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■ The Big Story: Spring Cleanup



photo by Willie Elliott

One Floyd County Family is prepared to take advantage of the free waste removal offered by the Floyd County Fiscal Court. While it is too late to have your large items hauled off, Floyd County residents can haul such items to the transfer station at Garth free of charge.

Litter takes its toll on taxes, often returns

by WILLIE ELLIOTT
STAFF WRITER

Come Monday morning and running through April 29, we will again be able to clean up what we should have never messed up in the first place — our environment.

While much of the work of cleaning up debris and litter is done by volunteers, the activity is expensive. For the city of Prestonsburg, which tackles the problem of litter year-round, the cost involves hiring employees to pick up unnecessary litter.

Tom Harris, with the city sanitation department, said four employees are hired to pick up trash. He said a conservative estimate for this work would be \$150 a month and does not include the cost of operating the equipment or the fees that have to be paid at the transfer station at Garth.

Harris said the worst items for polluting were the same ones that plague the rest of the county and state — containers from fast food restaurants, most of which are tossed out the windows of cars once the food or drink is consumed.

Harris said a secondary cause of litter was items flying from the back of pickup trucks. He said such items include plastic items, garbage bags and paper products including newspaper.

Harris pointed out that debris from a moving pickup constitutes litter just as if the items had been thrown out the window.

On the county level, the expense is much greater. The fiscal court spent at least \$150,000 from PRIDE grants alone.

One could take the view that it is grant money and not a real cost to the county. However, Judge Paul Hunt Thompson and his staff point out that this amount of money could go a long way toward other worthwhile projects that would give direct benefits to our citizens.

Brett Davis, assistant county judge-executive, said

an equal amount of money would do a great deal to help improve parks, senior citizens centers, fire departments and many other areas that need attention. If you take the attitude that the money is a grant and therefore not cost to us, just remember — there is no free lunch.

One area that is affected by litter is tourism. While it would be hard to determine how many people stay away because of littered roads and waterways, it is safe to guess that many people do stay away.

As officials in the PRIDE organization remind us, "There is nothing unique about our garbage."

The numbers for PRIDE grants across the state indicate some, but not all, of the cost in money, labor and materials involved in cleaning up our environment.

A total of 214 community grants total \$3,568,081, while 119 educational grants total \$521,449. In a related problem — straight pipes and the lack of septic tanks, PRIDE awarded loans to over 1,500 households to the tune of \$3.5 million, while \$31.1 million will be spent for EPA projects to construct sewage treatment plants and line extensions which will affect 5,500 households.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has performed 531 similar projects at a cost of \$9 million.

And then there are all those people who take time out of their lives to do the volunteer

work. According to the PRIDE Report Card, 16,000 volunteers have worked 73,000 hours. Next week let's make that 16,001, 16,002 and upward until we can be proud of where we live.

If you have complained about the sad shape of our roads, rivers and streams, here is your chance to take part in activities that will make our community the beautiful place that we know it can be.

Various groups and organizations will be selecting areas for cleanup.

(See Litter, page three)

Search council named for PCC president

Field of candidates narrowed to three

by WILLIE ELLIOTT
STAFF WRITER

The Prestonsburg Community College Board of Directors met at Gearheart Communications in Harold on Thursday, April 13 to get an explanation of the proposed budget and the presidential search, plus a report on construction projects that are to be done on the campus.

Chairman of the board Paul Gearheart is the owner of Gearheart Communications.

Dr. Charles Stebbins, interim president of PCC, explained the process that was used to select the names of individuals on the Local Advisory Committee Group for the presidential search process.

About 50 applicants have applied for the position, and that number has now been reduced to six and will be reduced to three later. From those three, the president will be chosen.

Tom Underwood, president of Student Government Association, asked why he was not chosen for the search committee. He said since he would graduate in May, he would not be on the Kentucky Community and Technical System (KCTCS) Board or the Board of Directors of PCC and would be eliminated from decision-making opportunities.

Stebbins said he thought the KCTCS people were not aware of his graduation date and said he would check on the matter.

Dr. Michael McCall sent PCC a list people who would make up the Local Advisory Group.

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E911 nearly complete, judge says

by RANDELL RENO
STAFF WRITER

Members of the 911 advisory committee learned Thursday evening that new E911 addresses have been submitted to Bellsouth, making the process nearly complete.

Addresses for the East Point, Van Lear, Allen, Auxier, Banner, Blue River, David, Drift, Dwale, Eastern, Garrett, Hi Hat, Langley, McDowell, Martin, Minnie, Printer, Wayland, Lackey and Hueysville areas were submitted, making the county's 911 service 90 to 95 percent enhanced, said County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson.

The Thursday evening meeting was highlighted by the report that in the last five weeks, the system has gone from near 50 percent completion to almost 100 percent online.

Questions of how to keep the service running and maintained are still in discussion though. Deputy Judge-Executive Brett Davis, acting proxy for Chairman Jim Caudill, reported findings of surrounding county surcharges for 911.

The highest of those figures is in Johnson County, where about 10,500 resident lines pay \$1.73 a month for the 911 service. Johnson County's has its own 911 dispatch center through the Painsville Police Department.

Pike County had the lowest charge at 93 cents for about 28,000 lines. Like Floyd County, Pike County's 911 dispatch comes from the Kentucky State Police post.

Other charges in the area were \$1.40 for Knott County with about 10,000 lines and \$1.25 for Letcher County, which has about 14,000 residential telephones.

The judge's office is exploring the possibility of putting a 99-cent monthly surcharge on area phone lines for 911. With various expenses and maintenance

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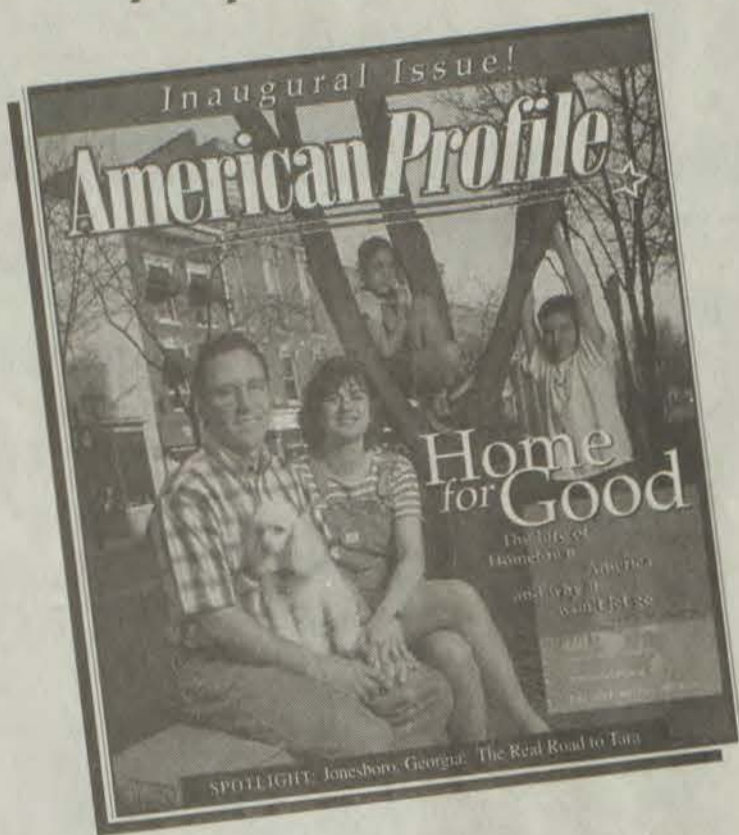
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PCC

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"After gathering input from faculty and staff, and consulting with division chairpersons, deans and other campus leaders, I have appointed a Local Advisory Group to assist with the selection of a new president of Prestonsburg Community College," McCall wrote in the introduction to his list.

The committee consists of the following:

- Jean Hale, Pikeville
- Robert Looney, PCC
- Jenny Bottoms, PCC
- William Loftis, PCC
- Sandra Robertson, PCC
- James Manley, PCC
- Hassan Saffari, PCC
- Jean Rosenberg, PCC
- Aaron Frye, PCC
- Della Pack, PCC
- Juanita Fannin, Mayo Technical College
- Joe Stewardson, Mayo Technical College
- Bob Boduch, Pikeville
- Jean Clark, Pikeville

Stebbins said the projected date for having a new president in place is July 1, but added he believes that is an optimistic projection.

Stebbins was complimentary of the Clements Group, a consulting firm based in Salt Lake City, Utah, as they work with the college in a

fund-raising activity. He said the firm "works with us rather than telling us what to do."

Before showing the board the proposed budget, Stebbins explained the process that was used to come up with the dollar figures.

When some of the board members were skeptical of some of the numbers, Stebbins told them that the proposed budget is a "wish list," and much work would need to be done to refine the final budget. He said the budget requires more exact numbers. He said even though some items consist of "wishes," it was important to get the items in the budget so they could be considered in future budgets.

The 1999-2000 budget called for \$8,768,368, plus \$4,310,187 for financial aid and other student services not used by the college for operating expenses.

Board member Jean Hale complimented Stebbins and his staff for presenting a clear picture of the budget. He said past presentations were not as informative.

Jim Herald gave a report on capital renovation projects that are scheduled for the college. Over \$19 million is slated for work on the PCC campus, with all projects

scheduled to begin this fall. The projects include the following:

- Modular units, \$50,000
- HVAC upgrade for Johnson Building, \$395,000
- HAVC Pike Technology Building, \$395,000
- Roof repair, Campbell and Magoffin buildings, \$24,000
- Classroom and Health Education Building, \$5,500,000
- Northeast Regional Center Post Secondary Education Building, \$6,500,000
- East KY Science, Math & Technology Building, \$2,400,000
- Route 1428 college entrance, \$3,500,000

Stebbins said some more study needs to go into the relationship between PCC and Mayo Technical College. When one board member suggested the two schools be under one umbrella, Stebbins said that would be a decision that legislators would have to make, and such a decision could not be made until the 2002 legislative session.

Dr. Rodney Handshoe served as the chair of the nominating committee for the PCC Board of Directors. Officers elected for a one-year term include Jean Hale, president; Frank Salisbury, vice president; and Doug Herman.

911

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ance of the system, the surcharge may allow the system to just get by, Thompson said.

With a possibly thin line to work with financially, volunteer fire departments may be left without a way to purchase radios or pagers, said Thompson.

The 911 bank balance as of March 31 was \$114,493.51. Further research will be done on the feasi-

bility of the 99-cent surcharge before it will be brought before the fiscal court.

The meeting ended with the council giving approval for the purchase of pagers for the Garrett Volunteer and Mud Creek fire departments.

The next meeting for the Floyd County E-911 Executive Council is set for May 11.

Members attending the meeting included Allen Mayor Sharon Woods, 911 coordinator Bill Dotson, Sheriff John K. Blackburn, Martin Police Chief Jeff Powell, Estalene Bartley, who served as proxy for Capt. Luttrell of Kentucky State Police, Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson, and Brett Davis, who served as proxy for Jim Caldwell, council chairman.

Price visits cyprus

Navy Fireman Christopher A. Price, son of Diana K. Owens of Prestonsburg, recently visited Limassol, Cyprus, during a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea and Arabian Gulf, while assigned to the guided-missile destroyer USS Carney, home ported in Mayport, Florida.

While in Limassol, sailors from Price's ship assisted the community by cleaning a local beach. They also had the opportunity to shop, sightsee and enjoy the culture and cuisine.

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ship's war-fighting capability. It centers around a powerful radar that enables the crew to detect, track and fire on more than 100 targets at a time.

Price, a 1997 graduate of Johnson Central High School in Paintsville, joined the Navy in August 1998.



Lexington and northern Kentucky get a new area code April 1.

Kentucky needs phone numbers. Numbers for the kids, numbers for the office, numbers for pagers, faxes, and cell phones. And don't forget about computer modems. Each one needs a number, and there are only so many to go around. It's just a mathematical fact. So to open up a few million more, Lexington and northern Kentucky are getting a new area code: 859. If your area code is currently 606 and your phone number begins with any of the prefixes at left, 859 will be your new area code.

On April 1, 2000, a portion of Kentucky will be assigned the new 859 area code. Then, through September 30, 2000, you can dial 606 or 859 to make long distance calls to and within the new 859 area. After this transition period is over, only the new 859 area code can be used to complete calls to and within the 859 area. Local calling rates will not be affected by this change.

Please make a note of 859 and begin preparing for the change. You may need to reprogram telecommunications equipment like speed dialers, fax machines, PBXs — virtually anything that dials numbers automatically (consult your vendor if you're not sure). If your area code is changing, be sure to let friends, relatives, and appropriate people know.

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Litter

If you do not have the time to join an organization, this is a good time to clean up around your home. Those old water tanks, hot

water tanks, discarded washing machines and any other large appliance that is marring the beauty of your home can now be taken to the transfer station at Garth without paying a fee.

One item that poses a big problem in cleaning up the area for some people is old tires. Residents have two timeframes to get rid of those tires.

From April 24-26 tires may be taken to the transfer station at Garth and from April 27-29 the tires can be taken to the state highway garage at Allen.

Even tires with rims will be accepted; however, foam-filled tires, off-road construction tires, heavy equipment tires and solid tires with pressed rims cannot be accepted.

Officials with PRIDE and the Floyd County Fiscal Court remind people that this is a one-time opportunity to get rid of tires without paying a fee.

On Friday, Jenny Wiley State Resort Park, Friends of Dewey Lake, and the Corps of Engineers took to the lake and made the lake more inviting for boating, swimming and fishing as the summer season approaches. The cleanup was sponsored by State Wide Press, Kinzer Drilling Company, Jenny Wiley Resort Park, Friends of Dewey Lake, U.S. Corps of Engineers and Pepsi with help from private citizens from throughout the county.

There was a note of encouragement in this particular project — the amount of garbage has been going down for several years, which could be an indication that the educational programs are working to some extent.

The activity was not all work, as the organizations took time out to award the following prizes to participants for taking part in the cleanup. Prizes included a pontoon rental, one free round of golf, a 2001 picnic shelter rental and a free night of camping.

This year, the cleanup featured an additional attraction in the "Kentucky Pride," a skimmer boat used for removing trash and debris from the lake.

Local schools in the past have been an integral part of the PRIDE project, but this year the window for CATS testing falls on the same dates set aside for cleanup. The testing dates will also include the day for national attention to our environment, Earth Day.

Next week, Congressman Hal Rogers will be at McDowell Elementary to announce a cleanup project for Beaver Creek — presumably Left Beaver, since the

announcement will be made at McDowell.

Many organizations conduct their Adopt a Highway projects during this cleanup period.

There's a place for you somewhere in all these projects. If you can't actually pick up garbage, you can work as one of the support personnel that are needed to accomplish this important task.

All of this work and expense will mean little if we have to turn around next year and do it all again. Let's clean up and keep it clean.

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Neatness in synonymous in quality of print. Johnie is quoted most saying "Keep the press clean."



Johnie Adams

Name: Johnie Curtis Adams
Birthdate: December 20, 1943
Hometown: Prestonsburg
Years of service: 33 as of July 2000

Began employment: 1967 in composing. Became press operator: 1970

Position: Press room supervisor
Johnie came to The Times after working a brief stint with the Salyersville Independent. After quitting the Independent staff Johnie was recruited to work for the Times.

Career at The Times: Johnie's tenure at The Times includes working as a line and type operator, commercial printer, and composition. He began working part time on the "new" press when it arrived in 1970.

Fun facts: Of all the positions he has held, Johnie says the press room is the hardest part. Technology has made few changes in printing in Johnie's years at The Times: From letter press type (hot type) to off set printing (cold type - modern day printing) in 1970.

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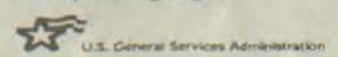
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Viewpoint

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QUOTE OF THE DAY...

To know how to grow old is the masterwork of wisdom, and one of the most difficult chapters in the great art of living.

Henri-Frédéric Amiel—

Editorial

State should have noticed absence of teacher training

The ease with which Randy Kimbrough embezzled more than a half-million dollars is something for the next education commissioner to ponder.

Most of the money that Kimbrough siphoned off was supposed to have gone for teacher professional development in Eastern Kentucky.

As the facts against the Education Department's former finance chief came to light, it was evident that her near-autonomy over certain funds helped conceal her illegal actions.

Once the problem was revealed, Interim Education Commissioner Kevin Noland and the state school board acted swiftly to shore up the weak internal controls. And it's important to remember that a routine audit brought the misappropriations to light; in that sense, the system worked.

But the weak or non-existent financial controls are not even the most troubling aspect of this troubling incident. It's also troubling that the fund shortage didn't register with anyone looking at the results of what the money was supposed to buy.

How could \$500,000 in teacher training money for 37 school districts disappear without anyone noticing that the results of the teacher training were lacking?

In Kentucky, schools are held strictly accountable for producing ever-improving academic performance by their students. Since the advent of the Kentucky Education Reform Act 10 years ago, local school districts' financial decisions have been subjected to closer scrutiny.

The Kimbrough incident reveals that the education department was holding itself to a lower standard of accountability than local districts and schools.

According to U.S. Attorney Ken Taylor, Kimbrough also arranged for her husband, Jesse Kimbrough, and a friend, Joe Watkins, to be paid almost \$300,000 for training school board members, even though they didn't perform the work.

Randy Kimbrough disputes the contention they didn't do any work. But we're confident that whatever work might have been performed was not exemplary.

Kentucky, a poor state with a long way to go to catch up, can't afford to waste education money. The state education department should be a model of efficiency; in this case, it was the opposite.

Not long ago, Randy Kimbrough was mentioned as a possible contender to become the state's next education commissioner. Now that she's pleaded guilty to embezzlement and is awaiting her sentence, she's an object lesson for the next commissioner.

—Lexington Herald-Leader



Letters to the Editor

Attention should be focused on children

So much commotion over the young boy, Elian Gonzalez. Everyone, including the United States Government, is in on the debate as to what would be best for this child.

This child has a father who has never been accused of any kind of neglect or abuse. The only reason this child has not been returned, is that the father lives in Cuba.

Elian also lived in Cuba before he was "kidnapped" by his mother and brought on a trip, far too dangerous for a child, which could easily be classified as child endangerment. Give this child back to his father!

I wish that officials in this country, including Floyd County would spend as much time and energy before placing battered, neglected and abused, children back in the homes of their "rehabilitated" parents.

Rehabilitation usually lasts only as long as they are being monitored.

Political party affiliation, poverty, religion and a lack of education does not cause child abuse. A parent can be very poor, and as long as they put the child's welfare before their own, this child will not suffer.

There are many organizations out there more than willing to help clothe and feed families. A parent has to care enough to ask. There is no excuse for a child to have to suffer from any abuse, whether it be hunger,

lice, physical, sexual, or emotional.

It is ignorance to what is morally acceptable, lack of conscience, and a disregard for a child's health and welfare that leads to child abuse. These parents are not easily rehabilitated, if it is even possible. If the bond/love had existed, the abuse would never have happened.

Lawyers, social workers, and judges should be looking out for what is right for the children. Many times children are placed back in the home, only to be removed again. Each time a child is abused in any manner, part of the individual it could have become is lost.

Whether Elian Gonzalez is returned to Cuba or not, his life will be watched closely. Elian will be fine. Let's encourage our lawyers, social workers, judges, and lawmakers to stop and think before returning our nation's children to abusive homes.

For every child that is placed back in an abusive home and has to endure hunger, cigarette burns, or any other kind of sexual or physical abuse, someone should be held accountable. The persons who should suffer at that point should be the ones whose decisions placed them back in the home.

Wake Up America. Let's give America's children the same love and consideration as we have Elian.

Carol McGlothen
Printer

What every school should be

Editor:

Opportunities Unlimited, the alternative school. A bad reputation surrounds everybody who attends school there, or works there. Evil kids and teachers who don't teach. All they do all day, every day, is play pool and smoke. Yeah, buddy!

Opportunities Unlimited helps everybody who goes to school there. The staff helps them to achieve things they couldn't do at a "regular" high school. For students who can't function normally, who're "different," it provides a safe and friendly learning environment where they can do their work, and, yes, they really do work, and gives them the help they need to succeed in life.

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At Opportunities Unlimited, there are no cliques, no selective groups of friends. Everybody pretty much gets along with everyone else. When one person, student or staff, is feeling down, everyone does his or her part to

try to cheer them up.

Then, there's Delores Newman, our school secretary. Without this woman, Opportunities Unlimited wouldn't work. She keeps the school running smoothly and makes sure everything goes as planned.

I don't think there is a single person on earth who cares more about their school or the students who go there. If this woman doesn't love her school, no one does. She is absolutely the nicest person anyone could ever hope to meet. Her attitude toward her life and her work is uncanny.

Opportunities Unlimited is unlike any other school. The staff members care about the well-being of the students, and they like to get involved with them, doing everything they can to help students get where they want to go.

Drop by sometime and see for yourself how this school works. Guaranteed, your outlook on what a school should be will change. Every school should be like the alternative school.

Nick Smith
Student

Guest Column

Senate week in review

by Benny Ray Bailey
29th District Senator

A wide range of initiatives that will shape Kentucky for years to come has been set into motion now that lawmakers have wrapped up work in the General Assembly's 2000 legislative session.

Much of the work we did in the Senate throughout the session — the first of the 21st century — was done with an eye to the future. Early childhood development. Adult education. Infrastructure investments. High-tech industry development. The action we've

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Poison Pen

by Ralph Davis
Managing Editor



Political wrangling leaves little room for respect

I hate to add one iota more to the extensive public discourse concerning Elian Gonzalez, mostly because I suspect you, like me, are sick of hearing about the entire thing.

