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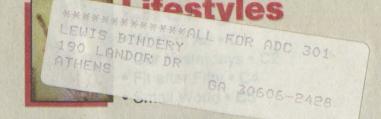
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This fire just off the Mountain Parkway was just one of several found throughout the county and area. County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson has issued a ban on all outdoor burning that became effective at 6 p.m. on Monday. (Photo by Willie Elliott)

Dry spell takes toll on forests

by Willie Elliott Staff Writer

The warm, sunny days are nice to experience, but with them comes the threat of forest fires. The warm sun combined with the wind turns the forest floor into a veritable tinder box.

The Division of Forestry in Betsy Layne has been busy controlling a rash of fires that have gotten out of control in Pike, Floyd and Magoffin counties.

Dexter Conley, with the division, said 10 new fires were started in Pike and Floyd Counties on Sunday and eight new ones were started on Saturday.

Conley said many of the fires were cases where arson was suspected. Six of the fires on Sunday were thought to be caused by arsonists and two got out of control when landowners were burning debris.

Conley said smoke that filled the area around Prestonsburg on Monday was probably caused by two fires that were burning off the Mountain Parkway near Fitzpatrick

The eight fires reported to the division on Monday included the two on the

(See Dry Spell, page two)

Hearing today for accused teen

by Randell Reno Staff Writer

A Floyd County teen accused of trying to rape a fellow classmate at Prestonsburg High School is scheduled to appear in court this afternoon.

A 1:30 p.m. time is set for the Floyd District Court hearing in the case of Richard E. Martin, 18, of Left Fork of Abbott Creek.

Martin is charged with the alleged attempted rape of a Prestonsburg High School student. The crime supposedly happened inside the school between 3:10 and 3:50 p.m., Feb. 23.

Charged with third-degree sexual abuse and fourth-degree assault, Martin was arrested March 1 and placed in the Floyd County Detention Center, where he was held on a \$4,000 bond. He was released after his bond was reduced to \$2,000 the next day.

According to police reports, Martin allegedly pushed and slapped a 14-year-old girl, then allegedly removed her pants, pushed her down and lay on top of

Prestonsburg City Police Sergeant Mike Omerod sent blood and semen samples from Martin and the victim to the State Police Crime Lab in Frankfort just days after the alleged crime, but results did not come back until recently.

when the test results were faxed to County Attorney Keith Bartley on October 19 — seven months after the alleged incident — the charge of third-degree sexual assault was dropped and a new

(See **Hearing**, page two)



Can't touch this...

A corrosive polycarbon-based chemical spill caused a major traffic jam along US 23 and all the roads accessing Prestonsburg Tuesday evening. A five-gallon bucket of the chemical, used as part of reflector adhesives, was spread across both northbound lanes at the top of Katy Friend Mountain, near the Holiday Inn. Although traffic was diverted around the spill, many motorists chose to avoid the highway altogether, causing bumper-to-bumper traffic in downtown Prestonsburg. (photo by Randell Reno)

Games could mean two bits of trouble

by Randell Reno Staff Writer

quarter-pushing Four machines have been confiscated by the Prestonsburg City Police for violation of the state's gambling laws, and that could mean a little spare change for the depart-

After investigating the possibility that the machines may be illegal, the city and county attorneys and local police agencies decided to confiscate the machines

Mayor Jerry Fannin said the machines, in which players deposit a quarter in hopes of causing a pile of quarters to fall, were illegal because they were just like slot machines. He said that if you receive a monetary award for playing such a game, then you are

The machines were removed from IGA, Our Place restaurant, The Pin Zone bowling alley and University BP, said the mayor and Police Chief Darrell Conley.

No one has stepped forward to claim the machines thus far, but many other machines have mysteriously disappeared, said County Attorney Keith Bartley.

The Attorney General's Office

(See Games, page two)

Feuding over road rights continues

by Randell Reno Staff Writer

One often-heard gripe across Eastern Kentucky is that county roads don't receive the attention they need. But a Beaver Creek couple has filed suit against County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson because the county did work on a road outside their home, allegedly causing water runoff to flood their house.

Filed October 19, the suit alleges that Thompson had work crews grade and maintain a road that runs near the home of Virgill

C. and Luberta Tackett of Beaver. The Tackett's allege the work was done improperly, causing excessive runoff of rains and

The Tacketts allege the runoff has caused \$12,000 in damages to their trailer.

The Tacketts also claim to have spent an excess of \$1,000 for gravel in an attempt to correct the problem.

The suit says that more than 100 feet of drain pipe installed by the Tacketts was rendered inoperative because of the grading and

This is not the first time the road in question has landed the Tacketts in court.

Court records show that fights over the road have gone on for a number of years. In 1993, the county was given an easement to the road and the rights to maintain

The road is a public road, said County Attorney Keith Bartley. In order to access the family cemetery behind the Tackett's property, the general public was granted an easement to use the road and may

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Schmoldt appointed to state board

A local man has been appointed to the state Commercial Mobile Radio Service Emergency Telecommunications Board. John C. Schmoldt, of Harold, was appointed to the commission by Gov. Paul Patton yesterday. Schmoldt was appointed to represent the interests of mobile service providers and will fill out the unexpired term of resigning member Andrew K. Hall, of Shepherdsville. Schmoldt's term will expire Aug. 15,

Prison plans toy drive

The Otter Creek Correctional Center at Wheelwright will be holding its third annual toy drive this year. The center will be taking donations of new and used toys, wrapping paper, Scotch tape and batteries from the Left Beaver area. Inmates will make repairs to the toys. Last year, the drive provided toys to 286 families. As inmate Aaron Bucham put it, this project "helps me to give back to society." To make donations or get more information, call Jeff Little or Greg Compton at 452-9700.

Veterans' Day what's open and closed

• First Commonwealth, First Guaranty and Firstar banks will be closed.

· Citizens National and Matewan banks will be open

• Schools will be open

· Floyd County Health Department will be open

· Most state and local government offices will be closed.

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March around the block

Picketers and supporters of SEIU 1199's strike on Highlands

Regional Hospital walked around the block down Arnold avenue and

back down North Lake Drive Saturday afternoon. (photo by Randell

Busy week keeps firefighters on the run

by Randell Reno Staff Writer

Firefighters have not only been battling blazes in the forest this week, but also several structure fires across the county, as well.

The Mud Creek Volunteer Fire Department responded to the scene of a trailer fire early Sunday morning.

The residence of Bonnie Akers, owned by Randall and Wilma Howell, was a complete loss. Nine firefighters fought for almost two hours, cooling the trailer's hot spots, before leaving the solene, said volunteer firefighter Kenneth Ne wman.

The cause of the fire is still unknown. The Prestonsburg fire department was called to two separate fires on Thursday.

Units responded to an air conditioner/heater fire at the Holiday Inn on US 23, just north of Prestonsburg.

Because of the structure's design, the smoke from the fire was confined to one room.

The fire department's response time was excellent. They took care of the needs, worked with the students and with the questions about their belongings. They were very professional. And they briefed us on the scene. 👭 Job Corps Director, Tim Foley

In a second call, the PFD responded to a fire at the Bert T. Combs Memorial Job Corps

Center men's dorm. A mattress caught fire in one of the rooms, said Tim Foley, director of the center. It was reported that little or no damage was done to the dorm, although Foley said the extent of the damage is still being evaluated.

"The staff and students followed the emergency evacuation plans," said Foley. "The students remained calm. The sprinkler system and fire alarms worked well.'

Firefighters for the PFD said the sprinkler system had taken care of the fire before they even got to the scene.

"The fire department's response time was excellent," said Foley. "They took care of the needs, worked with the students and with the questions about their belongings. They were very professional. And they briefed

(See Firefighters, page two)

Mountain Parkway, one in Martin, Lawrence, Magoffin and County.

Conley said the division was making a request to the judges in

Magoffin County near the Martin, to get a complete ban on Knott/Breathitt border, one at burning. A similar ban was lifted Wheelwright and three in Pike after some significant rainfall in

Floyd County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson has declared a the five county area, Pike, Floyd, ban on all outdoor burning that

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became effective at 6 p.m. on Monday The ban will be in effect until the proclamation is rescinded by public notice. Thompson said the Division of Forestry had contacted him but he had already made a decision to reinstate the ban.

"I urge all Floyd County citizens to comply with this proclamation so that we can preserve Floyd County's timber," Thompson added to his proclamation.

The 911 dispatch center received fire calls from Auxier, Auxier Heights, David, Jackie Hollow, Walters Road of Emma, Hueysville, Fitzpatrick Branch and Wayland.

Games

cers in western Kentucky on laws that concern these types of machines, said Bartley. When they consulted attorneys

about the gambling laws, a statute was discovered that these pushertype games required a gambling license by the owner of the establishment.

The ordinance reads that "no person shall sell, offer to sell, rent, lease, or otherwise furnish charitable gaming supplies or equipment unless the person is licensed by the division as a distributor or manu-

Operating or owning the of machines could have charges game, then it's a crime."

had been working with police offi- machines is a class A misdemeanor which has a penalty of up to 12 months and a possible fine up to

Bartley said until the machines were confiscated, he could find more then a hundred of these machines across the county.

Money left in the machines will be forfeited by law and will most likely go to the agencies participating in the seizure, said Bartley and Paul Burchett, Prestonsburg city attorney. Each machine could ultimately have over \$100 dollars in them, said Bartley.

brought against them also, Bartley said, but that will not likely happen.

Local law enforcement agencies are also looking into whether video poker and slot machines across the county are also illegal.

Fannin said there are reports of people being paid for winning games on the machines, which con-

stitutes gambling. If you get nothing but the pleasure of playing the game or credits to continue such games, there isn't a crime being committed, Bartley

But, the prosecutor adds, "If you Establishments with these types are given something of value for the

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charge of first-degree attempted rape was brought against Martin.

He was also banned from entering Prestonsburg High School and by restraining order cannot come within 500 feet of the victim.

The Floyd County Times does not identify victims of alleged sex

Martin is under house arrest, not to leave his mother's home unless

being transported by her to Prestonsburg High School, where he awaits a ride to an alternative

Drug trafficker charged

by Randell Reno Staff Writer

A Galveston man charged with 12 counts of drug trafficking after police allegedly caught him with cocaine and over 700 pills will appear in court today to answer the charges.

Arrested Oct. 29 for drug trafficking, Timothy Wayne Hall, 37, has been charged with 12 separate trafficking offenses. The charges include trafficking in cocaine, OC-10, Percocet, Lortab (two counts), Tylox, Tylenol 4, Tylenol 3, Xanax

(two counts) and Valium (three counts). A preliminary hearing for Hall is

set for today at 1:30 p.m. He will be represented by attorney Jerry

Hall was allegedly in possession of various strengths of these drugs, said Kathy Salyer, a pharmacist at Cooley Apothecary. The Lortab was in 5 and 10 milligram strengths, the Xanax was in .025 and .5 mg strengths and the Valium was found in 5 mg, 10 mg, and in an unknown

Hall's bond was originally set at \$100,000. It has since been reduced. Hall spent eight days in the Floyd County Detention Center before being released on a \$60,000, partially-secured bond.

Hall was arrested in an early morning drug raid by the Floyd County Sheriff's Office. Police allegedly seized 734 pills and 51.4 grams of cocaine from his home.

Moore to succeed Davis

The Kentucky Association of Realtors recently elected new leaders for 2000 during its annual convention in Fort Mitchell.

Linda Moore, president of ERA-Moore Realty, of Paintsville, will succeed John S. Davis of Paducah, as president next year, and Portia Leftin, Fort Mitchell, was elected president-elect of the 8,300 member real estate profes-

sional group based in Lexington. "We have never been more cohesive as an organization in the Commonwealth and we are positioning to leverage technology to provide quality services to our members," said Moore. "Realtors remain a critical part of real estate sales and the Kentucky Association of Realtors will continue to be very active in government affairs and technology over the next 12

months."

These members were also elected to the following positions: Treasurer, Dot Miller, Radcliff; Treasurer-Elect, Betty Schutte, Louisville; Regional Directors, Dan Brown, Radcliff, Betty Radford, Louisville, and Jeff Smith, Fort Mitchell, At-Large Directors, Robert Damron, Pikeville; Donnie Roberts, Pudach; and John Chandler, Corbin; At-Large Delegates, Ann McDonald, Winchester; Carl Tackett, Georgetown; and Sue Ernst,

Louisville. Ken Warden, Fort Thomas, and William P. Snyder, Louisville, were elected to director positions for the National Association of Realtors. In addition, Linda Moore will also serve as director to the National Association of Realtors.

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us on the scene."

The fire is still under investiga-

The home of Luke and Janice Johnson was lost in a fire early last Thursday. A 2:55 a.m. call to South East

Volunteer Fire Department sent seven firefighters to the blaze, which totally destroyed the trailer.

By the time the firefighters arrived on the scene, the walls had already burned and the roof was coming down, according to the Assistant Chief Gary Tackett. There were no injuries to report at any of the incidents.

Feuding

(Continued from page one)

maintain the road or hire a private party to do so.

Thompson refused to comment

on the Tacketts' claim. An answer to the suit has not

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Volunteers collected money for the Prestonsburg Area Basketball League and AAU Saturday. This road block was set up at the Lancer Intersection. (photo by Randell Reno)

'KCTCS focuses on support of economic development

Community and Technical College System can be summarized in one phrase, says President Michael B. McCall: Education and training to support economic development.

KCTCS, which comprises 15 technical colleges and 13 community colleges, was created by the Postsecondary Education Improvement Act of 1997. The education and training that KCTCS provides can be placed into three general categories: academic and technical courses for credit-seeking students; workforce training/economic development; and non-credit community and continuing educa-

"Everything we do hinges on the economy," McCall said. "If the economy of Kentucky can be strengthened, it will be through the postsecondary education sys-

"The bottom line is we have to focus on the needs of employers and on the success of students. Preparing students for further education and employment is what we are all about.'

Here is how KCTCS addresses the needs of students - and the needs of Kentucky employers.

courses for credit-seeking stu-46,716 full- and part-time students ognized as a player." in credit courses this fall, up about

The Board of Trustees of

Appalachian Regional Healthcare

Inc. has elected Stephen C. Hanson

as its new President and Chief

Executive Officer, effective imme-

Appalachian Regional Healthcare is

pleased to have attracted a person of

Mr. Hanson's caliber to ARH dur-

ing such an important period for our

system" said William Engle, chair-

man of the ARH board. "His expe-

rience in leading a number of orga-

nizations toward improved finan-

cial performance and quality will be

instrumental in enhancing ARH's

ability to achieve its mission in the

Hanson, 48, has 26 years of

health care experience, serving in

CEO and Chief Operating Officer

"The Board of Trustees of

technical colleges offer 63 programs in eight general areas, while the community colleges offer 33 programs with 22 special options.

Approval of new programs has greatly accelerated since KCTCS was established. From January 1998 through June 1999 the Board of Regents approved 40 degree, diploma or certificate programs. Those programs include the first degrees offered by technical colleges, and degrees offered jointly by community and technical col-

'There has been a real renaissance in program development, and that has opened up opportunities for students," McCall said.

Also, KCTCS academic and technical programs offered in correctional facilities served more than 1,500 students in 1998-99.

• Workforce training/economic development. Until KCTCS was established, community and technical colleges played only small roles in economic development. McCall said. No more, said Community College Chancellor Anthony Newberry, who has worked for the system since 1976.

"Before House Bill 1, we often were absent from the table where · Academic and technical economic development projects were being discussed," Dr. dents. KCTCS colleges enrolled Newberry said. "Now we are rec-

KCTCS has been at the fore-

Appalachian Regional Healthcare

positions for more than 20 of those

years. Most recently he led the

operations of an integrated multi-

hospital system in Chicago.

Through most of his career, he has led non-profit systems and hospitals

serving large rural areas in Indiana,

Iowa and western New York State.

His experience has included work-

ing with hospitals, large physician

groups, home care and long-term

Hanson indicated he was attracted

to ARH because of its history and

tradition of serving the communi-

ties of central Appalachia. "ARH has a long-standing reputation of

excellence among health care pro-

fessions across the nation," Mr.

Hanson said, "I am looking forward

to working with the board, employ-

In accepting the position,

Inc. elects Stephen C. Hanson

as President and CEO

The focus of the Kentucky 3 percent from a year ago. The front of education and training projects that have benefited major employers such as UPS, SHPS and BellSouth. In 1998-99, KCTCS provided non-credit training for 94,074 students in 7,476 classes. Those students represented 2,404 companies served.

"Our job is to help industries make as much money as they can possibly make and contribute to their communities," McCall said. "But they can't do it without a trained workforce. That's where we come in."

· Non-credit community and continuing education. Continuing education programs at the colleges offer a wide range of courses from computers to home and garden to career development to communication to arts and leisure.

"Community education courses represent our commitment to improve the quality of life of Kentuckians, similar to the way our colleges enrich their communities through fine-arts programs,"

One significant piece of KCTCS' continuing education focus is fire and rescue training. In 1998-99, KCTCS served 60,160 fire and rescue students who worked for 1,091 agencies.

"This is a great success story for KCTCS - the training we provide that keeps Kentuckians safe,'

ees, physicians and state and local

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Hanson holds a Master of Public

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Onset of cold weather adds to hazards in coal mines

Safety and Health Administration also can contribute to an explo-(MSHA) is reminding underground coal miners and mine operators that colder weather boosts the chances of mine explo-

MSHA's Winter Alert camwhich emphasizes increased vigilance to prevent explosions during the winter months, runs annually from October through March.

"Fortunately, devastating coal mine fires and explosions have decreased dramatically in recent years," said Davitt McAteer, assistant secretary of labor for mine safety and health.

"During the past two years, however, several mine fires and explosions have occurred. Because of a high level of preparedness, miners' lives were saved and serious injuries prevented. These events remind us of the need for daily-even hourly-vigilance."

Among others, McAteer cited mine explosions at Oak Grove Mine in Alabama (1996), Galatia Mine in Illinois (1997) and Tracey Vein Slope in Pennsylvania (1998).

Mine fires occurring in the last few years include Jim Walters No. 5 in Alabama (1996), Galatia Mine in Illinois (1997) and, just this year, Willow Creek Mine in Utah, Oxbow Mine in Colorado and Loveridge Mine in West Virginia.

MSHA warns mine operators and miners that methane can migrate more easily from the coal bed or worked-out areas into the mine atmosphere when barometric pressure drops during winter storms. All coal mines contain potentially explosive methane, which seeps from the coal seam and may accumulate in areas without enough ventilation.

Furthermore, coal dust is more likely to float suspended in the mine atmosphere when dry winter

As winter approaches, the US air results in drier conditions miners and operators constantly Department of Labor's Mine underground. Suspended coal dust

> Since 1990, more than 250 fatal coal mine explosions have caused the loss of nearly 6,600 lives. Historically, some of the nation's between October and March. In December 1907, an explosion in Monongah, West Virginia, killed 362 miners, making it the worst mining accident in US history.

This year's Winter Alert slogan "Do It Now!" is being distributed to all underground coal operations and coal miners in the form of safety signs, stickers and pocket calendars. The slogan stresses that

be mindful of the following:

-Consistently follow the mine-approved ventilation plan.

-Conduct thorough pre-shift, on-shift and weekly checks for methane and other hazards.

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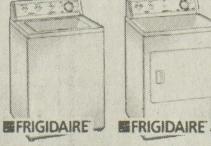
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Anthony Rapp-

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-Editorial-

Airline invests in Tri-State market

A note to Atlantic Southeast Airlines: Thank you for taking a chance on Tri-State Airport and the Ashland-Huntington metropolitan area.

The small commuter airline, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Delta Air Lines, announced last week that it would offer three flights daily from Tri-State to Atlanta and back, beginning March 2, 2000.

The flights will help offset the airport's loss of Comair, which for many years served as the "Delta connection" between Tri-State and the Greater Cincinnati Airport. Comair discontinued all flights to Tri-State earlier this year, citing continued financial losses on them.

That left US Air Express, which daily offers flights to and from Pittsburgh and Charlotte as Tri-State's only commercial airline. For the first time in many years, Atlantic Southeast will give area air passengers direct access to Atlanta's Hartsfield International Airport, the largest single-airline hub in the world.

Airport officials and area leaders are to be commended for their successful efforts to attract another airline to Tri-State. The best way area travelers can thank Atlantic Southeast is to patronize its flights to and from the airport.

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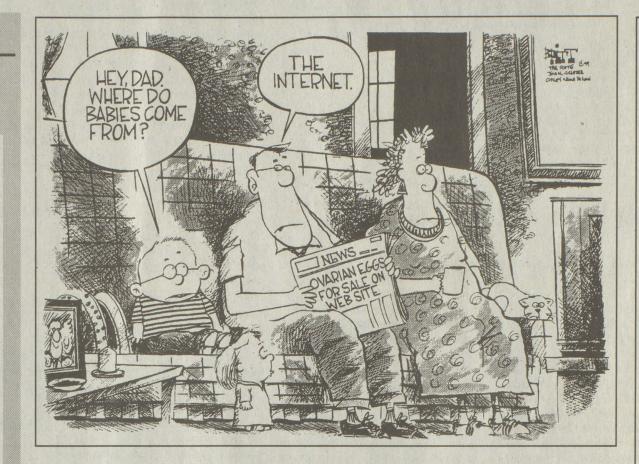
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-Letters to Editor

Veteran provides update on Agent Orange

Veterans' Day is coming up November 11. I wish to take this opportunity to thank all veterans from the Big Sandy region who answered our country's call to duty.

All gave some (health and the ability to pursue happiness and other emotional problems, including alcohol and drug abuse) to escape the demons of their nightmares.

Others paid with their lives for the freedoms we all enjoy. Let us not forget those who are still POW/MIA and urge our legislators to find and bring them home.

I am a retired soldier who received combat training from World War II and Korean War veterans. I served two tours of duty as a helicopter crew chief in Vietnam.

I then trained many of the Apache Helicopter Hellfire and Fire Control Computer Systems repairers who served in Desert Storm. The soldiers I trained during the last three decades of the 20th century will train the soldiers of the 21st century.

I only hope there won't ever be a need to put their combat training to use in combat experience.

The Secretary of Veterans Affairs, Togo D. West Jr., has announced that the Department of Veterans Affairs is seeking the legal authority to provide benefits for the children with birth defects who were born to women Vietnam veterans who were exposed to Agent Orange.

Secretary West has also indicated that he has asked the National Academy of Sciences (NAS) Institute of Medicine (IOM) for special review of evidence regarding diabetes being linked to exposure to Agent Orange in Vietnam.

Diabetes is the sixth-leading cause of death in the US and the leading cause of blindness. It can also lead to heart disease, stroke, kidney failure and limb amputation.

Any Vietnam veteran who experiences high blood sugar (127 and higher) on awaking should have it checked out with the VA Outpatient Clinic

or private physician.

For those who don't test their blood sugar levels, some of the symptoms are extreme thirst; frequent and high volume urination; tingling, burning, feelings like bee stings, and/or numbness in fingers and toes; extreme weakness/tiredness; hot flashes; blurred vision, and/or other unwell feelings.

Many diabetics may have no symptoms at all, until neuropathy and/or other conditions develop. Most diabetic damage will not go away, even after you start controlling your blood sugar.

There are many oral diabetic medications available, so you won't have to take insulin shots, unless none of the oral medications bring your sugar within the normal range (80-120).

The following conditions are recognized as service-connected for Vietnam veterans based on exposure to Agent Orange:

Chloracne

• Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma

• Soft Tissue Sarcoma

Hodgkin's Disease

• Porphyria Cutanea Tarda (PCT), a liver disease • Multiple Myeloma, a bone marrow type of can-

• Respiratory Cancers, including lung, larynx, trachea and bronchus

• Prostate Cancer

· Peripheral Neuropathy (transient acute and

• Spina Bifida in children of Vietnam veterans. Any Vietnam veterans who are interested in discussing diabetes and/or any Agent Orange exposure may call me at 886-3582 (1-877-373-3533 toll-

Call 886-7920 or visit Bo Belcher, Kentucky Department of Veterans Affairs in the Floyd County courthouse if you need to file a disability claim.

