennifer Marie and Richie Dale Potter; a daughter, Kendra Hope, to Laura Lee and Michael Ray Charles.

March 10: A son, Jason Austin Lee, to Melisa Rose and Charles Jason Stone; a daughter, Cassidy Paige, to Johnda Lynn and Scott Maynard; a daughter, Lakin Nicole, to Deborah Faie and Jerry Douglas Price.

March 11: A daughter, Johnaya Sydney Kathleen, to Lisa Renee and John Kenneth Burgess; a daughter, Kaitlin Brenae, to Tammy Renee and Charles Brent Johnson; a son, Nathaniel Aaron, to Michelle and Matthew Reynolds; a daughter, Tabitha Ann, to Lisa Marie and Shannon D. Compton.

March 12: A son, Tyler George David, to Patricia Ann and James David Collins.

March 13: A son, Christopher Dean, to Jennifer Merrell and Mitchell Weddington; a daughter, Kerigan Raine, to Kimberly Michelle and Ricky Dale Dotson.

March 14: A son, Gavin Bailey, to Julie Dawn and Chadwick Todd Collins; a son, Bradley Patton, to Karen and William Keene; a daughter, Hannah Rae Justice, to Kristie Hess.

March 15: A daughter, Kari Lynn, to Tabitha and Jerry Keith Ratliff.

March 16: A daughter, Emily Brooke Fairchild, to Lisa Lynne Burchett and Thomas Eugene Fairchild; a son, Jade Anthony, to Kathy Leigh Steele and Claude Gene Mullins.

March 17: A son, William Thomas Cole, to Monica and William David Branham; a son, Dalton Bailey, to Melissa Nicole and Ronald Dean Hill; a son, Michael Dylan Chase, to Deana Michelle Keene;

March 18: A son, Jordan Lee, to Victoria Elizabeth and Jimmy Lee Kendrick; a son, Joseph Andrew, to Mellissa Denise and Robert Keegan Hassler; a daughter, Shyann Danielle Hope, to Joyce Marie and Joseph McClay Yates; March 19: A daughter, Haley Lashae, to Andra Lee and Mark Anthony Ramey.

March 20: A son, Gavin Dwayne, to Sherry Lynn and Richard Dwayne Belcher.

March 21: A son, Mason Gregory, to Jennifer Lynn and Gregory Dean Blanton.

March 23: A daughter, Kara Nichole, to Pamela Lynn and Terry Dwayne Anderson; a daughter, Abigail Brooke, to Dawnetta Carol and Charles Ray Marcum; a daughter, Erika Nicole, to Angela Gail and Gregory Dean Perkins; a son, Mallie Jonathan Anderson Jr., to Cathy Lynn and Mallie Anderson; a daughter, Kristen Renae, to Candase Rana and Donny Gene Newsome.

March 25: A daughter, Madeline Faith Pierce, to Mary Pinson; a son, Jacob Hatcher, to Kambra Morgann Maynard; a daughter, Lashea Dawn, to Robbieann and Nicholas Music; a daughter, Glynda Shana, to Linda and Perry Dwayne May; a daughter, Stevanna Rose, to Angela Dawn and Steven Jamie Moore.

March 26: A daughter, Chelsea Dawn, to Elizabeth Ann Ousley and Timothy Wayne Austin; a daughter, Casey Nichole Lee, to April Nicole Roberts.

March 27: A son, Douglas Andrew, to Mercy Nancy and Roy Andrew Davis; a son, Johnathan Michael, to Amanda Faith Carroll and Chris Ousley; a son, Peyton Tyler, to Veronica Lynn and Brent Gross.

March 28: A daughter, Cassidy Kathryn, to Kathryn Lea and Bart Alan Caudill; a daughter, Nicole Starr, to Katie Gail and Tommy Hall.

March 29: A daughter, Katherine Bailey, to Crystal Dawn and Michael Van Goble II; a son, Nathaniel Ray, to Racheal Leighann and Dale Ray Shell.

March 30: A daughter, Skye Lindsley, to Selma Lee and Scott David Adams; a daughter, Kaitlyn Sierra Paige, to Amanda Dawn and Ralph Harlin Compton; a daughter, Tawayna Jomache, to Misty Marie Keene and Trodney Gene Chapman; a daughter, Starla Dawn, to Miranda Jean and Jimmie Dewayne Ratliff Jr.

April 1: A daughter, Shelbie Telaya, to Kenya and Bobby Moore.

BIRTHDAYS



99 years young

Della Risner Herald will observe her 99th birthday at her home on University Drive, April 8. She was born in Magoffin County in 1899 and moved to Prestonsburg in 1912. Mrs. Herald is displaying a valentine made for her by her great-granddaughter, Kristen Ormerod, a University of Kentucky senior. Mrs. Herald is the widow of Ballard Herald and, besides Kristen, she has a daughter, Jean Burke, and a granddaughter, Della Ormerod.



Eighth birthday

Joy Ann Hunter celebrated her eighth birthday on Sunday, April 5. She is the daughter of Larry and Loretta Hunter of Printer. Her grandparents are Charlie Hunter Jr. and Myrtle Hunter of Printer and Daniel and Nelvie Sue Boyd of Dana. She is in Mrs. Barker's and Mrs. Chaffins' second grade class at Harold Elementary.



It's a girl

Pvt. Greg R. Jones II of and Allison Jones, infantry of Schweinfurt, Germany, announce the birth of their daughter, Alexandria Chase Jones, who was born on February 4. She weighed 6 lbs. 12 oz. Alexandria is the granddaughter of Gregory R. Jones and Verna Jones of Prestonsburg, and Thomas and Barbara Hall of Martin.



Mud Creek Seniors' celebrate birthdays

Ethel Williams, Eulana Hall, Milford Bryant, Claudette Henderson, and Ruth Light celebrated their March birthdays at the Mud Creek Senior Citizens Center with their friends and family. A pot luck lunch and a cookout was served. Trina Rogers entertained with her exercise class. The Community Trust Bank donated the birthday cake.



Turns two

Joshua Todd Mullins, son of Todd and Tonia Mullins of Prestonsburg, recently celebrated his second birthday with a party at his home on March 1. His guests were his maternal grandparents, Robert and Janet Evans of Sidney; his paternal grandfather, Jerry Mullins, of Melvin, and Priscilla and Tyler Compton of Weeksbury. The theme for his party was "101 Dalmations."

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Yesterdays

(Continued from page one)

resort area of Middle American," said Laban Jackson, Commissioner of Conservation, recently while on a visit to Dewey Lake State Park. "To become this you need good forests, clean streams and better roads," he added...Floyd County had a total income of \$38,079,000 in 1956 with a per capita distribution of \$683, according to a University of Kentucky study...Mrs. Arville Tackett, 44, of East McDowell is said to be the only woman in Kentucky actively engaged in coal mining...The Fiscal Court last week certified a total of 8,884 Floyd countians to be recipients of surplus foodstuffs...The building housing the W. T. Hammond grocery store on South Lake Drive here was gutted and its contents destroyed Sunday morning by fire...Married: Miss Lois Faye Skeans, of Blue River, and Kenneth Ray Wright, of Prestonsburg, at the First Methodist Church of Prestonsburg...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. James Brunson, of Phoenix, Ariz., a daughter, Angela Leigh; to A-1c and Mrs. Vernis Adkins, a son, March 27 at McDowell Memorial Hospital...There died: Jeff Crider, 80, of Bonanza, Monday at the home of a daughter at Boldman.

Fifty Years Ago (April 8, 1948)

What promised to be a hot fight for the Republican county chairmanship between Harry R. Burke, of Bonanza, and D. P. (Perk) Dingus, of Martin, suddenly cooled at the county caucus here Saturday, with Mr. Burke winning the post by acclamation after one of his main supporters, S. C. Ferguson, Prestonsburg, had won the seat of temporary chairman...Bids looking to the clearing of buildings from the area in the vicinity of the Dewey dam were asked this week by the Huntington district office, Corps of Engineers...The nation's soft coal strike today was a week nearer its end—but when that end would come none would venture a guess...Next April, Joseph D. Harkins, Sr., P-burg attorney, will become the first president of the Kentucky Bar Association to be named from the Big Sandy section of the state...Married: Miss Katherine Frances

Sizemore, of Hazard, and Edward C. Casebolt, of Newport, Ky., March 19 at Richmond, Ky.; Miss Betsy Louise Tyler, of West Liberty, and Charles A. Goble, formerly of Prestonsburg, March 26, at Mt. Sterling...There died: Jacob Crisp, 79, of Martin, Sunday at the Methodist Hospital, Pikeville; George Hall, 47, formerly of this county, last Tuesday at Louisville; Mrs. Vadvie Newsom Elliott, 24, of Dony, Saturday at the home of her mother at Melvin.

