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**Sheriff to take a  
dive for little girl**

Floyd County Sheriff John K. Blackburn's office is planning to take a soaking, but it's all for a good cause.

As part of a fundraiser, Sheriff Blackburn and his deputies will man a dunking booth. For \$1 a try, participants can try to drop the sheriff and his deputies into a tank of water.

The money collected will be donated to the family of Sydney Jane Mullins, a 3-year-old girl who has a condition which may require her to undergo a heart transplant.

In addition to the dunking booth, a bake sale and cake walk will take place.

The fundraiser will take place on Saturday, August 26, at the Minnie Park along Route 122, from 1 to 4 p.m.

Sheriff Blackburn is asking that the citizens of Floyd County and the Big Sandy region support Sydney in her time of need by attending the fundraiser along Route 122.

**Two Day Forecast...**

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## Fiscal court reinstates 911 tax

Will take month or two to appear on phone bills

by RALPH B. DAVIS  
MANAGING EDITOR

With all the preliminary legwork nearly completed, the Floyd County Fiscal Court gave final approval to a 911 surcharge Friday.

Under terms of the ordinance unani-

mously approved by commissioners, county residents will soon begin seeing a 99-cent fee added to their monthly phone bills. Businesses will pay \$1.99.

The new fees apply to the cities of Allen, Martin, Wayland and the unincorporated areas of Floyd County.

But while the 911 surcharge is now a

matter of law and goes into effect September 1, it will likely be a while longer before the fee itself is imposed.

County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson said Friday that the county will not begin collecting the surcharge until Bellsouth is able to demonstrate 99 percent accuracy, which he said is probably one or

two months away.

In the monthly 911 report given to the court, commissioners learned that all the addresses and telephone numbers have been submitted and that the U.S. Postal Service and Bellsouth have completed entering the information.

The Harold telephone exchange is also nearly complete, with all the numbers having been submitted and now being processed by the company.

*A new neighbor...*



photo by Willie Elliot

This hawk has taken up residence near the home of Harold and Georgia Newman at Hi Hat. Newman thinks the hawk may be a Swanson hawk. It has been staying near the Newmans for about a month.

## Commissioners amend budget to take grants into account

by RALPH B. DAVIS  
MANAGING EDITOR

The Floyd County fiscal court amended its budget on Friday to take into account unbudgeted money, mostly coming from state and federal grants targeted at specific purposes.

The amendment included an increase in state grants of \$8.126 million, LGED revenue of \$2.025 million, a \$196,857 loan from the Kentucky Advance Revenue Program, \$75,000 from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, \$170,709 from the Kentucky Housing

Corporation, a \$42,252 ADF grant, a \$16,110.58 BSADD-ADF grant, and a \$1.5 million PRIDE grant.

The amendment was given unanimous final approval by the court.

In other news, commissioners:

- authorized a \$145,274.63 interest payment on bonds issued in 1999 by the Floyd County Public Properties Corporation.

- accepted a \$16,110.58 BSADD-ADF grant to pay a portion of the cost of a truck purchased in 1999.

(See **COURT**, page two)

## Court ups legal fees

by RALPH B. DAVIS  
MANAGING EDITOR

The cost of crime will go up in Floyd County on September 1, along with most other legal matters.

On Friday, the Floyd County Fiscal Court gave final approval to two ordinances which add additional charges to filing fees, court costs, subpoenas and civil summonses.

The additional fees will be used to help pay the expenses of the county's Justice Center. The authority for the ordinances comes from the Judicial Branch budget adopted by the General Assembly earlier this year, which allows counties to raise such fees for the "purpose of paying expenses for courthouses, bonds related to them, and administration thereof in Circuit and District County."

Among the increases included in the ordinances are:

- filing fees for circuit civil case, up \$25
- court costs imposed in circuit criminal cases, up \$25
- filing fees for civil cases appealed to the state Court of Appeals, up \$25
- court costs imposed in traffic offenses, up \$10
- filing fees in probate cases, up \$10
- court costs imposed in misdemeanor cases, up \$20
- filing fees in small claims cases, up \$10
- filing fees in district civil cases, up \$10
- fee for service of a subpoena, up \$10
- fee for service of a civil summons, up \$10

(See **FEES**, page two)

## Sandy Valley receives \$100K to upgrade water lines

Times Staff Report

The U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development has granted a \$100,000 loan to the Sandy Valley Water District.

The money will be used as additional funding for a \$1.541 million project. Of the additional money, all but \$15,000 comes from loans.

The funds will be used to complete the construction of three 200,000-gallon water storage tanks, one pump station, approximately three miles of waterlines and a 2,400 square foot office building.

The improvements will alleviate inadequate storage and poor pressure for 2,023 customers. In addition, 25 households which currently rely on contaminated wells or cisterns will be able to tap on to the water system.

"This project is a prime example of USDA's domestic water and waste programs at work," said Thomas G. Fern, state director of USDA Rural Development. "The project also meets the objective of the Clinton-Gore 'Water 2000' initiative and Gov. [Paul] Patton's 'Water 2020,' to see that all rural Kentucky households will have a safe, dependable water supply. With this project and many others like it in Kentucky, we are making great progress toward these goals.

"Good drinking water is absolutely necessary for economic stability and growth. Without clean, dependable drinking water, a community has difficulty sustaining economic development or creating jobs through business expansion."

USDA's water and wastewater programs, administered through Rural Development's Rural Utilities Service, is designed to bring clean drinking water and sanitary and environmentally sound wastewater facilities to rural America. Loans and grants are available to rural communities of fewer than 10,000 residents.

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# Noted author, alumna will deliver opening convocation address at Pikeville College

For author Linda Scott DeRosier, neither time nor distance has dimmed her childhood memories of growing up on Two-Mile Creek in Johnson County.

Calling it her "postcard from Appalachia," DeRosier shares her genuine story of home and family in her book, *Creeker: A Woman's Journey*.

Reflecting upon her life as a creeker, DeRosier writes, "Mine was not the Kentucky of bluegrass, juleps, and cotillions; the Kentucky of my youth was one of coal banks, crowddads, and country music."

"Who I am is grounded in Two-Mile and in the people who were always there for me," DeRosier said. "Whatever happens in the world, I am who I was then before I am anybody else."

Throughout her distinguished career as an educator, DeRosier, an alumna of Pikeville College, has studied, lectured or visited all 50 states and more than 50 countries. She also has a cross-disciplinary doctorate in philosophy, education and psychology from the University of Kentucky and holds two master's degrees, one from Harvard University and one from Eastern Kentucky University. DeRosier is currently a professor of psychology at Rocky Mountain College in Billings, Montana.

On Tuesday, Aug. 22, DeRosier will come home to deliver Pikeville College's convocation address and receive an honorary degree at the opening ceremonies of the college's 112th year.

The Opening Convocation will be held at 11 a.m. in Booth Auditorium. Later that day, DeRosier will share her memories of Pikeville College and of growing up in Appalachia during a reading and book signing in Booth Auditorium at 3:30 p.m. Both events are open to the public.

"It is an honor for Pikeville College to have Linda as our convocation speaker," said Pikeville College President Hal Smith. "Her accomplishments as an educator and an author are to be commended."

*Creeker*, the first volume of the University Press of Kentucky's series *Women in Southern Culture*, is in its fourth printing and currently on the bestseller list at Joseph-

Beth bookstores.

Pikeville College Professor Mark Sohn will introduce DeRosier's work to students enrolled in Appalachian Psychology class this semester. They will also write their own biographies using DeRosier's book as a model.

Wallace Campbell, Pikeville College's vice president of Academic Affairs and dean of the college, also has a great appreciation for DeRosier's book.

"I haven't read a book recently that challenges the mind and tugs at the heart any more than *Creeker*," said Campbell. "The author's journey is intriguing and genuine as she portrays the fabric of life and community in Appalachia."

Writing *Creeker* was important to DeRosier because it put her back in touch with her family and friends.

"They come alive for you again - your parents and grandparents - at a time when they were young and

vibrant. I had the richest childhood. It was a gift."

Growing up, DeRosier admits that a formal education was never high on her plans for the future. Exceptional test scores during her senior year in high school, however, landed her scholarship offers from several colleges.

"Pikeville College was by such a gigantic margin the right choice for me that I am ever thankful I chose old PC," DeRosier writes in her book. "Considering my lack of sound judgment and paltry social skills, I honestly believe that any other place would have chewed me up and spit me right back up Two-Mile Creek, never to be heard from again."

Graduating at the top of her class, DeRosier said Pikeville College provided her with the structure she needed at the time.

"I learned to write at Pikeville College," said DeRosier. "I learned a lot academically, but the best

thing I learned was how to act and I learned what was expected of me ... that was key."

Since her book was published, DeRosier has been working with other writers and continues to write on her own. She is also looking forward to visiting her alma mater and is honored to be speaking at Pikeville College's Opening Convocation.

"A lot of things have opened up in terms of writing since *Creeker*," said DeRosier. "It's been a blessing."

One of the best things about *Creeker*, according to DeRosier, is that the people who have read the book have been able to identify with her love of home and family and her life growing up on Two-Mile Creek.

"I wanted to show how positive the Appalachian experience is," said DeRosier. "The world's view of Appalachia depends upon where you turn your camera."

## Positive drug test results decline to record low

Annual Positivity Rates	
Year	Drug Positive Rate
1988	13.6%
1989	12.7%
1990	11.0%
1991	8.8%
1992	8.8%
1993	8.4%
1994	7.5%
1995	6.7%
1996	5.8%
1997	5.0%
1998	4.8%
1999	4.6%

Overall drug use declined in 1999, although drug-testing "cheating" is on the rise.

(NAPSA)-According to the semi-annual Drug Testing Index, in 1999 workplace drug use decreased to its lowest level in 11 years.

During 1999, 4.6 percent of the approximately six million workplace drug tests performed during the period were reported positive, down from 4.8 percent for all of 1998. In 1988, when the Drug Testing Index was established, 13.6 percent of all drug tests were reported as positive.

Rates of use for several drugs, including cocaine and opiates, showed declines as a percentage of all positive test results. Cocaine use made up 16 percent of all positive results in 1999, down from 18 percent for 1998. Opiate use declined by almost half,

though marijuana use actually increased by four percent, to 63 percent of all positive test results. The change in opiate positivity was most likely due to an increase in the standard cutoff for all opiates.

