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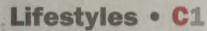
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photo by Ralph B. Davis

The former offices of the Floyd County Board of Education came crashing down Friday and Saturday. The board moved from the former school building earlier this year and now occupies the former Bank Josephine building on Front Street in Prestonsburg.

### Out with the old, in with the who?

#### by RANDELL RENO STAFF WRITER

As of about 4:30 p.m. Friday, Floyd County is without a serving commonwealth's attorney.

Floyd Circuit Judge John David Caudill administered the oath of office to John Earl Hunt as he accepted an appointment to serve as administrative law judge for the Big Sandy

"I thank every Floyd Countian for the opportunity to serve them as commonwealth's attorney," he said.

Hunt said he entered the office inheriting 605 cases. He and his staff disposed over 1.379 cases in his term. He said 107 cases remain in the nowempty office.

Brent Turner, who was elected to the office in May, is the only remaining assistant in Hunt's office.



### Hall pleads guilty to 34 drug, gun charges, gets one year in jail

by RANDELL RENO STAFF WRITER

A man accused of multiple counts of drug trafficking and possession of a firearm by a convicted felon pleaded guilty to 34 charges Friday.

Timothy Wayne Hall, 37, of Galveston was offered a plea agreement for one year of jail time and three years probation in exchange for his guilty plea.

He was originally charged with 19 felony counts of possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. Twelve of the counts were labeled class D felonies and seven were class C felonies.

He was also charged with 13 counts of drug trafficking. Five of those counts were class A felonies, three were class C, five were class D.

He was also charged with two charges of possession of a police radio, class A misdemeanors.

(See GUILTY, page two)

#### Briefs **Donors** needed for blood shortage

Officials at Central Kentucky Blood Center continue to keep a watchful eye on the fragile supply of blood available for central and eastern Kentucky this summer.

On Friday and Saturday, few donors registered to give blood - short of the 500-pint daily goal. More than 500 pints must be collected over the next week in Floyd, Pike, Johnson and Martin counties

"We're going to need more than 100 donors to step forward each day to pull out of this crisis," said Dawn Wheeler, CKBC spokesperson. "The community is responding well --- we just need to remind everyone how improtant it is to continue the effort.

In response to the blood shortage, blood drives have been scheduled this week at two Johnson County locations.

The first will take place at Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center in Paintsville tomorrow from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. On Thursday, another blood drive will be held in Thelma at the Carl D. Perkins Rehabilitation Center from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

#### **Two Day Forecast...** Today Varible Clouds High: 82 + Low: 66 Tomorrow Light showers

High: 88 + Low: 70

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region. The ceremony took place just after the two men finished Friday's motion hour.

"I have worked literally to the last hour of the last day doing my duty," Hunt said. "I have made this effort today to bring to a conclusion as many pending cases as I possibly could. I believe it is very important that I leave no backlog of undisposed cases."

Hunt offered plea agreements in at least 18 cases Friday and then offered his appreciation to Circuit Judges John David Caudill and Danny P. Caudill,

Hunt said he had learned much from John David Caudill, becoming emotional as he recognized their years together.

'I humbly believe this office is in a much better position to serve our people, and my efforts will help the next commonwealth's attorney do a better job," said Hunt. "I leave with a clear conscience and confidence in my successor's commitment and abilities."

Hunt has been passed a new baton of service as administrative law judge.

"I will do my best every day to bring fairness, effectiveness and compassion to the workers' compensation process in Kentucky," the outgoing prosecutor said.

Hunt's departure leaves a void in the office of Floyd County commonwealth's attorney. An appointment into that position is expected in the coming weeks.

### **Board files third lawsuit** over football field land

#### by RANDELL RENO

STAFF WRITER

As demolition continues for the new Prestonsburg High School football field, the Floyd County Board of Education is plowing forward in its quest to obtain the land on which the field will be constructed.

The board filed a third lawsuit in Floyd Circuit Court against a property owner standing in the way.

Lawsuits against Carlos E. Neely, a former teacher at the high school, and Charles R. Wright ask the courts to condemn the property to allow construction of the Prestonsburg High School facility. A third lawsuit against Harold Newman seeks to accomplish the same task for another made on the property since buying football field for South Floyd High it.

The proposed project will include a running track.

The board recognized Prestonsburg Mayor Jerry Fannin in a letter for the sale of his property this week. Fannin's property was evaluated at \$86,800 but he sold it to the board for \$56,379.99.

Superintendent Paul W. Fanning recognized Fannin by giving him credit for a \$30,420.01 donation to the school system.

Fannin and city police officer Anthony Castle purchased the property in 1997 for \$45,000. Fannin said he would sell the property to the school system for that amount, plus the interest payments he had

Frequent rainfalls in the area this week caused thousands of dollars worth of damage. This landslide occurred Tuesday in the Arkansas Creek area.

### Floyd, Pike counties come to agreement on 911 cell phone fees

#### by RANDELL RENO STAFF WRITER

The first disbursement of funds from the county's wireless phone companies to Floyd County's E-911 is tentatively set for August 15.

Members of the E-911 Executive Board met in regular session Thursday to discuss among other things that disbursement.

A panel of members from both Pike and Floyd counties' 911 boards met this week to set a foundation on how to collect the funds which will disbursed in one check for both counties. Cell phone users are also charged with a E-911 surcharge.

The panel passed a motion to establish a governing board for the moneys. The motion suggested that both county judge executives, the two chairman of the E-911 executive boards, the two county E-911 coordinators, and a representative from the Kentucky State Police sit on the panel. A meeting of that group will be held Friday, July 28, at 12 p.m. at the state police post in Pikeville.

the establishment of a bank account and a county treasurer to distribute the funds.

The board accepted a proposal for the Pike and Floyd county treasurers to alternate every 18 months. When the treasurers trade positions, the account will be audited by a private auditor to protect both county treasurers.

The panel will have sole control of the funds. Deposits will be made in the fund for about two years before the money can be accessed, said chairman Jim Caldwell.

Discussions on the communications problems in the Harold, Betsy Layne and Toler Creek area continued. Board members spoke of the possibility of moving the south repeater tower to the central part of the county.

But the possibility of losing established communications in the southern part of the county led members to propose a propagation study in the area. Should communications stay strong in the southern part of the county, a new tower site would be found.

S ould that option fail, members are considering two more possibilities. Appalachian Wireless is in the process of building a new tower near the Left Beaver Fire Station. E-911 could make a deal with Appalachian Wireless to put a repeater on that tower.

Another option for E-911 is to use the tower Amoung other things, the panel will discuss at the courthouse. In either case, members said a search for new frequencies would have to be done and the radios reprogrammed.

The establishment of the fully enhanced 911

(See 911, page two)



School



Ashley Sayers is getting a head start on her college education by registering for summer classes at Pikeville College. Jason Hunt, admissions counselor, assists Ashley in the registration process. Ashley is a graduate of Feds Creek High School and is an incoming freshman at Pikeville College.

### Want a second chance to get healthy?

(NUE) - Are you a junk food to do something healthy. The easiest should and shouldn't eat. Plus, it addict? Does your first meal of the day consist of coffee, coffee and more coffee? Do you run to the nearest fast food restaurant during your lunch break? If you answered yes to substitute it with fruit juice. Besides any of these questions, then you could probably use a serious health makeover.

Eating healthy is a way of life, and it influences you in more ways than you realize. It gives you more energy, helps you lose weight, wards off sickness and disease to help you live longer, and gives you an all around sense of self-worth and selfesteem. It's no wonder some of the most successful people in the world are health nuts.

What? You say it's too late to get healthy? Wrong. Most health experts say it's never too late. That's because every day offers you another chance

way to start is by cutting some of the most unhealthy habits out of your diet.

For instance, skip the coffee and too much caffeine, coffee drains all of the vitamins and nutrients out of your body. For lunch, eat lean meats and vegetables. And don't forget to take your

vitamins to make sure you're getting all the crucial minerals in your

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### Lawmakers begin considering new topics for in-depth studies

what may become the next issues development incentives offered to to receive in-depth scrutiny from state lawmakers was offered at the July 13 meeting of the General Assembly's Program Review and Investigations Committee.

Starting a new round of meetings after the 2000 legislative session, which ended in April, lawmakers on the committee turned their attention to a variety of topics they may choose to focus on in coming months. All the topics they discussed came from suggestions gathered from surveys of legislators and legislative staff workers conducted earlier this year.

Rep. Greg Stumbo, D-Prestonsburg, suggested the committee look into the state's solid waste practices to see whether there are better ways to rid Kentucky of litter and illegal garbage dumps.

Sen. Tom Buford, R-Nicholasville, suggested the committee conduct an efficiency review of the hundreds of state boards and commissions.

Rep. Brent Yonts, D-Greenville, asked that the commit-

FRANKFORT - A glimpse of tee look into whether economic businesses are providing a good return for the state.

In all, more than 25 topics were considered by the committee, which is responsible for studying the efficiency of state government programs and agencies and making recommendations for improvements where needed.

The committee has broad authority to look into the operations of state government and gather information.

In future meetings, committee members will start voting on the topics on which they want to authorize studies. They can choose to follow up on the suggestions gathered through surveys, or could propose new topics in the future for the studies.

The list of suggested topics at this point includes:

. The implementation of a managed care form of KenPAC, a primary care case management program administered by the state Department for Medicaid Services.

· The services provided to the committee's review.

#### **Consumers should use caution when** ordering contact lenses on-line

The Contact Lens Council (CLC) is advising consumers interested in ordering contact lenses online, that contact lens should only be purchased from sites that require a valid and unexpired prescription.

Recent efforts by the FDA have focused attention on the need for informed consumers to use extra caution in ordering prescription medical products on-line. A new FDA web page provides a number of important cautions. This page be found can at http://www.fda.gov/oc/buyonline/d efault.html.

"The CLC is focusing our efforts on informing Internet shoppers of the safeguards they should take when ordering contact lenses online," said Edward Schilling, executive director of the CLC.

"While e-commerce may provide timesaving conveniences for those with hectic lifestyles, it is important to remember that contact lenses are medical devices that

require proper fitting by an eyecare professional, and a valid, unexpired prescription," Schilling added.

The CLC recommends the following when considering purchases of contact lenses online:

· Continue with your regular vision screenings by an eyecare professional.

· Check your online order for any typing errors before you submit

· Do not request or accept a substitute for the prescribed lens without checking with your eyecare practitioner first.

· Check the expiration date on the product immediately upon receipt of your order.

 Make sure your prescription is current and has not expired before placing your order. The online supplier should confirm this with every order.

· And finally, if a problem results from the order, visit your eyecare professional immediately.

Kentucky schools by the Kentucky School Board Association.

. The Victims' Information and Notification Network, known as VINE, which ensures that crime victims receive adequate prior notice of offenders' court proceedings and release dates.

· The extra cost that prevailing wage laws may impose upon state construction projects.

. The state's implementation of requirements for day care centers approved during the 1998 legislative session.

· Continuing review of the health insurance offered to state employees.

The Program Review and Investigations Committee typically authorizes six to 10 studies each interim - the period of time between legislative sessions.

Nine of the committee's 16 members must be in agreement in order to authorize a study. Once a study is authorized, the committee staff usually takes three or four months - even longer for more complex issues - to collect information and compile a report for

The CLC is a non-profit organization serving as an educational resource on vision correction and is dedicated to promoting the safe use of contact lenses and lens care products. The CLC information line (1-800-884-4CLC) is a free service offering customers the most up-todate information on contact lenses and lens care products.

The American Optometric Association, Contact Lens Association of Ophthalmologists, and the Contact Lens Society of America are advisory members of the CLC. The CLC is sponsored by Alcon Laboratories, Allergan Optical, Bausch & Lomb, CIBA Vision, Cooper Vision, Vistakon, a division of Johnson & Johnson Vision Products Inc., and Wesley Jessen.

 For more information on contact lenses, contact the Contact Lens Council (CLC) at 1-800-884-4CLC or on the Internet at: www.contactlenscouncil.org

digital maps from the 911 database

Members decided to deny the

request, citing possible liabilities

against the county. If the county decides to give the maps, board

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#### 911

coordinator Bill Dotson reported that the Bellsouth region is complete. Ninety percent of the Harold and 75 percent of the Dana ZIP codes have been submitted.

All the major roads in the Coalfields Telephone exchange area

#### Guilty

against Hall were amended to class ing charges, and three years for the D felonies, while three of the trafficking charges were amended to charges, plus one year for the pospossession of a controlled substance.

Commonwealth's Attorney John Earl Hunt offered a total of years for the firearms possession will be forfeited.

system continues to progress. 911 have to be physically redone, he said. Dotson and his crew expect to do a door-to-door verification of the 911 addresses over the next few weekends.

The board denied the Floyd County Board of Education and Education Logistics request for remain, said Dotson. Route 979 will 911's maps. EDULOG requested

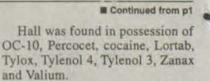
in order to build a school bus route database.

Six of the weapons charges counts, three years for the traffickpossession of controlled substance session of the police radio charges

to run concurrently. The agreement offers one year served in jail time and three years 10 years for the charges - three probation. All the weapons seized

Hall was found in possession of OC-10, Percocet, cocaine, Lortab, Tylox, Tylenol 4, Tylenol 3, Zanax

He was arrested in an early morning drug raid in October by the Floyd County Sheriff's Office. Taken from his possession were 734 dose units of the various drugs.



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According to the American Lawn Mower Company/Great States Corp., mowing when grass is dry will result in a cleaner cut.

For the past 45 years, Skippy Dog Food has been sponsoring an annual Dog Hero Contest to recognize and reward outstanding dogs for their bravery.

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A video that is available to help parents share the teachings of the Exodus Journey is DreamWorks animated treasure The Prince of Egypt, the masterful recounting of 💌 the epic journey of Moses.

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Ova Warren of Eastern wears her bonnet to church each Sunday as part of her attire. The bonnet was a standard dress item for women during the frontier days. (photo by Willie Elliott)

### **Federal grant to study** ethanol production

As Kentucky farmers continue to reel from downturns in the nation's agricultural economy, Gov. Paul Patton provided a ray of hope recently for corn producers in and around Christian County.

The governor presented a check for \$95,000 from the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Business Opportunity Grant Program to Ronald Berry, president of the Hopkinsville

Grain Elevator. The 2,200-member cooperative of grain producers from 17 western Kentucky counties will use the federal funds to match \$30,000 in state money and finance Joey Pendleton for his strong leada feasibility study of ethanol pro-

remain at historically low levels USDA-Rural Development office and changes in tobacco production to ensure that the feasibility study present additional downward pressures on our rural economy, it is essential that we look together at new and innovative ways to add value to our traditional farm products." Gov. Patton told the crowd in Hopkinsville. "The board and and I believe we should do all we membership of the Hopkinsville can to help them," Pendleton said. Grain

Elevator have taken steps to do just that.'

The grain producer cooperative, one of the largest in the state, is looking at the feasibility of partnering with the Delta-T Corporation in an effort to add value to their corn crop. One of the manufacturing options they would like to consider is ethanol production.

The federal funds will help defray the costs of the feasibility study required before the cooperative's board of directors decides to move forward.

Gov. Patton praised state Sen. ership in securing the federal funds. Pendleton worked closely with the "While commodity prices governor's office and the state eived proper suppo

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### Starting a business requires well-thought concept, commitment

launch new businesses in America. And every year, they watch their hopes fade as the business goes under.

It doesn't have to be that way, according to Becky Naugle, director of the Kentucky Small Business Development Centers program at the University of Kentucky.

"Anyone who wants to start his or her own business needs to take some time thinking about what they plan to do," said Naugle.

"Several things need to be in entrepreneurs who have received

business or product is, and what value their product or service has. They need to ask themselves, 'Why would people pay me to do this?' That's the cornerstone of how they'll market their business," she said

Naugle and the Kentucky Small Business Development Centers have plenty of experience in coaching and encouraging business people.

In addition to the hundreds of

### **Degree developed** for public safety communications

The Association of Public Safety Communications Officials (APCO) Institute has announced its participation in a joint venture to develop the world's first on-line degree program for the field of public safety communications.

The unprecedented distancelearning degree program will now give those in the profession an opportunity to earn a university degree via the World Wide Web.

Scheduled to begin in the September 2000 fall semester, the degree program initially offered is an associate of arts with additional certification from APCO. Phase two and three of the educational project will be the development of bachelor's degree and master's degree programs.

All degree programs will be offered through Jacksonville State University (JSU) in Jacksonville, Alabama.

According to APCO Institute Director Dave Bubb, the partnership is the perfect synergy. "With APCO's expertise and resources in the public safety communications arena, and JSU's educational pedigree and established track record in distance learning, we are poised to offer quality, professional secondary education to the public safety communications community worldwide," Bubb said.

JSU and CML Emergency Services Inc., a systems provider for public safety communications,

Safety tips

joined forces and approached APCO with the academic concept. Thereafter, the groups formed a partnership, with APCO providing guidance on curriculum development and program quality.

"For me personally, this is the pinnacle of educational opportunities for our industry," Bubb said, adding the final stone has been laid in building professionalism into the industry. "Thousands of dedicated public safety communications personnel have chosen this career path. and we have worked for years to get them recognized as true professionals in their field. We can now seal this promise of professionalism with the coveted college diploma developed specifically for our industry."

APCO Institute has developed individual academic courses since 1980 to meet the specific needs of the industry, including its flagship certificate program, the APCO Basic Telecommunicator Course.

This first-of-its-kind endeavor culminates years of educational development for public safety communications and sets the pace for modern learning technology.

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Every year, thousands of people place. They have to know what their the centers' services, the centers also sponsor the annual Women Mean Business Conference presenting nationally known speakers who focus on issues ranging from networking to money management.

Naugle said the businesses that tend to fall are those conceived by a person who considers only his or her own personal interests. For instance, a person who opens a store that sells outfits for Barbie dolls may find he or she has targeted an extremely small market.

However, if the entrepreneur has mapped a plan to reach people who share an interest in Barbie outfits, the business may succeed, Naugle said.

In that instance, she said, the business person could find success by doing business on the Internet. Unlike a few years ago, World Wide Web sites now provide a means to establish relationships with people with similar interests and tastes.

"The Internet provides a wealth of opportunities. Markets aren't as land-locked as they used to be. You can go global in terms of marketing your product or service," Naugle said

But Web-based businesses offer new challenges too. Business people need to be savvy about possible traps lying in wait-such as the costs of shipping products to customers.

"If you set a firm \$4 handling fee, you have to stop and think, "Can I ship my product to Canada or Britain for \$4?' Chances are, you'll need to change more to pro- dmcknt1K@pop.uky.edu.

tect your profit margin," Naugle said.

The Web presents other issues as well, including whether to permit customers to order over the Internet or to require them to phone in their orders. The businessperson must consider ways to make his or her Web site safe for customers to send credit-card numbers.

Naugle also said new business people must consider how much launching the business will cost and how they'll finance the launch.

"Lenders and investors aren't going to carry all the risk. They'll want the entrepreneur to pony up some of the start-up cash. You need to expect to have some of your own money in the start-up," she said.

Still, the businessperson should try to locate another source for start-up cash. "Nearly all businesses are going to need some debt capital, which means they need to borrow some money. They need a line of a credit, and it makes sense to operate with some debt, just like people do when they use a mortgage to buy a house," Naugle said.

Naugle noted these issues and others are on the agenda at the eighth annual Women Mean Business Conference, to be held Wednesday, September 13, at the Radisson Plaza Hotel in Lexington. The early registration fee is \$89 until August 18, when the fee rises to \$99.

For more information, contact Naugle's office by calling toll-free 1-888-475-7232 or via email at



"We talk all the time about the need to add value to our crops to offset the decline in commodity prices. Here's a group of producers that wants to take the steps to do so,

### **The Countess** Misbehaves

(NAPSA)-An entrancing tale of a woman torn between the fiancé who loves her and a man she can't stop wanting. That's what's in store for the readers of award-winning author Nan Ryan's latest book. The Countess Misbehaves (MIRA Books \$6.50).

During a transatlantic voyage from England 10 New Lady Orleans. Madeline Cavendish, the Countess Ballarat, first encoun-Armand de ters Chevalier, a man she distrusts from the first moment she sees him. With the exception of her constant encounters with this roguishly handsome Creole, Lady Madeline enjoys her sea voyage until the ship sails into a life-threatening hurricane.

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In the midst of evacuating the ship Lady Madeline is nearly washed overboard. In that instant, Armand reaches out and saves her life. With no lifeboats to be found and no way off the ship, Madeline and Armand believe the end is near. They throw themselves into a passionate embrace

What happens next, after Madeline is saved and believes Armand to have perished, is the discovery of a love neither Madeline nor Armand thought possible.

The Countess Misbehaves is available wherever paperbacks are sold, or at www.mirabooks.com. An audio version is also available from dh



Never remove safety guards from appliances such as lawn mowers or other garden tools.

(NAPSA)-A few minutes of prevention may be worth months of safety and enjoyment when i comes to using electrical outlets and appliances outdoors,

Here are outdoor safety tips, courtesy of the National Electrical Safety Foundation:

Check outdoor wall outlets for rain, cold weather or snow damage. Each outlet should have a snap-on cover to keep childrens' fingers and other objects from being inserted into the outlet.

Outlets around sinks, pools or places where water accumulates should have ground-fault circuit interrupters (GFCI). Inexpensive GFCI adapters that plug into outlets can be purchased at hardware stores or a permanent GFCI can be installed by a qualified electrician.

Repair or replace broken or cracked plugs and cords on power tools.

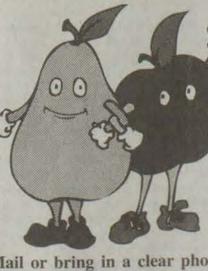
When outdoors, only use extension cords marked for outdoor use. Never use extension cords not insulated to withstand water, snow, cold weather or extreme heat.

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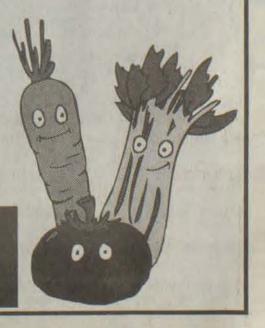
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#### **QUOTE OF THE** DAY ....

Not many sounds in life, and I include all urban and all rural sounds, exceed in interest a knock at the door.

Charles Lamb-



### **Rules have changed**

Beginning this, weekend, if you are under age 18, you'd better hide those cigarettes from police officers, and if you are under age 12, you need to wear a life jacket when boating.

But if you are a motorcyclist, you no longer have to have proof of health insurance to ride without a helmet.

The rules have changed — and not always for the better. Friday was when most of the laws enacted by the 2000 General Assembly took effect. One of those laws is House Bill 10, which for the first time prohibits the use of tobacco products by those under the age of 18.

That's significant. Previously, it had only been illegal for retailers to sell tobacco products to minors; there were no restrictions on minors using tobacco.

HB 10 changes that — at least on paper — but it is an extremely weak law that will do little to keep tobacco products out of the hands of children.

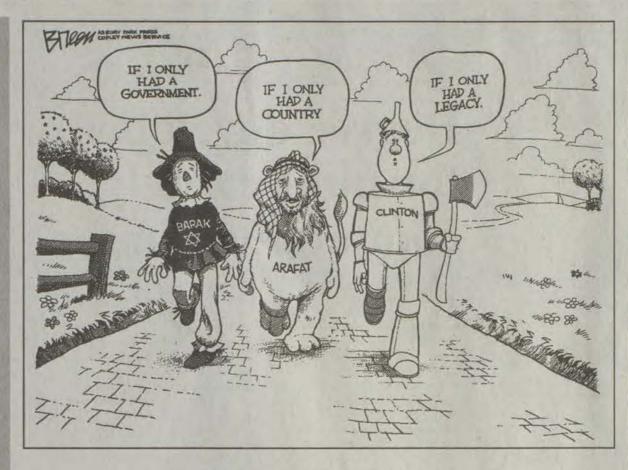
The law gives police officers the power to confiscate tobacco products from youths. However, the law specifically says the tobacco products must be "in plain view" of the confiscating officer. That means the officer can take the cigarette from the child he spots smoking, but not the pack of cigarettes the child has stuffed in his pocket. More important, the law assesses no penalty for minors caught using tobacco products except for the loss of the product, of course.

We support any reasonable effort to discourage young people from picking up a potentially deadly tobacco habit, but if the legislators really want to give local police officers a meaningful role in curbing youth tobacco use, they should give them the power to enforce the ban against retailers selling tobacco products to minors. State Alcohol Beverage Control officers now are the only ones who can enforce the law, and until that changes the chances of a retailer actually being cited for selling tobacco to a minor are slim.

House Bill 465 requires children under age 12 to wear a "personal flotation device" when engaged in boating, and it establishes penalties for the adult owners and operators of boats that allow kids to ride without life preservers.

It shouldn't take a state law to convince boaters of the safety value of life preservers. In fact, while assuring the children that are wearing their life jackets, adults would do well to also wear them. It's the smart thing to do.

We were among those that objected when the 1998 General Assembly repealed the law requiring all motorcyclists to wear helmets, but at least legislators attempted to protect taxpayers from getting shackled with paying for the increased medical Sunday, July 16, 2000 A4



### Guest Column America Lite — Dumbing down history and biology

A lilting old Sam Cooke tune begins: "Don't know much about history /Don't know much biology," and concludes nonetheless, "What a wonderful world this would be.'

Well, perhaps. These are meant as whimsical lyrics about love. But, they also seem to carry a darker meaning. One new study reveals a sobering illiteracy of American history, even among this year's graduates of elite colleges and universities. Another points out glaring deficiencies in high school biology textbooks. If ignorance is bliss, then America seems a happy place.

Let's take history first.

Researchers gave a pop quiz to 556 of this year's seniors at 55 of the nation's top-ranked colleges (Harvard, Yale, Stanford, Duke, University of California at Los Angeles, Michigan, Carleton, Macalester, etc.). Nearly 80 percent of them scored a rapped: "If a nation expects to be ignorant and free, it D or F.

toon characters and 98 percent identified rap singer Snoop Doggy Dogg.

"Losing America's Memory" was an appropriate title for the report issued by the American Council of Trustees and Alumni. "These students are allowed to graduate as if they didn't know the past existed," complained one of the study's authors, noting that none of the colleges requires U.S. history for graduation

Happily, Sen. Joseph Lieberman, D-Conn., aims to change that. He introduced a resolution recently calling on educators to strengthen history requirements. They should do so.

Forgetful democracies repeat their mistakes and lose the civic glue that binds their citizens to one another.

Poison Pen

by Ralph Davis Managing Editor



### Summer snooz.e

It's July and that means it's a pretty boring time for those of us who get our thrills from watching the political dramas. At this time of year, with the primary election a distant memory and fall race too remote to consider, most campaigns at all levels are operating on cruise control.

Of course, things will start to get a little more at the end of the month. That's when the first of the two major parties has their presidential nominating convention.

The Republicans will meet in Philadelphia beginning July 31, while the Democrats will have their shindig in Los Angeles starting August 14.

One of the most talked-about aspects of the conventions this year is the fact that the networks are not planning to give them the gavel-to-gavel coverage they have in the past.

costs of helmetless cyclists injured in accidents by requiring those without helmets to have medical insurance.

That requirement is now history. Beginning today, anyone riding a motorcycle can go without a helmet.

To be honest, the old law was unenforceable. It was impossible for an officer to determine if the motorcyclist speeding down the highway without a helmet had health insurance or not, but the change likely will result in taxpayers footing more medical bills for serious injuries motorcyclists incur because they were not wearing helmets.

Our support for a mandatory helmet law has not changed. Like seat belts, helmets save lives and reduce injuries.

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The questions were high school stuff. But only a third of the seniors could identify George Washington as the American general at Yorktown, the concluding battle of the Revolution. (The other choices were Gens. Sherman, Grant and MacArthur.)

Fewer than a quarter knew that James Madison was the primary architect of the Constitution (not Washington, Thomas Jefferson or Ben Franklin).

Only 22 percent were able to identify "government of the people, by the people, and for the people" as a line from the Gettysburg Address.

Fewer than half could place Abraham Lincoln's presidency as roughly between 1860 and 1880. Only a third knew the Battle of the Bulge came during World War II, or that Harry Truman was president at the start of the Korean War or that the Voting Rights Act was part of Lyndon Johnson's Great Society.

But 99 percent knew Beavis and Butthead as car-

After all, it was Jefferson (not Doggy Dogg) who expects what never was and never will be."

Now biology.

In an evaluation of 10 widely used biology textbooks, the American Association for the Advancement of Science gave none a high rating. The greatest problem is that textbooks treat topics piecemeal without conveying key biological ideas or their connections to physics, math and technology.

One researcher compared the situation to studying the carburetor, fuel injector and universal joint without providing the sense of the car as a mode of transportation.

Surely educators can do better, The recent announcement that scientists have cracked the genetic code of human life ought to provide the impetus for explaining its significance to everyone. It is, after all, a monumental event - in history and biology.

Reprinted from the Minneapolis Star Tribune.

#### Fighting AIDS in Africa must be world priority

Ours is a world that can detect water on Mars, create the Internet and decipher human biology. And, yet, millions are dying of a preventable disease - AIDS. Two-thirds of its sufferers are concentrated in Africa.

AIDS in Africa is not a new story; for several years now, experts have been sounding the alarm in various ways. But the crisis will stay in the news as a global killer unless the world mobilizes to stop it.

Late last year, the first U.N. report on the subject noted that nearly 20 million Africans carry the virus and that 2 million are expected to die this year.

In January, Vice President Al Gore declared that AIDS is a worldwide national security threat. And now come more staggering numbers about the magnitude of the problem - and why the rest of the world should respond.

According to the most recent U.N. study, 50 percent to 65 percent of all those now 15 years old will die of AIDS in some southern African nations if current infection rates continue.

half or more of an entire region's teenagers could be on their deathbeds in their 30s and 40s.

But what can be done?

First, most African nations have waged battles against colonial powers and some are still involved in civil wars. They must treat the AIDS threat like a liberation war - a battle to save their own futures. Every government and every organization - private, nonprofit and religious - must join the campaign to remove stigma and denial about the disease, educate the population, promote safe sex and facilitate the use of anti-AIDS drugs.

Across the board, African leaders must convey strong, consistent messages about the disease and make it a top priority.

Success stories in other parts of the continent hold lessons. Senegal, for example, held its infection rate to under 2 percent. Uganda, once the center of the continent's plague, reduced its rates by half in 10 years through an intensive public information campaign led by President Yoweri Museveni.

In addition, African nations need all the help that It is almost more than the mind can fathom - that the international community can muster; a continent

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#### Letters to the Editor

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Well, why should they? The conventions have become nothing more than four-day long infomercials.

At one time, there was a reason to watch the conventions, a hint of uncertainty regarding the outcome which kept them interesting.

These days, however, there really is no reason to watch unless you're a rabid Democrat/Republican who would enjoy such a pep rally. There is no uncertainty regarding the presidential candidate and the approval of platforms and running mates are rubber-stamp formalities.

So it is little wonder that the networks have decided not to waste their time to offer complete coverage of two events which are no longer newsworthy.

So bring on Regis and Survivor and pre-season Monday Night Football. At least with those programs, there will be some amount of uncertainty.

TROUBLING THOUGHT ... If the conventions are too cheesy for network TV, what does that say about the state of politics in this country? After all, television is no bastion of enlightenment itself.

SPEAKING OF ... watered-down news, the trend doesn't appear to be stopping with television.

I felt a great amount of dismay reading the front page of a certain statewide newspaper a few weeks back. There, at the bottom of the page, was an in-depth look at the battle for supremacy between the Backstreet Boys and N'Sync.

Wow! What a display of investigative journalism!

Last week, the same newspaper ran a story about the Wimbledon match between Venus and Serena Williams, not in the sports section, not just on the front page, but as the lead story at the top of the page, banner headline and all.

Here we are, living in a time of unprecedented technological change, while disease and war and poverty and hunger still run rampant through most of the world, and the best we can fill our minds with is boy bands and tennis?

Someday, probably not too far in the future, Americans will pay a stiff price for placing a premium on entertainment over knowledge.

### FOR THE RECORD

#### RESTAURANT, SCHOOL, AND MOBILE HOME INSPECTIONS

Huddle House, Betsy Layne, 98; Ice dispenser at large ice cooler not stored properly.

McDonald's of Martin, 93; Food residue build up inside of microwaves, no hot and cold running water in establishment.

Allen Food Market, Allen, 96; Cat food stored below motor oil, no cover on waste receptacle in public restrooms.