Alex Carroll

Disabled Vietnam veteran & insulin dependent diabetic Mare Creek, Stanville

More on religion and politics

In the past weeks, I have stated that the trilogy of politics, clerics and educators has created a lesser holocaust for our people. I have presented examples of political and education misdeeds that have become a part of the tapestry of life here, which has led to the destruction of our people. I will now turn to the role that religion has played.

It is difficult to categorize religion in Floyd County or in the whole of Appalachia, for that matter. There seems to be four basic groups: The mainstream churches; the splinter or irregular churches, which are a quasi part of the mainstream group; the storefront variety, whose main concern seems to be how long and how many spots a snake must have before it is considered holy; and last, the remnants of the coal camp ministry, imported here by the coal

The mainstream church, past and present, seems staid, aloof and engrossed in ritual, and to me, far removed from the ministry of Jesus of Nazareth,

which was earthly and direct among the common people. The thrust or theme of their ministries, unlike that of Christ, seems to be among the elite, the modern-day version of the Pharisees, who have anointed themselves. And this is, and always has been, a major part of our problem. It has not been their oxen that have been gored in this holocaust I have described. They, like the ministers and church members in the towns and villages surrounding the death camps in Germany and Poland, have remained silent as this holocaust has engulfed our people. Yet, I believe as Abe Lincoln stated, "Men sin by silence when they should speak out." And I believe also that we shall be judged on that final day for the acts of righteousness we did not do, as well as the sins we

The early settlers in Floyd County and Appalachia appear to have been earthy and often profane. Yet, it can be said that religion, almost a

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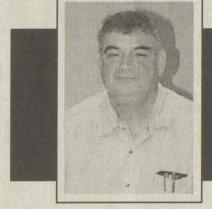
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Mountain Voices



by Willie Elliott Staff Writer

Give veterans the day off

Tomorrow is Veterans' Day — the day the nation pays tribute to those who served in the armed forces during both war and peace.

November 11 was set aside as Armistice Day in the United States to remember the sacrifices that men and women made during World War I in order to ensure a lasting peace.

On Armistice Day, traditionally, soldiers who survived the war marched in a parade through their home towns. Politicians and veteran officers gave speeches and held ceremonies of thanks for the peace they had won.

Americans still give thanks for peace on Veterans Day. There are ceremonies and speeches, and at 11 in the morning, most Americans observe a moment of silence, remembering those who fought

It seems like a big deal, so let's make it a big deal. At least give veterans the day off. If not, it's all talk. People would come up to a veteran and say, Inanks for going to the stinking hot jungle and fighting communism for a year while I fattened my portfolio." Or even worse, "What exactly did you do in the World War II?

I suggested that employers give veterans the day off. The veterans can get a group together and recount the heroic deeds we did for our country. If we did nothing heroic, which is the case here, we could talk about what it was like to be in 'Nam (veterans, pick your spot) at Christmas — not a pretty sight to see grown men cry when "White Christmas" is played.

Of course, the younger veterans would have to rehash the Gulf War. That would be OK, everybody to his/her own war. They had Colin Powell, while we had William Westmoreland. They got the best of us on that one.

I think I will make myself a name tag that reads: "I am a veteran. I served in Vietnam. I didn't especially like it. I don't plan to go back.'

So I brought the subject up at the paper, and, of course, they had an answer: "But this is the day we put Friday's paper together." Drats! Just my luck that the day would fall on a Thursday. Maybe there won't be any news for Friday — fat chance.

So I said, "Let's (veterans) take Wednesday off and pretend it's Thursday." If you see me gathering news on Wednesday, you will know the ploy did not work.

If not that, I will get Linda to fix something special for dinner, like water buffalo. No, I just threw that in. Linda doesn't even know how to fix water buffalo or any other kind of buffalo for that

I did learn some Vietnamese language while in the country. For example, the phrase "I no bick" means "what in tarnation are you people doing over here?" And "Mamma San do booko job" means "I will clean your boots during the day for money and have the Vietcong kill you at night."

I learned other phrases, but they can't be printed in a family newspaper.

I never did understand how all those American products made it to the streets of Saigon on the black market. I guess that accounts for the fact I came home broke while some came home wealthy. Americans who operated on the black

(See Veterans, page five)

Meeting the needs of farmers now

Dan Glickman

Because of the pressing need of farmers and ranchers across the country as a result of historically low commodity prices, Congress passed and President Clinton signed the agriculture appropriations bill,

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by U.S. Agriculture Secretary that included \$8.7 billion in emer-fashion to last year and, with the culture with some of the lowest fashion a bipartisan bill that will gency assistance. The cash crunch facing farmers compelled us at the expect the process to be very Department of Agriculture to hit the ground running. Our folks were well-prepared to implement the who sign up, we will provide 35 bill's various provisions even before its final passage.

So one business day after the President signed the bill, USDA started issuing payments. By Thanksgiving virtually all of the \$5.5 billion in income assistance paid as supplemental Market Transition Payments—will be in the hands of farmers.

Over the next couple of months, we expect to make the rest of the income assistance payments, including those for peanuts, approximately \$42 million; tobacco, \$328 million; and dairy, \$128 million.

The bill also includes \$1.2 biltion in crop loss disaster assistance and \$200 million for livestock assistance. USDA will administer crop loss payments in a similar

software already in place, we commodity prices in decades has smooth. We expect sign-up to begin by the end of the year. And for those percent of the money in advance on approved applications.

The bill also offers \$400 million for an estimated 25 percent crop insurance premium discount effective immediately. In doing so, Congress essentially passed into law the same action we took administratively last year. Since the sales date for winter wheat has passed, we are reopening sales for winer wheat through December 1.

Probably the thorniest provision in the bill involves \$475 million for soybeans and other oilseeds. Congress made the program details particularly complex so we expect it will take some time to get these payments out.

The excessive nature of the problems faced by American agri-

which comes on top of other payment programs already in place. All in all, total direct assistance to farmers for 1999 will be \$22.5 billion, the highest in history.

The fact that Congress has had to provide emergency assistance to farmers and ranchers for two years in a row is a tacit admission that the 1996 Farm Bill fails to provide farmers with an adequate safety net.

At USDA we are working on additional ideas to improve the farm bill to help shore up the farm safety net and provide farmers with the tools they need to prosper in a freemarket economy.

Many in Congress have indicated they will be putting forward some ideas of their own. I look forward to working with Congress early in the year, free of the pressures of the fall harvest and the budget battles of the new fiscal year, to

provide greater security for the men led to this emergency assistance and women of American agricul**Early Times** \$1395 ctn J & J Liquors Betsy Layne • 478-2477

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pastoral kind of religion, flourished grace, of love, of salvation, and a here, though its formal practice was personal in nature.

In warm weather, evangelists and revivalists come through our mountains, holding their meetings at central locations. I have seen these events through the eyes and voice of my grandmother. She spoke often of them, always with a wistful softness in her voice, and with eyes that saw beyond the far pavilions of time. Such, oral history and records state that these revivals were colorful, extremely popular social and religious events. The mind's eye sees huge circus-like tents, wagon loads of sawdust, folding chairs, banquet feast of food prepared by the ladies, each properly and coyly dressed in starched bonnets and their best bib and tuck-

History notes that these evangelists had a deep knowledge of the ministry of Christ, as well as a superior command of the spoken word. It was said that they could raise the hair on the back of your neck with sermons that spoke of

day when man's soul would rise to the brighter and better place. It seems, across the mists of time, a vision of the ministry of Christ, to comfort man in life and in death.

Tragically, this concept of religion was to change for our people, leading ultimately to a holocaust for generations yet unborn.

Economics, perhaps the Antichrist for both man and religion, moved into our mountains like an avalanche, sweeping our people, our culture, our religion before it.

The robber barons of the Industrial Revolution discovered the rich coalfields of Appalachia, which they bought for 25 cents or less per acre. But mining circa 1870-1910 in Floyd County presented problems. There were no roads, and the population was not concentrated enough to supply a labor force for a large mining effort. This led the coal barons to build mining camps such as Auxier, Wayland, Price and Wheelwright. These camps dotted the vast chestnut and oak forest of Appalachia, much as Solzhenitsyn's "Gulag Archipelagos" dotted the endless forest of Siberia.

Here, the coal barons attempted to create the "perfect economic man." He would live in a company house, work in a company mine, buy his food in the company store, attend a company church and, when the time came, be buried in a company cemetery. And finally, if he was ever due any pay on payday, he would be paid in company script. In reality, this "new economic man," the coal camp miner, was merely a more modern and legal slave. Prior forms of slavery in America, the white indentured servant or the Negro slave, were actually owned property, either for life or a specified period of time. Thus, the economic costs associated with their lives and labor, such as food, shelter and clothing, could be reduced or increased much as one controls a spigot or valve. But the coal camp miner was legally a free man, thus another route was necessary to control his desire for a higher quality of life, with its attendant higher labor costs. Religion was chosen to accomplish this end, by controlling the coal camp miner's mind and, thus, his desire for "earthly things."

Primarily, the coal barons reestablished or resurrected the "Adam view" of religion. This dismal, harsh vision of God had largely disappeared with the dark ages, giving way to Reformation and the Protestant movement. In the Adam view, man was born in sin, lived his life in sin, lived his life as a minuscule wretch while dangling above the fiery pits of hell by the thinnest of gossamer threads. The script for his life was to forego all earthly pleasures, seek to accumulate no earthly things and, after a life or brutally hard labor and a Spartan lifestyle, a stern and vengeful God just might let him sneak through the Pearly Gates. This was the religion of the coal barons brought to the coal camps of Eastern Kentucky. Its sole purpose appears to have been an economic one, which was to limit or severely curtail the coal camp miner and his family's desire of worldly things, such as clothes, cars, quality food, education and that horror of horrors, cosmetics and jewelry.

In the early years, the coal barons would tolerate no luxury that did not make a direct contribution to keeping a miner at the coal face, digging or loading coal. The coal barons' Adam view of religion was enforced and reinforced by a large army of goons, often Pinkerton Police, who would

descend on any protester or person identified by a rat fink as complaining about working conditions or the church. Many a coal miner was awakened at 2 a.m. on the coldest night of the year, to be told he was fired from his job and to have his family and earthly belongings thrown onto the street.

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These scenes seem reminiscent of German SS brutality against the Jewish people in 1938 and 1939. No one dared to protest, even a son, though it was his father and mother being tossed into the street. Do so, and you and your family and earthly goods would join them in the

It is difficult to deal in absolutes here, as this was a social, economic and religious movement. The coal barons probably retained absolute social, economic and religious dominance over the coals camps from 1880 through 1940, when world events began to challenge their control.

But 60 years, covering three generations of people, was enough. The culture, the religion, the independence of our mountain people was destroyed in these coal camps, as surely as European Jewish culture was destroyed in the death camps of the holocaust. Our people became meek, passive, subservient, afraid to speak out, regardless of the enormity of the social, political or economic wrong done to them.

Tragically, our lesser holocaust did not end with the demise of the coal barons. Politicians, who had been ruled with an iron hand by the coal barons, stepped into the power vacuum they left behind and have ruled our people ever since. We shall discuss this in a future narra-

Lloyd Goble Prestonsburg

LPN speaks out

Editor:

I am an LPN and have dedicated 17 years to Highlands Regional Medical Center. I did go to school to become an LPN, and I do consider myself a professional. I have worked very hard for Highlands

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Veterans-

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market should not have a Veterans Day but should be forced to watch military training films from daylight until dark.

I suppose I have it lucky. I can look back on the experience with a sense of humor. I suppose that is not possible for many veterans. For that I am thankful, but I still want my day off.





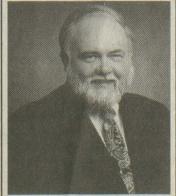
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Sidney B. (Sonny)

Marshall Jr.

51, of Martin, died Sunday,

November 7, 1999, at his residence,

Martin, he was the son of Blanch

Opal Osborne Hall of Maytown,

following an extended illness.

and the late Sid Marshall.

Baptist Church, Martin.

Emma Jeane Akers Marshall.

Sidney B. (Sonny) Marshall, Jr.,

Born on August 21, 1948, in

He was a member of the First

He was survived by his wife,

Other survivors include one son,

John W. Marshall of Martin; six

brothers, Jimmy Franklin Marshall

of Ypsilanti, Michigan, Fred K.

Marshall and Harlos Marshall, both

of Langley, Clyde Doug Marshall

of Lexington, Carlos Marshall of

Saline, Michigan, Bobby McGuffy

of Scottsville; four sisters, Rebecca

Hall of Martin, Peggy Sue Spangler

of Mt. Gilead, Ohio, Cendia Marie

Hall of Langley, and Ada Weaver of

ducted Wednesday, November 10,

at 11 a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier

Funeral Home, Martin, with Paul

Vernon Damron and others officiat-

Akers Cemetery, Banner, under the

direction of the Nelson-Frazier

Burial will be in the Burnis

Funeral services will be con-

Cement City, Michigan.

Funeral Home, Martin.

Richard Roberts

Richard "Bebay" Roberts, 68. of Virgie, died Sunday, November

He was born August 31, 1931, at Caney Creek, Pikeville, the son of the late James and Fairy Belle Branham Roberts.

He retired from Bethlehem Steele and was a member of the U.M.W.A.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Elva Jane Branham

He is survived by one daughter, Tracy Cantrell of Virgie; one sister, Dicie Bun Little of Caney Highway; and three grandsons.

Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday, November 10, at 1 p.m., at R.S. Jones & Son Funeral Home, Virgie, with Carson Wright, Eles Case and Kermit Wright officiating.

Burial will be in the Clarence Little Cemetery, Caney Highway, under the direction of R.S. Jones & Son Funeral Home.

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Religious Education Classes:

Willard Stapleton

Harold, died Tuesday, November 9,

1999, at Pikeville Methodist

Hospital, following an extended ill-

Born on October 6, 1910, in

Johnson County, he was the son of

the late Charlie and Molly Conley

Stapleton. He was a retired state

employee of Jenny Wiley State

Ollene Anderson Stapleton; five

sons, Lanny Stapleton of Spokane,

Washington, Randy Stapleton of

Boldman, Bruce Stapleton, Mickey

Stapleton, and Nicky Todd

Stapleton all of Harold; two daugh-

ters, Genda Tackett of Louisa, and

Sandy Bentley of Stanville; one

brother, Earnest Stapleton of Haysi,

Virginia; three sisters, Beulah Allen

of Maytown, Irene Hall of

Shelbiana, and Lorene Trimble of

Meta; 11 grandchildren and one

Funeral services will be con-

ducted Friday, November 12, at 11

a.m., at the Little Rock Old Regular

Baptist Church, Bevinsville, with

ministers of the Old Regular

Johnson Cemetery, Bevinsville,

under the direction of the Nelson-

Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Burial will be in the Tom

Baptist Church officiating.

great-grandchild.

Survivors include his wife,

Willard Stapleton, 89, of

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Thursday this vehicle jumped the curb and rammed into the brick wall in front of the Justice Center in Prestonsburg. According to police records, the driver did not want a police report. Minimal damage was done to the vehicle, but the wall of the Justice Center was damaged. (photo by Willie Elliott)

Economic development is subject of Virginia meeting

"Moving Mountains," an economic summit to spur creative ideas about Appalachian development, is planned for Friday, November 19, at Mountain Empire Community College in Big Stone Gap, Virginia.

The conference, featuring speakers from other areas of the country that have overcome obstacles to economic growth, is designed to help community leaders think about how to develop goals to accelerate economic and community develop-

Area persons who are interested in attending should contact Jean Dorton, director of the Rural Community College Initiative Prestonsburg (RCCI) Community College, 606/886-3863, ext. 350.

The focus of the meeting will be the success of the communities of Tupelo, Mississippi; Chattanooga, Tennessee, and northern Michigan.

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Continuous community reinvestment has resulted in more than a thousand individual jobs a year for the last 15 years and the best school system in the state. Tupelo has received three All-America City

Chattanooga was declared the country's most polluted city in 1969. Today, it is heralded as the "sustainable city." It has restored blighted neighborhoods in the downtown and has created a community involvement process to determine community priorities.

The Tennessee city has received two UN awards and recognition as one of the world's 12 "best practice cities" for its strong commitment to economic and environmental sus-

tainability. The rural Upper Peninsula of Michigan had unemployment of 22 percent following copper mining and military base closings. Northern Michigan University created Northern Initiatives to build the regional economy through business development, work force development, and strategic alliances between businesses and

educational institutions. Today, unemployment is lower than when mining dominated employment and is at historic lows for the region. The turnaround has I been built on "next generation" [businesses not linked to the boom and bust cycle of mining.

Speakers for the economic summit include

· Richard Anderson, president of I-Point, a private economic development consulting firm, and former director of Northern Initiatives;

· Dr. Vaughan Grisham, director of the McLean Institute for Community Development and professor of sociology at the University of Mississippi, as well as Senior Fellow with the Southern Growth Policies Board and Associate with the Kettering

Foundation; • Dr. Jim Catanzaro, president of Chattanooga State Technical Community College (CSTCC);

· Josh Gage, director of Sustainable Community Initiatives at CSTCC and director of the Chattanooga Institute's Living Laboratory Exchange Program.

The meeting is sponsored by Mountain Empire Community College with financial support from the Ford Foundation RCCI, Virginia Foundation for the Humanities and Public Policy, and Appalachian Regional

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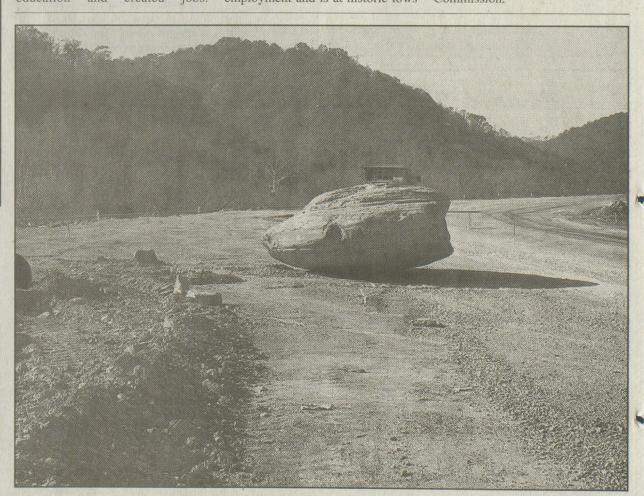
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No, it's not a alien ship as some have imagined that has come to check on the widening of KY 114 below the Mountain Arts Center. Reverend Johnnie Ross, who works with the Kentucky Highway Department, said the rock has no geological or archeological value. The rock will probably end up in someone's yard. If the rock ends up at your house, let us know. (photo by Willie Elliott)

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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 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.

G.E.D. classes Linda Bailey of The David School

Social Security rep at Mud Creek

12:30 p.m. Classes are free.

will teach G.E.D. classes at the

each Tuesday from 8:30 a.m. to

A social security representative will visit the Mud Creek Clinic each Tuesday during the month of November. He/she will assist people in filing social security claims and appeals. People can also apply for Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Black Lung and Social Security numbers.

Entertainment changed at FCRTA meet

The Floyd County Retired Teachers Association will meet in regular session on December 2 at 10 a.m. at May Lodge. The Prestonsburg High School was scheduled to present a Christmas program. The program will be presented by Ron Vanover, director of recreation and interpretation at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park. A business session will follow.

Hicks reunion

The Smith Hicks reunion will be held Saturday, November 13, at May Lodge, Jenny Wiley State Resort Park. Luncheon buffet will be at 1 p.m., with the meeting and social gathering at 3 p.m. For further information, call 886-3108.

Floyd County Arts council to hold meeting

The meeting of the Floyd County Arts council for November 9, as listed in the Kentucky Arts Council Connections newsletter, has been transferred to November 22. The meeting will be from 6 to 8 p.m., at the Mountain Arts Center. The group will consider activities for the Arts Council. One topic of interest is Cultural/Heritage tourism especially related to persons tracing their geneology, and how this relates to the study of cemeteries in the county.

Driving course postponed

The 55-Alive Driving Course which was tentatively scheduled to be held November 15-16, by Jenny Wiley Chapter No. 3528, American Association of Retired Persons (AARP), has had to be cancelled, and will be rescheduled in the

Bingham gathering

Grave Markers for Joshua and Mariah Hammonds Bingham and daughter Laura have been installed in the Slone Cemetery on Town Branch, Prestonsburg. A gathering will be 1 p.m. Saturday, November 13 at the Town Branch Full Gospel Church followed by a visit to the nearby cemetery.

Their cemetery and spouses Sarah and Preacher Jim Lafferty, Jefferson and Darcus Stephens, Samuel and Nettie Derrossett, Solomon and Julia Johnson, Laura and Harve Banks and Deborah and Henry Clinton Herald have in excess of two thousand one hundred descendants. Bingham Family Historian and Genealogist Stephen Bingham and Rev. W. B. Bingham, founder of Binghamton Baptist Church, will attend.

Clark Family Resource Center Nursing services

A nurse from the Floyd County Health Department is the center on Fridays. Services available: Physicals for the 5th grade students entering 6th grade in the next school year; pre-school, headstart, and kindergarten physicals; physicals for any student, age birth-21 years old; blood pressure screening, TB skin tests, baby shots. Call the center at 886-0815 for an appointment. These services are available to anyone in the community.

Advisory Council Meeting-November 10, at 4:30 p.m., at the

Parent Support Group Meeting-November 10, noon;

Recycling Program—Program for Mud Creek Community Family students, kindergarten through Resource/Youth Service Center grade 3, November 17.

Parent/Child Lunch Parents are encouraged to eat lunch with their children, November 18.

"Kindergarten for Parents," November 23, at 8:30 a.m.

South Floyd SBDM meet

The South Floyd Middle School will hold its SBDM meeting on November 11, at 6:30 p.m. The meeting is open to the public.

Allen Central High Youth services center

There will be a meeting of the Allen Central High Youth Services Center Advisory Council on Wednesday, November 10, at 4 p.m.

> Free clinic in Magoffin

Philippine Medical Association of Greater Eastern Kentucky is having a free clinic for patients without medical card or insurance on Saturday, November 13 from 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 3 p.m. at the Magoffin County Health Department. Seeing patients will be Dr. Pedro Arriola, urology; Dr. Linda Arriola, anesthesia; Dr. Bonnie Aranas, family practice; Dr. Francisco Rivera, surgery; Dr. Aida Larumbe and Dr. Corazon Chua, psychiatry; Dr. Penny Grino, obstetrics and gynecology; and Dr. Portia Canos, internal medicine.

CAP clothing giveaway

Free clothing will be available to income-eligible families and individuals on Monday, November 15, at the Christian Appalachian Project's Outreach Services facility on KY 321 (old US 23) at Hager Hill. The giveaway will run from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. In case of rain on Monday, the event will be on Tuesday, November 16.

Card of Thanks

The family of Gladis Hall would like to express their appreciation to everyone who shared in their recent loss. Thanks to all who sent food, flowers, prayers, or just spoke comforting words. A special thanks to the Rebecca Church, and the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

THE FAMILY OF GALDIS HALL

Card of Thanks

The family of Mary Daniels would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their help in the loss of our loved one: those who sent food, flowers, or just spoke comforting words. We deeply appreciate you all. A special thanks to the Stone Coal Regular Baptist Church; the Regular Baptist ministers for their comforting words; Sue, Buretta and Brenda for all the special help they gave to our family; the sheriff's department for their assistance in traffic control; and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

THE FAMILY OF MARY DANIELS

Card of Thanks

The family of Robert "Bob" Lee Shultz would like to extend their appreciation to all those friends, neighbors and loved ones who helped them during their time of sorrow. Thanks to all who sent food, flowers, prayers, or spoke comforting words. A special thanks to Clergyman Bennie Blankenship for his comforting words, and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and efficient service.