Sixty Years Ago (April 7, 1938)

The fiscal court, meeting here Tuesday, voted five tax levies; postponed appropriations for the health department and county agent, approved five claims, and voted to sponsor and maintain farm-to-market roads...To the list of 19 persons already indicted for murder and docketed for trial in the April term of court, the grand jury added nine additional Floyd countians charged with murder in true bills returned this week...Fire originating at 3 a.m. Sunday destroyed the frame one-story dwelling of former Sheriff T. Y. Martin, a second house in the rear, occupied by William Young, and a double garage as firemen fought to save adjacent buildings...Stepping from one track where a train was backing up, Mrs. Mary Tackett, 57, Weeksbury, was struck by an oncoming train on a parallel track at Clear Creek, Tuesday, and was instantly killed after the train had dragged her for a short distance...With one well already drilled, two drilling, two more rigs under construction and several locations made, Tram is Floyd county's oil boom town...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rogers, of Betsy Layne, a boy, April 3...There died: Dr. J. T. Cottrell, of Prestonsburg, last Friday in a Paintsville Hospital; Beverly Burchett, 58, of Emma, Sunday night in a Paintsville Hospital; Mrs. Anna Stumbo, 54, Friday at home; Mrs. Ben Phares, 45, of Prestonsburg, Monday at Huntington, W. Va.; Mrs. Margaret Salyers, Wednesday at the home of her sister at Hueysville; Mrs. Osie Coburn, 47, Friday at her home here.

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WEDDINGS ENGAGEMENTS



Anna Grace Adams and David Wayne Gibson

Adams-Gibson to wed

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Adams, of Salyersville, announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Anna Grace, and David Wayne Gibson, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Gibson, of Salyersville.

The prospective bride is a 1993 graduate of Magoffin County High School and a 1997 graduate of Morehead State University. She is employed by the Magoffin County

Board of Education.

The bridegroom is a 1994 graduate of Magoffin County High School and will graduate from Morehead State University in May.

The wedding will take place Saturday, April 11, at 2:30 p.m., at the First Baptist Church in Salyersville. The gracious custom of an open wedding will be observed.



Howell-Cooley to wed

Ms. Sandy Howell of Prestonsburg announces the forthcoming marriage of her daughter, Misti Ann, daughter of the late Barry K. Howell, to Carlos D. Cooley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Dean Cooley, also of Prestonsburg. Misti is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Estill Howell and Pauline Crisp, all of Prestonsburg. The gracious custom of an open wedding will be observed. The wedding is planned for Saturday, April 11, at 6 p.m. at the Community United Methodist Church in Prestonsburg.



Glasscock-Neeley to wed

Mr. and Mrs. C.L. Glasscock Jr., of Taylorsville, and Mr. and Mrs. Carlos E. Neeley, of Prestonsburg, announce the forthcoming wedding of their children, Lorrie Russell and Charles E. Neeley, on April 18, at 2 p.m. at the Community United Methodist Church in Prestonsburg. A reception will follow at the May Lodge, Jenny Wiley State Park at 3:30 p.m.



Davis-Moore wed

Robert Preston Davis of Prestonsburg and Carey Anne Moore of Langley, were united in marriage on March 14. Davis is the son of Elmer and Ruth Ann Davis of Prestonsburg. He is employed by CSX Transportation as a locomotive engineer. Moore is the daughter of Ruth Ann Castle of Langley and Marvin Moore of Morehead. She is employed by the Floyd County Board of Education as a teacher at Prestonsburg Elementary. The wedding took place in Carlise at Forest Retreat Country Inn. The couple will honeymoon with a cruise to the Bahamas and reside in Prestonsburg.



Rose-Wireman to wed

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Rose announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Kristy Lee, to Douglas Wireman, son of Luther "Bill" and Dorothy Wireman. The ceremony will be held at 6 p.m. Saturday, April 11, at the Katy Friend Free Will Baptist Church on Abbott Creek Road in Prestonsburg. The custom of open church wedding will be observed.

POET'S CORNER

A woman's love

by Ralph Hall
Hi Hat

She is like the radiance that reaches out from the warm morning sun. That warms up the hearts of all who know her, and the glow from her face lights up any room she may ever enter.

The sparkle in her eyes dances like raindrops as they bounce on a crystal clear lake. In a field far out in the woods.

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Her smile opens lips so soft and tender, to touch them would be like touching a distance star. That shines in the night and glistens as it flickers in the night sky.

Her hair is as black as raven feathers, or a piece of black jade, cut and polished with fine jewelers tools.

Her teeth are white as pearls, or ivory which poachers risk their lives to take.

She is like the morning dew that caresses the flowers, and moistens the petals and softens the nectar that bees and hummingbirds

love so much to partake of.

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Floyd County students won top honors in the regional Science Olympiad held recently at Prestonsburg Community College. (photo by Rita Brock)

Science

Anthony Clifton, a senior at PHS, said his project required a lot of thinking.

"I learned a great deal about physics and action transfers," Clifton said.

Prestonsburg physics teacher Larry Short said students learned about action transfer and how to design and build from hands-on experience.

"They also learned about one reaction to another in physics and chemistry," Short said. "The students had to use radiant energy from a light and photo cells and what triggers electric circuit of current flow."

Tammy Francis, Olympiad coordinator with the Floyd County Board of Education, said the Olympiad is "devoted to refining the caliber of science education."

PHS biology teacher Kara Huffman said she was extremely proud of the students and the abilities they had shown.

"So often we hear and see a negative side of students, and this competition brings out the best to show what our students can do," she said.

Huffman also said that students learned about cooperation and teamwork by working together to find out the answers for themselves, rather than asking their instructors.

"It is a great pride and joy being part of education," Huffman said.

John D. Sammons, professor of mathematics at Prestonsburg Community College where the Olympiad was held, served as the arbitrator at the regional match. Sammons said he was "basically the umpire if we have problems, questions, or rules on the events."

"The one thing I have noticed since we've been having the Science Olympiad each year is that the students get better in events. They're understanding the events. A classic example is the bottle rockets. The students have learned to attach parachutes to keep these things airborne for a longer period of time.

"Students are fine-tuning these events year after year and really learning more science in every event," Sammons said. "Everything is a learning experience here at the

Science Olympiad."

Students winning in Division B, representing grades 6-9, were:

- Bio-process lab — Kris Fultz and Matt Atkins, Duff (first place); Maggie Cook and Danielle Caudill, Osborne Elementary (second place); Adams' Black team—Brandon Maynard and Rachel Davis (third place).

- Bottle rocket — Clay Jones and Bryan Stewart (first place), Osborne; Allen-Einsteins Jacob Shepherd and Mikeal Fannin (second); Jeremy Boyd, Prater (third).

- Bridge Building — Amanda Walker and Ashley Stanley, Prater (first).

- Don't Bug Me — Allen-Einsteins Carly Bingham and Tommy Layne (second place); Chris Goble and Abram Wright, Duff (third place).

- Earth, Sea, and Sky — Bryan Stewart and Leslie Mullins, Osborne (first); Stephanie Hall, Prater (third).

- Experimental Design — Kyle O'Quinn, Heather Watkins and Chad Webb, Duff (first place); Adam's Black team consisting of Brandon Maynard, Sara Hill, and Tiffany Pack (second); Allen-Einstein's Jason McCoy and Jason Lafferty (third).

- Fossils — Allen-Darwins Leslie Hall and Elizabeth Lewis (first); Leslie Martin and Stephen Wadoles, Duff (second); Lana Lackey and Clay Jones, Osborne (third).

- Mission Possible — Allen-Einsteins Josh Cooley and Larry Lewis (first); Allen-Darwins Chris Jervis and Brandon Hall (second).