Sharon's Pizza, David, 97; Two upright reach in freezers in need of defrosting, no test kits provided to check sanitizing water, loose miscellaneous articles around outside of building.

Happy Mart, Harold, follow up 93; Unlabeled bottles over two compartment sink, proper hair restraint not in use, wiping cloths used not restricted and improperly stored, cabinet door under three compartment sink leaking, many flies were noted in all the facility during inspection, ceiling over three-compartment sink moderate disrepair, cream pies stored at room temperature.

Taco Bell, Harold, follow up 78; Bottles at three compartment sink area with no labels, potentially hazardous food (cheese) topping being held at 58 degrees, refrigerator unit containing toppings not maintaining required temperature of 45 degrees, fly strips hanging from ceiling directly over top of food equipment, no sanitizer in final rinse of three compartment sink, soft drink dispenser nozzles needs more routine cleaning and sanitizing, cabinet door three compartment sink and counter tops in bad repair, faucet at three compartment sink leaking, ceiling tile over three compartment sink in bad repair, wall tile missing Taco Bell area, purse and other clothing stored on and next to food equipment.

#### MARRIAGE LICENSES

Kathy Jean Conn, 39, of Harold and Joaquin Sanchez Sanchez, 27, of Pikeville.

Heather Dawn Hunt, 17, of Stanville and Douglas Collins, 23, of Honaker.

Diane Raye Bowman, 23, of McDowell and Bradley Thomas Moore, 24, of McDowell.

Tina Louise Hall, 18, of Prestonsburg and Jason Junior Woods, 20, of Fort Hood, TX.

Shera Lynn Shelton, 18, Prestonsburg and Ricky Jason Blackburn, 21, of Prestonsburg.

petition for condemnation of property.

Jenifer Moore vs. Mark Eric Moore, petition for dissolution of marriage

Agatha Mullins vs. Arson Mullins, petition for dissolution of marriage

Pamela Jean Claubaugh vs. Johnie Dean Claubaugh, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Joshua Newsome vs. Vinie Renay Patrick Newsome, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Ronnie Mitchell McCoy vs. Diana Lynn Sparks McCoy, petition for dissolution of marriage.

#### DISTRICT COURT

Charles Martin, 56, of Martin; Robbery 1st degree.

Greg Caudill, 42, of Lackey; Assault 2nd degree.

Brian Dale Lowe, 30, of Pilgrim; Attempted murder, wanton endangerment - two counts.

Shane L. Conn, 19, of Martin; Alcohol intoxication.

Mary Jane Bentley, 29, of Allen; Resisting arrest, disorderly conduct.

Earl W. Walker of Dwale; Alcohol intoxication. \$25 fine plus \$108.50 court cost.

Clyde Issac, 48. of Teaberry; Alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct. \$125 in fines, two days jail, and \$228.50 court cost.

Tonya L. Burke, 29, of Prestonsburg; Theft by unlawful taking.

Michael P. Loper, 23, of David; Assault 4th degree, terroristic threatening. 90 days jail, 30 day probated, \$93.50 court cost.

Wally Chaffins of Martin; Criminal trespass 3rd degree.

Tony Tackett of Harold; Theft by unlawful taking.

Billy Joe Hall, 30, of Harold; Alcohol intoxication. 5 days jail and \$93.50 court cost.

Phillip Dean Ray, 30, of Tram; Cultivation of marijuana more than five plants-1st offense.

Jeremy Kilburn, 28, of Dwale; Theft by unlawful taking, alcohol intoxication, carrying a concealed weapon.

Kenneth A. Taylor, 37, of Martin; Disorderly conduct.

Juanita Taylor, 38, of Martin; Disorderly conduct. Brandon D. Prater, 21, of

Huevsville: Alcohol intoxication. James D. Hill, 38, of Martin;

Disorderly conduct. John R. Garrett, 24, of Allen; Assault 4th - spouse abuse. John Henderson, 26, of Hi Hat;

Alcohol intoxication. Five days jail. \$100 fine. \$103.50 court cost.

David K. Ramey, 29, of Elkhorn City; Forgery 2nd degree - two counts, theft by deception - two counts, carrying concealed weapon.

#### **PROPERTY TRANSFERS**

Karen Shumate, Carol L. and Paul Bernard Boudle to FirStar Bank, property location not listed.

Marvin and Elsa Compton of Tallahassee, FL to Lee and Hamilton Noralene of Prestonsburg, Sugar Loaf.

Castle and Alice Castle of Betsy Layne to Lois A. Hoag of Albion, MI, Larry Collins of Betsy Layne, Dan J. Collins of Sevierville, TN, Betsy Layne.

Billy J. and Patricia S. Roop of Weeksbury, Rick and Amber Anderson of Weeksbury, Frank R. and Thlesa R. Scott of Weeksbury to Rick and Amber Anderson of Weeksbury, Caleb Fork of Left Beaver.

George Laven of Prestonsburg to Daniel K. Darby of Prestonsburg, Stephens Branch of Prestonsburg.

Albert and Becky Chaffins of Beauty to Bobby J. Hamilton of Wayland, Wayland.

Bobby J. Hamilton of Wayland to the Wayland Historical Society, Wayland.

Alice O. Martin of Langley to Sharon Martin Lavender of Hampstead, property location not listed.

Garnis and Linda Caudill of Melvin to Lamar and Brenda Tackett of Melvin, Abner Fork of Left Beaver.

Tilton Jr. and Christine Johnson of Melvin to Tilton Johnson Jr. of Melvin, Melvin,

Tarzan Prater of West Claypool, IN to Ezra Allen Jr. of Prestonsburg, Middle Creek.

Herman and Hattie Newsome and Bankers Trust Company to Contimortgage Corporation, property location not listed.

Lodestar Energy, Inc of Pikeville to Darvene and Cecelia Bryant of Betsy Layne.

Terry and Janet Clara Tufts of Wheelwright and William Tufts of Wheelwright to Stephen and Barbara Johnson of Wheelwright, Wheelwright.

Gregory Conn and Key Bank & Trust to United Companies Lending Corporation.

### Safety program launched to stop red light running

(NAPSA)-In an effort to reduce the two million collisions that occur each year at intersections in the United States, a national program to stop red light running has been given the green light. The program. called Red Means Stop, is sponsored by Daimler/Chrysler, the American Trauma Society and the Federal Highway Administration.

Surprising to many Americans, most of the motorists who get into an intersection accident are not drunk. They are just trying to beat the light. The result of these accidents are 7,800 lives lost and \$7 billion in medical costs. The Red Means Stop campaign is aimed at educating the public to the dangers of running a red light and to cut down on the number of accidents.

Prevention is not the only road taken to reduce the accident toll. Safety innovations developed by companies such as Autoliv, one of the world's largest makers of airbags, seat belts and other safety restraints, are also making a difference

Among the systems motorists now have or may soon be using:

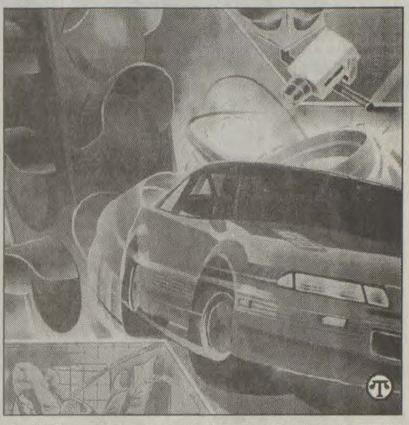
· An adaptive airbag system determines if the front seat occupant of a car is too close to the dashboard to safely deploy the bag. The system can also determine if the seat is unoccupied, if there is a rearfacing child seat, and if the occupant is belted or not.

· An inflatable carpet under development can protect the foot. ankle and lower leg in frontal collisions.

· An inflatable curtain has been developed to reduce the incidence of head injury, as well as ejection from the vehicle. The inflatable curtain inflates in less than .025 seconds and provides the most effective protection in side impact and



(NAPSA)-Cinema has always been considered a virtually infinite medium, limited only by the imagination of its makers. If what they



The Red Means Stop campaign is aimed at cutting down the number of intersection collisions.

#### roll-over accidents.

· The Drowsy Driver Warning System will warn a driver by noise or other means if he or she is likely to fall asleep. In such a system, a sensor could be installed in, for instance, the shoulder belt, allowing

a computer to monitor the heartbeat.

For more information on Red Means Stop, call 1-877-STOP-555 or visit www.redmeansstop.org. For more information on Autoliv, visit www.autoliv.com.



Sharon Lynn Lowe, 23, of Melvin and Preston Wade Mullins, 23, of Melvin.

Leslie Ann Bays Blackburn, 31, of Richmond and James David Goble, 31, of Richmond,

Brandy Danielle Stevens, 20, of Harold and Hershell Brent Tackett, 21, of Grethel.

Mary Joanna Prater, 18, of Prestonsburg and Joseph Todd Tackett, 20, of McDowell.

#### SUITS FILED

Hattie Jarrell vs. Eugene Jarrell, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Phyllis Spears vs. Willis Spears, petition for child support and health care.

Terri Lynn Lowe Jarrell vs. Darrin Brent Jarrell, petition for dissolution of marriage.

James D. McKinney vs. Patty S. Goble, petition for child support and health care insurance.

Tammy J. Wilburn vs. Melinda K. Chambers, petition for health care insurance.

Mary J. Webb vs. Eddie Webb, petition for health care insurance.

David Bowen vs. Jamie M. Bowen, petition for child support and health care insurance.

Floyd County Board of Education vs. Charles R. Wright, Alcohol intoxication. Emma L. Hall, 26, of Martin;

Disorderly conduct. James E. Gibson, 64, of Prestonsburg; Alcohol intoxication.

Danny R, Stevens, 28, of Dwale; Alcohol intoxication.

Terry Lynn Gayheart, 37, of McDowell; Alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct.

Frederick Allen Thomas, 46, of Lexington; Alcohol intoxication, possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia.

Sarah A. Allen, 42, of Salyersville; Public intoxication. \$25 fine and \$98.50 court cost.

Robert L. Kestner, 38, of East Point: Public intoxication, \$25 fine and \$98.50 court cost.

Christopher A. Moore, 22, of Kite; Alcohol intoxication. \$25 fine and \$108.50 in court cost.

Steven M. Gibson, 30, of Hueysville; Resisting arrest, crimi-

nal trespass, terroristic threatening. Ricky Turner, 43, of Garrett; Alcohol intoxication. Five days jail and \$103.50 court cost.

Robert J. Blevins, 18, of Hagerhill; Possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia. \$200 in fines, \$83.50 court COSL

Jackie Slone, 50, of Langley; May 26 Alcohol intoxication. \$25 fine. \$83.50 court cost. Bench Warrant issued. Arrested June 13 -

Ballard L. Hall of Banner to Ballard L. and Gaye Hall of Banner, Prater Creek.

Mountain Housing Corporation of Prestonsburg to Jerry L. and Barbara A. Lewis of Temperance, MI, Wheelwright.

Loretta and Marrow Bentley Jr. of Grethel and Stacy and Donna Hall of Grethel to Rita and Kenneth Rogers of Grethel, Grethel.

Beatrice Hunt of Banner to Helene Spradlin of Marion, OH, Daniel's Creek.

Robert Hunt of Stanville to Helen Spradlin of Marion, OH, Daniel's Creek.

Bernice Tackett of Melvin to Debra Allen of Melvin, Melvin.

Deonna Clair Allen of Minnie to Jerry Dean Allen of Bypro, Wheelwright.

Ralph W. Dingus of Martin to C.K. and Belinda L. Dingus of Martin, Martin.

Glen and Karen F. Gibson of Pikeville to Charles D. and Loretta Everidge of David, property loca-, tion not listed.

Regina Hickman of Prestonsburg to Lynn Hickman Hagans of Prestonsburg, property location not listed.

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wanted wasn't technologically possible, it soon would be.

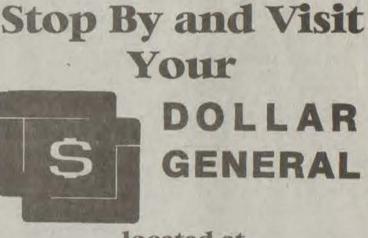
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#### AIDS

already set back by war and poverty cannot handle this alone. The United Nations estimates that \$1.6 billion to \$2.6 billion would be required to begin to quell the AIDS crisis. That could buy limited use of anti-viral drugs to prevent motherto-child transmission of the virus, and treatment of tuberculosis and other infections complicating AIDS. Surely the wealthier nations of the world can afford that much to help save so many lives.

Volunteer, religious, non-governmental and other charitable groups operating in Africa should follow the strong lead of the Peace Corps. That agency is training all its with dying populations do not make Star Tribune.

volunteers in methods to slow the spread of AIDS. Volunteers who have been working in agriculture. small business, education and other areas will shift gears to teach AIDS prevention and care.

But why should the West and the rest of the world care?

Beyond the enormous moral offense of simply allowing tens of millions of people to die unnecessarily, self-interest is a factor. Diseases do not respect national or continental borders; mobility allows them to spread quickly. And Africa is one of the last great reservoirs of natural resources. Nations

good trading partners or stable allies.

What of the lost human potential? The future workers needed for globalization? Perhaps the world's next Nelson Mandela is being born in a poor village to an HIV-infected mother. Every child deserves at least the chance to make an imprint on humankind.

A world so dedicated to unlocking the secrets of life ought to be equally committed to preserving it. The international community must open its heart and pocketbook to fight AIDS in Africa.

Reprinted from the Minneapolis

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### The "Word" for the Week A debt of gratitude

#### by DR. DENNIS J. PRUTOW

A religious lawyer asked Jesus to name the first and greatest commandment. Jesus did not hesitate. He quoted the Old Testament book of Deuteronomy. "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and all your with might" (Deuteronomy 6:5, Matthew 22:37).

Here is a word under this heading of love. "You shall fear only the Lord your God; and you shall worship Him and swear by His name" (Deuteronomy 6:13). These words are similar to the First Commandment, "You shall have no other gods before Me." (Exodus 20:3, Deuteronomy 5:7). We

express love for God with worship, reverence, and respect.

Satan tried to get Jesus to repudiate His love for the Father. "The devil took Him to a very high mountain and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory; and he said to Him, 'All these things I will give You, if You fall down and worship me!" (Matthew 4:8-9). Jesus would have none of this devilry. "Go, Satan! For it is written, 'You shall worship the Lord your God, and serve Him only" (Matthew 4:10).

Jesus worshipped the Father. His obedience was not a burden but a way to show His love. We fail in love. We are imperfect. The loving obedience of Jesus Christ pays the debt of gratitude we owe.

### **REGIONAL OBITUARI**

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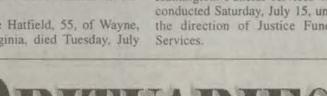
Grace Dillon, 92, of Rawl, West Virginia, died Monday, July 10, in Williamson, West Virginia. Funeral services were conducted Friday, July 14, under the direction of Chambers Funeral Home.

Homer Stewart, 67, of Denton, Texas, died Thursday, May 25, at his home. He is survived by his wife, Cora Beatrice Stewart. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, May 30, under the direction of DeBerry Funeral Home.

Nell Lowe Howell, 87, of Pikeville, died Tuesday, July 11, at her home. Funeral services were conducted Friday, July 14, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

Ella Mae Nichols Parsons, 94, of Pikeville, died Wednesday, July 12, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, July 15, under the direction of Justice Funeral Home.

Lucille Hatfield, 55, of Wayne, West Virginia, died Tuesday, July



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Elizabeth Laven

11, at St. Mary's Hospital, Huntington, West Virginia. She is survived by her husband, Earl Hatfield. Funeral services were conducted Friday, July 14, under the direction of Hatfield Funeral Chapel.

Edith Mattingly, 64, of Mt. Vernon, formerly of Pike County, died Wednesday, July 12. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, July 15, under the direction of Thacker Funeral Home,

Lois Akers Hall Mullins, 66, of Caney Highway, died Thursday, July 13, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. She is survived by her husband, Carl Mullins. Funeral services will be conducted Sunday, July 16, at 2 p.m., nder the direction of R.S. Jones & Son Funeral Home.

Ronald Lee Riley Jr., 28, of Huntington, West Virginia, formerly of Shelbiana, died Thursday, July 13, at St. Mary's Hospital in Huntington. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, July 15, under the direction of Justice Funeral

### COMMUNITY CALENDAR

#### Calendar items will be printed as space permits

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

#### Woodcarvers to meet

East Kentucky Woodcarvers will meet on Sunday, August 19, at 2 p.m. at the Mountain Christian Academy, near Martin. Topic will be "Sharpening Tools." Bring your tools and honing stones. Call 886-9624.

#### 4-H camp applications

The deadline for 4-H camp applications has been extended to July 19. The fee is \$85. Applications can be picked up at the Floyd County Extension Office located at 921 South Lake Dr. in Prestonsburg or by calling 886-2668. 4-H camp will be held the week of July 24-28.

#### ACHS SBDM to meet

Allen Central High School will hold a special called SBDM council meeting, July 20, at 6 p.m., in the library. Open to the public.

#### PHS reunion

#### being organized

Preparations are being made for the reunion of the class of 1990 of Prestonsburg High School. Addresses are needed for all

classmates.

Call Tommy Poe at 606/886-6134.

#### School Health Fair is August 4

as a full-time student during the fall semester at an accredited college or vocational school.

For information, contact the BSACAP, 313 Westminster St., Prestonsburg; 606/886-2929. Completed applications must be received by 4:30 p.m., on Friday, July 21.

#### **Pikeville** College needs volunteers

Pikeville College Science & Math Day Camp volunteers are needed. This annual event gives fifth through eighth grade students the opportunity to learn through hands on science and math experiments. The day camp will run from July 24 through July 27 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. daily, with lunch provided. Please note that all spaces for campers have been filled and only volunteers for support staff are needed. For more information, call Robert Arts at 432-3417.

#### Domestic violence

Are you in an abusive relationship and feel as if there is no way out? Call our 24-hour crisis line and talk to Certified Domestic Violence Counselors, discuss ways you can remedy the problem, call 886-6025 or out-of-1-800-649-6605, the-area because "Love Doesn't Have To Hurt."

#### **PVA** office

closed two days The Floyd County Property Valuation Administration Office (PVA) will be closed for staff training on Wednesday, July 26, and Thursday, July 27. It will reopen on Friday, July 28, at 8 a.m., according to PVA Lovel

#### Extension board to meet

The next meeting of the Floyd County Extension Council and District Board will be Thursday, July 20, at 5:30 p.m.

#### McDowell FRC summer activities

#### Did you work on Dewey?

The US Army Corps of Engineers at Dewey Lake is looking for anyone who helped on the construction of Dewey Dam. In September of this year, the Corps will have a 50th anniversary open house and would like to recognize the people who helped build the dam and those people who were relocated because of the construction of the dam. If you have any information or pictures that you would like to share, contact Shirla Wells at 606/789-4521 or 606/886-6709.

#### Martha's Portion open daily

Clothing for children and adults, as well as household items, is available at Martha's Portion, beside St. Martha Catholic Church on Water Gap Road, KY 302. Hours are Monday-Friday, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

#### **Pikeville Methodist** Activities

July 20 & 21: Safe Sitters Class. 8:45 a.m.-3 p.m., Education Center, for 11-13-year-olds; 606/437-3936.

July 25: Epidural Class, 7 p.m., Education Center; 606/437-3938. July 27: Survivors of Suicide support group, 6 p.m., Flatiron Building; 606/437-3963. July 28: AIDS Update, 6-8 p.m., Education Center; 606/437-3525. July 31: Diabetes support group,

6-7 p.m., Education Center,

#### Pikeville College Calendar of Events July

606/437-3513.

· 21, Pikeville College School of Osteopathic Medicine (PCSOM) Second Year Summer Term ends; Pikeville College School of Osteopathic Medicine (PCSOM) Third and Fourth Year Registration;

• 31 Pikeville College School of Osteopathic Medicine (PCSOM) Third Year Rotations begin.

Family Resource center is sponsoring several guest presentations. Contact the center for time and subjects. The center has a One Stop Career Station satellite, available to the community as well as to students. Stop in Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Anyone interested in Adult Education should contact the center.

The South Floyd Youth Services Center is located on South Floyd's campus in room 232. For more information contact Keith Smallwood or Mable Hall 606/452-9600, ext. 242 or ext. 243.

#### Support group forming

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Persons interested in starting a Scleroderma support group may call Phyllis Centers at 606/285-3437.

#### Support for former addicts

As recovering addicts, we have found it is possible to live without the use of drugs with the help of Narcotics Anonymous. If you are still using and can't stop, we can help. Give yourself a break. Call 886-6760, 886-9167 or 1-888-987-7700 for more information.

#### You or someone you know

#### can't stop drinking

Alcoholics Anonymous is willing to help. For more information, call 1-800-467-8019.

Al Anon: For support and understanding of the diseasemeets, 8 p.m., Saturdays, at the Presbyterian Church in Prestonsburg. (Alanon is for family members of alcoholics).

#### Depressed Anonymous

Are you feeling lonely, hopeless and trapped in a self-constructed prison and can't overcome it or get out? This support group is not for those people who need it but for those people who want it. We understand. For more information, call: Randall, 886-0483; Jim, 886-3027; Jane-886-8219; Sue-789-8712.

#### Turner

Elizabeth Laven Turner, 85, of Lexington, died Monday, July 10, 2000, at her residence.

Born on August 5, 1912, in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late John Patrick and Mary Susan May Laven. She was a retired Floyd County school teacher, where she taught for 32 years, many of which were in a one-room schoolhouse. She had also been active with the Headstart Program. She received her BS degree from Pikeville College and was a member of Southside Church of Christ.

Her husband, Raymond B. Turner, preceded her in death.

Survivors include a nephew, Patrick Hunter of Wyandotte, Michigan; and a niece, Flora S. Barthelmes of Troy, Michigan.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, July 15, at 11 a.m., at Milward Mortuary-W.R. Southland, with Rev. Ken Neller officiating.

Entombment will be in the Lexington Mausoleum.

American Heart

A stroke can be a mind-blowing thing

Bert Birchfield, 65, of Titusville, Florida, formerly of Dwale, died Wednesday, July 12, in Florida.

Bert Birchfield

Born on December 31, 1934, in Wilbur, West Virginia, he was the son of the late James and Ethel Grant Birchfield. He was a retired carpenter superintendent, an Army veteran of Korean conflict, and a member of the Brush Arbor Baptist Church:

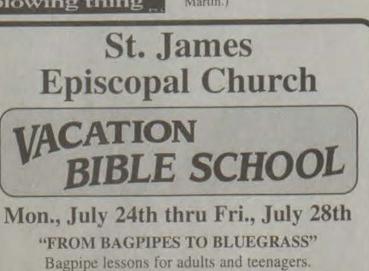
Birchfield.

Other survivors include one son, James K. Birchfield of San Diego, California; two daughters, Bonnie J. Freni of Winter Springs, Florida, Sandra Rosche of Titusville, Florida; two brothers, Danni K. Birchfield of Lavergne, Tennessee, Phillip Birchfield of Cheyenne, Wyoming; one sister, Anne Daniels of Montgomery, Alabama; four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, July 15, at noon, at the Brush Arbor Baptist Church, Orlando, Florida, with pastor Jerry Creel officiating.

Cremation was under the direction of Union Park Memorial Chapel.

Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.)



Instruction on traditional bluegrass instruments for younger children.

Fun for everyone...please make plans to attend!

**Reverend Johnnie E. Ross, Rector** Call for details, 886-8046 554 University Dr., Prestonsburg

He is survived by his wife, Jean

(Information, courtesy of

Hall.

Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Floyd County Board of Education, Family Resource and Youth Services Center, Health Department and other area agencies and businesses will sponsor the second annual Back to School Health Fair for county students on Friday, August 4, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the Beaver Valley Clinic, behind FirStar Bank in Martin. The schedule includes:

· Allen Central High School

and feeder schools, 9-10:30 a.m.; · Betsy Layne High School and feeder schools, 10:30 a.m.noon

· Prestonsburg High School and feeder schools, noon-1:30 p.m.;

feeder schools and others, 1:30-3 p.m.

Free physicals, including athletic physicals, immunizations and other services will be provided.

A parent must accompany the child to the health fair for the child to receive the available services. Also, the immunization record must be available for any child to receive an immunization. For information, call 606/285-

5181, ext. 3420.

#### Scholarship aid available

A student entering or returning to college or vocational school this fall may qualify for financial assistance provided by the Big Sandy Area Community Action Program Inc., through the Community Services Block Grant Scholarship Program and the Cabinet for Families and Children.

To qualify, an applicant must . be income eligible as per federal income guidelines, . have a high school diploma or GED, • have a grade average of "C" or better, and . present proof of enrollment

McDowell Family The Resource Center will hold summer activities, starting July 10. Parents interested in sending their child/children should call 377-2678 to register them. Registration is necessary to ensure that there are enough supplies for everyone. Parents are responsible for transportation to and from the center. Activities are free for all students enrolled at McDowell. Parents are also invited to volunteer.

· July 17-19: Physical Fitness Days, sponsored by McDowell ARH staff. Activities may include water balloon volleyball, water relays, kick ball, tug-owar, and others.

• July 20, 21, & 24: Day Camp · South Floyd High School, by U.K. Floyd County Extension Office. Activities will include family heritage projects, arts & crafts and agriculture activities.

> · July 25-29: Fun Week by Family Resource Center Staff. Several arts & crafts, recreation, science and other activities are planned for this week.

Call if your child is in need of a sixth grade, kindergarten, or Head Start physical. The nurse is only at the Center each Monday to see patients, 377-2678.

#### Housing assistance in Wayland area

HOMES Inc. has opened an office in the Wayland Community Center to assist low income persons in the Right and Left Beaver areas with housing needs. Nelson Hopkins is in the office on Wednesdays from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. to help persons who need repairs on their existing homes or with securing new housing. Area persons may call 358-9473 on Wednesdays to speak with Hopkins or leave a message on other days. Or they may call the HOMES Inc. headquarters in Neon, toll-free, at 1-877-271-1791, ext. 10.

#### Vacation Bible school

Garrett First Baptist Church's Vacation Bible School starts July 16, thru July 21, from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Theme is: "Ocean Odyssey' - Diving into the Depths of God's Faithfulness." Come join the fun and fellowship!

#### New dates for food pantry

The Voice of Victory Food Pantry has set new dates for its monthly food giveaway, beginning in July. Food will be given out at the Auxier Lifetime Learning Center on the fourth Tuesday and Thursday of each month, with the exception of November. Dates are July 25 and 27; August 22 and 24; September 26 and 28; October 24 and 26; November 21 and 22; and December 26 and 28.

#### Stories needed for veterans book

The Red, White and Blue Committee is collecting stories about American veterans from any war, to be published in the Red, White and Blue annual publication, available in October.

Drop the stories off at City Hall in Martin, or mail to Pam Justice, Red, White and Blue Coordinator, at Martin City Hall. P.O. Box 749, Martin, KY 41649 or call 606/285-9335.

If you wish to publish a picture and want the picture, returned, enclose a selfaddressed, stamped envelope. Information must be submitted before August 31 to appear in the October publication.

#### South Floyd High walking track

Walking track at South Floyd High School is open to the general public 7 a.m. until 5 p.m. It is closed during special events. The

#### G.E.D. classes

Linda Bailey of the David School will teach GED classes at the James A. Duff Family Resource Center each Thursday from 12:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. Classes are free. If you need more information, call Judy Handshoe, at 358-9878.

#### Clark Family **Resource** Center

We are now scheduling appointments for physicals for children entering kindergarten in the next school year. Also, we have appointments available for 5th grade students entering 6th grade. Call the center at 886-0815 for more information.

GED Classes: Fridays, 8 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

#### Earn while you learn

The Big Sandy Area Community Action Agency is taking applications for the senior training program. You must be 55 years old, or older to apply. For further information; call 606/886-2929. Ask for Tammy Jervis.

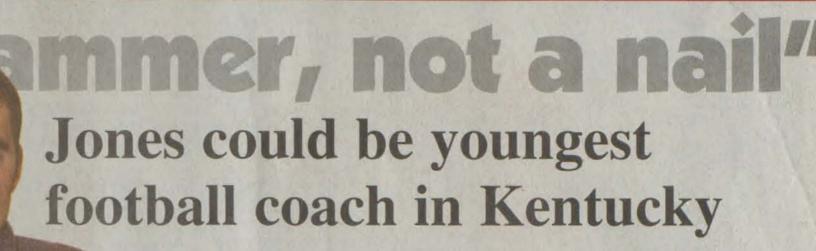
The program's primary goal is to create employment for those 55 and over. SCSEP helps prepare older workers to compete for jobs by providing minimal training and placing eligible applicants into permanent employment. Training sites are expected to develop the participant's skill and hire or release them.

#### Social Security rep on Mud Creek

A Social Security Representative will be at the Mud Creek Clinic, each Tuesday, during the month of July.

#### Sunday

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Feature:

#### by ED TAYLOR SPORTS EDITOR

FLOYD COUNTY

When you get a look at the new South Floyd football coach the first thought is, "what position does he play'

> When you have your first conversation with him the second thought is, "where does

he get all that enthusiasm?"

Nathan Jones is a native Ohioan and hails from the Dayton area where he attended high school and played some football. He just graduated from Eastern Kentucky University this spring and already has landed a position that most just out of college dream about.

Jones became the head football coach at South Floyd High School replacing veteran coach Donnie Daniels, who resigned at the end of last season.

Jones hopes to bring that excitement,

bubbling inside of him, to the gridiron when his team opens on the road against Evarts on August 18. Coach Jones said being excited was an understatement in describing his feelings about taking the job and the confidence the school showed in him.

"I am very, very excited to have the chance to be a head coach in my first job," said Jones. "South Floyd took a chance and hopefully it will pay off for them. I'm con-

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BRAD MARTIN,

Track Promoter at

Thunder Ridge Speedway

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### Still youthful, Brewer doing what he loves

by ED TAYLOR SPORTS EDITOR

yearlings and it takes about a year to get them ready for the bike, according to Brewer.



At the age of 22 most youn are thinking of establishing themselves in a corporate office or working on a career that will take them to the top of some corporate ladder.

At times in planning one's career, it is the lifestyle that goes with it that is the most appealing.

But for Jason Brewer, age 22, he is doing the one thing he loves and that is being around horses. Brewer, who hails from the state of Ohio, has been involved with racing "all my life."

"My dad was in it for six years but 1 have been around it all my life," he said. "I have only been driving for the past four years."

Brewer owns 19 horses of his own and is a certified trainer for harness horses.

"I claim a lot of horses," he said. "Eighty percent of my horses are claim horses.

Horses begin their harness careers as

about two years old," he said. "We start them out as a yearling and begin to work with them. It takes a few months.

Brewer, who also trains for other horse owners, said that he will be honest with people in determining if their horse is capable of being a harness horse

"I have had a few, not many, where I had to tell them the horse had to go," said Brewer. "Their horses will never make it. I want to be honest with them, I don't want to take their money. I don't need to."

Brewer said all the owners he trains for are mostly from Kentucky.

"I train for owners from down here. We have owners from Oil Springs, Staffordsville, Paintsville, Martin, Pikeville and around," said Brewer.

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### A Look At Sports... Have the Reds said good-bye to the 2000 season?

From all indications the Cincinnati Reds have all but abandoned the 2000 major league baseball season.

Dumping potential free agent Denny Neagle, the ace of the "not much" Reds pitching staff, for future stars seems to say the Reds are not confident that they can overtake the St. Louis Cardinals the second half of the season.

Talk is that the key person in the trade was Drew Henson. but even the Reds do not know if Henson will ever play third base for them. You see, Henson is in love with the game of football and could very well be the starting quarterback for Michigan this football season. Word has it that Henson is "more" interested in a career in the NFL rather than the major leagues.

He had been playing third base for New York's Double-A ballelub and is described as a Mike Schmidt-type third baseman. But he is also described as a Troy Aikman-type quarterback

Now the problem of whether Henson is a major leaguer or an NFL prospects lies with the Reds. It becomes their problem. Can GM Jim Bowden persuade Henson to devote his time to baseball and forget football? I don't know, Jim has pulled off some pretty









### Musick and Johnson Central set for another 4-A football season

#### by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS WRITER

Turn back the clock to spring 1992. The weather was warming and two high schools were getting ready to cross paths, something neither expected.

Evarts High School, a small Class A high school was coming off another successful season under head coach Bill Musick.

