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State board reviews Floyd School System

Carter presents 'good product'

by Susan Allen
Staff Writer

State school board members continue to be pleased with the progress reports regarding improvements being made in the Floyd County School System.

State manager Woodrow Carter and interim superintendent Mike King appeared before a committee of the state board Tuesday afternoon in Danville and said that the district is moving forward, but a lot of work remains to be done.

"We'll get better in the future," Carter told the committee.

State and local officials have revised a comprehensive improve-

ment plan for the district four times, Carter said.

"As the old saying goes, 'if you want it bad, you'll get it bad.' We've felt we've always given you an inferior product," Carter said. "We think now we've got a good product that's much more measurable."

The improvement plan is in response to a comprehensive state management audit of the district last fall, which called the system one in chaos.

Local board members have been working with Carter and King since spring to put together a detailed plan for improvement of the school system which includes being able to better monitor corrective plans of

action.

Carter said Floyd board members will have an opportunity to review the revised plan and offer any other suggestions for improvement.

One area of concern noted in the management audit was the lack of professional development for teachers and administrators in the school system.

Carter reported Tuesday that there has been "a wealth of professional development" happening in the system this summer.

"Floyd County is not suffering from the absence of professional development," Carter said.

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Mullins reinstated to board

by Susan Allen
Staff Writer

Floyd County's Board of Education will have five voting members next month when suspended board member Jody Mullins will be able to resume his seat on the board.

At the Kentucky Board of Education meeting Tuesday in Danville, Mullins appeared before the full board to report he has complied with the provisions of his suspension.

Mullins and former member B.J. Newsome were suspended from the board in January after the pair were charged with failing to

take actions to comply with a state mandated deficit reduction plan.

The two claimed that they had only served on the board for a year and that they took the advice of then superintendent Gene Davis concerning board decisions.

The two said that the management and financial problems of the district were created long before they took their board seats in 1996.

A tribunal of the state board ordered that the two board members serve a six-month suspension from their duties and receive additional training in finance and management.

They were to attend all board meetings, but remain in the audi-

ence as spectators and had no authority to vote on issues.

Newsome vacated his seat on the board just days after his suspension to run for the office of county commissioner.

Mullins appealed the state board's ruling and was reinstated to his seat by the court, but he later dropped the court action and agreed to the suspension.

At Tuesday's meeting, the state board voted to reinstate Mullins on August 28, which provided for the time he remained on the board while appealing the ruling.

After the board's vote, Mullins

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Board's 'bleak' financial future is looking brighter

by Chris McDavid
Staff Writer

The Floyd County School System received a glimmer of hope Monday night when board members learned the district may not end the 1997-98 year in the red for the third straight year.

State financial consultant Matt Wireman presented the board with "good news" of the possibility of

the system ending the year with a \$500,000 to \$800,000 surplus.

"It is good news, but it is good news in a cautionary way," Wireman said, explaining that he is a "shade leery" of placing 100 percent stock in the finding.

The potential surplus followed months of reports that the school system had a "bleak" financial outlook and would most likely end the school year with a deficit.

Wireman explained that there are several factors which have contributed to the anticipated surplus.

Those factors include a \$310,000 increase in SEEK (Support Education and Excellence in Kentucky) allotment, a spending freeze, and overstated expenditure amounts in the budget.

Wireman said the system's last six payrolls were over budgeted by \$160,000.

"I think that in the whole picture, when everything shakes out, we should be in the black," the financial consultant said.

Wireman said he has been "putting out fires" for four months while getting the school district's past finances straightened out.

The financial consultant, along with four additional state consultants and two distinguished educators, have been working to get the systems operations in order.

Interim superintendent Mike King said Tuesday morning that the district's financial outlook is better than what it has been, but noted that it still wasn't where it should be.

"(The financial situation) was bad and is still bad," King said, adding that measures taken by the board and state have contributed to the district's ability "to pull out."

He noted that the state board recommends districts have a five percent carryover of the system's budget and that state law requires a two percent surplus.

The Floyd County School System operates with a \$29 million budget and the anticipated surplus does not meet either the state's recommendation or law.

"We're close, but don't feel

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Wheelwright official indicted by grand jury

by Chris McDavid
Staff Writer

Ten months after a Wheelwright City Commissioner was charged with receiving stolen property, he was indicted by a Floyd County Grand Jury.

The grand jury returned a true bill against 44-year-old Luther Johnson Jr. Monday for allegedly purchasing a 1996 Pontiac Grand Am in September when he knew it had been stolen, the indictment says.

Johnson and two other area residents were arrested in September after "street talk" in the Wheelwright area led authorities to believe the accused were involved in a chop shop operation.

Floyd Sheriff Paul Hunt Thompson testified last year in a preliminary hearing on the matter that reports that "something was going on" at Johnson's home led to the arrests of Johnson, Burnette Little and John Allen.

Authorities found the stolen ve-

hicle, which had been taken from Childers and Venters in Pikeville, in Johnson's garage and discovered that the new car had been "cut up."

Johnson reportedly bought the brand-new vehicle from Allen for \$500. The vehicle was valued at \$12,500.

Allen was originally charged for the theft of the vehicle; however, his attorney had the charge dismissed because there was no evidence the vehicle had been stolen from Floyd County.

In another matter, 47-year-old Homer Jones, of Martin, was indicted by a grand jury on a first degree bail jumping charge.

The indictment says that Jones failed to appear for a trial on a felony charge in Floyd Circuit Court on June 25. The indictment does not indicate the nature of the felony charge.

An indictment is not an indication of guilty but a determination by a grand jury that a case merits further review.



Tom Nelson, pastor of the Town Branch Church, and his mother, Helena, looked at the numerous shoes donated by a local shoe store that will be given away to area children. The church will give away one new outfit and a pair of shoes to each child who attends the church's back-to-school distribution Saturday at noon. (photo by Janice Shepherd)

Clothing giveaway scheduled Saturday

by Janice Shepherd
Managing Editor

It's time for school bells to ring; children to demand 'new clothes'; and parents to groan as they empty their pocketbooks to prepare their children for the start of another year of education.

Some local folks, though, are helping to ease that financial burden. Members of the Town Branch Church are giving away a new outfit and a pair of shoes, sizes four through eight, to children on Saturday at noon.

Winter coats wrapped in cellophane; denim jackets displaying cartoon logos; dress ensembles consisting of matching hair-bows, undergarments and hosiery; shoes ranging from white patent leathers to athletics were being removed from boxes Monday by volunteers to prepare for the distribution.

Each child will also receive a gift bag consisting of items, such as toothbrush and toothpaste, washcloth, shampoo, and other toiletries.

The items, which are new (the church gives away used clothing daily), are donated by local businesses and by Tender Loving Care Ministries and its pastor, the Rev. Carol Johnson, from New Jersey.

The church holds four major clothing distribution programs each year. The church conducts Christmas, Easter, back-to-school, and winter coat giveaways.

Last year, they helped thousands of children from counties around the region have new outfits, according to the church's

pastor, Tom Nelson.

Only so many people will be allowed in the church's basement at a time to select the clothes, because the building will not hold the thousands that attend, Nelson explained. The distribution begins at noon and will not end until the last child has received his new school clothes, Nelson said.

The clothing distribution is just one of the many outreach programs operated by the church members, according to Nelson's mom, Helena Nelson.

"As fast as it comes in, it goes out," Helena Nelson said.

The church has on hand sheets and blankets that it gives to families who have lost their possessions by catastrophes, such as fire.

The Town Branch Church also has special services and programs, such as a clown show for the children Sunday morning and a play, "Peter," at the 11 a.m. worship service.

Other services include a food pantry, called "Feed My Sheep Pantry." Church members are repairing a nearby house to serve as a youth center that will offer arcade games, pool tables, and fast food. Plans include building an amphitheater for outdoor concerts.

Church members paint homes, cut grass and clean houses for the elderly. Currently, they clean other churches, and it's all done at no charge, Nelson said.

"We are people helping people," he added.

For more information about the distribution and outreach programs, contact Nelson at 889-9260.

True bill says DUI death is murder

by Chris McDavid
Staff Writer

A Floyd County Grand Jury returned a true bill Monday against a Martin man accused of driving while under the influence of drugs and alcohol prior to a mishap that claimed the life of an area resident and injured two others.

The indictment charges Hardy Kilburn, 36, of Arkansas Creek, with murder and two counts of first degree assault as a result of a May 19 accident.

Kilburn was allegedly under the influence of alcohol and marijuana when he apparently pulled into the path of another vehicle on Route 80 near Kinzer Drilling.

Randall Elkins, 41, who was a passenger in Kilburn's vehicle, was pronounced dead at the scene of the accident.

Area residents Paul Delong, 44, of Van Lear, and Darrell Bartley, 28, of Banner, were in the second vehicle and were injured as a result of the incident.

Kilburn has denied he was the driver of the vehicle. His blood al-

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Prestonsburg Council on tourist trail

by Chris McDavid
Staff Writer

Plans for the expansion and construction of hiking and biking trails may keep Prestonsburg in the fast track when it comes to making the city and surrounding areas a major tourist attraction in Eastern Kentucky.

During a regular meeting Monday of the Prestonsburg City Council, Mayor Jerry Fannin reported to council members that the city has been approved for a \$40,000 state grant for two trails in the area.

He explained that the funding will be used for expanding the Jenny Wiley Trail from the head of Stratton Branch to the hilltop recreational project and for the construction of the Garth Trail from West Prestonsburg to the mouth of Abbott.

"That's a start," Mayor Fannin said, adding that there was "paperwork" that still needed to be completed.

Councilman Trent Nairn said

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Wrecking crews have been tearing down houses on Frances Court in downtown Prestonsburg between the courthouse and the Courthouse Annex. The county plans to build a parking lot on the site. (photo by Jen Kendrick)

Stumbo criticizes board meetings

by Chris McDavid
Staff Writer

A Floyd County Board of Education member's criticism of the way board meetings were being conducted initiated a discussion on the lengthy meetings and their effectiveness.

Board member Carol Stumbo requested discussion about altering the reporting structure/agenda for meetings be placed on the agenda for Monday's special meeting.

Stumbo said she was concerned that the meetings were not effective and that board members spend a lot

of time managing the school district.

She also noted that the lengths of the board meetings have "been running longer and longer."

Stumbo suggested state manager Woodrow Carter and interim superintendent Mike King report each item on the agendas to the board.

Board chairman Terry Dotson agreed with Stumbo that the meetings have been time consuming, but noted the board still needed to have the ability to call on audience members for additional input on some issues.

"The only person we're respon-

sible for as a board is the superintendent," Stumbo said, adding that the superintendent should be able to anticipate the board's questions on many issues and that the superintendent should be prepared to answer those questions.

"I want Carter and King to manage this system and do it well," Stumbo said, explaining that she has been a board member for six months and that "very little time" has been spent on instruction.

Dotson agreed that the board needs to "move along" items on meeting agendas, but noted the public still needs to be kept aware of the school system's business.

"We have been micro managing (the district)," Stumbo said. "The board is not to manage the district...I don't want to manage this system."

Carter also agreed that board meetings were lasting too long, and said that he would try to do a better

job on presentation and paperwork for the agenda.

But, he indicated that the change could be construed as an attempt to remove the input from other staff members. "We would never be able to develop and nurture as a staff," Carter said. "They want to be able to have their own voice and speak."

Carter said he would contact the Kentucky School Board Association (KSBA) for "time-cutting opportunities," and King said he would present "something" to the board at the August meeting.

Board member Johnnie Ross was not present at Monday's special meeting.

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Future

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comfortable yet," King said. "There could be a bill come in here we're not aware of...One emergency could wipe you out quickly."

King also said the district has budgeted approximately \$900,000 for lawsuits and that the amount is included in the system's potential surplus.

However, during a Kentucky Board of Education meeting last month, state manager Woodrow Carter reported that he has been told "second hand" to expect addi-

tional lawsuits to be filed regarding job termination.

In past years, the school system has lost numerous lawsuits related to firings due in part to the failure of administrators to follow procedures for demotions and firings set out under state law.

For the "first time in a long time" local officials have met the provisions under the law for notifying personnel of contract terminations, Carter reported last month.

Trails

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the goal for city officials is to establish trails that will attract tourists to the area and provide residents with opportunities "to enjoy the scenery."

"The goal is to also help clean up the park and the area surrounding the lake," Nairn added.

The mayor also noted that city officials are anticipating additional funding will be available for similar projects in the future.

"We've got one of the best areas in the United States for (biking and hiking trails)," Mayor Fannin said. "The main thing is just getting it open."

On Tuesday, the mayor said several projects — some of which are already completed — have boomed the city's and surrounding area's tourism.

"With the Mountain Arts Center and the opening of the Samuel May House, along with the 18-hole championship golf course, things are really looking good for the area," Mayor Fannin said.

He indicated the trail projects may help keep Prestonsburg competitive with larger cities in the field of tourism.

"Mountain biking and hiking is something big now in the United States," the mayor said. "I think people are looking for something healthy to do now."

But plans to keep the city on the right road to becoming a major tourist attraction don't end there. Mayor Fannin said city officials are looking at projects to create other trails for not only hiking and biking, but also for riding horses.

"There are a lot of old strip mine and county roads that can be converted to trails," he said. "We're hoping this will bring more tourists to our area and surrounding areas."

In another matter, city officials approved the selling of city utility revenue bonds to fund a water project that will provide Cow Creek residents with better service and will eventually enable more than 100 others to access city water.

City utility superintendent Seldon Horne said Tuesday that the water project consists of installing a 200,000-gallon water tank at the mouth of Cow Creek to give residents in higher elevations better service and in preparation of

extending a line to Buffalo Creek.

Horne said the water tank should be installed by December and that approximately 120 residents in the Buffalo Creek area should have city water by spring.

In other business, councilman Billy Ray Collins questioned the council about signs welcoming visitors to the city of Prestonsburg.

Collins said the council began preparations in 1997 to have the signs constructed.

"I just want to know why the priorities have been set back," he said. "Why isn't it everybody's priority to get these signs?"

Collins noted that the city attorney had sketches for the signs, but they could no longer be located.

Nairn explained that the original design for the plans, which consisted of a fountain with the signs, could not be used because of the project's expense.

"I just want signs on each end of town," Collins said.

Nairn said he would report to the council on the issue of the signs at the city's next regular meeting.

City officials met in closed session Monday to discuss litigation.

Council members Hansel Cooley and Ralph Davis were not present at Monday's regular meeting.

Murder

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cohol level was reportedly three times above the legal limit.

At the scene, beer cans were observed in the back of the pickup Kilburn was allegedly driving and inside the cab of the vehicle.

Kentucky State Police detective David Maynard obtained the murder and assault charges against Kilburn the day after the wreck. Kilburn was lodged in the Floyd County Adult Detention Center two days after the incident.

He remains in the Floyd County jail, where he is being held in lieu of a \$100,000 or ten percent bond.

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Carter

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King told the state committee that overall about 20 certified positions have been cut in the system, a combination of layoffs and retirements. In April, 33 first- and second-year teachers were notified their contracts were not being renewed, King said, but about 25 of those teachers had been rehired due to vacancies created by retirements. King stressed to the committee that that was the latest projection Tuesday morning. "As I've found out about Floyd County, things happen very quickly," King said. Carter attributed many of the positive changes occurring to the "courage" of the local board, state

officials and local employees. "We're very proud of what the district has achieved," Carter said. "I think this has been marked by using one word and that's courage. Courage by the board. Since January, the freezing the expenditures of monies took great courage." Carter also praised employees of the Kentucky Department of Education for their assistance in the district. Floyd County is expected to have a \$600,000 surplus at the end of the 1997-98 school year, Carter said, a portion which can be attributed to the board's attorney Mike Schmitt.

"We've had some success on the legal scene," Carter said. "... We think we've actually peaked on the legal issues. We'll see." State Board Member Craig True told King and Carter that the board apparently made an excellent decision in hiring Schmitt as the board attorney. "... Sounds like the district did a good job of hiring a good person, a good professional person....," True said. Carter said Schmitt's contribution to the board's legal woes is difficult to determine, but he joked that a "bronze statue" to the lawyer may be erected in front of the central office. One area still of major concern in the district is the Department of Special Education, Carter said. "We need to look at the entire

scope of services provided and who provides them," Carter said. "...As far as compliance, we need to do better than that. We're doing better, but we're not where we should be." The district has provided staff, special education teachers and principals additional training, Carter said. He added that the district wants to involve parents who have extensive knowledge about special education issues in the training of other parents about the program. Mike Armstrong, a state official with the Department of Exceptional Children, reported that there is a "breath of fresh air" in the working relationship with Floyd County school employees in the special education department. He said that there are good people working in the special education area who were not able to address many of the issues facing those students due to "the mess they were in."

State officials are attempting to build a "proactive" movement in the school system, Carter said, which will carry on when the district is out of state management. State board members had few questions about improvements in the Floyd District.

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Technology

Kathy Parsons' fifth grade title I students are using their technology skills to strengthen their math skills. Pictured are LaFarrah Collins, Kaylynn Hackworth, Stephen Burchett, Jessie Owens, and Stephanie Jarrell.

Prestonsburg native writes music for all new *The Legend of Jenny Wiley*

The all new world premiere production of *The Legend of Jenny Wiley* has broken new ground in numerous areas at Jenny Wiley Theatre for the 1998 season. One of the most significant things that this production has accomplished is opening doors for the musical composer and orchestrator for Legend, Scott Bradley.

Originally from Prestonsburg, this 23-year-old graduate of Paintsville High School has been working with Jenny Wiley Theatre for the past seven seasons. This is Bradley's first main stage production at Jenny Wiley Theatre, and the first time he has been able to create his own music for a production as large as this one.

"This has really opened a whole other door for me, and made me a whole lot more interested in composing," Bradley said.

Starting in October of 1997, thinking about the project, Bradley, along with good friend and lyricist for *The Legend of Jenny Wiley*, Peyton Dixon, didn't actually start writing the songs and lyrics for this production until the first of January. Both Bradley and Dixon have worked on the 1997 intern and apprentice version of *Jenny Wiley* that was done at the campgrounds.

"It was very helpful that we had already written three songs for the campground version, we already knew the show, and had a style in mind for both the music and lyrics," Bradley said.

In a six-week period, from the first of January 1998, there were 15 new songs composed and lyrics have been written for each one. After the music was ready, they could only wait to see what script changes would have to be made.

In today's profession of musical theatre there are few individuals who do what Scott Bradley has done for *The Legend of Jenny Wiley*, theatre officials said.

It is very rare to have someone write, compose, and orchestrate their music for a production. Even



Scott Bradley

on Broadway someone will write the tune, but someone else composes the rest of the music, the officials said. Bradley said he finds much influence and inspiration from other composers.

"Richard Oberacker was a real influence on me when he did *The Jenny Wiley Story* at the same age as me. It was a real boost for me to see him do what he did, and I learned a lot from him," Bradley said.

Other artistic influences include Leonard Bernstein, George Gershwin, and Aaron Copeland. The variety of influences helped to mold the melting pot of styles that Bradley used to entertain the diversity of an audience that comes to see *The Legend of Jenny Wiley*.

For the 1999 season Bradley has decided to undertake the all new production of *Pinocchio*, writing, composing, and orchestrating the music while working with lyricist Peyton Dixon and script adapter, Patrick Baldauff.

"This has been a great experience, and Legend has really done a lot for my career. I have got plans to go outside the theatre, but right now I couldn't ask for a better situation," Bradley concluded.

Mullins

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was asked if he had any suggestions regarding his situation as a board member, Deputy Education commissioner Tom Willis said.

Mullins told the board that members elected to local boards of education should receive training prior to their taking office instead of being asked to make decisions on issues at the first meeting they attend, Willis said.

State board members addressed Mullins' concerns during a discussion just after Mullins' appearance regarding board member training by the Kentucky School Boards Association (KSBA).

The state board and KSBA will look into the issue of providing new board members basic training regarding their duties prior to taking office.

Since January, the Floyd County Board of Education had for several months only three voting members until District Four representative

Jimmy Osborne was appointed by State Education Commissioner Wilmer Cody in the spring. After that time, the board has deadlocked 2-2 on a couple of issues with only four members having the authority to vote.

Mullins rejoining the board will raise that number to five.



Ky. State Glamour winner

Mary Sonja Nicole Meade won the Wee Miss Hawaiian Tropic Glamour competition on May 31 at Richmond. She also won photogenic and sportswear. Mary Sonja won first place in 50's wear and tropical wear. She won the chance to compete for a modeling contract in Canada, but will not participate this year. She also received the People's Choice Award. She is the daughter of Mary and Sidney Meade of Prestonsburg, the granddaughter of Duard and Sue Meade of Harold, and Mary J. and Henderson Bays of Prestonsburg.

Watkins achieves dean's list

A Lackey resident earned honors in his eighth term of study at the Thomas M. Cooley Law School.

Cecil Watkins made the dean's list and the honor roll, and was awarded a scholarship for work with the elderly at the Sixty Plus Inc., Elderlaw Clinic.

To be on the dean's list a student must earn a 3.0 or better grade point average for a particular term. To be on the honor roll, a student must have a cumulative 3.0 or better G.P.A.

He is a graduate of Morehead State University, and is the son of Cecil and Irene Watkins of Lackey.

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Viewpoint

Quote of the week...

Truth exists. Only lies are invented.

—George Braque

Editorial

Black boxes in the mines

On airplanes and trains, black boxes help sort out the details of disasters. In the mines of Eastern Kentucky, black boxes might now help prevent a disaster from happening in the first place.

Kentucky's disaster is the hundreds of miners and ex-miners who die each year from lungs clogged by coal dust. Relying on an honor system to test for coal-dust levels has proved a tragic exercise in wishful thinking, since the readings of testing units worn by miners can be falsified in any number of ways.

By pushing some promising new black boxes, though, officials at the U. S. Mine Safety and Health Administration have acted to further insulate dust testing from the meddling impulses of mine operators. The next three months will be a trial-run for the boxes in one of the James River Coal

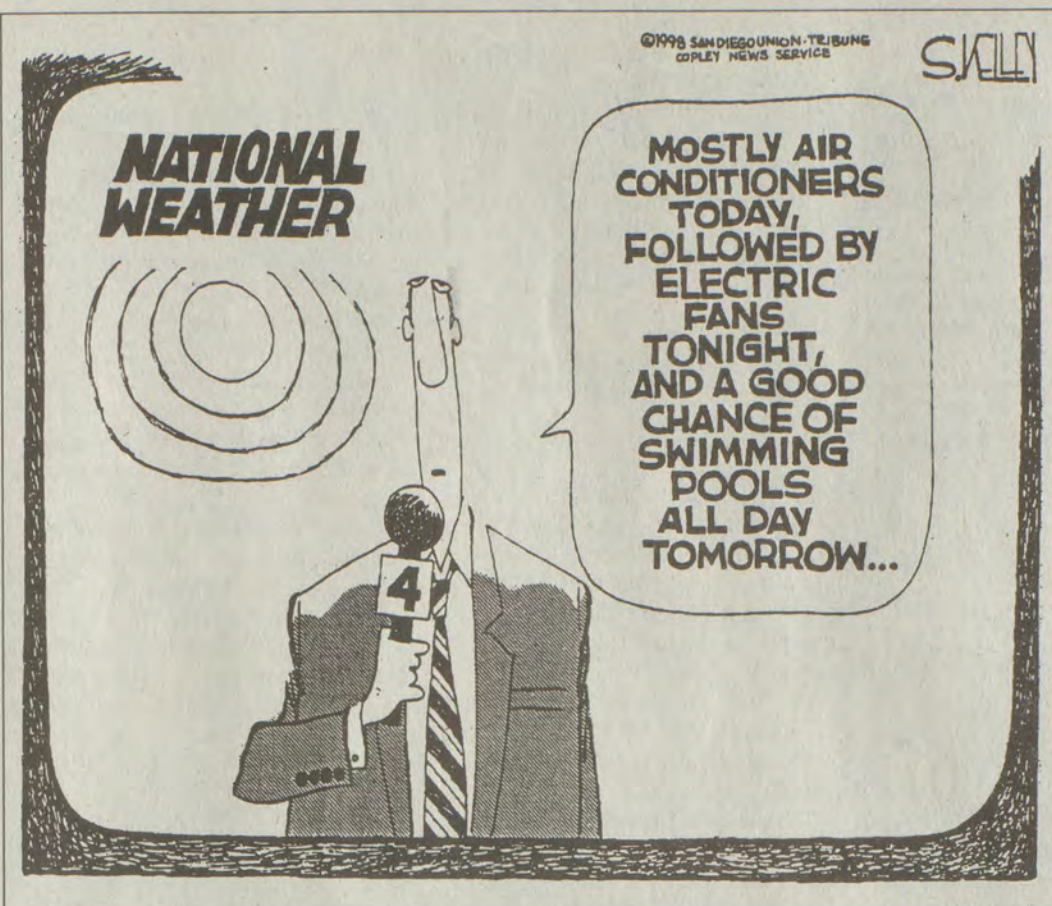
Co. mines.

The new boxes are mounted on the mining machinery, so they can't simply be taken off and left at the mine entrance while the miner heads into the dusty mine interior. Nor can operators choose when to turn the boxes on or off, as they could before. A constant display of dust levels will also help miners to guard their own safety and keep their bosses accountable.

Determined operators could still fudge results by physically tampering with the boxes. But operators are on the hot seat. Results too good to be true are far less likely to escape scrutiny now that widespread falsification of dust tests has been exposed.

Black boxes won't solve the black lung problem, but their presence in Kentucky mines could save some miners' lives.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Supports church's effort

Editor:
I would like to take this means to publicly support the members and people who attend the Little Salem Old Regular Baptist Church's pursuit in obtaining the Prater Creek Elementary School. I encourage all the citizens in this community to stand behind Rep. Greg Stumbo

in his effort to see that justice will be granted. For a number of years I have had the opportunity to be with these families on funeral services, and the need for this space will greatly help this country church. I hope the members of the school board will help in this issue, and favor the little church on Prater Creek.

Joe Back
Prestonsburg

OTHER VOICES

Judge-bashing appears to be popular sport among some, but endangers an essential component of American justice

by William S. Sessions
Chair, ABA special committee on judicial independence

Lately it seems there have been a spate of media attacks on judges, voiced by people who criticize the judicial system to make their own political statements.

Many well known politicians blame judges for the ills of society. Why? Because judges are easy targets, often because they do their difficult job of resolving disputes fairly and impartially in full view of the public. We all know that when law suits are tried in the court, there are happy winners and unhappy losers. Often these losers claim their "loss" was the result of the judge's political views.

Many of these criticisms avoid the real issue, which should be carefully examined, and become unfair, often harsh, criticisms. We sometimes call these accusations "cheap shots."

In today's charged political atmosphere, a judge may be unfairly criticized because the accuser has focused on a single political issue and does not like a decision the judge has made. Many times, these judicial decisions have been made when the judge is called on to interpret vague provisions of laws enacted by the Congress and state legislatures, and the critic disagrees with the interpretation given to the vague law by the judge.

The American public is not to be trifled with when it comes to unfair criticism. They can see through the objective of the critic. Americans, nationwide, trust the courts, understanding that the founding fathers set up a system of "checks and balances" in order to assure that there would be a non-political third branch in our government to balance the power of the political branches—the legislative and the executive. In doing so, they acknowledged that the judicial system would be particularly vulnerable to political attacks from critics inside the government and outside. The founding fathers were confident that

the judicial system could and would survive and flourish.

The power of the state and federal courts, established by constitutions, has earned the respect and support of Americans who understand that many difficult and controversial matters must be decided in a politically impartial manner. The decisions are often naturally controversial because the legal principles upon when they are made flow directly from the constitutions themselves, and constitutions are written in order to survive politically turbulent times. The American people understand that our system of democratic governance, with its independent courts, is much-admired around the world and that many new emerging democracies are modeling their court systems after our system.

Public servants, including judges, should not be above criticism. Their decisions should be analyzed, within the judicial system and without, to ensure fairness and impartiality. Judges' conduct should faithfully and invariably be guided by the requirements of ethics and those of the law. Judge's work product should always be professional and accessible.

Criticisms should be freely expressed by citizens who disagree and dissent and have opinions of their own to express. BUT—criticism should be based on the actual facts and fairly address the true issues.

Oftentimes the attack is blatant political posturing based on misrepresentation of fact.

America has about 50,000 federal, state and local trial and appellate judges. The judiciary becomes involved in a case only because there is an unresolved dispute and a law suit results. Unlike the legislative and executive branches of government, judges in all situations must make a decision disposing of the dispute. We rarely hear about the millions of cases where the litigants are satisfied with the result, and society's best interests are served.

Judges do not work in a vacuum. There are

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FINDING 'JUST THE ONE'—FOR NOW AND FOREVER!

Love appears in the air as Cupid begins his work. One person looks at the other and that extra special feeling rises. Cymbals clash and lightning strikes. Both hearts melt in the excitement of the moment. Is it love at first sight, a physical attraction, or something else? As previously discussed, "love" is a complex emotion and experience that is further complicated by possible "pure" biological reactions. Now the series of "Love, marriage. What happens next?" continues with a look at a sampling of the research done regarding gender similarities and differences when humans

search for love. It is a most important journey of life—picking out that exclusive someone with whom we are willing to work in order to have happiness, no matter what happens.

Things to Ponder

by Mable Rowe Lineberger, Ph.D.

Since marriage is such an important part of our society's functioning and yet there is a 50 percent divorce rate, researchers have examined the process of forming relationships and marriage. Needless to say, the first step occurs as an individual desires a significant person in his/her life. Messages-of-interest are given to the sought-after one in various ways. There may be a very exciting gaze of about three seconds in which the man and woman actually let the other know that he/she is interested in the other (Fisher, 1992). That sure seems to be an extremely brief "check it out" period for making a judgment about another who will fill a role that is expected to last forever. Then, the person focuses upon how to keep the mutual attraction. To make as positive impression upon the female as possible, the man may present non-verbal messages, such as positioning himself so that his chest looks bigger and more muscular. Verbally, men have also been found to "brag about their accomplishments, show sympathy for other's problems, and talk about their importance at work. They also display resources, flash money, and show confidence (Buss, 1994)." The woman uses non-verbal messages also to make herself more attractive to the man, such as applying make-up to cover up imperfections. The female will "diet," wear dark clothes, and pull in her stomach to appear thinner for that all important first impression on her heart throb (Fisher, 1992).