But I feel compelled to at least mention the five-month-old custody battle for the larger lesson it brings to light — the rule of law is second to public opinion.

How else can you explain it? Elian's predicament is actually quite simple when examined from a legal perspective. In fact, it boils down to this — turn the kid over to his father and let the chips fall where they may.

But it hasn't turned out to be nearly that simple in practice, mostly because politicians are engaged in a heated game of one-upmanship in order to increase their appeal to whichever demographic slice they're trying to cater to.

It is for that reason, and that reason alone, that the boy's distant relatives, who he had never seen before November and who have no business making decisions for him, and a crazed mob keeping vigil outside their home, who have even less reason to speak up on Elian's behalf, have been allowed to dictate what the government has done in this case.

The perhaps unintended lesson hammered home 24 hours a day on the cable news stations is that it no longer matters what the law says, as long as you have an emotional issue and a special interest group large enough to get the politicians to pull strings for you.

Is it any wonder that there is so little respect for the law in this country?

Of course, here in Kentucky, it's even easier not to respect the law considering the latest installment of the General Assembly.

So let me get this straight ... the Republican Senate complained that the Democrats' version of the budget had too much pork and too many taxes. So they kept all the pork-barrel projects plus a few more for their own districts, added a \$90 million new tax to our phone bills, then "made up" for that by raiding the unemployment insurance fund. And that's not a tax increase?

Instead, they're calling it a "tax-neutral" budget.

If we could apply that same standard of doublespeak to our interpretation of the law, the Kentucky would be the world's first true anarchy.

Then again, I'm not entirely sure that isn't already the case.

Looks like WYMT over in Hazard is putting the final touches on its online "mall," which I am guessing is intended to be an online shopping portal for Eastern Kentucky.

Ahem ... to our local leaders, who I have been preaching to for the past couple of months about the importance of establishing Floyd County as an e-commerce haven within the Appalachians, rather than letting the internet revolution be just the latest opportunity we let slip by, the following paragraph is for you.

Told you so.

Of course, eMountain Malls and NASDAQ corrections (crashes?) aside, it still isn't too late for our county to take advantage of the opportunity remaining in the digital world.

The question is, do we have anyone willing to take on the task?



The Mardi Gras celebration goes back to an ancient Roman custom of merrymaking before a period of fast. In Germany it is called Fastnacht, and in England, Pancake Day.

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Guest

taken on these and many other issues has the potential to positively impact Kentucky for many years to come.

Starting in the cold, winter days of early January, lawmakers began moving nearly 1,500 bills through the legislative process. By the time we adjourned April 14, about 450 pieces of legislation had successfully moved through the committee systems of both the Senate and House of Representatives, and had been sent to the governor's desk to become law.

With a number of high-priority issues demanding our time and attention, our work in this session went right down to the wire. Indeed, we gave final approval to our biggest piece of legislation — the state budget — on the final day of the session.

As you may know, the budget we approved sets the state's taxing and spending priorities for the next two years. Members of the Senate didn't go along with a budget approved by the House that would have imposed a seven-percent telecommunications tax on interstate phone calls and cable and satellite TV services. Instead, the Senate came to an agreement with the House that includes a six-percent tax just on out-of-state phone calls, but balances that out by lowering the unemployment insurance tax rate. The result is a budget that is revenue-neutral as far as Kentucky's overall tax burden, but makes more dollars available in the General Fund for needed programs and services.

Important features of the budget include significant funding increases for postsecondary education and infrastructure development projects — such as water and sewer line extensions — considered vital to many communities throughout the state.

Another top issue settled in the final hours of the 2000 session concerns the portion of the national tobacco settlement that Kentucky will dedicate to agricultural programs. According to the final plan lawmakers approved, 35 percent of the settlement money earmarked for agriculture will go toward projects in counties in accordance with a formula that takes into account each county's economic dependency on tobacco. The other 65 percent will be spent by a state board on programs aimed at promoting agriculture in Kentucky.

Here's a quick roundup of some of the other top issues of the 2000 session:

■ **Early childhood development.** House Bill 706 will set into motion sweeping efforts to help ensure that children get off to the best possible start in life. The initiative includes

provisions for expanded immunizations and health screenings for young children. The legislation also addresses the child care needs of many Kentuckians by offering incentives for child care workers to receive better training and for centers to improve the quality of their care. Increased child-care subsidies for low-income families also will be available.

■ **Adult education.** Senate Bill 1 will restructure the state's adult education system to help make sure adults have skills they need for the jobs of tomorrow. The bill requires that a network of adult education providers be in every Kentucky county by 2030, and includes provisions to set into motion a 20-year plan to boost the state's adult literacy and high school graduation rates. State income tax credits for employers who make it possible for their workers to pursue GEDs also will be created by the legislation, as well as tuition discounts for adult workers attending public universities, community colleges or technical schools in Kentucky.

■ **Mental health.** House Bill 268 will require insurance companies to offer the same level of coverage for mental illnesses and substance abuse problems as they do for physical illnesses.

■ **Crime.** Senate Bill 263 will prevent judges from granting shock probation to violent offenders. The bill also strengthens Megan's Law — legislation approved two years ago to warn the public when sex offenders are released from prison — by requiring that the names of newly-released sex offenders be placed on an internet site.

■ **Constitutional amendments.** Senate Bill 70 will place a proposed constitutional amendment on the ballot this November so Kentucky voters can decide for themselves whether or not the state's three-member Railroad Commission is abolished.

■ **Drunk driving.** House Bill 366 will lower the blood-alcohol level at which drivers are considered drunk from .10 to .08. The legislation also will stiffen penalties for repeat DUI offenders.

■ **Drinking water.** Senate Bill 409 is aimed at bringing clean drinking water to all Kentucky homes within 20 years. The legislation will require counties to develop strategies for providing water to unserved and underserved areas.

■ **Water safety.** House Bill 465 will require children under 12 to wear life jackets on most boats in Kentucky. The law won't apply to children on large passenger boats, such as a steamboat.

■ **Teen smoking.** House Bill 10 will make it illegal for minors to possess cigarettes or tobacco products.

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■ **Postsecondary education.** House Bill 180 will keep higher education affordable by allowing a family to pre-pay college tuition at a state university or any private institution that chooses to participate in the program. Prepaying tuition costs would help lock in the cost of a postsecondary education and would shield families from tuition hikes.

These accomplishments were only possible because so many interested Kentuckians took the time to share their thoughts and concerns with state senators and representatives. I'll continue to look for input from the people I represent in the coming days as we reflect on the accomplishments of the 2000 session and set the agenda for future session. If there's an issue you have a comment or question on, I hope you'll share your thoughts with me by calling the General Assembly's toll-free message line at 1-800-372-7181. If you leave a message, I'll return your call at my earliest opportunity.

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Shanna Moore, Miss Kentucky 1999, is helping make a difference in the life of children by fighting child abuse and neglect. Moore is helping the Kentucky Multi-County Task Forces on Child Abuse Inc. raise public awareness of child abuse, neglect and sexual exploitation throughout the commonwealth. She is the Task Force's Year 2000 spokesperson for its television and radio public service announcements which are airing in April on more than 60 television stations and 145 radio stations. The public service announcements are part of Kentucky's participation of April as National Child Abuse Prevention Month. Here Miss Kentucky poses with Task Force State Chairman Peter O. Samples, left, and Kentucky Gov. Paul Patton.

Airman graduates

Air Force Airman Austin W.C. Lumpkins has graduated from the aerospace ground equipment apprentice/mission ready technician course at Sheppard Air Force Base, Wichita Falls, Texas.

The mission-ready technician students undergo six months of intensive training in turbine and diesel engines, electrical, hydraulic, refrigeration, and pneumatic systems to support worldwide aircraft maintenance and operations. Students are able to operate,

inspect, maintain, and repair aircraft ground support equipment. Training included use of technical data, special tools, environmental materials handling, and maintenance safety procedures.

The airman will be assigned to the 62nd Maintenance Squadron at McChord Air Force Base, Tacoma, Washington.

Lumpkins is the son of Dennis and Deborah P. Lumpkins of Allen. In 1998, he graduated from Prestonsburg High School.

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OBITUARIES

Jeff Hall

Jeff Hall, 68, of Columbus, Ohio, formerly of Floyd County, died Wednesday, April 12, 2000, at Mt. Carmel Medical Center, following an extended illness.

Born on February 13, 1932, in Bevinsville, he was the son of the late Sam and Lillie Mullins Hall. He was a disabled factory worker and a veteran of the U.S. Army.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Lillie Moore Hall.

Survivors include two sons, Joseph Hall and Jeffery Hall, and one daughter, Elaine Snow, all of Columbus, Ohio; five brothers, Robert Hall of Mansville, Ohio, Lawrence Hall, Junior Hall, McArthur Jackson and George Jackson, all of Springfield, Ohio; three sisters, Martha Mullins of McDowell and Mary Jackson of Springfield, Ohio, and Bertha Thompson, also of Ohio; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted Sunday, April 16, at 9 a.m., at the Old Beaver Old Regular Baptist Church, at Minnie, with Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial will be in the Honey Camp Cemetery, at Bevinsville, under the direction of the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Anna Florence Keathley

Anna Florence Keathley, 89, of Morehead, died Wednesday, April 12, 2000, at the St. Clair Medical Center Hospital at Morehead, after an extended illness.

She was born on August 12, 1910, the daughter of the late Solomon and Mary Hamilton Akers.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert A. Keathley.

Survivors include one son, Tex Keathley of Prestonsburg; one daughter, Joyce Caldwell of Morehead; one sister, Francis Hamilton of Greenwich, Ohio; two grandchildren, five great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, April 15, at 11 a.m., at the Pilgrim Home Old Regular Baptist Church, at Grethel, with Walter Akers officiating.

Burial was in the Lee Alley Cemetery, at Grethel, under the direction of Floyd Funeral Home.

William Frank Mullins

William Frank Mullins, 73, of East Point, died Thursday, April 6, 2000, at King's Daughters' Medical Center, Ashland.

Born on February 8, 1927, in Floyd County, he was the son of the late Thomas Jefferson Mullins and Josephine Bryant Mullins. He was a retired Johnson County Board of Education school bus driver, and a WW II U.S. Army veteran.

He is survived by his wife, Carrie Mulette Mullins.

Survivors include three sons, James Thurman Mullins of West Van Lear, Gary Frankin Mullins of Johnson City, Tennessee and Rockie Lynn Mullins of Catlettsburg; one daughter, Brenda Joyce Poe of Prestonsburg; three sisters, Minda Davis of Albion, Michigan, Linda Compton of Gary, Indiana, Birtha Mae Hamilton of Columbus, Ohio; eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, April 9, 2 p.m., at the Jones-Preston Funeral Home, Paintsville, with Dick Vanhoose and Toby Johnson officiating.

Burial was in Highland Memorial Park, at Staffordsville, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

MacArthur Burchett

MacArthur Burchett, 57, of Prestonsburg, died Thursday, April 13, 2000, at Cabell-Huntington Hospital, Huntington, West Virginia, following an extended illness.

Born on November 22, 1942, in Floyd County, he was the son of the late Bill and Renia Spears Burchett. He was a disabled factory worker.

He is survived by his wife, Johnny Carol Spears Burchett.

Other survivors include two sons, Billy Burchett of Texas, Charles Newsome of Prestonsburg; four daughters, Tammy Woods and Lisa Jones, both of David, Carol Sue Shepherd of Ashland, Cheryl Burchett of Columbus, Ohio; two brothers, John B. Burchett of Endicott, Donnie Burchett of Columbus, Ohio; five sisters, Thibbe O'Neil of Columbus, Ohio, Wonder Inez Burchett of Salyersville, Thelma Jean Burchett of Allen, Rosie Jane Burchett of Frankfort, Daisy Helen Burchett of Floyd County; and 10 grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted Sunday, April 16, at 2 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin, with Manford Fannin officiating.

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

Serving as pallbearers will be Charles Newsome, Brandon Endicott, Ted Jones, Michael Woods, Shawn Flannery, Kelly Burchett, and Jimmy Lee Burchett.

Stratton pallbearers listed

Serving as pallbearers for the funeral of Della Stratton were Harry Conn, Larry Conn, Gary Conn, Ernie McCoy, John McCoy, Gary Barnhart, and Billy Manifold.

Jettie Maye Cable

Jettie Maye Cable, 93, of Dorton, died Monday, April 10, 2000, at the Letcher Manor Nursing Home.

She was born on February 4, 1907, in Clintwood, Virginia, the daughter of the late Jack and Ardelia Bryant. She was a member of the Old Elkhorn Old Regular Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Dewey Cable.

She is survived by two sons, Jack Cable of Elyria, Ohio, and Bill Cable of Lorain, Ohio; four daughters, Bernice Smallwood of Palm Bay, Florida, Arbutas Houston of Kimper, Kathy Cable of Jenkins, and Gwendolyn Potter of Cromona, and several grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Friday, April 14, at 11 a.m., at the R.S. Jones & Son Funeral Home, at Virgie.

Burial was in the Cable Family Cemetery, at Dorton, under the direction of R.S. Jones & Son Funeral Home.

Robert Bates

Robert Bates, 69, of Virgie, died Sunday, April 9, 2000, at the Pikeville Methodist Hospital.

He was born in Beaver Creek, Floyd County, the son of the late Fred and Lula Bates, and was a retired Ford Motors sheet metal worker, and horse trainer.

He is survived by two sons, Robert Bates of Westlake, Ohio and Rodney Bates of Bedford, Ohio; two daughters, Tamatha Miller of Harpers Ferry, West Virginia, Tayna Lewan of Walton Hills, Ohio; four brothers, Cletus Bates of Michigan, S.J. Bates of Virgie, Jimmy Bates of Louisville, Roger Bates of Jacksonville, Florida; two sisters, Mary Jerrigan of Louisville, Eula Mae Kovax of Jacksonville, Florida; six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, April 11, at the Calvary Freewill Baptist Church at Virgie.

Burial was in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, at Ivel, under the direction of R.S. Jones & Son Funeral Home, Virgie.

The "Word" for the Week Resurrection awakening

by Dr. Dennis Prutow

Sterling, Kansas

"Some of the scribes and Pharisees said to Him, 'Teacher, we want to see a sign from You.' But He answered and said to them, 'An evil and adulterous generation craves for a sign; and yet no sign will be given to it but the sign of Jonah the prophet; for just as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of the sea monster, so will the Son of Man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth' (Matthew 12:38-40).

Psychic readers and seers experience booming business. What about the real sign? Jonah came back from a watery grave. A great fish swal-

lowed him. Jonah was no tasty dish. The fish vomited Jonah on dry land. It was a sign. God sent this prophet to preach to the people of ancient Ninevah. They all took notice. They all turned to God.

Jesus likened his impending resurrection to the return of Jonah. Thomas doubted. "Unless I see in His hands the imprint of the nails, and put my finger into the place of the nails, and put my hand into His side, I will not believe" (John 20:25). When Jesus appeared to him, Thomas had one response. "My Lord and my God!" (John 20:28). The sign of the resurrection awakened Thomas from the slumber of unbelief. What about you?

REGIONAL OBITUARIES

Pike County

Minnie Lou Creasy Mahon, 70, of Belo, West Virginia, died Sunday, April 9, at St. Mary's Hospital in Huntington, West Virginia. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, April 12, under the direction of Chafin Funeral Home.

Nannie M. Huddle May, 89, of North Matewan, West Virginia, died Wednesday, April 12, in South Williamson. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, April 15, under the direction of Chambers Funeral Home.

Francis A. Scott, 58, of Winchester, formerly of Pike County, died Tuesday, April 11, at the University of Kentucky Medical Center in Lexington. Funeral services were conducted Friday, April 14, under the direction of Scobee Funeral Home, Winchester.

Gary Taylor, 52, of Phelps, died Tuesday, April 11, at the South Williamson Appalachian Regional Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Glemis Kellione Taylor. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, April 15, under the direction of R.S. Jones & Son Funeral Home.


Bill Newsome, 77, of Pikeville, died Thursday, April 13. Funeral arrangements were under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

Mary Madgealene Wheeler, 78, of Florence, formerly of Mouthcard, died Wednesday, April 12. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, April 15, under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

Mary McCown, 93, of Bristol, Tennessee, formerly of Pike County, died Thursday, April 13, at Wellmont Hospice House, Bristol. Funeral services will be conducted Sunday, April 16, 1 p.m., under the direction of Lucas & Hall Funeral Home.

Nell Branham Thacker, 82, of Pikeville, died Wednesday, April 13, at Mountain View Health Care Center. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, April 15, under the direction of Lucas and Hall Funeral Home.

Aleisha Leighanne Jude, 12, of Pikeville, died Wednesday, April 12, at the University of Kentucky Hospital in Lexington. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, April 15, under the direction of Lucas & Hall Funeral Home.



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Palm Sunday	April 16, 2000	11 AM
Wednesday Services (Mt. Tabor - Liturgy of the Hours - Sister Judy Yunker, OSB)	April 19, 2000	6:30 PM
Maundy Thursday (Supper & The Holy Eucharist)	April 20, 2000	6:00 PM
Good Friday, The Burial of our Lord	April 21, 2000	7:00 PM
The Great Easter Vigil	April 22, 2000	7:00 PM
The Feast of the Resurrection	April 23, 2000	11:00 AM



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Christian Youth Days

Small Town Poets, left, kick off the 2000 Christian Youth Days at Six Flags Kentucky Kingdom in Louisville on Friday evening, April 21. On Saturday, April 22, Pax 217, top right, takes the stage, followed by Skypark, bottom right. All concerts will be held in the Looney Tunes Amphitheater and are free with paid admission to the park. For information, call 1-800-SCREAMS or 502/366-2231.

FOR THE RECORD

Restaurant, School, and Mobile Home Park Inspections

• Spears Mobile Home Park #1, Betsy Layne, 94: On April 12, not all mobile homes or lot spaces have numbers - should be systematically numbered.

Debris is present around several mobile homes and along the creek bank behind the mobile homes. All building materials should be stored at least one foot above the ground to prevent insect and rodent harborage.

No street light present when entering into the park - should be a 175 watt mercury vapor light at entrance.

• Betsy Layne Elementary, Betsy Layne, 40: On March 30, Handle broken on water fountain in gym. Button Missing on fountain in "500" building.

• Dumpsters have no lids, some have drain plugs out of them.

In front entrance boys' restroom urinals and commodes in disrepair. Commode cracked in boys' locker room. Leaky urinal in boys' restroom in "500" building.

In new building, boys' upstairs restroom, expansion joints needs caulked.

Walls in bad repair in boys' locker room in the gym.

Ceiling tile in poor repair/missing in girls' and boys' restrooms in old building first floor.

Holes in walls in girls' restroom in "500" building.

Ceiling tiles in poor repair and stalls need painting in boys' restroom in "500" building. Stalls need reinforced in boys' restroom in the gym.

Missing shower heads in girls' locker room in gym.

Low pressure showers in boys' locker room.

In boys' front entrance restroom (new building) waste receptacles in bad repair. Upstairs in new building girls' restroom has waste receptacles in bad repair. Toilet tissue dispensers need to be attached to stall walls.

No hot water in three of four restrooms in old building.

Hand dryer doesn't work in boys' and girls' restrooms.

No screens in various rooms in old building with windows open.

Lighting not adequate in auditorium or gym. (20-foot candles for auditorium and 50-foot candles for gym.)

No shields on lights in restrooms of gym.

Vent fan not working in first floor girls' restroom of old building.

Several lights out in "500" building classrooms and light shield in disrepair.

Handrail missing and one loose in gymnasium stairways.

Floors (edges) in old building had dust accumulation.

Seats in library and auditorium loose.

Ceilings in auditorium in bad repair and also there is a hole in the stage.

Mice droppings observed in teacher's room along walls underneath windows.

Unlabeled spray bottle in 1st floor janitor room in new building. Various classrooms with toxic items not properly stored.

Two of three fire extinguishers in gym need recharged.

Kindergarten rooms need safety plugs in all unused outlet.

Hot water in girls' restroom on first floor of old building is 121.6 degrees. It should be between 90-120 degrees.

Staples sticking out of equipment (could be catch hazard).

Slide pole not properly anchored.

Rubber handles on monkey rings need to be replaced.

• Betsy Layne Elementary, Betsy Layne, 92: Follow up April 13, all critical violations have been corrected to this date. Various other violations have also been corrected except for the following.

• Dumpsters have no lids, some have drain plugs out of them.

No hot water in three of four restrooms in old building.

Several lights out in "500" building classrooms and light shield in disrepair.

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Seats in library and auditorium loose.

• Lone Oak Mobile Home Park, Trami: Not all lots or trailers are numbered systematically and should be.

Some mobile homes not 10 feet from property fence and some homes with accessory structures do not have 15 feet between them and other trailers.

Some mobile homes have debris (old motorcycles and garbage bags) around them, which could serve as insect or rodent harborage.

• Family Dollar, Martin, 96: Boxes of food (popcorn) stored on floor in back storage area.

Around box trailer and around dumpster unclean with broken glass,

boxes, and food items.

Wet mop stored on floor in restroom.

Marriage Licenses

Katrina Lynn Anderson, 19, to Larry Allen Marshall, 23, both of Harrison, Ohio.

Heather P. Halcomb, 25, of Prestonsburg to Edmond J. Slone, 20, of Hippo.

Ruth Ann Smith, 26, to Randall K. Stumbo, 41, both of Emma.