Johnson Central High School, a Class 4-A school, was coming off yet another losing season with a dismal record of 2-8.

Current Johnson Central Principal Steve Trimble was coach of the Golden Eagles back in 1992, stepping down in the winter of that year and giving way to a new coach.

The rumors of a new coach ran wild as they normally do with any head coaching vacancy. Names rumored for the job included everyone you had and had not heard of. After all, a Class 4-A school offers a whole lot of opportunities for a coach.

A bigger school usually has good facilities, including the athletic facilities. The

one thing missing the most from the Johnson Central football program was tradition. A program without tradition often doesn't know how to win. The new coach would have to be able to come into the program as a proven winner, someone who has been there, done that. That coach would be none other than Bill Musick.

Bill Musick came to the Johnson Central program from Evarts High School, fresh off of a string of state playoff appearances.

Musick remains one of the only coaches in the area to have coached a Mr. Football. Musick coached former Mr. Football Scott Russell while coaching at Evarts.

The task of making Johnson Central a winner was laid before Musick, and he took it head on. Taking over a 4-A school with absolutely no winning tradition is not easy for any coach.

That debut season, Musick and his young Eagles were somewhat slow getting out of the gates. The team finished 0-10 on the season playing such state football powers as Clark County and Madison Central. Johnson Central played one of

the toughest schedules of any team in the state during the 1992 campaign.

The reception for Musick among some of the "non-believers" was less than receptive. The coaching staff felt the Central team needed a new look to break away from the old. Musick went to black and white jerseys, eliminating gold from the football jerseys. The coach just wanted to try something new. Feedback Musick got from the uniform change was from doubters who said Musick was taking away from the school's tradition.

All Bill Musick was trying to do was build a tradition, nothing wrong there. Some people didn't agree with Musick's choices or decisions, but who was in the coach's office for days at a time sacrificing his time and his family for the program? It sure wasn't the drugstore coaches admiring from afar.

Those who like to tell you everything that is wrong with the program, and nothing that is right with it, were nowhere to be found when Musick was making winter conditioning schedules, or coordinating



#### BRAD MARTIN **Track Promoter Thunder Ridge Speedway**

Brad has been track promoter at the Floyd County dirt track for the past four race seasons. He oversees each race night as well as caring for the speedway. Martin is a former driver himself.

#### NASCAR

#### Speedway owner defends his track

The owner of New Hampshire International Speedway does not think the track layout had anything to do with Kenny Irwin's death "I think the track is fine," Bob Bahre told The Boston Globe. "It was good for 10 years and you have trouble one year. I think that should be the answer.

Irwin crashed into a concrete wall in Turn 3 during practice Friday. Driver Adam Petty died in a similar accident in almost the same spot two months earlier. The deaths were the first in NASCAR events since the speedway opened in 1990.

The track features tight corners and little banking, but Bahre said the layout is far from unique. "There's flatter tracks than this," he said. Some suggest covering the concrete walls with foam barricades that some other tracks use "Barricades would just blow all to pieces," Bahre said. "All they do is just fly everywhere.

#### **Point Leaders** Winston Cup Points

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Top 10 Thunder Ridge Points

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3-Glen May -	549
2-Rick Clark -	537
1-Jeff Jones-	496
2-Joel Jenson -	472
11-Kurt Hofsess -	448
J-Tony Journey -	405
8-Marty Meade -	353
1-Greg Ison -	.316
5-Keith Hamilton -	296
2-Randy Fouts -	289
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B-Jackie Boggs -	452
-Eddie Carrier Jr	423

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55-Ronnie Cole Jr.

17T-Shannon Thornsberry

#### **SportsBoard**

### **Summertime Night Fishing for Trout**

lights attract baitfish and insects

the right depth in which the trout

are holding that night. The depth

of the fish will change from night

to night, sometimes hour to hour.

A good way of finding the proper

depth is the countdown method. Disengage the bail and allow the

line to free spool and count as

your offering sinks. Stop your

bait at the 15 count and fish. If

you don't receive any strikes, fish

progressively deeper until the

trout are found. Remember how

many counts it took to reach the

trout. They may be as shallow as

12 feet or as deep as 30 feet or

deeper depending on the mood of

the fish. Once the proper depth is

found, an angler may encounter

some of the best fishing of the

The best baits for night trout

fishing are corn, chartreuse or

pink Power bait paste or Power

nuggets, small minnows or night-

crawlers. Live bait is preferred

because it offers a chance to catch

a bonus walleye as well as trout.

fishing is simple. Attach a few

small split shot sinkers about 18

inches above a size 10 or 12 hook.

It is very important to use a tiny

hook because these trout are tal-

ented nibblers. They will quickly

clean a hook that is too big. Most

anglers use short stiff ultralight

spinning gear for maximum sensi-

tivity. A buggy whip ultralight

pole or too powerful a pole will

not allow the sensitivity needed to

detect strikes. These trout bite

very, very lightly and it is easy to

The rigging for this type of

year.

Successful anglers must find

that attract trout.

It's July and it's hot outside. is using lights. Lights must be The fish are in the doldrums and floated in the water or lanterns daytime anglers are wet from hung over the side of the boat to sweat by 10 a.m. Sunfish are the cast a light on the surface. The only willing biters during the heat of the day.

Trout fishing on streams is tough during the daytime and the tailraces are difficult to fish because of the high electrical generation required to power air conditioners keeps the water high and rolling.

Quite simply, it's is a miserable time to fish during the day.

This bad situation changes as dusk slips into night. Bass get more active as night falls and for those lucky enough to fish one of our clear, deep lakes, the trout fishing gets as hot during the night as the sun gets during the day.

Anglers who target clear highland reservoirs like Laurel River Lake, Paintsville Lake, Cannon Creek Lake, Wood Creek Lake and Greenbo Lake at night during July should catch a limit of trout in a short amount of time.

That sounds easy, but anglers must use the proper techniques in the right areas to catch these lake living rainbow and brown trout.

The main areas of these lakes for trout are the deep river and creek channels near the dam. Trout need cold water with the proper amount of dissolved oxygen in the depths in order to survive. During the day trout in these lakes move to very deep water sometimes as deep as 75 feet or more.

They feed very little.

However, when the sun goes down, they rise from the depths and bite willingly in shallower water.

The key to catching these trout miss strikes.

### **Sports Quiz!!!**

He coached at one of the former county high schools and his team went to the Sweet Sixteen in '65, their only state tournament

### **Sports** Briefs....

#### SAMMY'S THE MAN IN HOME RUN DERBY

Step aside Junior, Sammy's the man.

Slammin' Sammy Sosa ended Ken Griffey Jr.'s two-year reign as Home Run Derby champion, hitting the longest, loudest and largest number of shots at Turner Field on Monday night.

Sosa beat Griffey, 9-2, in the finals and hit 26 overall, including a pair of 508-foot shots - one to the 755 Club in the left-field upper deck and one that came to rest atop the second green batter's backdrop in straightaway center, below the scoreboard.

What started off as a listless, humid night sparked up immediately when Sosa started swinging. No other player totaled more than 12.

"Sammy made it look easy," said Griffey, who has won the derby three times overall. "When people in the first couple of rows of the upper deck are looking up, that's power. I didn't hear oohs and aahs for my wallscrapers. I heard them for Sammy's upper-deck shots."

#### TARHEELS NAME DOHERTY NEW COACH

The University of North Carolina named Matt Doherty as the new men's basketball coach at the school. Doherty replaces Bill Guthridge who recently stepped down.

#### EVANS NAMED NEW COACH OF LADY BULLDOGS

Erin (Keeton) Evans, Lawrence County's assistant girls' basketball coach the past two seasons was recently named as new head coach of the Lady Bulldogs for the 2000-2001 season. Evans replaces Keith Roark, who coached the Lady Bulldogs the past two seasons. The Lady Bulldogs recently participated in a basketball camp at Pikeville College

#### GOLF

The Morehead State Basketball Benefit Scramble will be held July 24 at the Old Silo Golf Course. A shotgun start is slated for 1 p.m. that day following lunch. Fee is \$100.

For more information call (606) 783-2593.

#### ALL-STARS DEFEND CLEMENS' PITCH TO PIAZZA

All-Stars don't think Roger Clemens is a head case. Two days after the five-time Cy Young Award winner beaned Mike Piazza out of the All-Star game, baseball's top players appeared to accept Clemens' explanation that he wasn't hunting heads and it was accidental.

'Roger does like to pitch up and in to me, and I don't think he's ever pitched intentionally," Seattle shortstop Alex Rodriguez said before Monday's All-Star workout. "Piazza and I are similar hitters. We like to extend our arms."

Clemens hit Piazza in the helmet Saturday night, giving the New York catcher a concussion. Piazza, the top All-Star vote-getter, didn't play Sunday in the final game before the All-Star break and decided not to make the trip to Atlanta.

"I don't think Roger was trying to hit the guy in the head," said Cleveland second baseman Roberto Alomar.

#### **INJURIES DON'T DAMPEN ALL-STAR FESTIVITIES** FOR ALL

Not everybody at the All-Star game was bummed out about the injuries that have kept the sport's biggest names on the sideline. Some players are too overjoyed at being fill-ins - no matter what the circumstances - to have much sympathy for the disappointed fans and their banged-up colleagues.

"I'm going to enjoy it," said Jeffrey Hammonds, who found out he was replacing Barry Bonds on the roster in the eighth inning of Colorado's game Sunday night against Anaheim. "It's not a burden. This is what it's all about. It's ironic that it took an injury, but if that's what it's going to take ...'

Seven fill-in starters are in the All-Star lineup for the first time in

#### H/F 111 (5) 107 (5) 2. Pontiac 3. Chevrolet.

**Thunder Ridge** 

as of July 4, 2000

8. Ricky Rudd,	
9. Rusty Wallace.	
10. Jeff Gordon,	
11. Mike Skinner,	
12. Matt Kenseth,	
13. Terry Labonte,	
14. Dale Earnhardt Jr.,	
15. Jeremy Mayfield,	
16. Sterling Marlin,	
17. Johnny Benson.	
18. Bill Elliou,	
19. Ken Schrader,	
20. Steve Park,	

#### **Money Leaders**

1. Dale Jarrett,	\$3,97
2. Jeff Burton,	\$3,57
3. Dale Earnhardt, Jr.,	\$1,83
4. Bobby Labonte,	\$1.80
5. Tony Stewart,	\$1.70
6. Rusty Wallace,	\$1.69
7. Mark Martin,	\$1,66
8. Bill Elliott,	\$1,63
9. Dale Earnhardt,	\$1.51
10. Jeff Gordon,	\$1,47
11. Ward Burton,	\$1,43
12. Matt Kenseth,	\$1,31
13. Terry Labonte,	\$1,30
14. Ricky Rudd,	\$1.29
15. Jeremy Mayfield,	\$1,20
16. Mike Skinner,	\$1,14
17. John Andretti,	\$1,09
18. Joe Nemechek,	\$1,06
19. Sterling Marlin,	\$1,05
20. Jerry Nadeau,	\$1,02

#### Lap Leaders

(WITH NUMBER OF RACES LED IN PARENTHESES)

1. Rusty Wallace, 883 (11) 2. Tony Stewart, 523 (8) 3. Dale Earnhardt, Jr., 364 (6) 4. Mike Skinner, 342 (9) 5. Bobby Labonte, 341 (9) 6. Jeff Gordon, 341 (8) 7. Jeremy Mayfield, 332 (9) 8. Ward Burton, 328 (6) 9. Mark Martin, 319 (11) 10. Dale Jarrett, 211 (10)

#### **Mile Leaders**

I. Rusty Wallace,	828
2. Tony Stewart,	589
3. Mark Martin,	578
4. Mike Skinner,	53)
5. Dale Earnhardt, Jr.,	523
6. Dale Jarrett,	457
7. Bobby Labonte,	452
8. Jeremy Mayfield,	438
9. Ward Burton,	39-
10. Jeff Gordon,	333

#### **Pole Winners**

I. Rusty Wallace,
2. Dale Jarrett,
3. Dale Earnhardt, Jr.,
(tie) Jeff Gordon,
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(tie) Jeremy Mayfield,
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#### **Rookie Standings**

1.	Matt Kenseth,
2.	Dale Earnhardt, Jr.,
3.	Dave Blaney,
4.	Stacy Compton,
5.	Scott Pruett,
б.	Mike Bliss,
7.	Ed Berrier,

7-David Powers -	235
7B-Randy Boggs -	232
B4Tommy Boggs -	18)
8-Chucky May -	179
9-Henry Hornsby -	120
Sportsmen:	
3K Kevin Hall -	688
J.S.23 Jimmy David Hall -	641
9 Jamie Slone -	606
5 Brandon Mason -	481
1 Barton Ratliff -	398
0 Jeremy Livingood -	288
3 Mike Morris -	270
A85 Billy Hutchinson -	234
11 James Butcher -	230
0 Lester Mullins -	198
Bombers:	
x Tandy Spurlock -	772
7 Randy Fannin -	711
6 Dennis DeBoard -	618
5 Daryl Sexton -	582
317 Brandon Johnson -	483
77 Jody Sipple -	411
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1 Benny Butcher -	308
4 Danny Lowe -	305
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4 Keith Anderson -	669
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15 Shane Combs -	140
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26 Joey Stanley -	713
2 Thomas Blakeman -	661
0 Bucky Collins -	517
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New York	48	39	.552	4.5
Florida	46	44	.511	8
Montreal	42	44	.488	10
Philadelphia	40	48	.455	13
CENTRAL DIV	ISION			
St. Louis	52	36	.591	-
Cincinnati	44	44	.500	8
Pittsburgh	38	50	.432	14
Milwaukee	39	51	.433	14
Chicago	36	52	.409	16
Houston	31	58	.348	21.5
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Arizona	51	38	.573	-
San Francisco	47	39	.547	2.5
Coloardo	45	41	.523	4.5
Los Angeles	45	42	.517	5
San Diego	39	49	.443	11.5
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Toronto	40	42	.535	
Boston	49	41	.518	2
Baltimore	38	50	.434	9.5
Tampa Bay	36	51	.414	11.5
CENTRAL DIV	ISION			
Chicago	55	33	.625	-
Cleveland	46	42	.523	9
Kansas City	39	47	.453	15.5
Detroit	39	47	.453	15.5
Minnesota	39	53	.420	18
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Seattle	51	36	.586	-
Oakland	48	39	.552	3
Anaheim	47	42	.528	5
Texas	43	43	.473	8.5

their careers: Vladimir Guerrero, Jim Edmonds, Andres Galarraga, Jason Kendall, Derek Jeter, Carl Everett and Travis Fryman.

#### SOSA WANTS TO STAY IN CHICAGO - FOR NOW AT LEAST

Sammy Sosa wants to stay in Chicago for the rest of his career. Or through 2001. Or maybe through only this year.

A day after telling the Chicago Cubs he would veto any trade attempt, the star outfielder gave various positions on his future.

"I want to stay in Chicago," Sosa said Monday. "They're beautiful fans. They're beautiful people. They love baseball. I'm looking forward to staying in Chicago."

A few minutes later, thinking about the contract extension he wants, his position shifted.

"If they don't take care of me after this year is over, I'll probably finish next year and go to another place," Sosa said. "If they have a future with me, they'll close the deal. If not, I'll probably go to another place."

He could approve a trade during the offseason - if it's the right deal.

"I really have to wait until the year is over the find out the whole situation," he said.

Manny Ramirez might need another week of rehabilitation for a hamstring injury that has kept him out of the Cleveland Indians' lineup for more than a month.

"I think I need some more time," the All-Star outfielder told The Buffalo News before the Triple-A Buffalo Bisons were rained out against Rochester on Sunday.

Ramirez said his pulled left hamstring is about 70 percent healthy.

"I don't want to rush. ... I don't know," he said. "A week? It all depends. My leg is going to tell me when I'm ready."

Smiling, he said, "I like it over here. ... Maybe I'll just stay here."

Ramirez, elected to Tuesday's All-Star Game, left Sunday to attend the festivities in Atlanta but did not play. Out of the Indians' lineup since May 30, Ramirez has been on rehab assignment with the Bisons since last Thursday. In four games Ramirez has gone 4-for-9 with three homers.

#### METS RECALL RODRIGUEZ, OPTION CAMMACK

Left-hander Rich Rodriguez was recalled from the minors Monday by the New York Mets, who optioned right-hander Eric Cammack to Triple-A Norfolk of the International League.

Cammack had an 0-0 record and a 7.88 ERA in five appearances, walking eight and striking out five in five innings.

Rodriguez, who had been at Norfolk since June 27, was 0-1 with a 7.67 ERA in 23 appearances with the Mets earlier this season.

#### ALL-STAR NOTEBOOK: DYE HAS SCARE FLYING **INTO ATLANTA**

Jermaine Dye had a bit of a fright Monday during his first visit to Atlanta for Tuesday night's All-Star game since the Braves traded him away four years ago.

The 26-year-old outfielder with the Kansas City Royals, who was voted onto the American League team by the fans, said the commercial jet was getting ready to land at Hartsfield Atlanta International Airport when the plane suddenly went back into the air and circled several times before landing without incident.

"We were about 50 feet off the ground, basically getting ready to land when the plane took off into the air again. It was kinda scary," said Dye, who made the squad by hitting .319 with 22 home runs and 65 RBIs.

Dye, who homered on his first major-league swing on May 17, 1996, with the Atlanta Braves, has a career batting average of .279 with 72 homers and 265 RBIs in 470 games.

#### THE FLOYD COUNTY TIMES



NEW HEAD FOOTBALL coach Nathan Jones will look to returning assistants for help during the 2000 football season. Jones was hired to replace Donnie Daniels, who resigned after last season (photo by Ed Taylor)

#### Jones

enthusiasm, time and energy to give to the program.

They left me with some good talent coming back. I am real pleased with what I have seen so far. The players look like they are really excited to go this year."

Jones will inherit a program that will return a veteran backfield of B.J. Bryant, Matt Tackett and Joe Platkus. But the Raiders will have a couple of young speedsters in Jeremy Tackett and Leon Brown.

"Bryant is very explosive," said Jones. "He can turn it on anytime. He has some of the best ones (times) I have seen. I am very excited about coaching him this year. He has an opportunity to become a fabulous player.

"Joe is a very big kid. He can move. He had dropped his 40 time down some this year. He is going to get in better shape and be a back to mess with this year.

"Jeremy Tackett will get a lot of playing time this year. He looks like he can really run the ball. He has looked real impressive. Leon Brown did not play last year but came out this season. I expect a lot of big

explosive type runner. He will handle the ball some.

Coach Jones said junior Josh Johnson will behind center when the season kicks off in August.

"Josh played a little bit last year and got some experience," said the new South Floyd coach. "I think he has got another year of maturity under his belt. In just talking with him he is ready to lead this team."

Coach Jones would not give much of an assessment of Brackett Field only to say, "I am looking forward to the new stadium next year."

Georgetown College will be the site of the camp for the Raiders July 30-August 2. Coach Jones said it will be a time of dedication for the Raiders.

'We'll get them down there away from parents, girl friends and other distractions," he said. "We want to get some quality time in while there. We then come back put the pads on and then play our gridorama."

An adopted slogan posted around the Raiders weight room reads, "Be the hammer and not the nail."

"I have to credit by high school



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fident that I will. I have a lot of things out of him this year. He is an coach, Butch McPhearson for that one," said Coach Jones. "That was his philosophy in life, be a leader. Be aggressive."

> Jones commented on the things the Raiders need to do before the season opens,

"We will have a new play book and each player is going have to learn the book," he said. "That is number one. We will learn new plays and they (players) will be tested on them. If you don't pass certain percentage of the plays the consequence may be loss of playing time.'

Coach Jones stated he did not want a player on the field where they are required to think too much. "I want it to come natural to

them," he said. The new Raider mentor said the

kicking game will be a part of the South Floyd scheme of things. "I would like to find a good kick-

er," he said. "I will put a lot of emphasis on the kicking game."

The eastern part of the state is not really that foreign to Jones as his grandparents were one time residents of Paintsville.

"I used to come down here in the summer and visit them," he said. "I love it here. I love the scenery and the mountains are so beautiful."

Jones said he was impressed with the friendliness of the area.

South Floyd interest in Jones came via the Internet where he had filed a resume.

They got in touch with me," he said. "They searched the Internet and it gave my name as a recommendation for this area.'

#### 15th Region football officials to meet by ED TAYLOR

SPORTS EDITOR

Aspiring football officials as well as veterans are urged to be in attendance for the officials organizational meeting on Thursday, July 20, at 7 p.m.

The meeting, mandatory for all returning officials, will be held at Pikeville High School, according to 15th Region assigning secretary Jerry Hurley.

For more information, contact Jerry Hurley at (304) 235-6778 or (606) 237-5100.

#### JCHS

summer passing leagues.

Four years into his tenure, Bill Musick had Johnson Central into the playoffs for the first time in the school's history. Although the Golden Eagles would fall to the Bell County Bobcats in their first made.

Musick, his coaches, supporters and true fans of the program haven't looked back since. Since that first playoff game in 1995. Musick has made the state playoffs an annual thing. It's something the program is now familiar with, something they had never experienced before Bill Musick came to town.

Musick has always surrounded the program with great coaches. Mike Baldwin, a former coach at Union College and Elkhorn City, was Musick's head assistant for several years, Baldwin has been out of the program for a year now, but is considering a return.

Johnson Central alumni Billy Johnson, Mo Hall, Larry Salyer, Scott Rowland and Ben Hamilton have all served under Musick at one time or another. The Golden Eagles are building on a great football tradition going into this season.

The Golden Eagles return a solid defensive unit this season; one built around seniors Casey Music and Scott Salyer. Those two seniors will lead a very experienced defense.

Casey Music returns for another season in 4-A football, looking to improve from the 6-5 season of a year ago. Music is an athletic quar-

terback who can do many things with the football.

The Eagles also return a veteran offensive line this season. Paul Browning will more than likely be Music's center.

This year's schedule for playoff game, history had been Central will call for the usual game with Paintsville, along with the tough 4-A schedule. The Eagles open up with Leslie County in the Big Sandy Bowl Saturday, August 19.

#### Brewer

"There are a lot of people down has become one of the bigger there who like harness horses. I just wish we could get more involved and come out.'

Brewer said that most horses can run until they become 14.

"They can race a long time," he said. "Once they are through racing a lot of them go the Amish up in Pennsylvania.

Others, according to Brewer, farms. Some even end up as show

"If you go to this thing (horse show) they have on Saturday nights, a lot of them are now riding horses that were harness horses. But it takes a special kind of horse to show. Most of my horses, you could ride because they are used to having someone on their back."

Brewer said he wouldn't do any thing else and that racing is his life. While he drives for others, he mostly races his own horses. He

THEY'RE COMING

SOUTH FLOYD'S Jason Johnson hit the weights in preparation for the upcoming football season. The **Raiders** open on August 18 against Evarts on the road (photo by Ed Taylor)

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Musick and his squad will play another demanding 4-A schedule this season, a 4-A routine the Golden Eagles are quite familiar with. Practice is now getting underway and Musick will constantly remind his players how their is no looking back.

The high school football season is growing close and Coach Bill Musick is sure to have his team ready for another season of 4-A battles.

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money winners as a driver on the circuit.

"As just a driver you get five percent of what the horse wins," he said. "If you are a owner you get all the purse.'

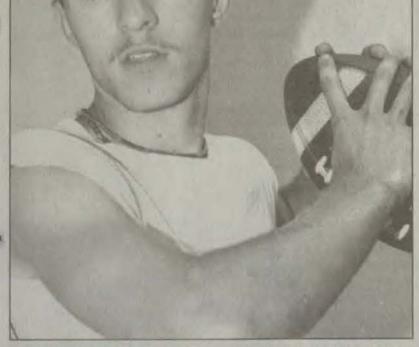
A purse can run anywhere from \$1,200 to \$2,000. Brewer said there is money to be made in the sport.

"You just have to use your become riding horses and pets on head," he said. "You can make some money racing. As a driver, I am usually in every race. I'll run about five to six races a night."

Brewer said his father, who is 40, got out of the sport and is involved only has a half-owner in one of the horses.

"They still live in Ohio and he decided that is it, and got out of it," said Brewer.

Brewer will, after the Thunder Ridge stay, will move on to Paducah and the Bluegrass, the third stop on the circuit.



JASON JOHNSON will be behind center for the South Floyd Raiders when the season kicks off in August. Johnson, a junior, started the first three games last season for the Raiders. (photo by Ed Taylor)

#### Sports

#### big deals.

Henson has said that it is a hard call for him right now.

"This trade happened partially because of that," he said, "Baseball is a business and I can understand their thinking.

George Steinbrenner, owner of the Yankees, tried to persuade Henson to forget about the pigskin and commit to baseball. Steinbrenner all but promised Henson stardom if he would make that decision and would always remain in a Yankee uniform.

However, experts say, the Yankees knew that football would win Henson over and thus the dealing to the Reds.

Henson reported to the Reds Double-A affiliate in Chattanooga.

What happens if Henson says no to baseball and yes to football?

Well, the Reds still feel they have good prospects in the other three taken in the deal with the Yankees.

Ed Yarnall, pitching in Triple-A. is the closest of the four to making it with the Reds. He was 13-4 for 9 the Yankee Triple-A team last year but has slipped to 2-1 this season.

He started one game for the discussing the latest Reds dealings. Yankees this season.

Jackson Melian, another hurler, is playing at the Double-A level. The fourth minor leaguer is Brian Reith, a pitcher in Single-A. He is currently 9-4 this season.

Now, will the Reds use the dumping of Neagle to sign shortstop Barry Larkin to a multi-year deal that will keep the native Cincinnatian in town for the rest of his career?

According to reports, Neagle was traded simply because the Reds could not sign him. Bowden has contended all along that the Reds are interested in keeping Larkin but the two cases are separate ones. Larkin is seeking \$28 million for three years. I say that is unjustifi-'able. Larkin is 36 years old and his best years are behind him.

Bowden said the Reds payroll could take a hike from the projected \$44 million to \$70 million. Bowden contends that the Reds cannot afford such a payroll.

While all the dealings were going on in the office the on-field players were remaining silent and not wanting to get involved in the

Jones said the thing he loves about football is putting points on the scoreboard.

"I love to score," he said. 'Whatever it takes."

He does not prefer one phase of the game over the other as long as it produces points.

The Raiders are expected to be a 50-50 club this season and will use the pass if necessary.

We have players who can run the ball and catch the ball out of the backfield," he said. "I hope to be knowledgeable enough of my players to know what they can or cannot do."

Nathan Jones. He may look like "just one of the boys" but you will notice the difference when the game gets underway. Don't be surprised by a youthful figure leading the cheers on the Raider sidelines.

"I get excited when we score," he said. "I will be cheering and hollering and jumping up and down."

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Remember back in February when it was announced that Ken Griffey Jr. was coming home? The

Queen City was abuzz. They all but had the Reds penciled in to win the National League Central Division in a walkaway.

Today, the same city stands in awe of what has happened to their cherished team that has seen an increase of 33 percent in attendance from last year.

Personally, I think the Reds made a wise decision unloading a player they had no chance to resign. Neagle is a good pitcher, but like most pitchers, arm problems could send you home permanently.

One team is not built, or should not be built around one player. The Reds still have a 25 man roster and if they dedicate themselves to the cause in front of them, they could still overcome the Cards. It is not likely, but they will just have to try to outscore the opposition the rest of the way instead of trying to outpitch them.

Until Wednesday, good sports everyone and be good sports!

### **STEVE'S SIDELINE SHOTS...** NFL training camps open after tainted off-season

#### by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS WRITER

NFL teams are currently opening. training camps all across the country following one of the most nightmarish off-seasons any pro league has ever went through.

Two NFL players found themselves jailed on charges of murder while another, Fred Lane, was just recently found dead, possibly a homicide.

The league also lost one of its best defensive players of all time in Kansas City Chief Derrick Thomas. The Chiefs linebacker was killed in a car wreck this past off season.

The Cleveland Browns have time. already opened up training camp for the 2000 season and are content to build on the 2-14 season of a year

Being the big Browns fan I am, I would love to see the Browns get back to the level they were on back in the late 1980s when they challenged Denver year in and year out

for the AFC Championship. The additions of number one pick Courtney Brown and free agent Orpheneus Brown should strengthen the defense as far as end positions go.

Cleveland still hasn't added out? another quality receiver for Tim Couch to throw to. Another receiver would open the Cleveland offense up for more of the deep balls Couch is capable of throwing from time to

Cleveland's training camp home is Berea, Ohio.

The Cincinnati Bengals will

open training camp next Friday, season will be the Tampa Bay Bucs. July 21, at Georgetown College. The Bengals are looking to build on the 4-12 season of a year ago.

Quarterback Akili Smith does have an offensive threat at his disposal in the form of number one draft pick Peter Warrick. The big question for Cincinnati appears to be whether running back Corey Dillon will holdout this season, and if so how many games will he hold

Cincinnati's first intrasquad scrimmage is scheduled for 1 p.m., Saturday, July 29, at Rawlings Field in Georgetown. It's great to have a professional football franchise holding their training camp in the Bluegrass State, even if it is the Bengals.

An interesting team to watch this

The off-season acquisition of Keyshawn Johnson should help the Tampa Bay offense catch up a little bit to their ruthless defense. Tampa Bay's defense is one of the best the

NFL has seen in recent years. Off season losses of quarterback Trent Dilfer, and linebacker Hardy Nickerson leave holes on both sides of the ball that Tampa Bay has to fill in order to compete this season.

Shaun King is a sensational young quarterback prospect, but can the Bucs rely on him this early in his professional career?

Warrick Dunn and Mike Alstott are a great power-finesse duo in the backfield, but that still doesn't make up for a quarterback who has experience. It would take years to obtain.

Veteran 'backer Hardy Nickerson was a mainstay on the Bucs defense over the past few years. A linebacker who can virtually play any linebacker position is definitely hard to replace.

The 2000 NFL season will promises to be something to behold.

#### HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL SEASON ONE MONTH AWAY

High school football teams throughout the area are practicing full steam in preparation for the 2000 season.

Several area schools take part in bowl games to begin the season. One of the great bowl games in the area is the Big Sandy Bowl.

The Big Sandy Bowl traditionally pits Johnson Central and Paintsville in separate games against two other teams from the region or state. Local teams who have participated in the Big Sandy Bowl include South Floyd, Betsy Layne and Prestonsburg.

Prestonsburg played Johnson Central (a Johnson Central team I played on) back in 1992, defeating the Golden Eagles on their home field. As most of you know, Prestonsburg would make it to the state finals the following year falling just short of a state champi-

#### onship

This year's Big Sandy Bowl features Paintsville taking on Fleming County and Johnson Central battling Leslie County.

Another great bowl here in the area is the Pike County Bowl, a bowl played at one of the Pike County schools.

Bowl games are fun to watch. The atmosphere at high school bowls is usually upbeat and very festive. Everyone is usually looking forward to the upcoming season.

#### **OTHER FALL SPORTS**

Fall isn't just for football anymore. Girls' volleyball, golf and cross country all take place during the early fall months. Each sport is equally important to the athletes who participate in them.

The area has seen several outstanding high school golfers come out of the high school golf pro-

grams. Cross-country is always popular, with a large percentage of athletes taking part also being members of the basketball teams at their respective schools. Cross-Country serves as a great way for those not participating in football to get in shape for the basketball season, or even the upcoming wrestling season.

Don't forget about high school wrestling. Prestonsburg wrestling Coach Jerry Butcher has done an outstanding job with the new wrestling program at that school.

Wrestling teams usually begin conditioning in late October or early November.

It never hurts for young athletes to try new sports. They just might find one they really like. Don't be afraid to try a new sport or activity. If you look hard enough you might find something you really enjoy.

That's all for now. See you at the games.



IT WAS A BIG EVENING at Thunder Ridge Speedway this past Friday night as drivers met just before the qualifying races began. (photo by Ed Taylor)



MICHAEL MORRISON hurled no-hit baseball against Magoffin County in the Junior League All-Star tournament at Paintsville last week. (photo by Steve Lemaster)



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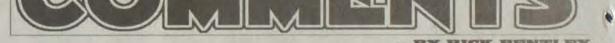
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### Notes to be named later:

lasted all the way to the final day of the season.

This season, it ended the day after the all-star break.

Trading Denny Neagle is like waving the white flag. Weve surrendered. Well start working toward next year. Well spend the rest of this season trying to re-sign Barry Larkin and trying to get Junior Griffey a respectable batting average.

And seeing how many runs a team can give up.