Now that the two have each other's attention, there's that very "nerve racking" first meeting so they can get together—the goal of everyone's intentions. Several gender differences have been identified regarding dating: men significantly noted sexual activity as a primary reason for dates and men were more concerned with appearances and sexual attractiveness of their pursued companion; and women indicated that intimacy was their primary objective with more significance placed upon the personality and behavior traits of their "hope-to-be" love object. Another 1987 study showed that intimacy, companionship, socialization, and recreation were the most important reasons for dating among both men and women.

Like other topics about emotions and behaviors, the WHY of men and women's differences in seeking mates is complex. The many answers vary from biological differences, parental influence, education, and birth order to cultural conditioning by society, the media, and history. Although we have unique traits and characteristics, we have general similarities. Some folks think that there are at least 12 individuals in this world that we could be happily married to. Research has shown consistently that humans will repeatedly seek out the same type of personality characteristics as they move from one major interpersonal relationship to another. Have you observed some people who seem to marry "trouble" time and again? Also, it is not unusual for us to marry someone with characteristics similar to our opposite-sex parent.

Even though much research is done about relationships and marriage, none was found that related specifically to choosing mates in Eastern Kentucky. A major concern about our region is that high school-aged students tend to become extremely involved with each other so the marriage rate among the 17-to-20 year old group seems high. If true, a supposition is that these young marriages have a significant impact upon our divorce rate and a negative outcome for the future generation of our children. In the clinical setting, several reasons are given for marrying young: (1) "Home was so bad I just had to get away," which often reflects family members' acting-out behaviors due to a high level of alcoholism and violence in our homes; (2) "We started having sex, felt

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American Electric Power Company eliminating management positions

by Janice Shepherd
Managing Editor

American Electric Power is eliminating 30 managerial positions in three regions, including Pikeville, which oversees operations in Floyd County.

Operations for this region will now be headquartered in Bluefield, according to Chuck Ferguson, corporate communications representative for AEP.

"No offices will be closed at this point," Ferguson said. "Line crews are staying, and they will still be based in Pikeville, Ashland, and Hazard."

About 125 positions will be dissolved by AEP in a move to eliminate duplicated functions in the numerous AEP regions and make the company more efficient. AEP covers parts of seven states: Kentucky, Ohio, West Virginia, Virginia, Tennessee, Michigan, and Indiana.

"It's a smaller region moving into a larger region," Ferguson said. "Essentially, we're getting ready for deregulation and competition."

The Kentucky legislature hasn't looked at deregulating its power companies, but Ferguson said he thought some legislators had discussed the issue.

California passed deregulation, and other states are looking at the issue, according to Ferguson.

"We thought it might be on the horizon. The consolidating of regions and districts is a streamlining effort, allowing the company to operate with fewer managers, but with more standardized operations ... By operating more efficiently, we might be able to delay rate increases because we don't have so many expenses."

Ferguson said the elimination of 125 positions doesn't mean that 125 people will be "hitting the streets."

"Some (employees) will be offered early retirement; some may be offered transfers; and some may fill job openings. We have a number of positions open that are not filled," the AEP representative said. He added that the move will not affect customer service.

"Customers won't notice any difference in their service. We're

not eliminating customer-contact functions," he said.

When customers call for service, they will continue to reach the AEP call center based in Ashland.

"That will stay the same," Ferguson said.

Managerial positions at two other regions were also affected.

The Western Ohio region will be consolidated with Indiana, which is headquartered in Ft. Wayne. The Southwest/ Tennessee region was split into two regions: one area will join Kentucky in the West Virginia/Virginia region, and the other portion will combine with Central Virginia.

Taylor Giese to compete in "Country Showdown"

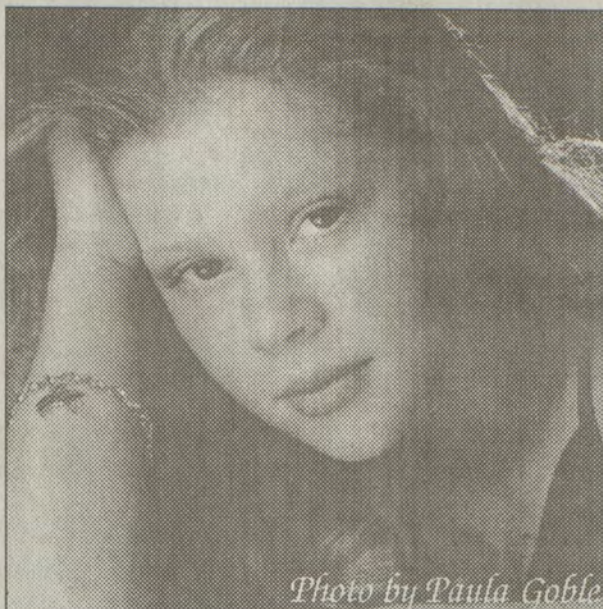


Photo by Paula Goble

Taylor Giese will compete in the TrueValue/Jimmy Dean Country Showdown Contest to be held at the Mountain Arts Center, August 4th.

Taylor is the 11-year-old daughter of Terry and Elizabeth Giese and the granddaughter of Dorothy DeRossett and the late Pay Hamilton; the late Harvey Giese and Joan Giese.

Ponder

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guilty, and thought we had to get married"; and (3) "We had been dating all through school," which seems to imply a lack of knowing what else to do. Dating one person does not necessarily mean that is the only person available for marriage, even though that person could be a future spouse. Young people need to be encouraged by parents to postpone marriage until they more mature developmentally and can support themselves in all ways. Our young folks need to know that they have choices for their future. Examples include: obtain more education, have gener-

al experience in life, basically become more independent, and learn to meet their own needs, rather than being "tied" emotionally, physically, and financially to family members. Like many other things in life, the act of getting married does not provide any guarantees as to the outcome. It is up to the individuals' willingness to control their emotions and behaviors sufficiently and to go by society's expectations. Then perhaps a content, loving couple will live with their family in that little cottage with the white picket fence and rambling roses, happily ever after.

Voices

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a number of systemic checks over judges that guarantee the correctness of decisions and the integrity of our constitutional system.

The judicial disciplinary processes, both state and federal, function to ensure that judges act in accordance with existing legal and ethical standards. The judicial selection and tenure processes provide other effective accountability of the judges to the citizens. These checks help assure all of us that the judicial process is fair and impartial, without involving the courts in partisan political activity.

The characterization of a judge as "the worst" or the decision of a judge as "stupid" seems most often to relate to a decision in a particular case with which the critics disagree. So, if a critic favors the death penalty, then any other decision draws the anger of the critic and a harsh and unfair description of the judge.

A judge's responsibility is to handle all phases of the court's business, including trial, in a fair and impartial fashion. Judges must be guided, not by political partisanship, but by the law and the Constitution. All of us want, and should demand, nothing less.

Our responsibility as citizens in evaluating and critiquing a judge's performance should be equally objective—has the judge, in a fair and impartial fashion, dealt with the legal matters before the court in a competent and professional fashion? If not, then criticism is appropriate and the judge should expect to answer for conduct which did not meet society's standards.

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Burke named Chamber director

by Janice Shepherd
Managing Editor

Jennifer Burke sees Floyd County as everybody's business, and she wants that business known.

As the Floyd County Chamber of Commerce's new executive director, Burke said she will work toward showcasing local businesses and tourist spots.

Her goal is to develop and support businesses in Floyd County and promote the region as a whole, "to give it the best light — not only for businesses but for visitors..."

Burke is a native Floyd Countian who began learning about the ins and outs of working with city government from her father, Harry Burke, a former Prestonsburg councilman.

"This is where I'm from. This is where I want my kids to be raised. (I want people to know) I'm not just the person on the other end of the phone ... (I plan on) touching each member of the Chamber and let them know what can be done for

their businesses."

Burke said she will visit each Chamber member and also other places of commerce located near those businesses to let them know what the Chamber of Commerce offers.

She will also continue the "motivation and positive energy" of former Chamber executive director Carla Coburn. That includes retaining the Chamber newsletter, the Business After Hours, the golf tournament and various seminars. She is also sending a survey to Chamber businesses to discover their needs.

In between her duties with the Chamber, Burke is studying to take Kentucky's bar exam in February. She left Floyd County in 1981 to attend Centre College. She graduated from the University School of Law, married a fellow law student, moved to Madison, Indiana, and passed her bar exam in that state.

Later, Burke and her husband divorced and she became an agency specialist with the State Farm Insurance Company in Lexington.

As agency specialist, her job was to "help each agency be the best business it can be."

She was assigned to Eastern Kentucky, and she made business trips to the region. Through her job with State Farm, she also became acquainted with local business needs. She was doing so well with her job, there was only one way to go, and that was up and a move out of state.

Burke, though, wanted to return to Floyd County and also wanted to practice law again.

"The more my work led me back to the mountains, the more I realized I had to come home when the opportunity arose," Burke said.

When she was asked about becoming the new head of the Floyd County Chamber, she accepted. Her part-time job (20 hours per week) with the Chamber, and the assistance she has received from her assistant, Beverly Hackworth, and local business leaders gives her time to continue her studies, she said.



Jennifer Burke

When she passes the bar and gets her degree, both she and the Chamber's board of directors will re-exam her role as director. Until then, Burke said she is concentrating her efforts on getting information out about the Chamber and taking care of her children, Burke Garner, 9, and Alexander, 5.

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Cooley joins national gospel group

by Janice Shepherd
Managing Editor

A Floyd County songster is taking a giant leap of faith. Tim Cooley of Prestonsburg is leaving the security of a steady job and taking his message of salvation on the road.

Cooley, a former member of the local group Godsmen, is quitting his job as head of computer operations at Prestonsburg Community College to join the Southern Gospel music group, the Apple City Boys.

Cooley will make his debut with the group on August 2 at his church, the Community Methodist Church in Prestonsburg, at the 6 p.m. worship service.

Apple City Boys is a trio that has been making waves in the gospel music industry. Their recent release, "When We Crown Him King," is climbing the charts. Their songs, "One Drop," and "Never Alone," have also become favorites with gospel music fans.

Their music is a mixture of

Southern Gospel and Contemporary, and Cooley said he has long been an admirer of the nationally-known group.

"Most of the music they write themselves. They have some of the most gorgeous words I've ever heard," Cooley said. "This group knows how to have church. I think I know where their heart is — to save souls."

Cooley has long dreamed of joining a national group. His opportunity came when it was least expected.

Cooley scheduled the group to sing at his church on August 2. In making the arrangements, he had often been in touch with the group's leader, David Buchanan. Cooley didn't know it, but his reputation as a singer was growing. Buchanan had heard about Cooley from other performers, such as John Rowsey, whose group New Journey has performed at the Mountain Arts Center.

One day, Cooley received a call from Buchanan asking him to show up at a concert and be ready to jump

in to fill the spot of the baritone, whose wife was going through a difficult pregnancy.

"I love their music; I knew their stuff," Cooley said.

The local singer and his family showed up at the concert, but so did the baritone so Cooley didn't get his chance that night.

Later, though, Buchanan again called Cooley and offered him the position as part of the trio because one of the members planned to quit to stay closer to home.

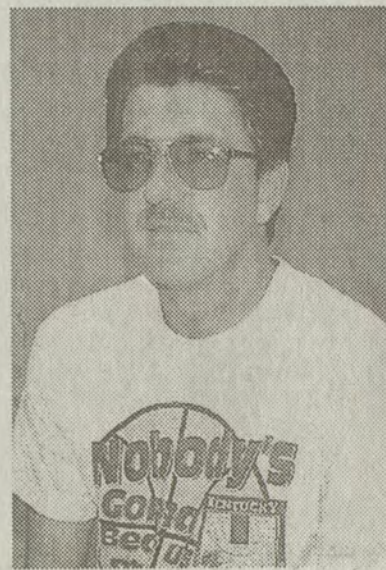
Cooley had to audition by making a recording with the group. The new trio blended, and Cooley got the job.

"Of course, the object with these groups is if one member leaves and someone else steps in, you can't tell a difference in the singing. It makes me feel good to know that I can step in someone else's shoes this way. (My wife and I) are scared. I'm giving up a dandy job. It's certainly a step of faith. I've been praying, 'Lord, take care of my family, and I'll do your will...' I'm going to let the Lord drive and he ain't never

wrecked.

"I was raised on Southern Gospel music. The first reason I want to do this is for the Lord; the second is for my father (Harry); and the third is for me," Cooley said.

After his debut August 2, Cooley leaves for a singing tour of Canada.



Tim Cooley

Puckett, Elliott will serve as trustees on North Floyd Fire District board

Only seven area residents cast their ballots last week in the election for two Board of Trustee seats on the North Floyd Fire District.

The election was held on Tuesday night, July 21, in the old district courtroom and, according to a press release from Prestonsburg attorney Thomas M. Smith, the low turnout resulted despite the election being open to the public.

The election results were a two-year term on the board for Betty

Puckett and a four-year term for Phillip Elliott.

Grand jury will be in session August 10, 11

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Carol Stumbo, Kentucky Department of Education, director for Region 8 Service Center presented a \$5,000 scholarship for a six-week study at the Bread Loaf School of English in Middlebury, Vermont, to Patricia Watson, Floyd County Schools, coordinator for writing and reading. Michael King, interim superintendent, and Arnold Woodrow Carter, state manager, shared in presenting this scholarship to Watson. (Photo by Rita Brock)

Watson receives Bread Loaf scholarship

"I'm surprised and very pleased to be on my way to study at Bread Loaf," said Patricia Watson, writing coordinator at the Floyd County Board of Education, as she prepared to leave for a six-week study session at the Bread Loaf School of English.

"It's a unique experience to be with some of the best teachers from across the country. We share a common desire to be better educators," Watson said.

This is Watson's second scholarship from the KY Department of Education's Writing Program and Region 8 to attend the learning session, which will take her to Vermont and then Great Britain. Through the program, Watson will develop skills that she can then pass on to teachers in Floyd County. She will also share her knowledge at regional and state workshops. The scholarship will pay tuition, room, board, and books.

"I was encouraged to continue learning about teacher research. I

will be part of a nationwide communication network of rural teachers from states of Alaska, Arizona, New Mexico, North Carolina, Georgia, as well as others, and I will be expected to communicate with some of these individuals throughout the year," explained Watson. "I do hope to engage our teachers in this type of technological exchange. There's so much enthusiasm for teaching and a teacher support system who understand that teaching is improved by learning from our mistakes."

To be part of the Bread Loaf School of English program, Watson had to go through the channels of application submitting samples of her writing, letters of recommendation with an application, to be accepted to this prestigious school. Bread Loaf is a school of excellence, and demands concentrated, high performance, Watson said. Other Bread Loaf schools are located in New Mexico and in Oxford,

England.

Among the 238 educators accepted for summer courses, she is one of two Kentuckians who will be attending Bread Loaf's Vermont program, this summer. Watson will take two courses. One is "Language, Culture, Development of Literacy," with professors Dixie

Goswami, from Clemson University of South Carolina and Jackie Royster from Ohio State University.

The second course is "Shakespeare's Comedies in Performance" with professor John Wilders from Oxford University, Great Britain.

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brings a new sense of Indian life to the stage, a culture that had been in place in America for hundreds of years.

The Legend of Jenny Wiley showcases music composed and orchestrated by Eastern Kentucky native Scott Bradley, lyrics by Peyton Dixon, and a freely adapted

script by Jenny Wiley Theatre Producing Artistic Director Patrick Baldauff.

"It's wonderful to be able to walk the hills Jenny walked, and hopefully we are making history rather than just telling it," script writer Patrick Baldauff said.

Located in the heart of the Jenny

Wiley State Resort Park in Prestonsburg, Jenny Wiley Theatre offers performances, Tuesday thru Sunday, with doors opening at 7:30 p.m. and show time at 8:15 p.m. Other shows for the 1998 season include Cinderella and Smoke on The Mountain.

Patrick attends UK (KASEP) program

The 1998 Kentucky Appalachian Science Enrichment Program (KASEP) at the University of Kentucky selected 50 overall participants, including a Martin Countian, from five states to attend the



Brittany Patrick

Kentucky-Appalachian Science Enrichment Program this summer. Selected participants were chosen students who maintained a high grade point average and showed an interest and intelligence in the fields of both math and science. Brittany Nicole Patrick, the 15-year-old daughter of Richard and Virginia Patrick of Tomahawk, was selected to spend her summer in a UK dorm and attend classes.

Brittany will be a sophomore this year at Sheldon Clark High School and has maintained straight A's.

Brittany commented, "I love the KASEP Program mostly because I'm learning new things and it's a big challenge. I haven't had the classes I'm attending such as physiology, anatomy, neuroscience case study, entomology, neurophysiology, anatomy, neuroscience case study, entomology, neurophysiology, muscle physiology, and research

presentations. Studying the brain and heart has made me more aware of what's killing more people today. I have come to realize that there's millions of people out there who are praying for a cure for their illnesses and I've decided to dedicate my future into finding a way to recognize and cure those diseases before it's too late. I also feel that's my mission in life. I want the terminally ill children at St. Joseph's Hospital to have the opportunity to run, laugh, and play, just like those that take their health for granted."

Participants are given stipends to buy whatever they want when they are taken on trips, such as KY State U/Capitol tour, Ky. Horse Park, late night bowling, skating champs, Fayette Mall, arboretum tour, aviation tour, Cincinnati Museum and Zoo, movie cinema, Toyota tour, E.K.U. tour, Hummell Planetarium, Berea tour, The Legend of Daniel Boone, Abe Lincoln's birthplace,

Mammoth Cave tour, Cincinnati Reds game, Toga Party, and the Kentucky Kingdom.

Brittany said, "I've made lots of new friends and was surprised to get 100 percent on my test. We've worked really hard, but have had lots of fun." A closing banquet will be held at the KY Inn on Friday, July 24.



Pageant winner

Glenda Alexius Handshoe was a winner in the Stars and Strips Beauty Pageant, on Sunday, June 28. In the 0-12-month category, she won the photogenic contest, The best dressed, and the most beautiful. In the 0-4 category, she won supreme high-point and the most beautiful eyes contest. She won a total of three trophies, four crowns, one plaque and a gift certificate for 25 to Lad 'n Lassie in Prestonsburg.

Device to monitor coal-mine dust gets underground tests

An Eastern Kentucky mine and a northern West Virginia mine are sites for the next step in the campaign to end black lung—installing and testing a device to continuously monitor dust in the mines. The Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) and the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) begin underground installations and evaluations of the continuous dust monitor within the next two weeks.

"Research on a continuous, machine-mounted respirable dust monitor was one of some 100 action

items recommended in November 1996 by a special advisory committee we appointed to address the problem of black lung disease," said Secretary of Labor Alexis M. Herman. "Successful use of this device would be a highly significant development in our quest to eliminate this dreaded disease from the nation's mines."

"Right now, respirable coal mine dust samples have to be taken over an 8-hour shift and then analyzed in a laboratory to determine the concentration of dust to which miners are exposed," said Davitt McAteer,

assistant secretary of labor for mine safety and health. "Use of this device could mean much quicker identification and correction of dust problems."

Preliminary testing of the continuous dust monitor will begin with a limited, 30-day assessment of the ruggedness and stability of the units underground. This will be followed by eight weeks of intensive testing of the continuous dust monitor.

Preliminary testing of the continuous dust monitor is slated for a James River Coal Company mine in Eastern Kentucky and another mine at a Consolidation Coal Company mine in Northern West Virginia.

The continuous dust monitor uses a sensor connected by a cable to an explosion-proof enclosure containing the device's power supply and electronics. The device can be mounted on a mining machine or, in longwall mines, located along the face. A display continuously shows the respirable dust concentrations of the mine atmosphere where the continuous dust monitor is located and projects full shift exposures, allowing mine operators to adjust control measures to prevent miners from being overexposed.

McAteer continued, "We need to be in a position to be able to know the level of dust on a continuous basis—so that the miner and the mine operator can take immediate steps to correct the problem." But McAteer cautioned, "This is not the complete answer, but a very important step."

The ability to make more timely adjustments to dust control parameters is expected to help reduce miners' overall exposure to coal mine dust, reducing the incidence of black lung disease. Black lung disease, caused by overexposure to respirable coal mine dust over a long period of time, can impair lung function and even lead to heart failure. Black lung can progress even after the miner is no longer exposed to coal mine dust.



Ky. State Miss Teen

Chasity Lynn Bays won the Hawaiian Tropic Teen Miss State Crown on May 31 at Richmond. She also won photogenic, sportswear, 50's wear and tropical wear. Chasity won the chance to go to Canada to compete for a modelling contract, but declined due to other commitments. Chasity is the daughter of Sidney and Mary Meade of Prestonsburg, the granddaughter of Mary Jane and Henderson Bays of Prestonsburg.

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The family of Harold Chaffins wishes to gratefully acknowledge the thoughtfulness and kindness of friends, relatives, and neighbors upon the loss of our love one.

We are especially grateful to the clergyman Jason Lowery for his comforting words; the Sheriff's Department and Marcus Gibson for their assistance in traffic control; and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and efficient service.

The family of Harold Chaffins

CARD OF THANKS

The family of Norma Martin would like to extend their appreciation to all those friends, neighbors and loved ones who helped comfort them during their time of sorrow.

Thanks to all who sent food, flowers, prayers or spoke comforting words. A special thanks to the clergyman Dan Heintzelman 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 Norma Martin

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

The family of Brenda Gail Craft

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The family of Alva Ousley Click would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their help upon the loss of our loved one: those who sent food and flowers, or just spoke comforting words. We deeply appreciate you all. A special thanks to the clergymen Jason Lowery and Hobert Holbrook for their comforting words, the Sheriff's Department and Marcus Gibson for their assistance in traffic control and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

The family of Alva Ousley Click

Forgiveness is the fragrance the violet sheds on the heel that has crushed it.

—Mark Twain

Clarence Osborne

Clarence Osborne, 70, of Hi Hat, died Friday, July 24, 1998, at Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital, following an extended illness.

Born April 23, 1928 in Pike County, he was the son of the late Brian and Dina Hall Osborne. He was a disabled coal miner and a member of Masonic Lodge No. 889, Wheelwright.

Survivors include one son, Michael Osborne of Adrian, Michigan; two daughters, Linda Tosis of Woodhaven, Michigan, and Lola Isminger of Plymouth, Michigan; three brothers, Clyde Osborne of Grethel, Buster Osborne of Beaver, and Junior Osborne of Walled Lake, Michigan; two sisters, Lexie Jessie of Greenup County, and Myrtle Tackett of Beaver; and seven grandchildren.

Funeral services were Tuesday, July 28, at 11 a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home Chapel, with the ministers of the Old Regular Baptist Church officiating.

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

Sidney Moore

Sidney Moore, 84, of Mousie, died Thursday, July 23, 1998, at Regency Manor in Columbus, Ohio, following an extended illness.

Born July 2, 1914 at Mousie, he was the son of the late Alexander and Rosie Hicks Moore. He was a retired carpenter. He was preceded in death by his wife, Bula Mae Moore, on February 4, 1998.

Survivors include two sons, Gordon Moore of Pickerington, Ohio, and James Moore of Baltimore, Ohio; two daughters, Cyvillian "Peach" Groff of Columbus, Ohio, and Drucilla Hall of Pedro, Ohio; two sisters, Ellen Hall of Columbus, Ohio, and Lora Conley of Mousie; 11 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Sunday, July 26, at 10 a.m., at the Ball Branch Old Regular Baptist Church at Mousie, with the ministers of Old Regular Baptist Church officiating.

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

Pallbearers listed for Ann Burchett

Serving as pallbearers for the funeral of Ann Burchett were Ernest Keith Burchett, Timothy Edward Carr, Eddie Chaffin, John Michael Burchett, Gary Lee Wright, Brian Wright and Steven Chaffin.

Pallbearers listed for Tommie Collins

Serving as pallbearers for the funeral of Tommie Collins were Michael Salisbury, Mark Mosley, Tommy Hicks, Ricky Slone, Herb Hunter and Roger Watkins.

Faith N. Samons

Faith N. Samons, 85, of South Point, Ohio, died Saturday, July 25, 1998, at King's Daughters' Medical Center in Ashland.

Born June 18, 1913 in Paintsville, she was the daughter of the late William Lewis Conley and Naomi Friend Conley. She graduated from Paintsville High School. She was a member of the Kingdom Hall Jehovah Witnesses in Ironton, Ohio.

She had lived in South Point, Ohio, since 1957; but had also lived in Ashland, Paintsville and Prestonsburg.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Roland Samons Sr., on May 4, 1987.

Survivors include one son, Roland J. Samons Jr. of South Point, Ohio; and one grandson.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, July 29, at 1 p.m., at the Phillips Funeral Home, Ironton, Ohio, with Jerry Dalton officiating.

Burial will be in Highland Memorial Gardens in South Point, Ohio, under the direction of Phillips Funeral Home Inc.

Willia H. Stone

Willia H. Stone, 100, of East Point, died Saturday, July 25, 1998, at Riverview Manor Nursing Home in Prestonsburg, following an extended illness.

Born December 31, 1897 at East Point, she was the daughter of the late Samuel J. Tilden and Kate L. Conley Howard. She was preceded in death by her husband, Malcolm B. Stone.

She was a teacher in Floyd County and Boyd County. She was a member of the Church of God of Little Paint Creek, East Point.

Survivors include five nephews, Reuben C. Howard, Harold J. Howard, Tilden R. Salyer, Harold L. Salyer and Lowell J. Salyer; and one niece, Wilma Salyer.

Funeral services were Monday, July 27, at 11 a.m., at the Floyd Funeral Home Chapel, with Rev. Wayne Burch officiating.

Burial was in the Combs and Howard Cemetery at East Point, under the direction of Floyd Funeral Home, Prestonsburg.

Serving as pallbearers were Reuben Howard, Harold Howard, Tim Howard, Danny Hall, Danny Hall II and Don Hughes.

Lizzie Tackett

Lizzie Tackett, 72, of Grethel, died Monday, July 27, 1998, at Vencor Hospital, Louisville, following an extended illness.

Born May 4, 1926 in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late John and Josie Hall Tackett. She was preceded in death by her husband, Willie Tackett.

Survivors include three daughters, Margaret Carroll of Harold, Mary Lou Williams of New London, Ohio, and Lorain Williams of Stanville; three brothers, Nelson Tackett and Orville Tackett, both of Grethel, and Freel Tackett of McDowell; one sister, Zella McCoy of Columbus, Ohio; 12 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, July 29, at 11 a.m., at the Pilgrim Home Old Regular Baptist Church at Grethel, with the ministers of the Old Regular Baptist Church officiating.

Burial will be in the Tackett and Carroll Cemetery on Tackett Branch, Grethel, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Chester "Perk" Hodge

Chester "Perk" Hodge, 56, of Garrett, died Friday, July 24, 1998, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin.

Born August 24, 1941 in London, he was the son of the late Virgil and Lottie Hodge. He was a retired construction foreman, formerly employed by the Jasper Iron and Metal Company.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Gretta Hodge.

Survivors include three sons, Larry Hodge and Chris Holbrook, both of Martin, and Pete Holbrook of Allen; two daughters, Savannah Holbrook of Garrett and Tenna Simmerman of Somerset; three brothers, David Hodge of Louisville, Edgar "Mouse" Hodge of Covington, and Monroe Hodge of Lexington; six sisters, June House, Vella Kirby and Thelma Ivey, all of London, Liz Jones of Florence, Dean Leurck of Ft. Thomas, and Marge Sebastian of Cincinnati, Ohio; and seven grandchildren.

Funeral services were Monday, June 27, at 11 a.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, with clergyman Dan Heintzelman officiating.

Burial was in the Horse Creek Cemetery at Lily, with clergyman Carl "Tottie" Evans officiating at the graveside service.

Arrangements were under the direction of Hall Funeral Home, Martin.

Serving as pallbearers were Randy Hodge, Mike House, Gary Kirby, Shane Sebastian, Curtis Traft and Shane Pack.

Honorary pallbearers were David Spencer, Charlie Chaffins, Larry Britton, Tootie Evans, Charlie Amburgey, Charles Kirby, Vince Ibey, Lester Jones, Ray Leurck and Lonnie House.

Savannah Howard Fraley

Savannah Howard Fraley, 88, of Short Branch, Prestonsburg, died Friday, July 24, 1998, at her residence, following an extended illness.

Born December 5, 1909 at Myrtle, she was the daughter of the late Alex and Caroline Prater Howard. She was preceded in death by her first husband, Isaac Henry Fitzpatrick, on June 22, 1942, and her second husband, Benjamin Fraley, on March 8, 1961.

Survivors include one daughter, Lana D. Fraley Howard of Commerce Township, Michigan; two sons, Isaac H. Fitzpatrick and Al Fraley, both of Prestonsburg; three stepdaughters, Martella Ratliff of Mishawaka, Indiana, Evelyn Spradlin of Prestonsburg, and Irene Spradlin of Prestonsburg; one stepson, Ben Fraley Jr. of Prestonsburg; two sisters, Gladys Sparks of Ironton, Ohio, and Rosie Owens of North Manchester, Indiana; one brother, Wannie Howard of Rochester, Indiana; five grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren.