- Naked Egg Drop — Adams' Red team consisting of Allison May and T.C. Hatfield (first); Jeremy Boyd and Wes Meade, Prater (third).

- Nature Quest — Amy Morgan and Amy Tackett, Osborne (first place); Leslie Martin and Matt Adkins, Duff (second); Ashley Stanley and Amanda Walker, Prater (third).

- Pentathlon — Allen-Darwins Nicholas Jamerson, Josh Bingham, David Joseph and Falon Osborne

- (first place); Allen-Einsteins Carly Bingham, Mikeal Fannin, Dustin Justice and Jacob Shepherd (second); Justin Gilliam, Maggie Cook, Amy Morgan and Bryan Stewart, Osborne (third).

- Physical Science Lab — Matt Adkins and John Slone, Duff (first place); Adams-Black Kari Ross and Erin Majakey (second);

- Road Scholar — Brandon Gibson and Nina Boyette, Prater (first); Allen-Einsteins Kevin Maxwell and Jason McCoy (second); Brandi Damron, Osborne (third).

- Science Crime Busters — Adams-Black team consisting of Sarah Hill and Jessica Hicks (first); Allen-Einsteins Larry Lewis and Kara Goble (second); Brandon Gibson and Nina Boyett, Prater (third).

- Science of Fitness — Allen-Einsteins Larry Lewis and Mikeal Fannin (first); Jason Skeens and Brandon Gibson, Prater (second); Kendra Slone and Brandi Damron, Osborne (third).

- Surfing the Net — Brett Watson, Duff (first); Adams-Black team consisting of Jessica Hicks (second).

- Trajectory Contest — Allen-Einsteins Kevin Maxwell and Austin Clark (first).

- Water Quality — Allen-Darwins Nathan Gibson and Zach Hilton (first); Allen-Einsteins Larry Lewis and Kara Goble (third).

- What Are You Trying To Tell Me — Sarah Noble and John Slone, Duff (first); Adams-Black team consisting of Jessica Hicks and Erin Majakey (second).

- Wheeled Vehicle — Adams-Black team members Josh Francis and Lowell Brock (second).

- Write It/Do It: Sarah Noble and Kris Fultz, Duff (first); Amy Morgan and Danielle Caudill (second); Allen-Darwins William May and David Joseph (third).

- Reach For the Stars (Trail Event) — Stephen Waddles and Chris Goble, Duff (first); Maggie Cook and Kendra Slone, Osborne (second); Adams-Black team consisting of Josh Francis (third).

Winners in Division C, representing grades 9-12 were:

- Bio-Process Lab — Ty Martin, Prestonsburg (first); John Layne and Tommy Greene, Piarist, (third).

- Bungie Egg Drop — Heather Handshoe and Tracey Cooley, Allen Central; Saleha Badrudduja and Sheena Brock, Prestonsburg (third).

- Cell Biology — Joel Castle and Will Duty, Piarist (second); Jennifer Shepherd and Paige Tussey, Prestonsburg (third).

- Chemistry Lab — Tasha Clark and John Keeton, Piarist (first); Ginger Thornsbury and Nick Peters, Prestonsburg (third).

- Earth, Sea, and Sky — Jason Mullins, South Floyd (first); Sulma Badrudduja and Sera Sammons, Prestonsburg (second).

- Experimental Design — John Layne, Tommy Greene, and Monica Majmundar, Piarist (second); Paige Tussey, Amy Shepherd, and Ginger Thornsbury, Prestonsburg (third).

- Mission Possible — Leslie Stout, Jeremy Colley, Kristen Duff, and Anthony Clifton, Prestonsburg (first).

- Nature Quest — Ty Martin, Prestonsburg (second); Jason Mullins and Derek McGarey, South Floyd (third).

- Pentathlon — Kara Sammons, Laura Neeley, Eric Joseph, and George Thornsbury, Prestonsburg (first); Tasha Clark, Jeanne Mahaffey, Joel Castle and Will Duty, Piarist (second).

- Physics Lab — Wendell Wilson, South Floyd (first); Jeanne Mahaffey and Monica Majmundar, Piarist (third).

- Polymer Detective — Brent Holbrook and Wendell Wilson, South Floyd (first); Greta Hicks and Paige Tussey, Prestonsburg (third).

- Road Scholar — Joel Castle and Will Duty, Piarist (first); Kara Sammons and Laura Neeley, Prestonsburg (third).

- Scrambler — Sulma Badrudduja and Sera Sammons, Prestonsburg (second).

- Tower Building — George Thornsbury and Eric Joseph (first).

- What Are You Trying To Tell Me? — Earl Bevins and Chris Case, Allen Central (first); Sheena Brock and Kara Sammons, Prestonsburg (third).

- Reach For The Stars (Trail Event) — Brent Holbrook and Margaret Morgan, South Floyd (second).

Tom Vieheller of PCC served as the director of the regional Science Olympiad.

Floyd County coaches for the students were Karen Kendrick, Kara Huffman, Roy Penix, Tammy Francis, Dr. Deb Hopkins, Glenna Childers, Tammy Meade, Billie O'Quinn, Bernadine Isaac, and Jennifer West.

SUNSHINE LINES

by Beverly Carroll

Senior citizens, today your 'Sunshine Lines' column will provide you a brief overview of the Kentucky Benefits Counseling Program for Senior Citizens (KBCP). You will see how this program has helped numerous Kentuckians 60 years of age and older. This article will provide insight into how this program might be able to help you or someone you love.

Let's start with a brief history of the KBCP from the time it began hiring and training Benefits Counseling coordinators and volunteers in 1993 through the present.

The main reason for this organized program was to help meet the needs of our senior citizens throughout the Commonwealth. It was evident senior citizens had needs. Just as evident was the fact that these people didn't know where to turn for help or what help was available.

Your KBCP is funded by federal and state monies. All aspects of the program are controlled by the Department of Aging in Frankfort. This department elected to provide monies to the Area Development Districts (ADD's) who, in turn, choose sponsoring organizations in their respective service areas to accept responsibility for seeing that the mission of this program is accomplished. In the Big Sandy Area, your Kentucky Benefits Counseling Program is sponsored by the Appalachian Research and Defense Fund of Kentucky, Inc., also known as Legal Services and Appalred.

Working on behalf of all senior citizens in Floyd, Johnson, Magoffin, Martin and Pike counties, under the direct supervision of Carol Napier, senior paralegal at Appalred, are Donald Akers, your Benefits Counseling coordinator, and his staff of state-trained volunteers. These people interact on your behalf with fellow co-workers, as well as with Bonnie Hale and Doug Lawson, aging specialists at the Big Sandy Area Development District.

Don and his staff meet with you in our area's Senior Citizen Centers; at medical clinics like Hope, Mud Creek and Shelby Valley; at high rises throughout the Big Sandy region; in Adult Day Care facilities; nursing homes and in a host of other places where senior citizens congregate.

The coordinator's job is to do all that he can to find help for senior citizens with one kind of problem or another. Though his main job is to "counsel" and "refer," he is also available to help you understand and work through bureaucratic "red tape." (Who doesn't know what a pain that is?) He serves as a liaison on your behalf to make sure that you get the benefits that you rightfully deserve, even if this means getting legal counsel involved for you. He also serves as an advocate on behalf of all citizens in regard to aging issues and laws that do or could affect every one of us in our golden years.

My personal opinion is that the KBCP is expected to do a lot for senior citizens, yet the program is severely under-funded. It's ironic. There are more senior citizens living today than there have been at any time in history, their needs are greater today, the cost of living has skyrocketed in recent years, medicines are hardly attainable for the aged and poor, and many are but a few meals away from severe hunger, etc., etc. The program is designed to refer senior citizens to organizations that can help to fill our needs, yet the needs of our older Americans often go unmet because the resources are not available.

I don't recall you asking for my opinion, but I hope Frankfort and Washington are reading. Older Kentuckians and all senior citizens need more HELP.