One things for sure. If Danny Graves is going to win the Fireman of the Year award, he'd better get himself traded too. I don't see too many save opportunities in the near future in Cincinnati.

Rick Pitino in South Bend? Could be.

He'll want a statue of himself right beside Touchdown Jesus, but

Drew Henson, who the Reds got in the Neagle deal, is quite a story. Many of you know when he's not playing minor league baseball, he's the quarterback of the Wolverines of Michigan.

He's from the small town of Brighton, which isn't much more than a touchdown toss from Michigan's most beautiful town, Chelsea. A couple of years ago when I was on vacation there, I talked to one of Chelsea Highs (Go Bulldogs!) baseball coaches, who doubles as a huge Wolverine fan, and he was worried UM may lose its coveted quarterback prospect. Apparently, on the diamond, he's the real deal.

But if he decides the best path to riches is playing 16 Sunday afternoons in the fall instead of every heat-riddled evening of spring, summer and fall, this could go down in the annals of Reds' history.

Jim Bowden hasn't made many

Last year, the Reds season bad moves. In fact, since firing off home run," which means a Tony Perez 42 games into his first season, I struggle to remember one. But this one was a risk to say the least.

> Count me among those a little skeptical about Matt Doherty's chances of success in North Carolina.

North Carolina is one of the top five mens' basketball programs in the country, but I had to say I was surprised at its search for a replacement for Bill Guthridge.

To put it bluntly, Carolina wasn't looking for the best candidate for the job, it was looking for the best candidate within the family.

Folks, this ain't the local lumber yard were running here. Its a bigtime basketball program. Now, perhaps Doherty will make us forget Dean Smith, but were doubting it here.

I'd be surprised if Kentucky or Duke would hire someone with only one year of experience to lead the charges. Its just not going to happen. Doherty did a fine job at Notre Dame, but a little more seasoning (no pun intended) was needed before he was cast into the big time.

Even many of the faithful on Tobacco Road were surprised by this move.

No one could doubt the Tar Heels when they offered the job to Roy Williams. But when he shocked most of us by saying no to his mentor, it was time to open the doors to Carolina Blue.

In fact, says here the happiest folks about this hiring were two schools wearing a darker shade: Duke and Kentucky.

Among the most annoying things in sports these days is ESPN's infatuation with the term "walk off"

Most often, it is used as "walk

home run to end a game. But they've thrown in "walk off singles," and even "walk off walks" lately.

Is "game-ending" so difficult? Hasn't it served us well for baseball's first 125 years?

If someone came to me and told me they'd found out Ronnie Edwards was 14, it wouldn't surprise me.

This young man just wrapped up an outstanding District Seven, Area One Little League tournament, helping the Belfry all-stars to a third-place finish. Hes about 5-10, and I'd say he's well on his way to being a lineman for Philip Haywood if he so chooses. He's a good-sized young man.

He really looked a lot older than every other child in the tournament. And he used his size to his advantage. On the mound, he overpowered many hitters.

But at the plate, he was really amazing. Check-swing foul balls traveled 175 feet. And Sunday, he was jammed, not extending his arms at all on a pitch he hit well over the fence in right field.

All this said, what really made him a pleasure to watch was his enthusiasm for the game. During introductions, he made sure he slapped every hand extended for him. He smiled a lot and celebrated with his teammates when he, or any of them, did something eventful.

They call him "Boomer", and its easy to see why. Its also easy to see why he's as popular with the fans of the other teams as his own.

Endquote: It's been a while since we've used this feature, but loved this quote from Atlanta manager Bobby Cox, after the Braves got Andy Ashby from Philadelphia Wednesday:

"We kind of like to trade a lot."

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PAY-PER-VIEW



#### **TOP 10**

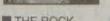
- 1. The Rock, WWF
- 2. Justin Credible, ECW 3. Chris Benoit, WWF
- 4. Triple H, WWF
- 5. Kane, WWF 6. Booker T, WCW
- Chris Jericho, WWF 7.
- 8. Sabu, XPW

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- 9. Crash Holly, WWF
- 10. Rhino, ECW

Look for: Rhino to challenge for the ECW world heavyweight title soon.





THE ROCK

Los Angeles, July 16 WWF, Fully Loaded,

ECW, Heatwave,

- Dallas, July 23
- WCW pay-per-view, Vancouver, British Columbia, Aug. 13

MAILBAG

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

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@thomnews.com. IH Dear Squared Circle, Here are my top 10: 1. Sting 2. Ric Flair 3. Kevin Nash 4. Scott Hall

5. Hulk Hogan 6. Scott Steiner 7. Diamond Dallas Page 8. Buff Bagwell 9. Billy Kidman 10. Jeff Jarrett Also, does David Flair really hate his dad, Ric Flair? - Jessica Hixon Chillicothe, Ohio

A: Nice top 10, but have you ever heard of the WWF, Jessica? As for Flair, no, he and his dad are really close. It's just an angle.

Dear Squared Circle. Here are my top 10: 1. Kane 2. Undertaker 3. The Rock 4. Stone Cold Steve Austin 5. X-Pac 6. Scotty Too Hotty 7. Rikishi

- 8. Chris Jericho
- 9. Goldberg
- 10. Mankind

- Alan Hill Williamsburg, Ky.

A: Nice top 10, but have you ever heard of WCW, Alan?

#### IN THE SPOTLIGHT



The Hardy Boyz are a popular WWF tag team.

### **GIRLS LOVE** HARDY BOYZ

By Jaime Householder Squared Circle Correspondent

att and Jeff Hardy are two of the young and attractive superstars of the World Wrestling Federation.

Both Matt and Jeff knew at a young age that they wanted to wrestle. They learned moves with their friends on their trampoline and competed for cardboard title belts. Their dream was to be tag team champions.

They looked up to the legendary Fabulous

#### **AFTER THE BELL**

CRASH HOLLY

News and gossip from the wrestling world:

Paul Bearer will return to the WWF soon with a new gimmick and look.

The USA Network-WWF deal runs through the end of September, which suggests that "Raw" will make the move to TNN in October, a month after TNN's deal with ECW ends. There is expected to be no interruption in WWF programming, but no exact start date or time has been set.

Jimmy Hart hasn't been on WCW television lately because he tore ligaments in his knee during a match with Mancow at Spring Stampede in Chicago. He'll be out for a couple of months.

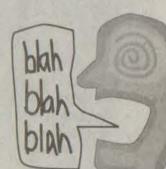
Mae Young and The Fabulous Moolah were not under WWF contract. They were being paid per show. The WWF has no plans to use them in the near future.

Hardcore Holly's (Bob Howard) broken left forearm should have him out four to six weeks. Holly is in tremendous physical condition, and this will help the process.

Johnny Ace is guitting All Japan Pro Wrestling to work as a booker for WCW.

More than 30 corporations have pulled advertising from WWF "Smackdown!," according to the Parents Television Council. Dr. Pepper/Seven-Up joins Coca-Cola, Wendy's, Ford, General Motors, AT&T, State Farmer M&M Mars, Gap, McDonald's, Delta Airlines and Johnson & Johnson as major companies who no longer will advertise products on the show. The WWF has agreed to tone down the language and gestures in hopes of not losing any more sponsors.

Jerry The King Lawler will wrestle more often in addition to doing color commentary for WWF TV. Despite being 50 years old, he's still in good shape and competes weekly in his promotion, Memphis Championship Wrestling.



111 Dear Squared Circle, Here are my top 10: 1. Kane 2. Undertaker 3. Rikishi 4. Jeff Hardy 5. Too Cool 6. Justin Credible 7. Austin 8. Goldberg 9. Buh-Buh Ray Dudley 10. Big Show Does Undertaker ever put on Kane's suit when Kane cannot make it? - Dario Rodriguez Parkton, N.C.

A: No.

#### FEUD OF THE WEEK

Scotty Anton vs. **Rob Van** Dam, ECW

#### **CATCH PHRASES**

"It doesn't matter what your name is."

**REAL NAMES** 

Hulk Hogan,

Hollywood Hogan

Terry Bollea

6-7, 275

Hometown:

Venice Beach, Calif.

Birthday: Aug. 11, 1953

Pro debut: 1978

— The Rock

In the May issue of Raw Magazine, they were compared to the Backstreet Boys in that their popularity is rising with female fans.

Matt told Raw Magazine, "I didn't really expect this kind of response from the female fans with the way our image was." He was speaking of their time with Michael Hayes when they were darker. "Our image is somewhat young and hip now. And the clothes we wear are considered pretty cool - it's what all the young people wear out there," Jeff said.

It's not just where these boyz shop that attracts these fans. It's their whole persona from Jeff's multi-colored hair to the way Matt flashes their signature "gun" pose that makes the Hardys so irresistible to today's teens.

They're not the wholesome All-American boys. They have an essence of excitement and danger that the boy-next-door type doesn't pos-SCSS.

They talk about the reaction they get when female fans meet them. Many are crying and shaking nervously as they meet them.

Matt said, "You just want to grab them and hug them to make them feel comfortable. But you know whenever that happens it's just amazing that somebody can be that dedicated to you without ever actually meeting you."

But both Matt and Jeff understand why their fans react like this. "It's still so hard to swallow when you take part in a scene like that," Jeff said. "I mean, I'll sit here and watch TV and look up to a certain rock 'n' roll star and I know that if I were to see them in real life I'd. be freaking out and stuff, too. But then to think that people look at me in that light, it's just so strange and it all happened so fast. But hey, it's wonderful."

Freebirds, especially (and ironically enough) Michael "P.S." Hayes. Now that they have accomplished that feat, their goal is to become the most over tag team in wrestling history. There is no doubt they'll be able to reach that

Before they got to the WWF, they were in an independent federation known as OMEGA. Many other OMEGAs' have broken into the business, including Joey Abs (WWF), Shannon Moore, Shane Helms (WCW), C.W. Anderson and ChamPain (ECW)

Though their wrestling styles contrast, they also complement each other.

Twenty-two-year-old Jeff is more of a risktaker, especially with his finishing maneuver, the Senton Bomb. Matt. 25, is the power wrestler of the two. He uses his strength and mat wrestling abilities to destroy his opponents, then finishes them off with the "Twist of Fate" (a swinging neckbreaker). When you put these two together they are a definite force to be reckoned with.

In 1999 they earned "Match of the Year," along with Edge and Christian, for their tag team ladder match at Wrestlemania. As it was the Terri Invitational Tournament, the Hardys won the managerial services of Terri Runnels. and a cash prize.

They reached the top of their game on June 29, 1999, when they defeated Faarooq and Bradshaw, The Acolytes. Matt and Jeff became the federation's youngest tag team champions.

With Matt winning the Hardcore title a few months ago and Jeff being compared to a young Shawn Michaels, who knows what the future has in store for these two superstars.

ESPN2 has had discussions with ECW about a possible television deal. ESPN used to air AWA wrestling and USWA in the 1980s.

The Dupps and Acolytes will start a major feud soon.

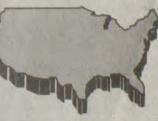
Lance Storm and Billy Kidman reportedly like working together. This tag team could get a push in WCW.

Ric Flair's father, Dr. Richard Fliehr Sr., died June 25 from complications after bowel surgery earlier in the week. Dr. Fliehr, who was an ob/gyn, actually delivered several pro wrestlers in Minneapolis. He had been on dialysis for some time. He and Mrs. Fliehr were married for 59 years. Our condolences go out to the family.

#### COMING TO YOUR TOWN

A look at upcoming wrestling shows across the country:

WWF... July 16, Trenton, N.J. Wilkes-Barre, Pa. July 17, "Raw," Albany, N.Y. July 18, "Smackdown!" Uniondale, N.Y.



July 21, Dayton, Ohio

WCW .... July 18, "Nitro," Auburn Hills, Mich. July 19, East Lansing, Mich. July 20, Toledo, Ohio

ECW.... July 21, Decatur, III. July 22, Peoria, III. July 28, Dallas July 29, Houston Aug. 11, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

#### WRESTLING ON THE WEB

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If you know of a new or hot wrestling Web site, share it with Squared Circle readers. Send it to aconchel@thomnews.com

### A look back at

memorable moments in pro wrestling history:

April 7, 1956: Wilbur Snyder beats Verne Gagne in Chicago to win the NWA U.S. title, ending Gagne's 31-month title reign.

July 4, 1990: Ed Leslie (Brutus Beefcake) suffers massive facial injuries in a parasailing accident in Florida. He underwent 8 1/2 hours of surgery.

### MATMEMORIES

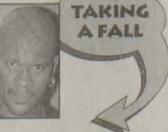


The Big Show: The 500-pounder should be back in the WWF ring soon. He's working out in Louisville, Ky., with Ohio Valley Wrestling, the WWF's farm system. He's out for two months.



New Jack: His aerial antics finally have sidelined him. His latest balcony dive resulted in a chipped ankle in three places.

WHO'S HOT/WHO'S NOT



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#### 2000 POINTS STANDINGS

	A Design of the local division of the local		
	WINSTON CUP	BUSCH	TRUCK
1	Bobby Labonte, 2,670	Jeff Green, 2,812	Greg Biffle, 2,412
2.	Dale Earnhardt, 2,625	Todd Bodine, 2,424	Mike Wallace, 2,270
3.	Dale Jarrett, 2,602	Jason Keller, 2,313	Andy Houston, 2,263
4.	Ward Burton, 2,456	Kevin Harvick, 2,290	Jack Sprague, 2,226
5,	Tony Stewart, 2,455	Elton Sawyer, 2,213	Kurt Busch, 2,207
6.	Mark Martin, 2,453	Ron Hornaday, 2.189	Rendy Tolsma, 2,075
7.	Jeff Burton, 2,449	Randy LaJole, 2,157	Steve Grissom, 2,002
8.	Ricky Rudd, 2,419	Tony Raines, 1,917	Rick Crawford, 1,938
9.	Rusty Wallace, 2,377	David Green, 1,900	Bryan Reffner, 1,926
10.	Jeff Gordon, 2,348	Casey Atwood, 1,899	Dennis Setzer, 1,917

#### TOP TEN

Weekly rankings by NASCAR This Week writer Monte Dutton. Last week's ranking is in parentheses.

1.	(4)	Tony Stewart	
2.	(2)	Bobby Labonte	
3.	(3)	Dale Earnhardt	
4.	(1)	Dale Jarrett	
5.	(7)	Mark Martin	
6.	(5)	Jeff Burton	
7.	(6)	Jeff Gordon	
8.	(8)	Ward Burton	
9.	(9)	Rusty Wallace	
10.	(-)	Ricky Rudd	

#### FROM LAST WEEK

#### WINSTON CUP

LOUDON, N.H. -- Tony Stewart dedicated his victory in the thatlook.com 300 to his fallen colleague, Kenny Irwin.

Stewart and Irwin were fierce competitors and one-time teammates in the open-wheel ranks. Stewart said that Irwin, who was killed in a Friday practice crash, was responsible for much of his success because Irwin's presence on the track always made Stewart better. They had their differences over the years, as

Stewart with a rain storm that shortened the race to 273 of a scheduled 300 laps

A year earlier, Stewart had led until running out of fuel with two laps to go, dropping him to 10th behind Jeff Burton.

Stewart led 156 laps. After 40 minutes, NASCAR, like most of the drivers chasing Stewart, called it quits.

#### **BUSCH GRAND NATIONAL**

The Busch Grand National Series was off last week and will Sunday at Nazareth, Pa.

#### WINSTON CUP

What: Pennsylvania 500 When: 1 p.m., July 23 Where: Pocono Inter-

national Raceway, Long Pond, Pa (2.5-mile track) Format: 200 laps/500

miles Defending champion:

**Bobby Labonte** 

Qualifying record: Mike Skinner, Chevrolet, 170.451 mph, July 23, 1999

Race record: Rusty

THE SCHEDULE

Wallace, Ford, 144.892 mph, July 21, 1996 Notable: Jeff Gordon has

won three races at this track. Bobby Labonte swept both Pocono races last year.

#### **BUSCH GRAND NATIONAL**

What: Econo Lodge 200 When: 12:30 p.m., Sunday Where: Nazareth (Pa.) Speedway (1-mile track) Format: 200 laps/miles

Defending champion: Matt Kenseth

PROFILE

Qualifying record: Jeff Green, Chevrolet, 130.866 mph, May 22, 1999

Race record: Chuck Bown, Pontiac, 104.772 mph, May 11.1991

Notable: With the Winston Cup Series taking a week off, Kenseth likely will defend his victory of a year ago. ... Tim Fedewa has won this race twice.

#### **CRAFTSMAN TRUCK**

What: Chevy Silverado 200

When: 1:30 p.m., Saturday Where: Nazareth (Pa.) Speedway (1-mile track)

Format: 200 laps/miles Defending champion: Greg Biffle

Qualifying record: Mike Bliss, 128.315 mph, July 11, 1998

Race record: Jack Sprague, 99.252 mph, June 30, 1996

Motable: Kurt Busch enters this race riding a two-week win streak.

### **Your Turn**

#### **Letters From Our Readers**

Dear NASCAR This Week,

The race on Sunday, June 25, 2000, was canceled and rescheduled for Monday, June 26, 2000, at 9 a.m.

What happens to the fans' tickets due to the race being rescheduled? I know a lot of people probably had no choice but to go to work on Monday. Therefore, they couldn't make it to the race. Are they refunded or rescheduled for another race?

Jill Winterroth Bradley, Ill.

We assume you are referring to the Pocono race, which was originally scheduled on June 18 and run on June 19, and at 10 a.m., not 9 a.m. Racing is no different from most other sports with similar schedule formats. The tickets are valid for whenever the race is run. There is no easy answer to this problem. Many fans, especially those from far away, would have just as difficult a time coming back on another Sunday. In recent years, we estimate that at least 80 percent of the fans managed to make it back the following day.

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Dear NASCAR This Week,

I am a huge Tony Stewart fan. I watch the races every Sunday. (When the Kmart 400 was raindelayed), CBS left to cover golf. Needless to say, I did not see the end of the race. I wish CBS and ABC would butt out and leave TNN and ESPN, who care about the sport and not just the profit, to air all the races. CBS and ABC won't even show the complete race results.

John Clark/NASCAR This Week

A smile and Kenny Irwin Jr.'s face went hand-in-hand during his three years on the Winston Cup circuit. The 30-year-old Irwin died Friday in a practice crash.

By Monte Dutton NASCAR This Week

For the second time in three months, a tragedy occurred in the third turn of New Hampshire International Speedway. Only a few

What other drivers said in tribute to the life of Kenny Irwin Jr.:

Tony Stewart: "I want to dedicate this win to Kenny Irwin. We were (once) teammates, and I knew him and raced with him for the last nine years. We weren't always on the best

and provided the beleaguered

Only driver with three wins

Pair of teammates up front

Nary a wrong move

Pulled out a top-five Fourth in points ... by one

**Drawing ever closer in points** 

If only the rain had held off

Loudon win streak snapped

He'd trade those seven poles

Another top-10 and no wins

Kenny Irwin Jr.

Aug. 5, 1969-July 7, 2000

fierce competitors always do. but no one was more devastated at Irwin's death than Stewart, who grew up less than an hour's drive from Irwin in Indiana, the native state of both.

In the first of two annual races at New Hampshire International Speedway, Stewart dominated for the second year in a row. He needed a few gulps of fuel again, though, and this time he was so fast that not even Mother Nature would stand in his way. Mother Nature, in fact, stood in everyone else's way

Jeff Green, who has four victories this season, owns a 388-point lead over secondplace Todd Bodine in the driver standings.

#### **CRAFTSMAN TRUCK**

LOUDON, N.H. - Rookie Kurt Busch, who has teamed with fellow Roush Ford driver Greg Biffle to dominate the series, won for the second week in a row, capturing the thatlook.com 200 at New Hampshire. Joe Ruttman started on the pole.

#### FEUD OF THE WEEK

#### **Tony Stewart vs. Ward Burton**

Tony Stewart won the race at New Hampshire but was miffed afterward at what he considered unnecessarily rough driving by fellow Pontiac driver Ward Burton.

"Ward Burton tried his darndest to crash me all day when I was trying to lap him," Stewart said. "You don't expect a guy like him to race you like that. Every time I got beside him, he drove into me. I would try to be more patient, and I was trying to be patient. But at the same time, I've got second-, third- and fourth-place guys running behind me and trying to get by me, so I had to do what I could to try to get by Ward. But Ward would've rather crashed me than go a lap down. It's a tough situation.

NASCAR This Week's Monte Dutton gives his opinion: "It was a tough situation, and one can sympathize with Ward Burton's desperate desire to stay on the lead lap, especially since he is in a points race with Stewart and all the other contenders. This one is a tough call, one you can see both ways.

moments after practice began for the thatlook.com 300, Kenny Irwin crashed at almost the same spot where Busch Grand National driver Adam Petty lost his life May 12.

Irwin was a former Winston Cup rookie of the year, a two-time winner in the Craftsman Truck Series and a champion of the United States Auto Club's National Midget Series.

The fatal crash occurred at approximately 11:23 a.m., leaving everyone in shock. His driving ability will be missed, but those who knew him will miss even more his sense of humor, pleasant personality and bright smile. Hometown: Indianapolis

Car: No. 42 BellSouth Chevrolet, owned by Felix Sabates

Crew chief: Tony Glover

Career statistics: 87 starts, 0 wins, 4 topfive finishes, 12 top-10 finishes. 3 poles. \$3,606,943 in earnings

Firsts: Start (Sept. 6, 1997, at Richmond). pole (Nov. 6, 1998, at Atlanta), victory (none)

HOT: In the past six races, Tony Stewart has three victories and six top-10 finishes. ■ NOT: Crashes have left twotime Winston Cup champion Terry Labonte 41st and 43rd, and injured, in the last two races.

**AROUND THE GARAGE** 

terms with each other, but we always respected each other in a race car and respected what each other could do in a race car. ... He is part of the reason I got to Winston Cup because he made me become a better race car driver because I had to beat him every week, and he was as tough as anybody around.

Joe Nemechek: "Believe me, the accident that happened this weekend, it probably hits nobody harder than myself. Losing my brother (John) three years ago in a racing deal, it's tough. I still ask myself why this is happening to all these young drivers. The Lord works in mysterious ways.

Rusty Wallace: "I don't know how to say it, except that there are days that really make you sit back and look at yourself in the mirror and go, 'Why do I do this?'

Dale Jarrett: "We're all shocked and stunned that this could happen again. It's pretty somber there, but we, unfortunately, have to go on about our business."

1. Who founded Charlotte (now Lowe's) Motor Speedway?

2. What current driver was once a crew member on Bobby Labonte's Busch Grand National team? 3. What driver appeared in the movie "Cannonball Run 117?

> 2. David Green; 3. Harry Gant. 1. Curtis Turner and Bruton Smith; **ANSWERS**

Andrea Barnhart Johnstown, Pa.

Under the TV deal that will go into effect in 2001, none of the networks you mention --- TNN, ESPN, CBS and ABC — will be televising races. NBC and Fox will air all the races.

### Fan Tip

What in the heck is thatlook.com? The online company emerged last Wednesday to sponsor not only the Winston Cup race, but the entire weekend of modified, Busch North and Craftsman Truck events.

According to its press release, thatlook.com is "an experienced national service group assisting individuals to obtain affordable and convenient elective cosmetic surgery to improve their physical appearance."

So if you're in the market for hair implants, laser eye surgery, plastic surgery, etc., these people want to do business with you.

#### CREW OF THE WEEK

Jimmy Fennig made sure that driver Mark Martin had enough gas to complete the thatlook.com 300. It was the only way Martin could have won. As it turned out, no one completed the thatlook.com 300, and Tony Stewart won the rain-shortened race, which fell 27 laps shy of its scheduled distance. Stewart dominated the race and was a deserving winner, but Fennig and the Valvoline crew deserve credit for giving their driver a chance.

#### FROM THE ARCHIVES

When NASCAR held its first "strictly stock" (now Winston Cup) event June 19, 1949, Lee Petty drove the family's Buick from Level Cross, N.C., to Charlotte Speedway to compete in the event. He rolled the car on the 107th of 197 laps. "After the race, I was just sitting there thinking about having to go home and explain to my wife where I'd been with the car," Petty said.

Injured Terry Labonte can't buy a break on the racetrack **By Monte Dutton** NASCAR This Week

Terry Labonte has a fractured bone below his right knee.

The injury occurred when Labonte crashed during the July 1 Pepsi 400 at Daytona, but was not discovered when Labonte was treated at Halifax Medical Center for a possible concussion. Labonte, who is now on crutches, said he did not seek treatment until he returned home to North Carolina the day after the race.

Jack Sprague, Hendrick Motorsports' driver in the Craftsman Truck Series, was standing by for possible relief duty Sunday at New Hampshire, where Labonte was again

involved in a crash on the seventh lap. He apparently did not further aggravate the knee injury.

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ROUSH POWER: Every major NASCAR race run on Independence Day weekend was won by a car whose engine was supplied by Roush Racing.

The Jack Roush organization obviously supplied the Ford power that propelled Jeff Burton to victory in the Pepsi 400, and Kurt Busch in the Craftsman Truck Series race in West Allis, Wis.

But Roush also built the Chevrolet engine that Jeff Green drove to victory in the Busch Grand National race at the Milwaukee Mile

SILVER LINING: Bobby and Judy Allison, who attended Adam Petty's funeral together, remarried July 3 after divorcing four years earlier.

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"We were married on the third at noon," said Bobby Allison, the 1983 Winston Cup champion and winner of 84 Winston Cup races. "The significance of that is that 312 has always been my favorite number."

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REALLY. IT WAS NOTHING: Tony Stewart played down the scare he received July 5 when his plane had to make an emergency landing in Asheville, N.C., en route

to Indianapolis.

Stewart's pilot, Bob Burris, landed "as softly as any other landing," in Stewart's words, when one of the two engines went out on the prop plane.

"I didn't think there was anything to worry about until I saw fire engines pulling up on the runway," Stewart added.



WHEN KYLE GETS BACK: Fred Graves has taken over as crew chief for the No. 44 Pontiac normally driven by Kyle Petty. Petty skipped the New Hampshire race. but Graves, 53, handled the crewchief chores with the substitute driver, Steve Grissom.



### All in the family



The Rowan County Caudills meet the Floyd County Caudills: from left, Benjie Caudill, the two Estills in the middle, and Lafe Caudill.

Getting the beans ready for the crowd was a big part of the activities.

You don't often go to a reunion as a stranger. That basically was the case with Benjie Caudill and me when we went to the Caudill reunion in Morehead. (My mom

by WILLIE ELLIOTT

STAFF WRITER

Dad.) Our cousin Estill Caudill who lives in Florida had called us and invited us to the reunion to visit members of the family that we did a not know existed.

Estill had run into the family by accident. He was in Branson, Missouri, and the clerk at the hotel told him another Caudill (pronounced Caud'-duhl here in the research and let us all know what mountains but Ka-dill' elsewhere) family was there and wanted to meet him.

Just by observing body language and nuances in their personalities, the two came to the conclusion that they were indeed of the same family tree.

As they talked, Lafe Caudill from the Morenead clan deduced foods you would expect at a sumthat his dad Abner Caudill was a mer outing, but, as a throwback to on the site, but on this day, it was brother to our grandfather Nelson the old days, soup beans (pinto), Caudill. Grandpa Nelson left Morehead toes were cooked over an open fire. with a cow and mule and came to

Floyd County, never to go back. Ironically enough, Lafe's son is also named Estill which seemed to create an extra bond between the two so-named individuals.

As often happens in rural reunions, a visit to the family cemetery was in order. We took a photo was a Caudill and sister to Benjie's of Abner's grave marker that listed his dates, rank and company in the service

Looking at genealogy papers that Benjie had copied at the Magoffin County Historical Society, we tried (sometimes successfully, but more times not) to ascertain our degree of kinship to those on hand.

Benjie promised to do more facts he found.

All that deep thinking whetted our appetite, so we took part in a yearly ritual that these Caudills engage in. In a wooded area set aside for such gatherings, the family comes together for fun and conversation and food.

The story was that fried potatoes and fried green toma-A dinner bell has been erected



The menu included the typical The "taters" and fried green tomatoes were simmering on a special-made stove.



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.

Home from Los Angeles and the Democratic convention, Bob Francis is doing his hand shaking with his left hand. He explains: "I used my right hand to shake with Kennedy, Johnson and Stevenson. Haven't washed it since."

Rockefeller says nix on the idea of being the G.O.P. nominee for vice president. The fact is, he would like to apply the same expression to Nixon's idea of being the No. 1 man on the ticket.

#### PALEFACE NAMES—UGH!

A historical paper seeking to fix the origin of names is all wrong on at least two counts, it appears. It puts both Thealka and Helechawa down as stemming from the noble redskin, but both sprang from more modern origins.

Thealka was named for Alka Meek, who was later to be the wife of John C. C. Mayo, late eastern Kentucky financier. The story is told that Green Meek directed a sign painter to inscribe on the side of a steamboat which he owned and which plied the Big Sandy the words, "The Alka," in honor of his daughter. The wielder of the brush, however, put the two words together and thus came up with the name, "Thealka," which later became that of a Johnson county railroad station and postoffice.

And Jack Howard, Prestonsburg attorney, can personally vouch for the fact that Helechawa is entirely of paleface origin. This spot was a station on the old Ohio & Kentucky Railway, and it was so named for Helen Chase Warren, daughter of the railway line's president.

Mr. Howard should know. In his younger days he and others from the White Oak section in Morgan county would walk overland, catch a train and ride it to Helechawa where they would alight and walk another six or seven miles to the Hazel Green Academy to do a bit of book-work. Then the walk back to Helechawa and the return home. It was out of these overland treks that Helechawa earned from these youngsters an even more colorful name-"Hell Each Way."

not needed since we were all drawn to the food by smell not sound. Family members said the bell was just a "conversation piece," any-

way.

So we left the reunion with a sense of knowing a little more about ourselves and our family. We also promised to return for future strangers to one another.

engagements and extended an invitation to them to join us in some of our set's meetings.

At least we are now more than

Historian Charles Wells starts his books in long-hand and then transfers to computer.

STORY AND PHOTOS by PAM SHINGLER LIFESTYLES EDITOR

The best book about early Floyd County history was compiled by a Johnson Countian. But it's OK. His people came here when all of this section of Kentucky was Floyd

Writing history

County

Charles Wells - known throughout the Big Sandy Valley as "Hardware Charlie" - has published three books that are vital to research on the history of the area.

In fact, he's done the hard work so that amateur researchers can have an easier time of ferreting out information about their families and their communities

His hardbound book, "Annals of Floyd County.

Kentucky, 1800-1826," records property transactions - land, as well as human - along with marriage bonds posted and actions of the county court, now known as the fiscal court, during the county's first quarter century

The book is a valuable research tool for the

whole region, since it covers the years when Floyd encompassed all or parts of 15 present counties.

> He even took classes in handwriting, taught by experts in genealogical research. "I got run out of the

courthouse more times," he says, with a

smile. "The records were in bad shape. The marriage bonds, for instance, were folded

Wells, who lives at Hager Hill, spent hundreds of hours in the Floyd County Courthouse, tediously poring over records that had been handwritten in the ornate style of the early 19th century.

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PostScript

by Pam Shingler Editor



### **Both** sides

The film "Stranger With a Camera" on KET last Tuesday raises questions that probably will forever confound us hill folks. Produced by a Perry County native, Elizabeth Barret, through Appalshop, the documentary looks at the killing 33 years ago of a Canadian filmmaker by a Letcher County man.

It's not a common film. It does not exploit a mystery. The murder doesn't require the services of Columbo, Jessica Fletcher or Shaft. When the hour is up, we're no closer to the answers than when we started.

At the heart of the film is the interpretation of image - specifically the image of people in this region.

Hugh O'Connor came to this area to capture what he saw on film for what was to be a larger piece on social and economic problems across the country.

Hobart Ison shot him because of what he and many other natives saw, the region being portrayed negatively by outsiders.

This has been an issue for most of our history and has involved all the media -newspapers, magazines, books, radio, television, movies.

We've been depicted as ignorant hillbillies, rabble-rousing, violent, lazy, moronic, child-like, innocent, inbred, illiterate, untrustworthy and any number of negative descriptives.

Even many whose intentions are good have painted us as pathetic and impotent and, often as not, have stripped us of digni-

Mr. Ison's rage was so well understood that an impartial jury was not found in his home county, and after he was tried, he served less than two years in jail. Yet, this was clearly murder.

understandable.