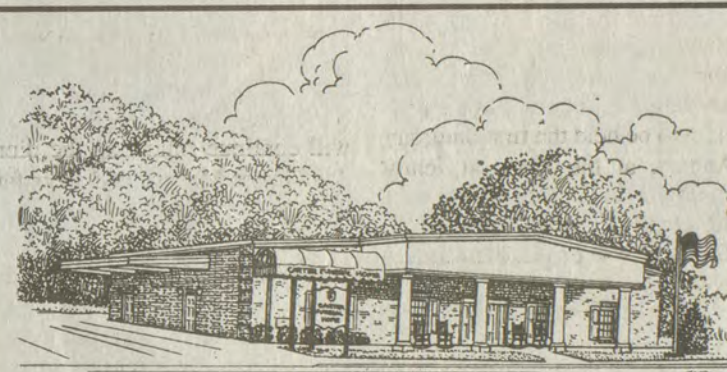
Funeral services were Sunday, July 26, at 2 p.m., at the Carter Funeral Home Chapel, with Rev. William R. Spradlin officiating.

Burial was in the Fitzpatrick Cemetery at West Prestonsburg, under the direction of Carter Funeral Home, Prestonsburg.

Serving as pallbearers were Joe Alex Howard Jr., David Lee Howard, William Comteau, J.D. Stanfield, Aaron Clay Spradlin, Robert Lee Spradlin, Curtis Risner and Arco Hunt Jr.

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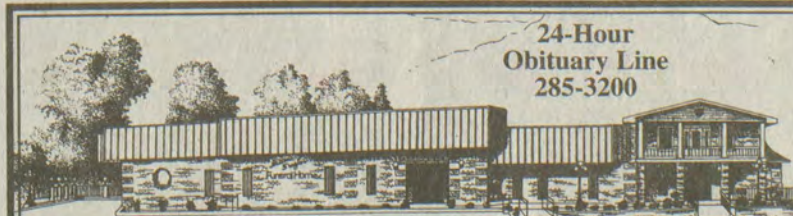
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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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.

Community fund-raiser

An auction and concession stand will be held at Dwale Community Shelter, Friday, August 7, at 7 p.m. to raise money for the Dwale Homecoming. The event is open to the public.

Parent nominees sought

J.A. Duff Elementary signups for parent nominees for SBDM council will be held July 28-30, at the school. Parent election will be held Friday, July 31, at 6 p.m., at the school.

McDowell Family Resource Youth Service Center

• Open registration for after-school child care is being held now. The center has a limited number of openings; register now. Registration is \$15 per child. Tuition is \$1 per hour. Care will be provided until 5 p.m. each afternoon when school is in session. For more information, call 377-2678.
• If your child attended McDowell Elementary last year and lost a coat or article of clothing, stop by the center and go through the "Lost and Found."

Click reunion

The third annual Click reunion, for the descendants of Samuel and Susan Patton Click and Julie Prater Click, will be held the first Saturday in August, at the Pines at Jenny Wiley State Park. Registration is at 10:30 a.m. Bring a covered dish to share. There will be prizes awarded.

Memorial meeting

The second annual memorial meeting honoring the late Berry and Emmie Joseph Bailey families and the late Joe and Lula Brown Nelson, including two sons, Buster and Ashland, and one grandson, Kenneth Lee Wireman, will be held August 9, at 10:30 a.m., at the Brushy Fork Pentecostal Church of God at Gunlock, with Pastor Irvin Jr. Allen and Rev. Amos Allen.

In Memory of Kenneth Avery Campbell

6/23/60 - 7/28/95



Dust in the Wind

Kenneth Avery Campbell is still missed by his friends. He was very well known in these mountains and was loved by many. This story is written by one of his best friends, Jackie, who misses him so much.
One of my fondest memories was seeing him at the campgrounds, where he stayed most of the time with his camper. Whenever my little girl and I would go camping, he was always there. We would talk-sometimes for hours. We loved talking and visiting with Kenneth, for he was always filled with laughter.
There are so many things we see that remind us of Kenneth. For example: seeing a welding truck like the one he used to have; or seeing a cowboy hat and a beige blazer like the ones he used to wear. And for my little girl, seeing the letters K and C, the initials of his name. And every time we hear Dwight Yoakam sing, because they sounded so much alike. And every time we see a wasp we think of Kenneth, because he always called my little girl, wasper tail. She was always hanging on to Kenneth, and she misses him so.
The last time we saw Kenneth was at the campgrounds, a week before his accident. I had given him a grilled bacon sandwich that I had made the old-fashioned way, outdoors. Most of all, we miss him coming over for Sunday dinner. We looked forward to his visits.
We are still missing you, Kenneth, and think of you often.
Love, your friends,
Jackie and Sureka

Dinner will be served following church services.

District meeting

The Kentucky Society DAR will hold the Sixth District meeting at the First Baptist Church, Pike Street, Louisa, on Thursday, August 6, at 9 a.m. Luncheon tickets are \$8 and can be made payable to KSDAR treasurer and mailed to Teresa Pigg, Route 7, Box 23570, Louisa, Ky. 41230. Deadline is August 3, for John Graham Chapter members.

Retired teachers to meet

The Floyd County Retired Teachers Association will meet at May Lodge of Jenny Wiley State Resort Park, Thursday, August 6. Registration will begin at 10 a.m. All Floyd County retired teachers are urged to attend.

Immunizations for walk-ins

The Floyd County Health Department offices in Prestonsburg will be having walk-in days of immunizations only on August 3-14, from 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. daily. Parent or guardian must come with the child and bring a copy of immunization record. Any child needing a physical for school must make an appointment. These walk-ins will be for immunizations only.

Branham reunion

The 1998 Branham reunion will be held Sunday, August 23, at 11 a.m., at the Convention Center, Stumbo Park at Allen. Bring food item, swim suits and golf clubs. For more information, call Masha at (614) 759-0666 or Pam at (606) 739-6760 or PAMS@BP1.COM.

Masonic Family Day

The Family Day and outdoor meeting of John W. Hall and James W. Alley Masonic Lodge will be held Saturday, August 1, at the Tom Flanery farm at Warco, beginning at noon. The evening meal will be served at 4 p.m. The degree work will continue following the dinner. All Master Masons and their families are urged to attend.

Jenkins Homecoming Festival

Jenkins Homecoming Festival Days will be held August 27-29. The theme this year will be "Country Music Highway—Take Me Home." Make plans to attend.

Exhibit by Matthew Stacy

An exhibit by Matthew Stacy will be held at the Gallery for the Arts in Mt. Sterling on 44 East Main Street. Opening reception will be held August 2, from 12:30-3 p.m. The exhibit is free and open to the public. Works will be on display

Randy May Memorial Scholarship Fund is established

The family and friends of the late Randy May, who was president and general manager of Pike County Coal Corporation, have established a memorial scholarship fund in his name for Pikeville College students.

May, a Pike County Coal employee for 25 years, was a long-time resident of Pike County and a graduate of Pikeville College. The Randy May Memorial Scholarship Fund will be available to students who have financial need and demonstrate academic promise. The scholarship will be managed by the college.

Contributions can be made payable to: The Randy May Scholarship Fund, Attn: Rick Boone, P.O. Box 2805, Pikeville, KY 41502.

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The Storytelling Tree

The Allen Christ United Methodist Church will be hosting The Storytelling Tree Vacation Bible School July 28-August 1, from 6-8 p.m. with a special program on Sunday, August 2, at 6 p.m. If interested, register Monday, July 27, at 6 p.m. The church bus will run in the Allen area. Call 377-2208.

Student orientation

Adams Middle School will host an orientation for all new incoming students, Thursday, July 30, at 6 p.m., in the school library. All new students and parents are urged to attend.

Annual reunion

The 16th annual reunion of the descendants of Herv and Amy Johnson Hall will meet on August 8, at the homeplace of Harve Hall on Sand Lick, near Whitesburg in Letcher County. Bring a covered dish.

Support group to meet

The Ups of Down Syndrome Support Group will meet at the Daniel Boone Park (on the hill by Magic Mart) in Pikeville, July 24, at 5:30. For more information, call 377-6142 or 478-5099.

Burke reunion

The Burke reunion will be held Saturday, August 1, from noon-4 p.m., at the Johnson County Senior Citizens Center in Paintsville on Rt. 40. Bring a covered dish, dessert and pop.

Whitt, Holbrook reunion planned

All members of the Troy and Kate Whitt, Theodore and Birdie Holbrook family will hold a reunion August 30, at Dewey Dam, Shelter No. 1. Activities begin at 11 a.m. Bring a covered dish or dessert, and family photos. Call 886-8267 or 889-9981 for more information.

Bible school

Lancer Baptist Church will hold Vacation Bible School, Starquest: A Galatic Good News Adventure, July 27-31, from 6-8 p.m. Open to children age four through grade 12. For more information, call 886-1700.

Corn Festival

The first Corn Festival 5K run will be held August 1 at 9 a.m. Registration is \$15 (price includes T-shirt) at the Powell County High School, from 8-8:45 a.m. For more information or registration form, call (606) 663-0186 or (606) 663-

Click reunion

The third annual Click reunion for descendants of Samuel and Susan Patton Click and Julie Click will be held Saturday, August 1, at the Pines, Jenny Wiley State Park. Registration will be held at 10:30 a.m. Bring a dish to share.

Soup bean dinner

The Auxier Freewill Baptist Church will have a soup bean dinner August 1, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the church.

Bazeal Hayes reunion

The annual reunion for the Bazeal Hayes descendants will be held August 1, at 11 a.m., at the Paintsville Community Center on Preston Street. Bring a covered dish, pictures and other information about the Hayes clan to share. Contact Madalene Hayes Gullion at 789-8272 for more information.

Can't stop drinking?

If you think you have a problem with alcohol, Alcoholics Anonymous is willing to help. For meeting information, call 1-800-467-8019.

Diabetes/support group

The Johnson County Diabetes Association and Support Group meetings will be held the third Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m., at the Johnson County Health Department. Call 789-2590 for more information.

Dream Factory needs volunteers

The Prestonsburg chapter of the Dream Factory, a non-profit organization that grants "wishes" to chronically-ill children ages 3-13 in the Big Sandy area, is in need of volunteers and financial assistance. For more information, contact Lenore Blackburn at 889-0707. Donations to the Dream Factory directly to Ms. Blackburn or Ruby Pennington.

Prepared Childbirth Classes

This class is for women who are between their sixth and seventh month of pregnancy and a support person. Class meets once per week either on Tuesday or Thursday from 7 until 9 p.m. at the Pikeville Methodist Hospital Education Center. Call 437-3938 to register. The classes are free.

Thacker reunion

The Greenville and Dulcenia Coleman Thacker reunion will be held August 16, beginning at 11:30 a.m., at Fish Trap Dam Picnic Shelters. Bring a covered dish.

CPR class

A CPR class, taught by the American Heart Association certified instructors, will be held July

29, at 8 p.m. at the Pikeville Methodist Hospital and again August 5. Class is free, but there is a \$2 fee for the CPR card. Call 437-3525 to register.

It is with deep appreciation and gratitude that we, the family of **Virginia Hall Hagans**, wish to thank everyone: her doctors, nurses, those who brought food, flowers, cards, phone calls, the Hall Funeral Home; the clergymen, Tad Huff and Jason Lowery; visits from our many friends and relatives who are all so special to us, and helped in every way possible.

God bless you.

Love,
Susanna Hall, Mother
Leora Hall Tucker, Sister
Susanne Tucker Edge, Niece

Card of Thanks

The daughters, grandchildren and great-grandchildren of Tommie Collins would like to thank everyone who helped in any way during our time of sorrow—you may have said a kind word or a prayer for us. And the ones who sent flowers or brought food, we greatly appreciated it. A special thanks to Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home and the churches. A special thanks to Dr. Visher and Dr. Santos of McDowell ARH Hospital for everything that they did for our dad. Also, we want to thank the community of Sizemore Branch.

The Daughters, Grandchildren and Great-grandchildren of
TOMMIE COLLINS

Ruth Ailene (Castle) Campbell

The Reverend Bill Campbell of Water Gap and the family would like to thank everyone for their prayers and words of sympathy during the passing of our wife and mother, Ruth Ailene (Castle) Campbell. We sincerely appreciated the flowers, food and your presence during this very difficult time. Reverend George David Garrett and Reverend Bill E. Campbell brought much needed comfort and encouragement to us during the funeral service. We would also like to thank Highland Avenue Freewill Baptist Church and Floyd Funeral Home for their help and assistance.

Card of Thanks

The family of Virgie Blackburn would like to extend their thanks and appreciation to all their friends, neighbors, and loved ones who helped in any way during the sickness and death of our loved one. Thanks to all the ministers, Bro. Abe Vanderpool, Bro. Jim Smith, Bro. B.J. Crider, and for everyone who spoke a comforting word.

Thanks to all who prepared food and sent flowers; also thanks to the pallbearers and Floyd Funeral Home.

We'll always remember you.

THE FAMILY OF VIRGIE BLACKBURN

CARD OF THANKS

Mary Elizabeth Carroll

Born January 29, 1917, departed from this life, July 15, 1998, making her stay on earth 81 years, 5 months, and 16 days. A daughter of the late Will and Martha Marshall Carver, widow of trimble Matthew Carroll, a member of the Drift Pentecostal and the Old Time Baptist Church of Printer. She was preceded in death by a son, Bennie Ray Carroll, and twin daughters, Kathy and Katy Carroll.

Surviving sons: Walt, Will, Hiram Carroll of Printer. Daughters, Myrtie Henderson, McDowell; Flossie Slone, Price; Martha Case, Printer; Dolly Carroll, Martin; 26 grandchildren, 29 great grandchildren, many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Each person she met became another part of her family. For such a tiny person, mom had an enormous heart and compassion beyond measure.

Mom was the last of the Carver family, but she considered her sister-in-law, Dessie Johnson Carver, a sister, and called our neighbor, Polly Conn, a sister. Many friends and dear loved ones are left to mourn her passing. Neighbor children she called her own, Patty, Katie, Carmel, Delano Conn, Stevie Hall, Denver Woodrow, Edith and Marvin Spurlock, especially, in Mom's own words, "Precious, little Denver Meade."

Mom was an inspiration to all who met her. She was a gift from God almighty, a friend to anyone in need.

This may be a sad day, but not to be sad in. It's a day to rejoice in and to count our blessings, not of what we have lost, but of what we still have. Mom lives on in us, in our memories; she's not gone, Mom's just found rest from her labor.

Words can never express what Ted Shannon, Farley Howard, Walter Kidd, and Doc Martin mean to our family. How precious you were to our mother and to us. We count it an honor and a blessing to have you in our lives; we consider you a part of our family.

We thank everyone for their kindness, for the many prayers, for the food, and words of comfort at this time, for the beautiful flowers you've sent, you know mom outshines them all. We thank you for the singers and for everything that has been done for our family; for the Sheriff's Department and Marcus Gibson for their assistance in traffic control; and to Johnny and Tommy Hall, we thank God for you and your staff, for everything you have done for our family today, in the past, and for in the future to come. May God bless you abundantly is our prayer.

From the family of Mary Carroll

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Talent and gifted (TAG) art students attended CEDAR Coal Fair at the Pikeville gym. All these students had participated in creating art works for the Coal Fair in Mrs. Trimble's Art classes at Prestonsburg Elementary School.

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In the 20 years that KET has broadcast college-level telecourses, more than 88,000 telecourse enrollments have been recorded at Kentucky colleges and universities. With the 1998 fall schedule of 10 undergraduate telecourses set to begin on KET Sunday, August 30, registration (for both Kentucky and non-Kentucky residents) is underway at most of the state's 24 participating schools. A telecourse sched-

ule guide with each institution's registration dates is available by calling KET at (800) 432-0970 or by visiting the KET Web site at www.ket.org/Telecourses. The televised courses offer flexibility and convenience to people who want to attend college but are unable to drive to a college campus because of lack of time, schedule conflicts or other responsibilities at home. These fully-accredited tele-

courses are facilitated by campus instructors who may communicate with their students via e-mail, phone, fax or require an on-campus class meeting. Course assignments can be completed at the students' own pace, and the televised programs can be recorded for viewing whenever and wherever it is convenient. Besides the video programs on KET, course components include a textbook, telecourse study guide and other supplementary materials.

Telecourse students can fulfill Associate in Arts degree requirements primarily through KET telecourses at Ashland, Madisonville, Paducah, Prestonsburg and Southeast Community College. This telecourse opportunity is a result of the "Going the Distance," project, a collaborative educational effort involving 62 public television stations, the Public Broadcasting Service (PBS) and colleges and universities nationwide. The Kentucky Telecommunications Consortium and KET are pilot participants in the project, providing access to associate degrees through distance learning.

The lineup for the 1998 fall semester includes 10 undergraduate-level telecourses:

- The American Adventure—American history, 1st semester
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 - Living Literature I—the classics, 1st semester
 - Living With Health—personal health, physical education
 - Portrait of a Family—family studies, sociology
 - The Power of Place—world regional geography
 - Something Ventured—small business management
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- The following 24 colleges and universities are offering credit for one or more KET telecourses: Eastern Kentucky University, Kentucky State University, Morehead State University, Murray State University, Northern Kentucky University, University of

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- College, Jefferson Community College, Madisonville Community College, Maysville Community College, Owensboro Community College, Paducah Community College, Prestonsburg Community College, Somerset Community College, Southeast Community College and Saint Catharine College.



Craig Collins and Raetta Damron

Collins, Damron to wed

Craig Collins of Prestonsburg proposed to Raetta Damron of Ivel on stage at the Mountain Arts Center July 17 during a Kentucky Opry concert.

A member of the Opry troupe told Damron to turn around. When she saw the message, she put her hands on her heart and was speechless. She stood there silently for a minute.

The show featured a tribute to Rt. 23 artists with a video projected on a big screen behind the Kentucky Opry. At the end of the medley, the scene on the screen changed and a message in large letters asked: "Raetta will you marry me? I love you Craig."

Then, Craig Collins, who portrays one of the Blues Brothers during the Kentucky Opry performances, walked out on stage, toward Damron. He got down on one knee and asked Damron to marry him.

Kentucky Opry singer Raetta Damron, who was singing out in front of the screen, had just finished the musical set and was looking out into the audience.

"Of course, she said yes," Greg Crum, an official with the Mountain Arts Center said this week. "He gave her the ring... (and that's) another MAC moment."

Alice Lloyd College begins fall registration August 24

Alice Lloyd College will open its doors to returning students with orientation, registration and placement testing, beginning on Monday, August 24, lasting through Wednesday, August 26. Classes begin on Thursday, August 27. All students who have paid their housing deposits or committed to attend ALC for the Fall 1998 semester will be contacted soon so they can register for classes early.

Sunday, August 23. All students who will be living in the ALC residence halls will be able to move onto campus that day. Students will be excited to find that each of their rooms will be wired for telephones, cable TV and internet access.

Move-In-Day is scheduled for

Anyone who is interested in attending Alice Lloyd College this fall, should contact Darrell in the admissions office, at 606-368-2101, ext. 4404 or toll free at 1-888-280-4252.

Receives scholarship

Vanessa Tackett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rodney W. Tackett of Prestonsburg, was the recipient of the \$500 scholarship given recently by Prestonsburg's Zebulon Lodge No. 273, F&AM.

The award, based on a criteria of academic excellence, is presented to a graduating senior of Prestonsburg High School who will be attending Prestonsburg Community College.

The award was made by Richard G. Price, junior warden of the lodge.



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A Look At Sports

Notes from anything I could find to write on

Before we know it, the fall season will be upon us; school will be back in session (stop that hissing); and we will be wondering where summer has gone. We will begin dreading the feeling of dread of a promised bad winter and wonder what we are going to do with all the fishing equipment and other summer recreational items.



Ed Taylor Sports Editor

We will put the gloves and bat away for another winter and get the oblong football out and then, later, the basketball. No longer will we be sitting in lawn chairs wishing the weather would cool off, but we will be wishing spring would come early this year (1999).

After returning from the Bluegrass State Games this past weekend, I found myself looking at a Saturday that I can have free time to do something for myself — a rarity. Now I don't know what I will do, but I'm sure that I will find something to take in or maybe just take a trip over to Thunder Ridge and watch the stock car racing.

We have a new girls' basketball coach at Betsy Layne High School; Cassandra Akers returns to the hardwood, replacing Bill Newsome at the helm of the Lady Cats. We will have a more detailed story in Friday's sports section.

Cassandra had a very good career at McDowell High School before consolidation. She will make a very fine coach at Betsy Layne, and I look forward to working with her this coming basketball season.

Next year's proposed high school football alignment will be a totally different look. Belfry and Prestonsburg enter the same district. That means Belfry will drop to 2A next season after being a 3A power for so many years. Interesting!

They are going to dig up the dirt at Thunder Ridge in search of the original track. Seems the one laid is not as good as expected. Brad Martin is trying hard to put together a good facility. Race fans and drivers are going to have to be



patient with Brad and support him in what he wants to do.

I still need football schedules for South Floyd, Prestonsburg and Betsy Layne.

Members of the Prestonsburg H.O.G. Chapter will host their annual bike show on Saturday, August 1, at the Prestonsburg Harley Davidson shop. There will be a \$10 fee per bike entry fee. Twenty-three classes and 43 trophies will be given away. Set-up and registration is from 9 a.m. until noon.

Pete Rose is still trying to make his pitch to get back into major league baseball. Rose contends the reason is not so much the Hall of Fame, but to once again manage a major league club. He feels he is still able to teach young players.

Rose, nicknamed Charlie Hustle, is a dying breed. No longer do we see runners hustle to first base when they draw a walk. No longer do we see players sacrificing for the sake of the game.

Rose's love for gambling got him canned and on the bad side of major league baseball. I think he should be elected to the Hall of Fame for his accomplishments on the field, not as a manager. If he is allowed to be inducted into the Hall, that doesn't necessarily mean he should be allowed to manage again. He deserves to be inducted, but not to manage a team.

Note: Babe Ruth hit his 60 home runs in 154 games. Roger Maris hit his 61 in 161 games. Now, there is a difference. Both should be recognized in their era as having the most home runs.

The annual Kiwanis Club Golf Scramble is here again, and it all takes place on Saturday, August 8. The tournament will happen at the Jenny Wiley Golf Course. Make plans to be part of it.

Our 14-under AAU basketball team did not fare so well in Louisiana as they dropped all five games they played in.

Until Friday, good sports everyone and be good sports!

Pigskin preview: Part One

Prestonsburg line could be a surprise

by Ed Taylor Sports Editor

The 1998 high school football season is close to unfolding, and there are many questions being asked around the area. One of those questions is: can the Prestonsburg Blackcats find replacements to shore up an offensive and defensive line that was hit hard by graduation last year?

Senior Nathan Leslie has an answer and he did not hesitate when giving it.

"Our defensive line is going to surprise a lot of people this year," he said. "We will be quick, strong and we have a good attitude about playing football this

year. We definitely will surprise some teams this year." Leslie (6-5, 210) will lead both lines as they prepare for what could be the last year with the current alignment.

Nathan Leslie to lead defensive side of the football for Blackcats

Ryan Fitzpatrick is expected to step in this year and be a leader from the defensive line as well as on offense.

"This is going to be a good football team this year,"

he said. "We have worked hard and we are going to be working hard the rest of the summer. We have some new players who haven't played that much but can play the game of football. As long as we work hard we are going to be all right."

"We will just let the other team keep on thinking we are not going to be that strong," said Leslie. "With the backfield we have they can make contact with someone and we're going to get the job

done."

Coach John Derossett likes his team's effort in practice this early in the year.

"They have a great attitude," he said. "I told them I don't know how many games they will win, but they are giving me a lot of relief. These guys are always on time and have a good positive attitude."

Adam Hall (5-8, 150) will quarterback the ballclub for his second season. Hall tossed for just over 800 yards last year with a club that chooses to run the football.

"We have worked very hard this summer trying to get in condition," said the returning quarterback. "Hopefully, this season will turn out better than last

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The Prestonsburg Blackcats will be looking to these five seniors (top) as the football season opens August 29. John Ortega (left) was one of the top rushers in the state last year. Prestonsburg finished 8-4 last season.
(photos by Ed Taylor)

by Ed Taylor Sports Editor

The Kentucky High School Athletic Association is busy trying to set the teams and classes for the 1999 football season. Under the draft of teams by the KHSAA, the change will affect our county teams, especially Prestonsburg.

Prestonsburg, a long-time part of the Region IV, District 2, will face some unusual foes during the '99 season. Prestonsburg will be joined by Belfry, Betsy Layne, Knott County Central, Lawrence County, Pike County Central and Shelby Valley next year. Belfry, Knott County Central and Pike Central are in 3A this year.

The new realignment will place the Blackcats in Semi-State 2, Region 3, District 8.

In Class A, South Floyd will find only one new opponent as Paintsville joins the Raiders along with Elkhorn City, Pikeville, Fleming-Neon, Hazard, Jenkins, and Phelps.

The Raiders will play in Semi-State 2, Region 4, District 8.

Teams may petition the KHSAA to play up next year.

Old surface to resurface at Thunder Ridge

Harris, Combs take checkers at local speedway Saturday

by Ed Taylor Sports Editor

According to track promoter Brad Martin, the old look could become the new look at the Thunder Ridge Speedway this coming Saturday night as the new surface will give way to the old surface.

"Our plans are to dig up the track and go back to the original surface," Martin said. "We plan to have it in good shape this Saturday night."

Martin said the new surface laid this year just wasn't what was expected and drivers were having trouble adjusting to it.

"It was hard on their tires and they just couldn't adjust to the new dirt," said Martin. "We are trying to make the track the best racing surface around here. We

tried the new track for a month and it did not work; so we have decided to go back to the old surface."

This past Saturday night, Gary Combs won for the second time at Thunder Ridge in his No. 10C car. Combs bested the rest of the field to take the checkered flag in the 20-lap modified class.

Combs, who is driving a new car this year, has been absent from the winner's circle but seems to be getting back the form that made him a winner last year.

Kurt Hofsess, who has dominated the track in the modifieds this racing season, finished second with Jerry Wicker placing third.

Prestonsburg's Paul Harris roared around the track in his familiar No. 10 late model and went all the way to the winner's circle in capturing the late model feature. Harris crossed the finish line in front of Shannon Thornsberry, who won the feature two weeks ago. Stanley Haddix finished a strong third.

In his US 23 car, Jimmy Hall won the 15-lap super bomber feature over second place finisher Bill Butcher. Larry Daniels placed third.

Johnny Layne, driving the No. 63 car of David Martin, found himself at victory lane by winning the 15-lap bomber class this past weekend. Layne has been a driver of consistency this season. Dave Chaffins placed second, and Junior Hunley finished third.

Racing fans got a double dose of the road hogs as they opened the race night in a make-up from the previous week when they were rained out. In the first feature, John Henson finished first ahead of James Ramey in the 12-lap feature. Keith Branham placed third.

In the second running of the night, Jim Arnett took the checkered flag ahead of Henson in visiting the win-

(See THUNDER, page two)

Kiwanis Golf Scramble tees off August 8

It is that time of year again when Teddy Hall (Kiwanis Club golf tournament director) begins to make all those phone calls in soliciting prizes for the annual Kiwanis Club Golf Scramble. Hall says the date has been set for the tournament.

"We are going to have a big one this year," he said. "We will hold the tournament on Saturday, August 8 at the Jenny Wiley Golf Course."

Hall also said that signups for the scramble would not be taken on the day of the tournament (Saturday).

"We are going to have all kinds of prizes," he said. "We have gift certificates, dinners, golf bags, putters, drivers, paintings, and much, much more."

Registration fee for the scramble will be \$30 per golfer. Registration will be held on Friday, August 7, and all golfers must be registered by 5 p.m. Prizes will be awarded on every hole. Food and beverages will be provided for each golfer.

For more information, contact Ted Hall at 874-9777 or the Pro Shop at 886-2711.



Leads feature

Gary Combs drove his No. 10C racer to victory lane in last Saturday's modified feature at Thunder Ridge. Combs won his second feature of the season at The Ridge. A \$1,000 purse awaits this Saturday night winner. (photo by Ed Taylor)

SURPRISE

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year." Hall was referring to being eliminated in the first game of the state playoffs last year to Newport, (36-6). "Last year we had a good season but we had a little injury problem," he said. "We have to just come back strong this year and try and stay free of injuries." Grant Castle went out with an injury toward the end of the season, and John Ortega suffered an injury that hurt the Blackcats in the playoffs. Castle said it may have been different had he and Ortega played. "I'm fine right now." It was rough coming off an injury like that," he said. "I'm not saying we would have won, but I think if John and I had been in the game it would have helped us a lot. It was just bad

going down." Ortega, Castle and Hank Mullins will form a dynamic trio in the backfield but the Blackcats will have more than just three ball carriers. You can add Seth Crisp (5-9, 180) to that list as well as Jeremy Caudill. "We're going to have a great backfield," said Castle. "We have Adam, John, and I'm decent. Jeremy is a huge full back." Many are comparing this backfield to the Garza, Hyden, Cornette era when Prestonsburg played in the state title game in 1993. "It is hard to be compared to that team," said Castle. "They were so fast. John has good speed but Garza was so good. This backfield can be as good. It depends on how hard we work."

Ortega said there are personal goals that each player would like accomplish but the team goal is definitely set in each player's mind. "Of course, a state title is always the goal of any team," he said. "We want to go out and win every game we can. We have a good group of seniors this year who have been working very hard over the summer. We have a couple of juniors in Jeremy and Hank who give it their all on every play." Like Castle, Ortega shunned away from comparing this year's backfield with the '93 team. "That was a pretty good bunch of backs," he said. "I'm just glad to be compared with them." Different players may be seeing different roles than last year, according to Hall. "Coach Derossett is just trying out different people at different positions, people like Jarred Hall and Brandon Jarrell," he said. "This team has a great attitude." Leslie said the coaching staff at

Prestonsburg has been stressing the passing game. "Everyone knows we are going to run the football," he said. "But we also are going to come out with a great passing game as well. We are going to catch a few people by surprise." "They have been stressing the pass-block," said Fitzpatrick. "Pass protection. We have to protect our quarterback." Taking the words of Leslie and Fitzpatrick, the Blackcats will be working toward a more-balanced offense. Coach Derossett said some sophomores will have to step in this year to help plug some holes. "That's right. We have some sophomores on the offensive line that will have to play and step it up a notch," he said. "Players like Dusty Scott, Rodney Porter and Brooks Stinnett. We are going have to depend on these guys." Prestonsburg opens the season on the road August 29.