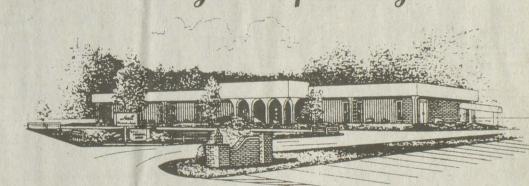
> THE FAMILY OF ROBERT "BOB" LEE SHULTZ

Card of Thanks

The family of Margie Collins 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, or words of comfort expressed. A special thanks to the Regular Baptist ministers for their comforting words; the sheriff's department for their assistance in traffic control; and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

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> THE FAMILY OF **HOMER McKINZIE**

Card of Thanks

The family of Billie Joe Hall wishes to gratefully acknowledge the thoughtfulness and kindness of friends, relatives, and neighbors in the loss of our loved one. Thanks to all who sent food, flowers, prayers, or spoke comforting words. We are especially grateful to 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 BILLY JOE HALL

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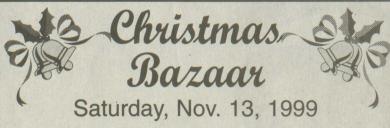
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work there, and I feel it is their privilege to have me as an employee.

As for being afraid of someone taking my job while I'm on strike, I'm no more afraid now than before we came out. I worked night shift for 10 years, before transferring to day shift seven years ago. I felt I had a pretty secure position until a couple of years ago, when I started having to cover night shift while a less senior person worked days doing the same job I did (staff

This was not because I wasn't doing my job. I have always received excellent evaluations. I feel this was one of the processes by management to begin to break the union by getting rid of the more senior workers who have accumulated weeks of vacation, sick time and earned personal days by being dependable, hard-working people and replacing them with as-needed and part-time workers with little or no benefits.

As for being ashamed, I'm on the picket line just about every morning and I am not ashamed to show my face, unlike some people wearing bags over their heads and leaning down in the back seat of scab vans driven by overpaid security guards, who, by the way, were hired by Highlands to replace very capable guards who had dedicated 10 to 15 years of service.

As for the so-called caring professional nurses on the inside, just how caring are these people who are crossing the picket line every morning and evening just to get a paycheck, while their co-workers and friends are on the line fighting for their rights and benefits?

As for the people in the community who may want our jobs, they might better think twice about that,

ate a contract with fair wages, seniority rights, job security and health care benefits, you and our future workers (our children and grandchildren) won't have a chance

And as for the yard sale business, Mr. West, maybe we just decided to do some fall cleaning and clean out our closets.

Karen Herald, LPN SEIU 1199 McDowell

Commends actions of some

Editor:

First, I would like to commend you for printing all the letters you have received from either party of the labor dispute at Highlands Regional Medical Center, I have found that your approach is very admirable, compared to some of the preceding editors of the Times.

I would also like to commend the local and district leadership for their conduct during the period that has gone by since September 2. The members of 1199 have been complimented by very many of the persons who were forced to go to the physicians whose offices are housed in the medical center.

The persons who have relayed their thoughts to me said how nice and considerate those persons were and also stated that it was a hard decision to make, whether to be canceled as a patient by the doctor or to cross the picket lines. Each person I talked to informed me that although they regretted having to

find another doctor, of which there are very few in the surrounding

I also would like to commend the doctor who is standing upon the principles he lives by. Our prayers are with him, that something will happen that can enable this admirable doctor to remain in this

The actions of the medical center concerning this doctor have brought reproach to this area. This example should cast away all doubts whether the medical center is bargaining unfairly with the union members, in contrast to what they have stated in their many articles and ads.

Ms. Rubado and others have continuously asked the leadership of the union to allow the members to vote. Sunday, October 31 made the third time that the members were given that privilege since this dispute began and, for the third time, the members voted secret ballots not to accept the last and "best" proposal of the medical center.

This should send a message both to the administration and the board of trustees that all the public relacolors shine through.

The 1199 union, which is composed of the members of Highlands Regional Medical Center, does not need out-of-state people to dictate to them what their desires and needs are. They are very intelligent people who have intelligently made HRMC what it is today.

It would seem to appear that a great deal of thought went into this matter, by both the board and administration, and I am very sad to assume that each branch of leadership in the medical center chose the course they did. Because of this decision, the workers suffer and the community suffers, also.

Our community consists of religious foundations, park systems and many diverse businesses, but mostly it consists of family ties, friendships, being a good neighbor, etc. But through the actions of a few trustees and administrative staff, our community pride has been tarnished and it may cause other businesses which may desire to locate in our area to think again.

This has gone on long enough. The local leadership did what you

their choice, it is time to return to tory will not repeat itself. the bargaining table with a sincere effort to get this dispute concluded

and feel I have earned the right to because without a union to negoti- cross, they could not risk having to tions gibberish is letting their true requested. They spoke their convic- and let us build for a better future tions. Now that you know that it is and learn from the past, so that his-

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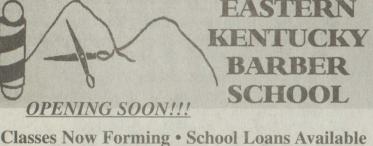
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Water supply plans are in place as drought continues

Last week's rain did not lessen the drought. The Central and Bluegrass regions of the state remain in severe drought status, and the Eastern and Western regions are in moderate drought status. Some people are beginning to ask where water will come from if a community runs out.

Each community is responsible for planning for potential water emergencies. Following the 1988 drought, the General Assembly passed legislation that mandated water supply planning for each county. The deadline for county water supply plans was July 15, 1999. All counties have now completed those plans.

Each county water supply plan contains longrange planning to be sure adequate supplies will be available for the future as well as a water shortage response plan to address emergencies. The water shortage response plans include advising customers when water supplies begin to dwindle.

There are four phases to these plans: an advisory requests voluntary conservation; an alert continues the request for voluntary conservation and bans non-essential water use, such as watering lawns and washing sidewalks; a critical (emergency) phase bans both non-essential and some socially or economically essential uses. such as commercial car washes, laundromats and agricultural irrigation; and a rationing phase allocates water to sustain

mum standards of hygiene and sanitation.

Communities should have instituted ordinances (or may adopt them as the need arises) to enable them to enforce these measures.

Each resident of a community is responsible for acting to help conserve water during water emergencies. Preparing in advance for various water emergencies should prevent communities from running out of water.

There are presently 125 water systems in some stage of their water shortage response plans. Four systems are in the critical phase. They are Manchester Water Works and North Manchester Water (Clay Co.), Owingsville Water Works (Bath Co.) and Olive Hill Municipal Water Works (Carter Co.).

Thirty-eight systems are operating under the alert phase. They include: Henderson Settlement (Bell Co.); Cumberland Water Works, Evarts Municipal Water Works, Gilley Hollow Water System and Lynch Water Plant (Harlan Co.); McCreary County Water District; Elizabethtown Municipal Water Works Plant A (Hardin Co.); East Logan Water District, North Logan Water District and Russellville Municipal Water (Logan Co.); Todd County Water District (Plants A & B); Alton Water District, Lawrenceburg Municipal Water Works and South Anderson

essential uses, such as human life and mini- Water District (Anderson Co.); South Elkhorn Water District (Jessamine Co.); Hindman Municipal Water Dept. (Knott Co.); Owenton Water Works and Tri-Village Water District (Owen Co.); Booneville Water & Sewer District (Owsley Co.); Beech Fork Water Commission, Clay City Water Plant, Powell Valley Water District and Stanton Water Works (Powell Co.); Georgetown Municipal Water Service (Scott Co.); Bath County Water District and Sharpsburg Water District (Bath Co.); Cynthiana Municipal Water Works and Harrison County Water Association (Harrison Co.); Jeffersonville Water System, Judy Water Association, Levee Road Water Association, Montgomery County Water District #1, Mt. Sterling Water & Sewer System and Reid Village Water Association (Montgomery Co.); Nicholas County Water District; and Butler Municipal Water, East Pendleton County Water District and Pendleton County Water District South (Pendleton Co.).

Another 73 systems have issued advisories requesting voluntary conservation.

See the following web site for more information about water supply plans:

http://water.nr.state.ky.us/wsp/. Information on water shortage response planis available

http://water.nr.state.ky.us/wspWSP7.htm and at http://water.nr.state.ky.us/wsp/wsp10b.htm.

Economic development is focus of workshop

Gordon Duke, commissioner of the Kentucky Department of Financial Incentives, will be the guest speaker at a workshop for economic developers, local elected officials, industry leaders, and anyone interested in creating jobs in their local communities.

Southern Kentucky Economic Development Corporation and The Center for Rural Development are sponsoring this interactive meeting on Tuesday, November 16, from noon to 1 p.m.

The free lunchtime workshop will be broadcast live via videoconference form The Center for Rural Development in Somerset, to eight of its CenterNet sites. CenterNet is a regional network bringing vast new telecommunications capabilities to counties in southern and eastern

During the teleconference, Duke will discuss state financial assistance available to local communities to assist businesses in expanding and attracting new investment.

He will describe tax credit programs, low-interest loan funds, and employee training assistance available from the Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development.

Sites offering the November 16 workshop include Mountain Arts Center in Prestonsburg.

The program is free, but space is limited, so call the MAC at 606/889-9125 or The Center for Rural Development at 606/677-6000.

ARH to close Sandra Robertson, guest speaker, read a poem at the close of the recent Breast Cancer Awareness Tea Party at McDowell Appalachian | Manual Happital (sheets by Micholle Fowler) |

During the annual meeting in Lexington on October 29, the board of trustees of Appalachian Regional Healthcare Inc., voted to issue a 60-day notice of closure of the Man, West Virginia, ARH facilities and to pursue other options for the disposition of Man ARH.

The board's decision affects Man ARH Hospital, its two hospital-based clinics, Accoville Clinic, the Gilbert Clinic, Pineville Physical Therapy Clinic and Man ARH Home Health Agency.

The ARH Homecare Stores at Man and Pineville are not affected and

Stephen C. Hanson, ARH president and chief executive officer, said that the board's decision came after two years of exploring ways to improve the facility's financial situation, which has continued to decline.

"Decisions like this, which affect a large number of long-time, dedicated employees are never easy," Hanson said, "and for two years ARH remained hopeful that this day would not have to come.

'The board has carefully evaluated all options, however, and concluded that the ARH system cannot continue to sustain the Man operation.

The ARH board of trustees said it regrets these actions and pledges to work with the community to investigate alternative uses of the assets.

ARH is a private, not-for-profit health care system with hospitals, clinics, home health agencies and other health services in central Appalachia.



This shot taken from Jenny Wiley State Resort Park Lodge mixes the green of the pines with the water and fall colors. The park is a good place to view some of the best fall foliage in the state. (photo by Willie



(Continued from page eight)

I would also like to commend all other physicians, patients and members of the community who have received their medical treatment from Our Lady of the Way in Martin and Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center in Paintsville. These folks made a choice of support, not out of fear, but out of respect for the workers at Highlands Regional Medical

I would urge the board and adminis-

tration to get back to what the hospital's main purpose really is, caring for patients, before these fine folk decide the care they're receiving elsewhere is very satisfactory and decide to stay with those facilities. In the long run, the hospital suffers, not the board nor the administration (maybe).

God bless the 1199 employees of HRMC. God save our hospital. Ellis J. Stevens, Martin

FFA's National show

Companies were new exhibitors at the 34th annual FFA National Agricultural Career Show during the 72nd National FFA Convention, held in Louisville, October 26-29.

This is the first year the Convention was located in Louisville. For the past 71 years it has been held in Kansas City. Approximately 52,000 attended this year's Convention.

The career show, an integral part of the convention, offers students the opportunity to meet with agricultural industry leaders and to explore individual career interests. It showcases the diversity of agriculture and its related fields and presents helpful information, in a trade show setting. The event brings together current

Kentucky Farm Bureau Insurance industry leaders with those of the future.

FFA is a national organization of 450,752 members preparing for leadership and careers in the science, business and technology of agriculture. The organization has 7,503 local chapters located throughout the United States, Puerto Rico, Guam and the Virgin Islands.

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Regional Hospital. (photo by Michelle Fowler)

Mayo Moments

by Linda Lyon

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In keeping with that effort we are working on a project to bring together the people who have worked at or attended school on the Mayo Campus. Many of our alumni and former employees have contacted us.

I want to encourage anyone who either went to school here or worked at Mayo in the past to contact us by email or letter. Our address mayotc@kctcs.net <mailto:mayto us at 513 Third St., Paintsville,

KY 41240. We plan a homecoming sort of celebration and need your addresses, phone numbers and dates when you attended or worked at Mayo.

Christmas is approaching. I want to remind you again that you can make a Christmas gift that will keep on giving. Have you considered a scholarship gift as an addition to your Christmas list?

I hear from time to time from former students who went to Mayo because of the generosity of someone who wanted to make a differnce in someone's life. They are

so appreciative of the person who made it possible for them to become the man or woman they are today.

You can be that person who reaches out and forever changes the course of a life restricted by income and family history to a narrowed existence. You can help a student prepare for a career that will move him or her out of the

welfare rut into a productive life. This gift will not only benefit the student but also will impact all the people in his/her life from this point on. It will provide a better life for the family, a better employee for a business, more money in the community, a better citizen for

society and the list goes on. You can help break the chain of mere existence when you give the gift of education. Call Billy Breeding at Mayo today to find out how you can fund or help fund a scholarship. It's a gift of love.

Mayo will begin pre-registration for the next semester on November 11. Registration for new students will be held January 4, 2000. If you want to enroll in the Spring Semester, you need to apply now for admission. Call or contact Patty McKenzie at extenis sion 235 or email patty.mckenzie@kctcs.net otc@kctcs.net> or you may write <mailto:patty.mckenzie@kctcs.net > for more information.

Remember that it is getting late for financial aid. You need to get those applications in process. You can begin the process online. Go to www.mayotech.org/schinfo.htm http://www.mayotech.org/schin- fo.htm> to find the online applica-

Mayo Technical College will have a recruiting day at the Paintsville/Johnson County Library on Thursday, November 18. Hours are 9:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. Teachers will be available to talk with potential and/or interested individuals about Mayo and class offerings.

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Shepherd artwork exhibited at MAC

This month, the Mountain Arts Center is featuring the artwork of Shannon Shepherd, a Magoffin County native and art teacher at Betsy Layne High School.

Shepherd's exhibition is called "Granny's Front Porch: A collection from the memories of Shannon Shepherd."

Shepherd works in several mediums including aquatint, line etching, and acrylics.

"By way of producing works, I hope to represent and preserve the images, ideals, and beliefs that have influenced my life and shaped me as an artist," Shepherd said.

Shepherd said his earlier paintings did not reveal his far-rural eastern Kentucky upbringing by his mother and extended family. He said his present and future arts pieces would reflect that upbringing. "This way of life, this sheltered nature, is slowly changing and eventually disappearing and these images will serve as a memory book for my family and as a history book for my children and their future generations," Shannon added.

Grant funds allocated to Magoffin group

A Magoffin County program to enhance Kentucky's grazing and forage industry has been allocated grants by the Kentucky Department of Agriculture in its latest round of the Value-Added Grants Program.

The monies, part of a total \$1.44 million in department grants, will be used by Kentucky farm groups and organizations to add value to their raw agricultural products.

The grant was part of a grant distribution totaling \$190,998.

"Several of these grants will be used by producer groups to pay for no-till drills," said Kentucky's Commissioner of Agriculture Billy Ray Smith. "Because so much of our forage crop was lost to this year's drought, these drills will get a tremendous amount of use by farmers as they attempt to re-seed pastures and hay fields.

The Department of Agriculture awarded the grants based on recommendations from its Marketing Development Advisory Board. That board is made up of farmers, representatives from agribusiness and

They, along with over 150 committee members, studied the 175 grant applications and approved those projects that they felt were feasible and would add value to agricultural enterprises.

Magoffin County's Conservation District will receive \$3,588 in grant funds.

Earlier this year, \$2.1 million was awarded in the first round of funding for the department's valueadded grants program. This program was funded by the Kentucky State Legislature with the support of Gov. Paul Patton.

Insurance agent training offered

The Center for Rural Development in Somerset and Somerset Technical College are offering a series of continuing education classes for insurance agents.

The classes will be presented at the Center, as well as through distance-learning at sites in Adair, Estill, Jackson, Knott, Laurel and Wayne counties.

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• Insurance Fraud Awareness, 8 CE credits, November 18, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., register by November 10; or March 9, register by March 1; or May 13, register by May 5.

· Annuity Concepts, 8 CE credits, January 15, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., register by January 7; or June 10, register by June 2.

· Disability Income, 4 CE credits, March 8, 4 to 8 p.m., register by March 1; or May 12, 4 to 8 p.m., register by May 5.

Cost for each of the four-hour classroom courses is \$60, including text, while the eight-hour courses are \$120 each, including text. Preregistration and prepayment are required.

The college is also an approved provider for several correspondence courses worth 12 CE credits. These Liability Umbrella include Coverage, Ethical Practices, Long Term Care, and Commercial Property Coverage. Each of these classes costs \$85.

For more information or to register, call David Wiles, Somerset Technical College training and development coordinator, at 606/677-4049, ext. 154, or e-mail david.wiles@kctcs.net.

In Knott County, the training site will be the Knott Branch of Hazard Community College in Hindman.



Air Force Airman Austin W.C. Lumpkins has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas. During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization, and customs and received special training in human relations. In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force. Lumpkins is the son of Dennis and Deborah P. Lumpkins of Allen. The airman is a 1998 graduate of Prestonsburg High School.



This striking acrylic pose of Shepherd's grandmother and grandfather, which he affectionately entitled "Papaw and Granny," is just one of the many eye-catching paintings and drawings included in the exhi-



Chimneys became a favorite subject of Shepherd and he said he felt compelled to do this aquatint/line etching of Uncle Henry's house. Shepherd said the chimney symbolized the strength of the mountain people who survived the Great Flood. (photos by Willie Elliott)

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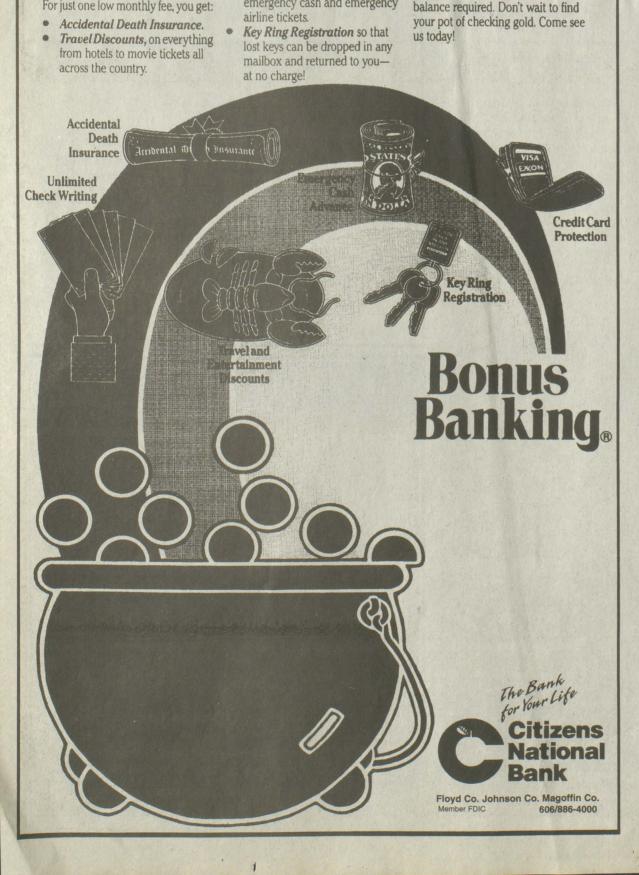
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Winter weather preparatio

Week for Kentucky is set for November 15 through November 19. With the recent cold temperatures our weather thoughts have switched to the events that are sure to come. Now is the time to prepare for the elements of winter weather, cold, snow, and ice.

Every year Kentuckians will experience the disruptions that can occur from snow storms, ice storms or severe cold spells. Last year the state of Kentucky experienced a fairly quiet winter. In fact, Harlan, Letcher and Pike counties in the southeast corner of the state received most of their winter snows, 12 to 25 inches, in the month of March.

Other recent winters serve as reminders of the severe conditions that can affect our area. In January 1996, a two-day storm brought widespread 1 to 2 feet snows to eastern Kentucky, and in January 1994 a snowstorm blanketed much of the same area with more than a

The January 1994 storm was followed by record cold, with widespread temperatures of 20 to 30 below zero.

In major winter storms, preparation can be the key to survival.

Winter Weather Awareness Take some time to get ready long before the storm strikes.

At home, keep the following items available: flashlights and extra batteries, battery powered NOAA Weather Radio and portable AM/FM radio, extra food and water, extra medicine, and

first aid supplies. Always maintain an adequate supply of heating fuel, since fuel carriers may not be able to reach you after a major winter storm. If you have an emergency heating source such as a fireplace, wood stove or space heater, be sure it is working properly, and is properly ventilated

Fully check and winterize your vehicle before the winter season begins. Keep the following items in your vehicle: blankets, flashlight, high calorie non-perishable food, jumper cables, tow rope, shovel, sack of sand, and windshield scraper.

Keep your gas tank near full to avoid ice in the tank and fuel lines. Check the latest weather reports before you travel. Try not to travel alone, and let someone know your primary and alternate routes.

If a snowstorm traps you in your car, do not panic. Stay with your vehicle. Run the heater about

10 minutes each hour, and keep the exhaust pipe clear of snow. Open the window a little for fresh air to avoid carbon monoxide poi-

Make yourself visible to rescuers by turning the dome light on at night when running the engine. Tie a brightly colored cloth to the antenna or door. Exercise from time to time by vigorously moving your arms and legs to keep blood circulating, and to stay warm.

Whether at home or traveling, always dress to fit the season. When going outside wear loose fitting, warm clothing in several layers. Layers can be removed to avoid perspiration and subsequent chill. Outer garments should be tightly woven, water repellent, and hooded.

Since half of your body's heat loss can be from the head, it is important to wear a hat or hood. Also, always be sure to wear mittens or gloves.

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VSA arts of Kentucky is a nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting the creative power in people with disabilities. Proceeds from the sale of the cards will go toward enhancing existing programs and creating new program for

Kentuckians with disabilities.

VSA arts of Kentucky serves all seven of the state's congressional districts, conducting outreach and education programs in 53 counties. Additionally, VSA arts of Kentucky supports nine arts festivals throughout Kentucky, serving nearly 6,000

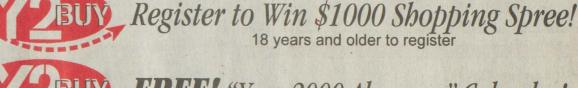
The Kentucky organization was the recipient of a national award from VSA arts in Washington, D.C., for unprecedented growth in 1998, as well as the Kentucky Governor's Award in the Arts.

VSA arts was founded in 1974

by Jean Kennedy Smith and is an affiliate of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington, D.C. It is dedicated to providing educational opportunities through the arts for children and adults with disabilities.

For more information on VSA arts of Kentucky, call Ginny Miller in Bowling Green, at 270/781-9872 or Mary Claire O'Neal in Frankfort, at 502/564-3775.





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Members of a unique Kentucky family will be honored at 4 p.m. on November 12, at the Union County Courthouse in Morganfield in western Kentucky.

The Luckett family stands out in patriotism and service to the country in that six brothers were inducted into the Armed Forces during World War II. A seventh brother was inducted, but was later released for medical reasons.