Most of us grapple with the dichotomy of acknowledging our shortcomings while resenting being defined and limited by them.

The line is a fine one, and we will continue, like filmmaker Barret, to be pulled by the tug of war.

Relatedly, Gov. Paul Patton, at an Appalachian Regional Commission meeting a couple of days ago, pledged to concentrate on improving the image of the mountains.

I hope he is successful. But I also hope he doesn't fall for the media blitz form of public relations. Of course, that approach has powerful, albeit temporary, impact.

However, real change in image takes place when there is change in substance. We need real solutions to our problems, not mere image tinkering.

Greetings to subscriber Betty Flanery of His act was inexcusable; his anger was Langley. Thanks for reading the Times.

WE AGREE Out of my conversation with Jack Howard about this and other matters

pertaining to other years and places I came up with the discovery that we are in almost perfect agreement that perhaps the greatest contribution science has made to the race has been the elimination of corn-thinnin'. It develops that both of us had given considerable thought to an invention which would mechanically pull those extra stalks and thus spare young backs.

It is passing strange that it did not occur to two such minds that mebbe the solution to the problem would be to plant fewer grains to the hill.

TIPS FROM AN EXPERT

Now for some hot-weather fishing tips which reach this desk from a socalled fishing expert. The remarks in parentheses are not by a fishing expert, and I'll give you three guesses as to his identity.

1. Wear an old hat lined with aluminum tinfoil which insulates against heat and protects the angler from the sun. (Better yet, wear a cap that won't blow off, get there before the sun comes up and leave early.)

2. Use polarized sun glasses to cut the surface glare and thus be able to see the fish beneath the surface (What fish?)

3. Take along a fishing thermometer. (The fish I catch do not have a fever.)

4. Keep the catch out of the hot sun. Clean and scale your fish before taking them home to the little woman. (Pooey! The little woman will take care of that fish-scaling matter when and if friend husband brings any home by the simple expedient of handing him a fishscaler, pointing toward the door, and hissing, "Git!")





#### Celebrating 53 years

Ersel and Edith Kidd Huff celebrated their 53rd wedding anniversary on July 1, 2000, with a family dinner party. They were married by Rev. J.C. Wright on July 1, 1947, at the Pike County Courthouse. He is a retired coal miner and has been a minister for 47 years in the Old Regular Baptist Church. She is a homemaker. They have 12 children, 40 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. Their children are Mary Dye of Grethel; Bessie Howell of Minnie; Doris Miller, Phyllis Robinson, Ezekiel Huff, John Huff and Noah Huff, all of Michigan; and Roxie Conn, Martha Robinson, Dennis Huff, David Huff, and Alex Huff, all of Drift.



STRIHDAYS

#### **PIKEVILLE METHODIST** HOSPITAL

June 21: A son, Charlie Morgan, to Teena Marie and Ronnie Keith Long; a son, Anthony Michael, to Cindy and Mark Bryant.

June 22: A son, Glenn Asher, to Nicole and G. Sidney Gibson; a to Angel Nicole and Scottie Joe son, Billy Jared, to Barbara and Little. Billy White; a son, Derick Lee, to Mary and Timothy Justice; a daughter, Chasity Brooke, to Irene Denise and Wesley Fleming; a son, Austin Lee, to Angela and Joey Ousley; a Lee, to Shawna Lee and Tommy daughter, Kamryn Paige, to Michelle Lea and Ritchie Ray Bentley; a daughter, Kylie Brook Hall, to Danielle Hartschuh and

#### Billy James Hall.

June 23: A son, Miles Harrison, to Janet Lynn and Danny Emmitt Adkins; a son, Jayne Tyler, to Jessica Shree and Christopher Ray Stanley.

June 24: A daughter, Alexis Jade,

June 25: A daughter, Gloria Rena, to Sonya Rena and Preston Charles Cantrell.

June 26: A daughter, Savannah Ray Hopkins.

June 27: A son, Jacob Hunter, to Fonda Kaye and Jerry Ray Chaffins.

#### Writing

with a rubber band around them. You had to be very careful or they would fall apart.

To some folks, the reading might be pretty dry. But to those who are interested in history and genealogy, it's captivating.

"The best compliment I ever got," Wells says, "came from Russell May (the late artist). He told me, 'I don't appreciate you putting out a book like that. I picked it up after supper, and I didn't get to bed until 3 a.m.""

Some of the entries are matter-offact, stripped of any intrigue. A typical one: "7, May 1818: Indenture from Abner Conley to Jeremiah Hackworth in the amount of \$135 for 30 acres on the South Fork of Middle Creek."

Or a typical marriage bond record: "This is to certify that George Bradley is willing for Hiram, Prewitt to have his daughter Rebeka Bradley.

But others are so surrounded by intrigue that you wish you'd been there. To wit:

"25, July 1817: I, John Turman, do hereby certify that the slanderous words which I spoke of Polly Havens, the wife of John Havens of Prestonsburg, was spoken by me when drunk and that I had no cause for speaking the same. That I never knew anything disrespectful of Mrs. Havens, nor had I any grounds for speaking the words or any other word which derogate from the character of a chaste, honest, virtuous woman, ...

From the county court records of May 1809, we get Thomas Evans' report on the funeral expenses of Jacob Maynes, which include \$4 for three gallons of whisky and then another entry of 50 cents for a quart of whisky.

The coffin, by the way, cost \$7.50 and a candle was 18 cents. The court allowed the expenses against Maynes' estate.

More about spirits: That same court meeting set the tayern rates for the county. They included 37-1/2 cents for "Good rum wine and French Brandy per 1/2 pint." Whisky was a better buy at 12-1/2 cents per half-pint.

A warm breakfast was 21 cents; dinner, 25 cents, and supper, 21 cents. Overnight lodging "with clean sheets" was a bargain at 8-1/2 cents, less than what it cost to keep your horse - 12-1/2 cents.

Some of us may find out things we didn't want to know about our ancestors. One court action from August 1813 orders that a dead woman's "base born childern" be "bound out" to other families.

Wells began the book, he said,

"Greasy Creek Wellses" from the recording the material in spiral notenortheastern part of Johnson County. books, still using "pen and ink."

The first book is titled "Kentucky "I went to the expense of buying a Archives, Johnson County Vital laptop computer, but I hate the Statistics: Births, Deaths, Marriages thing," he said. "I like to ponder over (the records)." He does, however, transcribe the information onto com-In addition to the information noted in the title, the book contains puter and edits from there.

> He can laugh now about typing the first book on a typewriter and having to retype when he found an error. "I swore I would never do another one," he said. Computers have made the process much easier.

> Wells said he has been interested in history since he was about 10 years old, some 55 years ago. As a lad, he would go "graveyard hunting" with his aunt, Mable Rice, in Magoffin County.

He comes from a family that is keenly aware of its history and that includes many scholars. He traces his Kentucky ancestry back to Richard Wells, who settled on Daniel's Creek, near John's Creek, in 1824.

From Richard Wells sprang the two primary "sets" of area Wellses. One set, tracing to George Wells, remained in the Daniel's Creek area, and were Unionists during the devi-He sticks to traditional methods, sive Civil War. The other set, linking Society.

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to John Green Wells, settled over the hill along Greasy Creek, and were staunch Confederates, for the most part.

The research on Wells' books was done mostly when he could steal time away from his business, Hardware Charlie's, which, in addition to selling appliances, was for half a century a major source of bottled gas throughout the region.

Wells said that the day in 1996 when he completed the sale of the business was the first day he and his wife had been able to eat lunch together, because one of them always had to be at the business.

He had left Transylvania University in the early 1950s to come back to Paintsville to run the family business. Coincidently, the business fueled his interest in the history of the region, since he had to travel throughout the Big Sandy Valley and was able to listen to legends and to make connections among the people.

Wells' books are available at Readmore Books in Prestonsburg. He is scheduled to speak at the August 21 meeting of the Floyd County Historical and Genealogical

### **Program for women** offers second session

the program, the New Opportunity School for Women looks to collaborate with the Bennett Center, London, the former site of Sue Bennett College, to offer a satellite program.

of Johnson County, 1843-1904."

listings of slaves, the 1890 special

veterans census, a list of Confederate

The historian's latest book is the

veterans, and delinquent taxes lists.

"1890 Special Veterans Census for

Eastern Kentucky." It lists Civil War

veterans or their surviving widows

and families and such information as

whether they were given a pension

Kentucky counties and has more

Lately, he has been compiling

Wells is proud of his research.

Johnson County records, but he isn't

sure if they will be the subject of his

Whenever possible, he takes the

information directly from original

documents to avoid the chance of

repeating mistakes that might have

been made by previous compilers.

Wells said it covers 30 eastern

for their service time.

than 5,000 names.

next book.

Applicatons for the fall session of the New Opportunity School for Women, a free educational and career exploration program, should be requested now.

The upcoming session is scheduled October 1-October 21, at the Bennett Center in London off 1-75. The program is designed for women of low-income who have high

have not completed college. Applicants must be between the ages of 30 and 55.

The program provides educational opportunities through classes in computer basics, leadership development, Appalachian literature, and writing, in addition to lectures, field trips, and workshops focusing on building self-confidence.

Job skills will be identified and participants will learn to write resumes and practice interview techniques. Those selected to attend will also have internships in a field of interest in the London community.

Paintsville. Get-together, Friday at 7 p.m.; bring old photos to share. Saturday activities in East Room. (Ancestors settled on Mud Creek in 1826.) Contact Anna Stephens, 1904 Port Royal Ct., Lexington KY 40504-2237.

· Descendants of James and Florence Graham Patton, family reunion, Saturday, July 22, Stumbo Park at Allen, 1-4 p.m. Bring a covered dish. Call Ruth Patton Slone, 606/285-9165.

For the first time in the history of school diplomas or GED's but who Lodging and all meals are provided and grants for travel and child care are available.

> Requests for applications and additional information should be addressed to Caroline Francis, Director, Executive New Opportunity School for Women, 204 Chestnut SL, Berea, KY 40403, or by phoning 859/985-7200 or the Bennett Center at 606/877-1964.

The New Opportunity School was founded in 1987 by Jane B. Stephenson, a specialist in adult education programs, and 312 women have now graduated from the program.

cost \$10; meeting and social gathering, 2 p.m., convention center. Call Delphia Hicks, 606/886-3108.

· Third annual McCoy Reunion. August 13, beginning at 10 a.m., Sardis Association Building on Brushy Creek, Pike County. Covered dish dinner begins at 1 p.m. Call Betty Howard, 606/432-1601; Bertha Blackburn, 606/631-1005; Donna Taylor, 631-1763; Marquietta

Reunions

\*\* Reunion of descendants, family

\*\* 11th annual reunion, N&S and

and friends of Willie (Bill) and Lillian Conn Hall, Saturday, July 22, George P. Archer Shelter, Archer Park, Prestonsburg, All day; lunch served at about 1 p.m. Call Norma

McKinney, 606/478-1762.



#### Is eight

Amanda Rose Bellamy celebrated her eighth birthday on May 13, 2000, with a pool party. She is the daughter of Janet Bellamy of Mud Lick and Terry Bellamy of Eastern, and the stepdaughter of Carmel Davis of Mud Lick. Her grandparents are Harold and Josephine Prater of Martin and Bill and Mildred Bellamy of Prater Fork.

because his wife, Floyd County native Carlos Horn, wanted to join the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR). His research on her behalf — which was successful in establishing her Revolutionary ancestry - made him want to make it easier for other researchers.

The book was originally published in 1983 by Gateway Press of Baltimore, and it was brought out again in 1995. Copies of the book have been sold to people in "practically every state," from Alaska and Hawaii to Connecticut.

This was Wells' second book. The first, published in 1979, presented records of Johnson County, where the author's family is part of the

former Southern Railroad retirees and spouses, Tuesday, July 25, Dupont Lodge, Cumberland Falls. Buffet lunch begins at noon. Bring photos, newspaper clippings, mementos. Contact, C.B. Hoff, 606/561-4252, or W.C. Dyke, 606/236-5853.

· The descendants of Emery Hicks - Hicks 2000 Reunion -Club, Greenwich, Ohio. Potluck dinner begins at 12:30 p.m. White elephant auction, volleyball, games for kids, horseshoes. Call Mreadith Spoerr, 419/895-1078.

 Elliott-Hamilton Family Reunion, July 21-22, Ramada Inn,

· Pikeville High School Reunion, July 28-30 at PHS. Call Modena Sallee, 606/432-0185.

· Samons Family Reunion, Sunday, August 6, Clark County Fish and Game Club, Water Works Road, Winchester, 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Bring prepared dish or dessert; chicken will be available. Call Garland Mayo, Sunday, July 16, Rural Coon Hunters 606/744-2070; Hubert Mayo, 606/744-9370; or James Mayo, 606/744-0290.

· Hicks Family Reunion, descendants of William and Oma Reffitt Hicks, Saturday, August 12, Jenny Wiley State Resort Park. Luncheon buffet begins at noon at May Lodge,

Deskins, 631-1811.

 Maytown Community Reunion, Labor Day Weekend, September 1-3. Contact Libby Ree Flanery, 606/285-3413.

· Wayland Homecoming 2000, September 1-3, sponsored by Wayland Historical Society. Call 358-9471.

· Garrett School Reunion, September 2, Wilkinson-Stumbo Convention Center, JWSRP. For information, write Garrett Reunion. PO Box 170, Eastern, KY 41622.

· Auxier Homecoming 2000, September 1-3; registration, \$25/couple, \$15/stag. PO Box 65, Auxier, KY 41602. (\*\* New to list)

#### by Mable Rowe Lineberger, Ph.D.

Whenever an imbalance in society's behaviors becomes significant, one can predict that more results of psychological research will follow, in an effort to clarify the situation as much as possible. So it has been with school violence.

About a year ago, the characteristics of violent-acting adolescents were discussed, based on an article in The Forensic Examiner. The most recent journal (May/June 2000) had an article about the assessment of dangerousness in school children.

Although the information is presented for school psychologists, most likely parents and other adults in children's lives can also benefit from having as much knowledge as possible about the topic. Adults need to be aware and be willing to follow through, since the behaviors are prone to occur at home, and some of our schools do not have school counselors.

Even though everyone should be more up-to-date generally, nonetheless, the media keep reporting extreme episodes across the nation that tended to have telltale signs before the action. Most importantly for us, significant acting-out behaviors-violence and threats of violence-have continued in our region's classrooms.

The journal's present article placed the emphasis on the professional's need to determine the "History of Dangerousness"-if potentially dangerous patterns have become firmly entrenched within the student's behaviors. There needs to be concern if the child shows a pattern of antisocial thinking and behaviors that persist and intensi-

### Things to Ponder School violence revisited: History of dangerousness

#### fy over time.

Examples include lying, blaming others, refusing to take responsibility, taking the easy way out rather than putting forth effort, demonstrating a need to control others through deception, intimidation, or physical force, and failing to develop a concept of injury to others and empathy.

Needless to say, the history of the student's behaviors should include the type of victim and relationship to the victim. The antisocial person is unsympathetic of classmates who he or she sees as gullible or weak. After identifying their classmate's weaknesses, the chronic actingout kid will pinpoint targets to pick upon and bully. There have been instances where even a severely handicapped child has been the focus.

The following points need to have attention and clarification:

· relationship to the victim-social or one of power;

· type of violence used-direct or indirect;

· quality of the violence-explosive, calm, matter-of-fact, or predatory:

· quantity, extent and how severe, of the violent act-whether the amount of the insult exceeded the amount of the "cause," such as "I hit him in the head with a hammer because he spit at me;

· weapon used-verbal threats, physi-

cal force with fists, or club/gym;

degree of socialization—single stu-

dent or a gang in the home or at school;

· timing, stressor associated with the event, or a cyclical pattern-"Every time he has to read he blows up:'

\* possible cause such as head injuries and/or witnessing violence in the home; and

· the kind of pattern that exists-does the acting-out child display guilt, remorse, empathy, or anxiety about his deeds? Is it done for excitement or for control? Does he fail to take responsibility for his own actions?

In 1997, a major researcher indicated that there are five factors associated with a child's potential for dangerousness.

· Atmosphere-If there is discord in the family, the risk of dangerousness increases. Whereas, it has been repeatedly documented that "violence is not solely the domain of the impoverished, criminal, marginal, or inhuman.

· Bonding-"If a child did not bond with a parent, the risk of dangerousness is greater. Is the child close to one or both parents...birth complications combined with early maternal rejection predispose the child to violence."

· Criminality-If one or both parents have a history of legal problems, the child's risk for dangerousness is greater.

· Discipline-"If discipline is too harsh or abusive or not sufficient, and without control, the risk for dangerousness is greater."

In these instances, the following examples come to mind; i.e., the parents are over-controlling and the child does not have an opportunity to practice interacting with others; and a parent is physically and verbally abusive to the child.

 Exclusive Parental Attention—"The less parental attention the greater the risk of dangerousness." Family size and spacing between births are likely to impact on this factor. An example is parents who do not provide consistent limits with predictability. The father may not pay attention to what the child does until "it has gone too far," or does not allow the mother to maintain boundaries, but does not do as he threatens the child. Thus, children often do not learn to develop inner control because their parents have always tried to keep them "happy," at any cost.

In addition, three other indicators have been recognized as increasing the child's risk of dangerousness: (1) absence of the father-this is when the father is not in the home; (2) gender-seems children are more prone to display violent behaviors, if they come from an all-male family; and (3) running away-the child with a history of running away from home up?

tends to have a greater risk of dangerousness. Since we will continue to learn more

about the risk of dangerousness in our students, we need to have a method for applying it so that our children and families will benefit. As with most knowledge, it becomes even more valuable, when it is applied. Society, especially our children, are the winners.

Since our students may not always have a school counselor, this is one of those times that community members, such as family members, neighbors, fellow church-goers, ball team coaches, etc., as in a village, can learn to step forward and do what needs to be done in appropriate fashion. This does not mean be cruel, uncaring, and insensitive in one's behaviors, but rather to gather basic information, examine closely the child's liklihood to act-out, and then speak to the child's parents and/or school staff in a supportive manner.

Before doing so, considerations need to focus on the probability of acting-out behaviors. Although future behaviors cannot be guaranteed, "the more of the risk factors and indicators present, the higher the probability of dangerousness."

What is the child's rate of dangerousness-how often does it happen? Is the child angry, talking of revenge, and/ormade plans? How severe is the insult, the extent of assault and injury? Was the victim a random victim or a targeted victim?

Do you know any children that tend to fit into these categories? What if "something" dangerous happened that you "knew" about, and you had not spoken 🐞

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## WEDDINGS/ ENGAGEMIENTIS



#### Conn-McCoy

Tammy Conn and Ronald McCoy announce their forthcoming mar-riage on Saturday, July 22, 2000, at 5:30 p.m., at the Betsy Layne Freewill Baptist Church. The gracious custom of open wedding will be observed, and a reception will follow in the Fellowship Hall of the church. The bride-elect is employed by the Floyd County Times. She is the daughter of the late Charles E. and Blanche Smith, formerly of Banner. The prospective groom is retired from the Kentucky Department of Transportation. He is the son of Willie and Daisy McCoy of Pikeville





#### Leslie-Lafferty

Bennett and Deborah Leslie of Prestonsburg announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, La "Shea" Nicole Leslie, and Christopher Ray Lafferty, son of Fred and Lavonne Lafferty of Martin. The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Jim and Betty Fulks of Ivel and Frank and Hester Leslie of Cow Creek. She is a graduate of Prestonsburg High School and the University of Kentucky, with a master's degree in physical therapy. She is employed by Sundance Rehabilitation Group. The prospective groom is the grandson of Goldia Lafferty of Martin and the late Edgille and Della Baldridge, formerly of Hueysville. He is a graduate of Betsy Layne High School and expects to graduate in December from Morehead State University, with a degree in music. The wedding will take place on July 22, 2000, at 4:30 p.m., at Community United Methodist Church in Prestonsburg, with a reception following at the Mountain Arts Center. The gracious custom of open wedding will be observed.







### Infant's 'pointed head' should prompt doctor visit

Question: My grandson was born one month ago. My daughter's labor was long, and the delivery was difficult. Fortunately, both mom and baby are fine.

My concern is that he seems to always hold his head with it turned to the left side, and also his head hasn't become round. He had a "cone head" for about one week after his birth that has since gone away. Now, his head looks a bit pointed in that same area. Should I worry about these things?

Answer: Absolutely, you should worry. It is unlikely that any of us would have survived to adulthood without our mothers' and grandmothers' loving attention. At times this caring also entails periods of WOITY

The important question then is how much worry is appropriate. The good news for your grandson is that these symptoms are unlikely to be signs of serious problems, so your level of worry should just be great enough to encourage mom to bring these symptoms to the doctor's attention.

A persistent turning and tilting of the head is usually caused by spasm or injury to the neck muscle that produces this motion. The sternocleidomastoid muscle (SCM) attaches to the head just behind the ear.

This area is called the "mastoid" portion of the skull, and since muscles are named for the places where they attach, this part of the skull gives its "mastoid" name to this muscle. The other end of this muscle attaches to the upper portion of the breastbone (sternum) and the collarbone (clavicle).

As this muscle contracts it causes the chin to turn to the opposite side and the neck to bend to the same side. Therefore, your grandson probably has a problem with the SCM on his right side.

Large babies, particularly if there was a difficult delivery, are likely to have injury to the SCM muscle. This bruising or partial tearing causes the muscle to contract and, thereby, turns the head.

"torticollis" or sometimes apply the term "wryneck." If you feel along this muscle, you will probably find a "knot." This is the area that was injured.

The baby's doctor or physical therapist will probably instruct you in simple, gentle exercises that you should do with the baby to facilitate healing of the muscle and thereby eliminate the torticollis.

Some X-rays or other test may be necessary beforehand, however. You see, other problems including malformations of the spine, particularly in the neck region, can cause torticollis, too. Fortunately, this type of disorder is uncommon.

As you undoubtedly know, the bones of a baby's skull aren't completely formed at the time of birth. This allows the head to "mold" to the shape of the birth canal to facilitate passage through the canal.

In difficult deliveries or long labors, the head often becomes distorted. This can produce an asymmetry of the face, back of the head, or both. In your grandson's case, it resulted in the "cone head" your described. This type of injury usually subsides in a week or two, just as his has.

The underlying pointed or misshapen head often takes two to three months to resolve. The constant tension of the injured SCM muscle can even be part of the problem because it creates a steady asymmetrical pull on the head.

The chances are very good that your grandson's condition will improve with little more than the passage of time, but I'd sure recommend that you take him to his doctor. Be sure to explain your concerns. Don't just wait for his next routine "well baby checkup" because of the worry you and his mother are having over this.

"Family Medicine" is a weekly column. To submit questions, write to John C. Wolf, D.O., Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine, Grosvenor Hall, Athens, Ohio 45701. Past columns are available We doctors call this condition online at www.fhradio.org/fm.

#### Moore-Bowman

Bradley Thomas Moore and Diana Raye Bowman announce their forthcoming marriage on July 23, 2000, at 5 p.m., at Pilgrim's Rest Old Regular Baptist Church at Price. The bride-elect is the daughter of Diana L. Mullins of Elkhorn City. She is a 1995 graduate of Millard High School and a 2000 graduate of Pikeville College. The prospective groom is the son of John and Wilma Moore, and the grandson of Sylvia Lawson, all of Price. He attended South Floyd High School and was graduated from Alice Lloyd College in 1998. He is a student at the Pikeville College School of Osteopathic Medicine.



#### Martin-Bucher

Bill and Carol Susan Martin of Versailles announce the engagement of their daughter, Elizabeth Brooke Martin, and Brian Paul Bucher, son of Barbara Geiger of Southgate and Ken Bucher of Ft. Thomas. The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Betty Francis and the late Hubbard "Huck" Francis. The wedding will be at 7:30 p.m., on September 30, 2000, at Cathedral of Christ the King in Lexington. The prospective groom is a Second Lieutenant in the United States Air Force, and the couple will be stationed in Columbus, Mississippi.' He will attend undergraduate pilot training, and she will further her education, majoring in business administration, in Mississippi.

### **Choosing the right gifts** for your groomsmen

new millennium, the number of weddings is skyrocketing as couples hope to commemorate this historic year

Regardless of the year, though, weddings have always required attention to detail - and an important one is finding appropriate gifts for your groomsmen. With so many weddings taking place, it's more important than ever that your gifts be distinctive and personal. Mall.com can help.

Mall.com is an all-in-one online shopping center. This innovative Web site integrates the best retail spects of the "brick and mortar"

by the Internet, allowing shoppers fast, convenient access to national, brand-name merchants.

Like a traditional mall, Mall.com offers a handy directory that lists its more than 120'stores according to groomsmen lean toward technology category

Although tastes and budgets of all grooms will vary widely, Mall.com offers something for every situation. Stylish merchant Brookstone offers a wide variety of gifts for your groomsmen, ranging from a \$100 casino game set to a \$30 pocket-size stainless steel multi-tool set.

Old favorite Eddie Bauer might also be a good option for friends who

(NUE) — With the dawn of the world with the convenience afforded favor rugged, well-crafted merchandise. Groomsmen gifts might include the Classic Carbon Watch for \$95. the Polar Square Sunglasses for \$58 or the extra large gear duffel for \$50.

Lastly, if the tastes of your and gadgetry and your budget allows it, you might visit Mall.com's Sharper Image site, which features weatherproof binoculars for \$119.95.

Meanwhile, Hammacher Schlemmer offers a state-of-the-art CD player for \$189.95 - perfect for the best man.

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that allows them to purchase items from multiple merchants without having to re-enter billing and delivery information. Shoppers can buy wedding, baby or holiday gifts all at once, and some new golf clubs while they're at it. Shoppers will also be able to quickly review their personal shopping history and manage merchandise confirmation and delivery messages.

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Girls get in the game for exhilarating fun

(NAPSA) — This may be the year that girls get in on the actionvideogames that is.

New videogames feature favorite icons that show girls how much fun action games are ... and prove that gaming console systems aren't just for boys any more.

Now, girls can enjoy exciting sports and horseback riding videogames for the Sony PlayStation with fashion icon, Barbie.

Barbie Race and Ride For PlayStation is the first ever Barbie game designed for Sony Computer Entertainment's top-selling game console system.

The hugely popular game enables girls to experience a horseback riding adventure with Barbie and challenge friends to realistic racing, riding and jumping through beautiful outdoor environments.

Girls join Barbie at the stables where they can choose from a selection of horses to start their adventure. Two-player gaming lets girls race and compete at different skill levels, against their friends and against the clock

Featuring in-line skating and snowboarding, Barbie Super Sports For PlayStation offers two games in onel

Girls board and blade with Barbie through five snowboarding and five in-line skating levels, each featuring



No longer just for boys, girls can get their fair share of videogame action this season.

a different challenge such as obstacle courses, racing, spectacular stunt competitions and secret areas.

For non-stop snowboarding action, girls accelerate down the slopes, boarding through snowman slaloms, speeding through an arctic race, performing athletic jumps and more.

In-line skating offers challenges including navigating a circus obstacle course, racing around the skate park or doing stunts such as flips and spins. There are also racing options so girls can play against the game console or against a friend in timed competitions.

Girls earn points to upgrade their equipment, enabling them to perform even more exhilarating stunts. Each Mattel game, priced at less than \$40, can help encourage a healthy sense of competition and confidence.



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### **Howell graduates** with honors

Rachelle Nichole Howell. daughter of Steve and Lana Smith of McDowell, was graduated, cum laude, on May 7, at the University of Kentucky, with a Bachelor of Arts degree in psychology.

To graduate cum laude (with honors) students must maintain a GPA of 3.4-3.6.

During her four years, Howell was a member of Golden Key National Honor Society, Phi Sigma Pi National Honor Fraternity, Psi Chi National Psychology Honor Society and was named to the Dean's List four consecutive semesters.

In addition, Howell was initiated on April 24 into the Alpha chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, the oldest and one of the most presti- emony were her parents and gious honor societies in the country.

After returning from Europe Howell. this summer. Howell plans to attend Salmon P. Chase College of Law at Northern Kentucky University in the fall.

Bank in Martin.

The schedule includes:

other services will be provided.



#### **Rachelle Nichole Howell**

Attending the graduation cerother family members. Glenna Mae Stumbo and Brandon

Howell was among the last students to attend McDowell High School before the consolidation into South Floyd.



### Local students receive degrees at MSU

Twenty-seven students from Floyd County completed degree requirements during Morehead State University's 2000 spring semester.

The new graduates and their majors, by hometown, are:

Banner: Dustin R. Jones, Business Bachelor of Administration, Magna Cum Laude. Betsy Layne: Michael Andre Rodriguez, Master of Business Administration.

Bevinsville: Keith Smallwood, Bachelor of University Studies.

Eastern: Angela G. Bailey, Bachelor of Social Work.

Endicott: Mark Edward Blackburn, Master of Arts.

Garrett: Brandon Kyle Moore, Bachelor of Arts; Wesley D. Moore, Bachelor of Arts: Candice Marie Osborne, Bachelor of Social Work. Hippo: Dennis B. Blackburn,

Bachelor of Science, Cum Laude. Lackey: David A. Baker, Bachelor of Science; Lisa Marlene Slone, Bachelor of Arts, Cum Laude.

Langley: James Shawn Bailey.

Stumbo, Bachelor of Science in Nursing.

Martin: Ronald David Samons. Bachelor of Social Work.

McDowell: Kristi Lynne Pack, Master of Arts; Brandon Michael Stumbo, Bachelor of Business Administration. Summa Cum Laude.

Prestonsburg: Jeffrey T. Hicks, Master of Arts; Malva Kathlene Music, Bachelor of Social Work; Pamela Marie Parker, Bachelor of Science in Nursing: Barbara Sue

Bachelor of Arts; Melinda C. Prater, Bachelor of Business Administration; Barbara J. Spradlin, Bachelor of Arts, Magna Cum Laude.

Weeksbury: Jarrod Michael Compton, Associate of Arts.

Wheelwright: Mary Sue Little, Bachelor of Arts; Muntu J. Oden, Bachelor of Arts.

Morehead: Daniel Duane Hamilton, Bachelor of Social Work. Pikeville: Leonard Dwayne Stevens, Master of Business Administration; Timmi Meshay Tackett, Bachelor of Social Work.



#### McDowell student speaks at MSU

#### commencement

The student speaker at Morehead State University's Spring commencement, Brandon Michael Stumbo of McDowell, urged his fellow classmates to make a difference: "The ultimate fate of our society lies in the contributions we are willing to make. Improve the lives of those around us as we enter the business, education and government settings of tomorrow. Make sacrifices of high profile; join civic groups, feed those in poverty and protect the environment." Stumbo, the son of Ivan and Wanda Stumbo, is a graduate of South Floyd High School. An accounting major with a minor in information systems, he was a candidate for the Bachelor of Business Administration degree. (MSU photo by Tim Holbrook)

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In the early spring Girl Scouts celebrate Girl Scout Sunday. Here, some of the former and present Girl Scouts who attended church that morning



#### Miller to enter OT program at EKU

Tara Lynn Miller has been accepted into the professional Occupational Therapy Program at Eastern Kentucky University. The number of admissions annually is limited and candidates are selected from those meeting specific criteria. She was also accepted into the Communication Disorder Program (speech therapy) at EKU, but has chosen OT as her field of study with plans to enter the program this fall. She is the daughter of David and LaDonna Miller and the granddaughter of Lloyd and Loretta Blackburn and Bill and Doris Miller.



Chad Ousley, a student in Phyllis Allison's kindergarten class at Prestonsburg Elementary, poses with his grandfather Willard Ousley as he shared with the class information about coal mining.

pose in front of the First United Methodist Church in Prestonsburg.

### **Camping is fun at the Kentucky's Sheriff's Ranch**

What do you get when you attend summer camp at the Kentucky Sheriffs' Boys & Girls Ranch? Fun and excitement, meeting the other campers from throughout Kentucky and getting to know the counselors working at the camp.

Ray Stoess, executive director, announced camp opened on June 4, with boys in attendance. "In addition to the fun and excitement and meeting other campers and counselors, the children attending camp go on a field trip to the Land Between the Lakes, swim and learn to swim (taught by our certified lifeguard) in our pool, go to the movies (ratings permitted), and go roller skating or bowling."

Stoess also said, "We serve three excellent meals each day-and plenty of it, play games-including miniature golf on our own putt-putt course. These are just a few of the many activities the campers do at the Kentucky Sheriffs' Boys and Girls Ranch."