Well, back to our local Benefits Counseling Program. We are here for you. If you have a need or if you know of someone who does, call Don Akers today at 886-3876 or toll-free at 1-800-556-3876. Food? Clothing? Housing? Medical? Prescriptions? Harassed by collection agencies? Bugged by telemarketers? Door solicitors? Slamming? Mental Health? Problems with Medicare? Hospital bills? Questions about Medi-gap or supplemental insurance? Rude encounters with public servants at agencies or organizations designed to help you? Can't read the fine print and are confused about what you can read, call Don today. There's no charge. The Kentucky Benefits Counseling Program for Senior Citizens in the Big Sandy area is here for you!

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AG NEWS

Patricia G. Spicer
Agent for Agricultural and Natural Resources University for Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service Floyd County Office

The signs of spring are all around us, with spring trees and flowers in bloom. The first insect pests of the season are also making an appearance. Small eastern tent caterpillars nests can be seen in trees such as wild cherry, apple, and crabapple. Now is the time to control these pests before the nests get larger.

These insects overwinter as eggs in shiny, black egg masses wrapped around pencil-size or smaller tree branches. They begin to hatch about the time wild cherry tree buds to open. They may be found on hawthorn, maple, birch, cherry, peach, apple, pear and plum trees in the home landscape.

The caterpillars are social and like to stay together after they hatch. Caterpillars from one egg mass (150-400 caterpillars) spin a silken tent in the crotch of a tree. Caterpillars from two or more egg masses may unite to form one large colony. During the heat of the day or in rainy weather, the caterpillars remain within the tent. They emerge to feed on leaves in the early morning, evening, or at night when it is not too cold.

Tent caterpillars can nearly defoliate a tree when numerous, the tree

will usually recover and put out a new crop of leaves. In the landscape, however, nests can become an eyesore, particularly when exposed by excessive defoliation.

The larvae are hairy caterpillars, black with a white stripe down the back, brown and yellow lines along the sides, and a row of oval blue spots on the sides. As the larvae feed on the foliage, they increase the size of the web until it is a foot or more in length. In 4 to 6 weeks the caterpillars are full grown and 2 to 2 1/2 inches long. At this time, they begin

to wander away from the nest in search of potential areas to spin a cocoon.

The caterpillars can cause considerable concern at this time. They are frequently seen crawling on other types of plants, walkways, and storage buildings. They are a nuisance and can create a mess when they are squashed on driveways, sidewalks, and patios. But keep in mind that they are no longer looking for food. Insecticides generally will not work on mature caterpillars.

Prevention and early control is very important. Removal and destruction of the egg masses from ornamentals and fruit trees during winter greatly reduces the problem next spring. In the early spring, small nests can be removed and

destroyed by hand. Larger tents may be pruned out and destroyed or removed by winding the tent upon the end of a stick. It is best to do this around dusk or early in the morning when the caterpillars are in the tent. Burning the tents out with a torch is not recommended since the intense heat can damage the tree.

For larger trees or trees that have several nests, a spray may be needed. Young caterpillars can be killed by applying an insecticide containing Bacillus thuringiensis var kurstaki. Other insecticides that can't be used include products that contain carbaryl, methoxychlor, and Malathion. Larvae within the tents are protected beneath the webbing and are more difficult to kill with an insecticide.

For more information on controlling the eastern tent caterpillar please contact Pat Spicer at the extension office, 921 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, (606) 886-2668. Ask for ENTFACT-432, "The Eastern Tent caterpillar" by Dr. Rick Bessin, University of Kentucky Extension Entomologist.

The Prestonsburg Tree Board will meet on Thursday, April 9, at 5:00 p.m. at the Floyd County Extension Office.

For more information contact Pat Spicer at the Floyd County Extension Office, 921 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, (606) 886-2668.

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BUSINESS/REAL ESTATE

Prestonsburg Sears dealer store offers Maytag appliances

The Sears Dealer store located in Prestonsburg now offers Maytag brand appliances to local customers. With the addition of Maytag, Sears is the only retailer in the nation selling all six of the top brands of major appliances including Kenmore, Whirlpool, General Electric, Frigidaire and Amana.

"By adding Maytag, our store offers the best selection of appliances in the area," said Sam Blackburn, owner of the Prestonsburg Sears store. "Now our customers can find all the leading brands in one location that's close to home."

The Sears Dealer store carries a broad selection of Maytag's best selling products, including a full line of: washers and dryers; dishwashers; refrigerators; and free-standing gas and electric ranges. In addition, customers can find exclusive Maytag models in washer/dryers, dishwashers and ranges at Sears; prices are the same as at Sears mall stores in metropolitan areas.

"Both Sears and Maytag are renowned for quality and value, which is why our new partnership is

a natural one," said Blackburn. "As always, we offer repair service for all Maytag appliances and all other major brands of appliances, no matter where they were purchased."

Local Realtor now carries top six appliance brands

Dependability is a cornerstone of the Maytag brand. In fact, their Dependable Care washers and dryers are designed to not only clean and dry laundry, but to help clothes look newer longer; its QUADClean wash system has the exclusive LoadSensor agitator that adjusts its wash action to each and every load, big or small. And a high capacity blower in its dryers produces a diagonal airflow for fast and even drying.

Sears also carries a broad assortment of Maytag products for the kitchen. In fact, Maytag dishwashers put to rest the old job of pre-washing dishes. With its exclusive Six-Tier wash system, a total of 62 spray jets power-scrub from every direction. A patented internal food disposer chops and eliminates both soft and hard food wastes while a dual micro filtration system

removes the tiniest of food particles. These design features help reduce clean-up time and is 20 percent larger capacity accommodates bigger loads. Maytag dishwashers

also feature a sound-absorbing tub and insulation system for extra quiet operation.

When it comes to food, Maytag ranges and refrigerators can't improve one's culinary skills, but they do regulate cook times with an Advanced Cooking System—a unique fan that maintains the desired temperature and circulates heat throughout the entire oven. Maytag ovens are designed to bake consistently and brown uniformly, so there's no need to continually switch and turn pans and special cleaning features like porcelain enamel cooktops with spill-catcher edges, sealed gas burners and no-drip bowls make clean-up easier.

Maytag's reputation for high performance in refrigerators comes from using the best materials and construction techniques available and thoroughly testing to ensure

lower repair costs, high energy efficiently and extra years of use. Most Maytag refrigerators feature the proprietary dual cool freshness design with two thermostats that independently control the refrigerator and freezer to eliminate damaging temperature fluctuations. All models also have FreshLock crispers with humidity control to ensure proper climate conditions for fruits and vegetables. These special attributes result in better food protection and preservation to limit waste and lower food costs.

"Customers have embraced the new Maytag merchandise in our stores," said Steve Titus, vice president, general manager for Sears Dealer Stores. "For more than a century, Sears and Maytag have stood for trust and dependability; loyal Maytag customers can now shop at Sears for all their appliance needs."

The Prestonsburg store is one of more than 580 Sears Dealer stores opened since June 1993. The majority of stores are located in rural

communities where Sears previously operated retail catalog stores; the company plans to operate a total of 900 Dealer's stores by each year 2000. Sears, Roebuck and Co. is a

leading U.S. retailer of apparel, home and automotive services, with annual revenues of more than \$41 billion. For more information, visit Sears web site at www.sears.com.

County unemployment rates follow usual January trend, except for Floyd County, which has gotten better

Unemployment rates went up in 112 Kentucky counties from December to January, and decreased in five, according to the Department for Employment Services. Floyd's trend differed slightly, as the January rate for the county was 8.0 percent, down considerably from the 11.0 percent of last year at this time.

From January 1997 to January

1998, jobless rates fell in 107 counties, and went up in 11.

In January 1998, 16 counties had double-digit unemployment jobless rates, as compared to 11 counties with jobless rates at or above 10 percent in December 1997, and 42 in January 1997.

Kentucky typically has its highest unemployment rates during January and February.

The lowest unemployment rate in the state for January 1998 was 1.5 percent, recorded in Woodford County.

Russell County's 32.2 percent was the state's highest jobless rate.

Locally, other large percentages can be seen as Magoffin County had a 16.7 percent rate, and Morgan County followed with 12.6 percent. Other statistics in the Big Sandy

Region are all lower than the rates they demonstrated at the same time last year.

Johnson County had a 1997 rate of 10.0, but this year is down to 7.2 percent; Martin County went from 13.4 percent in 1997 to 9.0 percent this January; and Pike County went from a 1997 rate of 9.4 percent to a 7.2 percent rating for the first month of this year.