THUNDER

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ner's circle. Keith Branham placed third. Racing continues this Saturday night with a \$1,200 purse to the late model winner. The modified purse will pay \$1,000 to the winner while the super bombers and bombers will receive \$500 for their winning effort. A road hog win will be worth \$200. Martin, who is in his first year as track promoter at Thunder Ridge, said he has been concerned over the dust problem they have experienced this race season. "We want people to get behind us and support us," he said. "We've made some mistakes and we admit that. But we are trying to make things better and we need everyone to support us on this. I just want us to have the best racing track in the state of Kentucky." Martin said he plans to work harder in improving the track at Thunder Ridge. "I appreciate all the patience the

drivers and fans have shown me this season," he said. "I am determined to work harder for them and get the track ready." Martin also revealed that a new class could be added to the racing grid at Thunder Ridge if there is enough interest. "We want to start a four-cylinder class," he said. "Cars like Chevettes and other four-cylinder cars. If anyone is interested we want them to come to the track and voice their opinion this Saturday night." Martin will appear on the 15th Region Sports Forum tonight at 8:30 p.m. to explain to race fans what has been happening at The Ridge and the plans for resurrection of the old surface. Fans can tune in to the live sports show and call in with comments or questions. Gates open at 3 p.m. Saturday for the pit area, with the grandstand opening at 5 p.m.

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THE RACING REPORTER

GORDON EASILY WINS AT POCONO

Starting from the outside pole position, Jeff Gordon won his fifth 1998 Winston Cup Series victory and the 34th of his career. He crossed the finish line 1.153 seconds ahead of runner-up Mark Martin in the No. 6 Ford Taurus this past Sunday.

TOP 20 FINISHERS:

1. Jeff Gordon
2. Mark Martin
3. Jeff Burton
4. Bobby Labonte
5. Dale Jarrett
6. Rusty Wallace
7. Dale Earnhardt
8. Ken Schrader
9. Ernie Irvan
10. Michael Waltrip
10. Sterling Marlin tie
12. John Andretti
13. Darrell Waltrip
14. Geoff Bodine
15. Ted Musgrave
16. Chad Little
17. Joe Nemechek
18. Jeremy Mayfield
19. Jimmy Spencer
20. Bobby Hamilton

FEDEWA WINS AT SOUTH BOSTON

Tim Fedewa won the Lycos.com 300 at South Boston Speedway, Saturday, after Dale Earnhardt, Jr. was penalized one full lap.

Earnhardt's No. 3 Goodwrench Chevrolet was the dominant car. He led 245 of the 300-lap event, but NASCAR Busch Series officials sent him into the pits after a bumping incident with Joe Bessey on lap 243.

The incident occurred going into turn three after Earnhardt had put his bumper under the rear of Bessey's Monte Carlo, causing Bessey to spin.

Fedewa assumed the lead with 55 laps remaining for his second win of the season, and the third in his career.

TOP 25 FINISHERS:

1. Tim Fedewa
2. Randy LaJoie
3. Mike McLaughlin
4. David Green
5. Todd Bodine
6. Curtis Markham
7. Elliott Sadler
8. Shane Hall
9. Lyndon Amick
10. Kevin LePage
11. Phil Parsons
12. Matt Kenseth
13. Dale Earnhardt, Jr.
14. Glenn Allen

15. Andy Santerre
16. Mike Dillon
17. Buckshot Jones
18. Hermie Sadler
19. Joe Bessey
20. J.D. Gibbs
21. Mark Green
22. Tracy Leslie
23. Jason Jarrett
24. Wayne Grubb
25. Elton Sawyer

TOP 10 POINTS BGN POINTS LEADERS

1. Dale Earnhardt, Jr., 2,806
2. Matt Kenseth, 2,793
3. Mike McLaughlin, 2,755
4. Randy LaJoie, 2,494
5. Tim Fedewa, 2,478
6. Phil Parsons, 2,337
7. Elton Sawyer, 2,330
8. Buckshot Jones, 2,325
9. Elliott Sadler, 2,292
10. Hermie Sadler, 2,254

HORNADAY LEADS POINTS AND TEMPUS RESORT

Ron Hornaday put his No. 16 Chevrolet into victory lane for the fifth time this season as he won the Inaugural Tempus Resort's 300K at Pikes Peak Speedway, Saturday.

TOP 20 FINISHERS:

1. Ron Hornaday
2. Tony Raines
3. Joe Ruttman
4. Rick Carelli
5. Jimmy Hensley
6. Mike Bliss
7. Stacy Compton
8. Dennis Setzer
9. Randy Tolsma
10. Tony Roper
11. Rick Crawford
12. Scot Walters
13. Ron Barfield
14. Barry Bodine
15. Kevin Harvick
16. Butch Miller
17. Greg Biffle
18. Andy Houston
19. Kevin Cywinski
20. Lonnie Rush

GORDON NEEDS CONSISTENCY FOR LAST HALF

Jeff Gordon leads all other drivers in Winston Cup points. After winning the Pennsylvania 500, Gordon and his Rainbow Warrior team still need consistency for the remaining 15 events.

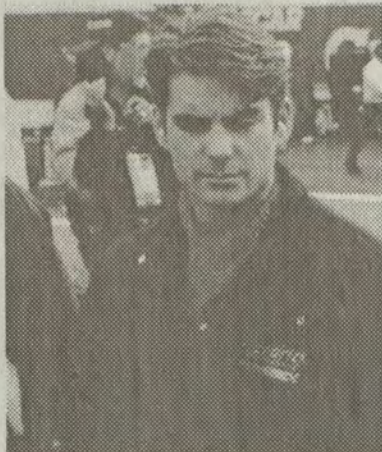
A third championship is their goal. Continually finishing races in the top-five and accumulating bonus points for leading at least one lap in a race and for leading the most laps in a race is the way to

obtain it. Therefore, running up front and maintaining consistency is the way to go for the last half of the season.

It's not going to be easy though. Mark Martin, Dale Jarrett, Rusty Wallace and Jeremy Mayfield are all fierce competitors who want their name on the Winston Cup championship plaque at the end of the year.

"The competition is tougher this year than I've ever seen it," said Gordon. "I think I said that last year, too. But every year, even every week, the competition seems to get tougher and tougher. Our team has to be real good in all areas to stay on top."

"For instance, in Pocono a few



Jeff Gordon

weeks ago we thought we had about a fourth or fifth place car, but because the team gave me a great car at the end we were able to come home second. We won the championship by only 14 points over Jarrett. It wouldn't have taken a lot to lose it."

In the first half of the season, Gordon has led 13-of-17 races and has led the most laps three times. That equates to 80 bonus points.

MAYFIELD, MCREYNOLDS TALK

In order for a Winston Cup team to be successful there must be good rapport between the two most important people on the team come race day — the driver and crew chief.

Paul Andrew is crew chief on the Mobil 1 Ford driven by Jeremy Mayfield. For several weeks Mayfield was the Winston Cup points leader, but has dropped to fourth spot. When asked if it is important for the two to read each other's thoughts, he answered quickly.

"That's the best way to describe

it. Our relationship is awesome," said Mayfield. "We believe in each other 110 percent and we've got as much confidence in each other as any driver on the circuit and that includes Jeff Gordon and Ray Evernham and Dale Jarrett and Todd Parrott."

"It's just awesome the way we work together. We know what each other is thinking most of the time. When I say the car does something and can't explain it totally by just showing him what I'm doing or telling him what I'm doing, he already knows how to fix it and that's a good sign. Sometimes you don't communicate as well and don't know what each other is thinking, but we don't have that problem. It's probably the best relationship I've ever been in with a crew chief and by far it's been the best thing that has happened to me as far as having somebody like him to work with and run this team."

Larry McReynolds was recently transferred from the crew chief job on Dale Earnhardt's No. 3 Goodwrench Monte Carlo to the No. 31 driven by Mike Skinner. Both are part of Richard Childress Racing.

"I've been a crew chief for 18 years and my skin is pretty thick," said McReynolds. "It's probably thicker than my bones. It has to be in this business. We got into a situation last week where someone on the Internet in California published something that Mike Skinner was out of the car beginning with the Loudon Race (Jiffy Lube 300), and if he wasn't out by then, he was definitely going to be out by Pocono. The thing you've got to do and the thing you tell your team is, 'Look we know what's going on.' And Richard and myself know that there's not going to be a major move made. The rumor will still probably swirl around — it's just unfortunate. You know what's going on, you know what you're doing and you know what you've been told. You've just got to be content with that."

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Defense leader

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Drowning death toll in Kentucky causes concern

With the death toll on Kentucky waterways already numbering more than 20, officials with the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources (KDFWR) are urging boaters and swimmers to take every safety precaution while around the water this summer.

Boating-related fatalities have accounted for only 20 percent of the deaths on the water this year. The majority of lives lost have been due to accidental drowning while swimming.

"Officers with the KDFWR enforce boating laws, but, will be

placing special emphasis on overall safety on our public waters," said Col. David Loveless, KDFWR law enforcement director.

"But the best protection from needless loss of life is to follow the basic rules of boating and swimming safety," Loveless said. "There's no substitute for simply using good judgment and being alert and careful while enjoying yourself on the lake."

Here are some water safety rules that can help you keep your family safe and healthy during the summer months and throughout the year:

- A life jacket is nothing to be ashamed of. In fact, with today's modern life vest designs, safety never looked so good. Children and adults should always wear approved personal flotation devices (PFDs) when swimming and while in a boat or on a personal watercraft. Small children also should wear flotation devices while playing near water or on piers. Inflatable pool toys should never be used to keep a child afloat.

- Make certain children are supervised by adults at all times while in or near water. It is best if

parents are in the water with a child.

- Alcohol and water do not mix. Never go swimming or boating when you have been drinking alcoholic beverages. Remember, your life and the lives of others depend on it. Often, children drown in the presence of adults who have been drinking.

- Beware of strong water currents, drop-offs and undertow, which can overcome even the strongest swimmers.

- Avoid swimming in areas in lakes or rivers that are reserved for

boating.

- Children are normally ready for swimming lessons when they are 3 or 4 years of age. The right age for lessons will vary from one child to another.

- Children should stay in the part of the lake that is safe for their swimming ability.

- Never allow running or pushing near water.

- Do not swim in rivers or other unknown waters. There may be dangerous currents, rocks, or unknown depths. River currents can cause drowning, even among

the strongest of swimmers.

- Polluted water may be a health hazard.

- Only designated swimming areas of a lake should be used.

- Allow only one person at a time on a diving board. Do not dive head first into unknown waters.

- Use the buddy system when swimming, regardless of your age or ability.

- Families should know how to perform cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR). Classes are offered by many pediatric hospitals and the American Red Cross.

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Hee Haw	18	10
Haircutters	14	14
Preowned Home	14	14
Hylton Homes	10	19
JFV	10	19

INDIVIDUAL HANDICAP GAME

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June Chandler	212
Peggy Stephens	212

INDIVIDUAL HANDICAP SERIES

Peggy Stephens	598
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Mary Adkins	206
Chris Blanton	201
Peggy Stephens	192

INDIVIDUAL SCRATCH SERIES

Mary Adkins	554
Peggy Stephens	538
Chris Blanton	505

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Zone Girls	587
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Zone Girls	579
Haircutters	577

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The Floyd County Times

RACER'S EDGE

EARNHARDT BUMPS GORDON

Despite being bumped hard by Dale Earnhardt, Jeff Gordon drove his No. 24 Monte Carlo to the winner's circle in winning the Pennsylvania 500 at the Pocono International Speedway this past Sunday.

Gordon used a pit stop to retake the lead and drive off to an easy victory. He led all but six of the first 115 laps. Gordon fell back into the pack when a host of cars decided not to pit during a caution. He charged back to the front and passed Earnhardt, who tapped him at the end of a furious battle, nearly sending Gordon into the wall.

Any pretense of a battle ended with 28 laps remaining, when Earnhardt hit both Chad Little and pole sitter Ward Burton in the first turn — starting an eight-car collision. The crash — from which only Earnhardt escaped unscathed — eliminated Burton and Jeremy Mayfield.

Gordon's Chevrolet beat the Ford of Mark Martin by 1.153 seconds. Jeff Burton finished third.

PENNSYLVANIA 500 RESULTS

Following are the results of the Pennsylvania 500 with starting position in parentheses:

1. Jeff Gordon (2)

2. Mark Martin (6)
3. Jeff Burton (19)
4. Bobby Labonte (4)
5. Dale Jarrett (11)
6. Rusty Wallace (3)
7. Dale Earnhardt (9)
8. Ken Schrader (17)
9. Ernie Irvan (16)
10. Michael Waltrip (10)
11. Sterling Marlin (31)
12. John Andretti (18)
13. Darrell Waltrip (27)
14. Geoff Bodine (40)
15. Ted Musgrave (12)
16. Chad Little (23)
17. Joe Nemecek (5)
18. Jeremy Mayfield (29)
19. Jimmy Spencer (21)
20. Bobby Hamilton (37)
21. Kyle Petty (35)
22. Kenny Irwin (14)
23. Derricke Cope (41)
24. Jeff Green (15)
25. Wally Dallenbach (42)
26. Jerry Nadeau (34)
27. Hut Stricklin (32)
28. Rich Bickle (43)
29. Dick Trickle (26)
30. Mike Skinner (28)

Time of race: 3 hours, 42 minutes, 48 seconds
Margin of victory: 1.153 seconds
Winner's average speed: 134.650 mph
Caution flags: 5 for 25 laps
Lead changes: 10 among 7 drivers



A comforting time

The Bluegrass State Games is more than just a time to compete. It also means making new friends or just lending a comforting hand as pictured here. (photo by Ed Taylor)

Floyd County Resident Returns Home to Practice Medicine

Dr. James Campbell recently completed his Internal Medicine residency training at the World Renowned Cleveland Clinic. The U.S. News and World Report has ranked the Cleveland Clinic among the top 10 hospitals in the nation for eight years in a row. They have ranked the Cleveland Clinic as the best cardiology center in the nation for three consecutive years.



Dr. Campbell is an Internal Medicine physician who specializes in adult medical problems. Special interests include, but are not limited to: hypertension, diabetes, thyroid disease, obesity, gastrointestinal disease, arthritis and lung disease.

Dr. Campbell will be working with Dr. Ira Potter at the Potter Clinic and will begin seeing patients, July 20th, 1998. In addition to seeing patients in the office, he will be admitting to the hospital. To schedule an appointment, call 358-2381.

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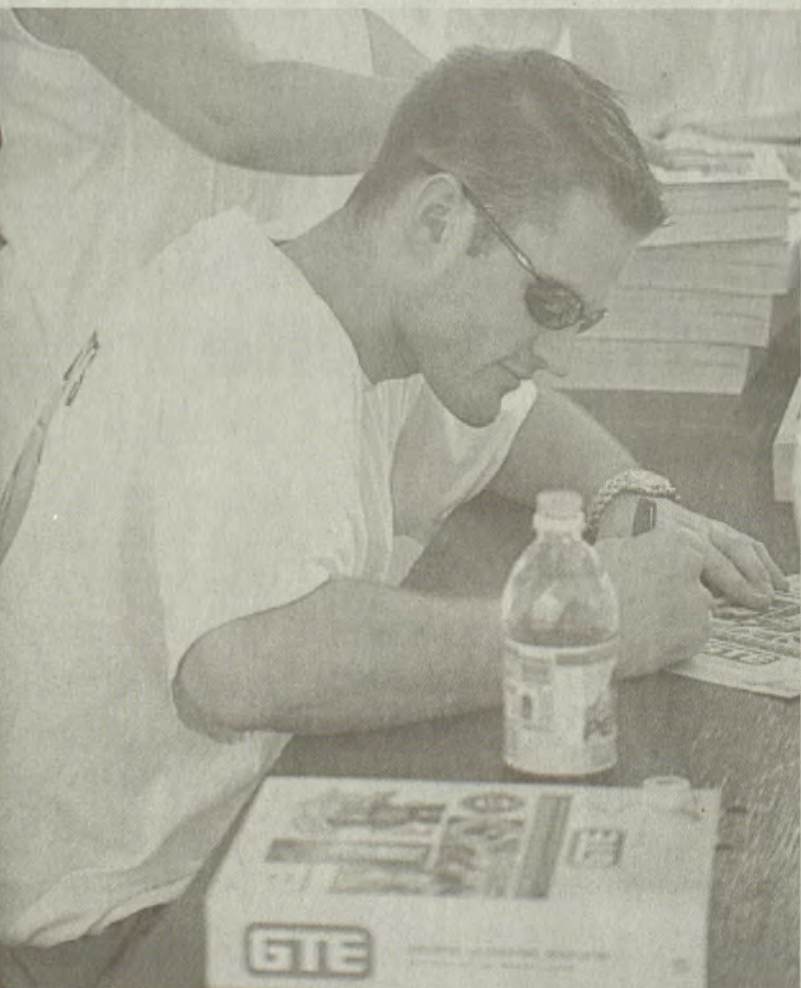
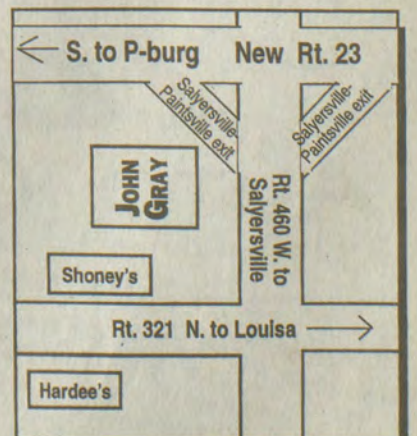
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Celebrity

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NASCAR CONNECTION



Brickyard bound!

Hard to believe, but at one time NASCAR considered that any attempt to bring a race to the fabled Indianapolis Motor Speedway would be greeted with only token interest. There were many who said the speedway just had too much tradition already established with its long association with the "Indy" car series.

It was thought that the Indy crowd was somewhat too sophisticated for the stock car generation of fans. After all, the Indy fans had been witnessing the running of the world-famous Indianapolis 500 every May since 1911. During that time, the race had grown to the point that it was the most attended race each year, and its television ratings were always some of the highest recorded for the year.

But what Indianapolis didn't realize was just how close the relationship was between fan and driver. The Indy fans seldom ever

could say that they had met their favorite driver, or even gotten close enough to take a picture. What Winston Cup brought to the speedway was a family-like atmosphere between the drivers and fans. To the alarm of many of the Indy car fans was the sight of these good ol' boys from NASCAR actually stopping and taking time to give an autograph or pose for a picture.

Actually, Indianapolis got a sneak preview of what the Winston Cup crowd could bring more than a year before the first Brickyard 400 in 1994. The summer of 1993 saw about a dozen teams go to the speedway to do some tire testing in case the speedway would receive a future Winston Cup date. To the surprise of track officials, thousands of fans showed up just to watch a test and get close to their favorite drivers.

So much of the tradition that

Indy had become accustomed to fell to the wayside that day. Gone was all of the security that Indy drivers think they can't exist without. Instead, was the sight of drivers like Dale Earnhardt, Rusty Wallace, and Bill Elliott going up to the fence in front of the stands and standing for long periods of time signing autographs.

The sight of drivers signing autographs and taking pictures was nothing new for Winston Cup. You see, NASCAR grew up with drivers who felt it was part of their job to take as good as care of the fans as they could. It was just part of being a Winston Cup driver. It was evident that the people in this area who had grown accustomed to the untouchable state of Indy drivers were loving every minute of it. Fan after fan who was interviewed after the day said that, even though they had never really been a Winston Cup fan, they could see

why NASCAR had become the fastest growing sport in America.

The ironic side of this test date was that, for the drivers who took part in the test, they just went out and did what they do at every other track the series races. They realize that the tremendous popularity of the sport has been partially built of the access of the drivers to the public. As far as these drivers were concerned they were reaching through the fence at Rockingham or Bristol. It doesn't matter what track the series stops at, there will always be that interaction between fan and driver that sets the sport apart from other sports.

With the tremendous growth that the sport has undergone, some of the interaction between fan and driver has decreased to some extent. Just the huge number of

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One compartment in Charlie Reed's tackle box is twice as large as the others. That's because the lures he puts in it are twice as big as normal lures.

"When the weather turns warm, I really like to fish big 10 and 12 inch plastic worms instead of the normal four, five, and six inch varieties," says Reed, winner of the 1986 Bass Masters Classic* world championship and a member of the Johnson Outboards Pro Staff.

"I'm not sure just what the bass must think an over-sized plastic worm represents, but they really hit it. It's especially effective for larger trophy-class bass, too."

Reed fishes the big plastic worms several different ways, including rigged as a regular worm with a slip sinker, on a long leader as part of a Carolina rig, and without any weight as a surface lure.

"You don't have to rig a big plastic worm with a heavy sinker," says Reed. "In fact, sometimes a lighter sinker like 1/4 ounce is better. Big plastic worms sink pretty slowly and I believe that may be one of their attractions."

"I like to crawl it around heavy cover the same way I fish a shorter worm, and when you rig it weedless with the hook imbedded into the worm, you can throw it right into the cover. Other times, a slow hopping retrieve works better. It just depends on the mood of the bass."

The Johnson pro says there are some lakes, such as Santee Cooper in South Carolina, where large plastic worms seem to work better than shorter worms.

"I believe Florida is where the oversized worms first gained notoriety because some manufacturers there were making worms over a foot long," remembers Reed. "From there, their popularity spread."

In many Florida lakes and in other states where lakes have heavy vegetation, Reed often fishes the big plastic worms as surface lures, crawling them through the greenery.

"I use a 5/0 or 6/0 hook and rig it weedless," he explains. "Then I just swim it very slowly over the surface. This is one technique that often brings strikes from huge bass, and it works around other cover besides grass. Stumpfields, standing timber, and even brush piles are

excellent places to fish a big worm this way."

When he's fishing a little deeper cover and structure, Reed may use big plastic worms on Carolina rigs

"One of the main reasons for using this technique is to give the

bass something new and different to look at," he explains. "Many anglers fish points, sunken roadbeds, or channel breaks with plastic lizards and they do quite well. After a while, however, I think the fish may become accustomed to

seeing those types of lures and be a little more reluctant to strike

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Lighting the torch

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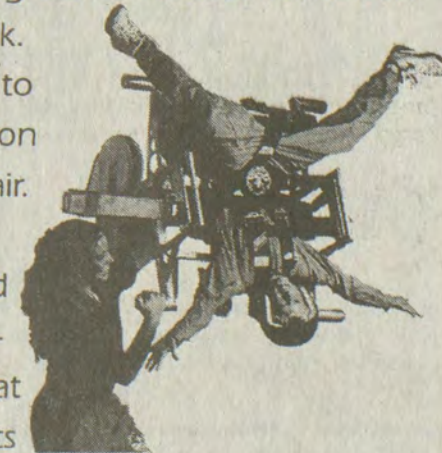
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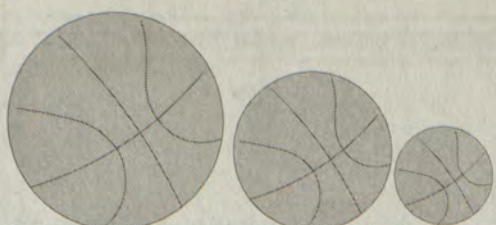
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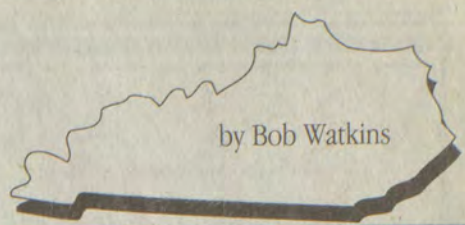
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SPORTS IN KENTUCKY



Celtics' Antoine Walker is a 'punk,' Boston columnist says

A punk? Antoine Walker, a punk? So said columnist Bob Ryan in the Boston Globe.

Fascinating, Ryan's scathing assessment of the ex-UK player. Why fascinating instead of merely interesting? Two reasons.

First, Ryan did not discover the true Antoine Walker until the player fell into disfavor with Rick Pitino. Second, the media high priest of the NBA, defined eloquently enough the NBA landscape of the 1990s.

"The simple fact of the matter is that Antoine Walker is a punk," he writes. "What I once only feared has now been revealed to be the gospel truth. Antoine Walker is one of those great jokes of nature, for atop a body capable of wondrous feats on the basketball floor sits the head of a fool. It is a supremely cruel and dangerous mix."

Strong stuff and it got tougher. "Antoine Walker is such an arrogant, misguided, yes, punk, that there is nothing either M.L. Carr, Rick Pitino, or The Pope could do with this kid.

"...he is an erratic defensive player, as befits a soon-to-be-22-year-old. He has atrocious shot selection, and atrocious judgment in general, as befits a soon-to-be-22-year-old.

"There's more. He has a big mouth on the floor, and the officials make him pay for it to the tune of 30 technicals in two seasons. Worse yet, his juvenile mugging is classless. It irritates opponents — yes, Antoine, people on other clubs really do hate you — and it embarrasses the organization."

What fall-out from Ryan's sizzling column?

First, Walker and his clique of hangers-on will sneer and dismiss the writer as a not-of-the-90s, out-of-touch jealous old white guy.

But the facts are Walker, virtually on the eve of free agency and a \$100 million demand, has again underestimated Pitino's influence. He has fallen into disfavor with the NBA's most revered media man.

Ryan is the latest on a list of media types who have become puppets to Pitino, moved to do Da Coach's dirty work while leaving Pitino squeaky clean with wiggle room to play good cop, perhaps even salvage a 'reformed attitude' Walker for the Celtics.

However this little drama shakes out, Pitino wins (as usual). For his part, Walker can feign regret and remorse, play martyr to just another media attack. And Ryan can bask in the villainy, have his ego waxed for standing up for apple pie, motherhood and Celtics fans.

What does all this mean?

I have long wondered why more media-types have not told fans the truth about the NBA. How the league has changed. How David Stern has masterfully cajoled (marketed?) and camouflaged a greed-infested animal house sold to ratings-greedy NBC and Ted Turner as entertainment.

The next two excerpts from Ryan's encyclical tells us about today's NBA and professional sports generally. They're virtually all punks.

"There may be nothing wrong with Antoine Walker that time and experience wouldn't cure in a better world, but we no longer live in a sane athletic world. We are stuck with an NBA in which soon-to-be-22-year-old punks, already making more money than is good for them, are flexing their metaphorical biceps because they are on the verge of making far too much money than is good for them at this tender age."

"... (Walker) is a classic product of the modern basketball sys-

tem. He is an AAU baby who has never worked at anything other than basketball in his life, and who has only met one coach — Rick Pitino — who has never told him 'no' about anything. He is arrogant and clueless about his profession."

Amen. And so are nine-tenths of the rest of the NBA including, I have a hunch, many of the owners and executives.

Footnote: The NBA lockout? Hang in there, guys. If the owners open the gates, stay out. Don't negotiate anything. Let's show 'em.

CHUMS: NBA & MEDIA

Interesting how those in the national media herd pontificate about dim-witted NBA owners and their willingness to pay mind-boggling player salaries. Columnists also grouse about player greed. But why is it metro writers with vast resources never investigate and report how professional basketball players spend their largesse?

I believe fans are not only disgusted with greedy NBA owners and self-centered thugs dressed up like basketball players, but also fed up with preachy columnists who are not disposed to tell the ticket-buying public what goes on with all the millions of dollars being thrown around.

For starters ... Michael Jordan made more than \$50 million last year. What will His Airness do if the Chicago Bulls pay him another \$40-\$50 million for next season? Where does this money go?

Media like Sports Illustrated, equipped to do investigative pieces on illegitimate children of NBA and other professional athletes, ought to be able to report in detail where owners get their money, why players are able to command, say \$42 million (Mo Vaughn, Boston Red Sox rejected \$39 million), and how players spend astronomical paychecks.

FOOTBALL IN KY. RE-ALIGNMENT

Re-alignment or stream-alignment? High school football in Kentucky is in for major adjust-

NASCAR

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fans now makes it a little tougher on not only the driver but the fan, as well. Most drivers still try to greet as many fans as they can during a racing weekend, but there is just so much free time in a weekend for a driver to get out and mingle with the crowd.

So this weekend Indianapolis Motor Speedway better get ready for their yearly visit from the good ol' boys of racing. The area grocery stores won't have to worry about stocking up on goods that are usually associated with the elite of Indy racing. Instead, they better make sure that there is plenty of pop and fried chicken for this wave of racing fan. They know their racin' and they are loyal to not only their driver but the sport as well. They may take their shirt off or be seen waving a flag of their favorite driver, but for the most part they will all leave quietly when the show is over and go to work on Monday.

ment if the KHSAA implements a change next year offered up by its football committee.

If adopted, in 1999 schools with comparable student enrollments will field football teams against schools with like enrollments only. For example, schools with enrollments of 0-575 (Class 1-A) may not play teams with 576-860 (Class 2-A) which has been the common crossover in Kentucky for years.

Between now and passage of the measure next year, school officials throughout the state will examine the proposal and offer opinions.

Meanwhile, what about you? If you are a high school football fan, I want to know what you think. Share your opinions with fans in other parts of the state. Write to Sports In Ky, P.O. Box 124, Glendale, Ky. 42740. Or, e-mail me at SptsinKy@aol.com.

HOOPS RECRUITING SCUTTLEBUTT

FastBreak Magazine projects November early signing period will include: 6-10 Marvin Stone to Kentucky; 6-5 Keith Bogans to Kentucky; 6-4 Joe Forte to Georgia Tech; 6-10 Casey Sanders to Duke; and Jason Parker to North Carolina. Recruiting pundits say Tubby Smith is shopping among 6-2 George Baker of Lexington Dunbar; 6-7 Donnell Harvey of Randolph-Clay High School in Culbert, Ga.; 6-6 Rod Grizzard of Birmingham, Ala.; 6-7 Joseph Ward of Clinton, Miss.; 7-1 Nathan Popp of Lexington Catholic; Andrew Gooden, a 6-foot-9, Richmond, Calif.; 6-9 DeMarr Johnson of Newport Prep in Kensington, Md.; and Derek Smith of Ft. Thomas Highlands (non-scholarship).