The week of June 11 was Floyd County's turn to send girls, and Billie Stumbo and Angel Crisp attended.

On the return trip home, after a great week of excitement, the children remember to say "thanks" to the Sheriff's department for bringing them for a week of fun and learning.

Ray Stoess, who has been the camp director for 22 years, says, "I am expecting a big year in attendance and another happy time for all campers."



Billie Stumbo and Angel Crisp represented Floyd County the week of June 11.

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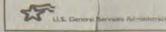
Lesley Stout of Prestonsburg, has been named to the combined winter/spring terms dean's list at Centre College, an honor reserved for students who maintain at least a High School.

3.60 grade point average.

Stout is the daughter of James and Carolyn Stout of Prestonsburg and is a graduate of Prestonsburg

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#### EASY BANANA PUDDING Makes 8 servings.

2 (4-serving size) packages Royal Instant Vanilla or Banana Cream Pudding & Pie Filling 3 cups milk

43 Nilla Wafers, divided

5 to 6 medium ripe Del Monte Bananas, sliced (about 4 cups), divided

2 cups prepared whipped topping

Banana slices and Nilla Wafers. for garnish

Prepare pudding according to package directions, using milk.

Spoon 1/2 cup pudding in bottom of 1 1/2-quart serving bowl. Top with 8 wafers, a generous layer of sliced bananas and 2/3 cup pudding. Stand 10 wafers around outside edge of bowl. Continue layering 11 wafers, sliced bananas, 2/3 cup pudding, 14 wafers, sliced bananas and remaining pudding.

Cover, chill 3 hours or overnight to soften cookies. To serve, spread whipped topping over pudding; garnish with additional banana slices and wafers if desired.

\*For individual Servings: Prepare pudding as directed above. Into each of eight dessert bowls, stand 4 to 5 wafers around outside edge. Layer pudding with half the banana slices. Garnish with remaining bananas, whipped topping and remaining wafers.

#### **BOSTON CREAM PIE**

1 (4-serving size) package Royal Instant Vanilla Pudding & Pie Filling

#### 2 tablespoons margarine or but- and chocolate curls.

I cup powdered sugar\* 3 to 5 tablespoons hot water 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract Prepare pudding according to

package directions, using milk. Spread pudding on bottom cake layer, top with remaining layer.

Melt chocolate and margarine or butter in small saucepan over low heat, stirring frequently; remove from heat. Blend in sugar, 2 tablespoons hot water and vanilla. Gradually stir in enough hot water until glaze consistency is reached. Spread glaze over top of cake.

Refrigerate 1 hour before serv-

\*Sift powdered sugar if lumpy.

#### CHOCOLATE BANANA CREAM PIE

Makes 8 servings

30 Nilla Wafers, finely crushed 3 tablespoons sugar

1/4 cup margarine or butter, melted

2 (4-serving size) packages Royal Instant Chocolate Pudding & Pie Filling

3 cups cold milk

2 large Del Monte Bananas, sliced (about 2 cups) divided Prepared whipped topping and

chocolate curls, for garnish Mix wafer crumbs, sugar and margarine or butter in small bowl. Press firmly on bottom and side of

9-inch pie plate; set aside. Prepare pudding according to package directions for pie, using milk

#### TIRAMISU PARFAITS

Makes 4 servings 32 Nilla Wafers, divided 1 (8-ounce) package whipped

cream cheese 2 tablespoons powdered sugar

1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract 2 cups prepared whipped topping, divided

1/3 cup coffee

Chocolate-covered coffee beans and cocoa powder, for garnish

Reserve 4 wafers for garnish. Coarsely break remaining wafers; set aside. Beat cream cheese, sugar and vanilla in medium bowl with electric mixer at medium speed until creamy. Stir in 1 1/2 cups whipped topping.

Drizzle coffee over wafer pieces in small bowl. Spoon 2 tablespoons cheese mixture into each of 4 (12ounce) parfait glasses; top with 1 to 2 tablespoons soaked wafer pieces. Repeat layers: top with remaining cheese mixture.

Refrigerate parfaits at least 1 hour. Top with remaining whipped topping and reserved wafers. Serve garnished with coffee beans and cocoa powder.

EASY CREME BRULEE Makes 4 to 6 servings.

24 Nilla Wafers, coarsely broken 2 Del Monte Bananas, sliced (about 2 cups)

1 (4-serving size) package Royal Vanilla Pudding & Pie Filling 2 cups milk

1/4 cup packed brown sugar

#### oca, almond extract and nutmeg in a large bowl; mix well. Let stand 15 minutes. (It is not necessary to thaw frozen tart cherries before using.) Line a 9-inch pie plate with half

the pastry. Fill with cherry mixture; dot with butter. Roll out remaining pastry and cut into six strips about 1-inch wide and 10-inches long. Weave into a lattice pattern over cherries. Trim edges, pinching top and bottom crusts together.

cherries, dried cherries, sugar, tapi-

Bake in a preheated 375° oven 50 to 60 minutes, or until crust is golden and filling is bubbly. If necessary, cover edge of crust with aluminum foil to prevent overbrowning. Let cool before serving. Makes 8 servings.

#### CHERRY SPUMONI

Cherries, chocolate and almonds combine in this ice cream sensation. 1-1/2 cups heavy cream

1/2 cup sweetened condensed milk 1/2 teaspoon rum flavoring

1 (21-ounce) can cherry pie filling 1 cup pitted fresh sweet cherries

1/3 cup miniature chocolate chips

1/3 cup slivered almonds, toasted\*

Combine heavy cream, sweetened condensed milk and rum flavoring in a large bowl; mix well. Refrigerate 30 minutes.

Lightly grease inside of a 9x5x3inch baking pan. Cut a piece of plastic wrap 24-inches long. Line bottom and sides of pan with plastic

Combine tart cherries, sweet cover fruit. Sprinkle almonds on cooled crust. Mix pudding and mix top

> Bake in a preheated 350° oven 30 to 35 minutes or until wooden pick or skewer inserted in middle comes out clean. Makes 16 bars.

#### **CHERRY FIZZ**

This beverage is ideal for brunch or a backyard barbecue.

I cup cherry juice blend 2 cups frozen unsweetened tart

cherries 1 (6-ounce) can frozen pink or

regular lemonade concentrate, undiluted

- 6 to 8 ice cubes
- 1 (12-ounce) can lemon-lime carbonated beverage, chilled

Orange and lime slices, for garnish

Put cherry juice blend and frozen cherries in electric blender container, puree until smooth. Add lemonade concentrate and ice cubes; blend until smooth. Pour mixture into a 2-quart pitcher. Stir in lemonlime carbonated beverage. Garnish with orange and lime slices. Serve immediately.

- 1 (15 oz.) can tomato sauce
- 2 medium sweet peppers, honned

well. Add one bowl of Cool Whip and lemon juice. Mix well. Pour cream cheese and powdered sugar mixture. Top with bowl of Cool Whip. Sprinkle with nuts.

#### CORN STICKS

1/2 cup yellow corn meal 1/2 cup all-purpose flour 1 t. sugar 2 tsp. baking powder 1/4 tsp. salt 1 egg beaten 1/2 cup evaporated milk 2 t. vegetable oil Vegetable cooking spray. Mix corn meal, flour, sugar and

salt. Stir well and set aside. Mix eggs, milk, and oil to corn meal. Mix, stirring until smooth. Coat a cast iron corn stick pan with cooking spray. Heat in a 425 oven for 3 minutes until hot. Remove pan from oven. Spoon batter into pan, filling 2/3 full. Bake at 425° for 10-12 minutes or until lightly brown.

#### DOUBLE CHOCOLATE OAT COOKIES

One 12-ounce package semisweet chocolate pieces, divided (about 2 cups) 1/2 cup margarine or butter, soft-

ened

1/2 cup sugar

- 1 egg
- 1/4 teaspoon vanilla

3/4 cup all-purpose flour

3/4 cup Quaker oats (quick or old fashioned, uncooked) 1 teaspoon baking powder

1/4 teaspoon salt (optional) 1/4 teaspoon baking soda Heat oven to 375°F. Beat margarine and sugar until fluffy; add 1 cup chocolate pieces, melted\*, egg and vanilla. Add combined flour, oats, baking powder, salt and baking soda; mix well. Stir in remaining 1 cup chocolate pieces. Drop by rounded tablespoonfuls onto ungreased cookie sheet. Bake 8 to 10 minutes. Cool 1 minute on cookie sheet; remove to wire rack.

Makes 6 (8-ounce) servings.

#### HUSBAND IN THE KITCHEN

1 lb. ground beef 1 tsp. pepper

2 medium onions, chopped

2 eggs

1 1/2 cups cold milk 1 (9-inch) baked and cooled yellow cake layer, split horizontally 2 (1-ounce) squares unsweetened chocolate

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topping, remaining banana slices The Ones Who KNOW

Place wafer pieces on bottom of 1 1/2-quart shallow heatproof dish. Top with banana slices set aside. Cook pudding according to

package directions, using milk; pour evenly over bananas. Refrigerate 3 to 4 hours or until set. Evenly sprinkle sugar over pudding\*; broil for 3 to 5 minutes or until sugar is melted and slightly browned. Serve immediately.

\*Sugar can be placed in a strainer and, using the back of a wooden spoon, pressed through strainer to top pudding evenly.

#### PINEAPPLE UPSIDE-DOWN CAKE

1/2 cup packed brown sugar 2 tablespoons margarine or butter, melted

1/2 Del Monte Gold<sup>TM</sup> Extra Sweet Pineapple, cleaned, cored and sliced 1/2-inch thick

Maraschino cherries, halved 1 (18.25-ounce) package yellow cake mix, batter prepared according to package directions.

Mix sugar and margarine or butter in small bowl. Evenly crumble on bottom of lightly greased 13 x 9 x 2-inch baking pan. Arrange pineapple slices over sugar mixture. Place a cherry half in each pineapple ring; set aside.

Pour cake mix batter over pineapple slices.

Bake at 350°F for 40 to 45 minutes or until toothpick inserted in center of cake comes out clean. Cool in pan on wire rack 5 minutes.

Invert cake onto serving platter. Cool cake 10 more minutes and serve warm or cool completely before serving.

#### TRIPLE CHERRY PIE

Tart, sweet and dried cherries are a winning trio in this summertime favorite.

2-1/2 cups fresh or frozen tart cherries (about 1 pound), pitted

2-1/2 cups fresh sweet cherries (about 1 pound), pitted

1/2 cup dried tart cherries

3/4 cup granulated sugar 2 tablespoons quick-cooking

tapioca 1/2 teaspoon almond extract 1/4 teaspoon ground nutmeg Pastry for 2-crust 9-inch pie 1 tablespoon butter, chopped wrap so that several inches of wrap overhang each long side.

Remove cream mixture from refrigerator. Beat with electric mixer on high speed 3 to 4 minutes or until soft peaks form. Do not overbeat. Fold in cherry pie filling, fresh sweet cherries, chocolate chips and almonds. Spoon mixture evenly into lined pan. Cover and freeze at least 5 hours or overnight.

To serve, quickly dip pan in hot water, immersing just the bottom and halfway up sides to help release ice cream. Using overhanging plastic wrap for handles, gently remove spumoni from pan and transfer to serving plate. Remove plastic wrap by lifting spumoni with metal spatula. Cut crosswise into slices and serve immediately.

Makes 8 servings.

\*To toast almonds, put them in a large skillet over medium heat. Toast 5 to 7 minutes, stirring occasionally, or until light brown. Set aside to cool.

#### SWEET CHERRY BARS

These easy-to-prepare bar cookies are the perfect treat after summer sporting events.

1-1/2 cups (12 ounces) unsalted butter, softened

1-1/2 cups granulated sugar 1-1/2 cups firmly packed light brown sugar

3 large eggs I teaspoon vanilla extract 4 cups all-purpose flour 3/4 teaspoon baking soda 1/2 teaspoon salt

2 cups pitted and halved fresh sweet cherries

1/3 cup sliced almonds

Put butter, granulated sugar and brown sugar in a large mixing bowl. Beat with electric mixer on medium speed 3 to 4 minutes, or until well blended. Add eggs, one at a time, beating well after each addition. Stir in vanilla.

Grease the sides and bottom of a 13x9x2-inch baking pan; set aside.

Combine flour, baking soda and salt; mix well. Add to butter mixture; beat 3 to 4 minutes, or until smooth batter forms. Spread half the batter in prepared pan. Scatter cherry halves over batter. Place spoonfuls of remaining batter on top of cherries; gently spread to 1 can corn, drained

1-2 t. dash chilli powder 1/4 tsp. salt 1 tsp. pepper 1 t. vegetables shortening 1/2 cup buttermilk 1/4 cup yellow corn meal 1 t. all purpose flour 1 tsp. baking soda

Preheat oven to 350°. Brown an onion in large skillet. Breaking up meat with wooden spoon until meat was no longer pink. Stir in tomato sauce, pepper, corn, chilli powder, 1 teaspoon salt and pepper. Bring to a boil. Lower heat, cover and simmer 15 minutes. Pour meat, mixture into greased 10-inch deep pie plate. Beat together eggs, shortening, and buttermilk in a small bowl for 1 minute. Beat in corn meal, flour, baking soda and remaining 1/4 salt just until well blended. Spoon over the top of meat. Spread evenly to cover entire surface. Bake in preheated oven or 20 minutes.

#### **COWBOY CHILI**

2 lb. ground beef 2 t. liquid smoke 1 large onion 1/2 cup chili sauce 2 cupstomato pureed 4 cups red kidney beans 2 lb. cooked left over beef roast 1 t. oregano

Salt and pepper to taste. Brown ground beef. Remove meat and drain fat. Saute the onion in oil. Add liquid smoke, chili sauce, tomato puree, red kidney beans and oregano. Bring to a boil. Cover and simmer for 2 hours. Add salt and pepper to taste.

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2 cup plain flour 2 sticks margarine 1/2 cup nuts

1 large cream cheese

- 1 cup powdered sugar
- 2 (9 oz.) cool whip 3 sm. lemon instant pudding
- 4 1/2 cup milk
- Dash lemon juice
- Nuts chopped

Mix flour, margarine and nuts. Press into 9x13 inch pan. Bake at 350° for 15 minutes. Mix cream cheese and powdered sugar. Pour on

About 3 dozen.

\*To melt 1 cup chocolate pieces: microwave at high 1 to 2 minutes, stirring every 30 seconds until smooth. Or, heat in heavy saucepan over low heat, stirring until smooth.

#### OATMEAL APPLE

#### COOKIES

3/4 Butter Flavor Crisco Stick (or 3/4 cup)

1 1/4 cups firmly packed brown sugar

1 egg

- 1/4 cup milk 1 1/2 teaspoons vanilla
- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 1 1/4 teaspoons cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/4 teaspoon nutmeg
- 3 cups quick oats (not instant or
- old fashioned)
- 1 cup peeled, diced apple
- 3/4 cup raisins (optional)

3/4 cup coarsely chopped walnuts (optional)

Heat oven to 375 degrees F. Grease baking sheet with Butter Flavor Crisco.

Combine Butter Flavor Crisco, sugar, egg, milk and vanilla in large bowl. Beat at medium speed of electric mixer at low speed until well blended.

Combine flour, cinnamon, salt, baking soda, and nutmeg. Mix into creamed mixture at low speed until just blended. Stir in, one at a time, oats, apples, raisins and nuts with spoon.

Drop rounded tablespoonfuls of dough 2 inches apart onto baking sheet

Bake at 375° degrees F. for 13 minutes or until set. Cool 2 minutes on baking sheet. Remove to cooling rack.

About 2 1/2 dozen cookies



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### **Many Americans face** E-commerce skills gap

pending e-commerce legislation, a new AARP survey shows that

(high school or less), and those earning \$50,000 or less express doubts about their proficiency significantly more often than younger users, the study said.

A significant proportion of computer users age 45 and older are potentially at risk in an increasingly technologically-driven commer-cial environment, the study concluded. The demands posed by elec-tronic financial record-keeping, while probably within the capability

groups of the population with computers, the study said. Indicating the potential for a worsening of the so-called "digital divide", the report noted the need for better computer training for those "less equipped to handle the pace of technological change." The findings come as Congress considers what consumer protec-

tions to provide as part of electronic signature legislation. A Senateences between two previously-approved e-commerce bills, H.R. 1714 the Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act, and S 761, the Millennium Digital Commerce Act. Some of the debate has focused on business' desire to take advantage of E-commerce

"E-commerce is a new frontier." said AARP Director of Legislation and Public Policy John Rother. "Consumers expect pro-tections for online transactions that are similar to those they are accustomed to with paper contracts." The survey found that six in 10 of those interviewed (59 percent)

to use electronic contracts and records in business transactions. About one-third (32 percent) believe businesses should have that right. The report, titled the "AARP Consumer Preparedness and E-Commerce Survey," also focused on computer users' view of infor-mation privacy. AARP is announcing the privacy findings as federal regulatory agencies are considering how to implement new privacy provisions included in the Gramm-Leach-Bliley financial moderniza

tion legislation enacted by Congress last year. A key finding of the AARP survey was that an overwhelming majority (93 percent) believe that any personal information that they give during a business transaction should remain the property of the consumer and not be shared with other businesses without the permission of that consumer

### **Campaign focuses on regular** screening to stop colorectal cancer

Services (DHHS) Secretary Donna E. Shalala has announced the kickoff of the second year of "Screen for Life", the national colorectal cancer action campaign.

The campaign was developed by the Centers for Disease Control and the Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA).

Screen for Life informs American men and women about the benefits of screening for colorectal cancer beginning at age 50. The campaign also stresses that Medicare, and many insurance plans, help pay for colorectal cancer screening.

During a program held in Washington, D.C. marking the 35th anniversary of Medicare, Secretary Shalala urged people aged 50 and older to begin having regular colorectal cancer screening tests,

"Colorectal cancer is second only to lung cancer as a cause of cancer deaths among American men and women. But it doesn't have to be," Shalala said. "With Medicare and many insurance plans now helping to pay for colorectal cancer screening,

save thousands of lives.

Assistant Secretary for Health and Surgeon General David A. Satcher, M.D., also called on Americans 50 and older to have regular colorectal cancer screening tests. "Regular screening tests can help prevent colorectal cancer or find it early, when treatment is most effective," he said. "I urge all Americans aged 50 and older to speak to your doctor about having a screening test. It could save your life."

It is estimated that 130,200 men and women will be diagnosed with colorectal cancer this year, and more than 56,000 lives will be lost to this disease. Most cases, 93 percent, occur in men and women over age

Studies show that at least 33 percent of deaths from colorectal cancer could be avoided if people 50 and older had regular screening tests. Screening helps reduce deaths from colorectal cancer in two ways: by finding precancerous polyps that can be removed before they become cancer, and by finding colorectal cancer tive.

"Clearly, this is a cancer we can do something about," said CDC Director Jeffrey P. Koplan, M.D. "If more people 50 and older began having regular screening tests, we could see a dramatic decrease in the number of new cases and the number of deaths from this disease."

Most Americans 50 and older do not get screening tests for colorectal cancer. According to a 1997 CDC survey, only 41 percent of adults 50 and older reported having had one of the two commonly recommended screening tests-fecal occult blood test or flexible sigmoidoscopy within the recommended time frame.

CDC, the nation's disease prevention agency within DHHS, protects the nation's health and safety, provides credible information for better health decisions and promotes good health through strong partnerships.

Other CDC activities to prevent colorectal cancer include providing funds for prevention strategies at the state and national levels, development of epidemiological research http://www.medicare.gov.

Department of Health and Human we have a tremendous opportunity to early, when treatment is most effec- and surveillance systems for monitoring national trends, and coordination of a national roundtable to prevent colorectal cancer.

HCFA is the federal agency that runs the Medicare and Medicaid programs - two national health care programs that benefit about 75 million Americans. Passage of the Balanced Budget Act of 1997 authorized Medicare coverage of new preventive health benefits, including colorectal cancer screening. Shortly after the passage of that Act, HCFA joined with CDC to begin developing 'Screen for Life"

For more information about the "Screen for Life" colorectal cancer prevention campaign, visit http://www.cdc.gov/cancer/screenforlife. For more information about colorectal cancer screening, call the National Cancer Institute's Cancer Information Service at 1-800-4-CANCER. To order Screen for Life campaign materials, call 1-888-842-6355. For more information about Medicare coverage of colorectal cancer screening, VISI

### Visiting America's #1 Grandtravel Destination



Orlando is the top choice for grandtravel-trips for grandparents and their grandchildren.

(NAPSA)-Grandtravel-grandparents vacationing with the grandchildren, but without the parents-has become one of the fastest-growing travel trends in the last several years.

In an independent survey, grandparents across the country indicated that Orlando is their favorite grandtravel vacation spot, with 36 percent listing it as their first choice of where to take their grandchildren on vacation. Other popular cities include Anaheim, CA (8 percent), New York City (4 percent) and Washington,

DC and San Francisco (3 percent each).

The most popular activities among grandparents who would take their grandchildren to Orlando were: going to the theme parks and attractions (22 percent), going to special events, festivals and fairs (22 percent), sightseeing (10 percent), boating (5 percent) and visiting historic places, camping and relaxing at the beach or pool (4 percent each).

Survey participants were also asked in what month they would prefer to travel. Summer (June, July, August) took 40 percent of the vote, followed by spring (March, April, May; 27 percent), winter (December, January, February; 17 percent) and fall (September, October, November; 13 percent). June was the overall preferred month of travel at 20 percent.

"This research validates our longstanding belief that Orlando appeals to people of all ages," said William Peeper, president of the Orlando/Orange County Convention & Visitors Bureau, Inc. "With all the destination has to offer, it is poised to provide the venues and environment to create lasting memories between the generations.

According to the Better Homes & Gardens Family Vacation Travel Report, 93.6 million adults took at least one family vacation last year, a 5.1 percent increase over 1995, with family travel accounting for 72 percent of all vacation travel in the United States. According to a study conducted in July 1999 by Roper Starch Worldwide, 62 percent of the grandparents surveyed took a vacation trip of five nights or longer in the last five years, with 16 percent

including grandchildren.

According to American Demographics, the mature traveler segment will be one of the fastest growing. Roughly 78 million baby boomers, the oldest of whom are just beginning to reach grandparenthood, will be the impetus for continued growth in this segment. As of March 2000, there are approximately 58.5 million people age 55+ in the United States, representing 21 percent of the total U.S. population. By 2010, people age 55+ should total 75 million, or 25 percent of the population.

To obtain vacation information on Orlando, including an Official Visitors Guide and Mature Traveler Discount Brochure, contact the Orlando/Orange County Convention & Visitors Bureau, Inc. at 1-800-972-3308 or visit the website at www.Go2orlando.com.

#### **Older Americans want to remain living independently**

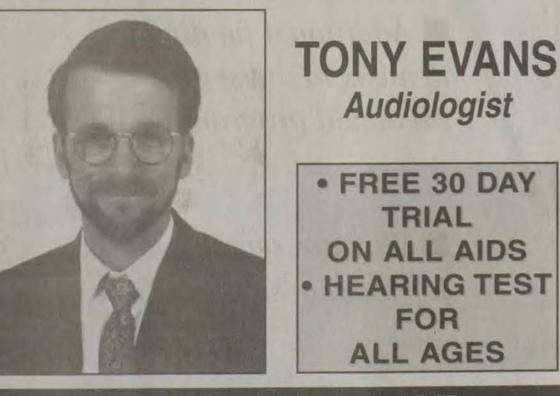
It's a fact: The overwhelming majority (82 percent) of mid-life of ARRP's Independent Living and older Americans want to remain living independently in teer events to help older people live their own homes and communities in their homes longer. In 2000, for as long as possible. But accord- AARP's Independent Living Week ing to a new AARP survey, nearly was May 1-7. This year, the focus e in four (23 percent) predict that either they or someone they live with will have difficulty getting around in the home within the next five years. "These are real concerns to a growing number of Americans," said AARP board member Doug Holbrook. "More and more Baby Boomers are having to address the difficulties facing their elderly parents. They're also starting to think ahead, and may be wondering how well their own homes will meet their needs as they themselves grow older." The new survey, called "Fixing To Stay," found that seven in 10 (70 percent) of those who are able to make changes to their homes have made at least one modification to make it easier for them to get around. Two-thirds (67 percent) of those who have made home modifications believe those actions will allow them to live in their homes longer than they would have been able otherwise - most for another 10 years or more.

The survey was released as part Week, a week-long series of volunof these activities was making sim-

would have problems using features such as stairs or bathtubs (29 percent); or would be forced into a nursing home because of trouble getting around in their own home (31 percent).

· Eighty-five percent (85 pernt) of those polled said they have already made simple changes to their homes, such as placing nonskid strips in bathtubs or replacing low-wattage light bulbs with higher wattage bulbs to increase visibility. · The reasons most often cited by respondents for not making home modifications were the inability to make the changes themselves (37 percent), and not being able to afford the modifications (37 percent). "Most people want to continue living independently in their homes for as long as possible," said Ada-Helen Bayer, acting Associate Director of AARP's Research Group. "But for many older people, the typical home can quickly become a difficult and dangerous obstacle course. Considering that one in four Americans believe that they or a relative will have difficulty getting around their home within the next five years, this becomes a serious issue - not only for older people, but also for those who care for them."

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ple changes to stay in charge. AARP Volunteers around the country sponsored events to educate homeowners on how they can make their homes safer and more livable - not just for older people, but for everyone.

The survey is the fifth in a series of AARP senior housing studies. Based on telephone interviews of 2,000 persons aged 45 and over, it examines the opinions and behavior of mid-life and older Americans regarding their current and future housing situations. It also shows the extent to which people in this age group have made home modifications to improve the safety and convenience of their homes, and to enable them to remain living independently in their homes as they age. Among the survey's other key findings:

· Over one-fourth of respondents (27 percent) expressed concerns that they would find it difficult to provide care for an older parent or relative in the home;



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### **Rascals come in many forms**

#### by James Hood

For the aged and disabled, motorized wheelchairs and scooters can often restore freedom and selfreliance. But at several thousand dollars each, these buggies represent a major investment that should not be undertaken lightly, despite the pitches and promises of a growing army of high-pressure in-home salesmen who often falsely tell consumers that Medicare will reimburse them for their purchase.

In fact, Medicare covers such purchases only under very limited conditions, said Joe Scinto of the United Seniors Health Cooperative. a not-for-profit Washington, D.C. consumer organization.

Under certain circumstances, Medicare will pay 80 percent of the cost of durable medical equipment. And many medical suppliers do offer a rent-to-buy option, Scinto said, but he cautioned that consumers should make arrangements ered, and the company eventually

in advance with their Medicare carrier.

"Usually, local medical supply houses are the best source of electric scooters, not door-to-door salesmen," Scinto said.

In Salem, Mo., a small town southwest of St. Louis, an older woman who asked that her name not be used bought a Rascal Scooter, a popular model manufactured by Electric Mobility Corp., from a salesman who came to her home. She said the salesman promised her that she would receive in-home training and a free set of ramps to help her load the Scooter on and off her pickup truck

But the training didn't happen, the company sent her 10-foot ramps that were too large for her to handle, and the woman fell while trying to maneuver the Rascal off the truck, suffering a concussion and other injuries. She later recov-

provided the proper ramps and the training session, her son said in an interview.

One buyer in Lehighton, Penn., was not so lucky. His father, 89, responded to a newspaper advertisement that offered a "free inhome test ride." A salesman who came to his home allegedly told the purchaser's father that he would receive a \$250 discount and a free set of ramps if he bought the Rascal on the first visit. He also promised to help the older man to apply for Medicare reimbursement for the scooter, the family said.

But after the \$4,587 order was signed and the check written, the salesman was nowhere to be found, no ramps arrived, no training was provided, there was no Medicare reimbursement, and the price turned out to be several hundred dollars above what others had paid, the buyer said. A customer service representative of the New Jersey company told the consumer that he "should have shopped around."

an online consumer site, the company promised to send the ramps but did not do so. Eventually, the customer retained an attorney who negotiated a settlement.

During the lengthy squabble with Electric Mobility, the older man's strength and determination to fight his isolation waned, and he now "has just about given up." his son said.

One disgruntled customer started a Web site to air his complaints against the company. He said the company ignored the site for three years but recently took an interest in it and offered the man a free scooter if he would take the site down.

Electric Mobility's president. Michael Flowers, denies his company takes advantage of older consumers and says that 18 percent of Rascal owners are repeat customers.

After the buyer complained to importantly, Medicare does not reimburse you if you simply go out and buy a scooter on your own. It may reimburse up to 80 percent of the cost of renting a scooter, but you must have a prescription from a physician-specialist approved by the Health Care Financing Administration. Experts also warn that patients disabled enough to qualify for the coverage often lack the physical skills to maneuver the scooters. It is vital that you check with your Medicare carrier before signing any kind of agreement.

For those who want to own their own scooter, the purchase is a big investment and should be handled carefully. Consumer advocates advise the following:

Don't buy the first model you look at, especially from a salesman who comes to your home. This is almost invariably the most expensive way to buy any product.

Ask others who use electric

The lesson for consumers: Most scooters about their experiences, pro and con.

> Consider buying a used scooter. Like used cars, they can offer good value at lower cost.

> Check with local medical supply stores, lawnmower and bicycle repair shops to see if they service the model you are thinking of buying. They may also sell scooters.

> If you do decide to buy a new scooter, do so only after checking in detail with your Medicare or other carrier to be certain you know the reimbursement terms. Have a relative, friend or trusted advisor with you when you negotiate the purchase. Get everything in writing and be certain to retain a complete copy of the sales contract and financing agreement, if any. Remember, no promise is binding unless it is part of the contract.

> James Hood is communications manager at The National Council on the Aging.

### **Problems could delay flu shots until November**

Human Services' Food and Drug Administration and the Centers for Disease Control are working closely with vaccine manufacturers to facilitate the availability of safe and effective influenza vaccine for the upcoming flu season. Influenza vaccine manufacturers have told FDA and CDC to expect delays in flu vaccine shipments and that it is possible there will be reductions of available

tion of the Foster Grandparent Program.

Health and Mental Retardation Services.

Mental Retardation.

The Department of Health and influenza virus vaccine for the 2000-01 season.

The FDA and CDC briefed the Committee Advisory on Immunization Practices (ACIP) June 22 about the current situation regarding influenza vaccine supply. The FDA and CDC stressed to the ACIP that the situation is very fluid and that health care providers should expect periodic updates from them through the summer and fall.

ACIP, in a consensus recom- offices, hospitals, health care mendation, urged health care providers to begin thinking now about delaying adult mass influenza vaccination campaigns to November (usually recommended for October through mid-November) based on supply availability, and to consider ways to ensure their high risk patients receive vaccination if a severe vaccine shortfall were to occur.

The total amount of vaccine available for the influenza season is uncertain at this time; however, both FDA and CDC are actively working with manufacturers to determine how much and when vaccine will be available. The amount of available flu vaccine will become more clear within the next two months.

providers, including health care important factors:

organizations, nursing homes and other organizations, who are currently in the midst of preparing for their fall and winter influenza vaccination efforts, need this information at this time to adequately prepare for the upcoming season. Persons who normally receive influenza vaccine should not be concerned and should delay inquiries about flu vaccination until the fall.

It is important to stress that FDA, CDC and vaccine manufacturers are confident that vaccine will be available to vaccinate those at highest risk of complications from influenza, including those over 65, those who are immunosuppressed and others.

The amount of vaccine avail-Many potential flu vaccine able is complicated by two tionally recommended.

influenza vaccine A(H3N2) component appears to be lower than expected, which limits the supply that can be developed in time for this flu season, and

dther manufacturing issues. Manufacturers are working closely with the FDA to address these issues:

If a substantial shortfall of vaccine were to occur, the ACIP and CDC would provide modified recommendations for the 2000-2001 influenza season that emphasize vaccinating persons at highest risk of death from influenza (and the health care workers who take care of them) and then vaccinating, as the vaccine supply allows, the other groups for whom vaccine is tradi-

Currently, four antiviral drugs

I the yield for this year's are approved by FDA to treat acute, uncomplicated influenza. These drugs are not a substitute for influenza vaccine and should not be used as such. The annual use of influenza vaccine is the primary means for minimizing adverse outcomes from influenza virus infections.

Over the course of the summer and the influenza season new information is expected to become available, and CDC and FDA will issue information updates. If a shortfall does occur, ACIP and CDC request that persons and organizations administering influenza vaccine join in voluntary efforts to ensure that influenza vaccine is administered first to the persons most likely to develop serious and life threatening complications from influenza.