The most startling increase was in the number of test "cheaters," people who either adulterate or replace their specimens-2.4 percent of positive results for 1999, compared to just 0.63 percent for 1998. Adulterating agents, such as nitrites, bleach and pyridinium

chlorochromate, are used as masking agents in an attempt to defeat the process of detecting drug use.

The Drug Testing Index summarizes the results of workplace drug tests performed in 1999 by Quest Diagnostics laboratories. The Index looks at positivity rates among three major testing populations: federally mandated, safety-sensitive workers; the general workforce; and the combined U.S. workforce.

Quest Diagnostics is the nation's

leading provider of diagnostic testing, information and services with annualized revenues of more than \$3 billion. The testing performed on human specimens helps doctors diagnose, treat and monitor disease; enables employers to detect workplace drug abuse; and supports pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies in clinical trials of new therapeutics worldwide. To learn more about the company, visit the website at [www.questdiagnostics.com](http://www.questdiagnostics.com).

## Products, packaging lend a hand to the manually challenged

For those with manual dexterity problems, common tasks such as turning a door key, tying shoelaces or peeling a piece of fruit can be very painful and challenging.

The Arthritis Foundation estimates that nearly 43 million Americans now experience some sort of arthritis-related complication. In the next 20 years, another 20 million baby boomers with arthritis will be added to that list. Now, an ever-expanding line of retail products is aimed at helping people "get a grip" on this problem.

After more than two years of very successful test marketing through e-commerce, QVC and the Home Shopping Network, the Arthritis Correct product line is now being marketed on a national level through traditional drug and food chain retailers.

Arthritis Correct products are part of a growing line of "ease of use" items that have been ergonomically designed to reduce or eliminate the discomfort that is sometimes associated with household and personal tasks.

The line is the brainchild of marketing and product development expert Frank Halstead. The

25-year veteran came up with the idea after seeing his mother suffer through complications of arthritis.

"With products like these," Halstead says, "I hope to make living with arthritis and performing many daily functions far less painful and intimidating."

The Arthritis Correct line is a combination of products personally created by or licensed to Halstead. It currently features more than a dozen practical products ranging from \$2 - \$7, including:

- EZ Key: A patented oversized cross that adds leverage for easy opening of stubborn locks;
- Comfort Clips: Elastic bands to replace shoelaces - turns any pair of shoes into slip-on loafers;
- EZ Handler: A multi-purpose handle that makes gripping items like shopping bags effortless;
- EZ Turner: A unique jar opener for all size jar lids
- EZ Grips: Oversized, easy-to-grasp slip-on covers designed to help turn doorknobs & faucets and more.

In addition to the uniqueness of product line, the arthritically passive packaging allows an effortless alternative to many hard-to-open vacuum-sealed or shrink-

wrapped products.

"Retailers are becoming increasingly aware of the problems that inaccessible packaging presents to those with arthritis," Halstead says. "Retailers seem to be showing a new sensitivity to the expanding arthritis market."

Over the next several months, a number of new products will be added to the line as well.

The current product line is demonstrated and can be ordered on the website: [www.acpainfree.com](http://www.acpainfree.com)

### Fees

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Following a 14-minute executive session, the fiscal court amended the ordinance to include an effective date of September 1 and to establish procedures for how the additional money will be paid to the county.

For subpoenas and civil summonses, the additional fees will be collected by the sheriff's office and turned over to the fiscal court on a monthly basis.

The additional fees for court costs and filing fees will be collected by the circuit clerk's office and turned over to the state, after which they will be redistributed to the county.

The ordinances received unanimous approval from the fiscal court.

### Court

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approved the payment of \$48,800 to the state for 16 vehicles bought two weeks ago at a state surplus property auction.

hired Phillip Damron as assistant county attorney at a biweekly salary of \$230.77. County Attorney Keith Bartley said that Damron had been volunteering his time to the county attorney's office for over a year and that he thought it right for the county to pay him at least a token amount.

voted to pay Howard K. Bell Consulting Engineers \$3,239.24 for a groundwater contamination study.

agreed to pay County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson and Commissioner Eralm Tackett \$687.67 as a training incentive. Tackett seconded the motion, drawing a chuckle from those in the courtroom.

approved the payment of \$3,771.25 to the sheriff's office for patrolling Dewey Lake. The money will come from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

declared 15 vehicles, two graders and an excavator surplus property. The equipment will be auctioned off on Saturday, September 9, at 10 a.m. at the Floyd County Garage located at Mare Creek in Stanville.

authorized Jailer Roger Webb to hire James Rederick as deputy jailer captain for \$12 an hour with

no benefits, rehire Stacy Johnson as deputy jailer at a rate of \$9.40 an hour with benefits, and to increase the hourly wage of cooks Dora Rickman, Linda Caudill, Naomi Slone and Ruby Johnson by 40 cents an hour.

gave pay raises to county employees who were overlooked when annual cost-of-living increases were given.

adopted Main Street in Tram into the county road system. The road is 696 feet long and 14 feet wide.

received one bid for \$75,304.96 for the construction of a greenhouse at South Floyd High School as part of the county's aquaponics project. The bid was turned over to a construction committee for review.

heard an announcement from Judge Thompson that the county is trying to schedule a golf scramble tentatively for August 26 at the Beaver Valley Golf Course. The scramble is being held as a fundraiser for 3-year-old Sydney Mullins, who has a condition which may require a heart transplant. "When something like this comes into the community, we feel like we should be part of it," Thompson said.

All members were present for Friday's meeting.

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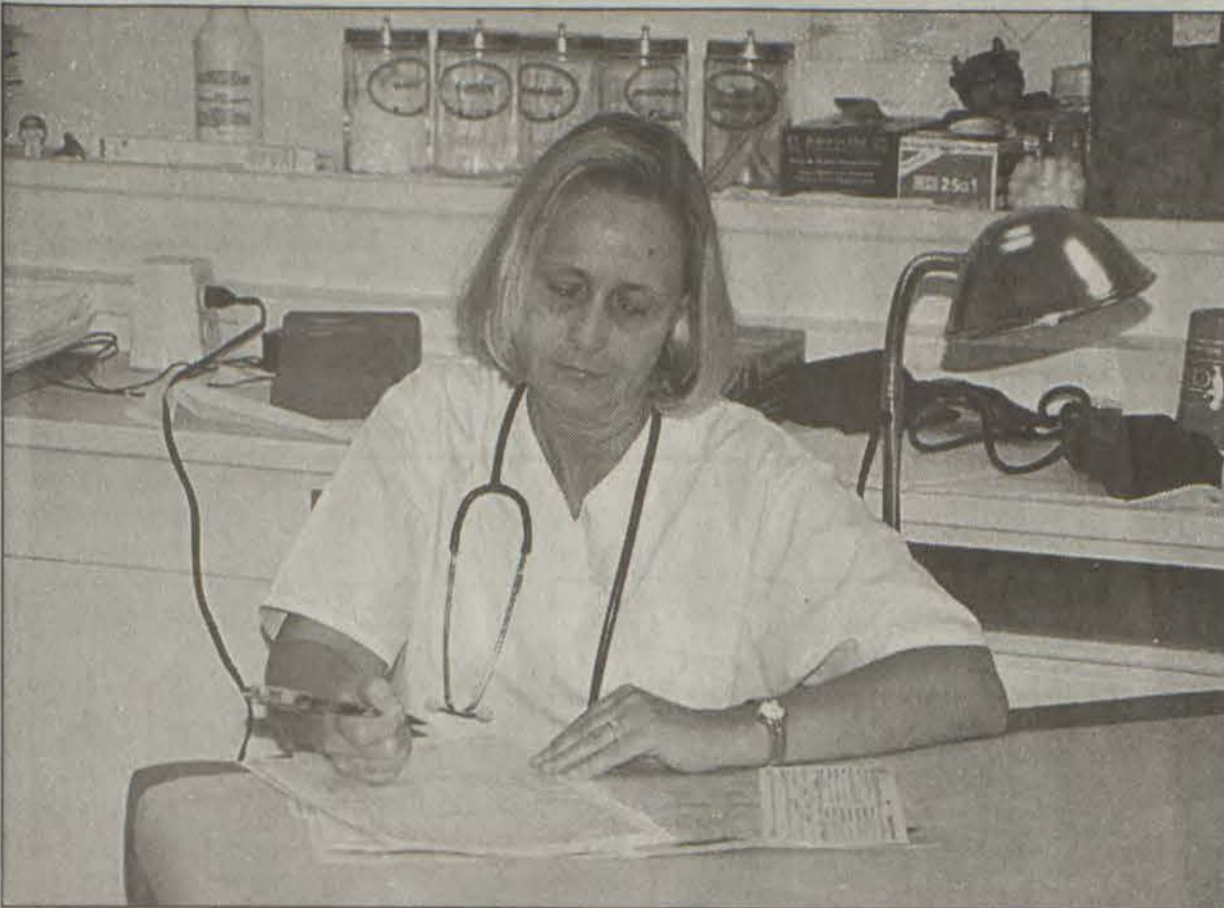
FRANKFORT - The Kentucky Medical Examiner's Office, the Fayette County Coroner's Office and the Lexington Police Department will hold a press conference at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, August 22 at the state crime lab to provide information concerning a young woman whose skeletal remains were found in Lexington on July 2.

The agencies will discuss the case, distribute images of a 3-D facial reconstruction created on the victim's skull, and display clothing, jewelry and personal belongings found at the crime scene.

The state crime lab is located on the Frankfort East/West Connector at 100 Sower Blvd. The press conference will be held in the first-floor conference room.

For additional information, please contact Dr. Emily Craig, state forensic anthropologist, at 502/564-4545.





Joy Moore, a registered nurse from the Floyd County Health Department, was at the McDowell Family Resource Center on Monday to conduct a women's health fair. Moore looks over the chart of her next patient. (Photo by Willie Elliott)

## Loan program will help people with disabilities buy equipment

FRANKFORT — Gov. Paul E. Patton has announced an innovative loan program that will make it easier for people with disabilities to buy assistive technology equipment.

"This loan program will help people with disabilities buy adapted computers, vehicle modifications, home modifications and communication devices," the governor said. "These are the types of equipment that can increase a person's independence and improve the individual's quality of life."