Victoria Lynn Steele, 21, of Georgetown to Christopher Graydon Martin, 23, of Lexington.

Christal Gail Hall, 21, of Teaberry to Donald L. Tackett, 26, of Beaver.

Regina Brown, 23, to Ricky Wakeland, 26, both of Banner.

Latitia M. Wilhite, 22, to Jeremy Huff, 21, both of Ligon.

Ada W. Laton, 25, of Allen to Paul M. Dunn, 21, of Auxier.

Karen Collins, 16, of Bypro to Joseph Hopkins, 17, of Virgie.

Paula R. Slone, 40, of Dema to Bobby J. Kidd, 51, of Wayland.

Imogene Wells, 50, to John H. Patton, 68, both of Weeksbury.

Judy R. Hurst, 37, of Minnie to Jackie D. Taylor, 38, of Hunter.

Lucy T. Hunter, 35, of Martin to Lewis Knott III, 45, of McDowell.

Barbara Gracie Lynn Stevens, 27, to James Orville Campbell, 40, both of Betsy Layne.

Bethanie A. Trimble, 21, to Bradley S. Darnell, 25, both of Salyersville.

Jennifer Lynn Parsons Kidd, 22, to Norman Henry Chaffins, 26, both of Prestonsburg.

Suits filed

Irvonna Jo Blackburn vs. Robyn Eugene Blackburn, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Don Keith Spurlock vs. Patricia Lynn Spurlock, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Stephanie Erin Newsome vs. Shawn Alan Newsome, petition for dissolution of marriage.

State Farm Mutual Auto Insurance Co. vs. Donald G. Blair, et al, petition for debt collection.

Sam Blackenship vs. Trans Financial Bank, et al.

FirStar Bank vs. Rita Slone, et al, petition for debt collection.

General Electric Capital Corporation vs. Naomi Slone, petition for debt collection.

Donna Caroli (Burchett) Auxier vs. Russell Lee Auxier, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Martha Brown vs. Stephen Brown, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Gabriel Don Howell vs. Gary Tackett et al, personal injury.

Ricky Conn vs. Vivian R. Taylor Conn, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Gretchen Rose Jarvis vs. Harry Price.

Melissa Lovely vs. Carmel Hall, petition for child support and health care insurance.

Lanora Collins vs. Joseph, petition for child care and health care insurance.

Elizabeth Van Hoose vs. Rasiah Narendrekumar M.D. et al, negligence/malpractice.

Linda Seing vs. Timothy A. Meadows, modification of child support and enforcement of health insurance obligation.

Ford Motor Credit Co. vs. James F. Castle, petition for debt collection.

R-L-Speigal Inc. vs. Thomas F. Griffaw, petition for debt collection.

Reda Reynolds vs. James P. Reynolds, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Rodney Harrington vs. Amy Harrington, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Deonna Clair Allen vs. Jerry Dean Allen, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Delores Stumbo vs. Price Rite Market, et al, personal injury.

Vicki Renee Thornsberry vs. Coleman Oil Company, personal injury.

Ruth Newsome vs. Racheal Hamilton, personal injury.

Jimmy Roger, et al vs. Columbia Gas Transmission Corp., et al, negligence.

Timothy Hites vs. Patricia Hites, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Rhonda Clay vs. Rita Hall, et al, personal injury.

Joe Collins vs. Lisa J. Collins, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Pam Mosely vs. Mark Mosely, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Citibank vs. Howard Evans, petition for debt collection.

Michael Hunt vs. Melissa Hunt, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Kentucky Association of Counties vs. Care First Inc., et al, petition for compensation for breach of contract.

Citibank vs. Howard Evans, petition for debt collection.

Michael Hunt vs. Mellisa Hunt, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Kristen Lee Hedrick vs. Kevin Ryan Hedrick, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Denver Brady Collins vs. Carlena Collins, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Lola Jean McCoy vs. A.J. McCoy Jr., petition for dissolution of marriage.

Greenpoint Credit Corporation vs. Donald L. Tackett, petition for debt collection.

Veronica Wireman vs. Paul Campbell, petition for compensatory damages resulting from auto accident.

Lennis Newsom vs. Janet N. Newsom, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Jody Spriggs vs. Kimberly Rowe, petition for child support and health care insurance.

Helen Griffith vs. Desiree Wallen, petition for compensatory damages resulting from auto accident.

Mortgage Lender Network USA Inc. vs. Ella Jackson, petition for debt collection.

Willie Moore, et al vs. Kentucky West Virginia Gas, petition for compensation for property damage.

McDowell Appalachian Regional Healthcare vs. Barbara Perkins, petition for debt collection.

H.C. "Bud" Mills vs. Jeane Hensley, petition for debt collection.

Shena L. Keathley vs. Alice R. Hall, petition for compensatory damages resulting from auto accident.

Barbara Shepherd vs. Kentucky West Virginia Gas Company L.L.C., petition for age discrimination trial.

Mid State Trust II vs. Lonnie Keith Stapleton, petition for debt collection.

Charges filed

Rosemary Sammons, 52, of Martin, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of drugs, disorderly conduct, failure to yield to right of way, failure to wear seat belt, following too closely, improper start from parked position, leaving the scene of an accident, operating a motor vehicle on a suspended license, reckless driving, resisting arrest, speeding, fleeing or evading a police officer, harassing or simple assault of police officer, menacing, first-degree wanton endangerment, first-degree wanton endangerment.

Danny Milligan, 36, of Prestonsburg, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of drugs, driving from side to side of the highway, attempting to elude a police officer, carrying a concealed deadly weapon.

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no insurance.

Gregory Conn, 41, of Martin, trafficking in a controlled substance within 1000 yards of a school.

Della Griffith, 52, of East Point, intimidating a witness.

Ruby Johnson, of Bevensville, theft by deception. Dismissed.

Billy L. Akers, of Langley, fourth-degree assault. Dismissed.

Jimmy D. Branham, of Prestonsburg, public intoxication, possession of marijuana.

Timmy Slone, of Raven, alcohol intoxication.

Lois A. Akers, of Beaver, contempt of court. Dismissed.

Steve E. Caudill, of McDowell, criminal trespassing.

Deanna C. Johnson, of Prestonsburg, possession of marijuana, prescription in improper container, possession of drug paraphernalia.

Jack Burchett, of Prestonsburg, fourth-degree assault. Dismissed.

Gerald Ray Maynard, of Endicott, alcohol intoxication - third offense. Amendment: alcohol intoxication - second offense.

Ricky L. Bevins, of Hager Hill, violation of protective order.

David Twiss, of Langley, alcohol intoxication - third offense, disorderly conduct. Amendment: alcohol intoxication - second.

Steven Moore, 27, of McDowell, fourth-degree assault, criminal mischief.

Bonnie Cooper, of Hueysville, terroristic threatening. Dismissed.

Eldon G. Hall, of Hi Hat, theft by deception.

Judy Combs, of Langley, two counts of terroristic threatening.

Patty Curry, of Martin, two counts of terroristic threatening.

Romey Spears, of Banner, harassment.

Scott F. Moore, of Ivel, fourth-degree assault.

Eddie Craft, of Allen, terroristic threatening.

Mickey W. Sizemore, of McDowell, alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct.

James C. Hall, of Wheelwright, alcohol intoxication.

Barry Sizemore, of McDowell, disorderly conduct.

Susan Scalf, of Pikeville, third-degree criminal mischief.

Terry P. Johnson, of Leburn, public intoxication, failure to wear seatbelt.

Thomas R. Tilly, of Prestonsburg, second-degree criminal mischief.

Bill Little Jr. of Martin, terroristic threatening.

Delmar P. Baldridge, of Prestonsburg, terroristic threatening, second-degree unlawful imprisonment, theft by unlawful taking.

Derek Lee Mullins, of Weeksbury, terroristic threatening.

Billy Thacker, of Grethel, third-degree criminal mischief, first-degree criminal trespass.

Estill Hall, of Melvin, third-degree criminal trespass, theft by unlawful taking.

Larry Allen, 40, of Martin, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol, no insurance, failure to wear seatbelt, excessive window tinting, no tinting label on vehicle, possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, prescription in improper container.

Sheldon D. Jarvis, 31, of Van Lear, improper start from parked position, reckless driving, racing motor vehicle on highway, speed 18 mph over limit, drinking alcohol in public.

Carl Evan Puskas, 29, Lenore, W. Va., speeding 15 mph over limit.

Kenneth Compton, 56, of Pikeville, no/expired registration receipt, no KY registration plates, no exterior identification, violation part 396 of FMCSR.

Michael D. Criswell, 29, of Cattlesburg, no KY motor fuel users license, operating on inactive KY fuel license, violation part 396 of FMCSR.

Donald R. Thornsberry, 34, of Topmost, escaping contents leak/spill, no KY trailer plate, license plate not legible.

Wilson B. Mullins, 27, of Salyersville, no KY registration plates, no/expired registration receipt.

Linda W. Crum, 36, of Inez, speeding 18 mph over limit.

Larry D. Calhoun Jr., 19, of Prestonsburg, driving on the wrong side of the road, driving too fast for conditions.

Cret D. Caudill, 18, of McDowell, speed 26 mph over limit, no insurance, failure to produce insurance card.

Linda Tackett, 38, of Printer, no insurance.

Jerry N. Moore, 79, of McDowell, improper start from parked position. Dismissed.

Gordon L. Jackson, 34, of Fisher, Ind., speeding 18 mph over limit.

Edward Johnson, 34, of Bulan, speeding 15 mph over limit.

Kenneth Vanderpool, 39, of Garret, speeding 16 mph over limit.

Christopher Shepherd, 29, of Hueysville, speeding 15 mph over limit, no insurance.

Derek L. Hall, 19, Melvin, no KY

registration plates, no/expired registration receipt.

James Johnson, 20, of Melvin, failure to produce insurance card.

Ralph Skeens, 56, of Melvin, no insurance, failure to wear seatbelt, no operators license.

Tammy L. Dalton, 26, of Hager Hill, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of drugs, no insurance, operating a motor vehicle on a suspended license.

Morgan C. McIlwain, 53, of Lexington, speeding 20 mph over limit.

David Farmer, 21, of Wheelwright, speeding 20 mph over limit, no/expired registration receipt, two counts of failure to wear seatbelt, improper or no windshield, defective steering gear.

David E. Adkins, 28, of Lexington, speeding 23 mph over limit, no insurance.

Paul W. Williams, of Staffordsville, speeding 17 mph over limit.

John Jay Justice Jr., 51, of Huntington, W. Va., speeding 17 mph over limit.

David L. Hurst, 55, of Ivel, speeding 19 mph over limit, failure to wear seatbelt.

Carla Stephens, 25, of McDowell, speeding 17 mph over limit, no KY registration plates, no insurance, no/expired registration receipt.

Sheldon D. Jarvis, 31, of Van Lear, speeding 17 mph over limit.

Wayne C. Jervis, 55, of Auxier, operating motor vehicle under the influence, failure to wear seatbelt.

James E. Lemaster, 59, of Oil Springs, no KY registration plates, no/expired registration receipt.

Wilson B. Mullins, 27, of Salyersville, leaking or sifting contents.

Joey W. Wright, 23, Prestonsburg, no KY registration plates, no/expired registration receipt, failure to register transfer.

Jessica P. Hall, 22, of Auxier, speeding 15 mph over limit, failure to wear seatbelt.

Jo Ann Lamb, 36, of Mooresboro, N.C., speeding 15 mph over limit.

John P. Mattox, 23, of Prestonsburg, speeding 22 mph over limit.

Kenneth E. Webb, 19, of Santa Rose Beach, Fla., no KY registration plates, no/expired registration receipt, no insurance.

Doris G. Williamson, 61, of Huntington, WV, speeding 15 mph over limit.

Crystal J. Salisbury, 22, of Drift, no

KY registration plates, no/expired registration receipt, no insurance.

Travis G. Jones, 31, of Grethel, operating ATV on roadway, operating ATV without headgear.

Mary L. Heath, 57, of Prestonsburg, no KY registration plates, no/expired registration receipt.

David W. Harris, 17, of Prestonsburg, speeding 18 mph over limit.

Veronica L. Bishop, 38, of Sidney, speeding 22 mph over limit, no/expired registration receipt, no insurance.

Travis S. Newman, 24, of Grethel, operating ATV on roadway, operating ATV without head gear.

Nicholas Music, 22, of Harold, no insurance, no/expired registration receipt.

Rhonda H. Tackett, 26, of Hager Hill, no insurance.

James R. Mullins, 53, of Jenkins, no insurance, no/expired registration receipt.

Amanda Thacker, 21, of Prestonsburg, no KY registration plates, no/expired registration receipt.

Allison M. Conley, 36, of Langley, speeding 16 mph over limit, no KY registration plates, no/expired registration receipt.

Darnell M. Dotson, 30, of Ransom, speeding 17 mph over limit, excessive window tinting, no tint label on vehicle.

Bobby J. Hylton, of Lambic, speeding 10 mph over limit.

April L. Adkins, 26, of Honaker, speeding 22 mph over limit. Amended to improper equipment.

Jeffrey L. Hunter, 41, of East Bernstadt, speeding 17 mph over limit.

Ruben Davis Jr., 41, of Banner, speeding 13 mph over limit, improper vehicle registration for extended weight operation, no/expired registration receipt, violation of international register.

Neil C. Reynolds, 35, of Hazard, speeding 18 mph over limit.

Ruben Davis Jr. 41, of Banner, violation of international register.

Chris L. Shepherd, 25, of Hueysville, inadequate silencer, (muffler), operating on suspended license, no insurance, failure to wear seatbelt.

Sherman Porter, 28, of Royalton, speeding 17 mph over limit.

Danny M. Harris, 38, of London, speeding 16 mph over limit.

William K. Moore, 35, of Prestonsburg, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of drugs, no insurance, failure to register transfer.

Pearlie S. Johnson, 28, of Carrie, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of drugs, failure to wear seatbelt, failure to provide insurance card.

Property Transfers

Leon Younce and Ruth Younce to Transportation Cabinet, Department of Highways, along KY 122 south of the intersection of KY 114 and KY 122.

Charlie Prater of Middle Creek to Christine Blackenship and James E. Miller, West Old Middle Creek Road.

Pauline C. Collins to James Vernon Collins and Temptra W. Collins of East Point, property not listed.

Lillie Jarrell of Dwale, Mary Francis Music of Vanvleck, TX, Jackie Bennet, and Logan Bennet of Russel Springs to John Irwin Jarrell and Lois Webb Jarrell of Dwale, lot 6 and lot 7 of prospect addition of Dwale.

Joetta Lynn Dugan of Pikeville and Anita Louise of Gilbertsville to Dorothy Meade of Beaver, Big Mud Creek.

Langley Clark of Honaker to Curtis Clark of Honaker, property not listed.

Helen Hagans of Langley, between right Beaver Creek and Turkey Creek.

Tony Ray Walter of Prestonsburg to Rita Daniels of Minnie and Jody Sammons of Minnie, along KY Rt. 122 lot 3.

Pamela J. Music of Prestonsburg to Kenneth R. Music of Prestonsburg, property not listed.

Verniece Hal Stamper of Martin to Judith Ellen Stamper Marshall of Martin, lots 12, 13, 14, 15, in block B of New Martin Addition.

Verniece Hal Stamper of Martin to Judith Ellen Stamper Marshall of Martin, along KY 1428.

Gwen Gaile of Clearwater Beach FL to Tommy and Amanda Horn of Prestonsburg, lot 11 Boyd (or Hunt) Branch of Prater Creek.

James and George Anna Samons of Bevensville to Ronnie Joe Samons, property not listed.

David and Lois May of Prestonsburg to the City of Prestonsburg, Spradlin Branch of the Levisa Fork of the Big Sandy River.

City of Prestonsburg to M & M enterprises, Spradlin Branch of the Levisa Fork of the Big Sandy River.

Larry and Kathy Osborne of Beaver, Victor Osborne, and Mildred Osborne of Beaver to Denise Osborne, of Craynor, Buck Eye.

Robert Howell of Harold to Willie

Howell and Paulette Howell of Toler, Branham Creek.

Edmond L. and Rose Hatfield of Camron, LA, Betty L. and Ellis Ousley of Prestonsburg, Nora Jane and Randolph Akers of Galveston, Johnny and Dana Hatfield of Prestonsburg, Andy Jerry Jr. and Debbie Hatfield of Hager Hill to Betty Hatfield of Prestonsburg, Big Branch Bull Creek.

Bonnie Dewy of Fort Mitchell to Lloyd Meade of McDowell, Frasures Creek.

Chloe Harnish of Orlando, FL to Lloyd Meade of McDowell, Frasures Creek.

Danny and Patricia Slone of Richmond to James Freddie Slone of Wayland, Mill Creek of Right Beaver Creek.

Lucrissie Hall and Phillip Keathley of Galveston to Melissa Dillion of Galveston, Branham Creek.

Earl and Sue Hall of Grethel to Melissa Slone of Galveston, Grethel.

James and Henrietta Pennington of East Point to Michael James Pennington of East Point, East Point.

James Robert and Kathlene Guess of Prestonsburg to Tammy L. Noble of Allen, Bull Creek.

Delmas Hall, Glenda Summerlin, Linda Allen, Douglas Hall, Denzil Hall, and Brenda Mockabee of Clarksville, GA, to Marlene and Gary Hall, of Bypro, property not listed.

Sammy and Edith Lafferty of West Liberty to Roy Duncan of Prestonsburg, property not listed.

Madge and John Babb of Vienna, WV to Marjorie Blanton of Lexington, Lot 43, 44, 45 in Betsy Layne.

Lucille Mullins of Stroh, IN, Hugh Simmons, of Seabrook, New Hampshire, Roberta Gilbreath of Carthage, MO, Harold E. and Shirley Simmons, of Morrow, OH, Marjorie and Foxie Blanton of Lexington, Grace and Edmond Karam of Lexington to Brenda Gail and Larry D. Watson of Betsy Layne, lots 43-45 Betsy Layne.

Edna Babb, Owen Babb Jr. of Amite, LA, H.C. Babb of Munith, MI, John and Madge Babb of Vienna, WV, Joann and Wallace Arvin of Stanton to Brenda Gail and Larry D. Watson of Betsy Layne, lots 43-45 Betsy Layne.

Louis D. and Mary Margaret Simmons of Baltimore, MD, Jerry A and Barbara Simmons of Dearborn, MI, William C. and Doris Simmons, of Hampton, VA to Brenda Gail and Larry D. Watson of Betsy Layne, lots 43-45 Betsy Layne.

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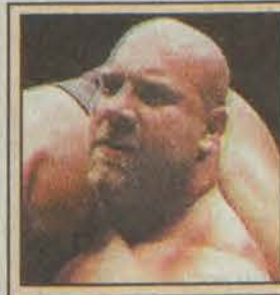
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Pikeville edges Betsy Layne 2-1 with sixth inning run

by Ed Taylor
 Sports Editor

Britrina Potter of Pikeville and Betsy Layne's Kim Tackett hooked up in a good old-fashion pitching duel Thursday night at Pikeville as both teams played outstanding defense. But it was the home-standing Lady Panthers who pulled out a 2-1 win over a very good Betsy Layne team.

The loss dropped Betsy Layne to 5-3 on the season while Pikeville improved to 7-1.

Potter picked up the win, her sixth of the season. She allowed one run while scattering six Betsy Layne hits. Potter fanned seven batters and did not walk anyone.

Tackett, not usually a strikeout pitcher, had two K's while walking two. She allowed the two hits on just four Pikeville hits.

Potter, who has signed with Pikeville College already, is one of the top hurlers in the region. Tackett is fast becoming one of the best and seems to get stronger with every outing.

While she does not have that speed on her pitches, her location is excellent and has the opposition beating the ball into grounders.

Betsy Layne led 1-0 after the first inning, pushing across a run in the top of the inning. Heather Hamilton led off the game with a double and scored on Denise Jones RBI two-bagger. Hamilton showed good patience at the plate warding off pitches in the strike zone until she doubled to rightcenter. Jones was left stranded at second base as Potter got Brittany Bentley on strikes and Tackett to bounce back to the mound.

Tabitha Mitchell, who has been making good contact the last three games for the Ladycats, collected a one out single in the top of the second but was also left stranded as Potter fanned Danielle Newsome and Amanda Robinette to end the inning.

In the Pikeville half of the second, the Lady Panthers tied the game at 1-1. Left

(See **BETSY LAYNE**, page two)



POLE VAULT HAS BECOME part of the local track and field meets at Allen Central. Although the class is new, still some have shown improvement in clearing the bar. (photo by Ed Taylor)

■ Prestonsburg at South Floyd

Bradshaw's 3 hits lead Cats past South Floyd

Skeans collects three safeties in 15-6 loss

by Ed Taylor
 Sports Editor

Kyle Shepherd hurled and Zach Bradshaw collected three hits in leading coach Russell Shepherd's Prestonsburg Blackcats to a 15-6 win in the first game of the season for the

Cats. Shepherd went the full seven innings allowing six runs and scattering seven Raider hits. He struck out four batters and issued four walks and hit one batter.

Joe Skeans took the loss for South Floyd, but he did pick up three hits in the game. Who said pitchers are not suppose to hit, Skeans gave up 15 runs while surrendering 12 hits. He walked seven and hit one batter.

Bradshaw had three of the 12 hits for Prestonsburg. He picked up two RBI's, both coming in the fifth inning. He had a third inning double.