### **Additional funding for dentists** long-time program, which originally began in the early 1970s. The proin the state Medicaid program

Foster grandparent eligibility requirements include being 60 years of age and meeting certain income guidelines. Foster grandparents work up to 20 hours a week serving special needs children.

State receives \$500,000

foster grandparent grant

Kentucky has received \$518,050 in federal funds to continue opera-

The Corporation for National Service, a federal funding agency that

"This grant award is very important to us. It allows us to continue a

gram benefits senior citizens and special needs children by linking

them together for short periods of time each day," said Margaret Pennington, commissioner of the Department for Mental Health and

oversees the National Senior Service Corps, made up of the Retired and

Senior Volunteer Program and Senior Companion Program, awarded the grant to the Cabinet for Health Services' Department for Mental

For example, the foster grandparent works one-on-one with a men-

More money in the state budget bursement rates should attract more for services. Since no additional the cabinet is taking other steps to began going to pay for dental ser- dentists to the program." vices in the Kentucky Medicaid

The 2000 General Assembly

money was appropriated for the improve the oral health of Medicaid budget, the \$22 million Kentuckians. The Department for

tally retarded child; a young child who needs extra tutoring in the primary school grade; or an infant in a day care program. Each foster grandparent receives a stipend of \$2.55 per hour, which is tax-free. A typical foster grandparent works about 1,044 hours a year.

There are foster grandparent stations located in four geographic areas of Kentucky: at Oakwood in Somerset, Outwood in Dawson Springs, Comprehend, Inc. in Maysville, and two in Louisville at the Hazelwood Center and Seven Counties Services Inc.

For more information contact Ken Roten, the Foster Grandparent Project Director, at (502) 564-4860.

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"We have a growing Medicaid population and access to services is a priority for us," said Jimmy D. Helton, secretary of the Cabinet for Health Services. "Increased reim-

directed that \$22,304,900 be used to raise reimbursement rates over the next two years. At the previous volume of services billed, that amount of money allows for a 32 percent across-the-board increase

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### **Breaking** The **Internet Barrier For Seniors**

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(NAPSA)-More than 45 million prehensive Internet appliance and serseniors in the U.S. are not online. That's because seniors feel the Internet lacks usability. Specifically, navigation is too confusing, screens are too small and shopping is too complicated.

However, a provider of integrated Internet services has responded to the challenge by developing a range of services designed to address the needs of seniors.

Brian Deutsch, president and CEO of the company called SAGEport says, "We are like AOL for seniors-an easy and simple way for seniors to get online and find the information that's important to them."

#### The site features:

Easy-to-use e-mail and instant access to the resources and capabilities of the Web,

An intuitive design featuring easy-to-read fonts, buttons and icons, simple navigation and easy- to-use tutorials,

Descriptive Web site links within dozens of personalized channels created specifically with seniors' interests in mind, including health and personal finance, politics, grandparenting and continuing education,

Current news and feature articles relevant to seniors,

Chat rooms and bulletin board, and

An online marketplace offering a broad selection of products and services.

For seniors who currently do not have access to the Web, the company will offer SAGEvision, the first com-

will have to be taken from other health care programs within the budget

Since July 1, 1999 there have been 829 dentists who have provided oral care to Medicaid patients. The Department for Medicaid Services processed 324,359 claims during that time. The current Medicaid population totals 568,000 individuals

Secretary Helton said that the Kentucky Dental Association has agreed to encourage dentists to participate in Medicaid as a result of the increase in reimbursement.

In addition to the rate increase.

Public Health is implementing the recommendations of a recent task force that evaluated oral health in the state.

Those recommendations include the hiring of a public health dentist, a survey to determine the distribution of oral health problems, and the development of a strategic plan to improve access to oral health care.

Secretary Helton said, "The cabinet is taking an integrated approach to improve oral health among Kentuckians, and we will monitor and report how well that approach is working."



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malnutrition has to do with food-

borne illness. There is a connection.

Malnutrition leads to increased inci-

dence of infections, including those

that result from foodborne bacteria.

malnutrition occurs in seniors.

There may be a decrease in the

pleasure of eating. Medication,

digestive disorders, chronic illness-

es, physical disabilities or depres-

sion may result in a loss of appetite.

factor in maintaining a healthy

Symptoms of Foodborne

Illness

Common symptoms of food-

immune system.

Good nutrition is an important

There are many reasons why

### y are seniors at-risk for foodborne illness?

Dr. James L. Smith, a microbiologist with the U.S. Department of Agriculture, wanted to find out the answer to the question of why seniors are more at risk for foodborne illness.

So he reviewed data from foodborne outbreaks at nursing homes, and compared the immune and digestive systems of seniors and younger individuals as well as evaluating the overall physical well being of seniors. What he found is most interesting.

#### The Immune System and Aging

As we age, the ability of our

immune system to function at normal levels decreases. The immune system is one of the most important mechanisms for fighting disease and preserving health, so a decrease in the level of disease-fighting cells is a significant factor in the number of infections that may occur.

In addition to the normal decrease in the function of the immune system as part of the aging process, undergoing major surgery also affects the body's ability to fight off infections.

To counteract the affects of aging on the immune system, longterm regular exercise is important.

#### The Gastrointestinal Tract and Aging

As we age, inflammation of the lining of the stomach and a decrease in stomach acid occur. Because the stomach plays an important role in limiting the number of bacteria that enter the small intestine, a decrease or loss of stomach acidity increases the likelihood of infection if a pathogen is ingested with food or water.

Also adding to the problem is the slow down of the digestive process, allowing for the rapid growth of pathogens in the gut and the possible formation of toxins.

#### Malnutrition and Aging

borne illness include diarrhea. You may be wondering what abdominal cramping, fever, some-

### **OLW** aquacise

Members of the Prestonsburg Senior Citizens Center are participating in Aquacise, a water-based exercise program under the instruction of Carol Jo May of Our Lady of the Way Hospital. The program is a "joint venture" of Our Lady of the Way Hospital and the Kentucky Chapter of the Arthritis Foundation.

Recreational water programs for people with arthritis have been in existence for many years. The Arthritis Foundation Aquatic Program was implemented in more than a thousand YMCAs and other aquatic facilities throughout the United States in 1983.

All of the exercises were designed to be within the capability of most people with arthritis. A few may be contraindictated for people who had joint surgery, so participants are encouraged to contact their physicians before the first session to find out if any special precautions are necessary. Instructors are trained by the Arthritis Foundation.

Although the Arthritis Foundation Aquatic Program is a nonclinical program, that is, one that will not replace a prescribed regimen of therapeutic exercises, it may result in some physical benefit. The warmth and buoyancy of water can help decrease pain and/or stiffness and help improve or times blood or pus in the stools, headache, vomiting, and severe exhaustion. However, symptoms will vary according to the type of bacteria and by the amount of contaminants eaten.

Symptoms may come on as early as half-hour after eating the contaminated food or they may not develop for several days or weeks. They usually last only a day or two, but in some cases can persist a week to 10 days. For most healthy people, foodborne illnesses are neither long lasting nor life threatening. However, they can be severe in seniors.

#### In Case of Foodborne Illness

If you suspect that you or a fam-

ily member has foodborne illness follow these general guidelines:

1. Preserve the evidence. If a portion of the suspect food is available, wrap it securely, mark "DAN-GER" and refrigerate it. Save all the packaging materials, such as cans or cartons. Write down the food type, the date and time consumed, and when the symptoms started. Save any identical unopened products.

2.Seek treatment immediately.

3.Call the local health department if the suspect food was served at a large gathering, from a restaurant or other food service facility, or if it is a commercial product.

4.Call the FDA Consumer Food Information Line at 800-FDA-4010 if you have questions.



and about 30 other people in their home-like communal dining room. When Harry, 85, of Moscow, Pa., could no longer feed him-

self properly, he moved in with his daughter and her family. With her guidance, he ate six times a day, snacking on highcalorie, high-protein foods, and maintaining a near-normal weight.

Harry (who asked that his last name not be used) and Harkins typify many of today's older generation. Living alone in most cases, they often are unable to meet their dietary needs and are forced to make compromises.

Harry didn't know how to cook. He developed cancer. which made it even more important that he eat a well-balanced diet. Harkins knew how to cook but didn't take time to prepare adequate meals for herself.

"I would snack is what I'd do." she said. "I would think about getting a meal and then just have a cup of tea and toast. I knew I wasn't doing the right thing as far as nutrition was concerned."

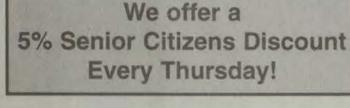




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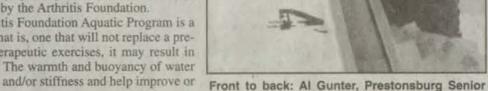




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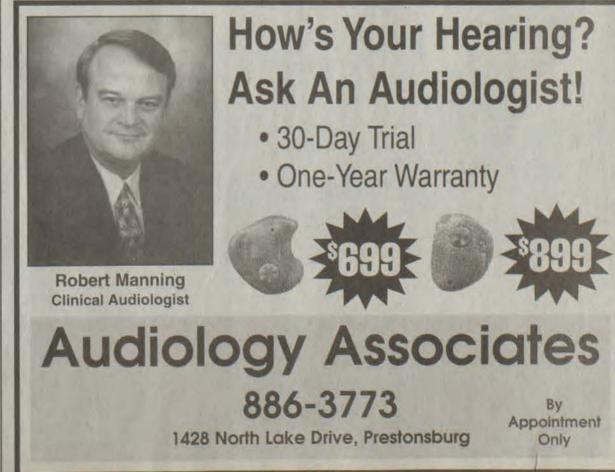
Front to back: Patsy Evans, Anna Roark, Carol Jo May, Aquacise Program Leader, Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Al Gunter, Prestonsburg Senior Citizens Center Director, Avanell Hicks, Emma Jean Pelphrey, and Delmas Saunders.

Their eating problems stemmed from loneliness and lack of desire or skill to cook. Other older people may eat poorly for other reasons, ranging from financial difficulties to physical problems.

The solutions can be just as varied, from finding alternative living arrangements to accepting home-delivered meals to using the food label developed by the Food and Drug Administration and the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Physical activity also is important in maintaining a healthy lifestyle.

Paula Kurtzweil is a former member of FDA's public affairs staff.







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widespread belief that cross-gen- rights have become a focal point of erational family relationships have been shattered in recent decades, an AARP survey shows that grandparents have an unusually strong relationship with their grandchildren.

The national survey of more than 800 grandparents over 50 years old found that most regularly interact with grandchildren in a a regular basis and three percent variety of ways and think their say they are raising a grandchild. relationships with grandchildren are "very positive."

For example, more than eight in 10 grandparents (82 percent) surveyed said they have seen a grandchild in the past month, and 85 percent said they have talked to a grandchild on the phone in that period. Seven in 10 (72 percent) said they have shared a meal in the past month, and an equal number said they purchased a gift for a grandchild within that time.

"The state of American grandparenting is strong," explained Gretchen Straw, associate research director of the AARP Research Group. "Most grandparents see their grandchildren regularly and connect in a number of ways. The relationship is a rewarding one."

"Perhaps the most striking finding of this study is the extent to which generations are connected to each other," the survey concludes. "In spite of a mobile society (and) busy lives ... most grandparents regularly interact with their grandchildren."

The survey comes at a time when the national media regularly report on instances of family breakdown. It also comes at a time for a grandchild, and another 25 days.

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maintain joint flexibility.

About one out of every seven Americans, almost 40 million people, have some type of arthritis. The incidence of arthritis in our area is high and, though we lack the indoor heated pool facilities found in larger cities, we can nonetheless take advantage of the summer months and our community swimming pools for water exercise.

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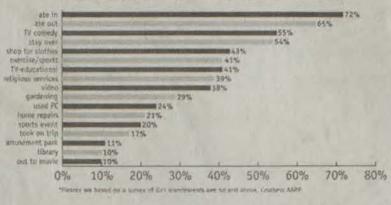
Classes will continue until early August and are on Mondays and Thursdays each week, weather permitting.

WASHINGTON - Despite the at which grandparents visitation percent say it is "somewhat easy." attention on the eve of the Supreme Court oral arguments in the Troxel v. Granville case.

> Thirty-one percent of adults --or about 60 million Americans are grandparents. AARP found that month. Almost a third of grandpar-11 percent of grandparents over 50 are caregivers - eight percent say that they are providing day care on

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How Grandparents Spend Time With Their Grandkids\*



Other highlights of the study: In questioning grandparents about 17 activities they might have engaged in with any grandchild in the past month, AARP found the top five were:

- · Eating together
- (either in or out)
- · Watching a TV comedy

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- · Staying overnight
- · Shopping for clothes

· Engaging in exercise/sports Forty-three percent of grandparents say it is "very easy" to come up with potential activities they often "talk about the good old

ing or talking on the phone with

percent). Twenty-nine percent said

them every few months or less.

Of grandparents who are not

caregivers and who do not live in

the same household as grandchil-

dren, 44 percent see a grandchild

every week. Another 25 percent

see a grandchild at least once a

ents (31 percent) both see and

speak by phone to a grandchild

each week. Slightly over one in 10

grandparents (12 percent) have lit-

tle contact with a grandchild, see-

Grandparents were asked about the different roles they play when interacting with a grandchild. Nearly one-half (49%) said that they often serve as a companion/friend, and more than onethird said they often give advice (35 percent), talk about family history (33 percent), explain what their parent did as a child (36 percent), or serve as a confidant (34

In response to an open-ended question about what are the most important values or ethics they would like to pass on to their grandchildren, 42 percent of the grandparents said high morals and integrity. Twenty-one percent cited 'success or ambition," 20 percent mentioned religion, 14 percent pointed to consideration of others, and ten percent said to be responsible or trustworthy.

Mature grandparents spend a median of \$489 a year on clothes, books, toys and other items for grandchildren. Nearly threefourths of those questioned (74 percent) purchased clothing and 60 percent bought books for a grandchild in the previous 12 months.

Twenty-seven percent of those participating in the study are under age 60, just over one-third are 60 to 69, and a similar percentage are 70 and older. Fifty-six percent are retired, while 23 percent work fulltime and eight percent, part-time. Seven percent are homemakers. The survey found that the typical grandparent has five grandchildren/great-grandchildren. Onefourth of grandparents have great grandchildren. Just over one-third have income under \$25,000, while 30 percent have incomes of at least \$50,000.

The study was conducted by telephone for AARP by ICR Survey Research Group of Media, Pennsylvania. The sample includes 823 grandparents age 50 years and older who were interviewed between September 28 and October 25, 1998. The margin of error is 3.5 percent plus or minus.



Delmas Saunders. Aquacise participant.



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#### SINCE STARTING

his recording career in 1991, Collin Raye has the rare distinction of being one of only eight country music artists to have their first four albums gain platinum status. But these days the 39-year-old DeQueen, Ark., native is interested in more than topping the charts.

"In the beginning, I wanted hits and all that," Raye says. "But what drives me now is what this music means to people. Songs have landed on me that made me realize there's more to this than I thought. It's about entertaining people one minute and healing them the next."

Music critics have praised Raye's muscular tenor voice as one of the finest in the industry, and he has charted eleven No. I singles, including I Can Still Feel You, Little Rock, and My Kind of Girl.

Raye also is recognized for his philanthropic work, lending his time and talent to countless charities including ChildHelp USA, for which he holds an annual concert.

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#### Alabama

#### July 18

Lynyrd Skynyrd— Dothan Fairgrounds, Dothan, AL

August 29 Sting Oak Mountain Amphitheatre, Pelham, AL

#### Arkansas

July 23 Jo Dee Messina— Rodeo Grounds, Springdale, AR.

August 5 The Kinleys— Arkansas Pig Out, Morrilton, AR.

August 10 Def Leppard— Riverfest Amphitheatre, Little Rock, AR.

August 19

Lynyrd Skynyrd—North Shore River Walk, North Little Rock, AR.

#### Florida

#### July 18

Faith Hill & Tim McGraw—National Car Rental Center, Fort Lauderdale, FL (954) 835-8275. Website: national-ctr.com.

Steve Miller Band—House of Blues Orlando, Lake Buena Vista, FL (407) 934-2222. Website:hob.com.

#### July 20

Brian Setzer Orchestra-Florida Theatre, Jacksonville, FL (904) 355-2787.

Santana—Mars Music Amphitheatre, West Palm Beach, FL (800) SKY-4-MCI. Website: marsmusicamp.com.

#### July 21

Santana—Ice Palace, Tampa, FL (813) 301-2500. Website: icepalace.com.

Duran Duran—House of Blues Orlando, Lake Buena Vista, FL. (407) 934-2583.

Brian Setzer Orchestra—Pompano Beach Amphitheatre, Pompano Beach, FL (954) 946-2402.

#### July 22

Duran Duran—House of Blues Orlando, Lake Buena Vista, FL. (407) 934-2583.

Brian Setzer Orchestra—Tampa Bay Performing Arts Center, Tampa, FL. (800) 955-1045.

#### July 23

Brian Setzer Orchestra—House of Blues Orlando, Lake Buena Vista, FL. (407) 934-2583.

Duran Duran—Mars Music Amphitheatre, West Palm Beach, FL (800) SKY-4-MCI.

July 25 Deftones—Hard Rock Live, Orlando, FL (407) 351-LIVE.

#### July 29

Tim McGraw, Martina McBride, and Kenny Chesney— Altel Stadium, Jacksonville, FL (904) 633-6100.

#### August I

Yes and Kansas—Mars Music Amphitheatre, West Palm Beach, FL (800) SKY-4-MCI.

#### August 4

Trisha Yearwood—Pompano Beach Amphitheatre, Pompano Beach, FL (954) 946-2402.

#### August 5

Trisha Yearwood—Ruth Eckerd Hall, Clearwater, FL (727) 791-7400.

#### August 6

Alabama Jacksonville Metro Park, Jacksonville, FL (904) 630-3520.

Trisha Yearwood Lakeland Center Youkey Theatre, Lakeland, FL (863) 834-8111.

#### August 15

The Doobie Brothers— Sea World of Florida, Orlando, FL

#### August 16

The Doobie Brothers—Raymond F. Kravis Center, West Palm Beach, FL.

Lynyrd Skynyrd—House of Blues Orlando, Lake Buena Vista, FL. (407) 934-2583.

#### August 17

The Doobie Brothers-Philharmonic Center, Naples, FL

#### August 18

The Doobie Brothers-Ruth Eckerd Hall, Clearwater, FL (727) 791-7400.

#### September 2

Sting-Ice Palace, Tampa, FL. (813) 301-2500. Website: icepalace.com.

#### September 3

Sting Mars Music Amphitheatre, West Palm Beach, FL (800) SKY-4-MCI.

#### September 8

Dave Matthews Band-Mars Music Amphitheatre, West Palm Beach, FL (800) SKY-4-MCI.

Jars of Clay-Universal Studios, Orlando, FL

September 9 Jars of Clay-Life Fest 2000, Jacksonville, FL

#### September 10

Britney Spears-Mars Music Amphitheatre, West Palm Beach, FL (800) SKY-4-MCI.

September 24 The Who-Mars Music Amphitheatre, West Palm Beach, FL (800) SKY-4-MCI.

#### Georgia

#### July 19

Brian Setzer Orchestra-Chastain Park Amphitheatre, Atlanta, GA. (404) 872-1115.

B-52's-Lakewood Amphitheatre, Atlanta, Ga. (404) 443-5090.

#### July 20 Deftones-The Tabernacle, Atlanta, GA. (404) 659-9022.

#### July 21

Temptations-Chastain Park Amphitheatre, Atlanta, GA. (404) 872-1115.

#### July 22

Santana-Lakewood Amphitheatre, Atlanta, GA. (404) 443-5090. Website: lakewoodamp.com.

Temptations-Chastain Park Amphitheatre, Atlanta, Ga. (404) 872-1115.

#### July 28

Natalie Cole Chostain Park Amphitheatre, Atlanta, GA. (404) 872-1115.

#### July 29

Peter, Paul and Mary-Chastain Park Amphitheatre, Atlanta, GA. (404) 872-1115.

#### July 30

YES-Lakewood Amphitheatre, Atlanta, GA. (404) 443-5090.

#### August 2

Collin Raye Chastain Park Amphitheatre, Atlanta, GA. (404) 872-1115.

#### August 3

Brad Paisley-Georgia Mountain Fair, Hiawassee, GA. (706) 896-4191. Website: georgia-mountainfair.com.

#### August 4

Three Dog Night-Chastain Park Amphitheatre, Atlanta, GA. (404) 872-1115.

Alabama-Ridge Ferry Park, Rome, GA. (706) 291-0766.

#### August 12

Tony Bennett-Chastain Park Amphitheatre, Atlanta, GA. (404) 872-1115.

#### August 18-19

BB King Blues Festival-Chastain Park Amphitheatre, Atlanta, GA. (404) 872-1115.

#### September 2

BlackHawk-Anderson Music Hall, Hiawassee, GA.

#### September 5

Sting-Lakewood Amphitheatre, Atlanta, GA. (404) 443-5090.

#### September 18

Britney Spears-Lakewood Amphitheatre, Atlanta, GA. (404) 443-5090.

#### September 25 Ty Herndon-North Georgia State Fair, Marietta, GA.

September 30 Brad Paisley North Georgia State Fair, Marietta, GA.

#### Kentucky

#### July 11 Dwight Yoakam-Louisville Palace, Louisville, KY. (502) 583-4555.

#### July 15

Third Eye Blind-Louisville Gardens, Louisville, KY. (502) 574-0086.

#### July 20

Aaron Tippin Coyotes Niteclub, Louisville, KY. (502) 589-3866.

# Patty Loveless

#### THE SHY KENTUCKY NATIVE

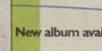
who has so much truth, honesty and emotion in her singing has become one of country music's most respected and honored performers during her 14-year career. She has the accolades to prove it. She's won six Country Music Association awards, two Academy of Country Music awards, and one Grammy.

And in an age when country music increasingly has become more about glitz and glamour, she isn't afraid to show her emotions. While recording How Can I Help You Say Goodbye, a song that deals with a mother's death, Loveless couldn't help but get choked up.

"I like to deal with real emotions," says Loveless, "whether you're crying because you're happy or crying because you're sad. The thing is to get the emotions out and cleanse the soul. Music is a wonderful release. I just go with my own heart."

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### Herndon

#### IT'S WITH A HEFTY AMOUNT

of confidence that Ty Herndon embarks on his fourth album, Steam. Confidence, because this latest release is a bit of a break from his previous hit albums that so characterized him as a tender balladeer. Steam brings forth in Herndon's songs what his stage presence has always revealed—a fiery energy.

"It was time for me to make the album I always wanted to make," Herndon says. "If that's walking out on a limb and picking the songs myself, then so be it. If you know the music is right and it feels good, you have to go with it. I wanted to create an album that you just put in your car and you drive."

Each song, from the buoyant In a New York Second to the full fury of A Love Like That, was road-tested in front of an audience before Herndon committed to putting them on Steam. The 10 tunes passed the litmus test with flying colors.

Herndon certainly hasn't abandoned his emotional ballads, however. Pray for Me is a tribute to the spirituality he learned as an Alabama youth. Putting the Brakes On Time bemoans the fast life, urging listeners to "stop to watch the grass grow."

Steam's versatility makes it a culmination of Herndon's career, and a gateway toward future hits.

Says Herndon, "It's about feel-good music."





#### July 27

Natalie Merchant—Louisville Palace, Louisville, KY. (502) 583-4555.

July 29 Eddie Money—Executive Inn, Owensboro, KY. (800) 626-1936.

August 5 Loretta Lynn—Executive Inn, Owensboro, KY. (800) 626-1936.

August 11 The Beach Boys—Executive Inn, Owensboro, KY. (732) 280-3434.

August 17 Dixie Chicks—Freedom Hall, Louisville, KY. (502) 367-5001.

August 18 Christina Aguilera—Freedom Hall, Louisville, KY. (502) 367-5001.

August 19 Brooks and Dunn—Freedom Hall, Louisville, KY. (502) 367-5001.

August 25 Kenny Rogers—Cardinal Stadium, Louisville, KY. (502) 367-5001.

Lorrie Morgan—Executive Inn, Owensboro, KY. (800) 626-1936.

#### August 26

Def Leppard—Kentucky State Fair, Louisville, KY. (502) 574-0086. Website: kyfairexpo.org/box%200office.

Confederate Railroad— Executive Inn, Owensboro, KY. (800) 626-1936.

September 10 Ty Herndon— Mountain Arts Center, Prestonburg, KY.

September 16 Collin Raye— The Belvedere, Louisville, KY.

#### Louisiana

July 17 Dwight Yoakam— House of Blues, New Orleans, LA. (504) 529-2583. Website: hob.com.

#### July 21

Faith Hill & Tim McGraw— New Orleans Arena, New Orleans, LA. (504) 587-3822. Website: neworleansarena.com.

#### August 10

Spyro Gyra— House of Blues, New Orleans, LA. (504) 529-2583. Website: hob.com.

August 20

Ty Herndon— Captains Field, Shreveport, LA.

September 16 BlackHawk— Pickin' & Grinnin' Fest, Royville, LA.

#### Mississippi

July 20 Lynyrd Skynyrd—Horseshoe Casino, Tunica, MS. (800) 303-7463.

July 21 Pat Benatar—Biloxi Grand Theatre, Biloxi, MS.

Billy Ray Cyrus—Sams Town Casino, Tunica, MS. (800) 456-0711.

#### July 22

Pat Benatar—Grand Casino Tunica, Tunica, MS. (800) 946-4946.

#### July 27

Alabama Horseshoe Casino, Tunica, MS. (800) 303-7463.

July 28 Patti Labelle—Sams Town Casino, Tunica, MS. (800) 456-0711.

August 3 Chicago—Horseshoe Casino, Tunica, MS. (800) 303-7463.

#### August 4

Waylon Jennings— Biloxi Grand Theatre, Biloxi, MS.

#### August 5

Waylon Jennings—Grand Casino Tunica, Tunica, MS. (800) 946-4946.

#### August 10

Beach Boys—Horseshoe Casino, Tunica, MS. (800) 303-7463. August 19 The Doobie Brothers—

Grand Casino, Biloxi, MS. August 25

Gladys Knight— Biloxi Grand Theatre, Biloxi, MS.

August 26 Gladys Knight—Grand Casino Tunica,

Tunica, MS. (800) 946-4946.

September I Creedence Clearwater Revisited— Biloxi Grand Theatre, Biloxi, MS.

#### September 2

Grand Casino, Tunica, MS. (800) 946-4946.

Collin Raye—Sam's Town Casino, Robinsonville, MS. (800) 456-0711.

September 14 Foreigner—Horseshoe Casino, Tunica, MS. (800) 946-4946.

#### North Carolina

July 23

Santana—Blockbuster Pavilion Charlotte, Charlotte, NC. (704) 549-5555.

Chicago—Alltel Pavilion at Walnut Creek, Raleigh, NC. (919) 831-6666.

July 25 Santana—Alltel Pavilion at Walnut Creek, Raleigh, NC. (919) 831-6666.

July 27 YES—Alltel Pavilion at Walnut Creek, Raleigh, NC. (919) 831-6666.

July 28 YES—Blockbuster Pavilion Charlotte, Charlotte, NC. (704) 549-5555.

Peter, Paul and Mary—Alltel Pavilion at Walnut Creek, Raleigh, NC. (919) 831-6666.

July 29

Duran Duran—Paladium at Carowinds, Charlotte, NC. (800) 888-4386.

August 2

Duran Duran—Alltel Pavilion at Walnut Creek, Raleigh, NC. (919) 831-6666.

August 5 Alabama—Alltel Pavilion at Walnut Creek, Raleigh, NC. (919) 831-6666.

#### August 17

Jo Dee Messina—Cherokee Smokey Mountain Casino, Cherokee, NC.

#### August 22

Jimmy Buffett— Alltel Pavilion at Walnut Creek, Raleigh, NC. (919) 831-6666.

#### August 26

The Kinleys—Greensboro Coliseum, Greensboro, NC. (336) 373-7474. Website: greensborocoliseum.com.

#### August 27

Martina McBride— Paladium at Carowinds, Charlotte, NC. (800) 888-4386.

#### August 28

Lyle Lovett Greensboro Coliseum Complex, Greensboro, NC. (336) 373-7474. Website: greensborocoliseum.com.

September 1

Dave Matthews Band— Alltel Pavilion at Walnut Creek, Raleigh, NC. (919) 831-6666.

Taj Mahal & The Phantom Blues Band— Alltel Pavilion at Walnut Creek, Raleigh, NC. (919) 831-6666.

September 2 Dave Matthews Band-

Blockbuster Pavilion Charlotte, Charlotte, NC. (704) 549-5555.

#### September 6

Sting—Blockbuster Pavilion Charlotte, Charlotte, NC. (704) 549-5555.

#### September 12

Britney Spears— Alltel Pavilion at Walnut Creek, Raleigh, NC. (919) 831-6666.

#### September 13

Britney Spears—Blockbuster Pavilion Charlotte, Charlotte, NC. (704) 549-5555.

#### September 14

Brad Paisley—North Carolina Mountain State Fair, Fletcher, NC.

#### September 15

Willie Nelson— Greensboro Coliseum Complex, Greensboro, NC. (336) 373-7474.

#### September 16

Jeff Foxworthy— Greensboro Coliseum Complex, Greensboro, NC. (336) 373-7474.

#### Septembet 17

Weird Al Yankovic— Paladium at Carowinds, Charlotte, NC. (800) 888-4386.

### The Kinleys

#### THE KINLEYS' NEWEST

album, II, is a true representation of where the sisters are musically and professionally: a little older, wiser, and much happier.

"It's been almost three years since the last record and musically, we've changed so much," Jennifer says. "We're totally in a different spot.We've gotten more confidence and more experience, and I think that shows through your music."

Jennifer and her twin sister Heather first attracted attention with their 1997 debut Just Between You and Me. Their first single, "Please, remains the highest debuting single by a female duo in country music history, while the album's title track made the Top 10.

The album was certified gold and has gone on to sell nearly 750,000 copies. The Kinleys were named the Best New Duo or Group by the Academy of Country Music and garnered nominations for the Grammys, the Country Music Association, and the American Music Awards.

They also scored a hit with the inspirational Somebody's Out There Watching, from the Touched By An Angel soundtrack, which to date has sold nearly two million copies. The song has been included as a bonus cut on *II*. "We didn't categorize what we were singing, we just sang what we loved," Heather says. "And

we still do that today."





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# Tammy Cochran

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September 29 Brad Paisley-Dixie Classic State Fair, Winston-Salem, NC.

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July 16 Brad Paisley-Johnson Mem. Stadium, Kingsport, TN.

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August 18 Lynyrd Skynyrd-Skull Bone Music Pavilion, Jackson, TN.

August 30 Sting-AmSouth Amphitheatre, Nashville, TN. (615) 641-5800.

#### September 4

Dave Matthews Band-AmSouth Amphitheatre, Nashville, TN. (615) 641-5800.

#### September 13

**Brad Paisley**-Tennessee Valley Fair, Knoxville, TN.

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Brad Paisley-West Virginia State Fair, Fairlea, WV. (877) 988-4257. Website: wvstatefair.com.

August 20 Kathy Mattea-Cultural Center, Charleston, WV. (304) 558-3000.

August 25 Brad Paisley-

#### Dodridge County Fair, West Union, WV. Website: hometown.aol.com.

# Gillman

#### ON ALL THE FINGERS of one hand you can count the number of times you'll read about Billy

Gilman without reference to his age.

- "A performer since age seven...
- "A recording artist at a ripe twelve years old." That sort of thing.

Forget it. He loves to sing. He loves to perform. He's full of energy and enthusiasm. He is a natural.

"At school, for Show and Tell, the other kids would bring in comic book stuff, or science projects," he says. "I'd always sing.

School was in Hope Valley, Rhode Island, outside of Providence, where he grew up listening to pure country. "Tammy Wynette, Georege Jones, Eddie Arnold, Patsy Cline, all the classics," he lists, the records his grandparents played.

Gilman burst onto the national music scene with a show-stopping performance that resulted in a standing ovation at the recent Academy of Country Music Awards. "It was a life-altering experience," he told music legend, Dick Clark, backstage.

When his debut single, One Voice, entered the Billboard chart, Gilman edged out Brenda Lee to become the youngest person ever to have a song on the magazine's Country Singles Chart. An album of immediate appeal and remarkable assurance, One Voice is in fact the culmination of the young (see, there it is again) musician's earliest dream. From the inspirational message of the title track and first single, to the danceable zest of Little Bitty Pretty One, or the high-energy remake of the sixties classic, Little Things, this is music that instantly engages the listener-then lingers in the heart and soul.