The Kentucky Assistive Technology Loan Program is a joint effort of the Kentucky Assistive Technology Loan Corporation, the Department of Vocational Rehabilitation, the Cabinet for Workforce Development and Fifth Third Bank, Kentucky Inc. and the Kentucky Developmental Disabilities Planning Council.

The program will provide six percent fixed-rate loans to qualified applicants to finance the purchase of assistive technology devices. To

participate in the loan program, applicants must be individuals with disabilities, parents or guardians of individuals with disabilities or non-profit organizations serving people with disabilities.

The program was developed for people who may have difficulty obtaining conventional financing because of limited income, insufficient credit or financial history or high medical expenses.

To obtain an application, contact Nancy E. Hansen, program director,

in Lexington at 859/246-2540, ext. 237, or toll-free at (800) 372-7172, ext. 279.

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## Survey shows teachers rule

Remember that one teacher who had an impact on your life? She taught you more than what was in a textbook. She taught you confidence in yourself, taking responsibility and sticking with a job until it's finished.

You're not alone. According to a new survey, a whopping 86 percent of Americans credit their K-12 teachers for the life skills that helped them become successful adults.

"Despite predictions about online learning replacing live educators, Americans are not ready to accept technology as a substitute teacher," said Louis G. Lower II, president and CEO of Horace Mann Educators Corporation, sponsor of the national survey on the impact of K-12 education and teachers.

The attention of a caring teacher—taking a personal interest, listening, making learning interesting and holding students to high standards—was much more important to success in adult life than the subjects being taught, the

survey respondents said.

The three R's are crucial, but when asked to name the most valuable lessons learned from their grade school education, Americans cited taking responsibility for personal behavior, problem solving and learning to work as part of a team.

Half of Americans pointed to one specific educator whose influence back then still impacts their lives today. Nearly 80 percent said this was a teacher rather than a coach, principal or counselor.

"Teachers are role models that no computer could ever be," Lower said. "Through this survey, Americans are telling us, loud and clear, that the life lessons and personal values teachers impart, are absolutely essential to success later in life."

When asked how they would get through to students today if they were teaching, Americans would use a personal touch over a flickering computer monitor in today's classrooms.

Showing an interest in each stu-

dent's, work, demonstrating respect for students and expecting to receive it in return, enforcing strong codes of conduct and behavior, and being entertaining, all ranked higher than using a lot of new technology or being a strict disciplinarian.

Comparing their own school experience with that of their kids, Americans lament more negative student attitudes, including a lack of respect and a rise in school violence. Other changes—some positive, some negative—include greater availability of technology, less discipline, greater educational opportunities, smaller classrooms and less student/teacher interaction.

The telephone survey of 1,009 adults was conducted by Market Facts Inc., an independent research firm. Horace Mann Educators Corporation, the study's sponsor, offers retirement annuities, and auto, home and life insurance to the nation's educators through an exclusive sales force of more than 1,000 agents.

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# Viewpoint

QUOTE OF THE DAY...

One can never consent to creep when one feels an impulse to soar.

Helen Keller—

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## Editorial

### Williams needs more useful way to achieve his goals

State Senate President David Williams continued his impersonation of former U.S. House Speaker Newt Gingrich this week, shutting down the General Assembly's interim committee process until everyone in the state crawls to him and licks his wingtips.

OK, OK, that wasn't exactly what the Burkesville Republican demanded. What Williams wants, not without justification, is a semblance of equal Senate representation on some of the legislature's key oversight committees. These committees, which oversee such things as capital projects, administrative regulations and government contracts, now have more House members than Senate members.

But while Williams' concern is not unreasonable, his latest approach to achieving his goal is deplorable.

Having failed to change the oversight committees' makeup legislatively during the 2000 session, Williams is employing the Newt-onian principle of shutting down government to make a point. He and his fellow Republicans on the Legislative Research Commission are blocking interim legislative committees from meeting to prepare for the next regular legislative session or any special sessions that might be called by Gov. Paul Patton.

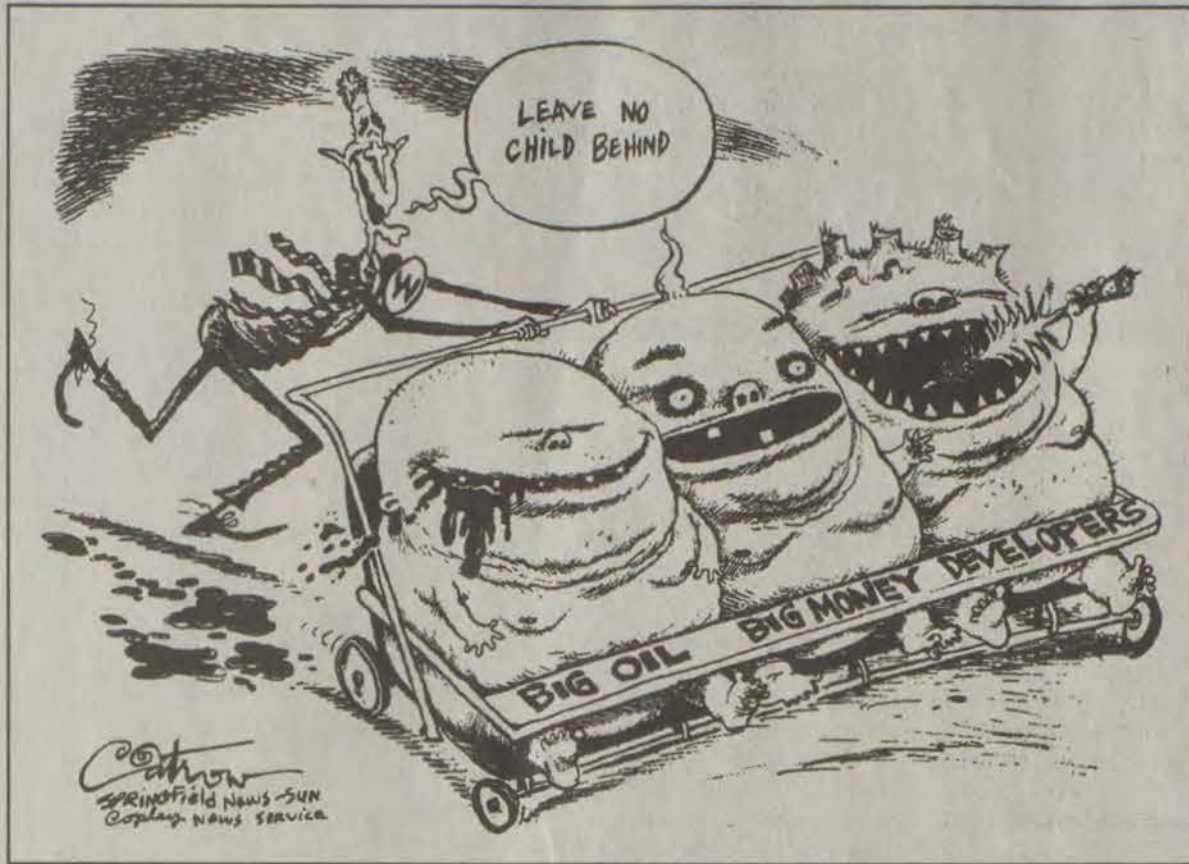
Not only is this behavior petulant and churlish, it is also counterproductive and costly to the state.

For instance, Patton already has said he will call a special session in February 2001 to address, at a minimum, workers' compensation and mandatory garbage collection. The more work interim committees can do on these issues now, the less time lawmakers will have to spend in special session at a cost of about \$40,000 a day to taxpayers.

Williams knows this. What he doesn't seem to recognize, though, is that if he wants his concerns and issues to be taken seriously and given the respectful attention they deserve, he needs to start treating the legislative process with the seriousness and respect it deserves.

Until he does, we can only assume his real purpose in shutting down the interim committees is to make sure the rest of the legislature is as unprepared to govern as he and the Senate Republicans proved themselves to be in this year's General Assembly.

—Lexington Herald-Leader



## Letters to the Editor

### McDowell seniors thank those who helped with fundraiser

Editor:

The McDowell Senior Citizens would like to thank the people in this community that gave their donations of food, money and their time to help the McDowell Senior Citizens in their fundraiser for the precious little girl Sydney Mullins. Our hearts go out to Kathy and Terry, for we know this is a very painful time.

The center had some outside help and we want to thank them. We had money donated to us to buy the food and paper products, to deliver the food, and we also had food donated to help with this worthy cause.

The McDowell Seniors and the surrounding area

would like to thank the Seniors paid staff and the volunteers who gave of their time. They were Tess Hall, Ethel Gayheart, Irene Moseley, Delbert Martin, Docie Tackett, Tammy Gearheart, Shirl Hamilton, Mary Castle, Darrell Youmans, Karen Hunt and Ricky Hitchcock. We feel these people will be rewarded someday. This is a very good community to live in and I, for one, am very proud of it. The people see a need and they do something about it, a fine come-together community.

We also want to say our prayers are with Sydney, Kathy and Terry Mullins and the family.

Ellen Brown, director  
McDowell Area Senior Citizens

### School system gives thanks to business partners

Editor:

On behalf of the Floyd County School System, I would like to thank our local business partners for supporting opening day activities on August 7. We are most appreciative of the efforts of Kathy Rubado and the staff of Highlands Regional Medical Center for the health screenings and checks they provided for our employees and presenters. Good health is not only something that we teach, but something that we must practice.

We can't say enough about the Floyd County Health Department and Jane Bond for their support of our schools and the excellent training that they provide our employees. They are always ready to step in and lend a helping hand.

Special thanks also go to the Commonwealth Credit Union and Russell Harper, the area representative. First Commonwealth Bank, our thanks go out to you for your support and also to employees Chrystal

King and Kerry Belcher. Representing the Kentucky Deferred Compensation Authority was John Knusz. To the Prestonsburg City Police Department, our thanks to Darrell Conley, chief of police, and officer Ralph Frazier. To all these partners, special thanks for their service to our school and our employees and for their participation on August 7.

These organizations and agencies, along with many others in the community, are very important to us. We want our partners to know that it is because of the collaboration, teamwork and partnership of the local businesses with Floyd County Schools that we can model for our students good citizenship and demonstrate the old African proverb, "It takes a whole village to raise a child."