John Dixon had three safeties also, singling in the fourth, fifth and sixth innings. Joey Willis, a freshman, had base hits in the sixth and seventh innings.

Skeans singled in his first three at (See **SOUTH FLOYD**, page two)

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Larkin unhappy or is it his agent

Eric Goldschmidt, agent for Cincinnati shortstop Barry Larkin, said his client will dip into the free agency market after this season.

Goldschmidt said reasoning was the Reds have not shown they were serious in their negotiations with Larkin's agent. So, the agent said Larkin will test the waters after the season and "see what happens."

However, it should be noted that Larkin has kept it no secret that he prefers to remain a Cincinnati Red for the rest of his career. Reports were he was seeking a three-year contract for a total of \$27 million. Wow!

I say let Larkin and Goldschmidt test the free agency waters. We have Gookie Dawkins (don't you like that first name) at Louisville and, from all indications in spring training, he is going to be a good one.

Reds General Manager Jim Bowden replied that the Reds have already made a "significant" long term offer to Larkin. Yet the impasse continues and neither Larkin nor Bowden acted as if they were overly concerned about it.

Reds General Manager Jim Bowden replied that the Reds have already made a "significant" long term offer to Larkin.

It Larkin has a good season, then look for the Reds to sign him. If he struggles, which he usually does early, then look for the Reds to deal him.

Some contending club may need his service and the Reds could use him to land a quality pitcher, something they desperately need.

The Reds are already strapped financially with the contract of Ken Griffey, Jr. and Bowden said he does not want to tie up the Reds payroll in just two players.

Such standouts as Sean Casey, Danny Graves are eligible for arbitration next season. Pokey Reese, along with Dimitri Young, is eligible for arbitration already. So the Reds have to be looking ahead and realize there are more than Larkin and Griffey on this team.

Bowden, being the GM that he is, said the Reds was not just a two player team and they wanted to be cautious in not ending up like Houston when they were forced to trade Mike Hampton in order to afford the likes of Craig Biggio and Jeff Bagwell.

(See **DUGOUT**, page two)

A Look At Sports...

Jones and Vandy part; maybe UK can recruit

Vanderbilt freshman Rick Jones, former Mr. Basketball in Kentucky, was dismissed from the Commodore's team for violation of team rules.

While reasons for dismissal were not given, Jones will not be a Commodore again.

If you remember, Jones buried six three-point baskets in one game for Vanderbilt and what UK needs is a three-point threat.

With all the blue chip players snubbing UK this recruiting season, maybe the Cats should look toward Jones. I know they were interested in him last year, but after he had committed to Vandy.

Jones averaged close to 19 points per game as a high school senior and aver-

aged close to six points for Vandy this past season as a freshman.

LOCAL ANGLER



Tee Watkins, East Point, finished strong in last weekend's fishing tournament at Cumberland Lake. Tee finished in the top 30 after the first day of fishing and finished a strong 16th after the second day, just missing the top 10.

"It was a lot of fun," said Tee. "We had a big turnout down there and the smallmouth were biting real good the first day."

Tee said he will be fishing at Cherokee this coming weekend and

(See **SPORTS**, page two)

■ South Floyd at Fleming-Neon

Tackett impressive in 3-2 loss to Fleming-Neon

by Ed Taylor
 Sports Editor

South Floyd's Minnie Tackett hurled a two-hitter, but she and the Lady Raiders came up on the short-end of the scoreboard in dropping a 3-2 decision at Fleming-Neon last Thursday night.

Tackett had things going her way until the seventh when she issued a one-out walk to Aimee Mullins. That base on balls led to her downfall as Mullins eventually scored the winning run.

Mullins walked on a 3-2 pitch from Tackett. Tackett got the second out on a bouncer back to the mound but Sarah Wilder roped a base hit to left

center sending Mullins home with the winning run.

Mullins was the winning pitcher in a seven inning stint. She allowed two runs on three hits.

Tackett, in suffering the loss, gave up three runs on just two hits. She struck out five batters and issued five batters.

Fleming-Neon grabbed a 1-0 lead in the second inning on a lead off walk to Bobbi Stamper who stole second and scored on an error at second base.

Mullins had retired the first 12 South Floyd batters that she faced until Shenna Allen singled with two out in the fourth inning. Melissa Thacker then ripped an RBI double scoring Allen to tie the game. Thacker

came home on Monica Hobson's RBI single to give South Floyd a 2-1 lead.

Fleming-Neon tied the game at 2-2 in the bottom of the fourth. Again it was the walk that came back to haunt Tackett. She walked Priscilla Brown to start the inning. Brown stole second and third and scored on Ashley Blair's ground out to first base.

Mullins retired nine of the final 10 South Floyd batters she faced in the final three innings. Allen singled with two out in the sixth inning but was left stranded.

South Floyd will not return to the diamond until Monday, April 24 against Magoffin County at home.



PRESTONSBURG'S NICHOLAS JAMERSON (above) took his turn in the triple jump at Allen Central this past Thursday evening. Prestonsburg and Allen Central held a dual meet at the local track. (photo by Ed Taylor)



THE SCOREBOARD

■ Softball

Pikeville 2, Betsy Layne 1
 Fleming-Neon 3, South Floyd 2

■ Baseball

Prestonsburg 15, South Floyd 6

Games on tap

■ Softball

Mon., April 17
 Betsy Layne at Allen Central
 Shelby Valley at Prestonsburg

Tues., April 18
 Prestonsburg at Sheldon Clark

■ Baseball

Tues., April 18
 Prestonsburg at Morgan Co.

The Eyes have it!



In sports, you always hear about hand-eye coordination. Without it, athletes won't be as effective.

But sometimes athletes might need help in obtaining close to 20/20 vision.

With technology, getting 20/20 vision has come a long way.

This year about 1.5 million people are expected to have an operation that they hope will have them throwing away their glasses or contacts. That number is

expected to increase from 1 million in 1999.

The most popular type of surgery is called LASIK, which stands for laser in-situ keratomileusis. It refers to the process of cutting a flap in the cornea - the eyeball's outer coating - and reshaping it with a sharp laser beam.

Atlanta Braves pitcher Greg Maddux and pro golfer Tiger Woods have had it.

Maddux had the surgery last July and won nine of his next 10 games. Wood had the operation in October and won his next five PGA tour events.

In a recent interview, Maddux said, "This is the best thing I ever bought myself."

Future Hall-of-Famer Wade Boggs, a five-time American League batting champion, also had the surgery.

"The contacts had become a real hassle, so I decided to go for the laser surgery. And it went great," said Boggs. "I had no discomfort at all, and I was back at practice the next day with crystal-clear vision."



ALLEN CENTRAL'S TONYA HOWARD took her turn in the women's shot put this past Thursday at Allen Central. Howard also competes in the women's discus. (photo by Ed Taylor)

Dugout

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Both Goldschmidt and Larkin said the next move was the Reds.

As of Wednesday, Mark Wohlers was throwing pretty well from the mound and if he can get back to form, he could be a big shot in the arm for the Reds pitching staff.

However, the Reds are not in need for bullpen work, they need someone to be a consistent starter.

Let's face it, and the Reds should also, Denny Neagle and Pete Harniseh are not going to carry this club to any championships. Neither will a Rob Bell or Ron Villone. Steve Paris has

"Thanks to LASIK, I'm seeing better than ever before." Other pro athletes who have had laser eye surgery include: Bernie Williams, New York Yankees; Jeff Bagwell, Houston Astros; Jose Cruz, Jr., Toronto; Troy Aikman, Dallas; Rodney Peete, Washington; Se Ri Pak, LPGA; Laura Davies, LPGA; and Stephane Matteau, San Jose Sharks.

The surgery preparation process typically includes an eye examination, counseling, and the administration of mild eye drops. The entire procedure usually last 5-10 minutes per eye. A typical procedure takes about 30-40 seconds of actual laser time per eye. The entire process takes approximately 2-4 hours.

Less than one in ten patients experience only some irritation, light sensitivity and watering of their eyes for a few days.

Laser vision correction can treat a broad range of nearsightedness, astigmatism and farsightedness.

The local area will get a chance to find out more about LASIK Tuesday, April 18, as Dr. Lance Ferguson will be giving a seminar presented by Mark Nordin, O.D. and Commonwealth Eye Services.

Dr. Nordin's office is located at 831 North Lake Drive in Prestonsburg. The seminar will

start at 6 p.m. and dinner will be served.

"Two years ago I wouldn't have recommended this but, the technology has come a long way," Nordin said. "I wore glasses or contacts for 20 years, then I had the surgery and had 20/20 vision the next day."

During Tuesday's seminar, people will get a chance to see if they are a candidate for LASIK. The seminar will also include a video about the surgery and Dr. Ferguson will answer any questions.

Ferguson is a Board Certified Ophthalmologist who is LASIK

certified by the American Board of Eye Surgery. He has over 15 years of experience and has performed more than 20,000 procedures.

People attending Tuesday's event will be given a \$200 discount, if they have LASIK. The total cost of the surgery is around \$4,200.

Space is limited and to make reservations call 1-800-248-2307.

"We can do the pre- and post-operative visits here," said Nordin. "That will save the patient trips to Lexington and the visits are included in price of the surgery."

South Floyd

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may be at Kentucky Lake in a couple of weeks.

The new chair-back bleachers at both Allen Central and Betsy Layne are almost completed. What a new look both facilities will have come next season.

All four of our girls softball teams are going to be regional contenders this season. That will make the girls 58th District very, very competitive.

Allen Central, a young team, just needs to get better defensively and cut down on the errors. They have pitching and hitting.

Prestonsburg has the defense and also is a strong hitting team. They lack the hard thrower from last year. Stacy Goble will get stronger.

South Floyd has made some noise already this season and the Lady Raiders have the pitching and defense. They just need to start making better contact. That also will come later.

Betsy Layne has all three ingredients that is needed for a championship season. They now need to learn how to win. The tools are all there.

REMINDER

Just a reminder not to forget the Kid's Day in the Park on Saturday, April 29 at Archer Park.

I enjoy taking in part of the day, taking pictures, and just enjoying the kids and watching them compete.

All the excitement gets started around 11 a.m. There will be a lot of exciting things to do for kids 9-under thanks to Food City and WMDJ

radio. It is good to see our business places invest something back into our kids.

COLLEGE

Georgia Tech's new basketball coach, Paul Hewitt, has promised to bring the pressing and running game to the Yellowjacket fans. Hewitt commented that fans will like what they will see during the 2000-2001 season.

It was good to hear that Florida guard Teddy Dupay underwent successful surgery recently. Surgery was done to repair a torn left shoulder. Rehabilitation is expected to take three to four weeks.

The NCAA and our colleges are looking for ways to curb or eliminate betting on the college game. Stiffer laws need to be put in force. Enough of the hand slapping penalties. Be firm with those in violation.

Hal Mumme said that Dusty Bonner was in as quarterback of the Kentucky Wildcats when the 2000 season kicks off in September. Hey, we told you that a month ago. About Jared Lorenza Mumme said...

"Quarterbacks were born to transfer..."

However, Mumme does not expect Lorenza to leave UK.

Until Wednesday, good sports everyone and be good sports! See you in church today!

South Floyd

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bats but had a fly out in the seventh inning. Senior Ryan Shannon picked up two base hits and a walk.

Prestonsburg led 1-0 after they batted in the top of the first. With two out, Hank Mullins reached on an error and scored on Crisp base hit. The Cats left the bases loaded against Skeans in the first inning.

South Floyd struck for three runs in the bottom of the inning to take a 3-1 lead. Shannon opened the frame with a base hit, moved to second on a passed ball and scored when Byron Hall's one out bouncer to short was misplayed for an error. Hall scored on Nick Moore's base hit and Moore scored the third run on Skeans first hit of the game.

Skeans breezed through the second inning retiring the Blackcats in order.

The Raiders added two more runs in the bottom of the second to take a 5-1 lead. Shepherd, with one out, hit Charlie Williams with a pitch and walked Shannon. Mike Hall then ripped a two-run double scoring both Williams and Shannon.

Skeans experienced some wildness in the Prestonsburg half of the third inning as they pushed home three runners to narrow the margin to 5-4. Mullins walked and stole second. Skeans then walked Crisp and Bradshaw followed with a two run double. He later scored on a ground out.

South Floyd got back-to-back singles from Skeans and Kyle Tackett to start the Raider third. But a double play got Shepherd off the hook. Shepherd got McKinney on strikes and Hall lined the ball to

left field where Jacob Shepherd made the play, fired the ball to second base to double off Tackett and end the threat.

Prestonsburg went in front 7-5 with three in the fourth inning with the help of three South Floyd errors. Dixon had the only hit for Prestonsburg in the frame.

Shepherd got South Floyd in order in the bottom of the fourth and pushed across four more runs in the fifth to assume a 11-5 lead. After Jacob Shepherd walked, Dixon and Mullins singled to load the bases. Crisp then worked Skeans for a walk forcing home Craig Fleenor, who pinch ran for Shepherd. Bradshaw then collected his third hit, a two-run single.

South Floyd got their final run in the bottom of the fifth on a lead off walk to Moore, Skeans third hit and walk to Tackett to load the bases. With one out, Hall walked to force home Moore.

Prestonsburg exploded for four runs in the top of the sixth. The Blackcats had three consecutive hits off Skeans. Willis, Shepherd, and Dixon collected the safeties and Mullins reached on an error. Crisp then lined a two-run single and Bradshaw picked up his third hit of the evening. Adam Dixon had a two-base hit in the inning.

South Floyd did not generate any offense in the bottom of the seventh.

Prestonsburg travels to Morgan County Tuesday and will face Belfry at Belfry on Wednesday night. They meet Allen Central Tuesday at home.

South Floyd travels to Feds Creek Monday evening.

Betsy Layne

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fielder Michelle Hall led off the inning with a walk and scored on a Betsy Layne error. Amber Trimble had singled behind Hall sending her to third base.

Betsy Layne threatened in the fourth inning with Bentley leading off with a double and moving to third base on an error. However, Potter bowed her neck and got Tackett on a come back to the mound, struck out Jenny Parsons and Mitchell on a fly ball to right.

Likewise, Pikeville put a runner at third base but Tackett pitched her way out of trouble on a grounder to third, a bouncer back to the mound and a grounder to first.

The Ladycats placed two runners on base in the top of the fifth but both came with two out. Hamilton reached when she was hit by a pitch and Devon Reynolds singled. On the base hit, Hamilton was tagged out at third on a throw from centerfield.

Tackett retired Pikeville in order in the bottom of the fifth and Potter duplicated the feat in the top of the sixth. Pikeville then scored in the sixth to take the lead at 2-1.

Betsy Layne travels to Minnie Park to meet county rival South Floyd in a 2 p.m. start. The Ladycats then will face Allen Central on the road at the Garrett Park Monday evening.

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WWF

Heat Matches for tonight

(1) Dean Malenko Scotty Too Hotty to retain the WWF Lt. Hvt. Title. A good match. Malenko won with rollup.

(2) Chris Benoit defeated Hardcore Holly with a German suplex to retain the IC Title. Good work from both performers, Benoit brought out the best out of Holly.

(3) Val Venis fought The Godfather to a no-contest when Kurt Angle came out and cut disparaging promo towards Val, Godfather, and The "Hos." Godfather and Val stopped the match and chased Angle

(4) Test fought D-Von Dudley to a double DQ, Decent Match, Very good heat.

(5) Taka Michinoku defeated Essa Rios. Another solid match ending with Lita attempting a Frankensteiner on Taka when Funaki intervened and knocked her off the apron. It was a wicked bump by Lita. Taka capitalized quickly after the bump and got the victory over Rios. Lillian Garcia sang The National Anthem. She received a nice ovation from the crowd.

Smackdown Matches for last thursday

(1) Rikishi Phatu beat "Latino Heat" Eddy Guerrero by DQ when Chyna interfered and low-blowed Rikishi. Eddy and Chyna received a lot of heat during their segment. Eddy cut an amusing promo before the match where he questioned the existence of Samoa!

The Rock was shown backstage looking concerned that The Rock had arrived.

Triple H, Stephanie and Shane McMahon came to the ring to cut promo. Triple H bragged about the beating The Rock received on Raw. Shane showed his love for his brother-in-law by hugging Triple H. The Rock came out to an unbelievable response. Steph and Rock set the stage for Backlash where The Rock will meet Triple H for The WWF Title. Steph stated that Vince would be in Triple H's corner to ensure that The Rock doesn't walk away with the title. Main event was booked during this segment. The Rock & Acolytes vs. Triple H & Bossman & Buchanan.

Al Snow and Steve Blackman were shown in the next segment arriving at a retirement home for senior citizens. Snow gave Blackman a comedy monologue to work on the residents. Funny stuff if only they could be as entertaining in the ring.

(2) The Hardy Boyz defeated Chris Benoit & Dean Malenko. Good match, but not as good as you would expect. Jeff Hardy seemed to be in pain during certain

stretches in the match. It looked like his back.

Backstage, Triple H and Shane gave Kurt Angle another shot at WWF gold by booking a tag title match where Angle would team with The Big Show against Edge & Christian.

(3) Perry Saturn defeated Crash Holly with a super kick to become new Hardcore Champion. Saturn's reign was short lived as Tazz ran in and pinned to Saturn to take Hardcore Title. Crash, recovered and attacked Tazz and pinned him to regain his title.

(4) Edge & Christian defeated Big Show & Kurt Angle to retain the WWF Tag Team Titles. Angle had to cut a second pre-match promo after botching the first one. Show came out to Roddy Piper's old music. Show played a "Fat Bastard" type scottish character from the movie. Austin Powers. Show and Angle couldn't get along and it led to their downfall in this match.

Backstage, Chris Jericho walked into a room and says to two women, "How are you ladies?" The two ladies turned around. They were Stephanie McMahon and Tori. Jericho proclaimed, "I'm sorry, I was looking for some ladies." Steph and Tori looked insulted.

(5) Buh Buh Ray Dudley defeated Prince Albert (w/Trish Stratus) with a "Bubba Cutter." Trish Stratus prepared a table but her plan backfired when Albert was put through the table by Bubba.

Backstage, Jericho approached Steph and Tori again and suggested that they would make good hos. Steph booked a match with Road Dogg & X-Pac vs Y2J later in the night as revenge for Y2J's comments towards her and Tori.

Back to The Retirement Home, Blackman got frustrated that Snow's comedy material bombed. Blackman pulled out Nun Chaku and contemplated striking the senior citizens.

(6) Mae Young & The Kat defeated Fabulous Moolah & Terri when Mae pinned Moolah after hilarious elbow drop. Usual comedy match here.

(7) Road Dogg & X-Pac defeated Chris Jericho. Tori attempted to interfere, Jericho, who was very over with the crowd, put Tori in The Walls of Jericho. X-Pac snuck up from behind and hit The X-Factor for the win.

Backstage, Shane confronted Earl Hebner and threatened to fire Earl if he continued his actions. Shane put Hebner on probation.

In the next segment, Stephanie McMahon came out to the arena and introduced to the crowd her new personal trainer, "Muffy." Muffy and Steph insulted the crowd for being out of shape. Audience seemed confused. It's questionable whether or not this segment will make it to TV.

Blackman and Snow were shown leaving retirement home and Snow told Steve that he thinks he should hit the 98 year old woman.

(8) The Rock & The Acolytes defeated Triple H & Big Bossman & Bull Buchanan by DQ when Shane interfered. Shane and Hebner got into shoving match and Earl pushed Shane out of the ring. DX came out and they battled with The APA to the back. That left Triple H and The Rock to battle. The Rock grabbed Shane on the outside and Rock Bottomed him through the announcer table. The taping ended.



by Shawn Jervis

Notes: When the show went off the air, The Rock got on the mic and did his schtick. The Rock harassed a groggy Shane McMahon. Rock asked Shane what his favorite pie was. Shane responded with Apple Pie. The Rock corrected him with Poontang Pie. Shane apologized for picking the wrong pie and wanted to make up for his mistake by offering to become The Rock's partner. He even went so far as doing a Rock impression. The Rock declined and did his signature moves. The Rock Bottom and The Peoples Elbow on Shane McMahon...

WCW

Eric Bischoff is finally back in the saddle. Expect to see WCW make a rise back to the top soon. WCW has already climbed a couple of points in the ratings and has caused Raw to drop in their ratings.

CWO in Denver will be using Sonny Onoo and Kevin Sullivan on their May 20th show, along with the band Danzig. Typhoon and Earthquake will work the May 22nd show.

WCW is discussing a Canadian tour. There is a good chance it will happen in the near future.

Vampiro shot a commercial for his new T-shirt after Nitro at 4:30 am in a Cemetery.

If Mike Awesome ends up in neither WCW or ECW, expect him to go to All Japan for a \$7,500 a week tour.

ECW As most of you know by now Mike Awesome the ECW heavyweight champ showed up on Nitro. ECW will probably crown a new champ or hold a tournament for the title. And as usual ECW was the highest rated program on TNN.

Ratings

The ratings are in for 4/10 and there was definitely some movement in the numbers.

Raw won, as usual, but Nitro chopped a little bit into Raw's numbers from two weeks ago (last week was thrown out due to WCW airing a best of show).

Raw did a 6.2 rating (with a 9.4 share) off of hours of 5.7 (8.2) and 6.6 (10.5). That was down from hours of 6.5 (9.4) and 6.7 (11.1) two weeks ago.

Nitro did a 3.1 rating (with a 4.7 share) off of hours of 3.6 (5.5) and 2.6 (3.8). That is up from the hours of 3.1 (4.6) and 2.1 (3.1) that they did two weeks ago, up a full half point from the last show of the Kevin Sullivan era. That is good no matter how you slice it.