Due to the efforts of Thomas Preston Luckett of Morganfield, one of the four surviving brothers, his family will be honored in a ceremony conducted by BG (Ret) Leslie E. Beavers, Commissioner of Kentucky Department of Veterans' Affairs.

State Representative Dr. John Arnold, Jr. will also be attending.

The family includes two Army veterans and four Navy veterans. The seventh brother, Lloyd Burch Luckett, who did not enter the service, worked as a fireman on the Camp Breckinridge Army Base, as did his father, J.M. Luckett.

All six sons who entered the military services survived the war. They served their country spanning the globe from Central Europe to the Philippines.

The immediate families of the three deceased brothers will receive the Presidential Memorial Citation. These will be presented to the families of Marion William Luckett, John Mills Luckett, and Elisha Jerome Luckett.

Thomas Preston Luckett, Robert M. Luckett, and Terry Young Luckett. will receive State Certificates of Appreciation.

Family members will be on hand for the ceremony, and it will be open to the public. A private reception will follow the ceremony.

Centre College promoted for presidential debate in 2000

In a letter to the Commission on Presidential Debates, Gov. Paul Patton and the entire Kentucky Congressional Delegation is urging the commission to select Centre College in Danville as a site for a presidential debate in 2000.

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When Centre was announced as a finalist for a debate site in October, Patton said, "We have the experience of hosting a debate in Louisville in 1984 and historically, Kentucky has been a bellwether indicator in presidential politics. We would urge the Presidential Debate Commission to select Danville and Centre as a debate site.' The letter to Frank J. Farenkopf

and Paul G. Kirk Jr., co-chairmen of the Commission on Presidential Debates, cites Danville's location as a "charming small town atmosphere while still boasting a world class performing arts facility, a president who has worked with your commission, and close proximity to transportation and adequate housing facilities."

Historical society to meet Saturday

Dr. Gordon B. McKinney, director of the Appalachian Studies Center at Berea College, will address the regular fall meeting of the Big Sandy Valley Historical Society at St. Jude's Catholic Church at Louisa, Saturday, November 13.

McKinney's address, "The Appalachian People and Their History," at 1 p.m., is free to the public.

The program will include folk songs by song writer, recording artist, and TV personality Billie Sue Graybeal, the 1998 winner of the national American Heritage Music Contest, sponsored by the Daughters of The American Resolution (DAR).

McKinney, educated at Bates College and Northwestern University, has been professor of history at Valdosta State University, Western Carolina University, and the University of Maryland. He is presently completing research on a book to be published in April, "The Civil War in Western North Carolina."

An 11 a.m. meeting of the society board of directors will be followed by a noon luncheon.



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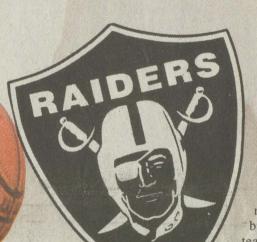
Monica McKinney

by Ed Taylor Sports Editor

The South Floyd Lady Raiders basketball team has not found the success other teams have enjoyed and the reason could be because they have been so young and inexperienced.

As the 1999-2000 year opens, they will be have the experience but the numbers will down — way down. In summer camps, South Floyd had nearly 30 players partic-

South Floyd's McKinney looking to contribute



ipating. But as basketball

practice opened on October 15, the numbers had dwindled to 13, with the possibility of a transfer student making the team.

One of the four returning seniors will be Monica McKinney, who will fill one of the forward slots.

McKinney said the lack of numbers could be a problem, but that will not distract this team, which is hoping for its first-ever winning season.

"I am really looking forward to

the season," said McKinney. "I think it is going to be a different year than what we had the first three years.

"Our numbers are down this year, but the players we have on the bench have a lot of talent and girls who can go out and play with anyone."

McKinney said this will be one of the more experienced South Floyd teams.

"We have been playing together since were in the fourth and fifth grades," said McKinney of the junior and senior players. "We will have the experience we need to show leadership on the floor."

While the Lady Raiders have seen some players drop out and others not even come out, McKinney said coach Paul Cline is mentally preparing his team for the upcoming season.

"He is telling us we will have to be prepared to play a lot of minutes and he is telling the others on the bench they need to be ready to play, also," said McKinney. "We have some players who are going have to step in and contribute early."

McKinney cited the low post area where Candance Mitchell will roam.

"She is going have to play hard under the basket," she

(See Monica, page four)



A Look At Sports Will the Cats go bowling? and other sporting items

The Kentucky football Wildcats will be battling for a bowl appearance when they travel to Nashville, Tennessee, this Saturday to face a much-improved Vanderbilt Commodore team that also is looking for a bowl appearance.

Vandy put a scare in powerful Florida last Saturday before losing a heartbreaker 13-6. Of course, we all know what the Gators did to the Cats at Commonwealth.

Only two games remain for the football Cats and it is a sure

(See Sports, page two)

· Bobcats, Lady Raiders advance in RBC

Scarberry, Newsome lead Bobcats past South Floyd

by Ed Taylor Sports Editor

Jordan Scarberry and Brent Newsome combined for 25 points to lead the Betsy Layne Elementary Bobcats past a good South Floyd Middle School team, 45-32, in the opening game of the Right Beaver Classic, a tip-off of the grade school basketball season.

Scarberry had one three-point basket and finished with a game high 14 points while Newsome, who struggled at the charity stripe, netted 11 points.

Teammate Jordan Kidd finished with eight points.

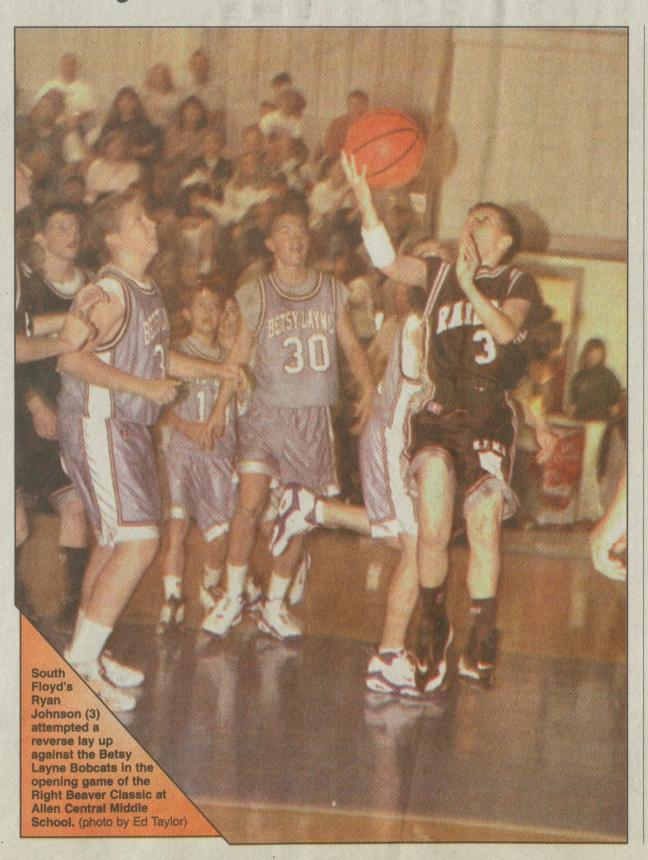
No one scored in double figures for South Floyd but Landon Hall netted eight points as did Ervin Vance to lead the Raiders. Steven Stanley came off the South Floyd bench and totaled six points.

It was a close encounter through three quarters, but the Bobcats exploded in the fourth period as the Raiders went "ice cold" from the floor. South Floyd had problems taking care of the basketball as they only could score two field goals in the last stanza.

Betsy Layne, using their quickness and strength on the boards, had to stave one Raider rally after another to pull out the win. The Bobcats owned a 34-28 lead after three periods and turned up the defense in the final period.

Two consecutive turnovers and a technical foul on the bench allowed Betsy Layne to pull out to a 38-28 lead with just under five minutes to play. Newsome completed an old-fashion three-point play and the lead went to 41-30 with 2:12 to play.

Betsy Layne held a 11-10 lead after the opening stanza. Newsome's basket off the tip gave the Bobcats a 2-0 lead but Adam Tackett's jumper tied the game before South Floyd took their first lead at 4-2 on a basket by Landon Hall. The largest lead of the game for South Floyd was four points and that happened twice in the game at 6-2 and 8-4. A long jumper by Scarberry tied the game at 10-10 with 21 seconds left. Scarberry hit one of two free throws to give the Bobcats a one-point lead after one quarter.



Ousley scores 21 as South Floyd wins

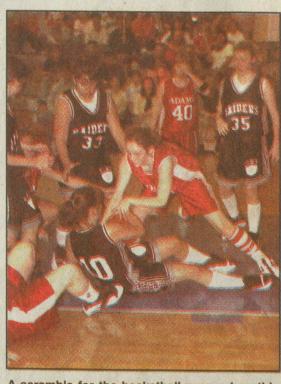
by Ed Taylor Sports Editor

Short-handed Adams Middle School (0-1) could not find a way to cut off the route South Floyd's Megan Ousley was running, as she scored a team high 21 points to lead the Lady Raiders (1-0) to a 53-38 win over the Lady Blackcats in the opening round of the Right Beaver Classic at

Allen Central Middle School.

Before a packed gymnasium, Ousley threaded

(See Ousley, page seven)



A scramble for the basketball pursued on this play in girls basketball action Monday night. The South Floyd Middle School Lady Raiders defeated Adams. (photo by Ed Taylor)

Sports

thing that they will not win over an upset of Tennessee. Tennessee, even at home. So, the Vandy game is a must if the Cats are to go bowling for a second time in two years.

UK just has no offense. They have played decently on defense this season, but they lack the punch on offense to move the football.

We see where ESPN has picked up the game and many of us remember when the next-to-thelast-game was of no importance to anyone, let alone a television net-

Now both teams have won five times this season through their first nine and no game is as big as this one for either team. The winner can look for a bowl bid with six wins (the number of victories needed for bowl eligibility), and the loser can only play one more game before packing it in, unless they can pull



OTHER STUFF

• The high school football playoffs enter week two this Friday night, with both Floyd County teams eliminated last Friday night. How about Leslie County's upset win over Shelby Valley? The Wildcats lost but two games this season and both proved to be big

They fell to Belfry in the final regular season game. A win over the Pirates would have given them first place against a four seed. Then, Friday night, they were favored over Leslie only to fall.

Belfry, Pikeville and Paintsville continue on as round two unfolds

· On a basketball note, it is a shame, and I mean a shame, that so many good girls basketball players are not playing ball this year at South Floyd.

The Lady Raiders will have a short bench this year with the numbers being down. Only 13 players fill the roster and that includes all junior varsity players.

I would urge those who are not out to come out and play basketball this season. I suppose there is still time for you.

· The Prestonsburg Lady Blackcats will hold "Meet the Lady Blackcats" night this Saturday at 6 p.m. They decided to hold it at a different time than the boys special

· Now that football is over in the county, those basketball players who were playing football will hit the hardwood this week.

· Betsy Layne will play in the Johnson Central panorama this Saturday night. The Bobcats will face Sheldon Clark in a 7:15 p.m.

· Also, the Bobcats will compete in the Clarence D. Rice Tip Off Classic at Johnson Central on December 3-4. The Bobcats will square off against host Johnson

· Coach Henry Webb and the South Floyd Raiders will meet Greenup County in a first round game in the Clarence D. Rice Tip Off Classic.

· Johnson Central coach Johnny Ray Turner will dress a good basketball team this season. The Eagles are ranked as one of the top five teams in the region, and from here I put them at number three behind Pikeville and Paintsville and that will be a very close number three.

• I enjoyed a nice phone call from Phyllis Grigsby. What an School. We need all the grade uplift on a rather down Monday.

Thanks, Phyllis!

 Grade school basketball tipped off this week with the Right Beaver Classic at Allen Central Middle school schedules.

• The Piarist School will host the boys Three Rivers Conference tournament finals this year.

Until Friday, good sports everyone and be good sports!



MCA'S CHANCE **BRADLEY (20)** scored on this lay up against **Allen Central** Monday night in the first round of the Right Beaver Classic. Bradley finished with eight points for the game (photo by Ed Taylor)

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Ousley

the Adams defense and found open lanes to the basket, going almost unchallenged at times.

Brandy Anderson pumped in 10 points for the winning Lady Raiders and Ashley Johnson netted eight. Leigh Ann Tuttle finished with seven points.

High scoring forward Heather White led Adams with 21 points while Tabitha Caudill finished with 12 points. Megan Harris had four points in the loss.

Adams was coming off the Middle School Conference Tournament, where they had a successful season. However, when the Lady Blackcats took to the hardwood Monday night, they were absent two starters. Megan Little was on crutches with an injured knee and Molly Burchett was

absent with a cast on her right arm. "Hopefully we will have them

back when we play the county tournament," said Adams coach Jennifer West. The absence of the two players

was evident as White and Caudill carried the load. White finished with nine rebounds in the game and Caudill had seven. White blocked two shots.

Ousley, who is by-passing playing high school basketball to play her eighth-grade season, used her quickness to find ways to the basket. The sharp-shooting guard, had (unofficially) six assists in the con-

Adams played the Lady Raiders close until they started to tire late in the third quarter. Leigh Ann Tuttle got the game started with a quick basket underneath and a foul. Completing the old-fashion threepoint play gave South Floyd a quick 3-0 lead, a lead they never would

Caudill hit a short jumper for Adams for a 3-2 game but Tuttle came back and scored underneath on a nice assist from Ousley. An Ousley jumper made it a 7-2 game before White scored on a lay in.

South Floyd jumped out to a 13-

5 margin but White converted a rare four point play to make it a 13-9 affair. She hit a three-point basket and was fouled, hitting the free throw. Ousley took over scoring 11 first-quarter points with South Floyd leading 18-10 after the first period. Adams opened with the hot hand

in the second quarter as they crawled to within one point, 18-17, of South Floyd. Ousley, who felt ill, left the game to get some air, and Adams took advantage of her

Caudill opened the scoring, hitting a trey at the top of the key. White scored on a short jumper and Harris nailed a 16-footer for a one point margin.

Carla Hall, in for Ousley, made a super move to the basket for a score and was fouled on the play, converting the three-point play. A free throw by Johnson and Ousley's bas-

Adams Middle School guard Megan Harris (52) put up a long jumper against South Floyd Monday night in the Right Beaver Classic. (photo by Ed Taylor)

ket, after returning, gave the Lady Raiders a 24-17 lead. White kept

Adams close but South Floyd

scored the final six points of the

half to lead 32-21 as the two teams

(Continued from page one)

went to the locker rooms. Tuttle opened the third quarter much like she did the start of the game with a lay up and, on a run out, Ousley had an easy basket to give South Floyd a 36-21 lead.

Anderson, who had two three-point

baskets in the game, hit her first one

to make it a 39-23 game. After a rally by Adams to cut the lead to nine, 41-32 on a three-point play by Caudill, South Floyd opened up a 14-point lead after

three quarters. The Lady Blackcats could get no closer than 12 points, 46-34. South Floyd's biggest lead was 19 points, 53-34, before White scored the final four points of the game to make it a 15-point difference.

Carla Hall finished with five points for South Floyd. Sharee Hopkins netted two.









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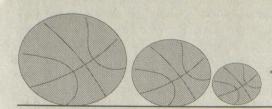
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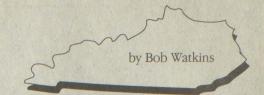
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It's 'Tubby time!' after MSU crushes UK football Wildcats

"Okay, Tubby. Take it away"

Anybody hear those words resaround midnight last Thursday? That's just about the time Hal Mumme burned UK's last time-out as Kentucky tried to four-corner its way to upsetting ornery old Mississippi State. Didn't work.

Basketball time again.

Doesn't seem quite fair to football though, even when Tubby Smith chortles the tune you've all been waiting for (ignore disclaimer at the end). "We might be better than last year athletically (pause) and still not have as good a record (28-9).

UK basketball's exhibition against California All-stars in early week put on display some marvelous pieces, one being Jamaal Magloire with a scoring touch. There was Saul Smith not trying to do things he can't, and Tayshaun Prince doing things he can after a year of apprenticeship.

I like Keith Bogans' prospects and Marvin Stone, too. And get this: J.P. Blevins and Todd Tackett can be vital ingredients in this team's chemistry.

It should be entertaining and educational to watch Tubby make this machine hum.

So, get ready to rummmmmmble! I say that at a decibel level far less irritating than the one you hear in Rupp Arena.

MISS. STATE LOSS IS A CRUSHER FOR UK

Kentucky-Mississippi State. I hate to say the word crushing. But it fits.

Bruising too. Mississippi State's 23-22 victory with :05 left at Starkville was a case of one team knowing how to win and another playing not to lose. UK was gallant, battered and deserved to win, but so did State. The Bulldogs' cancelled Kentucky's rushing attack. Tackling was superb, at times,

Disappointments.

1. Hal Mumme's clock and game management in the last two minutes; his offensive "package" is like a funnel. The closer to endgame it is, the narrower it becomes. The more conservative the Air Raid becomes until it is one-dimensional — Dusty Bonner to James Whalen

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onate across the Bluegrass State attack? A mix? Something to counter MSU defensive coach Joe Lee Dunn's quirky schemes. UK presented no reverses, no counter

plays, and too few screen passes.

3. Mumme's running the clock down and exhausting time-outs, had his team playing not to lose at

Among other things, Kentucky needs an offensive coordinator, a man who can mix and stir and leave Mumme to oversee.

NASHVILLE: KY. FOOT-BALL CENTRAL

Music City hosts UK-Vandy this weekend and Tennessee State plays Murray State for the OVC title. Both games have postseason play

The Kentucky-Vandy winner could be back for the Music City Bowl next month. And T-State could host the first round of the I-AA playoffs in Titan Town. Considering injuries, near upsets of Mississppi State and Florida last week, and real SEC penthouse aspirations, the Kentucky-Vandy game (ESPN2) Saturday night has a nice entertainment quality.

LOUISVILLE CARDS

Curious how John L. Smith's Cardinals are 7-3 with a quarterback being touted as a No. 1 draft in the NFL next spring, and the team is unranked. Never mind. Sets the stage for November 20 showdown with C-USA favorite Southern Miss.

Meanwhile, Denny Crum's UofL Cardinals are nowhere to be found in preseason Top 25s, but the Cards are going to be good. With the backcourt Crum has, we could see some of the 1980s flash again. UofL's poll climb could begin after the Great Alaska Shootout (November 25-27).

READERS (RIGHT) WRITE

About Walter Payton ... and Hal

Greg Smith, Lawrenceburg, (E-Mail): "Just caught this one from CNN/SI and liked it. You've likely seen it, but I had not and thought I'd bring it to your attention.

2. Where's the beef? A rushing him, when he went public with it nine months ago, Walter Payton displayed many of the same characteristics he did as a player. He even likened his battle against his illness to a football game. 'It's like you're moving the ball down the field and a flag's thrown,' he told Sports Illustrated in February. 'You take the 15 yards, call the next play and go on. It's all you can do. The official has thrown the flag; he's not going to take it back.

> "It's the Hal Mumme approach to life, 'Play the next play.' Teach your kids that one and you've done

- A (UK) prize in Artose

Ray Hendricks, Princeton (E-Mail): "I'm sure coach Hal Mumme realizes he has a prize in Artose Pinner. What I don't understand is why he hasn't played this young man more. I will predict this running back will be All-American before he leaves the University. Why do I say this? I watched this guy play all four years at Hopkinsville High School.

"His coach, Craig Clayton, and Coach Clayton's dad, Fred Clayton, said he was the best high school back they had ever coached. Fred Clayton only coached for some 40 years. He said he was better than Pete Moore, who later played at Alabama, which he had the opportunity to coach. The sooner Coach Mumme gets him into the game the better this kid is going to get. Believe me, he is a horse.'

— A devoted Florida State fan... Leon Puckett, Glendale (E-Mail): "Noticed on your web page that you didn't include Pete Warrick as one of those you would choose to receive votes.

"How can you do that to 'Glendale's leading FSU follower?' Just kidding. Had I been in (Bobby) Bowden's place, I would have sent Peter packing, as well as the rest of these kids who break the rules knowing they will be reinstated (depending on roster status.)

"I am less enchanted with the Seminoles this year then I have been in the 25 years I have followed them. They are certainly not, in my opinion, the number one college football team in the country, and I predict they will not be in the National Championship game this coming January. (Hurts me to say

—About Sports In Kentucky… Bob Flaig, Union (E-Mail): "As I read your column ... I Too 'love

Riverside Raceway to re-open kart racing by popular demand

by Ed Taylor Sports Editor

By popular demand, the Riverside Raceway Go-Kart track will re-open its gates for "Racing Season II."

"We have had so many phone calls that we decided to re-open the track and we will race until the weather turns bad," said track owner Henry Setser.

Actually, the track opened its gates last Saturday for limited racing, but it will be open to all classes this Saturday. The favorable weather kept the kart drivers outside with the desire to race.

"Hot laps will begin at 2 p.m.," said Setser. "We just want to do what the people want. The weekend we canceled racing we had karts from Virginia, West Virginia, Dorton and all over here to race. I had to apologize to them and promised them another date. We had that last Saturday.

"We expect a big crowd this Saturday and we will have a 100 percent payback in all classes."

The Dwale track has become one of the more popular tracks in the area and the facility had to enlarge from last year.

"They want to race and as long as the weather permits and they want to race, we will be here," said

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"When his tragic sickness struck this place America." Pete Rose into seven last week when UK came the Hall of Fame, yeah. Shaun Alexander (Boone County High) at Alabama, Heisman Trophy winner, yeah. America, I love this place! and you too Bob Watkins."

DIS 'N DATA

• Rolando Howell, the 6-9 prospect Kentucky wanted to sign, opted for South Carolina. "I'll get more publicity here than I would at Kentucky," he said.

Good.

· Wouldn't you like to know what was going through Bob Knight moments after accidentally shooting hunting partner Tom Mikunda? Imagine sitting down on a log, the smell of gunpowder in the air, a man lying on the ground. Reality sinking in.

• If Clear Channel gains radio rights to UK football and basketball for the next four years starting in 2000, Jim Host deserves a pat on the back from UK fans in metropolitan Louisville, northern Kentucky and distant points across the midwest.

· Joe Stepp, father of basketball standouts Ervin (Mr. Basketball 1980) and Joe Jr., died October 28 in Martin County.

• 1940 Kentucky all stars. Officials for the 2000 Kentucky-Indiana all-star basketball series are trying to locate the eight known living members of the inaugural Kentucky and Indiana all-stars, to extend them invitations to a reunion June 24 in Indianapolis.

Jumpin' Joe Fulks of Kuttawa is gone, but what about: Russell VanNoy of Hickman, Leonard Metcalfe of Calvert City, Bernard Sloan of Ashland, George Ashford of Southgate, Maurice House of Manchester, J.T. Harper of Nelson and Foster Kaiser (Male) and Norbert Walsh (St. Xavier) of Louisville?

· Somehow, some way, I believed Bobby Bowden put proper behavior ahead of winning. Not

· University of Louisville officials, among others in Conference-USA, were so unhappy with TCU and East Carolina becoming members of C-USA (drawing down its RPI ratings), there is speculation UofL might bolt to the Big East

LACEY PICKS UK OVER VANDY

Jim Lacey of Williamstown had

his prediction streak snapped at

from ahead to lose to Mississippi State. But our fearless predictor is back with: "Better than last year for Vandy, but not by much, UK 42 Vandy 27. Write when you find

TRAVIS ATWELL'S BID FOR MR. FOOTBALL

Hancock County High's Travis Atwell made his case for Mr. Football with an exclamation point in the big games. Defeating previously unbeaten Crittenden County in a Class A district showdown last month, the Hornets' quarterback had 239 vards rushing and five touchdowns. On defense he intercepted three passes.