Gratefully yours,  
Debbie Daniels  
Professional development coordinator  
Floyd County Schools

### Feminism, greed have eaten away at society

Editor:

Once upon a time, when the world and I were young and school a recent memory, it was as economically necessary as it is today for young men to seek gainful employment. The same applied to young ladies, but it was assumed that their careers would be far shorter, since they would marry and become housewives and mothers. The young men who attended interviews for jobs were expected to be of neat appearance and have good manners. How they positioned their hands, whether they sat forward or backward in their chairs, fiddled with their ties or scratched themselves within the limits of decorum, mattered not one wit.

If our lives are particularly humdrum, the same tasks to be faced day after day, we may be forgiven if we hope in secret for some cataclysmic event that will change our lot for the better. In the 1960s, just such a force rocked women everywhere.

This force came in the unlovely shapes of Ms.'s Steinem, O'Hare and Abzug of the hats among others. These viragos set out to play their monstrous confidence trick upon women by telling them that marriage was prostitution and the title of "house-

wife" was synonymous with "slave." Many women believed these furies because they wanted to believe them. Did men take the title "housewife," the highest and noblest role a person can hold and one to which only women may aspire, did they take women and their calling for granted? The question must be asked and if the answer be "yes," then no man should be surprised if women have taken his place in independence and as bread winners.

"Who needs men?" was the battle cry of these perverted harridans and it was taken up by the tens of thousands of women who thought they'd found freedom. But freedom at what price? They realized too late that just as they thought they were free of the shackles of home, husband and children, other shackles ensnared and locked them into finding jobs to earn their living, finding places to live and whole new burdens of responsibilities. One ponders how many female corporate captains lie awake at night and realize that they no longer know their children, or wonder why their children no longer acknowl-

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## Letters to the Editor

Letters to the Editor are welcomed by The Floyd County Times.

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## Poison Pen

by Ralph Davis  
Managing Editor



### Oh please, not again

Brace yourself, because it looks like it's going to be a long autumn.

This year's political slate was already pretty full with city council races, school board races and a mayor's race on the ballot. None of them had the umph of a full-blown county office election year, but it was interesting enough.

Add to that two constitutional amendments on the ballot and a presidential contest which has the potential to actually be sort of close, and it looked like a good way wrap up the political year in the face of no elections next year.

But then the real doozy was dropped on us last week — another commissioners vs. magistrates election.

Now, in talking to folks about the question and even before, when the petition drive was just a rumor, I've found one sentiment runs nearly universal. Nobody wants to see this. Nobody wants to go through the hyperbole and hyperactivity which accompanied the last election on this issue.

Well, nobody except the commissioners on the fiscal court. They're all for it because they want to go back to being magistrates.

When asked why, Gerald Derosssett said he didn't like having to run countywide in the fall, while Larry Foster Stumbo complained that his district is too large as it stands now.

I know it's early, but it seems to me they're going to have to come up with better reasons than that if they hope to change county government back to the magistrate system.

From what they've said so far, it sounds like they're saying they think the commissioner system is a little too hard on them, and I've never known voters to be very sympathetic to a politician asking for a little less work.

Over on the other side, it looks like the proponents of the commissioner system will try to put an end to the battle before it gets started.

So far, accusations have flown that the petition wasn't constructed properly or that quite a few of the signatures on it look suspiciously similar, all of which is leading to an attempt to get the question taken off the ballot.

And maybe they're right. Maybe somebody got overzealous when collecting signatures, and maybe a step or two along the way was skipped. And maybe, just maybe, those are good enough reasons to throw the whole thing out.

But then again, if they're victorious in the battle to get the petition thrown out, they will likely prolong the war.

Those supporting the commissioner form of government would better be served by winning another election on the issue. Of course, there are no guarantees that they would win, but that would be the best scenario for them.

If the measure is taken off the ballot this time, that will only lead those supporting the magistrate form of government to come back in some future election with all their I's dotted and T's crossed.

The same holds true if the magisterial forces win this year's election. Four years from now, somebody would likely get the whole ball rolling again.

If the issue goes to the ballot again, and if voters go the same way as they did last time, then the war for Floyd County's system of government would very likely be over for a good long time.

And in the end, that may just be the best reason to vote for the commissioner form of government — to quiet the debate down for good.

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Anna and her small son Lewis have their first meeting with the Siamese guard in JWT's school day matinee production of "The King and I" held recently at the MAC.

# Students see theatre production at MAC

Hundreds of students recently had the opportunity to enjoy a matinee of Jenny Wiley Theatre's production of "The King and I."

The area students had the opportunity to go the Mountain Arts Center in Prestonsburg for a production of Rogers and Hammerstein's "The King and I," as part of the theatre's Educational Outreach Program.

For years area schools have had the opportunity to watch JWT productions in the amphitheatre located in Jenny Wiley State Resort Park. New for 2000 was the opportunity for schools and other area groups to enjoy the high quality production that JWT has to offer in the comfort of the indoor Mountain Arts Center.

JWT's Educational Outreach Program aims to educate the regional community on issues pertaining to the arts. In addition to offering a professional production for students to enjoy, students are given the opportunity to ask questions of performers and technicians about the aspects of theatre.

"It is great to have the opportunity to bring the talents of Jenny Wiley Theatre to the youth of eastern Kentucky," said actor Jonathan Goble, a familiar face to theatre audiences. Goble has been in productions at JWT for 15 years.

"The King and I" is a part of the 2000 season at JWT that closed on Saturday, August 19, with a production of the "Legend of Jenny Wiley." Despite the fact that the

season has closed, the theatre has planned for more educational opportunities in the upcoming weeks. A tour of the summer production of Dale Wasserman's "A Walk in the Sky" is planned for local schools from August 21-25.

Teachers also have the opportunity to learn more about bringing the arts into their curriculum with Creative Resources for Education and Teaching Enhancement. Known as C.R.E.A.T.E., this six-hour professional development workshop is designed for educators to be introduced to ways to enhance core curriculum through the arts.

For more information about this or other educational programs at Jenny Wiley Theatre, call 606-886-9274.

## Letters

edge them.

There are still plenty of couples who cling to shadows of marriages. They pass each other as specters during the week and snatch a few hours together and with their children at weekends. We assume here that neither one nor both find it necessary to work on Saturday and Sunday. After all, there seems some competition among executives at all levels to see who can work the hardest and put in the longest hours. It's as though they're on some nightmare merry-go-round which flies in ever-faster circles, until those on the ride are trapped by the gravitational pull of their own efforts. And may the good Lord have mercy upon them if they're sneaking from their offices before eight o'clock in the evenings.

These days, we have guide-books for every facet of life, no more the simple interview when the employer understood that there would be a certain nervousness on the part of the interviewee. Today, many books are on the market laying out the science and psychology of the interview.

Hundreds of self-improvement books have appeared. Many different theories are expounded, but

all roads lead to one deity — money. So the equation forms that increasing self-improvement is directly proportional to the escalating acquisition of wealth, a decidedly shaky law of social mathematics.

This letter, tiresomely long, has a few strings dangling from it which may now be gathered up and pulled tight. Like a toy gun which ejects, when fired, a little flag that has written upon it "bang," so by the pulling of these strings the word "greed" pops up. Oh, unpopular, I know, but facts must be faced. The merry-go-round and the self-improvement programs hurtle people towards earning more and more money with which to buy more and more possessions and convince themselves that happiness will result. But they confuse happiness with contentment, the former being a fleeting state at best.

And then children are shot and killed at school and the poor anguished parents of the dead wring their hands and turn frantically about to find someone to blame. I believe that those whose children were killed at Columbine have decided to sue the principal, as if such litigation will resurrect

their young. It's tempting to suggest that what money they may receive will act as a salve, but in truth they seek vengeance.

They seek it in the wrong place at the wrong time.

If they seek to blame, they should go back through the decades to the time when the husband would pat his wife upon the head and refer to her as "the little woman," totally misunderstanding her and ignoring her true worth. Many men were guiltless of this, but those who did so allowed women to hear the siren song of feminism. They answered the call and we're all witness to a society laid low by the monster they embraced.

Mike Bond  
Hueysville

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# Prescribed drug review protects patients, assists doctors

FRANKFORT — A program that examines the prescription drug use by Medicaid recipients is helping inform doctors and pharmacists of potentially dangerous situations and helping protect patients.

The Kentucky Medicaid Drug Utilization Program reviews drugs prescribed for Medicaid recipients. If the review indicates some potential danger, such as the overuse of drugs, an alert is sent to the patient's physician or pharmacist informing them of the situation.

While the program emphasizes physician education and quality of services to the patients, it has also resulted in monetary savings. An estimated \$457,000 has been saved, based on the discontinuation or reduction in the amount of a prescribed drug, according to a report for the 1998-99 federal fiscal year.

During that year the program identified 3,302 Medicaid recipients with potential drug therapy problems. About half — 47 percent — involved the overutilization of drugs. This may occur from poor physician-patient communication, misunderstanding of the medication's risk, fear of recurring disease symptoms or drug abuse.

59 percent of pharmacists responded.

"It's important that physicians and other providers use prescription medicine in a cost effective way," said Dr. Robert C. Hughes, a Murray family practitioner who is chairman of the state Drug Management Review Advisory Board. With the large numbers of prescribed drugs, "it's nice to have a backup system," Hughes said.

The computerized review is conducted by Health Information Designs Inc., a Medicaid subcontractor. Other reviews are conducted by committees made up of Kentucky doctors and pharmacists who review drugs prescribed to Medicaid patients.

Any suspected fraud cases are referred to Medicaid's Program Integrity and Utilization Review Branch.

The Drug Utilization Review program reviews prescriptions after they have been filled. Another Medicaid Drug Utilization Review program allows pharmacists to

check eligibility and receive drug alerts when a Medicaid recipient comes in to fill a prescription.

Debra Bahr, pharmacy services program manager for the Department for Medicaid Services, said that providers are not required to take any action based on the alert letters. Only the provider — not the utilization program — knows the entire medical history of the patient and can make decisions regarding care, she said. The alert letters are intended to call their attention to the potential for adverse drug effects.



Cats and dogs share a common ancestor, a tree-climbing meat-eater called Miacis, which lived 40 million years ago.

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**On August 22nd and August 23rd (Tuesday and Wednesday) 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.**

**Community Methodist Church**  
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The seminar will answer many questions about the end times such as:

- Who are the 144,000?
- What will life be like during the millennium?
- When will time as we know it end?
- Where is the lake of fire?
- How can I avoid the tribulation period?
- Why do I need to study revelation?