COMMENT: Before UK fans celebrate, however, I am reminded of another package deal. "We're going to school together. Ralph (Sampson) and I definitely want to play college ball together," said Derrick Hord during his high school senior year in 1978.

READERS (RIGHT) WRITE

About Bill Curry's recent appointment

Jim Ausenbaugh of Scottsville (E-Mail): "I met (Curry) a couple of times and followed his career at UK, and was deeply impressed by the man. What a man! He does, however, have a rival in honor and character: Blanton Collier, whom I knew well as his ghost writer and friend. He still is UK's all-time best football coach. Check his record: He "slipped up" on somebody just about every year, with inferior tal-

ent. His biggest problem as a big-time coach at a little-time football school was that he wouldn't lie. Not to prospects, parents, opponents, players."

PARTING SHOT

Chris Dawahare of Pikeville on UK football: "Expectations are understandably high this season. 7-4, 8-3 are the most common records being passed around. Who would have ever believed it? After only one 5-6 season, (Coach Hal) Mumme has rebuilt this Kentucky program in the minds of its fans. Never before have fans been this excited about football and never

before have fans been this confident. UK fans now expect to win every time they take the field. It's one thing to hope for a win, now fans expect to win."

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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A new sport added

T-ball was one of two new sporting events that was added to the Bluegrass State Games this year. Disc golf was the other. T-ball drew a large number of kids as well as parents. (photo by Ed Taylor)

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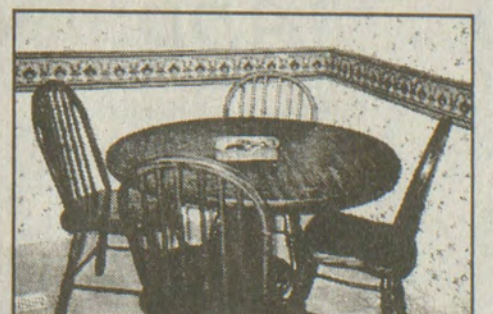
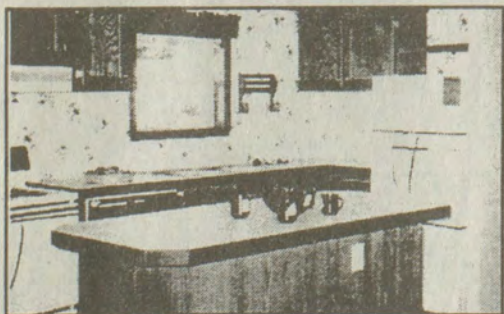
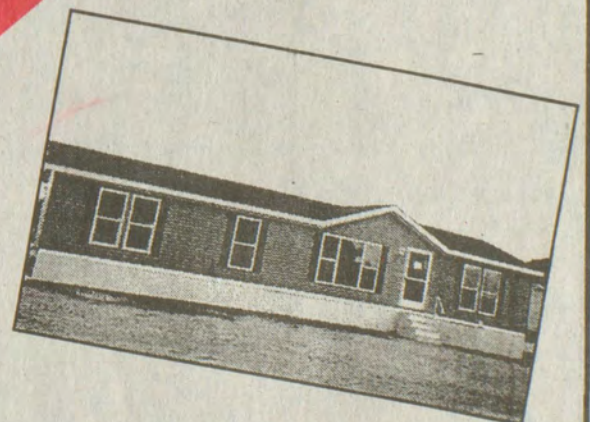
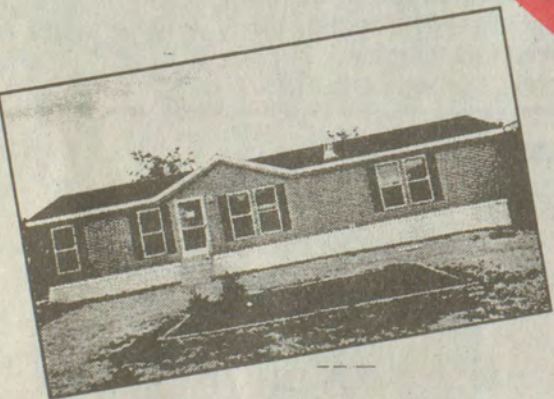


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There was a time when no one would have ever been the wiser, but now almost everybody has one of these caller ID things, and when you goof, the one you called—but didn't mean to—knows who you are.

Any way, dialing wrong numbers seems to be something

**Poison
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Clyde Pack

I do more and more lately, probably due to a number of reasons, the first being my vision. Another reason I often end up talking to strangers when I let my fingers do the walking is that my fingers are too big and the little buttons are too small. If I don't punch the numbers straight on, I sometimes hit two at once.

Finally, if I can believe Wilma, another reason I sometimes reach out and touch the wrong someone is that I'm careless.

"You don't pay attention to what you're doing," she'll say.

"Well," I'll say back. "I was paying attention that day over 35 years ago when you promised to obey." (Of course, I say that to myself. Just because I dial a wrong number once in a while doesn't mean I'm stupid.)

A while back, in this column we ran a story that one of our readers had clipped from another paper and passed along to us. I'd forgotten about it until the other day when a lady at K-Mart told me she had cut it out to have, but had lost it and would I please run it again. Since it was a pretty good story, I thought I would. So, here 'tis.

It seems a farmer's wife called a vet one evening regarding a sick mule. He told her to give the mule a dose of mineral oil through a funnel. She said she was afraid the mule might bite her.

"Give it to him from the other end," the vet said.

The woman went to the barn and looked for a funnel but could find only Uncle Bill's hunting horn, a gold-plated affair with gold tassels. She positioned the horn and reached for the oil, but mistakenly grabbed a bottle of turpentine and poured a liberal dose into the horn.

The mule let out a yell, crashed through the side of the barn and took off down the road at a gallop. Every few strides the horn would blow. Neighborhood dogs knew that when the horn blew, Uncle Bill was going fox hunting. So, they took off after the mule.

It had to be an unusual sight. Anyway, the mule was running at top speed with the horn in the most unusual position, mellow tones issuing therefrom, gold tassel waving and the dogs barking joyously.

As darkness fell, the animals approached a draw-bridge. The bridge tender thought it was a boat coming and cranked up the bridge, and the animals splashed into the water.

It just so happened that the bridge tender was running for sheriff. In the election, he got only seven votes, all from kinfolk.

The voters figured that any man who didn't know the difference between a mule blowing a horn with his behind and a boat, wasn't fit for public office.

Sisters reunited after 66 years

Letter in newspaper helps sisters find each other after separation

by Marie Conn
 Contributing Writer

June 27th was a day five sisters will long remember. That is the day they came together for the first time in 66 years. As little girls they were separated by the divorce of their parents, and as the years passed, they never knew where to start looking for each other.

It all began in the early 1930s when a young woman named Cresie Frazier married a man named Lum Akers. He brought his three children, Velma, Marjorie, and Uhlán, into the marriage. Cresie already had a young family of her own. The four children included Ralph, William, Marjorie, and Minnie. Their father, Roy Frazier, had died in December 1925. Together this family moved to Carthage, Indiana, where Cresie's sister

Lucy joined them. Two little girls, Margaret and Juanita, were born to Cresie and Lum.

Life was hard back then for such a big family. Cresie worked as a beautician and paid rent for her beauty shop in the back of the local Texaco station by pumping gas. She spent many hours walking to work, giving haircuts for "two bits" and permanents for "\$5," to help feed her family.

Carthage, Indiana, was typical of many other small towns in the Midwest struggling to survive the depression. It was an era of gangsters, prohibition and bank robberies. Cresie even had the dubious task of pumping gas for John Dillinger not long after he had robbed a bank in another small town. Not long after that, he went to New York and his death at the hands of the Pinkertons.

During this colorful time in history, seven little children were going to school and playing together, unaware that such struggles were taking place. Time passed and the struggles became more difficult. Their parents separated and then divorced. When Lum Akers left the family, he took his three children, who had all become close to Cresie's children, and it would be 66 years before they would see each other again.

Years passed during which Cresie's children often wondered where their sisters and brothers were. Cresie died in 1983, never seeing the children again or knowing that they had looked for her for many years.

Then in November, 1997, Cresie's daughter, Minnie had heard that Lum Akers was buried in Logan, West Virginia, so she wrote a letter to the editor of the local newspaper searching for Lum's children and hoping someone could help her. Her hopes of finding her half-sisters and brother after all these years were slim, but one morning she got a phone call from Joann Hammond, daughter of her half-sister Marjorie, and granddaughter of Lum Akers.

(Joann later told Cresie that she had never bought the newspaper before, but she felt impelled to buy that issue.)

After the first phone call, Ma Bell was kept busy between families. As Minnie and Velma traveled to visit each other, they knew that they all had to be together again. So a reunion was planned for the weekend of June 27, 1998.



Five sisters who were separated 66 years ago by the divorce of their parents were reunited in June at the home of Minnie and Walter Akers at Harold. The sisters are, front row from left: Velma Compton of Switzer, West Virginia; Juanita Welsh of Meade, Nebraska; Marjorie Gast of Ashland, Ohio; back row, Margaret McCarver of Mead, Nebraska; and Minnie Akers of Harold.

Arrangements were made, miles were traveled, food was prepared and the long-awaited time arrived for the grand reunion to be held at Minnie and Walter Akers' house at Harold.

First to arrive on Friday were Juanita and Jim Welsh from Mead, Nebraska. She was only a one-year-old baby when the children were separated, but she was excited, because she was going to see her half-sister after 66 years. Next to arrive was William "Bill" Frazier's widow, Virginia, from Nova, Ohio. Her two daughters a son, and two granddaughters came with her. Cresie's Bill had died the year before. Margaret and Richard McCarver from Mead, Nebraska, arrived on Saturday morning. Margaret was only three years old when they were all separated, but she too was thrilled about this reunion. They brought Marjorie Gast from Ashland, Ohio, with them.

(See Sisters, page two)



Margie Gast of Ashland, Ohio was the first sister to arrive at Minnie Akers' home at Harold. Minnie and Margie had not seen each other since the death of their mother, Cresie, in 1983.



Minnie Akers and her sisters, Margie Gast and Velma Compton, shared photos and memories. It had been 66 years since Minnie and Marjorie had seen Velma when their families gathered for a reunion in June at Harold.

Ten years ago today (July 27, 1988)

Ordinances regarding annexation and city retirement were on the agenda for the city council members of Prestonsburg at last week's meeting...Board of Education members, with a rumor of state takeover in the midst, don't seem to be worrying board members at this time...Two stolen cars were recovered by Prestonsburg City Police this week...Over 139 marijuana plants were confiscated as a part of an eradication process in the county...Annexation continues to be discussed on the Holiday Inn project...There died: Ernest Collins, 73, of Prestonsburg, Thursday at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Paul Centers, 55, of Martin, Tuesday at his residence; Emma Lou Horn, 52, of Prestonsburg, Sunday at Highlands Regional Medical Center; and Maudie Luxmore, 90, of Price, Sunday at Our Lady of The Way Hospital.

Twenty Years Ago (Wednesday, July 26)

The one spot of US 23 between Prestonsburg and Paintsville, which is regarded as most dangerous in a long list of danger spots, apparently is marked for improvement...The city council this week asked bids from contractors on resurfacing of 1.2 miles of streets in Prestonsburg, West Prestonsburg, Lancer and the Goble-Roberts Addition...The charred body of a Floyd County man was found early Tuesday morning in a burning automobile on a Huntington, W. Va. parking lot, and authorities there ordered an autopsy in an effort to determine if he was dead before

the fire broke out, or had died as a result of burns...Representatives of both labor and industry made presentations at the hearing held at the courthouse here last Thursday by the Department of Labor on the wage scale that is to prevail in the region. Out of the hearing will come a new prevailing wage scale for the region, which now includes the Ashland area...There died: Lousia Hicks, 62, of David, Tuesday morning at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Banks Hall, 30, of Halo, died Monday at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin; Mrs. Pearl Wood Layne, 71, of Betsy Layne, died Saturday at Methodist Hospital in Pikeville; Johnnie B. Miller, 65, formerly of Emma, died July 10, at Munroe Memorial Hospital, Ocala, Florida; Burl Gibson, 40, formerly of Floyd County, July 1 in California.

Thirty Years Ago (July 25, 1968)

A political rumpus that led to a session of Senator McCarthy supporters featured the Floyd County Democratic convention held here Saturday afternoon to name 38 delegates from this county to this state convention in Louisville next Saturday...All major post offices, including Prestonsburg's, will feel the effects, beginning Saturday, of the employment cutback required by the new federal tax bill...Willie Lee Kidd, 30-year-old Honaker

miner, was killed early Wednesday morning when he was caught beneath a block of slate while at work in the Conn Coal Company mine on Mud Creek...For heroism in the face of enemy fire in Vietnam last February 27, Sp-4 Burklin Calhoun, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Calhoun, of the Auxier road, near here, has been awarded the Bronze Star with "V" device...A Sugar Loaf resident this week reported sighting a bear near the United Fuel Gas Company pipeline...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Billy P. Coburn, of Mousie, a daughter, July 17; to Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Click, of Manton, July 19; to Mr. and Mrs. Delmar Thompson, of Pompano Beach, Fla., formerly of this county, a daughter, May 21...There died: Maggie Hopkins, 83, of Holton, Ind., formerly of Floyd County, at Hopewell, Ind.; Mrs. Carrie Porter, 88, of Dwale, Tuesday at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; Mrs. Laura Crider, 70, of Auxier, last Wednesday at the Prestonsburg General Hospital.

Forty Years Ago (July 24, 1958)

"I would never agree to build anything less than first-class facilities at Dewey Lake," Gov. A. B. Chandler told members of the Eastern Kentucky Planning Commission at a conference in Frankfort Tuesday, following

Conservation Commissioner Laban T. Jackson's announcement last week of a plan of low-cost housing in Jenny Wiley State Park at the lake...Elimination of the years-old system of issuing fiscal court interest-bearing warrants in payment of county indebtedness was hailed this week by County Attorney Robert S. Wellman as one of the greatest fiscal advances ever made by Floyd County...Groundwork for the eventual establishment of a Chamber of Commerce was laid at the Monday meeting of the Prestonsburg City Council...Philemon Frasure, 21, of East McDowell, succumbed Tuesday, 15 hours after he had been injured by a falling tree on Frasure's Creek...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Billy Hale, of Topeka, Kansas, a son, William II...There died: Noah Tackett, 56, of Beaver, Friday at McDowell Memorial Hospital; Mrs. May Stratton Layne, 64, of Ivel, Sunday at the Methodist Hospital, Pikeville; Mrs. Lucy Brown Argelas, 68, of Hi Hat, Friday at the home of a daughter in West Virginia; Mrs. Josie Clark, 74, of Prestonsburg, Saturday at a Cincinnati hospital; Mrs. Ellen Stanley, 54, of Lackey, Friday at her home; Mrs. Sula R. Salyers, 46, last Wednesday at her home at West Prestonsburg.

Fifty Years Ago (July 20, 1948)

Floyd County will have its own draft board, as will most other Eastern Kentucky counties, it was announced this week...Damage estimated at upwards of \$1,500 was caused near West Garrett lake last Thursday by a wind-

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Our Yesterdays

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

FOR THE RECORD

Marriage Licenses

Stephanie Burrows, 32, of Prestonsburg, and Charles Stamper, 29, of Ivel.
 Nicole Spradlin, 19, of Prestonsburg, and Shawn Smith, 20, of East Point.
 Amy Reed, 23, of Banner, and Alan Hyden, 22, of Prestonsburg.
 Jamie Collins, 22, of Prestonsburg, and John Owens, 26, of Gunlock.

Lindsay Hicks, 17, of Banner, and Danny Akers, 20, of New Straitsville, Ohio.
 Jennifer Isaac, 21, of Hi Hat, and Bobby Henson II, 21, of Beaver.
 April Hamilton, 37, of Drift, and Jonathan Stewart, 22, of Drift.
 Jennifer Goodman, 19, of Prestonsburg, and Rondall Stewart, 22, of Prestonsburg.
 Elizabeth Castle, 30, of Hi Hat, and Danny Castle, 29, of Jonesboro, Georgia.
 Mashanda Caudill, 29, of Wheelwright, and Woodrow

Mullins, 33, of Wheelwright.
 Tyeshia Greene, 19, of Mt. Sterling, and Joseph Hessey II, 18, of Prestonsburg.
 Jerri Haney, 30, of Inez, and Gary Wright, 28, of Freeport, Texas.

Police Dispatch Logs

Editor's note: Dispatch logs are taken from the logs of the

Prestonsburg Police Department.
July 20
 4:30 p.m. — A domestic disturbance was reported on Main Street.
 7:11 p.m. — DSS requested an officer go with them to check on a child.

8:55 p.m. — A man reported an officer needed to go with him to get his child at Green Acres for his summer vacation visit.

July 21
 8:15 p.m. — A complaint of shots fired on Westminster Street was made.
 8:29 p.m. — Drug use was reported from an anonymous tip at City Park.

July 22
 3:21 p.m. — A Highland Heights woman reported a suspicious vehicle in front of her apartment.

July 23
 4:43 p.m. — A Green Acres woman said she was court-ordered to give up a bedroom suite to her husband, and it was outside in the rain waiting for him.

8:49 p.m. — An intoxicated individual was yelling at persons on Richmond Street.

9:24 p.m. — An accident without injuries was reported at Mountain Manor.

July 24
 4:41 a.m. — A male subject was reported to be lying in the road on Spurlock Creek.

July 25
 2:05 p.m. — A juvenile was throwing rocks at a residence at Goble-Roberts.

5:47 p.m. — A domestic was reported at Sugarloaf.

7:03 p.m. — A four-subject

domestic was reported at ThunderRidge.

Suits Filed

Editor's note: Suits filed are not indicative of guilt, but represent only the claims of those filing the action.

Pamela Gannon vs. Heilig-Meyers; contract dispute.
 Abraham Chapman vs. Keither Endicott Jr., et al. of Inez; personal injury.

Steven Greer of Allen vs. Barbara Mayhew of Delbarton, West

Virginia; petition for dissolution of marriage.

Sears vs. Walter Stumbo of Langley; contract dispute.
 Edward Hohnecker of Ivel vs. Theresa Hohnecker of Harold; petition for dissolution of marriage.

Vernon Powers of Wabash, Indiana vs. Mable Powers of Prestonsburg; petition for dissolution of marriage.

Russell Johnson of Prestonsburg vs. Randall King of Albion, Michigan; personal injury.

George Bailey of Allen vs. Angela Bailey of Prestonsburg; petition for dissolution of marriage.

Sisters

(Continued from page one)

As the preparations were being finalized, the four sisters went to breakfast at Shoney's and spent time reminiscing. The afternoon brought the arrival of another long-lost sister, Velma, with her husband Jack Compton; her son, Jimmy; daughter-in-law, and grandson, Kevin. Two of Marjorie's daughters, Joann and Joyce, came with Joann's daughter. Marjorie had died in the mid-60's and her brother Uhlman had died in 1997.

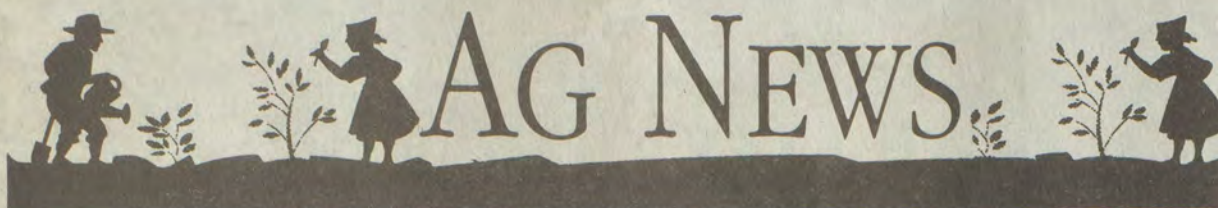
At the reunion, lots of hugs and kisses and tears were shared. Many pictures were shared and reviving old memories and making new ones were all part of a day that will long be remembered by all of them.

Although Cresie couldn't be there that weekend, her first cousins, Bert, Lowell, and Drew, along with Drew's son and grandson, from Elliott County, came to be a part of the excitement.

These days it's quiet in Minnie's home at Harold. Everyone has gone home; the chairs and tables are all in their places once again. Things look the same, but for five sisters, still little girls at heart, things will never be quite the same.

They have all made some wonderful new memories to treasure and, although 66 years have passed, for one day they "were all just children again." Years of not knowing were over and for the next generation the searching has come to an end.

Editor's Note: Marie Conn is the daughter of Minnie and Walter Akers of Harold. She has a Ph.D. in counseling and nurses' education. She is also a registered nurse currently studying to obtain her license as a counselor in Tallahassee, Florida. She plans to return to Floyd County to establish a center for abused women.



Tomato diseases in the garden

by Patricia G. Spicer
 Extension agent

Weather conditions have created the perfect environment for disease development in the home garden. We are beginning to see fungal leaf and fruit spots (blights) and blossom end rot in tomato plants.

Three blights cause serious spotting of tomato leaves in Kentucky. Septoria leaf spot or blight, is the most common disease and is a serious problem in many years. Early blight is also fairly common. These diseases usually begin after the first fruits have set. The third disease is late blight, which may occur only in unusually cool, wet weather. All are fungal diseases spread by airborne spores which require dew or rain to infect the plants. These diseases build up rapidly in wet weather and cause dark leaf spots followed by yellowing and defoliation (leaf drop). Some of these diseases also produce spots on the fruits.

To control leaf diseases in your tomatoes, rotate planting areas each year. Plant tomatoes in the same place only one in three or four years. Use healthy transplants. Water at the base of plants using a hose to trickle water into a shallow trench or depression in the soil. Avoid watering with overhead sprinklers in late afternoon or evening; if the plants stay wet all night, leaf spot infections are likely to occur.

Use fungicides when needed. These diseases spread rapidly, and are difficult to control once established. Fungicides with active ingredients such as maneb, mancozeb, chlorothalonil (Ortho Multi-Purpose Fungicide) or fixed copper must be applied to the plant before the disease first appears or at the first sign of disease. Since timing is critical, it may be preferable to start a preventive spray program when the first fruits are marble-sized. Chlorothalonil can be applied up to the day of harvest. Captan fungicide is available, but should not be used because it does not control Septoria leaf spot. Check the list of ingredients to determine the active ingredients in fungicides or home garden fungicide-insecticide mixtures.

Blossom end rot first appears as a light tan water-soaked, spot on the blossom end of partially grown tomato fruits. The water-soaked

area becomes sunken, leathery, and turns brown to black in color.

Changing soil moisture, especially water stress, which hinders the ability of the plant to take up calcium, causes blossom end rot.

Contributing factors are the use of excessive amounts of nitrogen fertilizer (especially ammonium) and root pruning.

Prevent blossom end rot by protecting the roots from injury; don't cultivate too close to the plants. Use a fertilizer high in phosphorous such as

superphosphate and containing a nitrate form of nitrogen. A fertilizer such as 4-12-4 or 5-20-5 is good for tomatoes. Keep plants uniformly supplied with water—avoid wide cycles of wet and dry. Use a plastic or organic mulch, as this helps provide a more uniform moisture supply.

If you have any questions, contact Pat Spicer at the Floyd County Cooperative Extension Service office (606) 886-2668 or stop by 921 South Lake Drive in Prestonsburg.

HIGHLANDS BEEF CATTLE ASSOCIATION TO MEET

The August meeting of the Highlands Beef Cattle Association will be held on Thursday, August 6, in Johnson County. The group will meet at 6 p.m. at Jack Holbrook's farm at Flat Gap. Dinner will be served after the meeting. If you have any questions, contact Pat Spicer at the Floyd County Cooperative Extension Service office (606) 886-2668 or stop by at 921 South Lake Drive in Prestonsburg. Educational programs of the Kentucky Cooperative Services serve all people regardless of race, color, sex, religion, disability, or national origin. Disabilities accommodated with prior notification.

FLOYD COUNTY CEC TO MEET

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FLOYD COUNTY COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE DISTRICT BOARD TO MEET

The Floyd County Cooperative Extension Service District Board will meet Thursday, July 30, at 6:30 p.m., at the Extension Service office, 921 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg. If you would like more information about the meeting, contact the Floyd County Cooperative Extension Service office (606) 886-2668.

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NEW ARRIVALS

HIGHLANDS REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

July 11: A daughter, Shayna Paige, to Brandy and Shayne Rowe of Salyersville; a son, Jacob Douglas, to Lisa Grace and Lonnie Ratliff of Louisa; a daughter, Cora Brook Boyd, to Virginia Carpenter of Prestonsburg; a daughter, Montana Jane, to Nina and Jeffery Goble of Tomahawk; a daughter, Madison Breann, to Jessica and Paul Frazier of Hager Hill.

July 12: A son, Braxton Tyrel, to Keith and Sandra Thacker of Garner.

July 13: A daughter, Rebecca Lynn, to Melissa and Jeffrey Combs of Fisty.

July 15: A daughter, Hope Mary Ann, to Tammy and Leslie Howard of Decoy.

July 16: A daughter, Emily Shae, to Monica and Randy Lee Rose of Wayland.

July 17: A son, Shanna Scott Price, to Vanessa Morman of Prestonsburg; a daughter, Sheila Kaitlyn LaShae, to Sheila and Marty McKinney of Martin; Twins Lacey Dawn Buckley, and Lansing Delano Buckley III, to Sheila Tussey of Prestonsburg.

July 18: A son, Samuel Colton, to Kimberly and Chester Griffith of Swamp Branch; twin sons Hayden

Bryan, and Matthew Ryan, to Ilene and Dennis Colvin of Salyersville.

July 20: A son, Brady Joe Fannin, to Lori Ann Christian of Inez; a daughter, Chelsea Lynn, to Sonner and Jeffrey McCarty of Prestonsburg; a son, Austin Colt, to Thomas G. and Vanessa L. Castle of Nippa; a son, David Tyler, to Rebecca Carol and David Holbrook of Paintsville.

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April 5: A daughter, Emily Kristen, to Christy Lynn and Kevin Dale Ratliff.

July 1: A son, Barry Logan, to Julain Mae and Barry Dean Miller; a son, Sully Ron-Curtis, to Rhonda Gail and Melloyd Junior Conway.

July 2: A daughter, Keesha Danielle, to Tressa Arlene and William Douglas Corbiere; a son, Hunter Reese, to Anita Lynn and Charles Ray Varney; a son, Kirklan Micah, to Carmela Shellae and Jeffrey Brian Peters; a son, Christian Matthew, to Amanda Nichole Slone; a son, Dawson Brian, to Gladys Renee and Brian Harold Cornett.

July 3: A daughter, Tori Lynn Denise, to Gladys Michelle Gibson and Dennis Ray Ratliff.

July 4: Twins, Maddlin Marie and Matthew Charles Parks, to Kristin and Charles Parks.

July 6: A son, Alexander Orion,

to Patricia Dawn and Mark Edward Mullins; a son, Cameron Coleman, to Rhonda Kaye and Jimmy Dale Jarrell.

July 7: A son, Kirkland Drew, to Susan Rachel and Gordon Terry McKinney.

July 8: A daughter, Jordan Bailee, to Jana Danielle Gilpin and John Wesley Wright; a son, Zachary Elijah, to Misty Dawn and Mark Rose; a daughter, Amber LaDawn, to Anita Gay and Jeffrey Scott Haynie.

July 9: A son, Devon Michael, to Jennifer Lee and Michael Andrew Hampton; a son, Brion Edward Alexander, to Sabrina Dee and Brian Lewis Wilson.

July 10: A son, Tyce McKeyan, to Tracy Leigh and Bill Avery Riddle; a son, Michael Justin Branham, to Norma Jean Adkins; a daughter, Noa Tess, to Ami Loren and James Todd Lakin.

July 11: A son, Colby Michael James, to Doris Renee and James Randy Conway.

July 12: A son, Kyle Bradley, to Mary Ellen and Bradley Craig Robinson; a son, Dustin Ryan, to Andrea Leah and Randy Lee Mullins; a son, Cody Bryan, to Robin and Terry Harris.

July 13: A son, Patrick Dalton, to Tomeca and Vinten McCoy.

July 14: A daughter, Alexis Paige, to Patricia Lynn and Timothy Meadows; a daughter, Briana Rachele, to Sunshine Renea and Farish Timothy Bradley.

July 15: A son, Brandon Gerald, to Eleanor Virginia and Norman Gerald Cook; a daughter, Ragan Ashley, to Lynn and Roy Cutright; a son, Kobe Alan, to Crystal Gay and Bart Doyle Akers.

July 16: A son, Jarred Chase, to Trina and Anthony Allen Vanhooze; a son, William Isaac, to Helena Louise and Brian Daniel Gibson; a son, Roger Dean Smith II, to Deborah Lynn Grizzle and Roger Dean Smith; a son, Reid Nicholas, to Shelia Kaye and Kevin Wayne Varney.

July 17: A son, Jeremy Scott, to Tammy Denise Keathley and Jimmy Ray Adkins.

July 18: A son, Jordan Tyler Kent, to Juanita Michelle and Roger Lloyd Keene.

July 19: A daughter, Madison Tenille, to Alisha and Neil Lawson; a son, Andrew Patrick, to Melissa Ann and Jason Coleman; a son,

Joseph Alexander, to Tamatha and Tony Meade; a son, Lucas Keith, to Lucinda and Barry Keith Phillips.

July 20: A son, Jacob Bryce, to Patrece and Jason Wade Beverly; a daughter, Harley Paige, to Kristina and Clarence Michael Blackburn; a son, Austin Tyler, to Denise Hall.

July 21: A daughter, Hannah Dawn, to Amber Dawn and Keith Blake Bevins; a son, Charles Jeffrey, to Deborah Bryant and Jeffrey Edward Greenich; a daughter, McKenzie Morgan, to Stacy Marie and Willard Brady Fouch; a son, Robert Jordan, to Rhonda Michelle and Julian Ray Slone; a daughter, Abigail Nicole, to Connie Lynn and William Roberts.