Head-to-head, Raw did a 5.7 to Nitro's 2.6. Two weeks ago, the head-to-head saw Raw do a 6.5 to Nitro's 2.1.

So, improvement was made last night, for sure. Nitro even did a 3.9 in the last quarter of the first hour. It has been a while since that started. It was surely a great start for WCW.

Nitro also beat Walker Texas Ranger 3.6 to 2.8. Ratings for Saturday, April 8 and Sunday, April 9, 2000:

WCW Saturday Night did a 1.6 with a 3.4 share.

Livewire did a 1.8 (5.8 share).

Superstars did a 2.0 (5.6).

Heat did a 2.7 (4.8).

Smackdown on 4/6 did a 4.6 rating with a 8.0 share. Thunder on 4/5 did a 1.7 rating and a 2.8 share off of hours of 1.8 (2.9 share) and 1.6 (2.7 share).

The 4/7 edition of ECW on TNN did a 0.9 rating with a 1.6 share. Credit to 1wrestling.com

Independents

The 3rd annual battle of bull creek will take place soon. If any body has any news on the local scene, information to contact me is at the end of this article. any questions or comments, you can write to me at the Floyd County Times in care of Shawn Jervis or you can e-mail me shawnstuff@setel.com I will soon have a voice mail service Check back.

Shawn Jervis is known for his work in Kentucky independents for the past six years under the persona of Shawn Martin. He retired in 1999 to pursue other interests. He is best known for his knowledge of wrestling history and trivia also for his duties as a manager. His last duties in the world of wrestling was talent coordinator and storyline editor. He still accepts limited bookings and appearances for local organizations.

Bentley's COMMENTS

Non-deductible notes:

■ If anybody has any clue as to where this Bobby Knight fiasco is headed, please speak now.

The General was accused of choking a player and everybody denied it until Tuesday when a videotape of a practice session showed up on CNN. Now, people are positioning themselves and waiting for Knight's latest spin.

I watch this and wonder where all the people are who complain about professional wrestling.

Knight and his posse deny these charges, saying the player in question has a motive of not getting a fair shake (from the video, looks like he got a pretty good one to me). The

player insists it happened, but it's his word against Knights.

Then, the equipment manager, of all people, came out and said it never happened. The equipment manager? The Bill Keightley of IU?

Rumors quickly surfaced around the Indiana campus that a tape existed of the incident. But where was it? And who had it?

Then, on Monday Nitro, it was announced the tape and its owner would be at this Sundays pay-per-view!

Oh, wait a minute

The tape made its way to CNN, and sources suspect it was given to the Time Warner Company by its

Knight situation like pro wrestling

very own Hulk Hogan, who was upset about having to lose to Billy Kidman in what wasn't even a real match on Nitro! Well, not really. Really, a former Knight assistant, whose list of things he's mad about includes having to lose to Billy Kidman, gave it to the network.

This assistant told the university he was holding the tape as his ace in the hole. When the time came, he played his trump card.

Having seen this video, a couple of things come to mind. One, if you were going to tape a practice and having been to too many practices, I don't really see why you'd tape one to start with. Wouldnt you try to get a better picture of it? I mean, the video was so grainy it looked like it was shot through a telescopic lens. Plus, you couldn't make out if it was actually the player in question, so how would that tape help the IU coaching staff in the decision-making process?

Anyway, Knights supporters are back-tracking.

Even the equipment manager has backed off, saying when he said it didnt happen, he didnt really mean it didnt happen, he just meant when he said it didnt happen, he meant he "didn't" see it happen.

What a happening guy.

Meanwhile, Hogan is all upset because he had to lose to Kidman in the non-match, because one of the only coaches in the game who's older than him is on the hot seat (again), and because he's not in the title match on Sundays PPV.

Its great to be a sports fan.

■ Congratulations to Cindy Spradlin and the Millard Lady Mustangs. The two wins that came your way had been a long time coming. The "program" survived two years of winless ball and being shut down last year in mid-season. These girls deserve success.

■ What exactly is tetherball? I mean, I get the ball on a string on a poll. But aside from wrapping the string around the poll, what's the purpose?

■ So Shane Andrews hit two homers off the Braves Terry Mulholland Wednesday, which confused me a little. Am I the only one who thinks these guys were separated at birth?

■ Wouldnt you like to see a Sacramento/Toronto matchup in the playoffs? Jason Williams vs. Vince Carter. That would be an NBA series worth seeing.

Of course, it would only happen in the finals, which means it won't. But if the miracle happened, says here ratings would be through the roof.

■ With apologies to my buddy Steve Mickey, I'm not a big NASCAR fan. But I was wondering, where are all those Jeff Gordon fans this spring?

Now I should apologize to Jamie Heflin.

No offense, Hef.

■ All these years later, Catcher Cam is still television's worst gift to baseball.

For one thing, it's like looking down a tunnel. Then there's the fact

that it will make you sea sick in a matter of seconds. And it seems a little more blurred than the normal camera.

But the biggest thing wrong with it is "you cant see whats going on!" Isn't that the purpose of television—the vision?

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BETHANY JOSEPH OF PRESTONSBURG took her turn in the shot put last Thursday at Allen Central. Joseph placed first in the women's discus at the meet. (photo by Ed Taylor)

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insider golf

by t.j. tomasi
Director of the Players School at PGA National

TEERING OFF

Program Offers PGA Membership and College Degree

I recently received this request from a mother in Georgia: "I was hoping you may be able to help me with some questions about how to become a pro in the golfing field. My son is very interested in golf as a career."

First, anyone can hang out a shingle and say, "I'm a professional," which is about like saying, "I'm a brain surgeon, except I have no training and no degree." I'll restrict my answer to the best way to become a golf pro recognized by the Professional Golfers' Association of America.

There is an important difference between a golf professional and a professional golfer. A golf professional is specially trained by the

PGA of America as outlined below. A professional golfer plays competitive golf for a living.

Both men and women are eligible for membership in the PGA of America, and there are some women who hold dual memberships in the PGA and LPGA (Ladies Professional Golf Association). The LPGA is a separate organization from the PGA, and it produces excellent trained golf professionals, but because my letter-writer's potential professional is a male, I'll concentrate on the PGA.

To be eligible for the program, applicants must pass the Playing Ability Test (PAT). Then they must work under the guidance of a PGA

head professional as an apprentice. From there it should take about three years to complete the three levels of the program required for class A membership.

A unique way to combine a college education with PGA membership is through the Professional Golf Management program. It's available at the following PGA-endorsed institutions: Florida State University, Methodist College (Fayetteville, N.C.), Campbell University (Buies Creek, N.C.), Coastal Carolina University (Conway, S.C.), Penn State University, Ferris State University (Big Rapids, Mich.), Mississippi

State University and New Mexico State University.

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Each student is exposed to the business of golf; then he can choose his specialty and tailor his preparation to it. There's teaching, merchandising, tournament operations, golf management, food service and numerous other areas he could focus on, depending on his interests.

Next week I'll outline how to become a tour player.

ASK THE PRO

Q: My opponent's ball rolled into a water hazard on the edge of the water line so the ball was about two-thirds under the water. She said she wasn't sure it was hers, so she turned it just enough to tell that it was her ball. I said that was a penalty, but she said that she could identify the ball as hers by doing that because there was a penalty for playing the wrong ball. Is she correct?

—A.J.
from Tampa, Fla.

A: She is incorrect. You can't touch your ball in a water hazard unless you're hitting it or fishing it out. By doing so she incurred a one-shot penalty via rule 18-2a. By the way, there is no penalty for playing the wrong ball out of a hazard as long as you don't continue to play it after you hit it out.

To Ask the Pro a question about golf, e-mail him at: TJInsider@aol.com.

IT'S GOOD FOR YOUR GAME



Here are two common faulty finishes: At left, my hands finish below my left shoulder and my weight is on my left heel. This swing is too flat. At right, my swing is too upright and my weight ends up back on my right foot.



Proof of Proper Swing Is in Telltale Finish

How you finish your swing can tell you a lot about whether your swing was good or bad. If you finish in the right position, it's likely that you made the right moves in order to arrive there.

There are three keys to a proper finish: First, your weight should be balanced in your front hip, so you can lift your back toe off the ground without redistributing your weight. Second, your chest and back knee should be pointing at the target. Third, your hands should be up above your front shoulder.

There are two common "faulty" finishes. The first occurs when your hands end up even with or below your front shoulder with your weight teetering out of control on your front heel. This indicates that your swing was too flat.

To fix the problem, pose your body in the position of a good finish — hands high, body balanced and facing the target. From that position, swing the club backward to the top of your backswing in slow motion.

It should feel as though the path the club-head is moving on is much more upright than your usual swing — closer to a Ferris wheel than a merry-go-round. If so, you're on the right track.

Then swing the club back down and through to your good finish again, all in slow motion. Repeat this until you've got the feeling grooved. When you have, both your swing plane and finish position will match.

The second faulty finish is the opposite of the first: You end up off-balance with your weight moving away from the target, stranded on your back foot because your swing was too upright.

Again, correct it by posing in a good finish

position, then swinging backward slowly on a flatter path, more merry-go-round than Ferris wheel, until you reach the top of your backswing. Repeat this until you're familiar with the feeling.

If you regularly violate any of these rules, you can benefit from this "Pose and Re-pose" drill. Done 60 times a day for 21 days in a row, it will go a long way toward alleviating the problem.



This photo shows the correct finish: My weight is balanced in my left hip with my hands above my left shoulder, and my chest and right knee are facing the target.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“Retire and count your money, or deal with your life.”

—advice to Tiger Woods from his coach, Butch Harmon, in 1998 to help Tiger deal with his “celebrity under a microscope” life. Fortunately for all of us, Tiger chose the latter and now wears his fame quite well.

BIRDIES & BOGEYS

Martin Rides

A federal appeals court refused to overturn a magistrate's ruling that federal law allows Casey Martin to ride between shots in PGA tournaments. The ruling by the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals entitles Martin, who suffers from a painful leg condition, to continue using a cart during PGA Tour-sanctioned events. That should be the end of it, unless the PGA Tour takes it to the Supreme Court.

It's a complicated clash of interests with no bad guys. Businesswise the issue is the tour's right to make its own rules and govern itself; law-of-the-land-wise, you can't discriminate against someone with a handicap. And at the personal level, Casey is good enough and just wants to chase his dream.

Big-Time Golf

At 6 feet 7 inches and 250 pounds, Phil Blackmar is the biggest player on the PGA Tour, but tour players are getting bigger every year. This year's media guide lists 57 players who are at least 6 feet 2 inches tall; 54 players are listed at 200 pounds or more.



Phil Blackmar

GOLF SPOKEN HERE

Closed

With regard to the club face, "closed" means the face aims to the left of your target (for a right-hander). With regard to your body, "closed" means your shoulders, hips and/or feet are aligned to the right of the target.

DON'T MISS IT

Happiness Is Pebble Beach

If you love a great golf course, beautiful scenery and the ocean, don't miss Pebble Beach, the site of the 2000 U.S. Open this June. Unlike a lot of U.S. Open venues, Pebble is a public course, as are its two sister courses on the Monterey Peninsula, Spyglass Hill and Spanish Bay. Green fees are steep at \$275 for nonresort guests, and \$225 for resort guests, but Pebble Beach is a course that all golf lovers should treat themselves to at least once in their golfing lives.

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elite Top 100 Teachers chosen by Golf Magazine and is a Class A PGA teaching professional.



TOUR STATS

Tour Scoring Average Gets Fine-Tuning

Here are the five leading scoring averages on the PGA Tour through March.

1. Tiger Woods68.29
2. Tom Lehmen68.97
3. Jesper Parnevik69.29
4. Ernie Els69.75
5. David Duval69.85

You might think that scoring average would be the total of all your scores divided by the number of scores, but things are not always as straightforward as they appear. Here is how the PGA Tour defines the term:

"Scoring Average is a weighted scoring average

which takes the stroke average of the field into account. The statistic is computed by taking a player's total strokes for the year, adding an adjustment figure, and dividing by the total rounds played for the year. The adjustment figure is computed by determining the stroke average of the field for each round played. This average is subtracted from par to create an adjustment figure for each round."

No matter how they define it, Tiger is still tops, but why this statistical finagling? One reason: So players in the running for the Vardon Trophy can't pick the easy courses to pad their scoring average.

SUPERSTARS

Senior Victory Eludes Calvin Peete

In my estimation, the biggest surprise on the Senior Tour has been Calvin Peete, who is exempt because he is in the top 70 on the all-time money list. Peete joined the PGA Tour in 1975 and won 12 times, including the prestigious Tournament Players Championship. Only Tom Kite won more PGA Tour events in the 1980s.

One of the most accurate drivers of the golf ball the game has ever seen (he led the PGA Tour in driving accuracy 10 consecutive years from 1981-90), plus a superb iron player (led the tour in hitting greens in regulation three

times), Peete's game seemed perfectly suited for the Senior Tour, where short courses are the norm and accuracy is a necessity.

Yet his best finish to date is a fourth place at the 1995 Bell Atlantic Classic. Last year, in 15 tries, his best finish was a tie for 48th. Go figure this one.



Calvin Peete

INSIDE THE PRO FISHING TOUR

Ranger, BASS Part Company

After a 28-year relationship with the oldest and most prestigious bass tournament circuit in the country, Ranger Boats announced last week that it is parting company with the Bass Anglers Sportsman Society.

In a press release, Ranger officials said they had "ceased all negotiations to renew their official BASS sponsorship." They cited BASS' sanctioning of the World Championship fishing/boating skills series as the reason for their departure.

The WCF is a series of made-for-television events involving top pros who fish as well as test their boat-handling skills over a timed course. The first such event was held in Illinois last fall, and it drew an enthusiastic audience of 38,000 spectators. BASS says the WCF is designed to grow the sport by attracting outside interest from viewers and corporate America.

"The WCF is an obvious change in strategy by BASS management," Ranger president Randy Hopper said. "For over a quarter century, Ranger and BASS have shared philosophies with regard to the future and growth of bass fishing. . . . With WCF, the emphasis has been taken off fishing and placed on racing."

"In direct contradiction with WCF, Ranger feels bass tournaments do not need to add racing to the format to create more excitement, and does not agree with changing the fundamentals of the sport for the sole reason of appealing to a larger TV audience."

It should be noted that Ranger is owned by Irwin Jacobs' Genmar Holdings, which owns the rival FLW Tour circuit. Also, Ranger's contract with BASS expires after this season, and the boatmaker would have probably found itself in a bidding war to retain the sponsorship it owned for nearly three decades.

After Ranger issued its press release, BASS officials took off the gloves and fired back. Saying that "Ranger Boats criticism of World Championship Fishing is without merit," a BASS statement claimed that "sadly, since the inception of the FLW tour in 1996, which enjoys the same ownership as Ranger Boats, we have observed Ranger's steady and ever-increasing departure from our fundamental philosophy. As most anglers know, if you do not own a Ranger Boat, it is very difficult to participate in FLW events. In fact, the FLW rules prohibit contenders from displaying any competitive sponsor logos during filming days of their tournaments."

"BASS believes that any policy that excludes a fisherman or manufacturer from competing on a fair and level playing field is detrimental to the future of the sport. The integrity and credibility earned by the Bass Anglers Sportsman Society will never be compromised. Even if it costs us a sponsorship, BASS will vigorously safeguard the guiding principles and values shared by our 600,000 members, as well as millions of anglers worldwide."

Ranger Boats and BASS have been intertwined since the second BASS Masters Classic in 1972. But by joining exiled BASS founder Ray Scott in opposition to the WCF and cutting its ties, Ranger's action will force BASS to find another boat sponsor for its BASSMASTER Tournament Trail, Classic and BASS Federation events.

Look for either Triton Boats or Nitro/Tracker Marine to make a run at that coveted sponsorship position.

Tim Tucker's Pro Power Ratings

Star indicates a pro who is coming on strong.

This Week	Last Week	Weeks on List	Angler, Hometown
1	1	43	Denny Brauer, Camdenton, Mo. Runner-up in '99 Classic; Fla. Top 150 finals
2	2	43	Davy Hite, Prosperity, S.C. Won '99 BASS Masters Classic
3	3	26	Tim Horton, Spruce Pine, Ala. BASS Angler of Year; made four Top 150 finals
4	4	43	Larry Nixon, Bee Branch, Ark. Won BASS Top 150 opener; made Mid. finals
5	5	43	Kevin VanDam, Kalamazoo, Mich. Won N.Y. BASS event; 1999 Angler of Year
6	6	43	Rick Clunn, Ava, Mo. Runner-up in Ft. Bass Top 150 and FLW event
7	7	26	David Fritts, Lexington, N.C. Two top-10 finishes; Millennium runner-up
8	8	21	Aaron Martens, Castaic, Calif. Calif. BASS winner; made last two Top 150 finals
9	9	7	Shaw Grigsby, Gainesville, Fla. Won last two Top 150's; MegaBucks finalist
10	10	43	Stephen Browning, Hot Springs, Ark. BASS Mick, Top 150 finals; FLW Fla. finals
11	11	13	Michael Iaconelli, Woodbury Heights, N.J. Won Ft. Bass Top 150; runner-up in Fla. Top 150
12	12	40	Zell Rowland, Montgomery, Texas Finals of Ft. Bass Top 150
13	13	40	Clark Wendlandt, Cedar Park, Texas Won FLW S.C. event; MegaBucks runner-up
14	14	23	Darrell Robertson, Jay, Okla. M-1 champ; won \$850,000 in two months
15	15	33	Roland Martin, Clewiston, Fla. Runner-up in Ft. Bass Top 150; 6th in Miss. FLW

These ratings of America's top tournament bass pros are based on Tim's opinion of their talent, knowledge, experience and most recent tournament performances.

Hometown Angler Wins

Jim Dopp of Kimberling City, Mo., a local angler fishing in just his second BASS event, held on through a final round of plunging temperatures and strong winds to win the Missouri BASSMASTER Central Invitational on Table Rock Lake Saturday with a three-day total of 39 pounds, 5 ounces.

Dopp's only other tournament trail experience came a year ago in this same event, when he also boated 39 pounds of bass but finished a distant 13th. This year, with the lake a dozen feet low and an overnight temperature drop of nearly 50 degrees, conditions were considerably more difficult. Dopp fished a green Zoom Fish Doctor finesse worm on a split-shot-rig with 6-pound test line on the same rocky points he fished last year.

Arkansas' Mike McClelland finished second with 37-15, while another local angler, Stacey King of Reeds Spring, Mo., finished third with 35-2.

— Tim Tucker

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Run 'n' Gun for Turkey

By TIM TUCKER, Outdoors Writer

It was just the sort of situation that a veteran turkey hunter like Eddie Salter thrives on.

Salter walked quietly along the perimeter of a tract of land he knew nothing about, hoping to locate a roosting gobbler on this moonless morning. Imagine his surprise when his second call was answered by feverish gobbling no more than 100 yards away.

Salter immediately set up facing an open field. A small woodpile provided a makeshift blind where he worked the bird for a half-hour. The gobbler seemed eager to make his acquaintance, but its hormonal response never drew it any closer than about 50 yards.

The morning was getting lighter and the heavy fog was just beginning to burn off when the Alabama turkey expert decided to make a move. With the fog hanging low — and with little knowledge of the terrain — he had not realized that a creek blocked the path between this lovesick gobbler and his make-believe hen.

With increasing urgency, Salter began working his way through the woods, pausing occasionally to sound a crow call. Listening for the response of the

very interested gobbler, he was able to gauge its position as he waded a creek, crossed a fence, climbed down and back up a dried creekbed, making a quick half-mile circle around the bird.

Without warning, Salter dropped to the ground. He could actually hear the bird drumming in the distance. Crawling to the edge of a small stand of brush, he listened as the gobbler — with two other turkeys — made a serpentine path through the woods. When they appeared in a small opening in the undergrowth, he picked off the largest gobbler.

"That's where the action is — going out and finding a gobbling turkey and really working it," says Salter, a two-time national calling champion and the manufacturer of a variety of calls. "That's what turkey hunting is all about — the excitement of calling him in and watching him strut. It isn't so much just sitting there and wasting all day and hoping that the bird comes in."

Salter feels a change in the air. "I think we're beginning to see more of the run-and-gun approach because the younger generation of turkey hunter is so much more educated these days through videos and magazines," he said.

"I've been running and gunning now for 15 years or so. I may not kill as old or mature birds as some — the 4- and 5-year-old birds — but I kill a lot of 2- and 3-year-old birds this way. This style just makes me a more successful turkey hunter."

For Salter, the running and gunning approach — also called bump-and-run turkey hunting — takes two forms.

First, in cases where he has ample territory to hunt, Salter prefers to concentrate his efforts on the most willing subjects. "In this situation, running and gunning means being real aggressive and calling a lot," he says. "If the bird doesn't come in, you just get up and look for another one over the next ridge. If you keep that attitude and you have enough property to hunt, you're going to find a workable bird that you can kill just about every day."

In situations where access to land is limited, Salter's run-and-gun style still comes into play. When sitting, hiding and calling fail to bring a gobbler into gun range, Salter recommends moving to the bird.

Turkeys are one of the most difficult game animals to stalk. It is almost impossible to sneak within gun range of a gobbler without being detected; the idea is to get as close to the bird as possible and then call him in that last few crucial yards.

When moving on a gobbler, Salter takes a wide berth to avoid spooking the bird, occasionally using a crow or owl call to elicit a response. This enables him to better estimate the position of the turkey.