REGGIE ON ROSE

Hall of Famer Reggie Jackson believes Pete Rose ought to change

"What Pete has to say is, 'I'm sorry I made a mistake that affected the game. I'm sorry I did this. I'm sorry for the great game that I love, I'm sorry I disappointed the fans and my fans, etc. etc.

"That's what needs to be said," Reggie told USA Today. "He has to come with his hat in hand.

And I don't think that's wrong. If you have to swallow your pride in these public arenas, go apolo-

Jackson notes however, and we all know it, the same uncompromising pugnacious attitude Rose has today is the one that helped him become baseball's all-time hits

NEXT WEEK: A look at some of Kentucky's outstanding boys high school basketball prospects.

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be done, the dentist had better be sure he does it. Usually, the dentist begins with something easy. He says, "Today I am going to count your teeth." And, after that, come what may, he must count the teeth, using whatever

A child going to the dentist for

The child often cries before anything is done to him (even a first haircut). He is not hurt, and the dentist has to prove that he can be trusted to do exactly what he says he is going to do-no more, no less. The noise and hysterics generally disappear after the first visit. If the dentist establishes his reliability and that he is trustworthy, there will

means necessary. Remember this:

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Austin Francis (35) went for the block of a shot from a MCA player in the closing minutes of game three in the Right Beaver Classic Monday night. Allen Central posted a 75-43 win over the Falcons to advance to the semifinal round Thursday night. (photo by Ed Taylor)

Kentucky Sportsline

By Tom Leach



Euphoria after the LSU game has given way to an air desperation among the UK football fandom, but after all of the ups and downs, this team is ahead of

where all but its most optimistic supporters thought it would be.

With a win over Vandy this Saturday in Nashville, Kentucky qualifies for postseason play and a likely spot in the Music City Bowl in late December.

If you're a Wildcat fan, forget for a moment the despair you felt after Mississippi State's game-winning field goal last Thursday night and look at this season objectively.

With a win over the Commodores, Kentucky will have fashioned a 3-4 record away from Commonwealth Stadium — better than a team this young had a right to expect.

If Kentucky and Louisville played a month later than they did, the Wildcats might well have won the game, but they still made up for that setback by upsetting a nationallyranked Arkansas team.

You can go back and look at given games and envision scenarios in which Kentucky should have won, but a freshman and sophomore-dominated team in the Southeastern Conference football wars is going to suffer setbacks.

In mid-October, Kentucky fans were dreaming of making a run at the SEC East title. It was nice to think about, but top 10-caliber teams like Georgia and Mississippi State (at least it's defense is top 10 caliber) delivered a big dose of reality.

With all of that said, there would be no way to put a positive spin on a season that ended with four straight losses and a 5-6 season. So with Tennessee looming on the horizon for Kentucky, that makes this week's game at Vandy fall under the heading of do-or-die.

Jerry Claiborne came very close to elevating Kentucky football to a level at which it played in bowl games with regularity, and I always thought the game that did the most to keep that from happening was the season-opening loss to Bowling

Green in 1985. Had the Cats won that game, they most likely would have played in a third straight bowl game - instead, it started them on a stretch of perennially frustrating five-win campaigns.

If Hal Mumme is able to clear that hurdle that Claiborne almost made, then we may someday look back at a win over Vandy in the 1999 season as a key element, by enabling Kentucky to sustain its recruiting momentum with a second-straight bowl appear-

Of course, this isn't the Vanderbilt team that Wildcat fans are used to

In losing 13-6 to Florida last Saturday, the 'Dores sacked the Gators five times and one of their backs, Jared McGrath, ran for 125 yards. Steve Spurrier says it got to the point in the Gators' 13-6 win over Vandy that he was "scared to call a pass play." If they can match that level of success this week, the Commodores are going to be very tough to defeat.

Remember, though, that Vandy is young, too. That's why a team that almost beat Georgia and Florida could be life-and-death to get past South Carolina.

Vandy's last trip to a bowl game (1982) was just two before the last time Kentucky last played in a second consecutive bowl, so that gives you an idea of the stakes involved for their matchup this Saturday.

Who would have thought back in August that Kentucky-Vandy is a matchup that ESPN2 would have cared enough to televise to the nation?

I remember being constantly amazed during that losing streak against Vandy in the Curry era at how Kentucky players annually talked about taking the Commodores lightly. This week, UK can neither afford to take Vandy lightly or be flat after

the disappointment at Mississippi State. These players have made some noteworthy achievements this season, but they will always have a bad taste in their mouths if they let this opportunity for postseason play slip through their hands.

I'm sure Bob Baffert is puzzled at how he saddled so many good horses last Saturday at Gulfstream Park and ended up with only a single secondplace finish in the mile to show for his Breeders' Cup worksheet. No matter how good you look, you can always lose when you play a tough schedule.





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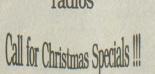
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need help. We have good outside shooters. Lindsey Hall, Minnie Tackett, they will have to score from the outside.'

McKinney said the Lady Raiders will be a good defensive team, with more quickness than in the past.

"Also, we can run up and down the floor. We will play an up-tempo game," she said. "Coach Cline said he wanted us to run the ball more this season so I think you will see that."

McKinney, like the other three seniors, has set some personal goals, but her main goal is to contribute.

'My personal goal is to be able to help the team in any way I can," she said. "I want us to have a winning season and be a good team."

The four year starter at South Floyd said the 58th District is going to be very competitive this

"Allen Central is going to be a good basketball team," she ever.

said. "Under the basket and in said. "They lost (Jennifer) the paint area is where we will Hopkins from last year but they have some good players coming

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"Betsy Layne was a good team last year, although not as good as previous years. But this year I look for them to be a real good team.

"Prestonsburg is always tough to beat. But this year I feel we can play with them and maybe even pull a win over them," said McKinney.

With the numbers not there this season, the Lady Raiders will not be able to call on the middle school Lady Raiders after a ruling by the site-based council that prohibits them from playing varsity basketball until their season is finished in February.

"They will be allowed to play on the freshman team, though," said McKinney.

McKinney is the quiet type, but she has had a good career at South Floyd. And her senior year could very well be her best

Meet the Lady Cats

Prestonsburg High School two 10-minute halves. fans will have a chance to get a sneak preview of the girls basketball team this Friday night in their annual "Meet the Lady Blackcats Night.

The event will feature two grade school basketball games and conclude with an intrasquad game between the high school But there will be more than

just basketball on tap, as a full evening has been planned for those in attendance. David Tackett, of Community

Trust Bank, will handle the opening ceremonies and, at 6:15 p.m., the Prestonsburg High School Dance Cats will entertain the crowd.

The first grade school game will pit the Adams Lady Blackcats against Turkey Creek at 6:30. The game will consist of

At 6:55 the Adams Middle School cheerleaders will perform, followed by the PHS majorettes. Also in performance will be the PHS band.

The second grade school contest will happen at 7:20 when the Allen Lady Eagles play an as-yet unnamed opponent.

The Allen cheerleaders/dance team will have their moment in the spotlight at 7:50 p.m., when they will entertain the audience. The Dance Cat Elite will have its turn, followed by the introduction of the girls coaching staff at Prestonsburg.

The girls basketball team is expected to be introduced at 8:15 p.m., followed by a junior varsity versus freshman team game. The evening will conclude with the varsity White versus Black intrasquad game.



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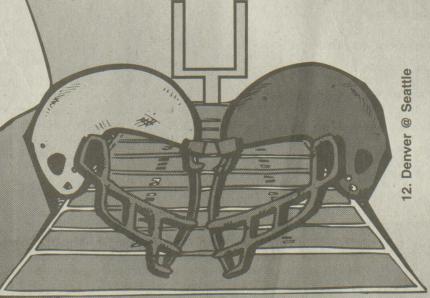
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It's a family tradition

All Dale Jarrett has to do is finish 31st or better in the final two races of the season and he will become a sec-Champion. Not to be lost in this event is the fact Jarrett's crew chief, Todd Parrot, will also clinch his firstever Winston Cup championship. Parrott will also become the second generation in his family to be part of a Winston Cup championship.

Since the recent departure of Ray Evernham from Jeff Gordon's Dupont team, the duo of Jarrett and Parrott have become the top drivercrew chief team in the sport. Since first combining their talents in 1996, the pair have visited victory lane a total of 19 times.

If Winston Cup racing was viewed in the same manner as the sport of horse racing, then you would know that a combination of Jarrett and Parrott would be a winning team. Jarrett's dad, Ned, won two Winston Cup championships before having to retire at an early age due to an injured back. Parrott's dad, Buddy, is in his 29th year of racing and has collected a resume that few will ever duplicate.

Heather White (22) goes up for a

jump shot against lnez in the

championship game. White led all scorers with 13 points in the game, but the Indians defeated

the Blackcats 43-35. (photo by Karen Joseph)

Winston Cup racing in 1970 when he started working for one of the allond generation Winston Cup time great mechanics in the sport, Harry Hyde. That same year, Hyde's driver, Bobby Isaac, won the championship. From that point on, the name Parrott became a hot commodity in the garage area. He got his first crew chief job in 1975 when he joined up with Kentucky coal miner Ferrell Harris. Soon he was working some of the sport's greatest drivers, from Buddy Baker and Richard Petty to Darrell Waltrip and Rusty Wallace.

It was while Buddy was working for Richard Petty that Todd began to take an interest in the sport. After high school he was all set to go to college, but after a summer of working with his dad for Petty, he decided to put his educational plans on hold and remain in racing.

After serving an apprenticeship with Petty, the younger Parrott joined Rusty Wallace and Blue Maxx Racing. Wallace was an up-and-coming star in the series that went on to win the championship in 1989. When Wallace moved to Penske Racing

Buddy got his first taste of South in 1991, Parrott went with him. Todd was already there when Buddy became the team's crew chief in the fall of 1992.

It was at this point in the younger Parrott's career that he actually began preparing for the day when he would be calling the shots from the pits on race day. His dad recognized Todd's talents with a race car and made him Wallace's chassis special-

Todd worked and proved that his dad made the right choice in putting him in charge of the chassis setup, as Wallace became a force on the circuit winning 18 races during the 1992-93 seasons. He also learned the value of a quick pit stop, as his father was also going about the business of revolutionizing pit stops by leading Wallace's "Over the Wall Gang" to produce pit stops in the 16 second

Buddy looks back now and says that Todd's time as the chassis man for Wallace was what prepared him to lead his own team. "The way he kept his notes and the way he presented a car to go onto the truck was second to none."

Prior to joining forces with Todd in 1996, Jarrett had won just four races in nine years. Give Jarrett's owner Robert Yates the credit for going out and bringing in a rookie crew chief to lead a new race team. Yates was rewarded from the start as the Jarrett-Parrott combination dominated its first Daytona speedweek by winning both the Busch Clash and the Daytona 500.

In a few weeks a smiling Yates will be sitting at the head table in New York City as he prepares to watch with pride as his team of Dale Jarrett and Todd Parrott receive their accolades for winning the champi-

Ironically, only a few tables away, a couple more men will be sitting and smiling as they await the moment for Dale and Todd to receive their due recognition for what they have accomplished together. Only this time the smiles will be projected from a couple of dads who have no doubt envisioned that someday they would get to see what was about to take place.

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The Racing Reporter



by Gerald Hodges The Racing Reporter

PHOENIX, Ariz. - Tony Stewart won the second Winston Cup race of his rookie year by winning the Dura LubeK 500, Sunday at Phoenix Int'l Raceway.

Stewart became only the second driver in the history of NASCAR's Winston Cup Series to win two races in his rookie season. The other driver was Davey Allison who did it

A very calm and cool Stewart said after the race, "It wasn't me, it was my pit crew. They got me out on that last pit stop and I had a comfortable position.

Points leader Dale Jarrett cut a tire and lost one lap but still managed to finish sixth. He only needs to finish 31st or better in the last two races to clinch the championship.

Pole-sitter, John Andretti led 97 laps and finished eighth.

Finishing order: 1. Stewart, 2. Mark Martin, 3. Bobby Labonte, 4. Jeff Burton, 5. Ricky Rudd, 6. Dale Jarrett, 7. Kyle Petty, 8. John Andretti, 9. Wally Dallenbach, 10. Jeff Gordon, 11. Dale Earnhardt, 12. David Green, 13. Ward Burton, 14. Ken Schrader, 15. Steve Park, 16. Chad Little, 17. Jimmy Spencer, 18. Kenny Wallace, 19. Joe Nemechek, 20. Mike Skinner, 21. Kenny Irwin, 22. Geoffrey Bodine, 23. Bobby Hamilton, 24. Ted Musgrave, 30. Ricky Craven, 31. Johnny Benson, 32. Rusty Wallace, 33. Michael Waltrip, 34. Dave Marcis, 35. Bill Elliot, 36. Rick Mast, 37. Jerry Nadeau, 38. Robert Pressley, 39. Stacy Compton, 40. Sterling Marlin, 41. Jeremy Mayfield, 42. Brett Bodine, 43. Derrike Cope.

Dale Jarrett leads the Winston Cup points battle by 231 points over Bobby Labonte with two races left. 1. Jarrett-4927, 2.B. Labonte-4696, 3. Martin-4613, 4. Stewart-4471, 5. Gordon-4432.

GORDON WINS BUSCH RACE AT PHOENIX

PHOENIX, Ariz. — Jeff Gordon passed Jimmy Spencer with 21 laps remaining in the 200 lap Outback Steakhouse 200, then held off Dale Earnhardt Jr. to get his first-ever win at Phoenix Int'l. Raceway.

"I was a little worried there at the end," said Gordon. "We started way down on tire pressure and it took a while for the car to come in."

Gordon finished 1.036-seconds ahead of Earnhardt, who wrapped up the 1999 Busch Series Championship.

"I could tell after we'd run 70-80 laps on the second set of tires, that I was catching them," Earnhardt said. "I'm thinking, man, I've got to go, because he may fade there at the end. I was chasing him down a bit, but I think he was just chilling out and doing what he had to do.'

Finishing order: 1. Gordon, 2. Earnhardt Jr., 3. Jimmy Spencer, 4.

Jeff Burton, 5. Kenny Wallace, 6. they were planning," said Grissom) new event on the 1999 NASCAR Sunday's Pennzoil 400 presented by Ron Hornaday, 7. Ken Schrader, 8. Matt Kenseth, 9. Todd Bodine, 10. Buckshot Jones, 11. Jeff Green, 12. Hank Parker Jr. 13. Jeff Purvis, 14. Johnny Benson, 15. Elton Sawyer, 16. Mike McLaughlin, 17. Randy LaJoie, 18. Jimmie Johnson, 19. Dave Blaney, 20. Tony Raines, 21. Kevin Grubb, 22. Hermie Sadler, Stanton Barrett, 24. Dick Trickle, 25. Shane Hall, 26. Casey Atwood, 27. Rich Bickle, 28. Lyndon Amick, 29. Hut Stricklin, 30. Bobby Hamilton Jr., 31. Mark Green, 32. Lance Hooper, 33. Mike Skinner, 34. Terry Labonte, 35. Tim Fedewa, 36. Steve Grissom, 37. Mike Dillon, 38. Adam Petty, 39. Chad Chaffin, 40. Jason Keller, 41. Michael Waltrip, 42. Bobby Hillin, 43. Phil Parsons

EARNHARDT HAS WON THE 1999 BUSCH SERIES CHAMPIONSHIP

Busch Series Top-10 unofficial points leaders after 31 of 32 events: Earnhardt Jr.-4467, 2. Kenseth-4278, 3. J. Green-4212, 4. T. Bodine-3957, 5. Sawyer-3767, 6. Purvis-3570, 7. Blaney-3467, 8. Keller-3452, 9. McLaughlin-3375, 10. LaJoie-3303

Note: Even though there is one race left on the Busch Series tour, Earnhardt has a 189-point lead over Matt Kenseth. Since the maximum number of points a driver can earn in one race is 185, it is mathematically impossible for Earnhardt to lose the championship.

STEVE GRISSOM STILL LOOKING

CONCORD, N.C. - For NASCAR Winston Cup driver Steve Grissom, it's been a long "silly season." The 36-year-old native of Gadsden, Ala., spent much of the year in discussions with a variety of Winston Cup car owners, listening to proposals and offers.

'Every driver in the garage has been through a silly season one way or another, and sometimes it's kind of neat and sometimes it's no fun at all," Grissom said. "What every driver hopes for is the 'no-brainer' offer, where the best team in racing offers you more resources and more financing that you ever dreamed of. What every driver gets is usually a lot closer to the line of what's good and what's not so good.

"I've spoken with some of the biggest names in this sport and I've spoken with some on other levels, I've even spoken with some who aren't in stock car racing at all, "Grissom continued. "Where there were offers, we weighed them pretty heavily. Where they were promising situations, we tried to be honest in what we could give them."

Grissom has continued to speak with some Winston Cup owners ("including a couple who would really surprise you if I told you what

and is also looking at other opportu-

"There are other opportunities out there and some pretty good ones too," he said. "I have a family, so I have to take a look at everything that comes up and look at it as seriously as I can. There have been a few that I had to step back and say, 'Whoa!' There are a lot of people wanting to build really good programs out there.

'Winston Cup is still my number one goal and it's still where I'm headed. one way or another," Grissom continued. "Right now I just want to make absolutely sure I take the right road to get there.

ARNOLD PALMER NAMED GRAND MAR-SHALL OF INAUGURAL PENNZOIL 400

HOMESTEAD, Fla. — Arnold Palmer, one of the top athletes of the 20th century, has been named Grand Marshall of the inaugural Pennzoil 400 presented by Kmart Nov. 14, the debut of NASCAR Winston Cup Series racing at Homestead-Miami Speedway.

The golfing legend will give the command to start the engines for the 400-mile race, which is the only Winston Cup schedule.

"I am honored to be the Grand Marshal for the first NASCAR Winston Cup race in Miami," said Palmer. "NASCAR has enjoyed tremendous growth over the past decade, and the addition of the vibrant South Florida market is another great step for the sport."

The Pennzoil 400 weekend (Nov. 11-14) also includes the HotWheels.Com 300 at Miami on Saturday, the season finale for the NASCAR Busch Series. Tickets are still available for both events by calling (305) 230 RACE.

MIKE GRAVEY FASTEST BUSCH DRIVER IN TESTING

Mike Gravey ran the fastest NASCAR Busch series lap in testing for the Nov. 13 HotWheels.Com 300 at Miami. The 36-year-old driver from Muskegon, Mich., ran a lap of 149.089 mph (36.22 seconds) on Wednesday, bettering Mark Martin's day-old unofficial track record of 148.433 mph (36.38).

Gravey, driving the LaFavre Racing Chevrolet, was joined by Jeff Fuller in Joe Gibbs' Pontiac in the final test in preparation for the Nov. 11-14 weekend, which features

Kmart, the debut of NASCAR Winston Cup racing in South Florida.

"That was a great lap, and now we need to do it when it counts," said Gravey. "We've had a little trouble with our Busch car this year, but we made a few changes on it for the Miami test and the car ran perfect on old tires. Then we put stickers on it and simulated a qualifying run, and it went pretty fast. We're real excited about our chances about coming back next week.'

A veteran of NASCAR All Pro competition, Gravey finished fourth in the 1999 ASA point standings, winning four races in a car fielded by LaFavre Racing.

RICHARD AND KYLE PETTY TO PRESIDE **OVER HOT**

WHEELS.COM 300

Three generations of NASCAR's most famous racing family will be in the spotlight at the Nov. 13 HotWheels.Com 300 at Homestead-Miami Speedway, the 1999 NASCAR Busch Series finale.

Seven-time Winston Cup champion Richard Petty will be the Grand Marshal for the event, while his son, Winston Cup driver Kyle Petty, will wave the green flag as the race's Honorary Starter. Running in the event will be Adam Petty, Kyle's son and NASCAR's first fourthgeneration driver.

Kyle Petty will drive the Hot Wheels Pontiac Grand Prix the following day in the inaugural Pennzoil 400 presented by Kmart, the debut of NASCAR Winston Cup racing in South Florida.

When Richard Petty began NASCAR racing in 1959, he had to follow in the footsteps of his father, three-time champion Lee Petty. Richard Petty went on to establish NASCAR standards of 200 victories-including seven triumphs in the Daytona 500.

Kyle Petty won his very first race-the 1979 ARCA 200 at Daytona-and has won eight races and over \$10 million in his Winston Cup career.

Adam Petty has already taken the Petty name to victory lane, winning a 1998 ASA race. Running his first full NASCAR season, he's currently 20th in the 1999 Busch Series standing, with two top-five and three top-20 finishes. Adam Petty opened the season with a solid sixth-place finish in the NAPA Auto Parts 300 at Daytona, and went on to finish fourth in the Auto Club 300 at California Speedway.



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Veterans Day reflects common bond of service

by Alan G. Lance Sr. National Commander American Legion

What is it about America's veterans that brings us together on Veterans Day? Are we living in the past — attempting to capture a fleeting moment in time that has long since past?

Certainly not.

What brings veterans together for Veterans Day is a bond formed in uniform. It is the bond that is entwined within our hearts and minds, which is simply stated: I shall not fail those with whom I serve.

It has been more than a quarter century since the guns fell silent in Vietnam. Longer still for Korea — and nearly a lifetime for World War II.

Yet, that bond of military service — which transcends the

together and keep the faith with those with whom we served.

This final Veterans Day of the 20th century will include observances with the youngest generation of veterans, the men and women of the Persian Gulf War. These are Americans who sacrificed for others. These are Americans who continue to serve us in uniform. These are Americans who will gather on many more Veterans Days, because they also feel that common bond.

As young American military members spend this day deployed to Kosovo, Bosnia, Iraq, at-sea and in distant, remote locations, it is appropriate for all of us as a nation to take the time to say "Thank

Ironically, this Veterans Day Veterans Day. That is why all

years - compels us to come comes on the heels of a disclo- Americans should gather with the future. given our troops might cause it took nearly a decade to make this discovery.

Without a common bond between veterans, compelling them to keep the pressure on our government, there would have been no studies.

It is this common bond that compels us to continue to struggle to find answers for what is right, and demand that our nation provide a strong veterans health care system for those who gave so much when called

As veterans we have kept our bond of service to our nation. As veterans, we ask that our government keep faith with us.

That is why we gather on this

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the American Legion Internet website at www.legion.org for information on veterans' issues

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One of the reasons Sheilah Ratliff's fourth and fifth grade club was named 1999 4-H Club of the Year was their outstanding activities, including their commemoration of Veterans Day last fall. For their meeting, they wore camouflage clothing and red, white and blue ribbons. They also invited Sgt. Hardy from Allen Central High School Junior ROTC as guest speaker, deciphered the National Anthem, and watched and discussed a D-Day video.



Remembering ...

Lt. Lawton E. Clark poses on the wing of his trusty P-47 during World War II. According to the Floyd County Times of September 28, 1944, Lt. Clark was reported missing over Germany on September 10. A few weeks later in the October 12 edition, he was listed as having been killed. He was 23 years old. Also listed as killed in that edition of the newspaper were William Howard Mathis, 23, of Minnie, in the southwest Pacific, and Pfc.

Billow Roberts, also of Minnie, in France. Lt. Clark was fond of race horses and airplanes from early childhood, according to his nephew James D. Clarke of Harold, who submitted the photo.



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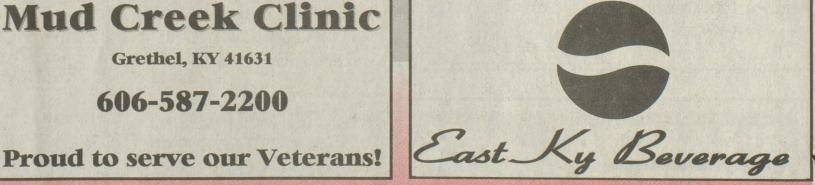
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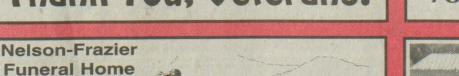
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Crafty bailiff is a work of art

by Randell Reno Staff Writer

Almost every Floyd Circuit Court juror knows his humor and a few reporters know he can be ornery, but working inside this crafty jokester is a very creative mind.