July 22: A daughter, Martessa Marie, to Rebecca Lynn and Mark Anthony Sullivan.



Birth announced

Teresa and Larry Lafferty of East Point, announce the birth of their daughter, Courtney Dawn, born on July 18, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. She weighed 8 pounds, 8 ounces and was 19 3/4 inches long. Maternal grandparents are Phyllis Sparks of Abbott and Larry Music of Auxier Road. Paternal grandparents are Florane and Larry Lafferty of Endicott.



Birth announced

Mike and Lisa Maynard of Pikeville announce the birth of their daughter, Courtney Beth Maynard. She was born at 12:30 p.m., Wednesday, June 24. She weighed 6 pounds, 15 ounces and was 20 inches long. Her grandparents are Ruby and Sharon Anderson of Wheelwright and Tim and Karen Hawkes of Louisa.



New arrival

Nathan and Stephanie Hall announce the birth of their first child, a son, Brayden Nathaniel. He was born July 1, at 8:35 a.m. at Highlands Regional Medical Center. Brayden weighed 8 pound 15 ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long. His maternal grandparents are Bill and Donna Rorer of Prestonsburg. His paternal grandparents are Sallie Smith of Hager Hill and Nolan Hall of Salyersville.



It's a boy!

Jeffery Dale and Melissa Scarberry announce the birth of their son, Jeffery Kaleb, who was born June 9 at Highlands Regional Medical Center. He weighed 7 lbs. and was 20 inches long. He is the brother of Kennedy Brooke.



Birth announced

Cameron O'Neal Blevins was born May 6 at Highlands Regional Medical Center in Prestonsburg. He weighed 7 pounds, 2 ounces and was 21 inches long. He is the son of Chris and Kathy Blevins of Langley. He was welcomed home by his sisters, Christina and Kimberly. Cameron is the grandson of Shelby Blevins, of Langley, and the late Kedrick Blevins, Fred Vanderpool of Hippo, and Beverly Whatman of Columbus, Ohio.



Celebrates fifth birthday

Cheyenne Blair Sloan celebrated her fifth birthday on May 23. The theme of her birthday party was "Megara." She is the daughter of William and Tami Sloan of Wheelwright. Her maternal grandparents are Helen Blair of Wheelwright, and the late Curt Blair. Her paternal grandparents are Homer and Christine Sloan of Melvin.

Society

Local banker, speaker at AARP dinner meeting

Dennis T. Dorton, president and chief executive officer of the Bank Josephine, was the speaker at the dinner meeting of Jenny Wiley Chapter No. 3528, American Association of Retired Persons (AARP), held Friday, July 17, in the medical office facility of Highlands Regional Medical Center.

Burieta Gearheart presided over the business portion of the meeting. Delmas Saunders opened the meeting with prayer; minutes of the last meeting were read, and the treasurer's report was given.

It was reported that Sylvia Allen, president, who remains ill, is showing some improvement.

Dennis T. Dorton, the speaker, was introduced and he admonished

those present to, declare your independence; he spoke on Social Security benefits; planning for retirement; and addressed changing lifestyles because of lack of income for senior citizens.

Orville Cooley acknowledged that he had a birthday in July.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer by Orville Cooley.

The next meeting will be held on Friday, August 21, at the medical center.

Attending the meeting were Lloyd and Hattie M. Maynard, James E. and Marie Goble, Orville Cooley, Ann Roark, Betty Castle, Trilba Ilnsko, Gladys S. Allen, Margaret S. Ackerman, Margaret Collins, Eva Collins, Delmas Saunders, Robert Sloan, Wayne Johnson, Burieta Gearheart, Garnett Fairchild, and Dennis T. Dorton.



Son is born

Billy Joshua Stevenson, son of Josh Slone of Blue River, and Samantha Stevenson, of Abbott, was born 5:12 a.m., July 7, at Highlands Regional Medical Center in Prestonsburg. He weighed 5 five pounds and 12 ounces and was 20 inches long. He is the grandson of Billy and Margo Stevenson of Abbott, and Ricky and Debra Slone of Blue River.

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1 1/2 pounds lean beef chuck, cut into 1-inch cubes
 2 teaspoons olive or vegetable oil
 1 large onion, cut into thin wedges
 2 garlic cloves, minced
 1 can (28 ounces) plum tomatoes, undrained, coarsely chopped
 1 large baking potato, peeled and cut into 3/4-inch chunks
 2/3 cup mild picante sauce
 1 teaspoon dried basil
 1/2 teaspoon dried oregano
 1/2 teaspoon salt (optional)
 1 large green bell pepper, coarsely chopped
 1 large zucchini, sliced into 1/2-inch-thick rounds
 1/4 cup grated Parmesan cheese

Preheat the broiler. Place the meat on the rack of a broiler pan and broil 4 inches from the heat until lightly browned, turning once. Meanwhile, in a large saucepan, heat the oil over medium heat. Add the onion and garlic and cook for 3 minutes. Add the browned meat, tomatoes, potato,

picante sauce, basil, oregano, and salt. Bring to a boil, then reduce heat to low. Cover and simmer until the meat is tender, about 1 hour. Mix in the green pepper and zucchini. Continue to simmer until the vegetables are crisp-tender, about 10 to 15 minutes more. Ladle into bowls, sprinkle with Parmesan cheese, and serve.

SALISBURY STEAK

1 can (10 3/4 ounces) condensed cream of mushroom soup, divided
 1 pound ground beef
 1/3 cup dry bread crumbs
 1/2 cup finely chopped onion
 1 egg, beaten
 2 teaspoons chopped fresh parsley
 1 teaspoon garlic powder
 1/2 teaspoon pepper
 1 1/2 cups sliced fresh mushrooms (about 3 3/4 ounces)
 Chopped fresh parsley for garnish (optional)
 In a large bowl, thoroughly mix 1/4 cup of the soup, the ground beef, bread crumbs, onion, egg, 2 teaspoons of chopped fresh pars-

ley, garlic powder, and pepper. Shape into firm patties. Coat a large skillet with nonstick vegetable spray. Over medium-high heat, cook half of the patties until browned on both sides. Remove from the skillet and set aside; repeat the procedure with the remaining patties. Spoon off the fat. In the same skillet, combine together the remaining soup and the mushrooms, then add the patties. Reduce the heat to low, cover, and cook, turning occasionally, for 20 minutes or until the patties are thoroughly cooked and no pink remains. Garnish with parsley and serve.

DEVILED EGGS

12 hard-boiled eggs
 2 tablespoons bottled French dressing
 2 tablespoons sour cream
 1/4 teaspoon salt
 1/4 teaspoon pepper
 1 tablespoon ketchup
 3/4 teaspoon mustard powder
 2 dashes Worcestershire sauce
 Paprika for sprinkling
 Carefully peel the eggs and cut

them in half lengthwise; remove the yolks and place them in a large bowl. Set aside the egg whites. Mash the yolks with a fork; blend in the French dressing and sour cream. Combine in the salt, pepper, ketchup, mustard, and Worcestershire sauce. Carefully place the mixture back in the egg whites and sprinkle with the paprika. For best results, refrigerate until 1/2 hour before serving.

BAJA CHICKEN

1 tablespoon vegetable oil
 1/2 cup chopped onion (about 1/2 of a small onion)
 1 garlic clove, crushed
 1 1/2 teaspoons chili powder
 1/4 teaspoon ground cumin
 3/4 teaspoon salt
 1/4 teaspoon pepper
 2 tablespoons chopped fresh parsley
 1/4 cup water
 1 1/2 pounds ripe tomatoes, (about 2 large), cut into 1/4-inch cubes
 2 chicken breasts, split, skinned, and boned (about 1 pound)
 In a large skillet, heat the oil over medium-high heat; add the onion and garlic and sauté until the onion is transparent, about 5 minutes. Add the chili powder, cumin, salt, pepper, parsley, water, and tomatoes; reduce heat to low, cover, and simmer for 5 minutes, stirring occasionally. Add the chicken breasts, cover, and simmer for about 15 minutes, or until a fork can be inserted into the chicken with ease and no pink remains, occasionally spooning the sauce over the chicken.
 Note: Serve over hot couped rice or pasta.

ROASTED POTATO SALAD

3 pounds small red or white potatoes
 1/3 cup olive oil
 1 1/2 to 2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice
 1 1/2 to 2 tablespoons white wine vinegar
 2 teaspoons dried dillweed
 2 teaspoons finely chopped fresh parsley
 1 teaspoon grated lemon peel
 1 teaspoon crushed garlic
 1/2 teaspoon seasoned salt

1/2 teaspoon black pepper
 1/4 teaspoon hot pepper sauce
 1 1/2 cups (6 ounces) shredded Cheddar cheese

Place the potatoes in a large pot; add enough salted water to cover, and bring to a boil. Cook the potatoes for about 20 minutes or until tender but firm. Meanwhile, mix the remaining ingredients, except the cheese, in a 9" x 13" baking pan that has been coated with nonstick vegetable spray. Drain the potatoes well, then slice them in half and add to the baking pan; toss with oil mixture. Let stand at room temperature for 1 hour, stirring occasionally. Preheat the oven to 375°F. Bake the potatoes for 25 minutes, then sprinkle with the Cheddar cheese and bake for 5 minutes more or until the cheese is melted.

CRUNCHY PEANUT PIE

3 eggs
 1/2 cup sugar
 1/2 cup dark corn syrup
 1/4 cup (1/2 stick) butter, melted
 1/4 teaspoon salt
 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
 1 1/2 cups chopped dry roasted peanuts
 1 unbaked 9-inch pie shell
 Preheat the oven to 375°F. In a medium-sized bowl, beat the eggs until foamy. Add the sugar, corn syrup, butter, salt, and vanilla. Continue to beat until thoroughly blended. Stir in the peanuts. Place the pie shell on a cookie sheet, pour in the filling, and bake for 25 to 30 minutes, or until golden. Cool in the refrigerator and serve.

LAYERED BROWNIES BROWNIE LAYER

4 1-ounce squares unsweetened chocolate
 3/4 cup (1 1/2 stick) butter
 2 cups granulated sugar
 3 eggs, beaten
 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
 1 cup all-purpose flour
 1 cup chopped peanuts
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chocolate
 1/4 cup (1/2 stick) butter
 Preheat the oven to 350°F. In a large microwaveable bowl, heat the unsweetened chocolate and the 3/4 cup butter in the microwave on high for 2 minutes (or melt in a saucepan on the stove over low heat), just until the butter is melted. Stir until the chocolate is completely melted. Stir in the granulated sugar, then mix in the beaten eggs and 1 teaspoon vanilla until well blended. Stir in the flour and peanuts, then spread into a greased 9" x 13" baking pan. Bake for 30 to 35 minutes or until a wooden toothpick inserted in the center comes out with fudgy crumbs. Do not overbake. Cool in the pan.
 Meanwhile, in a medium-sized bowl, mix the Peanut Butter Layer ingredients until well blended and smooth. Spread over the cooled brownies.

Place the Glaze ingredients in a small microwaveable bowl and heat in the microwave on high for 2 minutes (or melt in a saucepan on the stove over low heat), just until the butter is melted. Stir until the chocolate is completely melted. Spread over the Peanut Butter Layer. Cool until set, then cut into squares.

Yesterdays

(Continued from page one)

West Garrett lake last Thursday by a wind-storm of cyclonic intensity...Another phase of the Dewey reservoir operation was expected to get under way within a matter of a few weeks as the U.S. Corps of Engineers received three bids Tuesday on the job of clearing the reservoir area...The Prestonsburg Board of Education at its meeting Tuesday evening employed a full complement of 14 high school teachers, three of which are new to the school...Ted Benedett, former Eastern State Teachers College grid star and coach at Wheeling, W. Va. high school, was employed Tuesday night by the Prestonsburg Board of Education athletic coach here to succeed John R. Eibner, who resigned recently...Howard Burchett, of Emma, pitching star of Prestonsburg High School's Black Cats was recently signed by the Dayton, O. club of the Central League...Married: Miss Virginia Lee Keen, Prestonsburg, and Capt. Robert Moore Butler, of Yazoo City, Miss., June 12 at Alexandria, Va.; Miss Eileen Elizabeth Wolf, of West View, Pa., and Mr. Clyde B. Burchett, of Prestonsburg, June 5...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Richard D. Ball, Jr., a son, Richard D., III, at Pikeville...There died: Mrs. Martha Hall Allen, 89, of Lackey, last Friday at the home of her son, Willie Allen, at Lackey; Mrs. Laura Goble, 69, of Emma, Tuesday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Rhoda Reed, at Dayton, Ohio.

Sixty Years Ago (July 28, 1938)

Judges of the Court of Appeals Friday decided that the temporary injunction issued by Circuit Judge John W. Caudill to prevent the removal of the Martin High School should be continued...Mrs. Carl Allen and her four-month-old daughter were seriously injured and another daughter, Jacqueline, 11, was killed, when a speeding truck swerved off the highway near Lackey striking them as they walked along the railroad track...Floyd farmers have received \$12,000 in loans from the Federal Land Bank in the last 60 days, it was announced...That sheep-raising may be revived in Floyd County, a group of approximately 30 farmers met in County Agent Sam Isbell's office here last Thursday and organized the Floyd County Sheep Grower's Association...Mrs. James Watkins and her 18-month-old daughter were rushed to the Stumbo Memorial Hospital where the babe remained in critical condition for several days after they were both bitten by a copperhead...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Leete Jr. at Martin, July 17, a daughter, Judith Carol...There died: Irvin "Pomp" Ford, 40, of Prestonsburg, July 23 at home; Mrs. Rosa Hurd Hall, 57, of Banner, last Thursday at her home; James Shannon Stratton, 74, of Mare Creek, July 20, at his home; Mrs. Lula Francis, 28, of Wayland, last Friday at Wayland.

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WEDDINGS ENGAGEMENTS



Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Salunga

Couple exchange vows

Nikki Ratliff and Alexander Salunga were united in marriage on May 23, at the Little Creek Amphibious Base Chapel in Virginia Beach, Virginia. Father Ronald Kawczynski officiated the ceremony, a nuptial Mass.

The bride is the daughter of Kenneth and Sheila Ratliff of Estill. She was graduated from The United States Naval Academy in 1996 and commissioned a naval officer. Holding the rank of lieutenant junior grade, she is the assistant chief engineer onboard USS Hayler (DD 997) and is preparing to deploy to the Persian Gulf.

The groom is the son of Troadio and Pacita Salunga of Los Angeles, California. He is also a graduate of The United States Naval Academy and commissioned naval officer. A lieutenant junior grade, he serves as the fire control officer aboard USS MITSCHER (DDG 57) which is currently deployed to the Mediterranean Sea with the Eisenhower Battlegroup.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride's white satin gown was covered entirely by lace embellished with sequins and pearls flowing into a cathedral length train. Her crystal tiara was graced with a blusher and cathedral length veil, handmade by Greek designer Toula. The bride carried a bouquet of freshly cut white roses tied with silver ribbon.

Barbara Gross, friend of the bride, served as the matron of honor. Andrew Salunga, brother of the groom, served as the best man. Anne Marie Parke, cousin of the bride, served as the flower girl. Benjamin Jones, cousin of the bride, served as the ring bearer.

Swordbearers formed the traditional arch of swords for the couple to pass under as they exited the chapel.

The reception was held at the Salungas' new home in Virginia Beach, where they will reside following their honeymoon in Corolla, North Carolina.



Angela Senters and Lee Schoolcraft

Couple will exchange vows

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Senters of Ivel, announce the forthcoming wedding of their daughter, Angela Dawn Senters, to Lee M. Schoolcraft, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Schoolcraft of Prestonsburg.

The couple will exchange vows on Saturday, August 1, at 1:30 p.m., at the First Church of God in

Prestonsburg. A reception will follow at the First United Methodist Church Family Life Center of Prestonsburg. The gracious custom of an open wedding will be observed.

The couple will honeymoon in New Orleans, Louisiana.

The couple will reside in Prestonsburg.



Walters, Aldridge to wed

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne L. Walters of Emma announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Jessica Leigh, to Jeremy Scott Aldridge, son of Garnett Aldridge Cates of Radcliff and the late James R. Aldridge. The wedding will be held at 5:30 p.m. Saturday, August 8, at the First United Methodist Church in Prestonsburg, followed by a reception at the Carriage House Hotel in Paintsville. The custom of an open wedding will be observed. After a honeymoon to Cancun, Mexico, the couple will reside in Louisville.



Winchester, Hall wed

Sue Warrix Winchester and Elbert Hall were united in marriage, July 11, on Cow Creek Road, Prestonsburg. The bride was given in marriage by her 89-year-old mother, Hamie Warrix. The bride's sister, Helena Nelson, was the matron-of-honor. Her great-niece, Jennifer Caroline Nelson, was the flowergirl. The bride's nephew, Jimmy Marcum, served as the best man, and another nephew, Tom Nelson, performed the wedding ceremony. The couple now reside in Pierceton, Indiana.



Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Spurlock

Chwazik-Spurlock wed

Matthew Jason Spurlock and Tina Marie Chwazik were united in marriage in Orlando, Florida, at the Orlando Temple of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints on June 20. A reception followed at Banana Bay in Orlando.

The couple honeymooned at various sites in Florida, including Disney World, Wet and Wild, MGM Studio, Universal Studio, Magic Kingdom and Epcot Center. The couple are residing in Virginia Beach, Virginia.

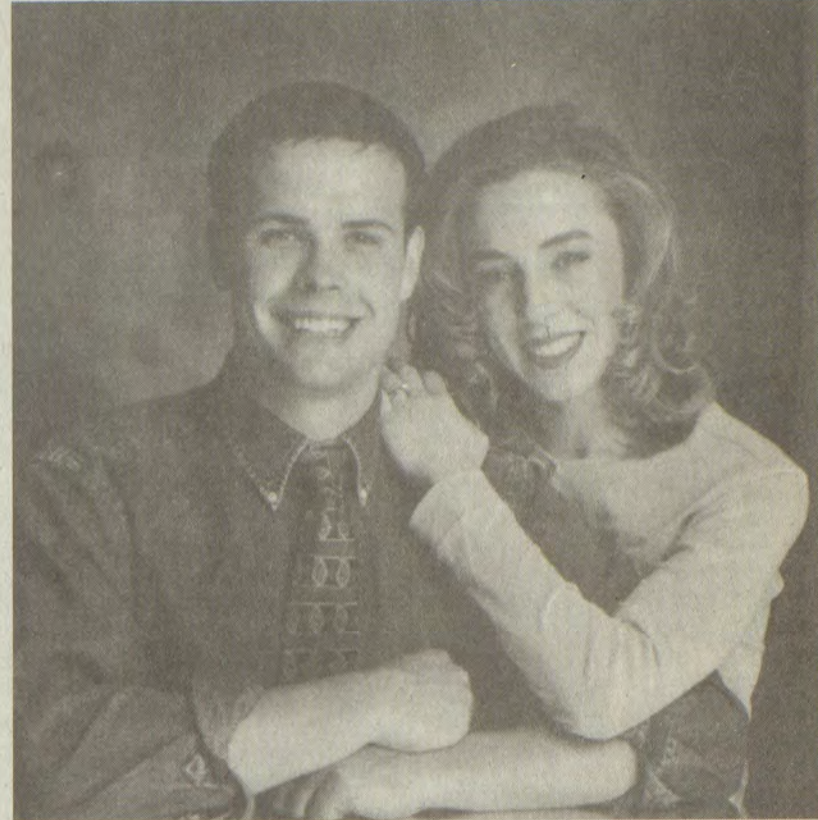
Mrs. Spurlock is a graduate of Satellite Beach High School and Valdosta State University in Southern Georgia. She is currently employed by American Agency as marketing director. She is the daughter of Jean Dunn of Satellite Beach, Florida and Gary Chwazik

of Utica, New York.

Mr. Spurlock is a graduate of Prestonsburg High School and Prestonsburg Community College. He is currently serving in the United States Air Force as a precision measurement equipment technician. He is the son of LouQuilla Spurlock of Prestonsburg, and Dana Spurlock of Martin. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Linzie Hunt of Prestonsburg and Hobert Spurlock of Martin and the late Goldie McKinney Spurlock.

A reception will be held for the couple on August 1, at 3 p.m., in the Cultural Hall of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints at Martin.

Music will be provided by Kevin Hinchman and the Professional Disc Jockey.



Amy Reed and Seth Hyden

Reed, Hyden to wed

Mr. and Mrs. John A. Reed of Banner, announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Amy Lynn, and Alan Seth Hyden, son of Dr. and Mrs. Alan J. Hyden of Prestonsburg.

Ms. Reed is a 1993 graduate of Prestonsburg High School and a 1998 graduate of Eastern Kentucky University with a B.S. degree in occupational therapy.

Hyden is a 1994 graduate of

Prestonsburg High School and a 1998 graduate of Eastern Kentucky University with a B.S. degree in biology.

Maternal grandparents are Mrs. John M. Cole and Mrs. B. Alvin Reed of Drift. Paternal grandparents are Mrs. Joe Taylor Hyden of Martin and Mr. and Mrs. Shannon Greer of Prestonsburg. The paternal great-grandmother is Mrs. Vernon Ratliff of Allen.



Mr. and Mrs. Rick L. Roberts

Collins-Roberts wed

Terri Lynn Collins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Collins of Wilmington, North Carolina, and Rick L. Roberts, son of the late Jess Roberts and Marie Arnett Roberts, were married June 5, in Boyd County.

The bride is a graduate of Cleveland Heights High, Cazenovia College of New York, and Ohio University in Athens, Ohio, with a B.S. degree in education. She is currently employed with National Learning Productions, a national publishing company.

The groom is a graduate of

Paintsville High School and Eastern Kentucky University with a B.S. degree in law enforcement and currently is working at the law firm of Wells-Porter-Schmitt and Jones in Paintsville, and as a sports commentator with WMCT Channel 7 of Magoffin County.

They spent their honeymoon traveling throughout the west in Santa Fe, New Mexico; Flagstaff, Arizona; Las Vegas; Lake Tahoe Nevada Big Sur, California; Utah and Denver, Colorado.

The couple resides in Auxier.



Vows exchanged

Lily Stumbo of Ivel, announces the marriage of her daughter, Maria Danielle, and Bradford Scott Compton, son of Denver and Judith Compton of Weeksbury. The ceremony was held on June 13, at the Weeksbury Community Chapel.

BUSINESS/REAL ESTATE

Gearheart Communications introduces long distance service to serve the coal fields

Gearheart Communications officials recently announced that residents in Harold, Grethel and Wheelwright can now get long-distance service from their new long-distance service provider: Coalfields Long Distance.

And, according to Paul Gearheart, president and CEO of Gearheart Communications, hundreds of residents are taking advantage of the benefits of working with a local company.

"Gearheart Communications has been meeting the telecommunications needs of this area for more

than 50 years through Harold Telephone Company," Gearheart said. "I think people enjoy the fact that we're a local company they can trust. In this day of long-distance competition, trust is hard to come by."

Gearheart also pointed to the fact that Coalfields Long Distance has a local office to help customers with questions, and that customers like the convenience of having their local and long-distance service all on one bill.

"With Coalfields Long Distance, customers enjoy access to a state-of-

the-art global network that matches or exceeds that of other long-distance carriers, but they get all the benefits of working with a local company," he said. "For residents of this area, keeping your money in the local economy is important, and with Coalfields Long Distance, your long-distance dollar stays at home."

As it launches this new long-distance service, Gearheart Communications has developed a logo for its parent organization, as well as for all of its subsidiary companies—including Coalfields Long Distance, Inter Mountain Cable,

Coalfields Telephone Company, East Kentucky Internet, Home Satellite Systems and Appalachian Cellular and paging by Appalachian Cellular.

"We have worked hard to provide all of the services and features to our customers," Gearheart said. "With this new logo and marketing campaign, we are making sure our customers know all of the services are from one full-service telecommunications provider."

For more information on Coalfields Long Distance or any of Gearheart Communications products and services, call 478-9401.

BellSouth announces annual Chamber Grant Program

BellSouth continues to provide critical resources to small businesses across the Southeast. Recently, the company announced its second annual Chamber Grant Program, which will provide \$350,000 in grants and BellSouth services to chambers of commerce that best demonstrate ways to support the development of small business in their communities.

Chambers throughout BellSouth's nine-state region are asked to prepare a proposal outlining a program or initiative designed to further develop their local small business community. Proposals should address small business recruitment and retention; resources and information; creation, expansion or upgrade of supporting technology; enhancement of an existing, successful program; and programs targeting minority and women-owned businesses.

"BellSouth recognizes the important role chambers of commerce play in the success of small businesses. This year, we have tripled the amount of grant dollars we are making available to our region's chamber organizations," said Dave Weller, BellSouth regional director. "With more than 1.5 million small business customers, BellSouth understands the important role this business sector plays in our communities and is excited to continue the Chamber Grant Program for the further

development of small businesses throughout the Southeast."

All chambers of commerce served by BellSouth in Kentucky are eligible for one of the four grants to be awarded in Kentucky. The first place entry will receive a \$10,000 grant to implement their program. There will be a \$7,000 grant for the runner-up proposal, plus two \$5,000 awards.

This year's \$10,000 grant recipients in each state also will benefit from the award of additional BellSouth services. To assist chambers with tools needed for small business development, these nine first-place winners will be provided one year of services from the BellSouth family of companies including BellSouthnet Internet Service, BellSouth Advertising & Publishing Corporation and BellSouth Cellular products and services, where available. These services include: one year of access to the World Wide Web from BellSouth.net; classified advertising in the "The Real Yellow Pages®" in the winner's local area to promote chamber member services; and one year of service from BellSouth Cellular that will include use of cellular products and 100 free minutes per month.

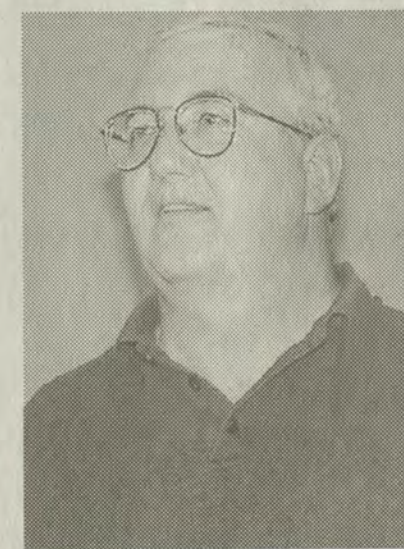
"Throughout Kentucky, BellSouth is committed to offering these important resources to enhance the development of small business," Weller said. "We

believe that by providing grants, as well as products and services from our Internet, Yellow Pages, White Pages and cellular divisions to our region's chamber organizations, BellSouth is continuing to play an important role in transforming the dream of successful small business ownership to reality."

BellSouth representatives will distribute application packets to chambers of commerce beginning July 22. Applications or proposals must be postmarked by September 15. Grant recipients will be announced the week of October 12.

Through the BellSouth Small Business Services Web site, located at <http://www.smlbiz.bellsouth.com>, customers can access valuable information about BellSouth's products and services and industry competitive issues, and can interact with various small business consultants.

Paul Pelphrey named State Farm agent



Paul Pelphrey

State Farm Insurance recently announced the appointment of Paul L. Pelphrey as an agent in Paintsville, effective August 1. The new office will be located at 315 Broadway in the New Town Plaza. Pelphrey is a 13-year employee of State Farm with a background in auto underwriting, claims, and agency field specialist. He has recently completed a six-month agency internship in Murfreesboro, Tennessee.

Pelphrey is a graduate of Prestonsburg High School and earned a bachelor of business administration and a masters in secondary education from Morehead State University. Prior to State Farm, he was a teacher and coached high school basketball and football in Florida.

He is married to Kris Leese Pelphrey of Sidney, Ohio. They are the parents of one daughter, Lindsay, 19.

Pelphrey is the son of Janice Houston Johnson of Lexington and Donald Ray Pelphrey of Prestonsburg. His maternal grandparents are Imogene Ward Houston of Meally and the late Earn Houston. His paternal grandparents are Lavada Reed Pelphrey of Hager Hill and the late Don Pelphrey. Staff representatives are Rhonda Hannah and Kris Pelphrey.

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3 BR MOBILE HOME: \$200/month. HUD approved. 886-8366.

2 BR TRAILER located near Clark School. Water paid. 285-9991 (if no answer, leave message).

FOR RENT: 14x70, 2 BR, 2 full baths, heat pump, all appliances, washer/dryer. \$375/month, \$150/deposit. Private lot, like new, real nice. Located on Mountain Parkway. Call 606-886-6665

FOR RENT: 3 BR mobile home with 12' x 28' addition. Private lot. Rt. 114, 8 miles from Prestonsburg. 886-8626 ask for Ron.

3BR DOUBLE WIDE FOR RENT: Central heat/air. \$450/month plus electric and deposit. 874-8020.

FOR RENT: 1995 model, mobile home. Located on Cow Creek, excellent condition. \$375/month. Call J. Davis 874-2802

FOR RENT: Three bedroom trailer. Large yard. References required. HUD approved. Located at Endicott. Call 874-2537

FOR RENT: Small trailer, furnished. Close to Jenny Wiley Lake near Prestonsburg. Very clean, a/c, utilities partly paid. Call 886-3941

FOR RENT: 2-bedroom, Total electric. Stove and refrigerator, on US. 23, between Prestonsburg and Paintsville. Also mobile home 3 miles from Prestonsburg. Call 886-9007.

Rental Properties

HOUSE OR APARTMENTS FOR RENT on University Drive. Unfurnished house or one bedroom, furnished or unfurnished apartments. Lease and security deposit required. 886-3565.

MEETING ROOM FOR RENT: Approximately 1500 sq. ft. with kitchen and bath, will partition for office or apartment. Behind Uniform Shop and Barber Shop, near Christina's Flowers. Call 886-3680

EMPLOYMENT

Business Opportunity

\$1000'S POSSIBLE TYPING Part Time. At Home. Toll Free (1) 800-218-9000 Ext. T-6778 for listings.