The purpose of the seminar is to help people develop a better understanding of the chronological flow of the Book of Revelation, and to fit the details of the book around those events.

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# Vanceburg is site of gospel sing

The Jordan's 17th annual Gospel Sing will take place at the farm of Roy and Lorene Jordan at Vanceburg, on September 5-9.

On Tuesday, September 5, beginning at 7 p.m., Mercy River of Garrison, and God's Caravan of Ashland, will be featured, with preaching by Clyde Holbrook of Olive Hill.

Wednesday's lineup includes the Hall Family of Savannah, Ohio, Jack Lassiter of Wilson, North Carolina, Mike Blanton and Evidence of Staffordsville, and The Mullins Family of Brookville, Ohio. The program begins at 6:30 p.m.

Featured on Thursday, beginning at 6:30 p.m., will be Robin and Kim Rhoades of Newark, Delaware, Singing Echoes of Cleveland, Tennessee, Down East Boys of Reidsville, North Carolina, Glory Hill Boys of Olive Hill, and Mercy River.

On Friday from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m., performances will be given by the Kentucky Gospel Travelers of Indianapolis, The Arks of Vermilion, Ohio, and the Glory Hill Boys.

Starting at 5:30 p.m. on Friday, will be Primitive Quartet of Candle, North Carolina, Gospel Fisherman of Richmond, Indiana, Pearly Gate

Singers of Berea, Billy Fields of Smithville, Tennessee, Upper Room of Huntington, West Virginia, and The Duncans of Tampa, Florida.

Saturday's singing begins at 10:30 a.m. with the following groups: The Smoky Mountain Boys of Whittier, North Carolina, The Wilburns of Carthage, Tennessee, Principles of Johnson City, Tennessee, Spencer Brothers of Mansfield, Ohio, Upper Room, Fisher Family of Winchester, Bells of Muncie, Indiana, Redeemed of Rogersville, Tennessee, Billy Fields, Shively Family of Dayton, Ohio, Beacon Quartet of Middletown, Ohio, Evert Sanders

of Ypsilanti, Michigan, and The Sounds of Victory of Vanceburg.

On Sunday at 10 a.m., Billy Fields will sing at the Trace Fork Church, about 1-1/4 miles from the Jordan farm.

A concession stand and shelter house are on the premises, with chair rentals available. Admission is free, as is camping, which is in the rough.

The farm is located 11 miles southeast of Vanceburg on KY 1149 South, between Vanceburg and Grayson, off the AA Highway, KY 9.

For information, call 606/796-2658 or e-mail [trjordan@ekns.net](mailto:trjordan@ekns.net).

# OBITUARIES

## George Rodney King

George Rodney King, 58, of Rainelle, West Virginia, died Thursday, July 27, 2000. He grew up at Drift, and was educated in the Drift and McDowell schools.

Those preceding him in death were his father, George Will King, formerly of Drift; mother, Grace Spencer; step-father, Archie Spencer, both formerly of Cleveland, Ohio and grandparents, Bill and Annie Blackburn, formerly of Drift.

Survivors include two sons, Ronnie King of Thompson, Ohio, Mark King of Mentor, Ohio; his former wife, Beverly King of Euclid, Ohio; two brothers, Ray Mullins of Miamisburg, Ohio, and Randy Spencer of Cleveland, Ohio, six sisters, Dottie Penrod of Greenville, Ohio, Jean McPeaks of Diamond, Ohio, Debbie Churderewicz of Mentor, Ohio, Brenda Yoder of Elyria, Ohio, Linda Proff of Cleveland, Ohio and Judy McKenzie of Urbana, Indiana; and 3 grandchildren.

Burial was at the All Souls Cemetery, Chardon, Ohio.

## Woodrow Fitzpatrick

Woodrow Fitzpatrick, 83, of East Point, died Friday, August 18, 2000, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg, following an extended illness.

Born on November 7, 1916, in Prestonsburg, he was the son of the late Richard C. and Cynthia Stephens Fitzpatrick. He was a heavy equipment operator and farmer.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Nora Tussey Fitzpatrick.

Survivors include one son, Franklin D. "Big Boy" Fitzpatrick of East Point; one sister, Rhoda Tussey of Prestonsburg; two grandsons, Franklin Kyle Fitzpatrick and Ryan Woodrow Fitzpatrick, both of East Point.

Funeral services will be conducted Sunday, August 20, at 2 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, with Rev. Wayne Burch officiating.

Burial will be in the Fitzpatrick family cemetery, Middle Creek, Prestonsburg, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

# More Kentucky students take ACT

FRANKFORT — Nearly 1,000 more of Kentucky's year 2000 college-bound high school seniors took the ACT test than in 1999, state education officials have announced.

Kentucky's students continued to score higher on average than students in the South but lower than students nationally on the ACT Assessment, a widely used predictor of college success.

The percentage of Kentucky graduating seniors taking the test climbed to a record level as did the percentage of seniors taking a rigorous college-bound curriculum. An increasing percentage taking the test tends to hold down score increases, while more rigorous course-taking tends to raise them.

In 1990, 24,942 students (62 percent) took the test; this year, 29,670 (71 percent) did. The number of students taking a rigorous college-bound curriculum has increased to 13,885 in 2000, compared to only 7,088 in 1990.

"These numbers point up the importance of a well-balanced curriculum," said Gene Wilhoit, deputy commissioner of the department's Bureau of Learning Support Services. "What courses a student takes in high school really makes a difference, and the more rigorous the curriculum, the higher the scores."

Because of enhanced high school graduation requirements, by 2002 virtually all seniors will have

taken what ACT defines as its college core courses (four years of English and three years each of mathematics, science and social studies).

Kentucky students' composite score for 2000 was 20.1 compared to 20.0 for students in an 11-state southeastern region and 21.0 for the nation as a whole.

The overall ACT Assessment consists of tests in four areas: English, mathematics, reading and

science reasoning.

All Kentucky public postsecondary schools (universities and community colleges) require entering freshmen to take the ACT, but few use it as a basis for denying admissions. Because of that requirement, a higher percentage of Kentucky seniors take the ACT than do seniors in many other states, where universities do not require the ACT.

In comparing Kentucky with the

nation, the widest gap in performance was on mathematics scores (1.4 points) and the smallest was in English (0.7 points).

African-American students in Kentucky who took the college-bound curriculum continued to outscore African-American students at the national level. At both the national and state levels, the gap between the performance of African-American and white students persisted.

# Miss America 2000 to visit the Kentucky State Fair

Miss America 2000, Heather French, will make special guest appearances at the 2000 Kentucky State Fair on Thursday, August 24.

French, the first Miss America from Kentucky, is no stranger to the Fair, however, having spent several days here last year as the reigning Miss Kentucky.

Miss America's schedule first takes her to the 37th Annual Kentucky Country Ham Breakfast and Auction, sponsored by Kentucky Farm Bureau, at 7:30 a.m. in the South Wing Conference Center of the Kentucky Fair & Exposition Center (KFEC). Aside from enjoying the breakfast, she

will formally address those in attendance.

From noon until 2 p.m., French will visit "A Century of Conflict: Kentuckians at War," part of the South Wing educational exhibit honoring veterans of each war of this century.

While there, she will receive a certificate of appreciation from the Kentucky Department of Veteran Affairs for her national platform as an advocate for homeless veterans and volunteer work in Veterans Affairs hospitals.

Finally, French will attend the 4-H & FFA Sale of Champions fundraising auction, beginning at

5:15 p.m. in KFEC's Newmarket Hall.

French is on a national speaking tour entitled, "The Forgotten Heroes: Honoring Our Nation's Homeless Veterans."

As a national spokesperson and advocate for homeless veterans, French travels about 20,000 miles a month, into a different city every other day, addressing diverse audiences, advocating awareness, funding and volunteerism for homeless veterans' programs.

For additional information, concerning these or other Kentucky State Fair events, log on to the web site at [www.kyfairexpo.org](http://www.kyfairexpo.org).

# REGIONAL OBITUARIES

## Magoffin County

Henry F. "Babe" Shepherd, 63, of South Shore, formerly of Magoffin County, died Wednesday, August 9, at the Southern Ohio Medical Center in Portsmouth, Ohio. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, August 12, under the direction of Dunn-Kelley/Prater and Dunn Funeral Home.

John Ward Stephens, 75, of Royalton, died Thursday, August 3, at Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center in Paintsville. He is survived by his second wife, Norma Lee Stephens. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, August 6, under the direction of Dunn-Kelley/Prater and Dunn Funeral Home.

Oscar Allen, 57, of Plymouth, Indiana, died Monday, August 14, at the St. Joseph's Regional Medical Center in Plymouth. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, August 17, under the direction of Rannells Funeral Home.

Shelby Jean Wireman Borders, 59, of Salyersville, died Friday, August 11, at Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center in Paintsville. She is survived by her husband, Emmitt Borders. Funeral services were conducted Monday, August 14, under the direction of Dunn-Kelley/Prater and Dunn Funeral Chapel.

Loren Helton, 75, of Salyersville, died Monday, August 7, at V. A. Medical Center in Lexington. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, August 10, under the direction of Dunn-Kelley/Prater and Dunn Funeral Home.

Henry Harvey, 78, of Bethel, Ohio, died Tuesday, August 8, at Clermont Hospital in Batavia, Ohio. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, August 10, under the direction of Dunn-Kelley/Prater and Dunn Funeral Home.

Tim "Buggy" Craft, 38, of Jackson, died Monday, August 14, at the Kentucky River Medical Center in Jackson. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, August 17, under the direction of Hanson-Neeley Funeral Home, Alger, Ohio.

## Pike County

Jessie Lou Keene, 53, of Shelbyana, died Wednesday, August 16, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. She is survived by her husband, Roger Keene. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, August 17, under the direction of Justice Funeral Services-Morris Chapel.

Mella Little, 89, of Richmond, formerly of Virgie, died Wednesday, April 16, at her home. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, August 19, under the direction of R.S. Jones & Son Funeral Home.

Ruby Mae Staton, 70, of Pikeville, died Thursday, August 17, at her home. Funeral services will be conducted Sunday, August 20, 2 p.m., under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

Ada May Anderson, 79, of Phyllis, died Tuesday, August 15, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. Funeral services will be conducted Saturday, August 19, under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

Elizabeth Bowman, 78, of Rawl, West Virginia, died Wednesday, August 16, at her home. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, August 20, at noon, under the direction of Chambers Funeral Home.