NFIB blasts democratic proposal to increase minimum wage

The Democratic leadership and the White House seem determined to make hiking the minimum wage an election year issue at the expense of small-business owners and those at the lowest rungs of the economic ladder, said NFIB President Jack Faris.

Sen. Minority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D., Sen. Ted Kennedy, D-Mass., and House Minority Whip David Bonior, D-Mich., today introduced legislation that would raise the minimum wage by \$1 an hour over two years—50

cents on January 1, 1999, and a 50-cent increase on January 1, 2000. The Clinton Administration supports the proposal.

"Small-business owners were just hit with a minimum wage increase last year and they can't afford another one, Faris said. Every time there's a minimum wage hike, more small-business owners are forced to lay off employees, pass costs onto consumers or not hire new employees. NFIB will fight any increase in the minimum wage.

Faris said that raising the minimum wage is not an effective poverty fighting tool.

"In reality, 84 percent of employees whose wages would be hiked either live with their parents or another relative, live alone, or have a working spouse, Faris said.

RHS targets \$21,070,500 for GRH loan program

Thomas G. Fern, state director for Rural Development, announced

"By increasing the minimum wage, low-skilled employees are priced out of the market denying them an opportunity to get a job and gain valuable experience.

NFIB represents small-and independent-business owners in all 50 states.

this week that Kentucky has targeted 30 percent (\$21,070,500) of Guaranteed Rural Housing (GRH) Funds allocated to the state during Fiscal Year 1998 to 53 counties, including Floyd County, with median incomes at or below the Kentucky's non-metropolitan median income.

Targeting of GRH funds will make financing available for approximately 350 low and moderate income families who have limited opportunities to own a home. This pool of reserved funds will provide guarantees to approved private sector Lenders who make 100 percent loans to families with incomes not exceeding 115 percent of an area's median income for the purchase of a new or existing home. Further information on the (GRH) program, including a list of "Approved Lenders," may be obtained from the RHS or area office located at: 220 West First Street, Morehead, KY 40351.

COMMERCE CORNER

This week our Chamber of Commerce held the April Membership Meetings. On Monday the regular meeting was hosted by Jenny Wiley State Resort Park followed by the evening satellite meeting which was hosted by TransFinancial Bank in Martin. We thank our membership speaker, Greg Wilson from First Commonwealth Bank, and our guest speaker, Justin Hall from Southeast Telephone.

We are currently accepting nominations from Chamber Members for our Annual Awards Banquet this May 21st. The deadline to submit your nominations for consideration by our Awards/Nominating Committee is April 15th. Invitations for the banquet will go out to members in the next few weeks, and we urge you to reserve your tickets early. This year our keynote address will be given by Cawood Ledford, and we are excited to hear what he has to say about our National Champions, the Kentucky Wildcats!

One note of interest this week is the Tourism Roundtable held last week at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park. The meeting with the Prestonsburg Tourism Commission was a brainstorming session regarding this increasingly important industry in Floyd County. Paintsville Tourism Director, Jim Williams, was present and encour-

aged working together not only with our local constituents, but regionally when marketing our area. Our Chamber was represented at the meeting by Executive Director Carla Coburn, Incoming President Rebecca DeRossett, and Tourism Representative Donna Blackburn.

Members, may you notice our sign is missing at the Chamber of Commerce office. The sign was removed last week by the City of Prestonsburg. Mayor Fannin



Carla Coburn

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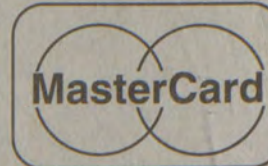
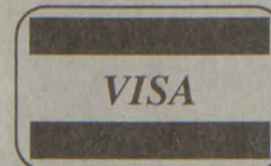
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Submit resumes no later than April 3, 1998 to: Marsha Ison, Personnel Director Eastern Kentucky CEP, Inc. 941 N. Main Street, Hazard, KY 41701

KNOTT COUNTY PIPPA PASSES: Caney Creek Water and Sewer District is looking for a person with the following qualifications: Class 2 water treatment license. Class 1 waste treatment license. For more information contact Danny Kimball at Alice Lloyd College 606-368-2101 ext. 7503 or 606-368-2820.

The Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center in Prestonsburg, Kentucky, has an opening for a Building Apartment Maintenance instructor. Will instruct young adults (Ages 16-21). Must have practical experience in building maintenance, electricity, and carpentry. Salary \$21,112 - \$26,390 (Based on experience). If interested, please call (606) 886-1037. Ext. 16.

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Legals

PUBLIC NOTICE
I, Timothy (Tim) Howard, of Hippo, Kentucky, son of Allie Cooley, will no longer be responsible for any debts created by anyone but myself on and after publication of this notice.

Timothy Howard
Hippo, KY

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 898-5991, Transfer

In accordance with 405 KAR 8:010, notice is hereby given that Addington Enterprises, Inc., 1500 North Big Run Road, Ashland, Kentucky 41102. The new permit number will be 898-5991. The operation disturbs 18.5 surface acres and underlies 771.8 acres. No new acreage is affected by the transfer.

The operation is located 0.6 mile Northwest of Owsley in Pike County. The operation is approximately 3.5 miles Northwest from U.S. 23's junction with State Route 1384 and located 0.2 mile West of Hurricane Creek. The operation is located on the Pikeville and Broad Bottom U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map at latitude 37 degrees 30 minutes 51 seconds, and longitude 82 degrees 35 minutes 41 seconds.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Pikeville Regional Office, 109 Mays Branch Road, Pikeville, Kentucky 41501. Written comments or objections must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. All comments or objections must be received within fifteen (15) days of today's date.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-5309, Renewal

In accordance with the provision of KRS 350:055, notice is hereby given that Progress Land Corporation, HC 82 Box 1045, Arnold Fork Road, Kite, Kentucky 41828 has filed an application for Renewal of a surface and underground coal mining and reclamation opera-

tion located 2.6 miles south of McDowell in Floyd County. The proposed operation will affect a surface disturbance of 5.2 acres and will underlie an additional 351.10 acres for a total proposed permit acreage of 356.30 acres.

The proposed operation is approximately 1.4 miles southeast from State Route 122 junction with Spewing Camp Branch Road and located one mile southeast of Pilgrim Rest Church. The latitude is 37° 25' 04" and the longitude is 82° 43' 48".

The operation is located on the McDowell U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The operation will use the underground method of mining. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Progress Land Corporation and Black Crystal Coal Company. The operation will underlie land owned by Herbert Combs, Teddy Elliott, Rex Gearheart, Walker Gearheart, Roland Howell, Dee Howell, Sie Hamilton, Progress Land Corporation, Flossie Moore, Lloyd and Anna Sue Stumbo, Eli Hall, Gary Salyers, Carl Dudley, Anderson Heirs and Richard Anderson.

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

NOTICE ZONING CHANGE REQUEST

To Whom It May Concern:

The following property, 37 Greer Street, has been requested to be changed from a R-1 zone to a C-2 zone. A hearing has been scheduled for April 15, 1998 at 1:00 p.m. at City Hall. The public is invited to attend.

The purpose of this change is to construct multiple family dwelling complex.

Larry Adams
Building Official
City of Prestonsburg

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Bobby Hamilton HC 80 Box 690, Topmost, KY 41862 has filed an application with the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet to construct a concrete block commercial building within the 100 year floodplain. The project is located in the community of Wayland approximately 0.09 miles north-west of the intersection of Route 7 at latitude 37d 26m 47s, longitude 82d 48m 28s. Any comments or objections concerning this application shall be directed to: Kentucky Division of Water, Water Resources Branch, 18 Reilly Road, Frankfort, KY 40601. Phone 502-564-2320.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Upon and on this date after publication of this notice, I will no longer be responsible for any debts incurred by anyone other than myself.

Randy Akers
2575 Toler Creek
Harold, KY 41635

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application No. 836-5293, Operator Change

In accordance with 405 KAR 8:010, notice is hereby given that Mineral Resources, Inc., P.O. Box 29, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, intends to revise permit number 836-5293 to change the operator. The operator

presently approved in the permit is Hope Mining, Inc., P.O. Box 435, Betsy Layne, Kentucky 41605. The new operator will be DEANCO, Inc., P.O. Box 465, Allen, Kentucky 41601.