BOOMING INDUSTRY: Up to \$5,000 profit or more per single sale. Steel buildings: Commercial and utility. Example: 100x100x14, \$28,737. 40x60x12, \$8,649. Factory to dealer prices. Call 1-800-964-8335

Employment Available

UNEMPLOYED VETERANS Free Help, Job Training (CDL or any short-course), First Month Rent, Deposits. Call 886-3582 (Toll-Free) 1-877-373-3533 **Volunteers of America**

SELL AVON: Free samples with start-up kit, and free gift. Call Jancy at 886-2082.

TAKING APPLICATIONS for part-time clerical, receptionist with some computer experience. Minimum wages. Call Century 21 American Way Realty 886-9100.

CHARTER RIDGE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SYSTEM is currently seeking applicants for full time and part time positions to conduct screening, assessment, referral and follow-up in Eastern Kentucky. All interested mental health professionals, who possess as a minimum, certification in social work or psychiatric nursing and at least three years of mental health clinical experience should forward a resume and complete salary history to: Director of Business Development, Charter Ridge Behavioral Health System, 3050 Rio Dosa Drive, Lexington, Ky. 40509 or FAX: (606)268-6451. This potential management position will additionally organize and direct community support programs, employee assistance programs and behavioral health care education efforts for the region. An office located at Highlands Plaza in Prestonsburg is currently being renovated and furnished to provide a base of operations. Qualified applicants should possess the education and experience noted above as well as possess at least three years of supervisory experience in community service activities.

DENTAL ASSISTANT Friendly, outgoing, self-motivated, dental assistant needed for busy practice. Experience preferred or will train right person. Send resume to: Dental Assistant, PO Box 60, Minnie, Ky. 41651.

CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE

A large local corporation is looking for a crew leader to perform various building maintenance and construction assignments for several facilities located in Eastern, Central Kentucky and tri-state area. Some overnight travel required.

Job Requirements:

Applicant should have a minimum of 8-10 years experience in general building construction or maintenance repair and proven leadership skills.

Must be dependable and a team player. Good driving record required.

Wages based on experience and qualifications. Company benefits provided.

Submit resume: PO Box 71 Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653. ATTN.: Dave Hall

SECRETARIAL: Part-time temp. position. Must be knowledgeable in ICD 9 and CPT Coding. Apply in person at Dr. Gopal Majmundar's office in Martin.

Receptionist for local division of international company. Knowledge of Word Pro, Lotus 1-2-3 and Approach desirable. Good benefits, pay commensurate with experience. Send resume to PO Box 307, West Prestonsburg, KY 41668.

ATTENTION! Class A-CDL drivers. Oliver Trucking Co., Winchester, KY., now has positions available for OTR drivers. New benefits and pay package. Weekly home time. For more details call 1-800-354-7421

POSITION AVAILABLE for receptionist/secretary, medical/dental office. Experience preferred. Part-time move to full-time. Send resume to: Floyd County Times, ATTN.: Jen Kendrick, PO Box 391, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, Reference Job # 3161.

LOCAL DME COMPANY looking to hire a qualified Equipment Technician. Please respond by sending resume to: PO Box 391, Prestonsburg, Ky 41653.

Qualifications: Applicants must have earned an undergraduate degree in a natural, physical, or biological science, show an interest in environmental education, possess public speaking skill, work with minimum supervision, be self-motivated, be active in the community, be willing to travel locally within the county, develop and initiate educational units for all grade levels K-12, and basic computer skills. Submit resume to: Floyd County Soil Conservation District, 214 S. Central Ave. Suite 102, Prestonsburg, Ky 41653.

HELP WANTED: Sales rep. for heavy equipment dealership in Eastern, KY. (3) years experience required. Send resume to: Personnel, PO. Box 484, Allen, Ky 41601.

SALES ASSOCIATE: Successful Manufactured Housing sales center is currently accepting applications for the position of sales associate. Ideal candidates would be motivated, confident, and have strong communication skills. Previous sales experience is preferred, but not required. Please apply in person at RAINBOW HOMES sales office, Paintsville, KY.

RECEPTIONIST/SECRETARY:

Friendly and efficient receptionist needed for busy office. The duties of this full time position include answering several telephone lines, directing calls, taking messages, greeting visitors, distributing and logging incoming mail, posting outgoing mail, sending & receiving faxes, typing, filing, and other clerical duties. High school diploma/GED a must. Professional demeanor, and excellent organizational, interpersonal, and communication skills required. Previous experience and proficiency with a wide array of software applications preferred. Qualified applicants should send a resume and salary requirements to: P.O. Box 1111, Pikeville, KY 41501

AVON, FREE samples and products with start-up kit. Enjoy the benefits of having a local Sales Manager. Call 1-800-840-4902. Independent Sales Representative.

HELP WANTED: Earn up to \$500 per week assembling products at home. No experience. INFO 1-504-646-1700 DEPT. KY-2276

AVON: ability to earn \$100's. Simple, fun, product line almost sells itself. Flexible hours, repeat customers. Independent sales representative. 1-800-831-1793.

Help Wanted

CONSIDER AMERICORPS

The Appalachian Self-Sufficiency Program--An Americorps Project--seeks individuals with a minimum of high school diploma/GED, college preferred, to serve as volunteers in its program. A small living allowance is provided together with an educational award for those who complete 1700 hours of service. Good written and oral communication skills and problem solving skills are required along with a team player attitude and a self-directed work ethic. Duties of members required skills in tow or more of the following: **One-on-one mentoring of K-tap participants to overcome barriers of employment. **Ability to access and use local resources. **Computer skills in data base and word processing. **Organizing and conducting issue oriented community meetings. **Being trained for and then conducting community workshops on life skills.

Application packets may be picked up at the Big Sandy Area Development District Office in Prestonsburg, or the local Community Based Services Office (formerly DSI/Food Stamp Office) or the Local Department for Employment Services Office and returned to the same no later than 4:00 pm on August 7, 1998. **THE BIG SANDY AREA DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER.**

Wanted

BABY-SITTER WANTED: To watch 3 yr. old girl. Well behaved. One day a week and house cleaning one day a week. \$30/day. Responsible adult. Must have references. 886-6713

PETS AND SUPPLIES

FOR SALE: A beautiful, blue & gold (black & tan), Yorkshire Terrier. 3 months old, shots already started, registered, great with kids. Sales for \$700, will take \$350. Call 886-8167

KITTENS free to good home, leave message 889-9570.

FREE PUPPY to good home: (looks to be Labrador Retriever) Blonde in color. Very cute and smart around 8 weeks old. 886-0346.

ROTTWEILER PUPS FOR SALE: AKC Registered. Shots, wormed, call 358-9608.

THE FLOYD COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER is currently in need of money donations and donations consisting of PUPPY and KITTEN food, due to a low budget and a high need of medical supplies for the animals. Any and all support received from the community is deeply appreciated.

RUMMAGE AND YARD SALES

GIGANTIC YARD SALE Sponsored by The Touchdown Club August 1 at Brooks Pharmacy in Betsy Layne 8:00 am to ? Proceeds going to Betsy Layne High School Football Program

YARD SALE: Fri. July 31. 4-7 pm. Sat. Aug. 1, 8-3 pm. 1391 Abbott Creek Road. Rain or Shine.

BASEMENT SALE: Between Sugar loaf and Cow Creek. Lots of men's and women's jeans and some children's clothes. July 29 thru Aug. 9.

THREE FAMILY YARD SALE: Aug. 1 and 3. 10-4. Spurlock Creek Fork at Middle Creek. Furniture, sheets, beds, chairs, dishes, children, women's, and men's clothing. Lemonade for sale.

CAR PORT SALE: August 1. 9-5 pm up Abbott Creek. 3 1/2 miles on 1427. Creek side sub division.

YARD SALE: Saturday, Aug. 1 and Mon. 3. Household, women's, and children's. 1/2 mile up main Abbott Creek Road on right.

YARD SALE: 2 1/2 miles up Bucks Branch (top of hill) July 31 and Aug. 1. Lots of baby clothes, some tools, some plus size women's clothes. 886-6272. 9-??? Canceled if rain, date: Aug. 2-3.

YARD SALE: Stephens Branch, Martin. Turn left by first RR. Track. Stroller, car seat, furniture, tupperware. Books, clothing. 9-4. August 1 1998.

YARD SALE: 3rd Avenue. Freewill Baptist Church. Friday July 31. Down from Court house.

YARD SALE: Where: Stone Coal, Garrett. When: Sat, Sun, and Mon. Aug. 1, 2, and 3. Time: 9:00 - 5:00. Have from baby clothes to plus size ladies. Come on out! First one of the year. Lots and lots of whatever. Come out and see. Follow signs. 777 Campbell Rd. Stone Coal.

2-3 FAMILY YARD SALE: Aug. 1, 3, 4, and 5. Right Fork of Calf Creek on old 1428 just above Allen Grade School. Follow signs. Household items. New gas logs, etc. 874-9303.

YARD SALE: 204 S. Arnold Ave. July 31 and Aug. 1. Household items, furniture, and lots of ladies dress clothes.

HUGE FOUR FAMILY YARD SALE: One mile up Bucks Branch, Martin, Ky. All day Fri. and Sat. 7-31-98 and 8-1-98

THREE FAMILY YARD SALE: Friday and Saturday. 1/4 mile up Betsy Clark Branch, last house, near radio station. Old Road, between Martin and Allen.

BIG YARD SALE: Friday and Saturday, July 31 and Aug. 1. Boys and girls clothes size 4-6. Women's size small thru 12. Men's size large. Shoes, toys, Home Interior galore and much more. West on Mt. Parkway, past Clark School on right. Two story brick house. 8:30-5:00.

MONDAY 3RD: Two family yard sale at McDowell across from McDowell Car Wash. Lots of large and small clothing and household items.

TWO FAMILY YARD SALE: 1/2 mile up Calf Creek. August 1. 9-2 pm.

YARD SALES: Aug. 1, 2. Sat. and Sun. One on US 23 beside 1st Commonwealth Bank at Betsy Layne and one in Hippo just off 850, foot of Brush Creek Mountain.

4 FAMILY YARD SALE: Sat. Aug. 1. One day only. Also, 1st time this year. Back to school clothes (all sizes), home interior, furniture, tools, baby bed, and much more. Above Columbia Gas Company on Rt. 1428. Watch for signs. In case of rain will have following Sat.

YARD SALE: August 5, 6, and 7 9:00 am. 45 S. Riverview Lancer. Electronics, golf clubs, toys, clothes, books.

YARD SALE: August 3, 4, and 5. 836 Riverside Drive behind Toyota garage. Boys clothes, huskies, toys, large women sizes, household items, and Christmas decorations.

MOVING SALE: Starting 10 am on Mon. Aug. 3 at the Smith farm near Allen. Items from a 3 BR home will be sold. Sell will continue thru the week as long as necessary.

YARD SALE: 9 am - 5 pm. Furniture, clothes, jewelry, everything, including the kitchen sink. Friday and Saturday, July 31 and Aug. 1. and also, Mon. and Tuesday, August 3 and 4. 231 University Drive between Prestonsburg High School and PCC.

TROY-BILT TILLER, 8 HP, Stihl Weed eater and chain saw, couch and chair, odd chair, recliner, microwave, pillow cases (new), pots, pans, dishes, tools, high chair, aluminum wheels, used tires, size 4-235/75 R-15 1/2 tread, new quilts. 874-2523.

YARD SALE: 1320 and 1274 Riverside Dr. Prestonsburg, St. behind Giovannis. Aug. 3, 4, 5. Rocker, gas cook stove, recliner, stroller, car seat, baby, children, men and women's clothing. Odds and ends. Open 8:00 am til 4:00 pm.

YARD SALE on 371 N. Arnold Avenue. Aug. 4th and 5th.

SERVICES

Carpentry Work

CARPENTRY WORK, ALL TYPES: New homes from ground up; remodeling or additions; all finish work; drywall; painting (interior, exterior and trim work); all types concrete work, driveways, sidewalks, foundations, etc.; any size pole buildings; garages; decks. Over 20 years experience. Robie Johnson, Jr., call anytime, 886-8896.

REMODELING SPECIALIST: Carpentry, electrical, masonry, vinyl, and stucco. Charles Scott 889-0798.

Contractors

BACK HOE AND DOZER FOR HIRE: Honest, Dependable - 25 years experience. Call 874-8049

Dozer Work

DOZER AND LOADER WORK Also, will haul sand and gravel. Call 886-6632 or 886-8962

Heating & Cooling

BLANTON HEATING AND AIR CONDITIONING SALES AND SERVICE. Financing available. 874-2308. MO 2405

Mobile Home Movers

NEED YOUR MOBILE HOME MOVED? Call Crum's Moving Service at 886-6665. Insured or permits. Free estimates. References furnished. Double Wides, long distance moving, honest, dependable, and reliable service.

MOBILE HOME MOVING AND DOZER WORK Insured and permitted. Call Bill Hylton: 432-5678

NEED YOUR MOBILE HOME MOVED? Call DMT Transport Moving Service 606-874-9838 Insured and Permitted. Free estimates and references furnished.

MIKE STANLEY Mobile home set ups. Double wides and single wides. Re-leveling, skirting, siding. Call 433-1475.

Painting

BILL'S QUALITY PAINTING: Interior/exterior and wall papering. 15 yrs. experience. Have local references. Free estimates. 285-0761.

Plumbing

PORTER PLUMBING COMPANY Allen, KY Commercial, residential and service work. Licensed and insured. Rotor roter service, drain cleaning, etc. CALL US FIRST! 874-2794.

Repair Services

HITCHCOCK REPAIR SERVICE: Service • Installation • Parts. Air conditioning, refrigeration, laundry, ranges, microwaves, all brands of household appliances. Call 886-1473

Roofing & Construction

FOR ALL YOUR BUILDING NEEDS! New homes, remodeling, roofing, patios, block, concrete or siding. Have 30 years experience. Call Spears Construction, Romey Spears (606)874-2688.

Services

SCOTTY BROOK CATERING: Cookouts • Pig Roasts • Weddings • Special Functions Catered. Call (606)285-4811

BANKRUPTCY, DIVORCE, AND CRIMINAL LAW: Need a lawyer? For a free consultation call Billie J. Davenport, Attorney at Law 606-886-8830 or KY Toll Free 1-800-386-8830. THIS IS AN ADVERTISEMENT.

Taxi Service

MARTIN CITY CAB
Need a ride? Can't drive? We have fast service, friendly drivers serving all Floyd County and surrounding areas. Call 285-0320. Medicaid accepted. Judy Barnett, owner.

EAST KENTUCKY TRANSPORTATION INC.
Taxi Service. Friendly and courteous service, reasonable rates. Medicaid accepted. Wheelwright: 452-2402. Allen: 874-8546.

ALLEN CITY CAB
874-0579
Medicaid/Medicare Approved
Now accepting Discover Card. Call anytime to go anywhere. Allen City Cab. 874-0579.

Tree Service

TREE CUTTING AND TRIMMING, Topping, brush removal, land clearing, etc. Large or small jobs. References furnished. Free estimates. Call 874-9271.

TREE TRIMMING OF ANY KIND: Yard work, hillside cleaning, and light hauling. Call 889-0523 or 886-8350.

LOST AND FOUND

Lost

2 FEMALE PEKINESE DOGS: One beige, one black, lost in area of Trimble Branch, Prestonsburg. 886-7997.

LOST: Male Walker, black and white, Coon dog in Prestonsburg and Allen area. Our number has been changed, please call 358-0033, reward offered.

PERSONAL ATTENTION NEVER BE LONELY AGAIN!

Call 1-900-680-1120 Ext. 7428 \$2.99 Per min. Must be 18. Serv-U (619)645-8434

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Talk One-On-One Now!! 1-900-420-1155 Ext. 4240
\$3.99 Per min. Must be 18.
Serv-U (619)645-8434

MISC.

Miscellaneous

VISIT THE LARGEST PANELING CENTER in Eastern Kentucky at Goble Lumber. Over 80 different prefinished panels in stock and as low as \$4.95 per panel. Call Goble Lumber, 874-9281. (TFN/Wed/8.60)

Free

Free Cash Grants! College. Scholarships. Business. Medical bills. Never Repay. Toll Free 1-800-218-9000 Ext. G-6778

AVOID BANKRUPTCY! Free debt consolidation application with services. Fast help, we care about you! 1-800-517-3406.

FREE PALETES: Can be picked up behind The Floyd County Times.

Elderly Care

PRIVATE DUTY NURSING CARE FOR THE ELDERLY IN MY HOME: Patients may come from their home, nursing home or hospital. 18 years experience, references furnished. Call 478-1878 or 437-8251

Legals

PUBLIC NOTICE

Ramonia Kay Kidd, mailing address P.O. Box 56, Harold, Kentucky 41635, hereby declares her intention to apply for a retail beer license no later than July 23, 1998. The business to be licensed will be located at Route 979 Harold, Kentucky 41635 doing business as Final Frontier.

Any person, association, corporation, or body politic may protest the granting of the license by writing the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control, 1003 Twilight Tr. A-2 Frankfort, KY 40601, within 30 days of the date of this legal advertisement.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to KRS 231.040, application for a permit to operate a place of entertainment, has been made by Jeff Newman of HC 73, Box 545, Harold, KY 41635. The name of the proposed business of entertainment is Eight Ball & Carry out. The nature of the business will be beer by drink, jukebox, Pool Tables.

Pursuant to KRS 231.070, the Floyd County Attorney shall investigate whether the applicant lacks good moral character, or whether the applicant will obey the laws of the Commonwealth in the operation of the business, or whether the applicant, within the last two (2) years prior to the date of filing the application has been convicted in Kentucky of maintaining a public nuisance. Pursuant to KRS 231.080 any person desiring to oppose the permits shall file with the County Clerk no later than September 17, 1998, in writing, allegations that show cause as to why the application shall not be granted. Said written information shall be signed, dated and reflect the current address of said person providing the information.

Pursuant to KRS 231.080, a hearing has been scheduled for September 17, 1998, at the hour of 1:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as same can be heard before the Floyd County Judge/Executive at the Floyd County Courthouse, 2nd Floor in Prestonsburg, Kentucky. The Floyd County Judge/Executive shall hear evidence of or in opposition to the granting of the permit.

HON. KEITH BARTLEY
FLOYD COUNTY
ATTORNEY

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to KRS 231.040, application for a permit to operate a place of entertainment, has been made by Ramonia Kidd of Box 56, Harold, KY 41635. The name of the proposed business of entertainment is Final Frontier. The nature of the business will be beer by drink, jukebox, Live Entertainment.

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-0279, Major Revision No. 4

In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Addington Mining, Inc., 1500 North Big Run Road, Ashland, Kentucky 41102, has applied for a major revision to an existing surface coal mining and reclamation operation located 0.5 mile south/southwest of Wonder in Floyd County. The major revision will not add any surface disturbance and will not add any underground acreage making a total area of 450.20 acres within the revised permit boundary.

The proposed major revision area is approximately 0.63 miles west from Clark Branch Road's junction with Buffalo Creek Road and located in Clark Branch and Wolf Branch of Buffalo Creek and Cow Creek of Levisa Fork. The latitude is 37° 37' 12" and the longitude is 82° 37' 30."

The major revision proposes a change in the post-mining land use from Forestland to Pastureland. This revision also includes modified designs for ponds #1, #2, #3, #4, and #5.

The proposed major revision is located on the Harold, Broad Bottom,

Lancer and Thomas U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle maps. The surface area to be affected by the major revision is owned by Norman Goble, et. al., Sammy Goodman, Aster Hunter, Jr., Aster & Tony Hunter, Denver Collins, James Burchett Heirs, Trevert Blackburn, Helen Chaffins et. al., Donald Ray Spears, and Barbie C. Bow and Steve Conn.

The major revision 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 41501-2289. 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 the application. All comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be received within thirty (30) days of today's date.

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.093 notice is hereby given that Buck Coal, Inc., 544 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653 (606-886-2330) intends to apply for Phase I Bond Releases on Increments 1, 2, and 3 of Permit No. 836-5173 which was last issued on October 18, 1996. The Increments cover surface and underground areas approximately as follows: Increment No. 1: 24.50 acres surface area, 845.00 acres underground area; Increment No. 2, 11.70 acres surface area, 0.00 acre underground area; Increment No. 3, 16.30 acres surface area, 0.00 acres underground area.

The operation is located approximately 1.35 miles north-northeast of Craynor in Floyd County. The permit area is approximately 1.0 mile west of the Hamilton Creek Road's junction with KY 979. The Latitude is 37° 27' 17" and the longitude is 82° 39' 47" and is located on the McDowell 7 1/2 minute USGS quadrangle maps.

The performance bond (Surety) currently in effect for the increments are as follows: Increment No. 1, \$101,500.00; Increment No. 2, \$43,300.00; and Increment No. 3, \$60,300.00. Approximately 60% of these amounts are included in this request for release.

Reclamation work thus far performed includes: backfilling and grading, sampling and testing, liming and fertilizing, seeding and mulching, and was completed in Fall 1997. Results thus far achieved include: initial establishment of vegetation in accordance with the approved post mining land use plan.

Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, Frankfort, KY 40601 by August 28, 1998.

A hearing date for this bond release request has been set for August 31, 1998 at 1:00 p.m. at the Department for Surface Mining and Enforcement's Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. The hearing will be canceled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by August 28, 1998.

This is the final advertisement of this applica-

tion; all comments, objections, or requests for a hearing must be received by the Director, Division of Field Services by August 28, 1998.

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE NO. 836-8032

In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Progress Land Corporation, HC 82 Box 1045 Arnold Fork Road, Kite, Kentucky 41828 has applied for Phase III Bond Release on Permit Number 836-8032, Increment 4, which was last issued on March 24, 1998. The application covers an area of approximately 2.93 acres located 0.5 miles south of Price, Floyd County, Kentucky.

The permit area is approximately 1.90 miles north of the junction of Ky 122 with KY 979 and 0.10 miles east of Left Fork of Beaver Creek. The latitude is 37 degrees, 24 minutes, 08 seconds. The longitude is 82 degrees, 44 minutes, 28 seconds.

The bond now in effect for permit number 836-8032, Increment 4 is a surety of \$26, 200.00. One hundred percent (100%) of the remainder of the original bond amount of \$56,300.00 is

included in the application for release.

Reclamation work performed includes: backfilling, final grading, seeding and mulching completed in the Spring of 1989. All disturbed areas have been seeded as to provide adequate growth for plant species and provide appropriate conditions for the surrounding wildlife. Results thus far indicate growth of vegetation is according to re-vegetation plan.

Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow,

Frankfort, Kentucky, 40601, by September 4, 1998.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for September 8, 1998 at 1:00 p.m. at the Prestonsburg Regional Office of the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653-1455. The hearing will be canceled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by September 4, 1998.

PUBLIC NOTICE
Notice is hereby given

that Jeffrey & Debra Head of P.O. Box 441, Allen, KY 41601, has filed an application with the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet for the setting of a mobile home. The property is located on Church Street at Emma, KY. It is approximately 2 miles from Allen on Route 1428 off US 23 on the Levisa Fork River. Any comments or objections concerning this application shall be directed to: Kentucky Division of Water, Water Resources Branch, 14 Reilly Road, Frankfort Office Park, Frankfort, KY 40601. Phone (502)564-3410.

NOTICE (OF FILING OF SETTLEMENT)

I, Frank DeRossett, Jr., Clerk of the Floyd District Court, do hereby certify that the following settlements of estates have been filed in my office. Anyone desiring to take exception to said settlement must do so on or before August 30, 1998, at 9:00 a.m.

Settlement	Case Number	Estate Of:	Fiduciary	Date Filed
Final	97-P-00190	Alka Mae Akers	Judith Johnstone	06-22-98
Final	97-P-00357	Josephine Akers	Homer Akers	06-22-98
Final	97-P-00419	Byrd Huff	Ruth Huff	06-15-98
Final	96-P00008	Virginia Keathley	Betty Hall and Tony Keathley	07-02-98
Final	98-P-00006	John J. Bartuka	Freda Bartuka	07-10-98
Final	92-P-00943	Geraldine Hager	Barbara Estep	07-15-98
Final	98-P-00202	Edna Tackett	Anna Sue Hager	07-20-98
Final	98-P-00041	Earl Ray Campbell	Clint Campbell	07-21-98
Final	96-P-00094	Jimmy Crisp	Barbara Crisp	07-14-98

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

I, Frank DeRossett, Jr., Clerk of the Floyd District Court, do hereby certify that the following persons have been appointed fiduciaries by the District Court. All persons indebted to an estate should settle with the fiduciary within six months from the date of appointment.

Date of Appointment	Case Number	Estate of:	Fiduciary	Attorney
06-17-98	98-P-00197	Waylon Isaac C. Bevins 230 University Dr. Prestonsburg, KY	Cheryl Syck 230 University Dr. Prestonsburg, KY 41653	
06-19-98	98-P-00198	Claud E. Webb Langley, KY	Mary Susan Goins Langley, KY	Dan Rowland P.O. Box 996 Prestonsburg, KY
06-23-98	98-P-00200	David Ralph Chaffins Box 707 Garrett, KY 41630	Linda Chaffins Box 707 Garrett, KY 41630	
06-24-98	98-P-00202	Edna Hackworth Tackett 1675 Left Fk. Little Paint East Point, KY 41216	Anna Sue Hager 27 Crider Br. East Point, KY	
06-28-98	98-P-00203	Pauline Case P.O. Box 224 Martin, KY 41649	Joan Rudder P.O. Box 182 Martin, KY 41649	
06-29-98	98-P-00205	Howard Goble 523 Corn Fk. Rd. Prestonsburg, KY 41653	June Goble 523 Corn Fk. Rd. Prestonsburg, KY 41653	Jerry Patton P.O. Box 1300 Prestonsburg, KY 41653
06-29-98	98-P-00204	Margie M. Little P.O. Box 4 Bevinsville, KY 41606	Hollis E. Daniels P.O. Box 4 Bevinsville, KY 41606	
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

On August 7, 1998 at 11:00 a.m., or thereabout, a 1995 Fleetwood, Stoneridge, 26X68, Mobile Home, S/N #NFLS27AB10258SR12 and a 1995 Fleetwood, Reflection, 14X70, Mobile Home, S/N #TNFLR26A72519RL will be sold to the highest bidder for cash "as is, where is" at Hylton Homes, US 23, 71 Conn Street, 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.

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE 836-5173

Major Revision No.8
In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Buck Coal, Inc., 413 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, has applied for a major revision to an existing underground coal mining operation located 1 mile north of Craynor in Floyd County. The major revision will add 1.85 acres of surface disturbance, will reclassify .43 acres of surface disturbance, but will not change the underground mining area for a new total of 934.95 acres within the permit boundary.

The proposed major revision is approximately 1.0 mile west of the junction of the Hamilton Branch Road and KY 979, and is southeast of Hamilton Branch. The latitude is 37°27'17". The longitude is 82°39'47".

The proposed major revision is located on the McDowell U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be affected by the major revision is owned by The Elk Horn Coal Corporation. The mineral is owned by The Elk Horn Coal Corporation.

The major revision proposes to add 1.85 acres of surface mining, and reclassify 0.43 acres from mine management area to mining area on Increment No. 5 of the permit.

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

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.093 notice is hereby given that Buck Coal, Inc., 544 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653 (606-886-2330) intends to apply for a Phase III Bond Release for Increment No. 1 on Permit No. 436-0107 which was lasted issued on July 16, 1984. The application covers an area of approximately 41.83 acres located 1.5 miles west of Drift in Floyd County.

The permit is approximately 3.4 miles south of the junction of KY 80 with KY 777, and is east of Turkey Creek. The latitude is 37°28'30" and the longitude is 82°46'30", and is located on the Wayland 7 1/2 minute USGS quadrangle maps. The performance bond (Surety) now in affect for the Increment No. 1 is \$9,700.00. 100% of the original bond amount of \$465,000.00 is included in

the request for release. Reclamation work thus far performed includes: backfilling and grading, sampling and testing, liming, fertilizing, seeding and mulching, and was completed in fall, 1985. Results thus far achieved include: establishment of vegetation and the post mining land use in accordance with the approved post mining land use plan. Written comments, objections, and request for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, Frankfort, KY 40601 by September 11, 1998.

A public hearing date on the application has been scheduled for September 14, 1998 at 1:00 p.m., at the Department for Surface Mining and Enforcement's Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. The scheduled public hearing will be canceled if no cabinet request for a public hearing or informal conference is received by September 11, 1998.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations will conduct an accreditation survey of Our Lady of the Way Hospital including acute care, long term care, ambulatory care (clinics) on September 8, 9, and 10. The purpose of the survey will be to evaluate the organization's compliance with nationally established Joint Commission standards. The survey results will be used to determine whether, and the conditions under which, accreditation should be awarded the organization.

Joint Commission standards deal with organizational quality of care issues and the safety of the environment in which care is provided. Anyone believing that he or she has pertinent and valid information about such matters may request a public information interview with the Joint Commission's field representatives at the time of the survey. Information presented at the interview will be carefully evaluated for relevance to the accreditation process. Requests for a public information interview must be made in writing and should be sent to the Joint Commission no later than five working days before the survey begins. The request must also indicate the nature of the information to be provided at the interview. Such requests should be addressed to:

Division of Accreditation Operations
Organization Liaison
Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations
One Renaissance Boulevard
Oakbrook Terrace, IL 60181

The Joint Commission will acknowledge such requests in writing or by telephone and will inform the organization of the request for any interview. The organization will, in turn, notify the interview of the date, time and place of the meeting. This notice is posted in accordance with the Joint Commission's requirements and may not be removed before the survey is completed.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

On August 7, 1998 at 2:00 p.m., or thereabouts, a 1996 Fleetwood, Vogue, 14X70, Mobile Home, S / N #SCFL241A43880V012 will be sold to the highest bidder for cash "as is, where is" at Slone's Mobile Home Park, Blue River, 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.
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Greg Justice, Auctioneer

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-5137 Operator change

In accordance with the provisions of 405 KAR 8:010, notice is hereby given that Maple Ridge Mining Corporation, P.O. Box 219, Harold, Kentucky, 41635 intends to revise Permit No. 836-5137 to change the operator. M&D Coal Company, Inc., HC 80, General Delivery, Dema, Kentucky 41859 is currently approved as the operator on this site. The proposed operator is Last Chance Mining Inc., P.O. Box 434, Betsy Layne, Kentucky 41605.