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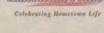
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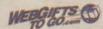
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### Tidbits

ALABAMA-CATHEDRAL CAVERNS IN GRANT has the world's largest commercially maintained cave entrance and stalagmite. The entrance measures 128 by 25 feet. One stalagmite, appropriately named Goliath, is 243 feet wide and 45 feet tall, say park officials.

ARKANSAS-THE ATTACK ON SOUTH CAROLINA'S Fort Sumter in April 1861 is known as the official start of the Civil War, But several days prior, residents in Pine Bluff reportedly fired on a federal gunboat and confiscated its supplies.

FLORIDA-EVERGLADES NATIONAL PARK IS THE largest subtropical wilderness in the continental United States. The 1.5 million-acre park has numerous fresh and saltwater areas, open prairies, and forests. It is the only place in the world where alligators and crocodiles exist together, say park officials.

GEORGIA-WHO ARE THE GIRL GUIDES? Well, you know them as the Girl Scours. Juliette Gordon Low founded the organization in 1912 in Savannah. The name was changed a year later.

KENTUCKY-ESTABLISHED IN 1774, HARRODS-TOWN (now Harrodsburg) was the first permanent European settlement in the Kentucky region. The town is named after Capt. James Harrod, the man who led a group of surveyors into the area.

LOUISIANA-LOUISIANA WAS THE FIRST STATE to pass a law making English its official language. The law was passed in 1811-109 years before another state. Nebraska, did the same thing.

MISSISSIPPI-VICKSBURG WAS KNOWN AS THE Gibraltar of the Confederacy during the Civil War. The city, located high on the bluffs, was a fortress guarding the Mississippi River. After fighting a campaign from March 29, 1863, to July 4, 1863, the city surrendered to Union troops.

NORTH CAROLINA-THE INFAMOUS PIRATE Blackbeard's ship, "The Queen Anne's Revenge," was found in waters off the shore of Beaufort in 1996. The ship sank in 1718. Blackbeard, whose real name was Edward Teach, lived in Bath when he wasn't out pirating.

SOUTH CAROLINA-THE EDISTO RIVER IN South Carolina is the longest free-flowing blackwater river in the country. Blackwarer describes both the color of the water and its peaceful flow.

TENNESSEE \_\_ TENNESSEE SETTLERS WERE THE first white people in America to draft a constitution. The Watauga Association drafted the constitution, based on the Iroquois Federation's laws, in 1772 at Sycamore Shoals near Elizabethton.

VIRGINIA-MORE CIVIL WAR BATTLES WERE fought in Virginia than in any other state. More than half of the war's approximately 4,000 battles occurred there

WEST VIRGINIA-SOME RESIDENTS WANTED A total break when West Virginia separated from Virginia in 1861. One proposed name for the new state was Kanawha, after a major river in the area, but a state convention decid-ed on West Virginia.

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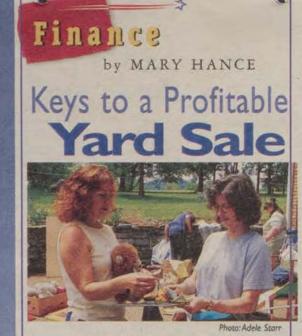
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Salesmanship, a few tricks, and extra effort can turn a mildly successful yard sale into a profitable, worthwhile endeavor. To help make your sale a success:

• Collect enough good stuff to make a yard sale worth your time.

• Advertise in the newspaper and put up signs around your neighborhood. Many shoppers plan their day around the paper, so it pays to be in there, even with a small ad.

• List specialty items in the ad, such as a footed bathtub, Ping-Pong table, or certain collectibles.

• Invite friends, neighbors, or family members to participate. Multifamily sales attract more shoppers, and you can share the cost of the ad.

• Schedule the sale for the first weekend of the month, except during holidays. That's when most people have extra money.

Tidy up your yard before the sale. A well-tended home suggests you have good stuff to sell.
Begin the sale earlier than is usual for your area. Shoppers who start at your place will have the most money.

• Expect early shoppers. No matter what opening time you put in the ad, some will come earlier. Be ready, and make some sales.

• Make your merchandise look good. Dust and oil furniture, scrub toys and baby equipment, clean tools, and mend all garments. Write the size of each garment on the price tag.

• Package similar items. Linens sell best when sorted by color and bundled with ribbon, for example.

Price your items to sell, and mark them individually rather than setting up a \$1- or 50-cent table.
Take names and offers on more valuable items. If you ask \$300 for a dining room table, ask interested shoppers for their best offer, name, and phone number. You may end up calling them after the sale.

• Be sure customers know that you will negotiate. Encourage offers.

Mary Hance is known as "Ms. Cheap" to readers of her newspaper column on saving money.

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#### Ask American Profile



After his big Oscar win for American Beauty, what's next for Kevin Spacey? I can't wait to see his next film. What is it and when should I expect it?

Ramsay C., Pennsylvania

Kevin Spacey followed American Beauty with The Big Kahuna, co-starring Danny DeVito and Peter Facinelli. Spacey can be seen later this year in Pay

It Forward, with Helen Hunt and Haley Joel Osment, the young boy in The Sixth Sense. The movie is scheduled for a late 2000 release.

I'm a big fan of ER's Julianna Margulies, who played nurse Carol Hathaway. What are

her plans now that she's left the show?

Kevin Spacey: more to come.

- Linda C., Virginia

Julianna Margulies, 1995 Emmy Award winner for Best Supporting Actress in a Drama Series, earned four consecutive Emmy nominations playing ER's head nurse, Carol Hathaway. Since exiting the show earlier this year. Margulies has been busy with special projects. Look for her in the TNT production The Mists of Avalon, an exciting new twist on the magical legend of King Arthur. Margulies also is the voice of Neera in Disney's latest animated film, Dinosaur.

Has Perry Como given up his singing career? I wish I could encourage him to sing to his many senior fans. It would be a wonderful treat for them and good for him to remain active in his career. - Teresa R., Florida

Como, 88, does few live shows these days, but due to heavy fan demand he has several new song collections and re-released albums available on the Internet at amazon.com and CDUniverse.com. Born Pierino Como, the velvet-voiced crooner entered show business in 1933 when he auditioned for a Cleveland bandleader. In 1935, Como joined Ted Weems' Orchestra and recorded for Decca. In 1942, he decided to return to his hometown of Canonsburg, Pa., and to his first profession-as a barber. But he soon was singing again. His first recording for RCA-Victor was Goodbye Sue on Dec. 1, 1943. It was the first of many hit singles and albums.

#### Can you tell me anything about The O'Reilly Factor's Bill O'Reilly? Is he married? - Mae B., Ohio

Yes, Bill O'Reilly, 51, is married and has a daughter. He is the host and executive producer of Fox News Channel's The O'Reilly Factor, which illuminates and analyzes top stories of the day, events, trends, and celebrities, through spirited debate and questioning. O'Reilly, from Levittown,

> N.Y., attended Marist College in Poughkeepsie, N.Y., where he played football and worked on the school newspaper. In 1995, he earned a master's degree in public policy from Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government. O'Reilly also authored the fiction thriller, Those Who Trespass: A Novel of Murder and Television.

> I've been watching The Equalizer, now in reruns on cable. What happened to the actors? And is the character "Control" the same actor who was in the movie 12 O'Clock High? - Dee B., Missouri



Perry Como, the former barber, has new song collections out.

You have a good eye. Robert Lansing, who played Control on The Equalizer, also played Brig. Gen. Frank Savage in 12 O'Clock High. He died in October 1994 in New York City after a long battle with cancer. Edward Woodward (Robert McCall) now plays the boss in the British remake of The Professionals called CI5: The New Professionals, a 13-part series. William Zabka (Scott McCall) played several roles in teen films, including two Karate Kid movies. He also can be seen in this year's films Python and Roomies. Keith Szarabajka (Mickev) appeared in plays, feature films (Warning Sign, Missing), and television productions, most recently the television series Max Steel. Robert Jordan (Harley Gage) died of a brain tumor in 1993. 🍣



Robert McCall, left, and Robert Lansing of The Equalizer fame.

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# Politics and Barbecue **Run Freely**

#### by BRIAN COURTNEY

In Kentucky, politicians go where the people areand with good reason. Folklore has it that anyone in Kentucky politics who doesn't speak at the annual Fancy Farm Picnic doesn't get elected.

'I'm not sure whether most politicians believe this is true, but a lot of them show up anyway," says Bob Spalding, the event's chairman and director for the last 24 years.

Aug. 5, 2000, marks the 120th consecutive Fancy Farm Picnic. Some 15,000 people, including dozens of candidates with a taste for savory barbecue and an even greater appetite for votes, attend the politically charged event-the unofficial kickoff of fall cam-

paigning in Kentucky politics.

Spalding describes the Fancy Farm Picnic as a forum for "back-home" politics, a homecoming for former residents, and a destination for those who love barbecue, good company, and outdoor fun. Admission is free, and \$7 buys all the barbecue and extras you can eat (\$3.50 if you're 12 or under).

This year, the Fancy Farm community (pop. 500), so named by its founders in 1843 for its many elegant farms, will barbecue about 18,000 pounds of pork and mutton. That's roughly 2,000 pounds more than in 1984 when Fancy Farm set a Guinness World Record for the largest one-day picnic and barbecue.

They set a Guinness record for pork.

Hometown

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The picnic, held on the first Saturday in August, began before the Civil War as a gathering among families after tobacco crops were harvested. It was suspended during the war and resumed in 1880. Over time, the picnic gained popularity-especially among Kentucky politicians who saw it as a prime oppor-

tunity to "stump" for votes (originally, to speak from the high ground of a tree stump). Speaking at Fancy Farm is open to candidates running for any Kentucky or national office. Turnout is particularly heavy during highly contested congressional races.

"You just didn't ignore the opportunity to come down here and get exposure," says Lloyd Clapp, former speaker pro tempore for the Kentucky House of Representatives.

Clapp, who retired in 1986 after 21 years in office, spoke at the Fancy Farm Picnic almost every year of his political career.

in Fancy Farm, Kentucky

Fancy Farm also is popular with candidates courting the national vote. Kentucky native and former Vice President Alvin C. Barkley made regular appearances during the 1940s. Perennial presidential candidate George C. Wallace attended, and Vice Presi-



Politicians aren't the only ones running.

dent Al Gore, a former U.S. senator from Tennessee, stopped to campaign in 1992. Spalding is optimistic that one or both candidates in this year's presidential election will attend.

While political turnout at the shindig is unpredictable, its schedule remains the same. Carnival-like games begin at 10 a.m. and continue throughout the day. A band plays bluegrass and country music until 2 p.m., at which time the politicking begins.

For this, the audience gathers near the remains of the old lvin' tree, named for the freeflowing promises of ambitious politicians who once spoke beneath it. It was "critically wounded" in 1974 by what has been described as "a nonpartisan bolt of lightning."

Political speeches conclude at precisely 4 p.m., and the music flows again until the picnic ends with the raffle of a new car at 11 p.m.

Berry Craig, an associate history professor at Paducah Community College, uses Fancy Farm as a teaching tool, saying the event steps back to a time when candidates relied more heavily on their live oratory skills than on television ads and the media.

"I always encourage my students to go to at least one Fancy Farm Picnic," he says, "because it's a throwback to the stump-style speaking that Kentucky and Tennessee were famous for a hundred years ago." 🍣

Brian Courtney is a regular contributor to American Profile.

**GETTING THERE..** 

Fancy Farm is about 25 miles southwest of Paducah, Ky. For information about the Fancy Farm Picnic, call (270) 623-8686. KENTUCKY





### Southeast Happenings

#### August I-15



ALABAMA Dog Daze Concert & Festival-

Trussville, Aug. 4-5. Food, arts & crafts, and live musical entertainment. Outdoor concert Friday night. (205) 655-7535.



ARKANSAS White River Water Carnival-

Batesville, Aug. 3-5.

Features a carnival, arts & crafts, ski show, car show, motorcycle show, fishing tournament, fireworks, and more. (870) 793-2378.

#### Mountainfest-

Mena, Aug. 4-6.

A juried show featuring more than 100 booths of handmade arts and crafts, bingo games, and live music. (501) 394-2863.



FLORIDA **Obon Festival** Delray Beach, Aug. 12.

A special evening with floating lanterns and fireworks marks Obon, the Japanese holiday honoring ancestors. Features food booths and a variety of Japanese games and amusements, including folk dances and taiko drum performances. (561) 495-0233.



GEORGIA **Dillard Bluegrass** & Barbecue Festival-

Dillard, Aug. 4-5.

This is the home of the Georgia State Championship Cookoff. Featuring live bluegrass bands and entertainment from two stages, fun and exciting interactive contests, and of course, plenty of outstanding championship barbecue. (800) 988-4452.



Stanton, Aug. 5-6. This festival features a car show, beauty pageant, live music, 5K run, com-on-the-cob eating contest, handcrafted items, and lots of food.

KENTUCKY

Corn Festival



(606) 663-2271.

#### LOUISIANA Festival of Riches-

New Iberia, Aug. 12-13.

New Iberia Hoedowners host square dance workshops and exhibitions, kicking off the festival with the Grand March. (337) 365-7590.



#### MISSISSIPPI Choctaw County Dawg Days of Summer Festival

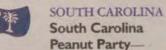
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#### by KAREN LEVIN

Food

# Raspberry Royal Muffins

Raspberry picking is a perfect way to savor the fruits of summer. Pick a few, eat a few, and if you have any left when you get home, consider baking a pan of fruit-filled muffins to share with family and friends, or freeze for another day.

Persimmon Hill Berry Farm in the Ozark Mountains near Lampe, Mo., is known for its sumptuous Raspberry Royal Muffins. Once berry-picking season arrives, the muffins are baked fresh daily, using a recipe developed more than a decade ago by local restaurant chef Robert Nicol.

Part of the berry-picking experience at Persimmon Hill is enjoying a warm muffin with coffee or juice on the front porch of the farm's store or at one of the

#### shaded picnic tables outside.

The muffins are so popular that farm owners Earnie and Martha Bohner ship them to out-of-town visitors via one-day air service. One avid customer in New York takes a Persimmon Hill muffin to her local coffee house when she wants to treat herself to a special breakfast.

You-pick berry farms like Persimmon Hill abound throughout the country, places where you can pick a few pints for the following muffin recipe. Serve them warm, then cool and freeze any extras for up to three months.

Karen Levin is a freelance food writer and cookbook author in Highland Park, Ill.



#### **Raspberry Royal Muffins**

- cup sugar 1/2 cup butter or margarine,softened
- eggs 2 cups flour
- 2 teaspoons baking
- powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt

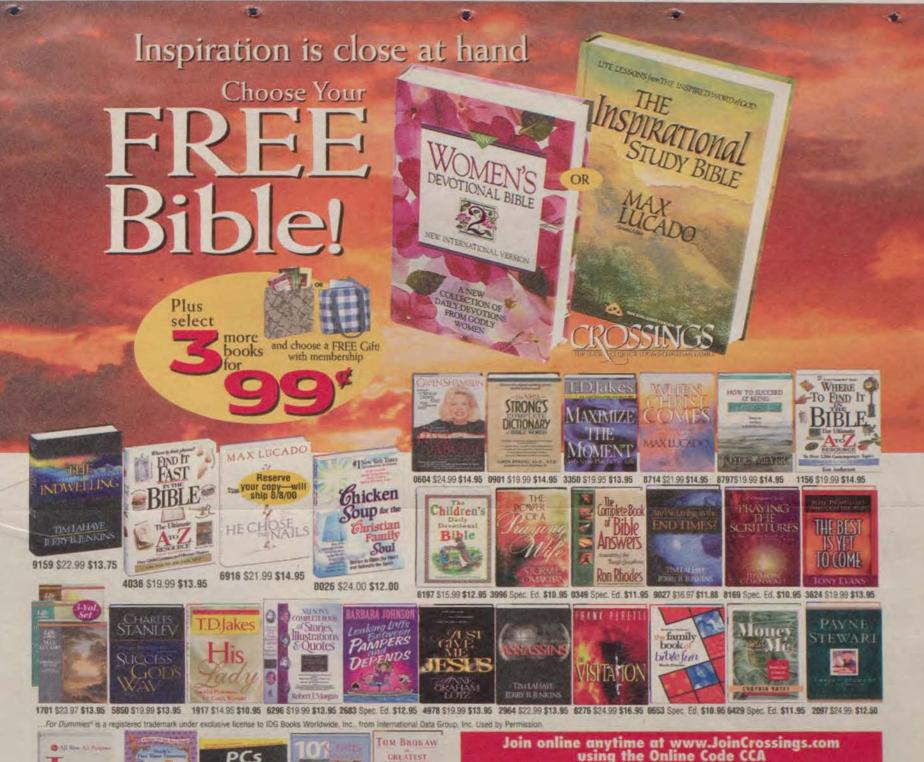
1/2 cup milk I teaspoon vanilla 2 1/2 cups fresh or frozen raspberries

For topping: I tablespoon sugar 1/4 teaspoon cinnamon Cream together sugar and butter (do not use melted butter, as the muffins will be flat), add eggs, and mix well. Sift together the flour, baking powder, and salt, and then add these dry ingredients to the butter and egg mixture. Add milk and vanilla, and stir the batter just until dry ingredients are moistened. Gently fold in raspberries. If using frozen berries, do not thaw before adding to the mix. Line muffin tins with paper muffin cups or spray nonstick muffin tins with cooking spray. Fill cups 3/4 full with batter. Top with the cinnamon-sugar mixture. Bake at 350 degrees for 25 to 30 minutes (a bit longer for jumbo muffins). Muffins are done when a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean. Yield: One dozen regular muffins or 6 jumbo muffins.



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# Hometown Spotlight

\* Faulkner's A Mecca Oxford: for Writers story and photos by ADAM SHEMPER



William Faulkner, in statue and legend, holds sway in Oxford, Mississippi

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It's hard to imagine what Oxford, Miss., would be like without its literary culture-not to see, on a daily basis, such acclaimed authors as Barry Hannah and Larry Brown sitting in local bars or walking down the street, deep in conversation with friends and devoted readers. Or to go a whole month without someone mentioning author William Faulkner as if he were still alive, writing in eternal solitude.

Oxford is inextricably linked to Faulkner, winner of the 1949 Nobel Prize in Literature, and his fictional Yoknapatawpha County. Willie Morris, the native son who moved to New York and became the youngest ever editor-inchief at Harper's Magazine in 1967, once wrote in National Geographic, Faulkner's "physical and emotional fidelity to Oxford . . . was at the core of his being, so that today Oxford and the real county-Lafavette-are the most tangibly connected to one writer's soul of any locale in America'

Since Faulkner's death in 1962, a strong literary culture has built upon his legacy, and Oxford has transformed to the literary mecca it is today. Oxford's been home to more writers than anyone can count, including novices, university professors, writers for the national publication, The Oxford American, and the local daily, Oxford Eagle-and of course, lauded fiction writers such as Hannah, Brown, Morris, and John Grisham.

In 1979, Richard Howorth and his wife, Lisa, opened Square Books on the town square, which at the time was still Oxford's center of commerce, hardware, and dry good stores.

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"I must say, the town was a lot duller then," says Hannah. "It was more like a village. The dogs slept in the streets. It was much quieter."

#### **GETTING THERE...**

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Barry Hannah: characters from Mississippi's conflicted history. Says Howorth, "When we first opened the store, we had readings within the first month." Those readings are now a weekly staple in Oxford's cultural diet. Partly as a result of Square Book's push to grow the town into a literary center, writers have found it a welcoming place. "I think, too, that Faulkner made it possible for other artists to be accorded much more, if not respect, then distance and latitude from people in the community," Howorth adds.

By the time Willie Morris returned to Mississippi in the early '80s, farm and working class life had changed. Racial intolerance and suspicion of outsiders began to fade as a new self-awareness and literary consciousness emerged.

"Willie was a kind of bridge between Faulkner and the new writers . . . between that traditional South and the new contemporary South. He was one of the major boosts to Oxford's literary culture," says Charles Wilson, director of the Center for the Study of Southern Culture at Ole Miss (The University of Mississippi, located in Oxford).

Larry Brown has twice won the Southern Book Critics Circle Award, one each for his novels *Joe* and *Father and Son*. He was born in Lafayette County and says he lives here simply because it's home. "My family's here," he says. "My great-grandfather was from here, fought in the Civil War." Wilson talks of Brown as a link between working class



Bookstore owner Richard Howorth, left, with Larry Brown.

culture and the contemporary literary culture. "Out of Faulkner's mythical county comes Brown, a real fireman," Wilson says. "He's a very interesting character in all this."

Brown was an Oxford firefighter for 16 years before he started writing full time. His numerous novels and collections of short stories are testaments to how certain strong elements of the traditional South remain—a fervent spiritualness, a deep connection to landscape despite the region's cultural changes.

Barry Hannah moved to Oxford in 1982 to teach creative writing at Ole Miss. His debut novel, *Geronimo Res*, was nominated for the National Book Award. Hannah's stories depict people very much caught in the context of Mississippi's conflicted history—wrestling with the die-hard memories of the Civil War and the civil rights movement.

His first home in Oxford was a rented house on the land of the fabled Compsons, from Faulkner's *The Sound and the Fury*. "The town was gorgeous. Almost brought me back to the bricky streets of my youth down in Clinton (Miss.)," Hannah says. "I loved the big of palatial oak trees in Oxford, over these two- and three-story homes with spires . . . And the shade, the good shade." He admits he likes living among Faulkner's ghosts, likes the high standards his writing has set.

"I finally found a scene to look out on. For me, I've got to *have* a world to really look at a world; and that's what I found in Oxford."  $\Rightarrow$ 

Adam Shemper writes from his home in Oxford, Miss.



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# America's First Family of

by MICHAEL NOLAN

# Bringing Santa Claus to Indiana was just the beginning

Visitors are like part of the family at Holiday World.

"It's like a rush. I would ride this again ... a bunch more times," raves Marissa Missinne, 14, of Corydon, Ind., following her first scream-inspiring ride aboard The Legend, the fearsome new wooden roller coaster at Holiday World.

Bill Koch, 85, beams upon hearing of her enthusiastic review. "That makes me feel like it's all worthwhile," he says, grinning. "I am happy with the happiness of others." Others in this case refers to the roughly half a million people expected to enjoy the 55th season at Koch's family owned amusement park in Santa Claus, Ind.

Koch (pronounced cook) is patriarch of the family, but admits he was initially a grinch about the business when it began as Santa Claus Land in 1946.

Bill Koch's father, industrialist Louis J. Koch, decided to create the theme park after learning that visitors to the town of Santa Claus (especially children) often were disappointed to learn that Santa didn't live there. He bought land for the park

in the 1930s, but development was delayed until after World War II.

Bill Koch returned from the Navy in 1946 to find his father ready to open Santa Claus Land with its fairyland trail, miniature railroad, toy shop, restaurant, and the jovial presence of Saint Nick. Unbeknownst to either of them at the

Forget photos: when it's time to nap, it's time.



time, the senior Koch had established America's first theme park.

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"I thought it was screwy," son Bill recalls. "I didn't want any part of it."

Before long however, as Bill recognized the park's potential and its community benefit, he got into the spirit of the family business. He began running it in 1948 and was named president 11 years later.

#### A Family Affair

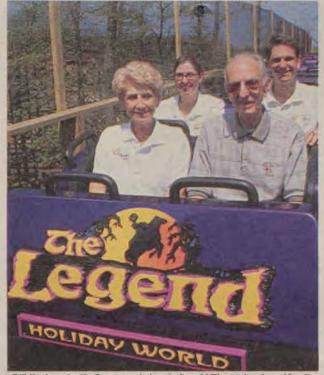
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"All five of our children worked here from the time they were about 10," Bill recalls. As youngsters, they played elves and dwarves. As they grew, so did their responsibilities. "Even though we weren't the biggest (park), we wanted to make it the best, and every one of us worked toward that goal."

"When we would go home at night, all we did was talk about the park," he continues. Vacations were spent at other theme parks across the country, making comparisons and gathering ideas.

"We were the test subjects," laughs Will

Koch, 38, the eldest child of Bill and his wife, Pat, and one of two offspring still involved in Holiday World's daily operations (the others sit on the board of directors). "We would go on all the rides and Dad would ask us, 'How do you like that?' or 'What do you think if we added this?" says Will, park president and general manager.



Bill Koch and wife, Pat, seated ahead of son Will and daughter Natalie.

After working his way through college as a park employee, Will left the family business for a California computer corporation. Within three years, however, he was ready to go home. "You have one little piece of the whole puzzle that you work on, but I was used to being here," Will recalls. "Dad always brought home whatever the issues were at the park, and we talked about them."

Eager to regain that level of involvement, he returned to

Holiday World in December 1986 as director of operations and became general manager two years later.

Meanwhile, the park had expanded dramatically with new sections and attractions celebrating the Fourth of July and Halloween. To reflect its broader vision, Santa Claus Land became Holiday World. Today it also has an affiliated water park called Surfin' Safari.



Inner tubes, parking, and soft drinks are free.

Like Will, the Kochs' youngest daughter, Natalie, 32, was inclined to leave the family fold and pursue work consistent with her master's degree in Latin American studies. "I had no intention of being back here," she says with a laugh. "I wanted to make my own mark in the world."

That mark, it turns our, would be in Santa Claus, Ind. The pull of the family business was strong, especially with the 1993 startup of their expansive water park. Natalie returned to work seasonally, then full time, eventually becoming director of human relations and operations.

"I can't imagine working somewhere where I can't wear my polo shirt and khaki shorts and tennis shoes to work," she jokes. "And it's certainly been more rewarding. I see how (employees) benefit from working here and grow and improve. It sounds kind of corny, but they do become part of our family." One of the Kochs' biggest challenges is keeping the park staffed with the required 1,000 seasonal employees in a county with only 1,800 residents and an increasingly competitive job market. "We have to work hard to try to be a better employer for these young people," Will says.

One distinct advantage is the park's longevity. It's not unusual for the parents or grandparents of today's teenage employees to have worked at Holiday World in their youth.

#### **Rides and Slides**

Today, Holiday World offers something for everyone, including rides, shows, and games — not to mention Indiana's largest water park, featuring a wave pool, tubing rides, and giant slides.

Thrill seekers find a variety of vintage midway rides, including a Tilt-A-Whirl and a Spider, as well as water rides and its giant wooden roller coasters, the Raven and, most recently, The Legend.

"People are telling us that we have the best one-two punch of roller coasters in any theme park," Will says. To ensure that this latest addition would be a real crowd pleaser, he posted initial blueprints of the \$3 million Legend on

their website (*bolidayworld.com*) and presented preliminary plans to roller coaster fan clubs for their input. "That had never happened before," he says. "We had over 200 suggestions on what to do with The Legend. A lot of them got incorporated into the design."

> Tamer rides for children include the original train built by George Koch Sons, the manufacturing company founded

by Bill's grandfather. The park also boasts an enormous playscape which, in keeping with Will's vision, encourages parents and children to interact.

Such family thinking permeates virtually every aspect of Holiday World. "(Because we're a family park), we've always been concerned with value," Will explains. To that end, both Holiday World and Surfin' Safari are offered as two

parks for one price. Parking and inner tubes are free, and this year they've added a first in the theme park industry: free unlimited soft drinks. "Some people have told us that we're crazy for doing this, but we just don't like to nickel-and-dime families," he says.

## A Bell That Rang A Name

#### Southern Indiana is far from the North

Pole, but read a detailed state map and you'll find the town of Santa Claus. One might assume the town was named for St. Nicholas to generate tourism, but such wasn't the case.

A town meeting was held on Christmas Eve, 1852, so residents could name their little community, historians say. Hours passed without consensus. Finally, a sound outside—possibly sleigh bells—caused one or more children to exclaim, "It's Santa Claus! It's Santa Claus!" The name certainly had a ring to it, so citizens voted to accept it as their merry moniket.

As the designated "queen of clean," Par, the family matriarch, is a stickler for keeping Holiday World shipshape. "Almost everybody knows whose park this is, so you feel very responsible, like people are here at your house," she says. Her vigilance has paid off: the park was ranked No. 3 in cleanli-

> ness by readers of Annusement Tackay magazine in 1999, just behind Disney World in Orlando, Fla., and top-ranked Busch Gardens in Williamsburg, Va.

> That same survey rated the park No. 1 in friendliness — not surprising, given that the Koch family mingles daily with visitors and responds to feedback. "It makes a huge difference if you're out there hearing it in person from a guest instead of through three layers of management," Will says.

Reflecting on his life's work, Bill, once the admitted skeptic, finds great satisfaction. He is gratified to see people "anxious to get in here and to see them smile throughout their visit." And though he and his wife, who serve as company co-chairs, plan to retire this year from daily involvement, Bill says he hopes his family never rests on its laurels. "This operation has never been completed, and it never will be completed," he says.

Sharing his father's vision, Will concurs: "This park is just as much a part of our family as any of the people are. It's hard to imagine the park not being a part of us."  $\Rightarrow$ 

Freelance writer Michael Nolan admits that 14-year-old girl was not the only one screaming on The Legend.

## **Theme Parks Are Everywhere**

Families looking for summer fun needn't travel hundreds of miles to a major amusement park many can be found in homerowns within easy driving distance. Three good examples are Clementon Amusement Park in Clementon, N.J.; Ghost Town in the Sky in Maggie Valley, N.C.; and Silver Dollar City in Branson, Mo. Countless other small theme parks exist throughout the country and can make a fine day's outing. Ask friends, look up Amusement Parks in a phone directory, or try visiting the following websites: *www.napha.org* (The National Amusement Park Historical Association), *www.users.sgi.net/~rollocst/annuse.html*, or *www.ridezone.com* 



The Koch family goes for a ride.

by ZACH THOMAS



Gardening

# Second Planting SPRING IS GONE; WHAT'S A GARDENER TO DO?

Midsummer is harvest time for many a nice little tang.) Anything that ripens best in cool weather also makes a gardeners, but what we harvest mostly are weeds. Peas and lettuce are picked and gone, we've waited two months for the carrots to grow, tomatoes are all a-sprawl with fruit that hasn't the sense to ripen yet, so what's a gardener to do but weed?

Plant, that's what. Midsummer is nothing but spring gone drier. Gardens aren't meant to be planted just once, and pulled weeds are simply compost in the making - so what you should do in midsummer is plant. It's good for the soul, and can provide you with a crop of fresh vegetables well into winter.

Start with root vegetables. Plant them all: carrots, turnips, radishes, the whole shebang. (Sure you don't like radishes, but if you grow them fast in moist soil, the hot taste sweetens up with





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nice candidate for summer planting. This includes broccoli, cabbage, and brussel sprouts, along with nearly any sort of salad greens, or short-season vine vegetables such as cucumbers and zucchini. Peas are also worth a shot.

The key to successful summer planting lies in keeping your soil moist enough to ensure good germination. The best way to do this is to clear weeds or debris from a parch of garden, plant, then water gently until the ground is damp several inches deep.

Then mulch your soil with lawn clippings to keep it damp. Garden soil at seed-sowing level can dry out in a matter of hours on a hot day, and once a seed absorbs enough moisture to break dormancy, it must remain moist until it can send out roots or it will die. As grass breaks down into compost, it provides a nice shot of natural nitrogen fertilizer for your new seedlings. Once your vegetables are up, add enough clippings to choke out weeds. (Remember to use only cut grass that hasn't been treated with herbicides.)

Leaf lettuce is great to plant in summer because it grows quickly, tastes better when harvested in cool weather, and (depending on the variety) can stand many light frosts. Grow several types to give salad a mix of taste, texture, and color, throwing in herbs such as dill, basil, and chervil as well.

Broccoli, cabbage, and brussel sprouts taste far better after a frost, so these are nice candidates for midsummer sowing. Once the main broccoli head is harvested, tasty side shoots will form and ripen well into winter. With cabbage, harvest the main head but leave behind the surrounding lower leaves, and you'll find baby cabbages forming in this empty bowl.

Carrots are sweeter and tastier when exposed to cold fall or winter weather. These and other root vegetables can be harvested through winter if you mulch the bed heavily against ground frost (use hay, straw, dry leaves, or peat moss). Just pull it aside in January, reach down, and pull out a carrot. 🖈

Zach Thomas loves to surprise guests with a December garden salad from his New England farm.