A turkey hunter works his call from the blind.

PHOTO BY TIM TUCKER

Tips From the Pros



O.T. FEARS is a three-time winner of the BASSMASTER Tournament Trail. He lives in Sallisaw, Okla.

In Praise of Carolina-Rigging

"Carolina-rigging is my most dependable technique. I probably fish a Carolina rig 70 percent of the tournament year. It's more versatile than any technique I know of."

"I fish it a lot of different ways. Most people just put a 1-ounce weight on it, and chuck it out there in deep water. They use it in the late winter and early spring for pre-spawn bass. But it's also a tremendous tool for fishing shallow situations, pre-spawn or post-spawn. And it works well in the summertime, when the bass gang up on deep structure. It's a tool to be used all year long."

"It works so well because the lure floats up off the bottom, and it's a more subtle bait presentation. It doesn't move quickly. When you move it, it kind of sails and then settles down."

"I catch a lot of fish throughout the year Carolina-rigging real heavy grass. A lot of people wouldn't even try throwing a 1/2-ounce or 1-ounce weight into grass like hydrilla or eel grass or something that's real thick on the bottom. I have kind of specialized and adapted some of my Carolina-rig techniques to fishing heavy grass."

GEAR AND GOODIES

Bomber Introduces Shallow Crankbait

One of the quiet trends of the past couple of years on the national tournament scene has been super-shallow cranking with small diving baits. We're talking about crankbaits that only run a foot or so below the surface.

Bomber Lures recently introduced the Shallow A, the latest member of its "A" family, a cranker that runs less than a foot deep. It has a bulbous body, similar to the Fat A, containing internal rattles, and a rounded bill that creates a wide, fish-attracting wobble. The Shallow A measures just 2 1/4 inches in length and weighs 3/4 ounce.

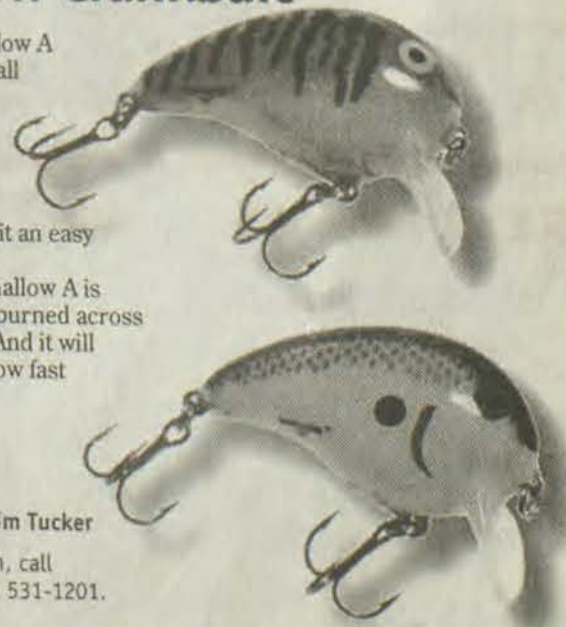
"The Shallow A is a terrific casting bait that runs well on both heavy and light line," said three-time BASS winner Zell Rowland of

Texas. "Run the Shallow A above grassbeds to call up fish, or crank it through shallow stump fields. The buoyancy of this bait will keep it running above cover, making it an easy target for fish."

"Sometimes the Shallow A is most effective when burned across the top of the grass. And it will run true no matter how fast you crank it."

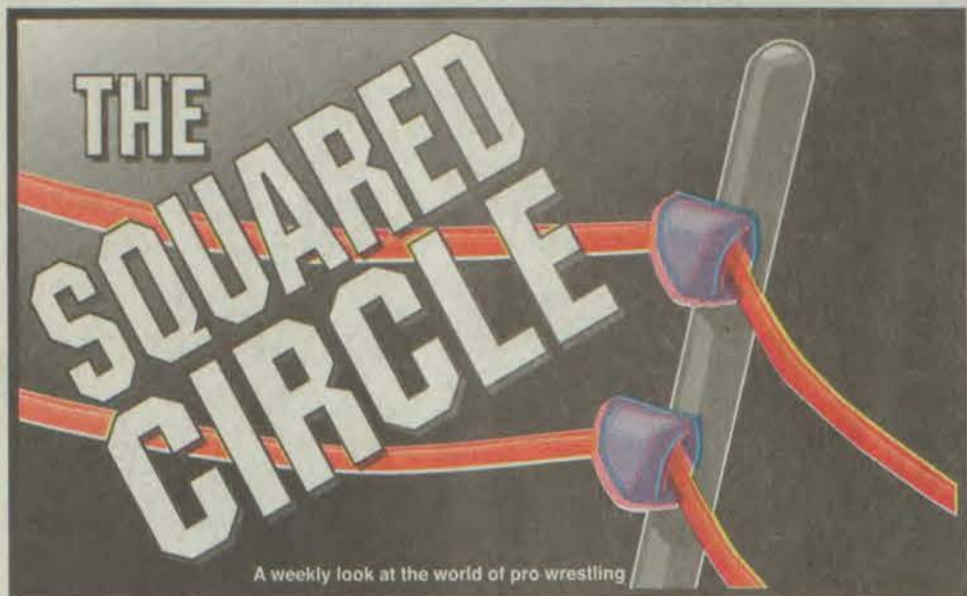
The Shallow A comes in 12 proven color schemes.

— Tim Tucker
For more information, call Bomber Lures at (800) 531-1201.



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A weekly look at the world of pro wrestling

TOP 10

1. The Big Show, WWF
2. Bret Hart, WCW
3. The Rock, WWF
4. Mike Awesome, ECW
5. Triple H, WWF
6. Chris Benoit, WCW
7. Jeff Jarrett, WCW
8. Masato Tanaka, ECW
9. Chris Jericho, WWF
10. Justin Credible, ECW



■ MASATO TANAKA ■ BENOIT

Look for: Val Venis to get a bigger push in the WWF.

PAY-PER-VIEW

- WCW, Spring Stampede, Chicago, April 16
- WWF, Backlash, Washington, D.C., April 30
- ECW, Hardcore Heaven, May 14

MAILBAG

Tell us what you think about professional wrestling, its stars, trends and story lines.

Give us your feedback on wrestlers or issues you'd like to see on this page.

Also, if you have a question or comment about a subject, write to us at The Squared Circle, c/o Sports, News Journal, 70 W. Fourth St., Mansfield, Ohio 44903. You can fax it to us at 419-521-7415 or e-mail to aconchel@cosmg.com. Please include your hometown.

Dear Squared Circle, I would like to know if these are the same people: Johnny Polo/Raven; Percy Pringle/Paul Bearer; Dr. Isaac Yankel/Kane; Alundra Blaze/Madusa; Robert Fuller/Col. Rob Parker? Also, is that Yokozuna I saw on TV?

— Charles Aukerman
Mansfield, Ohio

A. Yes on the personas, except Yokozuna. That wrestler is Rakishi Phatu.

Dear Squared Circle, Will Steve Austin ever come back to wrestling? Also, what happened to Yokozuna, Doink the Clown, The Bushwhackers and Shawn Michaels?

— Charlie Adkins
Prestonsburg, Ky.

A. Yokozuna isn't wrestling. Doink (Matt Borne) and the Bushwhackers wrestle for various independent promotions. Michaels and his wife, Rebecca, just had a son. His return to active wrestling is doubtful because of injuries, but both the WWF and ECW would like to have him in some role.

Dear Squared Circle, I don't care that Triple H called himself The Game. But I don't like the way he treated Stone Cold, Test and the McMahon family.

— Paco Garcia
San Antonio, Texas

Dear Squared Circle, My top 10:

1. The Big Show
2. The Rock
3. Kane
4. Mankind
5. Edge
6. Matt Hardy
7. Test
8. Jeff Hardy
9. Christian
10. Chris Jericho

— Laura Justice
Mansfield, Ohio

FEUD OF THE WEEK



nWo vs. Old Age Outlaws, WCW

CATCH PHRASES

"I call it right down the middle, daddy."
—Bill Alphonso

IN THE SPOTLIGHT



■ Bill Goldberg, shown preparing to body slam Lex Luger during a match last year in Cleveland, is the linchpin for WCW in 2000. (Jason J. Molyet/Squared Circle)

WCW DIRECTION PLEASES FANS

By Anthony Conchel
Squared Circle Editor

World Championship Wrestling is changing — and for the better, according to younger fans of the promotion.

Under the direction of Bill Busch and the creative writing of Vince Russo and Ed Ferrara, WCW has more bite than it did in the waning days and weeks of the Eric Bischoff regime.

"I like what they're doing with storylines and the wrestlers," said Jennifer Skinner, 18.

Like many fans, she calls wrestling "a male soap opera."

"I like the storylines more than the actual wrestling, although I like that too," she said as she carried a Kevin Nash banner into Cleveland State University.

Her friend, Kari Hanlin, likes the 7-foot, 320-pound Nash, known as Big Sexy.

"That's my boy. I love the Outsiders. I also like Sting, but he got crapped on his whole career. He was set up by (Lex) Luger and betrayed over and over," she said.

Both say that following WCW's storylines requires commitment.

"If you miss a week, you are completely lost as to what's going on," said Skinner.

They started watching "Monday Nitro" on a regular basis more than a year ago.

"The middle of last year, we started really getting into it. We have parties at different friends' houses on Monday nights now," she added.

WCW has stepped up the level of intensity in order to compete with a surging World Wrestling Federation. After almost two years of leading the Monday night ratings war, WCW slumped and the WWF jumped on it quickly.

Now it's WCW trying to play catch-up with the

WWF's slick marketing and strong character development.

"The stuff they (WCW) do is not as bad as what the WWF does. But I see them getting a lot more creative, especially using women in the angles. That always causes problems, like with Torrie (Wilson) and the Filthy Animals," said Skinner with a laugh.

Fans get caught up in the theme music and catch phrases as well, they said.

"Everybody gets riled up. You see younger people watching it on TV more and more. I watch WWF too, but WCW has gotten much better the past few months," said Hanlin.

She likes The Rock and Triple H, but has a serious crush on Rey Mysterio Jr.

"I love Rey. It was a good thing he lost his mask so we could see how cute he really is. He's a great wrestler too," Skinner said.

Fans such as these and others in Section FF of The CSU Convocation Center holding up Goldberg, Nash and Diamond Dallas Page signs obviously love WCW.

"It's getting bigger and better. More people are into WCW every week and I think the ratings will continue to improve.

"The more intense storylines are definitely working," Skinner said.

REAL NAMES

Bam Bam Bigelow
Scott Bigelow

6-3, 360

Hometown:
Mount Laurel, N.J.

Birthday: Sept. 1, 1961

Pro debut:
Aug. 23, 1985

MAT MEMORIES

A look back at memorable moments in pro wrestling history:

■ Aug. 15, 1946: The legendary Gorgeous George appeared in the main event at the Winter Garden in Chillicothe, Ohio. He beat Hungarian Al Apple Szasz and then got into a brawl with the crowd before police intervened.

— Dick Routh
Historian

WHO'S HOT/WHO'S NOT

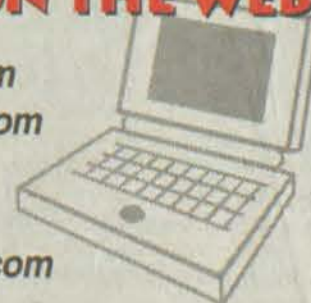


Spike Dudley: Getting a title shot against Mike Awesome is sure to elevate the career of the ECW giant killer. He hasn't missed a show in two years.

Randy Savage: Reports indicate that The Macho Man's contract with WCW has expired. No word on whether he'll try to re-sign with WCW or go to the WWF.

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AFTER THE BELL

News and gossip from the wrestling world:

■ ECWwrestling.com completed its Wrestler of the Year poll, and Rob Van Dam garnered 24,654 votes (39 percent) Taz and Sabu were tied for second place with 9,131 votes (15 percent) each. Tommy Dreamer and Jerry Lynn tied for third place. This testament to RVD's popularity means he will get a title shot soon.

■ Steve Austin's head and neck will be immobilized in a halo for about six weeks after his surgery Jan. 17. His return to the WWF is still uncertain. He is planning to marry Debra (McMichael) Marshall in the near future.

■ Mick Foley has made three new commercials for Chef-Boy-Ardee.

■ Taz will feud with Kurt Angle, trying to stop the youngster's winning streak.

■ The WWF's contract with USA Network is up for renewal in August. Rumors indicate that with wrestling so popular today, WWF brass might be in contact with FOX about a possible contract. This is just speculation, however.

■ Matt Hardy injured the pinkie and ring fingers on his right hand during the cage match against Al Snow on "Raw Is War" last week. The fingers weren't broken. Mark Henry tore a ligament in his elbow, but won't miss more than a couple of weeks.

■ Terry Funk, the hardcore legend, has signed a two-month contract with WCW to serve as its tough-guy commissioner and feud with the nWo.

■ Most wrestlers get hurt in the ring. But the British Bulldog injured his back while changing a tire on the side of the road. The jack slipped and Bulldog suffered some bruises and a lower back strain.

■ Crowbar, who wrestled under the name Devon Storm in independent promotions, was paired with David Flair so he could teach Flair some wrestling techniques.

■ There are mixed reports on the whereabouts of Ken Shamrock. One Internet report says he'll be back to feud with Chris Jericho in time for the Royal Rumble.

■ Edge will star in the next "Highlander" movie. No date on its release, but it stars Christopher Lambert.

■ Recently acquired fitness model Midaja O'Hearn might take Aysa's place in The Revolution.

■ ECW is planning to film a two-hour special that TNN is considering using on Monday night, Feb. 14, opposite "Monday Nitro." "Raw Is War" is airing two hours later that night because of the annual Westminster Dog Show on USA.

COMING TO YOUR TOWN

WWF...
Jan. 16, East Rutherford, N.J.
Jan. 17, "Raw Is War," New Haven, Conn.
Jan. 18, "Smackdown!" Providence, R.I.

WCW...
Jan. 17, "Monday Nitro," Columbus, Ohio



Jan. 18, "Thunder" taping, Evansville, Ind.

ECW...
Jan. 14, Danbury, Conn.
Jan. 15, Philadelphia
Jan. 21, Baton Rouge, La.

Lifestyles



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Opera at MSU

Morehead State University's OperaWorks will present Henry Purcell's Baroque opera "Dido and Aeneas" on Tuesday, April 18, at 8 p.m., in Duncan Recital Hall of Baird Music Hall.

The story is the tragic tale of Queen Dido of Carthage and her ill-fated love with the ruler of Troy, Aeneas, according to Dr. Roma Prindle, associate professor of music and OperaWorks director.

Vocal performance majors Andrea Trusty, a Mize freshman, and Chris Conley, a Mt. Sterling sophomore, will play the leading roles of Dido and Aeneas.

Melody Burcham, a Hazard freshman, will play Dido's hand-maiden, Belinda. April Garvin, an Ashland freshman, will play the

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Honoring a star

by Pam Shingler
 Lifestyles Editor

Patsy Evans has been a shining star to many, many people for many years. But she is an actual star — Eastern Star, that is — long-time and down deep.

She was initiated into Adah Chapter No. 24 of the Order of the Eastern Star on April 10, 1950, the youngest member at the time.

On Monday, April 10, 2000, she received her 50-year pin in a ceremony at the local Zebulon Masonic Lodge, of which Eastern Star is an auxiliary.

The intervening half-century has seen her intricately involved in the organization at all levels.

Describing herself as very shy when she was young, Evans says the other women "pushed me" and made her into the organization and community leader she was to become.

"I was unable to speak before a crowd when I became an Eastern Star," she says. "I was elected as an officer and that gave me courage. My husband said I started talking then, and I have never stopped.

"It was such an honor to be chosen a member," she says. "They (the other members) really did a lot for me."

One of the women who took her under wing was the late Josephine Harkins Browning, who served the organization in just about every capacity, including Most Worthy Grand Matron of the Eastern Star World, the top post internationally.

Evans was among those who went to Washington, D.C., for Browning's installation as Associate Most Worthy Grand Matron. "It was my first time

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This Town That World

Editor's Note: For years, Floyd County Times founder and former publisher Norman Allen wrote a weekly column that looked at Floyd County through his eyes. His columns are being reprinted due to request. The following column was written in 1960.

One good thing about the weather to date: Nobody has had a heatstroke while digging fishin' worms.

WURRA, WURRA!

We haven't had any first-hand knowledge of the matter this far, so we take the word of a friend that it costs about \$200 to go into bankruptcy. Our informant made this statement as the chorus in his version of the blues. Said he was too poor to go broke, couldn't afford to go to a hospital to get well and that the high cost of dying and getting buried was something else to worry about.

SENSES-TAKING

We understand that they're having trouble getting the census taken this year. Census-takers are quitting, right and left. Some complain about being overworked and underpaid. Others say the mass of detail is a frightening thing. Why, they say, it would drive a-body out of his senses!

One thing about our Uncle Samuel. He will tell employers how much to pay, and how long they can work employees a day, and so on. But when he's the employer he pays as little as the traffic will bear, like it or not. The old boy is like the preacher who admonished his congregation to "do as I say, not as I do."

HE SHOWS US HOW

If you're inclined to fume and fret and blame everything and everybody, meanwhile doing nothing to help yourself, consider the case of a physically handicapped man we know of who has a little farm of about 35 acres, and who digs out of that farm a good living. Sweats some, but he's living, man!

If you wonder what he's so busy at, read what he says:

"We are working all we can through this pretty April weather and have a good start. We have set out some apple trees, pears, English walnuts, chestnuts, sweet cherries and hickories. Have planted one-half bushel walnuts, set out some gooseberries, tame raspberries and have over 1,000 strawberries in the post office. Have the ground ready to set them tomorrow. Have seeded one-half bushel potatoes, planted two 100-pound bags of potatoes, two gallons of onion sets, peas, parsnips, turnips. Two lettuce beds are now up. I have got 10 gallons of spray to sprinkle on the bugs' tails. I made a bee gum. We have three bee trees to cut.

"We have six hens sitting, our cow is fresh and we have had two messes of fish. "We are working all we can."

TAKE HEED, YE FISHERS!

This column seldom, if ever, publishes verse. Not that we have an aversion to poetry, no; it's because we have an aversion to would-be poets. But now comes a time when we break our no-poetry rule. Read on, and you'll understand why.

Our friend, Cloyd Johnson, returned from Dewey Lake, empty-handed, recently. "There was fire in his eyes but it wasn't the "divine fire" of the poet, nor was his passion the "fine frenzy" traditionally ascribed to those who climb the Parmassian heights. He was just hot under the collar.

When I found what he wrote, I happened for the same reason to be hot under the collar, too, and so he and I together are telling the world, even if we do make Longfellow wish he had never mentioned Hiawatha. Nokomis, et al.

We dip into Mr. Johnson's opus, here and there:

On the shores of Jenny Wiley,
 Clear and sparkling Jenny Wiley,
 Lived a brave and bold outdoorsman
 Of the name of Marcus Trail.
 And each morning he would get up
 At the rising of the sun-ball
 And would throw a hook into
 The waters of the lake,
 Of the lake called Jenny Wiley.
 But all day his hook stayed empty,
 Yea, his floater never wiggled;
 Never wiggled on the waters
 Of the lake called Jenny Wiley.
 So one day in awesome anger,
 In a black and evil passion,
 He lit a stick of dynamite
 And threw it into the lake—
 Poor, maligned Jenny Wiley,
 "Gurgle, gurgle," said the bluegills,
 "I am done for," said the catfish.
 But the mud-carp only quivered



Burieta Gearhart gives 50-year pin to Patsy Evans, commemorating a half century of involvement with the local chapter of the Order of Eastern Star.



Patsy Evans, Worthy Matron of Adah Chapter, presented a Gold Life Membership Card to Josephine Harkins Browning, with F. T. Jones, Catherine Abshire, Josephine Fields, Thelma Jones and Leatha Joy.



A formal portrait of Josephine Harkins Browning, a Prestonsburg woman who was the international leader of Eastern Star, was unveiled at the local Masonic lodge many years ago. Browning, Patsy Evans and Marguerite Wilder posed with the painting.

Hiking the Red
 A Complete Trail Guide to Kentucky's Red River Gorge
 Including Natural Bridge State Park
 By the Members of the Bluegrass Group Sierra Club

Too pretty not to share

The cover of a new book, "Hiking the Red — A Complete Trail Guide to Kentucky's Red River Gorge," should make the publication a runaway best seller. The book offers information on 26 trails in the gorge and nine trails in Natural Bridge State Resort Park; trailhead directions and detailed descriptions; maps; and bird and other wildlife checklists. Compiled by members of the Sierra Club's Bluegrass Group, the book is available this month from Harmony House Publishers, PO Box 90, Prospect, KY 40059; phone 1-800-809-9334. The 104-page volume sells for \$12.95 in paperback.



Dress-up muffin mixes for Sunday brunch

Picture a casual Sunday brunch—good food, good friends, relaxed conversation and the kids playing outside.

Brunch is a great way to celebrate spring, because it's so accommodating. You can serve in the kitchen, dining room or on the back porch, from mid-morning to early afternoon.

Linda Carman, the Martha White baking expert and editor of "Southern Traditions, 100 Years of Recipes from the Martha White Kitchens" (CPI, 1999), suggests an easy brunch menu of baked ham, your favorite breakfast or cheese grits casserole, asparagus and dressed-up muffins that start with a mix, so you can sit back, relax and enjoy yourself.