Roy Vanover, 46, of Edgerton, West Virginia, died Wednesday, August 16. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, August 19, under the direction of Chambers Funeral Home, Matewan.

## Johnson County

Madge Montgomery, 86, of Paintsville, died August 11, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg. Funeral services were conducted Monday, August 14, under the direction of Paintsville Funeral Home.

Nancy Margaret Wells, 59, of Van Lear died Wednesday, August 9, at King's Daughters' Medical Center in Ashland. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, August 12, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

# Commissioner finalists to be interviewed by full board

FRANKFORT — The Kentucky Board of Education's Search Committee has selected three finalists to present to the full board for the position of Kentucky education commissioner.

The three are:

- Sammie Campbell Parrish, dean of the North Carolina Central University School of Education in Durham, North Carolina;

- Stuart M. Silberman, superintendent of Daviess County schools;

- Gene Wilhoit, deputy commissioner of the Kentucky Department of Education's Bureau of Learning Support Services.

"With these finalists, the search committee believes it has fulfilled the board's charge to select individuals that we feel are able to take on the duties of the position," said Jane Adams Venters, chair of the committee and resident of Somerset.

"The selection process has gone very smoothly. We had a strong field of candidates, and we can recommend these three with equal confidence."

The other members of the search committee are Sam Robinson of Louisville; Keith Travis of Benton; and Bill Weinberg of Hindman. The full board will interview the finalists in closed session on Tuesday, August 29, beginning at 8 a.m. in the State Board Room of the Capital Plaza Tower in Frankfort.



The brier plant is also known as the tree heath or white heath. Its roots are used to make pipes.

# The "Word" for the Week

## Power for living

by DR. DENNIS J. PRUTOW  
STERLING, KANSAS

Some people seem to have tremendous reserves of inner strength. Where do they get it? They may exhort us to look to ourselves for that power, the power of positive thinking, etc.

Real power for living, or I should say, any power for living, comes from without. It comes from God. The Bible promises, "The God of all grace...will Himself perfect, confirm, strengthen and establish you" (1 Peter 5:10). This is a wonderful promise. It is a part of the Good News of Jesus Christ. In other words, this is a promise directed to Christians. This is a covenant made with those receiving

inner cleansing from guilt and sin through Jesus Christ. This is a pledge for those who dedicate themselves to following Christ.

Outside of Christ you must depend on your own reserves of inner strength. You can maintain this posture for a while. Don't get overconfident. Sooner or later you will come to the end of your rope. We all do. Many nervous breakdowns and panic attacks result from a failure to acknowledge this.

Turn to Christ. Receive new life from Him. Dependence upon Christ is not a sign of weakness. On the contrary, Christ is the source of life. If Christ is living in you, "Greater is He who is in you than he who is in the world" (1 John 4:4).

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Paintsville's Josh Conley gave a good chase after the Fleming County quarterback

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■ Allen Central at Pikeville

Girls' volleyball...

**Pikeville upends Allen Central in two sets**

**Lady Rebs JV wins two**

by ED TAYLOR  
SPORTS EDITOR

The Pikeville Lady Panthers were not very good hosts to the Allen Central Lady Rebels this past Thursday night as

they swept Allen Central in two sets by identical scores of 15-3 in high school volleyball.

It was the opening game of the 2000 season for Pikeville while Allen Central played their second game of the week.

The Lady Panthers got good play from the seniors in getting the season off on a successful note. Pikeville Coach Carol Hall said her team has shown a lot of improvement from last year, their first-ever season.

"For the first game this year, we did rather well, I thought," said Coach Hall.

"We set the ball well several times, something we lacked last year. We had several good spikes and I think as the season goes on we will get better and better."

In the first game, the Lady Rebels fell 15-3 to the Lady Panthers behind the serving of senior Jill Kimberlain and junior Amanda Shepherd.

Pikeville took a 3-0 lead on the serving of Shepherd with some good sets by the Pikeville interior. Sarah Boyd had two outstanding spikes in the early moments of the first match.

The Lady Rebs played hard and got some good defensive moves from the middle setters but the front line of the Lady Rebs appeared not to communicate.

"Communication. That's it," said Allen Central Coach Larry Maynard. "Tonight they did not talk as much with each other as they did when we played at Belfry. We came back and beat Belfry in that second match because we communicated."

(See PIKEVILLE, page three)



**Paintsville defeats Fleming County in Big Sandy Bowl opener**

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS WRITER

The Paintsville Tigers headed into the opening game in the usual twin bill of the annual Big Sandy Bowl looking to bring home another piece of hardware for their trophy case.

A good crowd of Paintsville supporters turned out for the game, and the Tigers failed to disappoint. The Panthers of Fleming County presented a very formidable challenge for the Tigers.

Paintsville was slow out of the gate on offense against Fleming County, but it didn't really matter because it would be the defense that would get the Tigers started.

Following a Paintsville punt, Fleming County came out around their 7-yard line looking to at least get out of safety territory. The worst that could have happened to Fleming County would be a fumble and a quick run in by a Paintsville defender. The worst could happen, and it did.

Paintsville linebacker Ryan Brown picked up a Fleming County fumble and practically walked into the end zone untouched. The Tigers went for the two-point conversion, but were cut short by the Fleming County defense.

Fleming County struggled on offense throughout the first half. Paintsville took a 6-0 lead into halftime.

Paintsville started the third quarter with a big kickoff return. The Tigers had a fourth-and-6 situation at the Fleming County 37, that resulted in their going for it and coming up short. The pass-catch combination of Wagner to Jones set up a Stuart Jones touchdown from one yard out. Chuck Hicks

(See P'VILLE, page three)

■ South Floyd at Paintsville

**South Floyd falls short after taking first set**

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS WRITER

The South Floyd Raiders opened up the 2000 high school volleyball season on the road this Thursday as they traveled to Paintsville to play the Tigers.

The Raiders were quick out of the gate, taking the first set from Paintsville 15-13. The Raiders took an early advantage in the second match taking an 8-2 lead, before the home team Tigers would storm back, and take the second and third sets for the win.

It was the season opener for both Paintsville and South Floyd, as both teams came into the game with high expectations. Paintsville returns a strong nucleus from last year's team, while South Floyd fields a youthful squad with only one senior. Minnie Tackett is the lone senior on this year's team and heads into the season hoping to lead her team into regional play.

The first game saw South Floyd fall behind 5-1, before Tackett got them going on three straight points off serve. She would tie the game at 5, before serving the ball out of bounds.

Monica Hobson and Amy Morgan had tallies off serves before giving way to Tackett, whose strong serving paved the way for three scores to put the Raiders up 14-12. Paintsville would pull within one at 14-13, when a spike just past

*"It was a good game," McKinney said. "We've really improved a whole lot from last season, that was evident by tonight's play. This team is going to be somebody to contend with. We were right in tonight's game, but we just let it slip away."*

Stephanie Hall's reach would fall in for a point. South Floyd's Stephanie Hall served the ball over the net for the winning point, but was stopped by a Paintsville front line player. The ball was set up for Paintsville by a front line player, who instead spiked the ball out of bounds. The out of bounds ball secured a 15-13 South Floyd win.

The Raiders went into the second game hoping to put the Tigers away. Coach Jackie McKinney's Raiders took a commanding 8-2 lead in the second game powered by Morgan and Becky Isaac.

Misplayed balls at the net allowed the Tigers to slowly creep back into the game. After allowing consecutive scores off serves, the Raiders stormed back riding the serves of Tabitha Berger. Isaac rotated over to the serve and put the Raiders up 13-7, within two points of a game win.

The game seemed to be over, but never count the Paintsville Tigers out, as South Floyd would soon learn. Paintsville's strong serving led them back, pulling the Tigers even with South Floyd at 13.

Paintsville went ahead with an ensuing serve followed by the game-winner. The Paintsville win forced a third contest, which would decide which team would begin the 2000 campaign with a win, and which one would begin it with a loss.

Like the first game the third game began with Paintsville jumping out to an early lead. The only difference in the first and third contest would be South Floyd's charging comeback. The Raiders couldn't get anything going in the third and final game. Paintsville took control behind the outstanding play of a veteran-laden ball club. After jumping out to an early lead, the

(See RAIDERS, page two)

*Bowl Victory...*



THE BETSY LAYNE BOBCATS celebrated this past Friday night when they posted a 18-12 win over Allen Central to win the Hayes Bowl and snap a 17 game losing streak. Josh Hayes (66) and teammates holds the trophy high with pride

**Streak ends with win over Rebels**

**Brooks leads Bobcats past Rebels in 18-12 win**

by ED TAYLOR  
SPORTS EDITOR

It's over! It's over! One of the longest losing streaks of the past two football seasons came to an end this past Friday night when the Betsy Layne Bobcats got good play from key personnel and posted a 18-12 win over visiting Allen Central.

It was the first time the Bobcats have won on the gridiron since the third game of the 1998 season. The victory snapped a 17-game losing streak for Betsy Layne.

"It feels great to get that monkey off your back," said Betsy Layne Coach Ted George, who enjoyed only his fourth win in the two-plus seasons at Betsy Layne. "Hopefully, we will play better next Friday night."

Junior quarterback Brandt Brooks completed only seven of 21 passes for 155 yards passing, but he scrambled to score two of the Bobcats' touchdowns, including the game-winner late in the fourth quarter.

Adam Collins led the Betsy Layne ground attack with 97 yards on 15 carries. He, along with Brock Keathley, were the attention of the Allen Central defense all night.

Keathley, playing his first high school game officially, caught five of the seven completions for 137 yards. One was a 66-yard touchdown pass from Brooks. He said he just wanted to contribute.

"I feel real good right now," he said. "It was a good win for us and broke our losing streak. I just wanted to go out and help establish our passing game to open up the run for us. We did that in the second quarter. Brent's interception really fired us up."

Allen Central's defense did not allow the Bobcats to run the football like they are accustomed to. The huge Rebel line was

quicker than Coach George thought. "Allen Central has a good team," said George. "Their defense is by far the best defense we played in our two scrimmages. But we knew that going into the game. They are a lot faster than we anticipated. They gave us everything we wanted. It was a great football game and I am sure it was a good game to watch."