When we eat a nice ripe peach, after enjoying the juicy good-

ness of its fruit, most of us toss the pit into the garbage, never to be seen again.

But unbeknownst to the general public, there is a monkey, gorilla, or some other ape critter in that pit. At least that's how it is seen through the eyes of Elmo Allen, and he has seen many.

Allen is possessed of a talent that he will proudly show you if you inquire, one that has little relationship to his work in the courtroom.

In the last few years, for instance, he has made 83 dulcimers by hand. He skillfully cuts five out at a time with his Wood Master and then patiently builds these instruments which are often identified with Appalachian music.

Allen labels each dulcimer with its number of production, date finished, and, of course, his name. After he has pieced the dulcimers together, he burns elaborate designs into the wood. He has sold his dulcimers across the U.S. and in Ireland.

Another specialty he makes in his shop is a collapsible basket. He begins by cutting a piece of wood

into a shape, an apple, for example, and then cuts the wood with a band saw in a circular motion until he gets to the center.

Near completion of the project, handles and a base are added, allowing the wood to be pulled up and spread apart to make a basket. Allen says the baskets are very popular. He sold 20 to one person last

Christmas. Allen says if he can see it, he can probably make it. His wife brought a single Lil' Abner boot home a few years ago. Allen said he took a look at the boot, went to his shop and the next morning his wife had two Lil' Abner boots.

Allen's artistic talent is in evidence throughout the courthouse.

"In the last six years, I have made every new judge a gavel," Allen said, proudly. The last recipient of Allen's handiwork was Judge Julie Paxton at her swearing in ceremony. Allen's penchant for

cutting monkeys out of peach pits began while he worked for C&O railroad





in Raceland. He worked on the pre-Korean

War railroads as a machinist, before trains

went to diesel. He says he learned how to

road would finish his work and then sit

down to whittle," the craftsman recalls.

"I'd walk by and see him do this. Five

years later I started trying. It took the first

and formed into some form of ape. "Each

one is different," Allen points out. He also

said Allen. "If I can make it out of metal, I

bailiff in Floyd Circuit Court, working for

The peach pits are whittled patiently

"I have been whittling most of my life."

For the last six years, Allen has been a

"A guy I used to work with on the rail-

carve the animals from a co-worker.

two or three to get the hang of it.

makes the pits into tiny baskets.

can make it out of wood.'

former Sheriff Paul Hunt Thompson and for current Sheriff John K. Blackburn.

His former jobs not only include railroad machinist, but he was also a Kentucky State Trooper for 26 years. As a trooper he worked as a firearm instructor, patrolled the lake, gave driver's tests, and served as

a patrolman. He was born in Hinton, West Virginia, but Floyd County has been home since

Allen said he has never shied from asking others to show him how to do something. "The City Court Clerk at Perry County showed me how to make the Shaker boxes and how to build my own steamer.

To make the shaker boxes, Allen must bend the wood. He does this with his steamer, making the stackable baskets that resemble picnic baskets.

Other things you may see him engaged in are whittling shoes and turkey callers, or repairing clocks.

"Fiddling Dewey Shepherd brought me a gourd fiddle," he said. "I took it downstairs and made one myself."

The non-artistic may be envious of such folks as Elmo Allen because artists tend to see images in the simplest objects and can draw those images out.

For instance, Karen Caudill found a rock that she said looked like someone's foot. Allen took this rock and carved toes

If you would like to see, order, or correspond with Allen, you can find him at the Floyd County Justice Center five days a week or you can visit him via the World Web www.geocities.com/soho/museum/1154.

Poison OAK

by Clyde Pack

In good taste

Some 50 years after I first tasted Hadacol (that wonderful patent elixir that appeared on the market in about 1950, or so, and that Mom felt was the very thing for little brother Joe and me), I still remember that I didn't like it.

And, it's probably been that long, too, since I last tasted cod liver oil. I'd nearly gag every time she'd force a spoonful of that stuff down me, even when she put it in orange juice. Sure wish they'd had Flintstone vitamins back then.

But if what I read in the paper last week has any merit, now that I've a little age on me, I might just love them both.

Actually, the news report was not really about Hadacol (pronounced haddy-call, the old joke being they haddy call it something) or cod liver oil, but was instead about spinach and broccoli and stuff like that. Researchers are saying that sensitivity to bitterness in food appears to decline with age, making certain fruits and vegetables more palatable as people grow older.

I wouln't be a bit surprised if that's not absolutely true, because there was a time that I couldn't stand the thoughts of eating cooked cabbage. Now, I love it.

Even though Popeye kept insisting from the funny pages of the Grit that spinach was not only delicious, but was also good for you, as a kid I couldn't stand it, either. Now I love spinach...and kale...and even brussel sprouts.

But, instead of patting myself on the back for cultivating my taste; for learning to like certain foods simply because I knew they're good for me, thanks to research, I'm forced to realize that it's just the nature of things, and my personal efforts have little to do with anything. I've no intention, however, in learning if I now like Hadacol and cod liver oil.

And speaking of research, a group of researchers at the University of Oklahoma has called the state's newly-discovered dinosaur a "Thunder Lizard."

It is one of the biggest ever discovered anywhere, and was reportedly a giraffe-like creature that could have been tall enough to stand on the ground and look into a sixth-story window at the Paintsville Highrise. (Now wouldn't that have made an interesting 911 entry?)

The Thunder Lizard (Sounds like the name of one of those bigtime TV wrestlers, doesn't it?) is believed to have lived about 110 million years ago. Wow, if it had survived, it might even like anchovies by now.

While rummaging through my desk drawers last week, I found a little poem that somebody somewhere probably gave me sometime in the far distant past. I've likely used it already in this column, but since it's pretty good, I think I'll use it again. I'll dedicate it to teachers and preachers everywhere.

"The gum chewing student/and cud-chewing cow/ Look quite alike/ But they're different somehow./ And what is the difference?/ I see it all now./ It's the intelligent look/on the face of the cow.

Forever Young

"That which is loved is always beautiful."- Norwegian proverb

Something very strange has happened over the course of my 26-year marriage. My parents have grown older. Our children are ready to leave the nest. But I have not aged. I know the years have passed because I can feel the losses. Gone are the size 12 jeans and platform shoes. Gone is the eager face of a young girl ready to meet any challenge. But somehow, like Tinkerbell, I have been suspended in time. Because in the eyes and soul of my husband, I am still - and will always be - 18, as carefree and whimsical as the day we

He still calls me his "cutie." He takes me to scary movies, where we sit in a theater filled with screaming teen-agers. We hold hands and share popcorn, just as we did so many years ago. We still chase fire engines, eat at diners and listen to '60s rock 'n' roll. "You would look good in that," he says, pointing to a beautiful girl walking in the mall. She has blond hair flowing down the middle of her back and is wearing a tank top and short shorts. Did I mention she's about 20? I want to laugh out loud, but I know better. He's serious.

Every July, he takes me to the county fair. On a hot summer night, we stroll across dusty fairgrounds, taking in the sights and sounds. We eat corn on the cob and he buys me

tacky sou-Two Friends, One Dream... venirs Pitchmen call out to us from booths along the mid-He way. throws darts at a board of Mark Victor Henson

balloons, trying year after year to win the giant stuffed bear. While others our age are stopping to rest on benches,

we're riding the rides. Up, down and around, we're holding on tight as the creaking wheels of the roller coaster make their final loop. As the evening hours come to an end, we're at our favorite place, high on top of the Ferris wheel, sharing pink cotton candy and looking out at a sea of colorful neon lights below.

Sometimes I wonder if he realizes that I have passed four decades. That the children I bore could have children of their own. Doesn't he notice the beginning gray hairs? The lines around my eyes? Does he sense my insecurities? Hear my knees crack when I bend? I watch him watching me with young, playful eyes and know that he does not. In four more decades, I often wonder where we will be. I know we'll be

together, but where? In a retirement home? Living with our children? Somehow, these images do not fit. Only one picture is constant and clear. I close my eyes and look far into the future and I see us an old man and his cutie. I have white hair. His face is wrinkled. We are not sit-

ting in front of a building watching the world go by, but high atop a Ferris wheel, holding hands and sharing pink cotton candy under a July moon. © 1999 By Jack Canfield and Mark Victor Hansen Dist. by King Features Synd., Inc.

Are you at risk for Alzheimer's Disease?

(NUE) - We're all getting older, there's nothing we can do about that, and with advancing age comes the risk of falling prey to Alzheimer's disease (AD) — a dreaded neurological disease that ranks as the fourth leading cause of death in the United States.

More than four million Americans are believed to have AD, an illness that claims more than 100,000 lives each year. That number is growing and, worse yet, there is no known cure for the disorder.

The disease impairs its victim's intellectual capacity and social functioning. Increasing age is the main risk factor in Alzheimer's. The older you grow, the greater your risk of developing the disease. The statistics are

- From age 65 to 74, about 3 percent of the population has Alzheimer's.
- From age 75 to 84, the figure rises to 19 percent.
- And for those 85 and older, AD afflicts 47 percent.
- For some unknown reason, women at any age have a higher risk of AD than men. According to one study, by age 93, a woman's risk is 13 percent higher than a man's. (However, the study found women's use of postmenopausal estrogen could help prevent and treat the disease.)
- How do you know if you have a predisposition to Alzheimer's? Here are some warning signs of early AD from the Alzheimer's Association:
- Recent memory loss. It's normal to forget people's names from time to time, but frequent forgetfulness is cause for worry.
- · Language problems. From time to time, anyone can have difficulty finding the right word. But when simple words present problems, or when sentences become incomprehensible, that might signal Alzheimer's.
- Time and place disorientation. It's normal to forget the date or a destination. But people with Alzheimer's often feel lost standing across the street from their homes.
- Misplacing things. Anyone can misplace a wallet or keys, but when someone puts a wallet in the refrigerator, or keys in the sink, that's cause
- Changes in personality. People often become more set in their ways as they age, but Alzheimer's often makes people paranoid, very confused, There is hope on the horizon. Axonyx, Inc., (OTCBB: AXYX) a

biotechnology firm based in New York, along with the University of Melbourne in Australia, is developing a more reliable diagnostic test. The company also has many novel approaches to treat and possibly cure Alzheimer's disease.

For more information about Alzheimer's and Axonyx, call 212/688-4770 or visit www.axonyx.com.

WEDDINGS DIGACEMENTS



Hyden-Kinzer

Joe and Laura Hyden of Martin announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Moriah Mayo Hyden, to James Brandon Kinzer, son of Jerry and Debbie Kinzer of Allen. The brideelect is a 1996 graduate of Prestonsburg High School and is attending Prestonsburg Community College. The prospective groom is a 1996 graduate of Prestonsburg High School and is employed by Kinzer Drilling Co. The reception will be November 13, at 4 p.m. at the Jenny Wiley State Resort Park in Prestonsburg, Wilkinson Stumbo Conference Center.



Hyden-Ousley

Shirley Grant of Auxier, and Billy Ousley of Harold, announce the forthcoming marriage of their son, Billy Ray Ousley Jr. and Tracey Renee Hyden, daughter of Bobby Eugene Hyden of Thelma, and Anna Mae Music of Tennessee. Tracey is a 1995 graduate of Johnson Central High School, and is currently employed by Coleman Oil. Billy (B.J.) is a 1996 graduate of Prestonsburg High School and is currently employed by R & S Body Shop, and attends Prestonsburg Community College. The wedding will be held, November 27, at Riceville Baptist Church, at 1 p.m.

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

Ten Years Ago (November 8 & 10, 1989)

Voters returned magistrates Gerald DeRossett, Jackie Edford Owens, Betty J. Caudill and Ermal Tackett to office, along with Judge-Executive John M. Stumbo, PVA Lovel Hall, County Attorney Jim Hammond, County Clerk Carla Bolton, Sheriff Paul Hunt Thompson, Jailer Lawrence Hale, Coroner Roger Nelson, among others. Ann Latta was re-elected mayor of Prestonsburg, and Janet Stumbo won a seat on the state Court of Appeals... Ground was broken for the new 500-seat convention center at Jenny Wiley State Park... A rubber band on a furnace valve at Allen Elementary School was used to keep the pilot light lit, bypassing virtually all safety mechanisms on the unit, the state fire marshal's office confirmed... Parents of Allen and McDowell students attended Wednesday night's school board meeting in droves, voicing concerns about the safety of their children... The East Kentucky Power Cooperative (EKPC) has announced that work will begin shortly on a \$5.5 million project to increase the supply of electrical power to the region... Following a two-month Kentucky State Police undercover operation this summer, Tom Hagan, 28, of Martin, pleaded guilty to one charge of trafficking in cocaine and was sentenced in circuit court to five years in prison... The worries of residents in Meadows Branch should be coming to an end as the construction of a new road begins in the near future... There died: Dewey Adams, of Bardstown, formerly Wheelwright, November 7, at Flaget Hospital in Bardstown; Henry Clayton Deskins, 66, of Lexington, formerly of Betsy Layne, October 30, at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Lexington; Gordon Gibson, 53, of David, November 2, at the VA Hospital in Lexington; Elizabeth McKinney, 68, of Wayland, November 4, at Central Baptist Hospital in Lexington; Melvina Ousley, 89, of Silver Lake, Indiana, formerly of Floyd County, October 22, at the Mason Health Care Center; Lloyd Elbert Parks, 72, of Melvin, November 1, at his residence; Misty Dawn Samons, 13, of Banner, November 6, at the University of Kentucky Medical Center; Richard Douglas (Doug) Sanders, 55, of Ypsilanti, Michigan, formerly of Floyd County, October 26, at his residence; Josie Gibson Slone, 93, of Dema, November 6, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Roland Smith Jr., 24, of Stanville, November 5; Christine Spradlin,

72, of Prestonsburg, November 3, at her

November 7, in St. Petersburg, Florida.

Twenty Years Ago (November 21, 1979)

When the current work for the Floyd County schools is complete, the next scheduled job will be the construction of a high school for Betsy Layne and then the construction of a building to house the upper three grades of the Prestonsburg Elementary School...A once-silent constituency appears to be finding its voice as parents of learning-disabled children, backed by a new federal statute, describe the obstacles they say need to be overcome if the law is to be made to work...After eight months of hearings, Highlands Regional Medical Center finally was approved last week for its proposed expansion...Curt Hall was jailed here last Thursday by State Trooper Don Weedman on two arson counts after as many dwellings had burned at Weeksbury... A 15month effort is underway to identify primary needs in the Big Sandy Area Development District and come up with strategies to deal with those needs...There died: Ollie Jane Sammons, 62, of Martin, Wednesday at Central Baptist Hospital; Dillard Slone, 61, of Ligon, from injuries sustained in a traffic accident; Chelsey Gordon Wright, 53, a Paintsville jewler and twin brother of Clifford Wright of Prestonsburg, last Tuesday at St. Joseph Hospital in Lexington; Vina Mayo Harris Reese, 60, of Lexington, formerly of this county, last Wednesday at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Jesse Yates, 71, formerly of this county, Tuesday, November 13 at her home in Mt. Vernon, Ill.; Georgia Mable Hall, 72, of Weeksbury, Sunday at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Helen Kalos, 72, of Lexington, mother of Gus Kalos of Prestonsburg, Tuesday at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Mary Jane Lyons, 76, of Betsy Layne, Saturday, November 10 at St. Joseph Hospital in Lexington; America Hall, 43, of Galveston, November 10, as a result of an accidental gunshot wound.

Thirty Years Ago (November 20, 1969)

The VISTA program in Floyd County faces a quick death if action taken Monday

week by the Senate Appropriations Committee, and because both branches of the Congress have agreed on the appropriation it cannot be changed in later conference between the two houses...There died: Margaret Johnson, 63, at her home at Garrett; Benny F. Collins, 71, of Martin, last Tuesday at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Kenner Nelson, 51, formerly of Prestonsburg, last Tuesday at Covington; Lizzie Branham Latham Felts, 73, Saturday at her home at Melvin; Frank (Dugan) Burchett, 74, of Auxier, Sunday in a Paintsville Hospital; Mae Oma Dempsey Williams, 39, of Prestonsburg, Monday at Prestonsburg Central Hospital.

Forty Years Ago (November 19, 1959)

Governor-elect Bert Combs came back to Prestonsburg last Saturday to be greeted at the high school gymnasium here by a cheering crowd estimated at 1,500... A general retail sales tax to support education and provide job opportunities was endorsed Tuesday by the Eastern Kentucky Regional Planning Commission at its meeting in Prestonsburg...Ground work for a regional agency to promote tourist travel development was done at a meeting of area leaders held here Monday...Bert T. Combs will be the first World War II veteran to take the oath of office as Kentucky's governor...There died: William Keathley, 71, of Galveston, Saturday at Pikeville; William Ray Campbell, 59, Tuesday at the Beaver Valley Hospital, Martin; Julia Langley Spurlock, 90, Thursday at her home at West Prestonsburg; Ellen Combs, 77, of Handshoe, Friday at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin; Andy Kiser, 62, of Beaver, Sunday at Pikeville; Phyllis Brown McDowell Miners Memorial Hospital.

Fifty Years Ago (November 24, 1949) the total of Floyd County residences razed

home; Tennessee Thompson Bevins, 73, of by the board of directors of the Big Sandy within the last two weeks...Sam Frasure, Prestonsburg, November 8, at her resi- Community Action Program stands his wife and three sons survive after a dence; Avenelle Francis, 71, of Erie, unchanged...Presentation of a check for brush with death when their auto was Pennsylvania, formerly of Lackey, \$129,000 from EDA to the Mud Creek struck early Tuesday evening by a railway Water District was made here engine at the Dinwood crossing...Deputy Tuesday...James Raymond Crisp, former Sheriff Harold Conn left Sunday to return Prestonsburg radio announcer, a bystander from Detroit two Prestonsburg youths who during an altercation at an Allen restaurant, are accused of looting the safe in the office was seriously wounded early Sunday by a of Chalmer H. Frazier, superintendent of .38-calibre revolver bullet which reported- city schools, of \$200 in grade school and ly was accidentally fired...The \$150,000 cafeteria funds on the night of Nov. 4...Out earlier approved by the House Committee of every dollar spent by Floyd County reson Rivers and Harbors for beginning of idents in their retail stores, 34 cents goes to construction on the \$3.2 million Martin buy food for the family table, according to stream improvement project was voted last a recent survey...Orbie Mitchell, of the State Liquor Control Board, started a "spirited" controversy in this section by his statement recently that bootlegging and moonshining have increased sharply in Eastern Kentucky since the coal strike began...There died: John Wesley Music, 67, well-known Abbott Creek farmer and minister, Friday at his home at Bonanza; Lou Web Hinton, 52, of Dwale, Tuesday at the Beaver Valley Hospital, Martin; Pocahantas Layne Dingus, 89, wife of the William Dingus, dean Prestonsburg's attorneys and former State Senator and county official, Friday at Prestonsburg General Hospital; Albert James Green, 69, Friday at his home at Estill; Alta Scott Hancock, 27, of Garrett, Saturday; Jessie Jo Hicks, 23, Tuesday on Stone Coal, Garrett.

Sixty Years Ago (November 16, 1939)

Litigation in the suit to determine who holds the rights of property to the Church of Christ building at Martin was halted temporarily Friday afternoon, as Circuit Judge John W. Caudill ordered that the building be opened for services by one faction Friday night and by the other Sunday and then pad-locked indefinitely... As the result of injuries sustained when his pickup was struck by a Left Beaver passenger train on a crossing at Clear Creek Tuesday afternoon, Cuddie Holbrook, 21, of Bevinsville, was killed almost instantly and his wife, Cora, is in the Martin General Hospital...After inspecting the new Maytown consolidated school building, which replaces the one destroyed by fire last March, the Floyd County Board of Education at its last meeting accepted the structure, and classes are now being held in Handshoe, 29, of Garrett, last Thursday at it... "Rio," with Victor McLauglen, Basil Rothbone and Leo Carillo is playing at the Abigail Theatre this week. Another flick that may have escaped the memories of Two fires within the week brought to six some, set for Thursday night, is "Lives of a Bengal Lancer."

Pikeville Methodist Hospital

September 21: A son, David Lee Murphy, to Rachel Ratliff.

September 23: A daughter, Jasmine Alesha, to Heather Nicole and Raymond Don Ratliff.

September 24: A son, Steven Kyle, to Alicia and Steven Hagy; a daughter, Briana Faye, to Brandy and Brian Little; a son, Camron Scott Hill, to Selina Gaye Little and Ronnie Oll Hill.

September 26: A daughter, Ramona Denise, to Palestine and Finley Thomas Hall; a son, Cameron Scott, to Robin Leann and Kelly Scott Fields.

September 27: A son, George Daniel Eugene, to Dolli Suzeanne and James Wendell McCoy; a daughter, Summer Renee Ann, to Donna Lou and Herbert Rodney Cochran; a daughter, Natasha Cheyanne, to Telessa Newsome and Jeffery W. Ray.

September 28: A daughter, Kaley Grace, to April Jean and Ronald Glenn Adkins; a daughter, Destiny Grace, to Tonya Lynn and Richard

James Cook; a daughter, Sarah Alexis, to Christy and Eddie

September 29: A son, Nicholas Ryan, to Charlotte Belle and Jimmy Allen Justice; a daughter, Destiny Savannah Jewel, to Samantha and Vernon Ray Wood Jr; a son, Frankie Hurley Jr., to Jamie Michelle Blankenship and Frankie Hurley.

September 30: A daughter, Chelsey Aaliyah, to Raven Leigh Adams; a daughter, Latosha Dawn, to Willa Dawn and Sonny Stone Miller; a daughter, Ashley Paige, to Jamie Sue and Gary Ray Jr.; a son, Steven Wayne, to Allison Kay Lowe; a son, Jacob Lee, to Melissa Ann and Larry David Ratliff.

October 1: A daughter, Isabelle Kirsten, to April Nicole and Joshua Vanhoose; a son, Jeremy Austin, to Marquita and Frankie Jean Stacy.

October 4: A son, Trystan Grant, to Vickie Lynn and Charles Thomas Parsley Jr.; a son, Jacob Nicholas, to Justina Patierno and William Nicholas Wilkerson.

October 5: A son, Dawson Knight, to Melissa and Carig Scott Stalker; a son, Jacob Keaton, to

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Monica Irene Sturgeon; a son, Jeremy Allen, to Mercy Nancy and Roy Andrew Davis; a son, Richard Dalton, to Kristi Dawn and Richard Dale Thacker; a daughter, Taylor Madison, to Melissa Norman and Micheal Mitchell; a son, Cameron Ethan Charles, to Tifanie Lenae and Charles Eugene Hall II.

October 6: A son, Homer Ray Bostic Jr., to Ruby Mavis Gail Ratliff and Homer Ray Bostic.

October 7: A daughter, Madison Alyse, to Melissa Mae and Mickey Darren Younce; a daughter, Samantha Kristlyn Jodi "Sami Jo", to Rebecca and James Pruitt; a son, Nicholas Kane, to Michelle Louise and Brandon Ray Adkins; a son, John David, to Donna Pearl and Samuel Warren Maggard; a daughter, Autumn Lola MacKenzie, to Jennifer Michelle and Michael Paul Thacker; a daughter, Abigayle Marie, to Jennifer Gayle Blevins.

October 8: A son, Dakota Storm, to Jeri Lynn and Shawn Anthony Daniels.

October 9: A daughter, Cayci Michelle, to Courtney Michelle and Jason Keith Bevins; a son, Logan Wayne Dale Hall, to Brandi Nicholeconn.