- SPRING SUNDAY BRUNCH**
 Sliced Baked Ham
 Cheese Grits Casserole
 Chilled Steamed Asparagus
 With Lemon Vinaigrette

- Lemon Cheesecake Muffins
- Strawberry Almond Cream Muffins
- Banana Split Muffins

To get to having fun at the brunch, just follow the following Martha White steps to success.

Bake the ham and steam the asparagus the day before. Baking a ham is the easiest thing on earth, and you'll be rewarded with leftovers for sandwiches, omelets or casseroles. Just put it in the oven on Saturday afternoon and bake as instructed on the package. Don't worry about glazes and sauces, unadorned baked ham is wonderful. Steam the asparagus, toss with vinaigrette, cover and refrigerate.

Brunch day arrives. Assemble the cheese grits casserole and get it in the oven. Everyone's got a favorite tried and true cheese grits casserole recipe. The Martha White Kitchen favorite Garlic Cheese Grits, is a classic included in the new anniversary cookbook. While the casserole bakes is a good time to get the ham sliced and arranged on a platter.

SUNDAY MUFFIN ASSORTMENT

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No heroes

PostScript

by Pam Shingler
 Editor



I've reached the point where I turn down the sound when the TV news begins on Elian Gonzalez.

As much as my heart cries for the little guy, I am repulsed by the baggage that accompanies him.

He has become the political toy of a group that cannot see beyond their own cult of hate. It's the same kind of thing we see in Ireland and Bosnia and the Middle East — people with similar roots and cultures ruled by their obsession with hatred.

Apparently, many of the Cuban-Americans in Miami, many of whom were not born when Castro came to power and who have never seen Cuba, have seized this tragedy to thumb their noses at the object of their hatred, as well as at the US government, which has been exceedingly generous with them.

They have grabbed onto a frightened little boy and played with him, cajoling, preening, parading and, finally, terrifying him of his own father.

They have put the boy into a make-believe world of constant play and constant attention, unnatural by any standards.

But, as of this writing, there are no heroes — save for the father who is powerless.

It's hard to understand, first of all, why the mother took her child with her on a flimsy boat on the open sea.

From all accounts, she was not leading a particularly repressed life. She had a good job. She had parents and in-laws who helped her with her son. Her former husband was a participating father.

It appears she chose to take off with her boyfriend on this dangerous trip because of pheromones rather than freedom.

The US government has waited way too long to act. What was the dilemma anyway? The child belonged with his father. The reunion

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Things to Ponder

A beauty or did it crack?

by Mable Rowe Lineberger, Ph.D.

After at least five days of sneaking past the mirror, what did you decide about your looks? Are you a sophisticated beauty, an American rose, a plain Jane, or more a Phyllis Diller? Perhaps, your type is a handsome dude, a John Wayne, or a Phantom of the Opera.

What did you decide creates a beauty for men or women? Remember, you are not alone if you cannot put it into words. The representative of New York's Ford agency, who selects many gorgeous models for stardom, admitted that he could not put "beauty" into words, but that he "knew it, when he saw it."

In contrast, great thinkers of the past, such as Plato and the poet Keats, interpreted beauty as a moral issue—beauty was good and truth.

Throughout the years, the "beauty" market has convinced us to buy many natural and unnatural products—mudpacks, body wraps, wax for hairy areas (unless you were socialized in a foreign country)—to the tune of BILLIONS of dollars in our effort to be beautiful.

Hopefully, some more ideas from the National Geographic (January 2000) article about the search for beauty, "The Enigma of Beauty," will put things into perspective. Is it a beauty or a beast?

Of course, a subject cannot come up without knowing what the psychologist research has shown; so with beauty. Developmental psychologists have done projects with babies as to "What is an attractive face?" As slides of various faces are presented to infants, their reactions are evaluated as to the length of time they pay attention to the face.

One hypothesis was that the sense of beauty related more to the observer's brain circuitry rather than the eye. Not to be shocked, an "average" face is the winner; one that is symmetrical in terms of placement and size of facial features. As expected, harmony is more pleasing to gaze upon instead of extremes.

There were such reactions to the so-called elephant man. In other research, adult males preferred a female with facial features of larger eyes, fuller lips, and smaller nose and chin. Other female traits desired by men were "smooth skin, big eyes, curvaceous bodies, and full lips."

Supposedly these outstanding characteristics were linked to reliable cues of youth, good health, and fertility.

Then for the wanted features of males, evolutionary psychologists "argue that man with a large chest... washboard abs, a 'rippled' body...and narrow waist enjoys sizable reproductive advantages. Or, in the words of one gym promo: No pecs, no sex." Supposedly all of these further lead to genetic soundness.

However, other viewpoints focused on indigenous people in southeast Peru who valued bodies probably considered overweight in Western cultures and were also presented in artistic circles a couple of centuries ago.

Wouldn't it be nice if big was still beautiful? What would food addicts be called then? Maybe food appreciators?

Next, the major question becomes, "What about

the ones of us who are not perfect and beautiful?" It is probably for sure that no one is immune to feelings of inadequacy.

Joan Rivers felt that not being pretty gave her a life and career. "Made me funny...smarter... wasn't going to get into college as Miss Cheerleader...Beauty is based on youth and on a certain look. When you're old, you're invisible."

Present marketing often focuses on the culture in regard to music, clothes, styles, and general choices, if you can't or don't want to wear these designs or do the activities, the choices left are sometimes few.

Needless to say, there are also other factors contributing to that which makes up what is considered beautiful. "Every culture has its bad hair day." Bald natives in central Australia once wore wigs made of emu feathers. Natives in Sudan had wigs of sponge. Home folks in Nigeria with long hair were suspect of thinking about murder. Mourners in an area of Brazil cut their hair as an indication of their loss.

Of course, the so-called Western civilization has its emphasis on hair, such as blonde women usually perceived as having more fun. Supposedly there is "blonde anxiety," where blondes in California feel insecure due to fear they are not blonde enough. In the U.S., 40 percent of women use blonde hair color, as their counterparts in ancient Greece did.

As one might suspect, blondness suggests a childlike appearance. It is usual for newborns to have blonde hair that darkens with age.

Consider these "signals" by hair: short hair often means restraint and discipline (boot camp and prison); long hair reflects freedom and unconventional behavior (Lady Godiva and flower children); sometimes a specific style and/or covering of hair indicate membership in an individual group—religious with long hair placed into a bun or a hat worn during church services.

Hair, similar to other issues of life also processes by stages—from pigtailed to ponytails to gray hair. Some of us think we are diverting attention from graying hair and looks of being older by "highlights" and Loving Care rinses, like Granny did for years. Finally everyone convinced her that her gray hair was beautiful in itself.

It seemed as though we must have bought gallons of it over the years. Granny also tells the story of how her grandfather thought it was sinful that she had the short haircut of flappers in the '20s with its spit curls on the cheeks. Nothing can top the intense head pain of having one's hair randomly pulled through small holes of a tight rubber-like cap so the outcome will be "frosted" locks. Isn't it great to feel beautiful for at least that one magic moment?

After all of this, there still seems to be questions, "why is the head dress so valued? Is it because that it protects the brain? Does it represent power and control to greater heights?"

As with other topics, the focus on beauty and our interest in obtaining and keeping it will be further explored next time. In the meanwhile, take a big breath, study yourself in the mirror, and then think about what you like about yourself and what you can do to enhance that is a lesser choice.

There will not be a beauty pageant with others, but only with your self-imposed competitors.

Star

on a plane. I was scared to death," she recalls.

When Browning was installed in the international leadership post, Evans and others from the local chapter accompanied her to Dallas, Texas, for the ceremonies.

At the Bible presentation during the installation ceremonies, the local delegation dressed alike to show their pride. "We wore black skirts, white, long-sleeved blouses, black string ties with Josephine's name on the tie, and black Kentucky hats," she says. "We were sharp."

Evans and the other women from Floyd County had seats next to the runway during Browning's installation. "She came out of a make-believe airplane and walked down the runway," Evans remembers. "We cheered as she went by."

They served as hostesses in the Grand Matron's suite — the presidential suite, in fact, where John F. Kennedy was supposed to have been booked when he was killed.

Back in Prestonsburg, the Eastern Star members entertained royally when Browning came to town. "Leatha Joy did so much to entertain when the Grand family

was in town, also Clara Warrick, Anna Lowe, Burieta Gearhart, Dolly Pettrey, Joyce Allen, Sally Clark, Rebecca Rasnick and Thelma Jones," she says.

Evans and Joy collected the money to buy a gold life membership card for Browning and presented it in a formal ceremony. The Eastern Star members also had a portrait of Browning painted and unveiled at a gala event. The portrait still dominates a wall of the Masonic meeting hall.

Evans served as Browning's personal page at the Grand Chapter.

Unfailingly cheerful, Evans remembers the evolution of her involvement in Eastern Star, beginning with her first office — called Adah — a year after she was initiated. She was worthy matron in 1960-61 and deputy grand matron in 1961-62.

She served as Grand Adah for the state organization in 1963-64 and has been secretary for the local group for more than 30 years.

As busy as Evans has kept with Eastern Star over the years, she has found time to do a few other things. A list of some of the places she has worked could offer a history of Prestonsburg businesses in the mid-part of the last century — Rose's Restaurant, Korner Fountain, Cox's Department Store, Thomas Hereford's.

She was activities director at Mountain Manor Nursing Home for many years, during which time the residential center won the state's first excellence award for such facilities.

She retired three years ago after 20 years as director of the Prestonsburg Senior Citizens Center, which also won the state's first award for senior centers.

She recalls enlisting the aid of local policemen to deliver meals to

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seniors who could not get out during snowstorms. "Doing for others is my motto," she says. "I like to do for others."

A short list of awards she has earned include a key to the City of Prestonsburg, a Rotary Club Good Citizen award, a citation from the Big Sandy Area Agency on Aging Council, and the Woman of the Year Award presented by the Appalachian Women's Consortium.

A car wreck on the old Frenchburg Road, on the way back from an Eastern Star event, was the catalyst for Evans' involvement in her church. She, Leatha Joy, and Woody Vanlandingham (Josephine Harkins Browning's sister) were injured in the accident.

"After the accident, I became a Christian," she says. She and husband, John Evans, have been members of the First Baptist Church in Prestonsburg for more than 30 years, and she has served as Sunday School superintendent, Cradle Roll superintendent, Women's Missionary Union president and has helped with various mission projects.

She and John recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. They have two children, Karen Stanville, a student counselor in Lexington, and David Evans, city administrator of Richmond, and three grandchildren.

"Next to God, my church, and my family, the Order of Eastern Star is my love."

During the pinning ceremony, Evans says she thought of her mother, the late Lillia Mae Price. "My mother would be so proud to see me get my pin. She was my encourager, and I could not have done all this without her help."

"She loved Eastern Star, and I know she is looking down on us tonight."

BIRTHDAYS



Marks 88 years

Minty Crider celebrated her 88th birthday on March 11, 2000, at Riverview Nursing Home in Prestonsburg. Celebrating with her were family members and friends: Sammie and Edith Lafferty, Bud and Oplis Reynolds, Raymond and Vinnie Crider, Willie Joe and Mary Alice Dotson, Florence Lafferty, Bill Jr. and Michelle Dotson, Logan and Lauren Dotson, Robert and Virginia Derossett and Darcus Fannin.



Turns three

Austin Dey Lafferty, son of Jerry and Alison Lafferty of Auxier, turned three years old on April 10, 2000. He planned to celebrate the occasion with a swimming party at the Ramada Inn in Paintsville on April 14. The theme of the party was Rug Rats. He is the grandson of Lois Akers of Prestonsburg and the late Chuck Akers, and of Betsy and Greg Kretzer of Auxier. His great-grandparents are Nancy and Delano Goble of Auxier, and the late Kay Akers.

NEW ARRIVALS



Benjamin Marshall Scoggins

Benjamin Marshall Scoggins was born January 15, 2000, in Huntington, West Virginia. He weighed seven pounds, four ounces. He is the son of Mark and Julie Scoggins of Prestonsburg, and the brother of two sisters, Sara and Hannah, and two brothers, Matthew and Rodney.

Muffins

Make the muffins while the casserole cools. Dressed-up muffins are the quick and sure way to accent a menu and impress guests. Make it a trio and they'll be grateful three times over. "Hot bread-loving southerners always appreciate warm muffins. And you can get all your ingredients ready while the casserole bakes," suggests Carman.

Lemon Cheesecake Muffins made with Lemon Poppy Seed Muffin Mix have a luscious creamy topping. Simply add a little sour cream, almond flavoring and a sprinkling of sliced almonds to Strawberry Muffin Mix to make the Strawberries and Cream Muffins. And kid-pleasing Banana Split Muffins have chocolate chips and maraschino or dried cherries baked in Banana Nut Muffin Mix.

Brunch day arrives. Pull the asparagus and ham out of the refrigerator and pile the muffins in a basket. Brunch is ready.

For more great Martha White recipes, look for "Southern Traditions, 100 years of Recipes from the Martha White Kitchen" in bookstores everywhere with the suggested retail price of \$21.95. The book is also available by special offer on Martha White packaging and through the Martha White website at www.marthawhite.com. Offer is good until December 31, or while supplies last.

Banana Split Muffins

2 (7.6-oz.) pkg. Martha White® Banana Nut Muffin Mix

1/2 cup coarsely chopped,

drained maraschino cherries*
1 (6-oz.) pkg. (1 cup) semi-sweet chocolate chips
1 1/4 cup milk
1 tablespoons milk
Heat oven to 450°F. Line 12 muffin cups with paper baking cups; spray paper cups with nonstick cooking spray. In large bowl, combine muffin mix, cherries and 3/4 cup chocolate chips; mix well. Add 1 1/4 cups milk; stir just until dry ingredients are moistened. Spoon batter into sprayed lined muffin cups.

Bake at 450° F. for 12 to 15 minutes or until golden brown. Cool 2 to 3 minutes in pan. Remove from pan; place on wire rack.

Melt remaining 1/4 cup chocolate chips in 1 tablespoon milk in microwave or saucepan; stir until smooth. Drizzle over muffins. 12 muffins.

*For a stylish touch, substitute chopped dried cherries for the maraschino cherries.

Lemon Cheesecake Muffins

2 (3-oz.) pkg. cream cheese
2 tablespoons sugar
1 egg
2 (7.6 oz.) pkg. Martha White® Lemon Poppyseed Muffin Mix

1 1/4 cups milk
Heat oven to 400° F. Line 12 muffin cups with paper baking cups; spray paper cups with nonstick cooking spray. In medium bowl, combine cream cheese and sugar; beat until smooth. Add egg; beat well. In large bowl, combine muffin

mix and milk; stir just until dry ingredients are moistened. Spoon batter evenly into sprayed lined muffin cups.

Spoon 1 tablespoon of cream cheese mixture into center of batter in each cup, pressing back of spoon down into batter and scraping off cream cheese mixture with another spoon.

Bake at 400° F. for 15 to 18 minutes or until muffins are golden brown and cream cheese is set. Store in refrigerator. 12 muffins.

Strawberry and Almond Cream Muffins

3/4 cup milk
1/2 cup sour cream
1/4 teaspoon almond extract
2 (7-oz.) pkg. Martha White® Strawberry Muffin Mix
1/4 cup sliced almonds
Heat oven to 450° F. Line 12 muffin cups with paper baking cups; spray paper cups with nonstick cooking spray. In large bowl, combine milk, sour cream and almond extract; stir until smooth.

Add muffin mix to sour cream mixture; stir just until dry ingredients are moistened. Spoon batter into evenly sprayed lined muffin cups. Sprinkle batter in cups with almonds.

Bake at 450° F. for 12 to 15 minutes or until golden brown. Cool 2 to 3 minutes in pan. 12 muffins.

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And floated to the surface. (Here we skip the sad part of this epic which tells of poor Marcus Trail getting collared by the game warden and being hauled off to the local bastille, and pass on to the conclusion.)

So take heed, all you fishers. All you poor and simple fishers: Buy your fish at the market. At the cool and shiny market, And drop never baited hook in the waters,

In the waters of the lake. Of the lake called Jenny Wiley, Clear and sparkling Jenny Wiley.

Opera

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second woman. Stephen Brashear, a Viper junior, will be the first sailor. Tim Conner, a Mowrystown, Ohio, sophomore, will play the sorcerer. Christine Meyer, a Leipsic, Ohio, junior, and Aimee Stears, a Maysville freshman, will portray the witches.

Amy Brinsko, a Crestview Hills freshman, will be the spirit. Other cast members include Tanya Thacker, a Pikeville sophomore;

Miranda Keely, a Winchester freshman; and Norvel Perkins, an Owingsville senior.

Jennifer Hughes, a West Van Lear graduate student, is the production's pianist, and Pikeville's Thackera Pikeville sophomore, is the stage manager.

The performance is free and open to the public. For more information, call Prindle at 606/783-2481.

Youth News

Columbus ships to be raised on Internet

Grand Haven, Michigan — School children worldwide will soon explore the sunken wrecks of Columbus's fleet via the Internet.

The Eureka Project(TM) has announced Search for Columbus(TM), an online educational project that will invite classrooms to participate with archaeologists as they explore the remains of Columbus's ships from his second voyage.

Students will be a part of the search for Columbus's vessels that sank in a hurricane off the Dominican Republic 500 years ago.

Scheduled to go online April 24 at <http://eureka-project.com>, the project will be available free to students in Kindergarten through 12th grade, and will be produced in both English and Spanish.

"We want to bring learning to life in the classroom by making it real and exciting," said project co-founder Dr. Scott Carroll. "Research and discoveries once known only by scholars will now be accessible to millions of students."

"Search for Columbus" will be an annual, live, on-line event that will follow the progress of the archaeological excavation.

"Unveiling relics from what could be the only remaining vessels in Columbus's fleet would be a monumental find, but having children from every part of the world assist us in the dig is revolutionary," stated Charles Beeker of Indiana University, the lead researcher of the excavation.

The project extends beyond underwater archaeology. It will also include materials on history, geography, language arts, science and math.

Also prominently featured will be the tragic story of the Taino, the indigenous people of the Dominican Republic. The Taino were nearly wiped-out by diseases introduced by the Europeans.

"Search for Columbus" is produced in collaboration with Dr. Luis Brea Franco, Director of the Dominican Republic's National Office for Underwater Cultural Heritage.

The Eureka Project is leading the technological revolution in the classroom by bringing the world's most important historical locations into classrooms through partnerships with leading archaeologists and researchers.

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On February 28, Neil Rice of Allen Volunteer Fire Department visited Reba Griffith's classroom at Prestonsburg Elementary. He spoke to the students about the importance of smoke detectors and fire safety. The students were very excited about his visit and fire safety items he presented to the class.



Taeko Ninshino was recently recognized by the Floyd County Board of Education with a Certificate of Appreciation for her work at McDowell Elementary. She is from Japan and has been teaching students about her country. They have learned several words and phrases and how to count in Japanese. Origami, the art of paper folding, is a favorite activity she has taught. The collaboration among McDowell Family Resource Center, McDowell Elementary School and the STEP organization was beneficial in providing students with a cross-cultural experience. Ninshino is in Oregon for the next two months before returning home to Japan in May. Students, staff and community have appreciated her hard work and devotion.



Representatives of Bell South distributed "I Like Me" books at McDowell Elementary School recently. The company has been working with the school system on the reading project.



Mr. Wizard was at McDowell Elementary School on March 3. The McDowell Family Resource Center collaborated with Mr. Wizard to bring his science program to primary through sixth grade students. The students were amazed that they could walk through a sheet of paper. Ask any student at McDowell and they will be glad to show how to accomplish this very task. Teachers received a preparatory/follow-up guide to his Everyday Energy in Action program. This allowed students more information on the topic. Students enjoyed seeing how science can be useful and is used daily. The program allowed for student interaction, and it made the captivated students more excited about science.

Local student wins honors

Megan Goble, a student at Adams Middle School in Prestonsburg, won honors at the Kentucky High School Speech League Junior State Speech Championships, March 10-11, at Western Kentucky University.

Goble finished fourth in prose. The tournament featured 51 schools competing in 11 events.

Kendrick inducted

Eliza Christine Kendrick has been inducted into Phi Beta Kappa, the nation's highest academic honor society, at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

She is a junior, majoring in Russian, and one of 182 students inducted.

She is the daughter of William and Leatha Kendrick of East Point.



Students from Prestonsburg High School visited Frankfort recently, touring the Governor's Mansion and State Capitol and attending a session of the House of Representatives, where they were welcomed by Rep. Gregory D. Stumbo. Senior class president, Jeffery Spears, had an opportunity to talk with Stumbo about the "Bottle Bill" the senior class had supported. The group stopped in Lexington to shop and

have dinner at Rafferty's Restaurant where they saw Saul Smith dining with his family. Participating were, first row, Brandy Wells, Kellie Combs, Ashley Wilson, Josh Meade, Aaron Bingham; top, Gloria Hall, Terry Blanton, Robbie Holbrook, Jeffery Spears, Michael Solomon, and Carolyn Ford.

Students help others in Transy program

Transylvania University sophomore Monica Majmudar, a graduate of the Piarist School, and junior Brent Tackett, a South Floyd High School graduate, spent spring break helping others through the university's Alternative Spring Break program (ASB).

Majmudar and Tackett spent the week of March 13-17 with seven fellow Transy students and an adviser as volunteers in Philadelphia, Mississippi, working with children on the Choctaw Indian Reservation.

Students worked with Native American children at their school and assisted teachers with daily cultural activities, special programs and tutoring in various general subjects.