The home crowd had plenty to cheer about when their team jumped out to a 12-0 lead, a lead they held going to the locker

(See BOBCATS, page three)



BROCK KEATHLEY of the Betsy Layne Bobcats had a 66-yard touchdown reception to help lead the Bobcats to a 18-12 win over Allen Central

**THE SCORE BOARD**

■ H.S. Football

Apollo 33	Union County 28
Belleue 60	Pike County Central 0
Harrodsburg 41	Shelby Valley 6
Berea 67	Cavema 20
Betsy Layne 18	Allen Central 12
Doss 15	Inquisit 6
Harlan 27	Cawood 6
Trigg County 36	Webster County 19
Harrison Co. 34	Mercer County 0
Russellville 50	Fulton County 0
JCHS 20	Leslie County 12
Paintsville 26	Fleming County 14
Raceland 33	East Carter 20
Henry Clay 20	Tatas Creek 19
South Floyd 18	Everts 42
Magonin Co. 30	Eastl. County 2
Whitley Co. 42	North Laurel 14
Eminence 36	Trimble County 26
Owensboro 28	Daviess County 0
Paris 28	Ludlow 6
Russell Co. 38	Adair County 13
Waggener 50	Anderson County 12
Frankfort 28	Powell County 20 (OT)
Muhl. South 26	Edmonson County 25
Taylor Co. 33	Hart Couly 6
Nicholas Co. 54	Bath County 0
GeorgeClark 37	South Laurel 36
Pad. Tilghman 24	Madisonville Hopkins 7
Greenup County 29	Lloyd Memorial 7
Simon Kenton 33	Woodford County 14
Muh. South 26	Edmonson County 25 (OT)
Glasgow 42	Logan County 6
Hancock County 34	Mercer County 0
Grayson County 43	Butler County 6
DuPont Manual 28	Bardstown 24



# Kentucky Afield...

The Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Commission set the late waterfowl seasons at its quarterly meeting August 4 in Frankfort.

The Fish and Wildlife Commission recommends all hunting, fishing and boating regulations for approval by the General Assembly and approves all expenditures by the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources (KDFWR).

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service also must approve recommendations of the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Commission for the waterfowl seasons because all migratory game birds are under federal control.

The duck season will run for 60 consecutive days from November 23 through January 21 statewide. The bag limits for ducks remain the same as last season.

Dates for the goose hunting seasons (bag limits same as last year) are as follows:

**Canada Geese:**

- Western Goose Zone (except Ballard Reporting Area) - December 2 - January 31, except in Fulton County portion where the season will extend through February 15
- Ballard Reporting Area - December 16 - January 31
- Ballard WMA Season - December 20 - January 31
- Pennyryle-Coalfield Goose Zone (including West-Central Canada Goose subzone) - December 28 - January 31
- Eastern Goose Zone - December 13 - January 31
- Northeast Goose Zone - January 16 - January 31 (this extends the Cave Run season 7 days)
- Henderson / Sloughs - Public access to the refuge area will be closed beginning November 1, instead of October 15

**White-fronted Geese:**

- Statewide - November 23 - January 31

**Snow Geese:**

- November 23 - February 4, except in that part of Fulton County that lies in the Western Goose Zone where the regular season extends through February 15
- Conservation Order Season - February 5 - March 31, except in the part of Fulton County that lies in the Western Goose Zone where it opens February 16 and runs through March 31.

**Youth-Only Waterfowl Days:**

- Eastern duck zone - October 14 and 15
- Western duck zone - February 3 and 4

The next Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Commission meeting will be held at 8 a.m. on Friday, December 8 at the Game Farm off U.S. 60 in Frankfort. Persons interested in addressing the Commission must notify the KDFWR Commissioner's office in writing at least 30 days in advance to be considered for placement on the meeting agenda. People who are hearing impaired and plan to attend the meeting should contact the KDFWR at least 10 days in advance and the agency will provide a translator. To request to address the commission, write to KDFWR, Commissioner Tom Bennett, #1 Game Farm Road, Frankfort, Kentucky, 40601.

## NASCAR

**Winston Cup Points**

1. Bobby Labonte,	3165
2. Dale Jarrett,	3064
3. Dale Earnhardt,	2948
4. Jeff Burton,	2944
5. Tony Stewart,	2845
6. Rusty Wallace,	2798
7. Ward Burton,	2711
8. Ricky Rudd,	2708
9. Mark Martin,	2696
10. Jeff Gordon,	2676
11. Matt Kenseth,	2447
12. Mike Skinner,	2429
13. Steve Park,	2236
14. Dale Earnhardt, Jr.,	2235
15. Bill Elliott,	2221
16. Johnny Benson,	2168
17. Ken Schrader,	2157
18. Joe Nemechek,	2127
19. Chad Little,	2110
20. Terry Labonte,	2082

**Money Leaders**

1. Dale Jarrett,	\$4,288,784
2. Jeff Burton,	\$3,928,919
3. Bobby Labonte,	\$2,756,201
4. Rusty Wallace,	\$2,173,846
5. D. Earnhardt, Jr.,	\$2,041,581
6. Tony Stewart,	\$2,007,761
7. Bill Elliott,	\$1,955,508
8. Mark Martin,	\$1,881,786
9. Dale Earnhardt,	\$1,748,396
10. Jeff Gordon,	\$1,711,241
11. Ward Burton,	\$1,626,911
12. Matt Kenseth,	\$1,540,029
13. Ricky Rudd,	\$1,486,689
14. Mike Skinner,	\$1,368,764
15. Terry Labonte,	\$1,366,069
16. Jerry Nadeau,	\$1,312,294
17. Steve Park,	\$1,301,442
18. John Andretti,	\$1,276,741
19. Joe Nemechek,	\$1,257,796
20. Jeremy Mayfield,	\$1,257,216

**Lap Leaders**

(WITH NUMBER OF RACES LED IN PARENTHESES)

1. Rusty Wallace,	1042 (13)
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2. Tony Stewart,	523 (8)
3. Bobby Labonte,	378 (12)
4. Dale Earnhardt Jr.,	364 (6)
5. Jeremy Mayfield,	363 (10)
6. Jeff Gordon,	351 (9)
7. Mike Skinner,	342 (9)
8. Ward Burton,	328 (6)
9. Mark Martin,	321 (12)
10. Dale Jarrett,	284 (11)

**Mile Leaders**

1. Rusty Wallace,	1226.29
2. Dale Jarrett,	639.65
3. Tony Stewart,	589.20
4. Mark Martin,	582.97
5. Bobby Labonte,	544.66
6. Mike Skinner,	533.90
7. Dale Earnhardt Jr.,	522.07
8. Jeremy Mayfield,	495.81
9. Ward Burton,	394.18
10. Jeff Burton,	364.32

**Pole Winners**

1. Rusty Wallace,	7
2. Dale Jarrett,	3
3. Ricky Rudd,	2
4. Dale Earnhardt Jr.,	1
Jeff Gordon,	1
Terry Labonte,	1
Jeremy Mayfield,	1
Steve Park,	1
Mike Skinner,	1
Bobby Labonte,	1
Tony Stewart,	1

**Rookie Standings**

1. Matt Kenseth,	245
2. Dale Earnhardt Jr.,	222
3. Dave Blaney,	168
4. Stacy Compton,	155
5. Scott Pruett,	145
6. Mike Bliss,	128
7. Ed Berrier,	87

**Manufacturer Standings**  
(VICTORIES IN PARENTHESES)

1. Ford,	145 (9)
2. Pontiac,	128 (6)
3. Chevrolet,	126 (6)

# On The Street...



"Yes, I think he can. Here's a prediction Jared Lorenzen will lead the team in rushing. The way Murrene spreads the field will allow him plenty of opening room for him."  
— Steve Lafferty, Martin



"Absolutely! I feel the right decision was made in naming Lorenzen the starter. An interesting quote from Murrene was 'It may cost us the Louisville game, but in the end it will pay off.' By career's end, Coach's numbers will be secondary to Lorenzen's."  
— Mike Davis, Pikeville



"Yes, I think he can lead them back to a bowl game, but it will be the defense that leads the team through-out the season and into a bowl game."  
— Mickey Ruffin, Maytown

**Do you think Jared Lorenzen can lead the UK football team back to a bowl game, and equal the success Dusty Bonner had last season?**

# SportsBoard

## SPORTS CALENDAR

**BASKETBALL**

**Johnson County Buddy Basketball holding fund-raisers**

The Johnson County Buddy Basketball League is currently selling tickets on a \$500 Christmas shopping spree from Wal-Mart of Paintsville. Tickets for the shopping spree are \$1 each. The Johnson County Buddy Basketball League is also planning a soapbox derby for later this fall. For more information contact league vice-president William Fraley at (606) 789-1929.

**YMCA Men's 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament**

The Pikeville YMCA will hold a double-elimination 3-on-3 men's basketball tournament Aug. 26. Entry fee is \$50 per team, and teams must be registered by Aug. 25. For more information, call the YMCA at (606) 433-9622.

**CYCLING**

**Appalachian Bike Tour 2000**

The Appalachian Bike Tour 2000 will be held on Saturday, September 30. The starting point for the bike tour will be Yatesville Lake Marina in Lawrence County. Registration for the event is set for 8 a.m. The fee is \$10, or \$7 with pre-registration. For more information, call Mark Jackson, (606) 638-3234.

**SOFTBALL**

**Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center Fall Softball League**

The Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center will be holding a fall softball league starting on August 22. Entry fee for the fall league has been waived. All participants pay is the umpire fee, due before each game. For more information contact Billy Conn or Christi Salmons at the Job Corps Center. Phone (606) 886-1037, ext.69

**RUNNING**

**Jenkins Fitness Walk and Run set for Saturday, Aug. 26**

The 14th annual Jenkins Days 1-1/2 Mile Fitness Walk and 2-Mile Run will be held Saturday, Aug. 26 at 9 a.m. Registration fees are \$10 by Aug. 21 and \$15 after Aug. 21. A t-shirt is included with the registration fee. The race is divided into age groups for both the walk and the run. Sponsors for the event are the Jenkins Community Hospital and Home Health, and Letcher County Home Medical Supplies. Entry forms are available at Edwards Food Center, Jenkins Public Library, Jenkins Branch of The Bank of Whitesburg, Community Trust Bank, or Tan-a-Rama. Participants may also call Ked Sanders at (606) 832-4122, or Charles Dixon at (606) 832-2759.