The operation is located 0.90 mile west of Woods in Floyd County. The operation is approximately 1.52 miles East from KY 194's junction with KY 1428 and located adjacent to Cow Creek. The operation is located on the Lancer USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The latitude is 37° 38' 10" and the longitude is 82° 40' 04".

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments or objections must be filed with the Director of the Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. All comments or objections must be received within fifteen (15) days of today's date.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Floyd County Schools is requesting bids for the following services for the 1998-99 school year.

Blacktopping, Security Service, Fire Extinguisher Service and Supplies, Fencing, Carpeting, Paint, Elevator Service, Roofing Supplies, Waste Water Disposal, Electrical and Heating Supplies, Carpentry Supplies, Glass, Plumbing Supplies, Replacement Parts for Sewage Treatment Plants, Fire Alarm Panels, Accessories and Service, Refrigeration Supplies, and Water Treatment for Heating and Cooling Systems.

Bids will be accepted until 10:00 a.m. on April 14, 1998 and bid opening will be at the Maintenance Department (Old Allen Elementary) at 11:00 a.m. on April 14, 1998.

For specifications or further information, call Gregory Adams, Director of Facilities, at 606-874-2049.

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For specifications or further information, contact Jerry L. McGarey, Coordinator of Facilities Support at (606) 874-0089 or Gregory Adams, Director of Facilities at (606) 874-2049.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

April 10, 1998 at 10:30 a.m. or thereabout, a 1996 Clayton 24x44 Mobile Home S/N #CLH021263TNAB will be sold to the highest bidder for cash "as is where is" at Hyllton Mobile Homes, Ivel, KY, under the terms of a retail installment contract and security agreement. The mobile home may be inspected before the sale. The bank reserves the right to bid. The buyer will pay all taxes and transfer fees.

Community Trust Bank
Collection Department
Pikeville, KY
Greg Justice,
Auctioneer

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 860-0312, Renewal

In accordance with KRS 350:055, notice is hereby given that CON-

SOL of Kentucky, Inc., P.O. Box 130, Mousie, Kentucky 41839 has applied for a renewal of a permit for a surface, auger, and underground coal mining operation. Located 2.84 miles southwest of Lackey in Knott County. The existing operation will disturb 315.60 surface acres and will underlie 1,088.82 acres in Knott County and 109.12 acres in Floyd County, Kentucky. The total area within the permit boundary will be 1,513.54 acres.

The existing operation is approximately 1.0 mile southeast from KY Route 80's junction with Big Springs Branch Road and located 0.01 mile south of Big Springs Branch. The latitude is 37° 25' 46" and the longitude is 82° 50' 58".

The existing operation is located on the Wayland U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle maps. The surface area to be mined is owned by CONSOL of Kentucky, Inc., Teddy Slone Heirs, Otis Cox Heirs, et. al., and Denver Robertson. The operation will underlie land owned by CONSOL of Kentucky, Inc., Otis Cox Heirs, et. al., Zelma Martin, Steve Hicks, et. al., Leroy Wallen, Glynn C. Nicholson, Delmar Ramey, Mike Ramey, Rob Gambill, etux, Denver Robertson, Gordon Howard Heirs, Sally Wallace, and Ernest Keen.

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

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

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application No. 836-5293, Amendment No. 1

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350:070, notice is hereby given that Mineral Resources, Inc., P.O. Box 29, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 has applied for an Amendment to an existing underground coal mining and reclamation operation located 0.90 miles west of Woods in Floyd County. The amendment will underlie an additional 394.29 acres making a total area of 844.44 acres within the amended permit boundary.

The proposed amendment area is approximately 0.25 mile east from KY 194's junction with KY 1428 and located adjacent to Cow Creek. The latitude is 37 degrees 38' 10" and the longitude is 82 degrees, 40' 04".

The proposed amendment is located on the Lancer U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The amendment will underlie land owned by Brad Goble, America Frasure, Charles Burchett, Darwin Burchett, Coal-Mac, Inc., and Lynn Parish.

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

Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, KY 40601.

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

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission

Three separate sealed BIDS for the construction of the Cow Creek/U.S. 23-South Project: Contract No. 1: 200,000 Gallon Cow Creek Water Storage Tank; Contract No. 2: 200,000 Gallon Davidson Water Storage Tank, with 300,000 gallon alternate tank, and Contract No. 3: 400 GPM Booster Pump Station and approximately 600 feet of 8-inch and 2,170 feet of 10-inch PVC waterline to above tanks, plus appurtenances and connections to existing water mains, will be received by the Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commissions at their offices, located at 2560 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 until 1:30 p.m. (local time) on April 21, 1998; and then, at said office, publicly opened and read aloud.

The CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be examined at the following locations:

- Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission, 2560 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653;
- Kenvirons, Inc., 452 Versailles Road, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601;
- F.W. Dodge Corp., 2525 Harrodsburg Road, Lexington, Kentucky 40504;
- Associated General Contractors, 2321 Fortune Drive, Lexington,

Kentucky 40509.

Copies of the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be obtained at Kenvirons, Inc. (at the above address) or by calling (502) 695-4357 at a non-refundable cost of \$50 per separate set. Prospective BIDDERS must specify which contract(s) are being requested.

A non-mandatory PRE-BID SHOWING is scheduled for 10:00 a.m., April 14, 1998. The work contained in all three contracts will be addressed. COMMISSION representatives at the ENGINEER will meet prospective BIDDERS at the eastern entrance to the Davidson Industrial Park (south of the Alpike Motel) at the prescribed time. All prospective BIDDERS are encouraged to attend.

Seldon Horne, Superintendent
Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission

Understanding Marriage And Commitment

(NAPS)—Love. Commitment. Marriage. A new, heartwarming novel walks readers through the happiness and difficulties of being a couple.

The book, Anniversary A Love Story (\$10.95 Health Communications, Inc.), examines relationships through the eyes of a man named Richard.

As Richard boards a plane the morning after his mother's funeral, his father hands him a thick envelope and instructs his son not to open it until he is airborne.

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discovers a stack of letters written by his parents. Age has discolored some pages and others look almost new, but all were written on his parents' anniversaries.

In a cover note from his father, Richard reads: "What you will find here is a collection of personal letters between your mother and me. There is nothing I value more now that she's gone. Contrary to what you may think Richard, you haven't failed in your relationships. You simply need help understanding the bigger picture. You're reading these letters because that's what I believe will help you."

What Richard—and readers—will discover about his parents' marriage forms the basis of an entertaining and inspiring guide to marriage. The author uses the novel form to present what his years as a marriage and divorce psychologist have shown him works for couples. He explores these ideas through Richard's failing marriage and the lifelong union his parents shared.

This generation-spanning story is meant to capture readers' hearts and help teach them lessons to help keep their own marriages full of happiness and love.

The book can be found in the relationship/self-help section of most major bookstores.

Protecting Your Health And Wealth

(NAPS)—What you get out of your health insurance depends on how much you know and what you do.

For example, do you know if you have the

right insurance and if you're getting your money's worth from the insurance you do have? A health insurance agent can help you decide.

Health insurance agents are highly qualified professionals who are trained and experienced in guiding you through the complexities of choosing appropriate, affordable health coverage.

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As your representative, your health insurance agent can:

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Many career health insurance agents belong to the National Association of Health Underwriters (NAHU). That organization requires its members to subscribe to a strict professional code of ethics and offers educational forums to ensure members meet the highest standards of client service.

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A brochure filled with facts about the life-long value of owning a pool is available from Pacific Pools. To receive a free copy, call 1-888-446-3631.

Did you know?

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More than one-third of teens looking to get a pager are interested in a word message pager, found a survey conducted by Motorola.