The operation is located 0.80 mile south of Blue Moon in Floyd County. The operation is approximately 0.60 mile southwest from Morgan Fork Road's junction with Little Mud Creek Road and located 10 feet south of Morgan Fork. The operation is located on the McDowell USGS 7 1/2

minute quadrangle map at latitude 37°29'33" and longitude 82°42'21". 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 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 836-5327, Operator Change

In accordance with 405 KAR 8:101, notice is hereby given that CONSOL of Kentucky Inc., P.O. Box 130, Mousie, Kentucky 41639, intends to revise Permit Number 836-5327 to change the operator. The operator presently approved in the permit is CONSOL of Kentucky Inc., P.O. Box 130, Mousie, Kentucky 41839. The new operator will be North Star Mining, Inc., 29501 Mayo Trail,

Catlettsburg, Kentucky 41129. The operation is located approximately 4.60 miles northwest of Bosco and situated in Floyd and Magoffin Counties. The operation is approximately 1.80 miles northwest from KY Route 7's junction with KY Route 2029 and located near the head of Raccoon Branch. The operation is located on the David and Handshoe U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle maps at latitude 37°30'50" and longitude 82°53'40".

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653-1397. Written comments or objections must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. All comments or objections must be received within fifteen (15) days of today's date.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

The following item will be offered at public sale on July 31, 1998 at 11:00 a.m. to satisfy the unpaid balance of an installment contract signed 11/28/97.

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Call Mike Haney for location, 606-886-2321.

First commonwealth Bank
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Prestonsburg, KY 41653

INVITATION TO BID

The Johnson County Fiscal Court will receive sealed bids for the construction of a four hundred twenty (420) feet span, pedestrian suspension bridge located along KY Highway 581 near River in Johnson County, Kentucky. Bids must be received at the office of Bocook Engineering, Inc. on or before 5:00 p.m. EST, August 20, 1998. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at that time.

Plans, specifications, and bid documents can be obtained at Bocook Engineering, Inc., 312 Tenth Street, Paintsville, Kentucky 41240, (606)

789-5961 at a non-refundable cost of \$75.00 per set. All bids shall be submitted only on the form of proposal included in the bid documents. Each bid shall be accompanied by a certified check, cash, or bidders bond executed by the bidder and surety company in the sum of not less than five percent (5%) of the amount of the bid.

No bidder may withdraw a bid submitted for a period of ninety (90) days after the date of opening of bids.

The Johnson County Fiscal Court reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any informalities therein. Plans and specifications may be examined at the office of Bocook Engineering, Inc., 312 Tenth Street, Paintsville, Kentucky.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application 836-5266 Operator Change

In accordance with 405 KAR 8:010, notice is hereby given that Richardson Fuel, Inc., 16232 U.S. Route 23, Catlettsburg, Kentucky, 41129 intends to revise permit number 836-5266 to change the

operator. The operator presently approved in the permit is Westwood Energy, Inc., P.O. Box 10, Minnie, Kentucky 41651. The new operator will be Beth-Rain Corporation, P.O. Box 848; Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653.

The operation is located 1.0 mile North of Banner in Floyd County. The operation is approximately 0.5 mile northeast of Old Daniels Creek Road junction with US 23/460 and located 300 feet north of Daniels Creek. The operation is located on the Harold and Lancer U.S.G.S. minute quadrangle map at latitude 37°36'42", and longitude 82°41'40".

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 41653-1397. Written comments or objections must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. All comments or objections must be received within fifteen (15) days of today's date.

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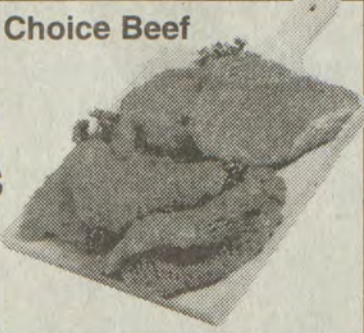
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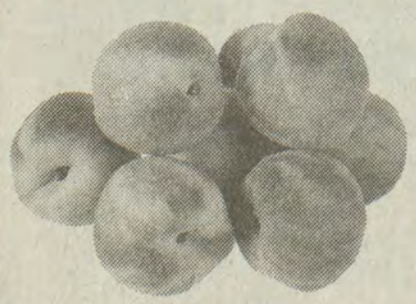
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Jeremy Clark

Competition stronger than expected for Clark

Clark wins two medals; takes gold in tennis

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

Betsy Layne's Jeremy Clark may have been a surprise finisher in table tennis when he competed in the Bluegrass State Games this past weekend in Lexington, but he was expected to perform well in tennis, and he did.

Clark captured the gold medal for the 14 and-under class in tennis and won a bronze medal in table tennis.

Table tennis was rather new to Clark but tennis fans will remember, at the time playing for Prestonsburg High School, Clark faced the state's number seven seed before losing out last year. But table tennis?

"Table tennis was a lot harder than what I thought it would be," said Clark. "There were a

lot of players that could hit the ball. They had the top spin and different slices. But I tried hard.

"I haven't been playing table tennis that long, maybe a couple of weeks," said Clark. "My dad and I play at our local church."

The two-hand backhand slaps surprised Clark's opponents as he finished third in the division.

"Tennis was very competitive," he said. "I was lucky enough to get to the finals. I was very satisfied with how I played."

Clark is also involved in other activities and plays basketball for Betsy Layne Elementary. How about 3-on-3 basketball next year?

"Maybe. I'll have to wait and see. But I am going back next year to defend my title."



Governor Patton views Games as one of nation's best

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

Kentucky Governor Paul Patton took part in his third annual Bluegrass State Games opening ceremonies this past Friday night amidst the pomp and pageantry of the evening, as athletes and their families gathered around the podium to hear the Governor Patton talk of the family atmosphere the Games afforded.

"This is a great family event," said Governor Patton. "For the kids to compete at every level of sports is great. The Bluegrass State Games

are among the best of this kind in the nation."

Patton is the only Kentucky governor to have taken part in one of the Bluegrass State Games' sporting events. He played the Valvoline Oil chairman, Carl Frey, in a game of horseshoes during the '96 Games.

But Governor Patton likes the way the Games brings families together.

"It is a family occasion, that is for sure," he said. "The Games represent Kentucky's greatest families."

While the setting for the Games was different this year, Governor Patton liked the early starting time and the shorter program.

"Families are anxious to get together and eat while at the Games and, when they eat, they want to visit. It was a lot shorter and I think that was better."

The new sitting was "a little more comfortable" and less formal from previous years," said Patton.

Governor Patton, whose residence is in Pikeville, said he was looking forward to going home for the weekend.

"We're going back to Pikeville for a rest," he said. "I really appreciate you being down here for the Games."



KENTUCKY GOVERNOR Paul Patton administered the Bluegrass State Games' oath to athletes who gathered for the opening ceremonies in Lexington this past Friday night. (photo by Ed Taylor)

The Volk Family

Todd, Sandy, Reed, Doug and Eric Volk.



Family affair...

Volk brothers find Bluegrass Games rewarding

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

The one thing the Bluegrass State Games has provided in the first 14 years of existence is that everything is geared toward the family. It is a time for families to play together, fellowship together and enjoy the spirit of competition together.

Kentucky Governor Paul Patton stressed the importance of families playing together and the opportunity the Games provided for them to do just that.

For the Reed Volk family, they took it all to heart as they — Doug, Todd and Eric — were part of the swimming meet at Shillito Park in Lexington this past weekend during the 14th annual Bluegrass State Summer Games.

Doug earned a bronze medal after competing in the 200-meter freestyle relays for the 9-10 year olds. It was the first time for Doug to compete in the annual Games.

"It was fun. I really enjoyed them," he said. "I got to meet new people"

Doug enjoys the water sport and swims in the Pikeville Aquatic Club in Pikeville. He has been competing in swimming for the past three years and swimming is a big part of his summer recreation.

Todd enjoys the game of soccer even though he did medal, a silver, in the 200-meter medley relay for the 13-14 year olds. For Todd it was the first time in the Games but he may return in a different sport next year.

(See **Brothers**, page four)

Putting the games into The Games

A Look At the Games



Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

This past weekend, I covered my ninth Bluegrass State Games in Lexington. The Games are the highlight of summer sports coverage.

In all honesty, sometimes the thought of having to cover the city of Lexington like a blanket does not excite me. But when the Games roll around, I can feel the adrenaline flow-

ing and the urge to grab my camera and head for Lexington.

Although the Games have been going on for the last 14 years, they have grown tremendously over the past nine years. Each year, we see the addition of a new sporting event that just involves more and more kids and adults.

I like that. I think the addition of the T-ball sport will prove to be an excellent move and will quickly become one of the top sporting events in the Games. Everyone plays baseball and up to now, there was no baseball competition in the Games.

T-ball involves so many. Not just the players and coaches, but numerous fans. As I made my rounds at Shillito Park, I visited the Little League complex where the T-ball games were held, and I saw a large number of fans already in place. Now the kids may not like playing baseball at 8 a.m., but the

games were interesting.

I know the Games' committee — and what a number of people are involved in putting these Games on — will come up with another gem next July. What could they do?

They have basketball, softball and now baseball to a degree. How about something to do with football? Can we design football competition for the Summer Games?

The opening ceremonies were a little different this year, and I haven't made up my mind if I like the format or not. I enjoyed the setting — outside Commonwealth Stadium. I thought the convenience it allowed parents and athletes was very good. But, it just seemed as if it belonged inside the stadium, like it used to be. I am sure, though, that after three more times, I will adjust.

What can I say about Governor Paul Patton? All the other governors before

him left after the ceremonies were over; or, they didn't even show up. Governor Patton has been there the past three years and is loved by the kids. They seem to love to visit the governor, get his autograph, and have their picture snapped with him. And, he accommodates them.

After his part in the opening ceremonies, he comes off the platform and visits with the kids. They flock around him. They love it, and truthfully, I say he loves it as well.

He has never refused me an interview after the ceremonies and always tells me he appreciates me coming down to cover them.

The 1999 Games are set for the final two weekends in July. I would

like to see more of our local athletes taking part in the Games next year. We always seem to do well when we compete in Lexington. Next year, take a look at the list of sporting events offered, pick one out and enter. Everyone really is a winner when they take part.

One thing, though, if you know you are going to be there next year, make your motel reservations NOW!

A reminder: The 1999 winter games will take place in January. You may want to consider getting a basketball team together and enter.

Until the next time, good sports everyone and be good sports!



Gov. Paul Patton



GAVIN HALE played defense during a 3-on-3 basketball game at the Bluegrass State Games two weeks ago in Lexington.



WAITING TO STEP INTO the water was Jessica Hale in taking part in the Bluegrass State Games in Lexington last weekend (photo by Ed Taylor)



THIS WAS A HAPPY YOUNG man after he was one of the fortunate ones to get a personal autographed phone directory from former UK standout Cameron Mills (photo by Ed Taylor)

Perfect weather, competition highlight '98 Games

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

The 14th annual Bluegrass State Summer Games got a break in the weather this past weekend in Lexington as athletes from 113 of Kentucky's 120 counties gathered for the 28 sporting events, held over a two-weekend period.

The Games wrapped up this past Sunday night with athletes from 103 counties taking home gold, silver and bronze medals.

Fayette County took home the most medals for a single county, earning 824 medals. Jefferson County earned 376. The youngest to compete was age three, and the oldest was age 82.

Of the 28 sports offered, the largest team sports were softball and soccer with more than 5,000 players in each sport.

Track and field was the largest individual sport with 746 competitors.

While the Games enjoyed cooler temperatures, no serious injuries were reported by the medical staff other than the expected run of small fractures, sprains, strains and bruises.

"It was a picture perfect weekend, weather wise, with little to no problems from an operation standpoint," said Eric Ward, Games Executive Director. "The changes made for this year's opening ceremonies also worked quite well."

The changes had the Games' opening ceremonies moved from inside Commonwealth Stadium to the outside, adjacent to the Blue parking lot. Rides, games and just a lot of fun welcomed all the athletes and their families.

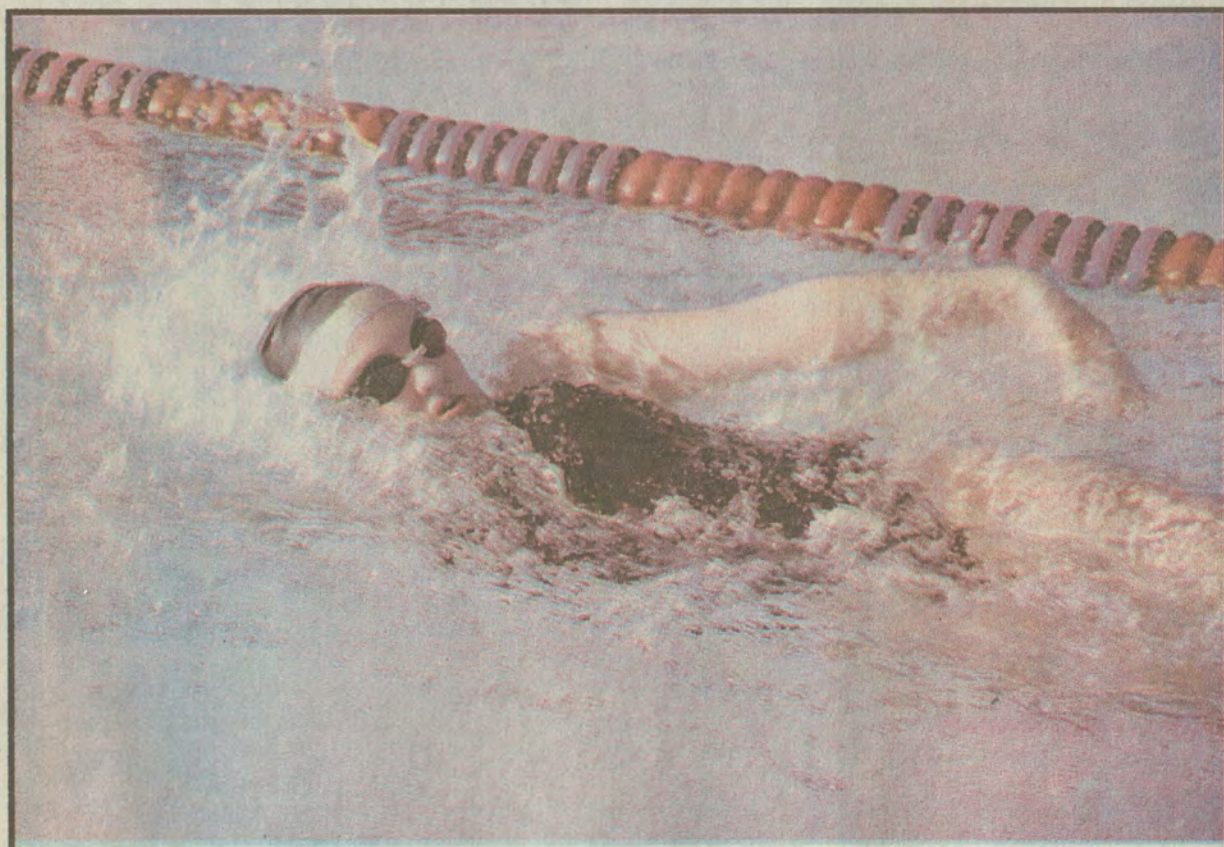
The 1999 Games will again be held the last two weekends in July.

The Bluegrass State Games is co-hosted by the Commonwealth of Kentucky and the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government. The Games founding sponsors are Ashland, Inc. and The Valvoline Company. The Bluegrass State Games is a project of the Governor's Commission on Sports, Physical Activity and Wellness.

Other sponsors are The Lexington Herald-Leader, Kentucky Utilities Co., Fruit of the Loom, GTE, Clark Material Handling, Pepsi-Cola Bottling Co. of Lexington, the Kentucky Broadcaster's Association, The Kentucky Press Association, the Kentucky Cable Telecommunications Association, KET — the Kentucky Network, HMH Broadcasting, the Kentucky National Guard and Champions for a Drug Free Kentucky.



A LARGE CROWD gathered just for the Games in Lexington last weekend (photo by Ed Taylor)



JESSICA HALE brought home a silver medal in the 13-14-year-old 200-meter freestyle relays Saturday. Nearly 17,000 participated in the weekend games (photo by Ed Taylor)

Local athletes bring

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

The number of competitors of Floyd County athletes were up in the 14th annual Bluegrass State Games and so were the number of medals brought home. The Games concluded this past Sunday in Lexington, with 22 medals won by local athletes in the county.

Swimming was the top sport for Floyd County athletes as they brought in 10 medals. Power Tumbling earned four medals.

A total of seven gold medals and seven silver medals were earned by our county athletes. Five bronze medals were numbered among the 22 medals.

Buzz Allen, a veteran of the Games, earned gold medal in archery in the men's seniors. Allen has been competing in the Games for the past nine years.

He has won various events and several medals. Also in archery, James Polk won a gold in the open. He too has been a contestant each year at the Games.

Kevin Stumbo and his 3-on-3 basketball team earned a gold medal, winning the men's recreation division at the Games. Another gold medal went to Don Fields in cycling. Fields competed in the citizen's division of the sport.

Jon Hale won the most medals for a county athlete, bringing home three medals, including two gold and a bronze. Hale won the gold medals in the 200-medley relay and 200-freestyle relay. Hale won a bronze in the 50-meter backstroke.

Also in swimming, Jessica Hale finished second for a silver medal in the 200-freestyle relay. Eric Volk captured two bronze medals, one in the 200-freestyle relay and 200-medley relay.

Doug Volk was part of the 200-freestyle relay team. Todd, captured a silver medal in the 200-meter relay for 13-14.

Martin's Jeremy won two gold medals in swimming. He also won a silver medal in the 200-meter under swimmers. He also won a bronze medal in the 200-meter relays. Pack enjoyed the weekend.

"It was tough in the competition," he said, "and I plan to go back next year."

Cliff Daniels took home a silver medal in the martial arts. He competed in the weapon class.

In power tumbling, he medaled twice, winning a silver medal in each of the six-and-a-half and sub-novice classes.

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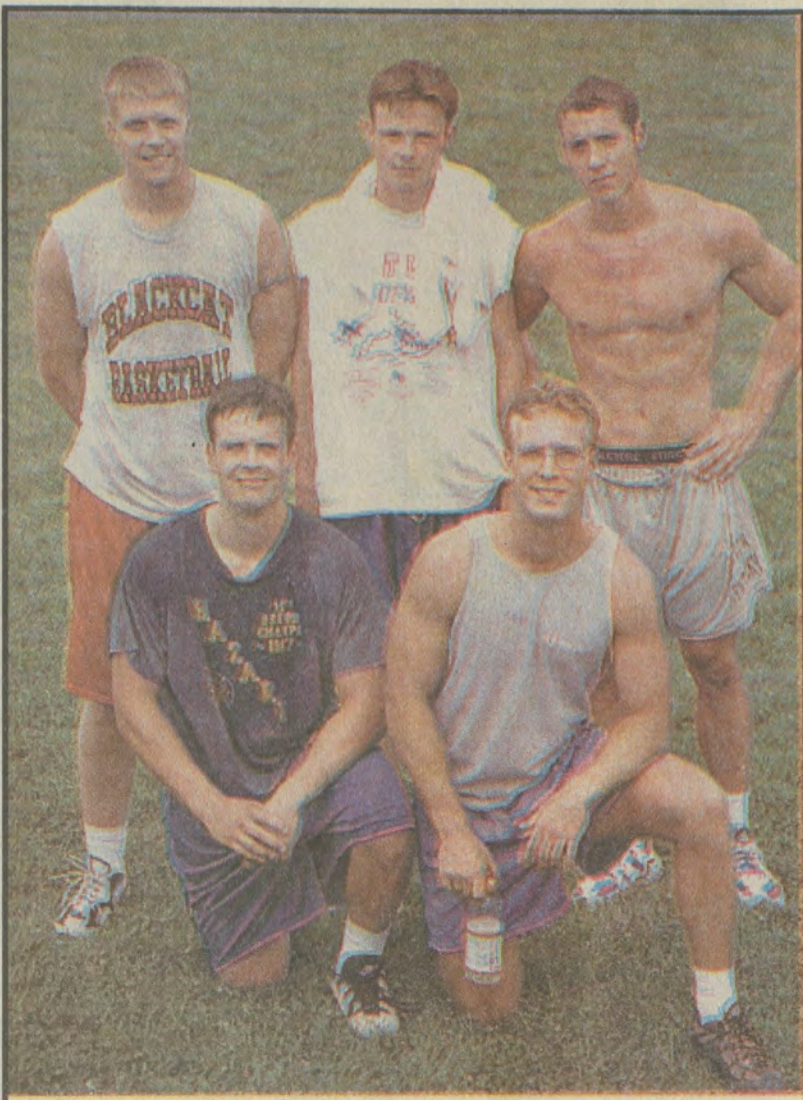
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GARY KIDD earned a bronze medal by finishing third in the 1500-meter walk during the Bluegrass State Games. Kidd has competed in the Games the past two years. (photo by Ed Taylor)



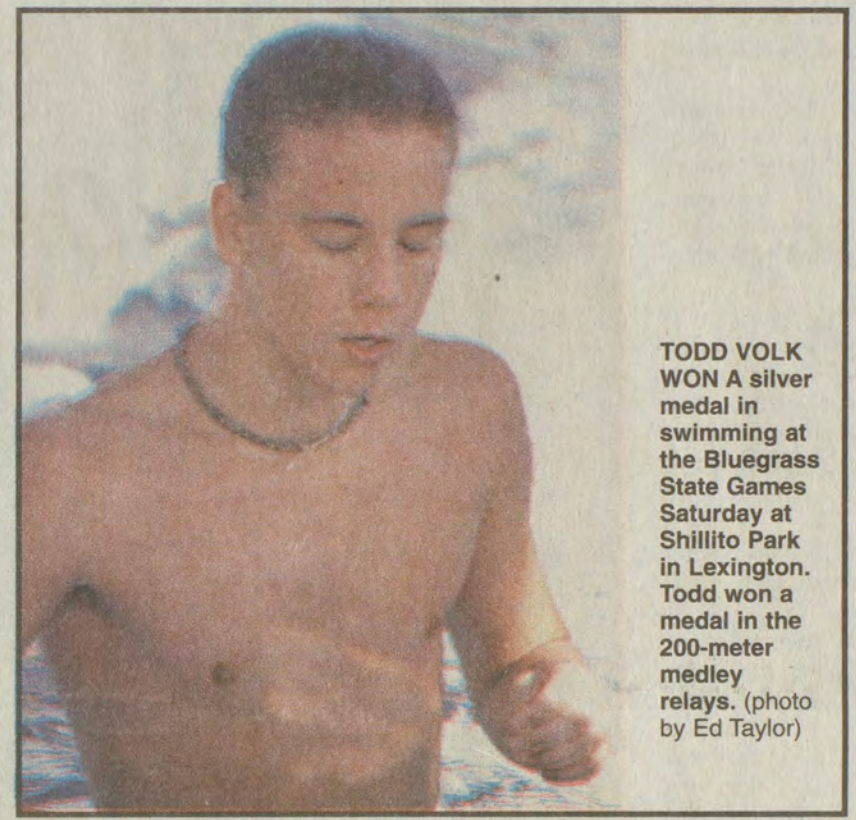
THIS LOCAL TEAM took part in the 3-on-3 basketball tournament during the Bluegrass State Games. The games attracted almost 17,000 athletes, held over a three-day period (photo by Ed Taylor)



MIKE NEWSOME PULLED down a rebound in 3-on-3 basketball action at the UK outdoor courts. Newsome competed in the 3-on-3 Bluegrass State Games basketball tournament (photo by Ed Taylor)



outside of Commonwealth Stadium as part of the opening ceremonies of the 14th annual Bluegrass State Games. Nearly 17,000 took part in the Games. Floyd County had 22 medal winners during the three-day event (photo by Ed Taylor)



TODD VOLK WON A silver medal in swimming at the Bluegrass State Games Saturday at Shillito Park in Lexington. Todd won a medal in the 200-meter medley relays. (photo by Ed Taylor)

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 Betsy Layne's Jeremy Clark won two medals, but in different sports. He won a gold medal for his first place finish in tennis for 14 and under. He finished third in table tennis for a bronze medal.
 In the open class of the 1500-meter walk, Gary Kidd took third place and a bronze medal.
 Former Garrett resident, Bill Francis, earned a bronze and silver during this weekend's Games. Francis won a bronze medal in the 1500-meter run with a time of 5:58. He captured a silver medal in the 800-meter run with a time of 2:52.
 This was the fifth year for Francis to enter competition in the Games. He has won nine medals over the five-year period.
 "I ran the 200-meter dash one year

and learned a lesson," he said. "I learned that distance runners can't run with sprinters and sprinters cannot run with distance runners."
 Prestonsburg's Gary Kidd entered the game for the second time and won a bronze medal for his efforts in the 1500-meter walk. Kidd competed in four events at the Bluegrass State Games.
 "I usually run in other events throughout the year," he said. "Where there is a good meet, I usually go and compete."
 Kidd would like to see the Games go to the regional format.
 "I think if they would, it would create more interest in the games," he said. "Take the top eight from each region and bring them to Lexington for the state meet."
 The 1999 Games are scheduled to be held the last two weekends of July.



TODD VOLK BROUGHT HOME two medals in the 14th annual Bluegrass State Games in Lexington Saturday. Volk won a silver in 200-meter medley relays and a bronze in the 13-14-year-old 200-medley relays for 15-16-year-olds. (photo by Ed Taylor)

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Gov. Paul Patton issues Games oath to athletes

14th annual Bluegrass State Games open

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

For the third straight year, Kentucky governor Paul Patton issued the oath of allegiance to nearly 17,000 amateur athletes as the 14th annual Bluegrass State Games opened officially Friday night outside of Commonwealth Stadium on the campus of the University of Kentucky.

While the number of entrants were down this year, the excitement of the Games was not. The Games were just as vibrant as Games past. The Games actually began two weeks ago, with limited events taking place on July 17-19. The opening ceremonies, which were held inside Commonwealth Stadium in past years, was moved outside the stadium to the grounds where the "county fair" atmosphere resided.

Governor Patton, himself, liked the new setting.

"This is a little bit more comfortable," he said in a personal interview. "It is less formal and people probably enjoyed it better."

UK president, Joe Beck, welcomed the athletes to the UK campus.

"Those of us in the university community are very proud to be part of the Bluegrass State Games, and pleased that many of these events are held on the playing fields and facilities where the UK Wildcat teams play.

"Over 20,000 of you will compete this year. I know you will make many new friends as you enjoy the spirit of friendly competition. And some of these friendships could last a lifetime. Memories and the spirit of the Games will always be with you."

Lexington Mayor Pam Miller said the love affair between families and athletes with the city of Lexington continues to grow.

"This is the 14th straight year we have had the opportunity to host the Bluegrass State Games, and boy do we love it," said the Lexington Mayor. "We love the athlete, the families, and the competition. We are so happy that you are all here. We want to roll out the red carpet for you in every way."

Governor Patton related how the Games is a celebration of the Kentucky families.

"It is a pleasure for me to be part of these opening ceremonies in what has to be the biggest opening Games across the nation," Patton told the athletes. "It is truly a celebration of the Kentucky family. As I look over this crowd I see brothers, sisters, moms and pops, and probably a few grandparents scattered in."

Patton said the "family that plays together, stays together," and the Bluegrass State Games provides families from across Kentucky that opportunity as well as a chance to learn.

"We are going to learn while we are here," said the Kentucky Governor. "We are going to learn a lot about life. We are going to learn about living by the rules and we are going to learn about disappointments and how to handle them."

Governor Patton stated a combination of that will "make us better

individuals."

"And that will make our state a better place to live and raise our families," he said.

Patton, who will become the first Kentucky governor with a chance to succeed himself in next year's election, said that commitment and fairness are the only way to enter into the Games.

"As we enter into this competition, we do need to enter into it with commitment, fairness, and to a maximum effort," Patton said.

The Kentucky Governor then issued the oath of the Games to all the athletes present at the opening ceremonies.

The Olympic-style torch was then carried into the ceremony area where Governor Patton, along with Mayor Miller, lit the Olympic-style cauldron signifying the opening of the Games.



KEVIN STUMBO AND MEMBERS of his 3-on-3 basketball team took a breather after picking up a win in the Bluegrass State Games. The team brought home a gold medal for their efforts (photo by Ed Taylor)

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"I may play soccer in the Games next year," he said. "This was also a first time for me. I enjoyed the opportunity to win medals at the Games."

For Eric, he says he will return next year, even though the competition was tough.

"I thought it was a great experience," he said. "It was kind of difficult to swim at that level of competition. You are competing with swimmers from all over the state. It was fun though, and I will go back next year."

Eric said he felt challenged by the stiff competition and he like that.

"I enjoy having to work for what I get," he said. "I don't like when there is no competition. I like the higher form of competition."

While he has been swimming most of his life, Eric has been competing for the past five years.

"It is a real time-consuming sport," he said. "You swim four nights a week then you have meets on Friday and Saturdays."

While he found the competition challenging, Eric said he would not change anything about the format, except for the starting time.

"It pretty well ran smooth," he said. "The times in the morning would be a good thing to change. I don't like swimming at 8:30 in the morning."

The Volk family would like to see swimming become a community sport with use of the Allen Central indoor pool.

"The kids here have to go down there and swim against kids that have been swimming all year," said Reed. "They used to have a good summer program here until they dropped it."

Swimming has always been a popular summer sport that needs to be developed further to include our high school students.

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