October 11: A son, Cameron Taylor, to Brandy Ann and Joshua Henry Fitzpatrick; a son, Jacob Benton, to Anita Darlene and Lester Dale Collins; a daughter, Caitlin McKenzie, to Crystal and Scott

BIRTHDAYS



Sidney Jacob Austin Meade, son of Sidney and Mary Meade of Prestonsburg; grandson of Mary J. and Henderson Bays, and Duard and Sue Meade, celebrated his first birthday at Archer Park on June 17. The theme was

Kelsie turns two Kelsie Raelind Jackson was two years old on November 2. She is the daughter of Lisa Hagans of Allen and Aaron Jackson of Garrett. One of Kelsey's favorite pastimes is playing with her

Mr. and Mrs. Ricky and Amanda Prestonsburg Blevins of announce the birth of their son, Ricky Aaron Blevins, on September 29, at Lexington. He weighed 7.12 pounds and was 9-1/2 inches long. Maternal grandparents are Riley and Juanita Collins of Prestonsburg. Paternal grandparents are Marlene Blevins of Prestonsburg and the

Phillips; a son, Zane Thomas, to Lisa and Thomas Adkins.

October 13: A daughter, Tori Ann, to Merna Ann and Robert Michael Green; a son, Jacob Thomas, to Bridgette Michelle and John Paul Blair II; a daughter, Tori Ann, to Merna Ann and Robert Michael Green.

October 14: A son, Dustin Richard Hamlin, to Angela Dawn Polley and Richard Hamlin.

October 16: A son, Alexander Blake, to Rita Elieen Maynard.

October 17: A daughter, Larissa Leann, to Mitzi Gail and William Todd Davis; a daughter, Brittney Lynn, to Loretta Lynn and Henton Dwayne Newman.

October 18: A daughter, Breana Nicole, to Patricia Goodson and Rodney Harrington; a daughter, Kristianna Hope, to Marquetta and Christopher Neil Thacker.

October 19: A daughter, Taylor Danielle, to Carla Faye and Nathan Ray Looney II.

October 20: A daughter, Katelyn Adora, to Toni Jonella and Billy Edward Fitch; a daughter, Kenzi Peyton, to Crissy and Johnny Hale.

October 21: A son, James Evan, to Mindy Nicole and Michael James Adkins; a son, Tristan Scott, to Lisa Darlene and Billy Joe Kemplin.

October 22: A son, Sean Matthew Coleman, to Amanda Kidd and Terry Coleman; a son, Aaron Neil, to Crystal Rose and Larry Neil Nelson; a son, Shane Kelly, to Amy Michelle and Kelly Gene Sansom.

October 23: A son, Cade Adam, to Ashley and Charles Byers; a son, Matthew Scott, to Jessica Lynn Ousley and Jason Matthew Garrett.

October 24: A daughter, Sadie Rebecca, to Amy Lynn and Anthony Shane Compton.

October 25: A daughter, Bethannie Shaylyn Fairchild, to Lisa Lynn Burchett and Thomas Eugene Fairchild; a son, Terry James, to Audra and Bobby Purvis.

October 26: A daughter, Nikki Taylor, to Valerie and Jonathan Tackett; a son, Jarett Brent, to Diana and Jeremy Lynn Stewart.

October 28: A son, Austin Way Ne, to Lisa and Terry Charles; a daughter, Emily Ranae, to Gena and Matthew Adkins.

ECATERING

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by JoAnn Prophet, M.S., RD American Institute for Cancer Research

Time to take your medicine? Before you down those pills, be sure you know how best to take that medicine...with food, before food, after food, with no food or with extra fluids. Today's pharmaceuticals consist of complex compounds that interact with both your body components and the contents of your stomach. Not knowing when you should or shouldn't mix medications with food can reduce the effectiveness of the drug and, with certain combinations, can even be dangerous.

Most medicines are absorbed more efficiently by the body when taken with food. Food activates stomach compounds and intestinal actions which help to process their absorption. Food can also help the medicine more quickly reach the site in the body where it is needed. In some instances, however, the natural chemicals found in foods can react with certain drugs to either make them essentially useless or even more potent.

Your pharmacist is the best source of information about the recommended way to take your medicines. Pharmaceutical companies provide pharmacists with detailed instructions based on their research. Don't hesitate to ask whether or not is is recommended that the product be taken with food, and if certain foods should be avoided. Also be sure to read any accompanying printed information about the product and how to take it properly.

recently because it enhances the effect of certain medications such as the antihypertensive Plendil, the antidepressant Xanax, the i m m u n o s u p p r e s s a n t Cycolosporine, and the antihistamine Tefenadine. Patients on these medications do not need to give up their grapefruit or juice, but need to establish a regular volume of intake and advise their doctor of this so that the amount of medication can be adjusted accordingly. Grapefruit also increases the absorption of across-the-counter

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medicines such as Sine-Off and

People on blood-thinning drugs or anticoagulants such as Coumadin and Warfarin are usually strongly advised to limit foods high in Vitamin K because it can substantially reduce the drug's effectiveness. Foods containing Vitamin K include liver, cabbage, spinach, cauliflower, green tea, and broccoli. Some foods such as eggs, milk and wheat bran cereal contain lesser amounts of vitamin K, but it can add up when these foods are eaten together. Garlic supplements also appear to thin the blood and should not be combined

with other blood-thinning medication without a doctor's supervision.

While the absoption of iron is known to be improved if taken with citrus juice, this same acidity may cause some medications to dissolve prematurely in the stomach rather than in the intestine as intended. Therefore, taking drugs with carbonated sodas and acid fruit juices is usually not recommended. Be careful with herbal supplemments as well. Many of these contain components which can interact with your medications, so be sure to tell your doctor and pharmacist if you are using any herbal products.

Some drugs will adversely affect your body's ability to use the nutrients in food, making it important not to take the drug at mealtime. Levodopa decreases absorption of Vitamin B6, digitalis reduces absorption of all vitamins, and aspirin lowers absorption of calcium. When an individual is in good nutritional status and eating well, short-term effects of these medications on nutrient absorption may not be significant. However, long-term use for anyone can be a critical factor in maintaining good nutritional health.

The main message here is to read the directions for taking your medications carefully, and talk to your pharmacist if you have any questions. It's well worth the few minutes it will take no be sure you are taking your medicine properly and are not putting yourself at a health risk.

Seniors find new avenue for property tax relief

While politicians and homeowners alike clamor to identify ways in which the issue of property taxes can be resolved, many homeowners have discovered the only solution they will ever need. The solution comes in the form of the FHA program for reverse mortgages. The program allows homeowners 62 years of age and older to draw income from their home equity without requiring repayment for as long as they occupy the home. Unfortunately, the program can't do anything to lower the amount of property taxes which a participant will pay. What it can do however, is provide the necessary funds to pay the taxes when they are due. In most cases the participant can do this by establishing a "line of credit" which will be available to pay the property taxes. This completely eliminates the need for homeowners to make monthly installment payments toward their property taxes.

This "line of credit" is very similar to a "home equity line of credit" which one might get a bank with two notable exceptions. Unlike a bank line of credit, an individual can draw as much as they wish from the line, up to their predetermined limit and never make a monthly payment on the account. The second difference is that the reverse mortgage line of credit will actually increase in value by about 7 percent per year. As long as a participant has an available line of credit, the account will continue to grow.

By providing the homeowner with another source of income which they can use to satisfy their property tax requirements, participants are able to use their fixed income for living expenses and do not have to worry about setting aside money every month to meet the property tax needs. This translates into extra income to use for the process of living.

Although this program has been very popular nationally, many eligible participants still do not realize that this alternative is available to them. The majority of those who are seeking this program so far, have indicated that paying property taxes each year is a major consideration in their decision to look into the program. The concern which many seniors have is that they will not be put in a position where they must choose between living the quality of life that they are used to by selling the home or lower their quality of life and remain in the home. This is a choice that most older homeowners simply do not want to make. With the reverse mortgage program the participants are able to make their property tax payments without having to use their fixed income resources.

To learn more, individuals can contact Jeffrey Moulton of the Reverse Mortgage Department at (800) 206-2754.

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SMATE WORLD

by Aileen Hall



For Tom
In a conversation with my engineer friend, Tom Bow, he commented that he liked for me to write about things that

make him laugh.
"When did I ever do that?"

I asked, and he said he had enjoyed the story about the dog that was taken to a psychiatrist.

Well, Tom, I could write pages about that dog but it rized biography. In my first

would be an unauthorized biography. In my first account, I tried to explain that he is a very sensitive creature. So much so that I opted to give him an alias rather than use his real name.

Of course I did report that he is a beautiful animal. I think any canine would appreciate that. In fact, he is such an attractive specimen that, were he ever entered

in a dog show, he would likely take first prize. But then his owner is aware of how temperamental he is and knows that, if he came in second or third, he might bite the judge.

I'm sorry, Tom, that I can't tell you a lot more about Fido but if his owner thinks he can handle an inheritance, he might also be able to read the paper. Their boat is not far from ours on the dock, and I'm already afraid of him.

No Effort Required

I might have to look around and keep both ears open for stories that might amuse us some, but my pastor, Troy Tackett, can do it with no effort at all.

He was explaining in one service how the church, like the physical body, is made up of many members and how each part is important in providing balance to the whole body. His teaching was from the book of I Corinthians about the unity and diversity of the body—of how we all can't be the eye, the hand or the foot, but how each part supports or hurts the other.

Then to illustrate his point, he made reference to his

own body and asked, "Do you know what's wrong with this knee?" Then he answered his own question, "It's this heel!" He was referring to his left knee and his right heel and being very serious, but a house full of people broke out in laughter.

And that's another way the whole body works together. We all need a good laugh once in a while.

New Friends to Enjoy

For a while it seems my daily rounds were taking me to the super markets, department stores and service stations. Then things changed a little and I was finding myself in hospitals, doctors' offices and even ambulances. I suppose there has to be some of all of this in our lives, but each experience brings us in contact with people—and people are always so interesting. Some are even a real joy when you get to know them.

I don't know how I've lived this long in such close proximity with a gracious lady named Valerie Hall, of Allen, without actually talking with her and learning something about her. I have known other members of her family. In fact, it wasn't so long ago that I served

on the jury with her sister-in-law, Mary Ann Hall. Jury duty can be tough, but we enjoyed the lunches together and small talk with a whole new group of friends.

On the evening I met Valerie, she was with another sister-in-law and my friend Minnie Alice Hall. I could tell people that, if they're ever bored by this column, they can blame Minnie Alice for I was taking a nice long break from writing when she urged me to get back at it. With such a majority of one asking, I felt I had no choice.

And now I know Valerie too. We found ourselves seated side by side in some public place and introduced ourselves to each other. Soon we were talking as though we'd been neighbors all our lives. It was fun, Valerie, and now I'll look forward to seeing you again—soon, I hope.

Suggestion

"Make it a habit to do nice things for people who'll never find out."—H. Jackson Brown, Jr. in Life's Little Instruction Book.

· Something Different

Mustard, the All-American Condiment from the American Institute for Cancer Research

As American as mustard? Indeed. Although supermarkets now offer Dijon mustard, and it is made in the U.S. as well as imported from France, its land of origin, the bright yellow, turmeric-rich mustard and the spicier, brown mustard generally sold next to it, are our very own creations.

An American, George T. French, first made them both for the R.T. French Company of Rochester, New York, in 1904. And despite the proliferation of mustards available—a mail order catalogue offers a green chile and garlic flavor and one with sesame, ginger and scallion, not to mention onion with bacon—good old "ball park" mustard remains our favorite

favorite.

For squirting on a hot dog and adding spark to meat loaf, I do not think anything can replace these classics. Even a veggie burger tastes more satisfying when sandwiched with a dollop of mild yet sharp yellow mustard. And in stuffed eggs and egg salad, I still like the faintly sweet warmth of

Americans love sweets, and sweet mustards, which we did not invent, are fast growing in popularity. For certain, the French mixed honey into mustard back in the 1700s, while the Scots used heather honey. These days, honey mustard can deceptively describe a product sweetened solely with brown sugar or corn syrup or one containing a token amount of actual honey. Fortunately, it does not matter: even these products usually

taste good.

Honey mustards go well with poultry and salmon. They are also great time savers. The sweet mus-

tard, blended with ketchup and orange juice makes an instant glaze. Add touches of molasses and vinegar and presto, you have a barbecue sauce.

Making a delicious honey mustard dip can be as simple as mixing the mustard with mayonnaise. However, this version, a version of the sauce Scandinavians serve with gravlax, a pickled salmon, includes dill and lime juice.

With few calories, no cholesterol, no fat and the ability to enhance the flavor of almost everything, mustard is a boon for the holidays. As Barry Levinson, president of "The Mount Horeb Mustard Museum in Wisconsin says, "it's a freebie in your diet for getting lots of flavor."

HONEY MUSTARD SAUCE

1/2 cup honey mustard 1/4 cup fat-free mayonnaise

2 tablespoons chopped fresh dill 1 tablespoon fresh lime juice 1/4 teaspoon salt

Freshly ground pepper

In a small bowl, combine the mustard, mayonnaise, dill, lime juice and salt. Season to taste with pepper. Cover with plastic wrap and let sit at least 20 minutes, or refrigerate up to overnight, before

Serve with roasted and grilled poultry, meats, and seafood, including salmon, gravlax, and shrimp.

Makes one cup. Each serving of 1 tablespoon contains 31 calories and 2 grams of fat.

"Something Different" is written for the American Institute for Cancer Research by cookbook author, Dana Jacobi, who also created the recipes for AICR's book, Stopping Cancer Before It Starts.

New ways with Vegetable puree from the American Institute for Cancer Research

Thank heaven for blenders and food processors. They've opened up a whole new array of pureed vegetable dishes to add to our culinary repertoire. A vegetable puree is usually made by cooking a vegetable, then processing it in a blender or food processor to the desired consistency—much easier than the old fashioned method of straining cooked vegetables through a metal sieve.

Make your own thick and comforting cream soups this fall by simply adding a few cups of lowfat milk to your favorite vegetable puree and heat. Or serve the puree piping hot as a colorful and elegant side dish. You can even use these purees as stuffing for other vegetables.

If you're concerned that a vegetable puree may be bland like baby food, sample a spicy cauliflower puree made by boiling florets until tender, draining and pureeing. Combine the puree with finely chopped onions that have been sauted with ground cumin and turmeric and heat the mixture until very hot.

Another flavorful option involves eggplant that is grilled, peeled and chopped fine in a blender or food processor. In a skillet, sauté chopped garlic in olive oil, stir in ground coriander and cumin, and add the eggplant.

Cook over low heat to thicken, season to taste with salt and pepper, and serve hot or cold garnished with parsley.

Use beets for a ruby red puree. Boil unpeeled beets in salted water until tender. Drain in a colander under cold running water, then when cool enough to handle, peel and cut into small chunks. Whirl until smooth in a processor or blender, then add a mixture of light brown sugar, salt and freshly ground pepper, freshly grated nutmeg and a bit of melted butter.

Don't forget the beans! Their health benefits and versatility make them an ideal choice for pureeing. Make a leek and cannellini bean puree by sautéing sliced leeks in olive oil and sprinkling with salt, pepper and dried thyme. When tender, add a quarter cup of water and canned, drained cannellini beans to the pot. Heat, stirring constantly until all the liquid is evaporated. Transfer to a blender or processor and whirl until smooth. Pour into a greased ovenproof serving dish, sprinkle with a little grated Parmesan cheese, and bake for about five minutes. Serve with pita triangles and raw vegetables for dipping.

The simple combination of squash and apples in this recipe results in a flavorful side

dish that goes well with chicken or turkey.

SQUASH AND APPLE PUREE

3 pound winter squash (such as acorn, but-

ternut or Hubbard)
3 large baking apples (Rome Beauty, York

Imperial or Granny Smith)

1 teaspoon dried parsley 1/4 teaspoon pepper

1/2 cup toasted wheat germ Cut squash in half; scoop out seeds and

stringy portions. Place in large baking pan, cut side down, and bake at 350 F. until soft (about 45-60 minutes, depending on size).

About 30 minutes before you expect squash

to be done, poke a few holes in the apples.

Add to baking pan in oven. When squash and apples are tender, but not mushy, remove from oven. Cut apples in half to aid in cooling.

Scoop squash out of shell (or pull off peel).
Remove peels, seeds and cores of apples.

processor. Add parsley and pepper. Puree.

Spread puree in lightly oiled baking dish.

Sprinkle wheat germ evenly over the top.

Bake at 400°F. for 20 minutes, or until bub-

Place squash and apple in blender or food

Each of the six, one-cup servings contains 133 calories and 1 gram of fat.

UK Extension Service

Outdoor safety

Safety outside your home is just as important as indoor safety. As you work outdoors, mowing the grass, trimming hedges or making home repairs, remember that falls, burns, or cuts are some common outdoor accidents. Following a few safety practices will give you a more secure and safe home.

Lighting—Add lighting to the walkway and motion detection lighting over garage doors.
Light Fixtures—Add light fix-

tures beside each door.

Peephole—Add peephole in front door.
Walkways—Repair broken or uneven walks and keep them ice

free in cold weather.

• Handrails—Install and use handrails on outdoor steps.

• Window Bars/Locks—Add either window locks or window bars that open easily from inside.

• Tools—Keep tools in repair

and store in a safe location.
• Bushes—Trim bushes.

• Lawn Mower—Practice safety when using a power lawn mower. Never put gasoline into a hot mower. If possible wear shoes with hard toes. Read your owner's manual carefully and follow directions. Never leave the mower running unattended.

• Pools—Fence backyard swimming pools and allow only supervised swimming activities.

• Electrical—Use weather proof sockets, cords and ground outlets for all outdoor electrical equipment.

Repairs—Use a sturdy step ladder and place on firm footing when used. When working from a ladder, avoid outreaching for you may lose your balance and fall. Always keep your hips within the vertical rails of the ladder.

• Use only remote control garage door openers. Locate the switch in the garage to as high a position as is practical to restrict children's use.



Tiny Miss Patriotic

Taylor Madison Moore came in second place in the Tiny Miss Patriotic

Pageant held October 11.

She is the daughter of David and Shonna Moore of Martin.

Her grandparents are Mary Evelyn Hall of Prestonsburg,

Her grandparents are Mary Evelyn Hall of Prestonsburg, Kenny and Marie Elkins of Melvin, Michelle and James Hall of Garrett, Ray and Betty Moore of Martin, and the late Dewey Hall Jr.

UK Markey Cancer Center selected

The National Cancer Institute (NCI), the U.S. government's lead agency for cancer research, announced recently that the University of Kentucky Markey Cancer Center has been selected as one of 14 organizations for future contract awards to operate its Cancer Information Service (CIS).

The Mid-South CIS, located at the Markey Cancer Center, will serve Kentucky, Arkansas, Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana, effective October 15.

The selection announced recently will award a contract of \$1.47 million in year one. The contract is for five years totaling \$7.15 million.

Created in 1976, the CIS is the source for the latest, most accurate cancer information for the American public. The CIS provides upto-date scientific information in understandable language, helps organizations develop education efforts to reach people who do not have easy access to cancer information and services, and studies ways to promote healthy behaviors and communicate cancer information effectively.

"The CIS is a critical resource for the American public, and we feel privileged to be able to continue to provide this service," said

Thomas Tucker, acting director, Kentucky Cancer Control Program. "We are pleased to be working in partnership with the Arkansas Cancer Research Center in Little Rock, the Vanderbilt Cancer Center in Nashville, Tennessee and the Mississippi Department of Health in Jackson."

Doug Wagner, project director for the Mid-South Region said the program also has undergone several improvements. "We now have the latest telephone technology so that callers can speak to a cancer information specialist without experiencing a wait or a busy signal," he said. "In addition, we have a new feature where callers can hear recorded information about cancer 24 hours a day, seven days a week."

The CIS operates a toll-free telephone service (1-800-4-CANCER) where specially trained staff explain scientific information in understandable terms and answer calls from English- and Spanish-speakers and from the hearing impaired (1-800-332-8615).

"Information specialists provide thorough, personalized attention to each caller and answer questions about cancer prevention, screening, early detection, diagnosis, treatment and research," according to Pat

Schweitzer, CIS telephone service manager.

The CIS also works in partnership with organizations that reach people in particular need of cancer information and services. Efforts are focused on reaching minorities (including African Americans, Hispanics, American Indians, Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians and Alaskan Natives) and people who are medically underserved (including older Americans and individuals living in communities lacking adequate health services or experiencing language, educational, financial or transportation barriers). "Because one half of the U.S. households without telephones are located within our six states, we need to use a variety of strategies to reach people in need of our services," said Mid-South Partnership Program Manager Cheri Barnes. "The CIS Partnership Program helps these organizations access appropriate NCI materials, reach those they serve with crucial information, plan cancer education programs and develop new or strengthening existing coalitions.

Each year, the CIS responds to more than 500,000 calls and assists 4,500 organizations nationwide with cancer education efforts.



Tiffany Victoria Owens

Duff Elementary's Junior Miss Red,
White and Blue representative

Tiffany is the 11-year-old daughter of Joe and Teresa Owens, of Garrett. She was escorted by Logan Scott. Logan is the son of Ralph and Angie Scott, of Garrett.

BUSINES BAL BIATE

New business owner used SBA advice

by Janice Shepherd Contributing Writer

For 18 years, Lisa Johnson of Beaver worked in the legal profession. She typed, filed and took shorthand. She even wrote a manual about a word processing program utilized by one of her employers, a local legal firm.

This summer, Johnson decided to fulfill her dream and open her own business, Bountiful Baskets and Bouquets, located under the blue roof on the curve at South Lake Drive in Prestonsburg.

Johnson started working in college through a co-op program. She worked with the Food and Nutrition Service of the state government. She then became a legal secretary for Gary Johnson, whom she married 16 years later, and for Appalachian Research and Defense Fund and for Ned Pillersdorf's legal firm.

This summer, Johnson knew it was time to take the plunge and establish her own business after her husband, Gary, underwent several major surgeries and spent a couple of months in a Lexington Hospital.

The couple planned to move to Lexington because of Gary Johnson's illness, and Lisa decided to open a coffee shop. Those plans changed once the douple

returned home. "We decided to stay in Floyd County, but I knew a coffee shop would not work, so I decided to do this, instead," Johnson said Saturday.

This is a floral and gift shop featuring gourmet food, aromatherapy, candles, baby products and golf teasers, just to name a few of the many items she has for

"This is something I love to do and always wanted to do," Johnson added. "I'm a shopaholic, so I love it."

Johnson said the reason she waited so long to open her own business was lack of confidence and lack of knowledge about the business world.

"I never thought I could," she

She realized she could when she contacted the Small Business Administration and began taking their classes. SBA sessions included some business basics.

The workshops she attended included "How to Start You Own Business," where Johnson learned about becoming incorporated; "How to Obtain a Business Loan," where she learned what types of loans she could receive; and "Withholding Taxes," co-sponsored by the Floyd County

Chamber of Commerce. The SBA also informed Johnson about WINGS, Women's Initiative Networking Group, which offered her valuable insight into purchasing products and connected her with other women in the same line of business.

"I contacted the other women, and they took me under their wings," Johnson said.

The women told her how to save money and pointed out the hazards involved in owning a

business, Johnson said. WINGS also made it possible for Johnson to attend her first

trade show. "They gave me my first experience at a gift show where you meet company representatives and

wholesalers," she said. WINGS provided most of the cost of the trip. Johnson paid \$25 toward transportation and she paid for her motel room and food.

Johnson also found distributors by attending shows in Atlanta and Louisville. She found local floral distributors closer to home, and

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November 16, from 10 a.m. to

operation.



Bears and moose are just a few of the collectibles at Johnson's store. The moose are carved from wood. (Photos by Janice Shepherd)

she soon had a network of suppli-

"I wanted to focus on things that were different and unique. I've heard women complain for years that they couldn't find gifts for men — affordable gifts that were cute for their husbands, for their bosses.