They also helped build a fence at the school. Majmudar found the trip to be rewarding because of the personal interaction between the children and the Transy volunteers. "ASB really broadens your horizons. It makes you realize that it is important to make a difference in your world, even if it's just for one week," she says.

Transylvania students went to Atlanta, Georgia, to help prepare and deliver meals to homebound AIDS patients and to New Bern, North Carolina, to help clean up and rebuild from Hurricane Floyd.

Since the program's inception in 1992, Transylvania students have provided disaster relief after floods in the Midwest, constructed houses in Tennessee and helped migrant farm workers in Florida.

This is Majmudar's second year to participate in the ASB program. She is the daughter of Drs. Gopal and Mina Majmudar of Martin.

Tackett, a business administration major, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Tackett of Melvin.

Transylvania, founded in 1780, is the nation's 16th oldest institution of higher learning and is consistently ranked in national publications as one of the top liberal arts colleges in the country.



Brent Tackett and Monica Majmudar read to children of the Choctaw Indian Reservation School in Philadelphia, Mississippi. The Floyd County students volunteered as part of Transylvania University's Alternative Spring Break program.



On March 1, BellSouth Pioneers presented Prestonsburg Elementary Kindergarten students with their own "I Like Me" books. These books promote self esteem, character education, and teach real life issues. Presenting and reading the book in Reba Griffith's class is Dale Crisman.



Students in Gail Hall's primary class at Prestonsburg Elementary read many books by Dr. Seuss during Read Across America Week. Devin Clifton read the Dr. Seuss classic Fox in Socks to the rest of the class.

Youth News

Japanese Traditions



Misty Little's fourth grade class at McDowell Elementary School learns about origami, a Japanese art of making objects by folding paper.



Taeko Ninshino shows Misty Little's fourth graders at McDowell Elementary how to use chopsticks.



The graceful art of Japanese writing is studied by students in Mylessia Little's class at McDowell Elementary.



Ruth Hamilton's fourth grade class at McDowell Elementary has been learning about Japan from Taeko Ninshino.

Clark Elementary 3rd Nine Weeks Perfect attendance

Miss Key—Wesley Robinson.
Mrs. Stumbo—Kayla Carty, Amanda Collins and Michale Ousley.
Miss Bailey—Michael Duff, Joshua Gilliam, Brandon Hall, Brittany Miller and Dixie Shepherd.
Mrs. Warrix—Danese Chaffins, Kyle Hall, Krystal Pitts, Christie Shepherd, Aaron Ward, Jordan Watkins and Nick York.
Mrs. Barrows—Jordan Tackett and Candace Triplett.
Ms. Collins—Casey Conley.
Mrs. Bragg—Della Chaffins and Storm Flanery.
Mrs. Dings—Jonathan Dye, Summer Noakes, Nathan Ousley, Billy Robinson, Ali Wright and Alex Stumbo.

Zachary Bragg.
4.0—Kim Kilgore, Timra Prater and Seth Hackworth.
3.0-3.9—Tara Adkins, Zachary Bragg, Brittany Crum, Nathan Evans, Sally Hale, Kristen Little and Jennifer Maerz.

Fifth grade, perfect attendance—Ms. Osborne: Nathaniel Auxier, Charity Bradford, Brittany Ousley, Charlie Ousley, Del Shepherd and Tiffany Smith.
Ms. Leslie—Bryan Ousley, Amber Whitaker, Amber Wilson, Nathan Robinson and Stephen Allen.
Ms. Osborne—Chris Baker, Erica Osborne, Stephanie Prater, Kayla Roberts, Del Shepherd, Brianna Slone and Tiffany Smith.
Ms. Leslie—Allison Dye and Pamela Slone.

Mrs. Hunsucker, 4th grade, perfect attendance—James Bieger, Stephanie Conley, Brittany Hook and Whitney Slone.
3.0-3.99—Lashona Bradford, Stephanie Conley, Amber Crace, Julie Ford, Brittany Hook, Jesse Mullins, Kelly Perry, Brooke Russell and Whitney Slone.
Madden 4th grade, 3rd grading period, perfect attendance—Kasey Ousley, Erica Pitts, Kim Kilgore, Timra Jacobs, Brittany Crum and

Ms. Osborne—Chris Oliver and Alex Shepherd.
4.0 Ms. Osborne—Chris Baker, Erica Osborne, Stephanie Prater, Kayla Roberts, Del Shepherd, Brianna Slone and Tiffany Smith.
3.0-3.99, Ms. Osborne—Chris Oliver and Alex Shepherd.
Ms. Leslie—Jennifer Belcher, Adam Reffett, Jessica Conley and Amber Whitaker.



February was dental health month, and Hope Bailey and Trevor Ward of Anna Shepherd's class at May Valley Elementary, were demonstrating proper brushing techniques.



As a treat for show and tell for beginning sounds of letter "U", Alex Lester brought ugly fruit for the entire class. Thanks Alex! Alex is a student in Anna Shepherd's class at May Valley Elementary.



Hope Bailey brought her baby quilt to share with the class as part of "show and tell Friday."





Barry Hall and Hope Bailey were sorting and graphing conversation hearts during math time in Anna Shepherd's class at May Valley Elementary.

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FOR SALE

Autos

1990 FORD RANGER PICKUP TRUCK: New tires & other parts. 285-5162.

'84 LINCOLN TOWN-CAR: Runs good. \$800. 886-7806, after 5 pm.*

1989 FORD TAURUS SHO: V-8 high performance engine, 134K miles. Runs great. Must sell. \$3,000, serious inquiries only. Call 874-9345 after 5 pm.*

1990 PONTIAC SUN-BIRD LE 93,580 miles auto., a/c, excellent condition. Asking \$2,000 OBO. Also 265/75-16 factory rims and tires off a 1990 Z71 Pickup Asking \$550 OBO. Call 889-0647 or 886-5210 (Beeper).*

1989 CHEVY S-10: 136K miles, 2.5, 5-spd. Runs good, economical, some damage. Best offer over \$1,600. 606-889-2911 leave message.*

LEER CAMPERTOP: For Toyota shortbed pick up, like new, black in color, \$350 firm. Also Fender Strat. Guitar, rowland Blues Cube Amp. good condition, \$500 firm. Call 606-433-1000 ask for Rick.*

1988 FORD BRONCO: 4 wd, cass. player. Runs good. \$2,800 firm. 886-1237

97 BUICK RIVIERA, one owner, loaded, 56,000 miles, perfect Asking 15,500. Call 478-1313.*

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1987 GLASS STREAM BOAT 120 HP Inboard Engine, new upholstery, seats, & carpet, walk-thru window. Asking 2500. Call 478-4065 or 478-3427 after 5 p.m.*

TWO POLARIS JET SKIS: Including double trailer. 886-3422.*

Books

WORDS 'N STUFF Call 606-789-3592 or visit us at: The Intersection of KY. RT. 1107 & 302 at Van Lear, KY. **Specials This Week:** Creeker - \$23.38, Atlas of KY - \$33.95, Guinness World Records 2000 - \$19.44*

Sale / Misc.

COMMERCIAL BUILDING demolition. Steel posts & beams, precast concrete panel walls, copper pipe, conduit, HVAC ducts, lights & bathroom fixtures. 606-674-6270 or 606-497-1356.*

6X8 STORAGE BUILDING: \$800 new, used 1 year, will negotiate. 886-6007.*

4 BRUCE SPRINGSTEN TICKETS: Sunday, April 30, at 7:30 in Cincinnati. Face value \$67.50. 886-0035, leave message.

EPSON 700 PRINTER: Used only 2 months. Asking \$100. Call 886-1237

WARM MORNING HEATER, used only 6 months. Asking 300. Call 886-2444.

240 OR 110 VOLT GASOLINE POWERED GENERATOR, 5200 Watts with Halogen light, like new, approx. 75 hrs. of use. Also 1/2 Hp Sewer Pump & Reservoir. 874-9208 or 874-1635 leave message.*

Furniture

RAY'S BARGAIN CENTER Remodeling sale, now in progress. NEW bedroom, living room & dining room furniture at incredible savings. USED large selection of furniture & appliances such as stoves, refrigerators, washers & dryers. **SHOP AT THE LITTLE FURNITURE STORE & SAVE!!** RT. 1122, McDowell. Call 377-0143.

PROPERTY FOR SALE

Mobile Homes

SPECIAL: This month only! Land/Home packages... We do it all, septic, water, electric, dozer work, etc. Call for details 888-844-7778.

TRAILER FOR SALE BY CONTRACT: At Maytown. Call 285-5037 after 5 pm.*

USED HOME FOR SALE: Call 606-638-7868.

SPRING SPECIAL: 3 BR, 2 BA doublewide. X-tra nice with fireplace, glamour bath, all the goodies. Payments only \$290 per month. 888-844-7778.

USED HOME FOR SALE: \$3,000 cash. Call before 6:00 pm. Call 1-888-999-7410.

2000 MODEL: 2 BR for only \$17,500. Including delivery and set-up. Call today, only 2 left. 888-844-7778.

A DOLLAR & A DEED is all you need to own your own home. Call 1-888-999-7410.

LITTLE'S MOVERS Located at Highway 80, Martin. Insured. 285-0633, 886-5514 or 285-5116.

USED DOUBLEWIDE FOR SALE: Will deliver. Call 606-638-4663.

BEAUTIFUL 16X80, 3 BR, 2 BA for only \$25,900. Only 1 left at this special price. Call 888-844-7778.

Real Estate

MAGOFFIN COUNTY: Just off Mtn. Parkway, Farm #1, 437 acre farm 30 acres level and remainder in young timber, 1 mile blacktop frontage. \$195,000. Farm #2, 234 acre farm, 11 acres level, remainder is large boundary of young timber, 2 barns, tobacco base, creek frontage. \$92,000. Farm #3, Lick Cr., 66 acres, some level, remainder in timber, all mineral rights included, ideal for hunting & investment. \$35,000. **Luther D. Dunn, Realty & Auction Company.** Luther D. Dunn, Broker & Auctioneer. 606-349-2318.

3 BR, 2 BA HOUSE: 2 car garage, large LR & Kit. Located on Frasure Cr. at McDowell. 377-1075.*

COMMERCIAL OFFICE BUILDING for sale by owner. 1800 sq. ft., single story, located on North Lake Drive. Call 886-3929 (days) for information and/or floor plan.

7 YR OLD HOME on left of Little Point, East Point, KY. 3 BR 2 full BA, asking 95,000. Call 889-0780.*

SLOW OR BAD CREDIT: Call 1-888-999-7410. See if we can help put you in a new home.

2 BR, 1 BA with full basement and fenced in yard at Maytown. Call 285-9078. \$24,000 OBO.*

R & L APARTMENTS, Under new management: We now have coin laundry for tenants. We have apts. available. One easy payment, all utilities & cable included. Call 886-2797.

OFFICE BUILDING FOR LEASE: 1100 sq. ft., private parking lot, located Rt. 23 half-way between Prestonsburg & Paintsville. Call Bob at 789-3904 or 886-3358.*

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OFFICE BUILDING: Beside courthouse in Prestonsburg. Call 886-6362.*

Commercial Property

COMMERCIAL RENTAL SPACE: 1000 sq. ft. \$550/mo., utilities included. 886-3680.*

Apartments

Apartments for Rent: 1 & 2 BR. Executive suite also available. Call 349-5135 or 349-7285, leave message.

2 BR TOWNHOUSE APT.: Stove, ref., Central heat/air. City limits at US 23 & Rt. 80. \$390 per mo. + util., Dep. \$390, 1 yr. lease. No pets. 886-6551 or 237-4758.

2 BR TOWNHOUSE: Partially furnished, one year lease required. Call 606-478-9593 or 874-9033.*

1 BR EFFICIENCY APT.: Near HRMC. For more information call 886-2098.

1 NICE BR APT.: Central heat & air. Betsy Layne Bottom. \$250 month + \$100 deposit. 478-9772.*

FURNISHED, NEWLY DECORATED 1 BR APT.: \$325 month + utilities & deposit. Next to HRMC. 886-6633.*

1 BR APT.: Furnished, all utilities paid. Located near hospital at Martin. \$150 per wk. or \$500 per month. 285-0650.

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Houses

2 BR HOUSE: Nice & clean, large bath, central air & heat, with carpet. Located next to Dizzy Tire Co., Rt.80, Garrett, Ky. \$400 month + \$250 deposit. 358-2000.*

2 BR HOUSE: Garrett area, central air & heat, city water. \$350 mo. & \$300 dep. 358-2876.*

Mobile Home Lots

TRAILER LOT FOR RENT: On Cow Creek, \$80/mo. Call 874-2802, J. Davis.

Mobile Homes

2 BR, 1 BA, VERY NICE and quiet area. Located at the mouth of Arkansas Creek. \$300 mo + \$150 Security deposit. Call Robert at 285-1223.*

2 BR TRAILER: 4 miles west of P'burg on Parkway. \$275 month. 886-6061, after 5, 886-0480.*

FOR RENT: DOUBLEWIDE, 3 BR at Hueysville. \$400 mo plus dep. & utilities. Call 606-358-2876 after 6 p.m.*

Rental Properties

2 BR UF APT.: On Arnold Ave. 1 BR apts., furnished or unfurnished at Briarwood. 886-8991.*

EMPLOYMENT

When responding to Employment ads that have reference numbers, please indicate that entire reference number on the outside of your envelope. Reference numbers are used to help us direct your letter to the correct individual.

Job Listing

WELDERS NEEDED 3 years experience required. Pay based on experience. Must have surface mining safety papers. Contact Hazard Services at 800-972-4836.*

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FAST GROWING RENTAL COMPANY is seeking aggressive, hard working individuals to fill account manager positions and grow with us. If you have a drive to succeed, apply in person at: A-Plus-Rent-to-Own, highland Plaza, University Dr., Prestonsburg, Ky.*

DIRECTOR OF NURSING POSITION: RN required. Excellent benefits. Apply at: Martin County Health Care Facility, Inez, Ky. 606-298-0091.*

Manager Trainee
 Will you earn \$30,000-\$40,000 this year and more in future years? International Company, in its 8th decade of growth, needs a manager in this area. Are You **SPORTS MINDED** * Goal Oriented * Ambitious * Bondable, with good references *If you qualify, you will be guaranteed:* * 3 weeks expense paid training * Guaranteed income to start + \$400/wk * Complete benefits & retirement package * Merit Promotions For Confidential, Personal Interview Call Doug Smith Mon. & Tues., 10 a.m.-5 p.m. 800-799-8447 Equal Opportunity Employer/MF

SHOP WELDER
 Wayne Supply Company has an immediate opening at our Pikeville branch for an experienced Shop Welder. Prior experience in fabrication, arc and wire feed welding necessary. Machining background a plus. Opening on the irregular workweek (Wednesday thru Sunday). Excellent salary and benefits. Qualified candidates send resume or work history to:
 Mrs. Hamilton
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 359 South Lanks Branch Road
 Pikeville, KY 41501-1524
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SALES POSITION
 With a reputable 50-year-old company
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Journalist / Desktop Publisher
 The Eastern Kentucky Concentrated Employment Program, (EKCEP) Inc., is seeking to fill a position for a Journalist/Desktop Publisher in this readership area. The journalist/desktop publisher will assist in the production of formal publications and other documents which chronicle the accomplishments of EKCEP's programs and their participants. Duties will include conducting interviews, attending events, writing, and editing, as well as layout and design of camera-ready copy. The position is based at the central office in Hazard, but requires regular travel throughout a 23-county area.
 Applicants must have excellent written and oral communications skills, a thorough knowledge of desktop publishing applications, research and analysis skills, advanced interviewing skills, and the ability to work independently and accurately recount information.
 A Bachelor's Degree from an accredited college or university is required; however, related work experience may be substituted for education at a two-to-one ratio (two years of related work experience for each one year of formal education).
 Qualified applicants may submit resumes no later than April 28, 2000, to:
 Marsha Ison, Personnel Director
 Eastern Kentucky C.E.P., Inc.
 941 N. Main Street
 Hazard, KY 41701
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PERMIT TECHNICIAN

Well-established mineral extraction company located in Eastern Kentucky is seeking an experienced individual to perform surface mine permitting, and interface with regulatory agencies. The successful candidate must possess three to five years' experience in all phases of mine permitting activity. Competitive pay and benefit package including pension plan, 401K, paid vacation, life, medical, dental, and vision.

Send resume to Ref. # 6531
 P.O. Box 390, Prestonsburg, KY, 41653
 All resumes must be received by May 1, 2000.



Airgas, the nation's largest distributor of industrial/specialty gases and related products, has an opening in Prestonsburg for a Local Route Sales Driver. Our continued growth provides you an outstanding career opportunity with the recognized industry leader.

Your high school education combined with a CDL Class B with haz mat endorsement and a strong desire to excel are a combination that will equal success in this position.

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Project Director Position— Knott County Works

Must have excellent oral and written communications skills. Experience in working with welfare recipients, counseling, teaching, job development and case management. Need administrative background and the ability to motivate and supervise others.

Position Requirements: Applicants must have Bachelor's degree or equivalent work experience. Preference given to applicants with background in social work or experience with related agencies.

Will accept resumes through April-May 1, 2000
 Send letter of interest and resume to:
 Regional KY Works Program
 Big Sandy A.D.D.
 100 Resource Drive
 Prestonsburg, KY 41653

NOW TAKING APPLICATIONS: Decorating company seeking self-motivated individual for management position. unlimited income potential. Will train. Applications taken from 6:30 pm-8:30 pm, April 18, in meeting room at Sam Antonio's, Prestonsburg. No phone calls please.

DIETARY MANAGER POSITION AVAILABLE: This person must be able to work with the Care Plan Team in timely preparation of MDS and other resident documentation. Excellent benefits. Serious inquires only, please call 789-5808, Monday thru Friday 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.*

JOB OPPORTUNITY: Jerry's Restaurant in Prestonsburg is now taking applications for waitresses, cooks, dishwashers, and busboys. Jerry's offers BC/BS insurance, paid vacations, meals and uniforms. **Apply in person, only!** No phone calls, please. Applications may be obtained Mon.-Fri. 3-4 p.m. only.

FAST GROWING COMPANY looking for self-motivated, career minded individuals with prior management experience to fill positions in Southeast Ky. area. Good pay and benefits. Send resume to: 6251 N. Ky. Hwy 15 #108, Hazard, KY 41701.*

SAM ANTONIO'S Now Hiring All Positions: Apply in Person between 11 and 3.886-3600*

Help Wanted

ATTN: LPNs, RNs, EMTs and Paramedics! Become an RN or BSN graduate and increase your income without going back to school! To schedule your interview in Prestonsburg, call Evelyn Hunt by May 12. 1-800-737-2222.*

ATTENTION: Work from Home! \$450-\$1500 Month PT. Find us at: www.ouranswer.com or call 1-800-585-0760.*

HOMEWORKERS NEEDED: \$635 weekly processing mail. Easy! No experience needed. Call 1-800-440-1570 Ext. 5095, 24 hrs.*

AVON

Be an Avon salesperson. 285-9486 or 886-8737. Buy or sell.

BACKHOE, DUMP TRUCK FOR HIRE: Culverts, bridges, mudslides, complete landscaping. Septic tanks, water & sewer lines installed. Fill dirt hauled. No job too large or small. 606-478-3039.*

Transportation Service

NEED A RIDE? Allen's Taxi of Eastern is taking new customers. **Owned by Mary Allen.** Take individuals or carpool. Serving all of Floyd Co. Medicaid accepted. 358-2422.*

Tree Service

TREE CUTTING AND TRIMMING: Topping, land clearing, etc. Free estimates. References furnished. Call 874-5333.

SERVICES

Classes Offered

SAFETY & FIRST AID: For coal miners, loggers, transportation and construction workers. Call Curtis Hughes 285-0650.

Cleaning Services

H & K PROFESSIONAL CLEANING SERVICE: Residential & Commercial. Best prices, Best service. "We Make It Shine" 874-3099 or 874-8742 raider1@eastky.net *

WILL DO HOUSE CLEANING: 452-2069 or 452-4868.*

Contractors

L.V. CONSTRUCTION CO. 23 yrs. exp., all types const. (specializing in concrete). No job too small. 889-0413.*

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Locksmith

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Piano Sales & Service

THE PIANO CLINIC Phil Cole, Technician For appointments call 791-Tune.

Repair Services

LAWNBOY MOWERS Sales-Parts-Repair **SANDY VALLEY HARDWARE** 119-Main Street Allen, 874-0072 Small Engine Equipment Plumbing Supplies Hardware / Tools

Services

FAITH BUILDERS All types of Carpentry at affordable rates. Small jobs welcome. Greydon Howard 606-358-2292.

MISC.

Musical Instruments

J & J MAY MUSIC 605 N.Lake Drive Prestonsburg, KY 606-886-7010

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- Sporting Goods
- Furniture
- Tools
- Kitchenware
- Collectibles
- Musical Instruments
- ...and more



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-John B. White, Quarterback

The Times

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URGENT NOTICE

Have you ever taken the diet drugs *Redux* and/or *Podimin*, commonly known as *Fen-Phen*?

A class action settlement has been reached and you may be entitled to money for any damages you may have incurred presently or in the future.

If you are interested and would like more information concerning this class action settlement or if you want to participate in same, please call, Glenn Martin Hammond Law Office at 606-437-7777.

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Includes: 20 words or less (each extra word is 15c), 2 consecutive insertions of Ad in the paper + 1 Yard or Garage Sale Sign.

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Name _____ Phone _____



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