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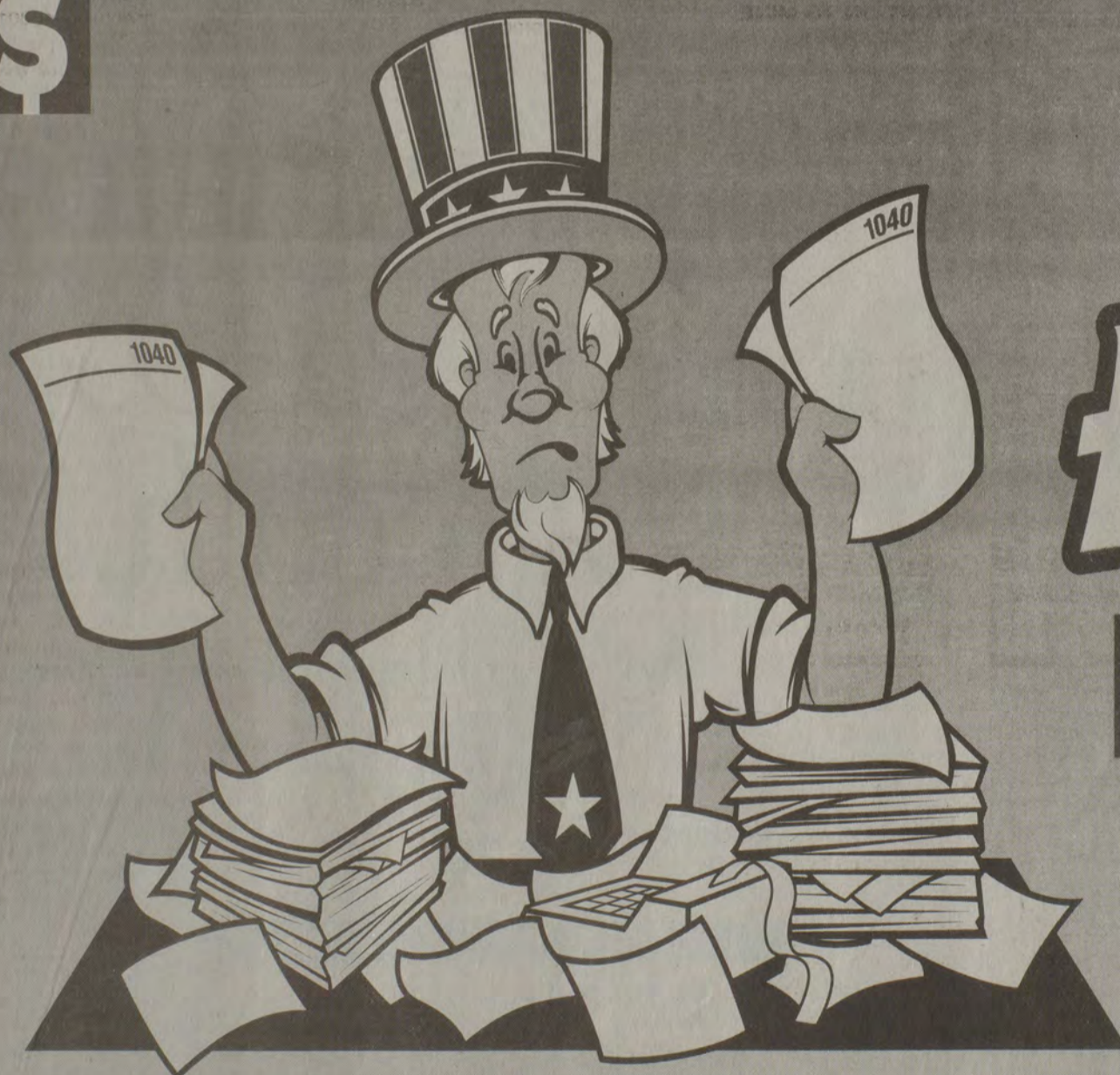
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EASY POPPY SEED DROP BISCUITS

2 cups Martha White® Self-Rising Flour

2 tablespoons poppy seeds
1 teaspoon sugar
3 tablespoons butter or margarine, melted
1 (8-oz.) container (1 cup) sour cream

Heat oven to 450°F. Grease large baking sheet. In medium bowl, combine flour and poppy seeds. Add butter and sour cream; stir with fork until dough forms. Drop by heaping tablespoonsfuls onto greased baking sheet. Bake at 450°F. for 10 to 12 minutes or until golden brown. 14 to 16 biscuits.

SWISS BACON ONION CORNBREAD

4 slices bacon
1 large onion, chopped
2 eggs, beaten
1 1/3 cups milk
2 cups Martha White® Self-Rising Corn Meal Mix
6 oz. (1 1/2 cups) shredded Swiss cheese

Heat oven to 425°F. Grease 13 x 9-inch baking pan. In large skillet, cook bacon until crisp; drain and crumble. In same skillet, cook onion in no more than 1/4 cup of the bacon drippings until tender. In large bowl, combine eggs, milk, corn meal and cheese; stir until smooth. Add crumbled bacon and onion; stir. Pour into greased pan. Bake at 425°F. for 25 minutes to 30 minutes or until golden brown. 12 to 15 servings.

PARMESAN FRESH HERB MUFFINS

1 cup Martha White® Self-Rising Flour
1 cup Martha White® Self-Rising Corn Meal Mix
2 eggs, beaten
1 1/2 cups buttermilk
1/4 cup butter or margarine, melted

1/2 cup grated Parmesan cheese
1/3 cup chopped fresh basil, dill and/or parsley
1/2 teaspoon coarsely cracked pepper

Heat oven to 450°F. Grease muffin pan. In medium bowl, combine flour and corn meal. Add eggs, buttermilk and butter; stir to blend. Add remaining ingredients; stir just until blended. Fill muffin cups 2/3 full. Bake at 450°F. for 18 to 20 minutes or until golden brown. 12 to 14 muffins.

STUFFED MUSHROOMS, GREEK STYLE

no stick cooking spray
1 package (10 ounces) frozen chopped spinach, cooked and drained
24 large mushrooms
1/2 cup chopped green onions, or scallions, including tender tops
2 cloves garlic, minced
1/2 cup 1% low-fat cottage cheese
1/4 cup freshly grated Parmesan cheese
1/4 cup feta cheese
1/2 cup chopped fresh mint (or 2 tablespoons dried mint)
salt to taste
freshly ground pepper
mint leaves for garnish

Preheat oven to 375°F. Spray a baking pan with no stick cooking spray. Make sure all water is squeezed from the spinach. Clean and steam the mushrooms. Chop the mushroom stems. Place mushroom stems, green onions, and garlic in the saucepan and cook until tender, about 5 minutes.

To make the filling, blend the spinach with the cooked vegetables, cottage cheese, Parmesan cheese, feta cheese, and mint. Salt and pepper the filling to taste. Fill mushroom caps with spinach mixture, mounding high in center. Bake in the oven for 15 minutes. Garnish with mint leaves and serve immediately.

CHEESY BROWN RICE AND BLACK EYE PEAS

2 teaspoons margarine
1 small clove garlic, finely chopped
2 tablespoons chopped green onion
1/4 cup thinly sliced celery
1 1/2 cups instant brown rice
1 cup frozen blackeye peas
1 can (13 3/4 oz.) lower sodium chicken broth
1 cup (4 oz.) shredded farmer cheese

Measure margarine, garlic, onion and celery into 1 1/2-quart round glass casserole or glass mixing bowl. Microwave at high (100%) for 30 seconds. Stir. Microwave at high 30 seconds longer.

Stir in rice, peas and chicken broth. Cover and microwave at high for 10 minutes, stirring once. Stir in cheese. Let stand, covered, 5 min-

utes.

MELT-IN-YOUR MOUTH PANCAKES

2 cups Martha White® Self-Rising Flour
1 tablespoons sugar
1/4 teaspoon baking soda
2 eggs, beaten
1 (8-oz.) container (1 cup) sour cream
1/4 cup butter or margarine, melted

2 cups milk
4 cups sweetened fresh or frozen raspberries, blueberries, strawberries, blackberries and/or sliced peeled peaches

8 oz. (1 cup) whipping cream, whipped with 1 tablespoon sugar

Lightly grease skillet or griddle. Heat to medium heat (350°F.). In large bowl combine flour, sugar and soda. In medium bowl combine eggs, sour cream, butter and milk; blend well. Add liquid ingredients to dry ingredients; stir just until smooth. Batter should be very thin. Pour scant 1/4 cup batter onto hot skillet for each pancake. Cook 1 to 1 1/2 minutes, turning when edges look cooked and bubbles begin to break on surface. Continue to cook 1 to 1/2 minutes or until golden brown. Spoon fruit on one half of pancake. Fold pancake in half, top with more fruit and a dollop of whipped cream. Repeat with remaining pancakes. 18 to 20 pancakes.