"We've never had anyone with a full aromatherapy line locally. Some of the stores around here dabble in it, but I decided to have a full aromatherapy line.

"I want my customers to have fun shopping, and they say they do have fun. They say they have gotten some great gift ideas here. I've only been open about a week and I'm seeing repeat customers and I've already sold out of a couple of things," she said.

Among her "fun" products are B.D. Wort, better known as the Redneck Frog, who sits on his pond and who has a story all his own about living in Sweetgum Swamp, and a special occasion greeting service delivered by a

Candle sales are doing well at her shop, she said. One unusual line of her candles offers three scents in one jar.

"The scent changes as it goes down," she said.

She's still getting in products and is expecting to receive a shipment of animal chairs soon. The chairs, ranging in size from small to large, look like stuffed animals but are made for sitting, according to Johnson.

The chairs can be found in the homes of movie and television personalities, including Larry King, Bert Reynolds and Goldie Hawn, she added.

Johnson said she's trying to stock her shop according to the needs of her customers, and she encourages them to ask for a prod-

"If I don't have it, I'll try to find it," she said.

Although she's been in business just a short time, Johnson has plans for expansion. She has purchased a tanning bed and will offer tanning sessions as soon as stocking of her gift shop is com-

She also plans to go on-line and thinks that web sites offer excellent business opportunities and should not be passed up by people who want to find an outlet for their

Johnson's shop also offers a full line of floral products. She said she learned floral design by

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Lisa Johnson arranges a floral display in her window at Bountiful Baskets and Bouquets.

attending classes, demonstrations, and listening to her floral business friends. She has discovered that she has a natural bent toward the

"For years, I did things on my own. I grew my own flowers, and I made fresh cut arrangements from my flower garden," she said. "It's a lot of hard work (to own a business). You've got to be willing to make family sacrifices.

"I had to work long hours. I stayed up until 3 in the morning, and I've stayed overnight a couple of nights at the store. It's not something one person can do.

"You have to have an understanding family and lots of free help. I've had a lot of family members and friends who've put in a lot of late hours after their jobs to help me get started," she said.

Bountiful Baskets and Bouquets is located at 359 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg. For more information about the shop or about WINGS, call Johnson at 606/889-0057.



Allen Bolling selects incense in the aromatherapy section of the store.

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Citizens National Bank opens Magoffin facility

just got easier.

On Monday, October 18, doors were opened for business at the new Citizens National Bank at 615 East Mountain Parkway in Salyersville.

"The new location in Salversville is an indication of our commitment to the people of this community," said Dennis Dorton, president and chief executive officer of Citizens National Corporation.

"When we opened in March, we promised the people of Magoffin County that they would get a state-of-the-art banking facility late in 1999. As promised, you can visit the beautiful new CNB bank building to get the same level of services that we offer to customers in Johnson and Floyd

"We"ve had a lot of people thanking us for this new building since it was announced," said Randy Reynolds, senior vice president and chief operating officer. "For years, people drove to Paintsville to do business with us, so now it should be a lot more convenient for our customers who live in this community.'

Citizens National Bank in Magoffin County offers a complete line of financial services and products, including personal and business loans, checking and savings accounts, and safe deposit boxes. Customers have access to 24-hour banking with a drivethrough ATM.

With more lobby space and a deluxe accommodations for two

Banking in Magoffin County full staff, now, home equity, bill consolidation, auto, and residential mortgage loans will be easier

> Lobby hours are Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., and Friday 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Drive-through hours are Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday, 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Customers earn instant rewards at Citizens National Bank

Although CNB began doing business in the new building on October 18, a grand opening celebration was scheduled for October 29, at 9 a.m. The celebration was to include an official ribbon cutting ceremony led by President and CEO Dennis Dorton and brief presentations by bank officers.

During the grand opening celebration period, October 29 through November 5, Citizens National Bank gave customers the opportunity to earn instant rewards just by opening new accounts. Anyone securing a loan or opening a checking or savings account was given the chance to draw for instant prizes. Whether it is a wall clock, T-shirt, or golf umbrella, Citizens National Bank wants its customers to receive instant

In addition to the prizes given away each time a customer opens a new account, anyone who visits the Salyersville branch during the grand opening could register to win a grand prize trip to Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. The trip includes four days, three nights,

adults along the beautiful beaches of the East Coast.

Although transportation is not included in the travel prize package, the winner received cash for expenses, a complimentary vacation gift, a round of golf for two, and tickets to a popular local entertainment attraction.

Paula Howard, a native of Oil Springs and long-time CNB professional, is the branch manager at the Salyersville CNB. She has been employed by CNB since 1975, starting as a consumer-lending officer. In 1991, she was promoted to branch manager at the Village Plaza branch in Richmond Village in Paintsville.

A graduate of the Kentucky School of Banking at the University of Louisville, Howard earned an associate degree in busimanagement Prestonsburg Community College and is a graduate of Johnson Central High School.

"My tenure as the manager of the Salyersville branch has been very rewarding thus far," said Howard. "Almost every day I'm seeing new people coming in to our bank, and I look forward to seeing Magoffin County customers who previously banked in Johnson County begin banking in

our brand new facility." Citizens National Corporation is the second largest locally owned independent banking company in the Big Sandy region. Currently, there are 11 banking locations in Floyd, Magoffin, and Johnson

Sykes Enterprises announces new Technical Support Center

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in viding vertically integrated, technology-based solutions worldwide, is building the new 42,500 square foot, state-of-the art customer service center as a result of its continued growth.

This center, to be built on 22 acres in the Morganfield Industrial Park, will be one of 20 U.S. technical support centers for Sykes and is expected to be fully operational in the first quarter of

"Our recent announcements are a further testament of our continued growth and success in the esupport marketplace," stated David L. Grimes, president and chief operating officer of Sykes. "Gov. Patton and his professional staff are to be commended for their efforts in the continued expansion of Sykes in Kentucky. He was instrumental in bringing us back for an additional center and specifically for us to call Morganfield home in 2000."

"This is good news for Morganfield and the surrounding area. These solid, well-paying jobs will contribute to and enhance the economic vitality of the area," said Patton. "Kentucky is committed to working closely with Sykes Enterprises as they continue to grow and employ hundreds of Kentuckians in one of the fastest growing business sectors"

In March in Louisville, Sykes Enterprises' wholly-owned subsidiary SHPS announced a 2,900job expansion. The expansion included the location of SHPS headquarters and operations for health care management, employee benefits, and both inbound and outbound national call center services to customers nationwide.

In July of this year, Sykes Enterprises announced two information technology (IT) support centers in Hazard and Pikeville.

Including this announcement, to date in 1999, Sykes has announced, opened or significantly expanded 16 technical call centers worldwide, adding more than 5,600 new seats to the Companys seating capacity, which would then total about 12,600.

By utilizing its IT support centers and e-business platform, Sykes is able to provide traditional and e-commerce services at all stages in the life cycle of its clients' products and services.

Sykes, headquartered in Tampa, Florida, operates 37 technical call centers (with five under construction), nine e-commerce centers and 25 offices throughout the United States, Canada, Europe, Africa, Central America and the Philippines.

by Rebecca DeRossett **Executive Director** Floyd County Chamber of Commerce

At the November 1 meeting of the Floyd County Chamber of Commerce, Mike Hall, director of the local office of the Department for the Blind, introduced new staff member Lisa Dye, who will be working with the visually-impaired elderly in the area.

President Dennis Dorton promoted the legal issues seminar on November 16 at the American Electric Power Conference Room at Coal Run (Pike County) from 10 a.m. to noon. Members were asked to fill out the registration brochure and return it as soon as possible.

Dorton 'commended McLemore, manager of Jenny Wiley State Resort Park, and his staff for an excellent job of coordinating the Fall Classic. The golf tournament netted \$4,057.17.

Dorton announced the retirement of Thomas Hereford III from his position as regional administrator with the Department of Employment Services, effective November 30. Members are invited to attend a farewell buffet dinner on December 2, from 6 to 9 p.m., at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park. RSVP to Deborah Allen, 886-2396, by November 29.

A chamber board of directors meeting is scheduled for December 13 at noon at the park. A group photo will be made then.

Guest speaker Eddie Patton, administrative assistant to the Floyd County judge-executive, gave a brief overview of the Aquaponics project for which a grant proposal has been submitted to the Appalachian Regional Commission.

Patton explained that the project is modeled after a successful program in Mountain City, Tennessee, where fish are raised in 800-gallon tanks, housed in green houses for year-round marketing.

An additional benefit is derived from the water flow, which is full of nutrients when it leaves the fish tank. The water is filtered as it seeps into gravel-lined plant beds and returns to the fish tank purified.

Patton pointed out that the system creates a dual industry — fish and plant cultivation and marketing.

Pending funding, a pilot project will be implemented at South Floyd High School, providing training for students and demonstration of how the system works to local entrepreneurs. Patton estimated an initial cost of \$5,000 for those who want

to venture into such a business. Patton also spoke about Floyd Fiscal Court's on-going efforts to improve housing for low-income families. In cooperation with Don Akers, director of Low-Income Housing for Appalachian Research and Defense Fund, during the summer, the county hosted more than 1,000 volunteers, who provided home improvements for low-

income families. The final note of Patton's talk

Doctor retains membership in specialty organization

Nicholas R. Jurich, MD, a family physician in Prestonsburg, has completed continuing medical education requirements to retain active membership in the American Academy of Family Physicians (AFFP), the national association of family doctors.

AAFP members are required to complete a minimum of 150 hours of accredited continuing medical study every three years. The Academy, with 88,000 members, is one of the largest medical specialty organizations in the coun-

It was the first national medical group to require continuing medical education for members, thus ensuring their continuing medical expertise. The specialty of family prac-

tice combines the latest in medical technologies with a long tradition of caring and service. Today's family physician is educated and trained to care for the whole person, treating the majority problems. Jurich has been an active member since 1975.

Family Practice was recognized in 1969 as a medical specialty by the American Medical Association and the American Board of Medical Specialties. Family Practice was the first specialty to require its Diplomates to recertify by taking recertification exams every six years.

Chamber Notes

was the announcement of a \$20,000 housing grant award, which will fund the construction of a house for a low-income family.

The house will be built on site by students at Floyd County Area Technical School (formerly Garth Vocational School) and transported to the homesite. The project will teach students how to build a code house and provide a home for a needy family.

In other business, those present discussed the area's potential to develop eco-tourism. Kathy Friend stated that eastern Kentucky's water is a most valuable resource, both for

Agents after 5 p.m.

Hansel Cooley, C.R.E.A.

Shirley Blackburn.

drinking and recreational purposes. Gary Bailey suggested that

Floyd, Pike and Johnson fiscal courts combine forces to focus on the Big Sandy River as the main feature of eco-tourism efforts.

Present at the meeting were Dorton, guest Jimmy J. Derossett, Thomas Hereford III, Mark McLemore, Kathy Friend, Gary Bailey, Lisa Dve, Jean Dorton, Deborah Allen, Tim Hites, Kathy Davis, Mike Hall, Patton, and Rebecca Derossett.

The next regular meeting will be Monday, December 6, at noon at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park.

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is hereby given that Maple Leaf Mining, 1498, Rte. Bevinsville, Kentucky 41606 has applied for Phase II & Phase III Bond Release on Permit Number 836-5087, which was last issued on July 8, 1988. The application covers an area of approximately 94.63 acres located 1.9 miles northeast of Topmost, Knott County, Kentucky in Floyd County, Kentucky.

01/25/99. Increment The permit area is approximately 0.6 miles west-southwest from the junction of KY Route 122 with KY Route 1091 and 0.6 miles west of the junc-Wolfpen of 132.19 Branch with Left Fork of Beaver Creek on Wolfpen Branch. The

Permit effect for Number 836-5087 is a surety of \$16,700.00. One hundred percent (100%) of the remainder of the original bond amount of with \$33,600.00 is includ-Road ed in the application for release Reclamation work

latitude is 37 degrees,

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backfilling, final grad-82°36'05" ing, seeding and mulching completed in the Fall of 1993. All disturbed areas have been seeded as to adequate provide growth for plant species and provide appropriate conditions for the surrounding wildlife. Results thus The bond now in far indicate growth of effect for Increment vegetation is accord-#8 is a surety bond in ing to re-vegetation the amount \$65,200.00. plan. Written comments, Approximately 60% of objections, the original and request for a public

amount of \$65,200 is hearing or informal included in the application for release. conference must be filed with the Director, Reclamation work Divison of Field performed includes: Services, #2 Hudson Backfilling, grading, Hollow, Frankfort, seeding, Kentucky 40601, by mulching completed December 10, 1999. in the Spring of 1997 A public hearing on for increment #3 and the application has the Spring of 1999 for

been scheduled for increment #8. December 13, 1999. Written comments. at 9:00 a.m., at the objections Prestonsburg requests for a public Regional Office of the hearing or informal Department for conference must be Surface Mining filed with the Director, Reclamation Division of Field and Services, #2 Hudson Enforcement. 2705 South Lake Drive, Hollow, Frankfort, Prestonsburg Kentucky 40601, by Kentucky 41653-01/03/00 1455. The hearing will A public hearing on be cancelled if no the application has request for a hearing been scheduled for or informal confer-01/04/00, at 9:00 ence is received by a.m., at December 10, 1999. Department This is the final Surface Mining

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NOTICE OF

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NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

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advertisement of the

In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Czar Coal Corporation, HC 64, Box 915, Debord, Kentucky 41214 has applied for a phase I bond release on a surface coal mining and reclamation operation permit number 880-0124, Increments #3 & #8 which was issued

Application Number #3 covers an area of 860-0317, Operator approximately 101.86 Change acres of surface area In accordance with and 30.33 acres of underground area for 405 notice is hereby given acreage total acres. that Increment #8 covers Consolidated an area of approxi-Corporation, P.O. Box

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mately 28.44 acres of 940. Kentucky, surface area and intends to revise per-19.33 acres of undermit number 860-0317 ground area for a total to add an additional of 47.77 acres, located 1.82 miles northoperator. The operawest of Thomas Kentucky, in Martin approved in the perand Floyd County. mit is Ho-Jo Coal, Inc., P.O. Box 1137, The permit area is Paintsville, Kentucky approximately 1.84 miles northwest from 41240. The new operator will be Miller Ky. Rt. 194's junction Bros. Coal, Inc., HC Wolf Branch

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located

0.09 mile northeast of Kentucky 41831. The operation is Wolf Branch. The latitued is 37°42'06". located 1.3 miles Northeast of Rt. 1087 longitude and State Rt. 80 Jct., 3.0 miles West of The bond now in effect for Increment Mousie in Knott County. The operation #3 is a surety bond in amount is located 0.1 mile \$290,800.00 North of Long Branch. Approximately 60% of The operation is located on the Handshoe the original bond U.S.G.S. 71/2 minute amount of \$290,800 is included in the appliquadrangle map at Ititude 37°25'26" and cation for release. longitude 82°55'40".

> The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department of Mining Surface Reclamation bond and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Kentucky U.S. 127 and

Prestonsburg 41653. Written comments or objection must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. All comments or objections must be received within fifteen (15) days of today's NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON HOUSING AUTHORITY **COMPREHENSIVE AGENCY**

PLAN The Housing Authority of Martin is developing it's Agency Plan in compliance with the Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998. The plan is available for review and comment at the following location: Housing Authority of Martin Grigsby Heights 110 R. Griffith Drive #1101

Martin, KY 41649 The Authority's office hours are 9 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. In addition, a public hearing will be held

on Monday, December 20, 1999, at the Grigsby Heights Community Room, 110 R. Griffith Drive #1101, Martin, KY 41649. Anyone requiring assistance for sight or hearing impaired individuals may contact the agency at (606) 285-3681 (voice) or 1-800-247-2510 (TDD).

If you require special accommodations or translation services, please advise the Housing Authority of Martin, 72 hours in advance. The Housing Authority of Martin is an Equal Opportunity Agency.

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Sealed bids for kitchen equipment will be received and then at said office publicly opened and read aloud by the Maritin Area Senior Citizens Board of Directors on behalf of the Martin Area Senior Citizens Center, Martin, Kentucky, in the manner and on the date and time hereinafter specified for the furnishing of appliances and equipment to complete the Martin Area Senior Citizen Center Kitchen, as set forth in the specifications and under the terms and conditions of this invitation.

The bid request is for the delivered cost of a Gas Restaurant Range, Floor Model Gas Fryer, Double Tier Pie Basket (2 required), Reach-in Three Section Refrigerator, Reach-in Two Section Freezer, Countertop Prep Table, Dishwasher, Disposal, Commercial Microwave Oven, Work Tables, Balk Food Mobil Card, Selfextinguishing Commercial Range Hood, Three Compartment Sink, Hand-wash Sink, Pantry Shelves, and Staninless Steel Counter. A complete description of equipment and bid forms may be obtained at Big Sandy ADD, 100 resource Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, (606) 886-2374, or at the Martin Area Senior Citizens Center, Martin, Kentucky 41649, (606) 285-9573.

Submit bids by mail or in person to: Martin Area Senior Citizens Center, P.O. Box 398, Martin, KY 41649. Bidders must submit their bid in a sealed envelope. The envelpe shall contain the following information on the outside lower left-hand corner, vis: "Sealed bid: Martin Area Senior Citizens Center." Bid receipt deadline: November 17, 1999, 1:00 p.m. local time. Bids will be received on a basis of lump sum bid amount for all equipment and individual lump sum bid amount ("additive" or "deductive") for individual pieces of quipment. Shop drawings of all equipment must be included in each bid proposal. Bids shall be submitted only on the official forms and shall be completed in triplicate. Signatures shall be original on all forms submitted. Failure to comply with the foregoing requirements will cause the bid to be invalid and deemed nonresponsive.

Award shall be made to the lowest and best responsible bidder provided the bid price is within the amount set aside for this project by the owner. The owner may also elect to award or deduct the "Alternate Bid" to this same bidder provided that the owner deems such award to be in his best interest and within the amount set aside for this project by the owner.

Specifications, plans and contract documents may be examined at the following places: Big Sandy ADD, 100 Resource Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, (606) 886-2374; Martin Area Senior Citizens Center, P.O. Box 398, Martin, KY 41649, (606) 285-9573.

Bids may be withdrawn, in person only, prior to the closing date for receipt of bids. Martin Area Senior Citizens reserves the right to reject, any or all bids, or to let an order for equipment as a whole or for any part, and to waive any informalities or irregularities in the bid received.

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PUBLIC NOTICE On October 21, 1999, Kentucky Power Company, d/b/a American Electric Power filed its 1999 ntegrated Resource Plan with the Public Service Commission This filing includes a 15-year load forecast and a description of the existing and planned conservation programs, load management programs and gener ating facilities to meet forecasted requirements in a reliable manner at the lowest possible cost. Any interested per son may review the plan, submit written questions to the utility, and file written comments on the Plan. Any person interested in partici-

pating in the review of this Integrated Resource Plan should within 10 days of the publica tion of the notice, submit a motion to Intervene to: Helen C Helton, Executive Director Public Service Commission P.O. Box 615, Frankfort, KY Errol K. Wagner

Director of Regulatory Affairs Kentucky Power Company d/b/a American Electric Power

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application #836-5052, Renewal

In accordance with KRS 350.55, notice is hereby given that Lodestar Energy, Inc., 251 Tollage Creek, Pikeville, Kentucky 41501, has applied for renewal of a permit for an underground coal mining and reclamation operation located 1.0 miles west of Tram in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 7.6 surface acres and will underlie 349 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 356.6 acres.

The proposed operation is approximately 1.5 miles southwest from US 23's junction with Amy Branch County Road and

located 0.1 miles south of Amy Branch. The proposed operation is located on the Harold U.S.G.S. 7 1/2

minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Sidney Justice. The operation will underlie land owned by Junior Conn, Sidney Justice, Will Amey Heirs, Green Kidd, Wilford & Ruth Boyd, Industrial Fuels Corporation, Kate Cade Heirs, B. Rickman, Edward R. Jones, Marie Justice, R. F. Justice, Louise Watkins, Dora Taylor, and Edna Kirsky

been filed for public inspection at the Department Mining Surface Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive,

The application has

Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

ORDINANCE NO. 4-99

An Ordinance of the City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky, relating to a tax levy on real and tangible personal property and franchises, all for the general operating expense purposes of the city of Prestonsburg, Kentucky.

Whereas, the City Council of the City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky, in order to maintain a progressive and stable tax base for the city, finds it necessary to adopt following Ordinance in order to provide funds for the general operative expense purposes of

the city **NOW THEREFORE** BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF PRE-STONSBURG, KEN-TUCKY, AS FOL-

LOWS: Section 1: The county assessment of property situated in City of Prestonsburg, both real and personal, is hereby adopted.

Section 2: For the

purposes of providing funds for the general operating expenses of City Prestonsburg for the fiscal year from July 1, 1999 to June 30, 2000 and for each year thereafter, until this Ordinance is amended or enacted, the following taxes are

(A) Upon all real

estate within the City of Prestonsburg, not specifically exempted from taxation, situated within the City of Prestonsburg of 0.217 per One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) of assessed value.

(B) A tax upon all tangible personal property and franchises not specifically exempted from taxation, a tax of 0.262 per One Hundred Dollars assessed value.

Section 3: A discount of two percent (2%) of the total amount of the tax bill is hereby allowed upon all tax bills paid prior to November 30th of each year.

Section 4: A penalty of six percent (6%) of the total amount of the tax bills that are not paid on or prior to the thirty-first (31st) day

of December of each vear shall be imposed and collected.

Section 5: The City Clerk is hereby designated and authorized to collect the tax imposed herein.

Section 6: This

Ordinance is passed pursuant to, in compliance with, and by virtue of the authority of the following constitutional and statutory provisions, to-wit: Kentucky Constitution Sections 157, 170 and 181; Kentucky Statutes Revised 92.160, 92.330, 18.280 132.010, 132.027 132.385, 136.270 136.280 and 142.020. Section 7: Any word, phrase section, or sub-section of this Ordinance declared by a Court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, shall not affect

Ordinance. which shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 8: All ordinances, or any parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby expressly repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 9: This Ordinance become effective upon adoption and publication

required by law. Adopted, this the 2nd day of November,

SCHOOL-BASED DECISION MAKING COUN-CIL PARENT ELECTION

Due to the vacancy of a parent member of the John M. Stumbo Elementary School-Decision Based Making council, an parent representative to the Council will be held in the school library on December 2, at 6:00 p.m. Voting will be by secret ballot, and any parent or legal guardian who has a child enrolled at Elementary will be eligible to run and vote in this election. The exception, by law, is a parent cannot be an employee, or the relative of an employee, assigned to the district central office or the school which they intend to run. They are also prohibited from being a local board member or the board member's

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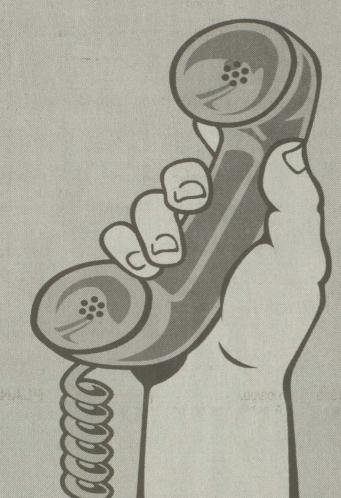
an employee of

another school.

The term of office shall be from the date of being elected to June 30, 2000. The elected parents must be willing to take School-Based Decision

parents. Parents may nominate themselves or be nominated by others. Nominations shall be made in writing (Nomination forms will be available in the office) and submitted to the Principal by the end of the school day (2:55 p.m.) November 24, 1999. spouse. According to KRS 160.345, a parent representative on the council may be an employee of another

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