CHOCOLATE CHIP SCOTCHES

1/2 cup butter or margarine
1 1/4 cups firmly packed light brown sugar
2 eggs
1 cup Martha White® Self-Rising Flour
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 cup chopped pecans
1 (6 oz.) pkg. (1 cup) semi-sweet chocolate chips

Heat oven to 350°F. Grease 9-inch baking pan. In large saucepan, melt butter over medium heat; remove from heat. Stir in remaining ingredients in order listed, mixing well after each addition. Spread batter in prepared pan. Bake at 350°F. for 30 to 35 minutes or until top is deep golden brown. 16 squares.

CHUCK WAGON PASTA SALAD

8 ounces uncooked wagon wheel or bow-tie pasta
1/4 cup Kikkoman Soy Sauce
1 tablespoon prepared yellow mustard
4 teaspoons brown sugar, packed
1/2 pound cooked roasted beef, cut into 1/4-inch thick slices
1 cup coarsely chopped onion
2 tablespoons vegetable oil
1 medium zucchini, cut in half lengthwise and sliced
1 medium-sized red or green bell pepper, cut in 1-inch pieces
1/3 cup chopped fresh parsley

Cook pasta according to package directions, omitting salt. Meanwhile, blend next three ingredients and cut beef into 1/2-inch pieces; set aside. Drain pasta; rinse and drain well. Turn out into large serving bowl; cover. Sauté onion in hot oil in large skillet over medium-high heat 1 minute. Stir in zucchini and bell pepper; cook 2 to 3 minutes until vegetables are tender, yet crisp. Remove from heat; stir in parsley and soy sauce mixture. Add to pasta with beef; tossing well to combine. Makes 6 servings.

CRANBERRY GALAXY SALSA

1 cup canned jellied cranberry sauce
1/2 cup medium picante sauce
2 tablespoons warm water
Combine all ingredients and mix well. Store in the refrigerator or serve immediately with chicken nuggets. Refrigerate remaining sauce. Make 1 1/2 cups sauce.

BIG DIPPER DIJON SAUCE

1/2 cup honey
1/2 cup Dijonnaise™
Combine ingredients and mix well. Serve immediately with chicken nuggets or store in the refrigerator. Makes one cup.

TERRESTRIAL TERIYAKI SAUCE

1 (6-ounce) can pineapple juice
2 tablespoons cornstarch
1/4 cup brown sugar
1 tablespoon lemon juice
1/4 cup teriyaki sauce marinade
1/2 teaspoon hot pepper sauce
Combine pineapple juice and cornstarch in a small saucepan. Mix well. Stir in remaining ingredients and heat over medium heat. Stir constantly as mixture begins to thicken. Remove heat as mixture begins to

boil. Allow to cool before serving. Makes 1 1/2 cups.

FRUITED PASTA SALAD

1 1/3 cup rotini, uncooked
2 cups chopped cooked chicken
1 1/2 cups sliced celery
1 cup seedless green grapes, halved
1/4 cup chopped green pepper
1/4 cup chopped purple onion
1 (11-ounce) can mandarin oranges, drained
1 (8-ounce) can sliced water chestnuts, drained
1/4 cup commercial buttermilk dressing
1/4 cup mayonnaise
1 teaspoon Beau Monde seasoning

1/4 teaspoon salt
1/8 teaspoon pepper
Cook pasta according to package directions; drain. Rinse with cold water; drain. Combine pasta and next 7 ingredients, tossing gently.

Combine buttermilk dressing and remaining ingredients. Pour over pasta mixture; tossing gently. Cover and chill. Yield: 4 to 6 servings.

CRANBERRY-ORANGE CHICKEN AND RICE

1 tablespoon butter or margarine
4 boneless skinless chicken breasts
Salt
Pepper
1/2 cup chopped onion
1/3 cup sliced celery
1/4 cup chopped walnuts
3/4 cup Riceland® Extra Long Grain Rice
1 cup chicken broth
1/2 cup orange juice

1 teaspoon grated orange rind
1 cup cranberry-orange sauce or relish

In medium non-stick skillet, melt butter. Place chicken breasts in skillet; sprinkle to taste with salt and pepper. Cook chicken over medium heat until browned on both sides. Remove chicken from skillet. Add onion, celery and walnuts to drippings in skillet. Cook and stir over medium heat until onion is tender, about 3 minutes. Stir in rice, chicken broth, orange juice and orange rind. Bring to a boil; stir. Place chicken on top of rice. Reduce heat to a simmer; cover and cook 15 minutes or until rice is tender. Spoon cranberry-orange sauce over chicken. Cover and let stand 2 minutes, 4 servings.

APPLE CINNAMON RICE WITH MAPLE-GLAZED PORK TENDERLOIN

1 lb. pork tenderloin
Salt
Coarsely ground pepper
1 tablespoon butter or margarine
1/2 cup maple-flavored syrup
2 teaspoons Dijon mustard

RICE

3/4 cup Riceland® Extra Long Grain Rice
1 1/2 cups apple juice
1 cup chopped apple
1/4 cup raisins
1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/4 cup chopped parsley
Cut pork into 3/4-inch thick slices, season with salt and pepper. In skillet, melt butter. Place pork in skillet; cook over medium heat until lightly browned on both sides. Remove pork from skillet. Add maple syrup and

mustard to skillet; boil until reduced and thickened, 2 to 3 minutes. Return pork to skillet; stir to coat with glaze. Cover and keep warm while preparing rice.

In medium saucepan, combine all rice ingredients except parsley. Bring to a boil; stir. Reduce heat to simmer; cover and cook 15 minutes or until rice is tender. Stir in parsley. Serve pork slices with glaze. 4 servings.

CHEESECAKE

3 packages (8 oz. each) cream cheese, softened
3/4 cup sugar
1/2 cup sour cream
2 tsp. vanilla extract
3 tablespoons all-purpose flour
3 eggs
Strawberries for garnish
Crumb Crust:
1 1/2 cups Graham cracker crumbs
1/2 cup butter

Prepare crust by placing Graham cracker crumbs in a bowl. Melt butter and pour into bowl. Mix with crumbs and then pat mixture into bottom and halfway up the sides of a T-Fal Resistal springform pan.

Preheat oven to 450°. In large bowl, beat together cream cheese, sugar, sour cream and vanilla extract at medium speed until smooth. Gradually add flour, blending well. Add eggs, one at a time, beating well after each addition.

Transfer to T-Fal springform pan and bake 10 minutes. Reduce oven temperature to 250° and continue baking for 30 minutes. Remove from oven. With plastic spatula, gently loosen cheesecake from side of pan. Cool to room temperature and then

refrigerate several hours or overnight. Remove side of springform. Garnish with strawberry slices and serve.

APPLE MUFFINS

2 cups all-purpose flour
2 tsp. baking powder
1/2 tsp. baking soda
1/2 tsp. salt
1/2 cup firmly packed light brown sugar
3/4 tsp. ground cinnamon
1 medium-size Granny Smith apple, pared, cored & cut into 1/4-inch cubes (1 cup)
1/2 cup chopped walnuts
1 cup buttermilk
1 egg slightly beaten
1/4 cup (1/2 stick) unsalted butter, melted

Preheat oven to 400°. Combine flour, baking soda and powder, salt, sugar, cinnamon, apple and half the walnuts in a large bowl. Make well in center.

Combine buttermilk, egg and melted butter in medium-size bowl. Add wet mixture all at once to well in dry ingredients; stir just until dry ingredients are moistened. Do not overmix; batter will be lumpy.

Spoon batter into T-Fal muffin pan, dividing evenly. Sprinkle with remaining walnuts. Cups will be quite full.

Bake for 20 to 25 minutes, or until lightly golden and wooden pick inserted in center comes out clean. Tent with aluminum foil if muffins brown too quickly.

Cool muffins in pan on wire rack for 5 minutes. Run plastic knife or thin rubber spatula around edges of muffins; remove muffins from pan. Serve warm.

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