**19th annual Mary Breckinridge 5K to be held Oct. 7 at Hyden**

The 19th annual Mary Breckinridge 5K Run will be held Saturday, Oct. 7. Race directors are Dwayne Wooten (53 Falcon Drive, Wooten, Ky. 41776, Phone: (606) 279-2952); and Rev. Roger D. Wolfe, (P.O. Box 940, Hyden, Ky. 41749, 672-2953). Entries should be mailed to Rev. Wolfe. The race begins at 9 a.m. at the Hyden Elementary school, located near the hospital in downtown Hyden. Pre-registration fee for the race is \$8 and \$10 on the day of the race. Registration on race day begins at 8 a.m. Every participant will receive a t-shirt and there will be trophies awarded for first, second and third in each age category. A plaque will be given to the overall male and female winners. Age categories are 12 and under, 13-15, 16-20, 21-30, 31-40, 41-50, and 50 and over.

## TRIVIA QUESTION???

*In 1927 the Prestonsburg High School football team went 0-3. What team beat Prestonsburg twice?*

*Answer- Van Lear High School Bank Mules*

## MLB Standings

**NATIONAL LEAGUE**

**EAST DIVISION**

	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	74	46	.617	—
New York	72	49	.595	2.5
Florida	60	60	.500	14
Montreal	51	66	.436	21.5
Philadelphia	50	69	.420	23.5

**CENTRAL DIVISION**

St. Louis	66	54	.550	—
Cincinnati	59	61	.492	7
Chicago	54	65	.454	11.5
Pittsburgh	50	70	.417	16
Milwaukee	51	69	.425	15
Houston	48	73	.397	18.5

**WEST DIVISION**

Arizona	67	53	.558	1.5
San Francisco	68	51	.571	—
Los Angeles	61	58	.513	7
Colorado	60	61	.496	9
San Diego	57	64	.471	12

**AMERICAN LEAGUE**

**EAST DIVISION**

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	66	51	.564	—
Toronto	63	60	.512	6
Boston	63	55	.534	3.5
Baltimore	53	68	.438	15
Tampa Bay	52	67	.437	15

**CENTRAL DIVISION**

Chicago	72	49	.595	—
Cleveland	61	56	.521	9
Kansas City	57	64	.471	16
Detroit	59	61	.492	12.5
Minnesota	55	69	.444	18.5

**WEST DIVISION**

Seattle	69	52	.570	—
Oakland	65	55	.542	3.5
Anaheim	62	59	.512	6
Texas	55	65	.458	13.5

# Sports Briefs...

## Baseball

### TIGERS' SPARKS SNUFFS OUT SEATTLE IN FIRST SHUTOUT

Steve Sparks had ligament replacement surgery in his right elbow in 1997, battled with a torn right rotator cuff last season and got released by Philadelphia in spring training.

Tuesday night, the veteran knuckleballer held Seattle hitless until the sixth inning and pitched his first major league shutout, leading the Detroit Tigers over the Mariners 9-0.

Sparks, who spent most of the season at Triple-A Toledo, struck out six and walked one. He did not give up a hit until Carlos Guillen's double with two outs in the sixth. Dean Palmer and Juan Gonzalez had two-run homers as Detroit won for the fifth time in six games.

The AL West-leading Mariners lost their season-high fourth in a row and had their division lead cut to four games over Oakland, which beat Cleveland 5-3. Palmer drove in four runs and Gonzalez had a season-high four of Detroit's 17 hits.

### EXTRA BASES

In other AL action, after going 3 1/2 months without a victory, David Cone threw five strong innings for his second win in a week as the New York Yankees beat Texas 10-2.

David Justice, Scott Brosius and Paul O'Neill all hit long two-run homers for New York, which has won 10 straight games against Texas.

Harold Baines and Frank Thomas both homered and drove in five runs, and Rocky Biddle pitched seven strong innings for his first major league win as the Chicago White Sox beat Baltimore 14-4.

Mo Vaughn and Garret Anderson homered off struggling David Wells, and Matt Wise earned his first major league victory as Anaheim defeated Toronto 8-4. Wells fell to 2-3 since the All-Star break, getting touched for six runs on seven hits in 4 2/3 innings.

Ben Grieve homered and drove in two runs as Oakland beat Cleveland 5-3, extending its wild-card lead to two games.

In NL action, Todd Helton went 4-for-8 with three doubles and a homer to up his major league-leading average to .396, but Todd Zeile's tiebreaking homer in the eighth inning of the nightcap helped the New York Mets complete a doubleheader sweep of Colorado, 7-5 and 4-3. New York drew eight walks — including two with the bases loaded in the seventh inning — to win the opener.

Andres Galarraga's three-run homer deep into the left-field seats with two outs in the seventh inning lifted Atlanta to a 3-1 victory over San Diego.

J.T. Snow homered twice, including his seventh career grand slam, and had a career-high six RBIs to lead San Francisco over Montreal 9-7.

Vladimir Guerrero homered twice for Montreal as the teams combined for eight home runs.

Elsewhere, Matt Williams homered, doubled and drove in five runs as Arizona beat Philadelphia 11-6 for its third win in a row.

### PEDRO CONFIDENT SHOULDER OK

BOSTON - The Boston Red Sox are in a playoff race as tight as Pedro Martinez's shoulder. At a time when his team can't afford to lose him, he says he doesn't expect to miss a start.

"I don't see why not," he said Tuesday when asked if he could take his regular turn in the rotation Saturday against Texas.

Martinez pulled himself out of Monday night's 7-3 win over the Tampa Bay Devil Rays with a stiff shoulder in the fourth inning, his shortest start of the season. His condition was uncertain after the game when he wasn't available for comment.

Martinez said he felt fine throwing between starts in Texas, where Boston wrapped up a three-game series Sunday. He was surprised when the shoulder felt stiff as he stretched before Monday's game.

"I'm supposed to throw (Wednesday). Hopefully, everything will go all right," Martinez said. "I'm optimistic everything is going to be fine."

### YANKS' KNOBLAUCH NOT RETURNING FROM DL THIS WEEK

ARLINGTON, Texas - New York Yankees second baseman Chuck Knoblauch, on the 15-day disabled list for the first time in his career, won't return to the lineup this week.

Knoblauch is eligible to come off the DL on Friday, but reported soreness in his right elbow after throwing Monday. He has been on the DL because of tendinitis in that elbow.

"It's not too good. It's still sore," Yankees manager Joe Torre said Tuesday. "I'm certainly concerned because the result of all the tests have been that it can get better."

Torre gave no indication as to when Knoblauch might return, if at all this season.

Knoblauch, batting .291 this year, had never been on the DL in his 10 major-league seasons until Aug. 7, a move retroactive to Aug. 3.

In Knoblauch's absence, Luis Sojo and Jose Vizcaino are splitting time at second base.

### TIGERS GM: WE WON'T WAIT ON GONZALEZ

DETROIT - Detroit Tigers general manager Randy Smith does not intend to let slugger Juan Gonzalez keep the team on hold while deciding his future.

Gonzalez is enduring a disappointing season with the Tigers after joining the club in a nine-player deal with Texas last fall. The outfielder turned down a multiyear, multimillion dollar deal from the Tigers in the spring and also nixed a trade with the Yankees in June because New York would only offer him a one-year deal — worth \$12.5 million.

If the Tigers wait indefinitely for Gonzalez to re-sign, they might lose their chance to replace him in the free agent or trade market.

"Maybe we'll say, 'We've got to have an answer right now. We have to move on,'" Smith was quoted in the Detroit Free Press on Tuesday. "If we haven't gotten a response and we get a commitment from someone else, we say, 'I'm sorry.'"

## Raiders

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Paintsville Tigers remained ahead and put the game away with a decisive 15-6 victory. The win put Paintsville at 1-0 on the season, while the season opening loss dropped South Floyd to 0-1.

Coach Jackie McKinney was pleased with her team's overall performance following the game, despite the loss.

"It was a good game," McKinney said. "We've really improved a whole lot from last season, that was evident by tonight's play. This team is going to be somebody to contend with. We were right in tonight's game, but we just let it slip away."

The Raiders now turn their attention to their home opener this week.

"We've got Betsy Layne in our first home game, so we need to get ready for that game," said McKinney

South Floyd will host Betsy Layne Monday evening at South Floyd High School.

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# Mullins looking for playing time on the next level

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS WRITER

Bringing a football program into the fold at their school could possibly be one of the best things that could have ever happened to 83 young men who have made the

Pikeville College campus their home in the past two weeks. Of those 83 young men, one freshman football player from Prestonsburg is looking to make some noise in the defensive secondary, and in the process earn a starting job on the first team defense.

Prestonsburg native Hank Mullins is hoping to take his game up to the next level. That next level is Pikeville College football.

Mullins comes into Pikeville College following a very successful career at Prestonsburg High School. While at Prestonsburg, he excelled on both the gridiron and on the wrestling mats.

Now at Pikeville College, Mullins is just trying to keep everything in perspective as he gets settled into the new ways of college life. The freshman has set a number one team goal along with some individual goals that he would like to accomplish as a Pikeville College Bear.

"Our number one goal as a team is to win, and start a winning tradition here at Pikeville College," said Mullins. "Pikeville and Pike County have a great tradition in football. I just want to come in and get a winning tradition started here. We've got a lot of good players who can help to get that done."

Mullins has been playing quite a bit of defensive secondary for the Bears. The position he's been lining up at and playing suits him just fine.

"I've been playing right corner mostly, and I like it real well," said Mullins. "One of the goals I really want to achieve this season is to win a starting position back in the defensive secondary."

With his athletic skills a starting position is definitely within reach.

The Prestonsburg native understands the tremendous opportunity

he has by playing at Pikeville College. The proximity and closeness of Pikeville College couldn't be any better for Mullins and his family.

"One of things I like most about Pikeville College is it's so close to home," he said. "It's always a good opportunity when you can get the chance to play so close to home. Playing here will give my mom and my family the chance to come and watch me play."

Playing college football is something the young Pikeville College Bear admits he's always dreamed of doing.

"I've always wanted to play college football," he said. "Coach DeRossett back at Prestonsburg High School really made me want to strive to be my best."

"Coach Willis is a whole lot like Coach DeRossett because he really expects you to perform up to your potential level, and if you do, you are rewarded. If you don't, he will push you to be your best."

The first football game in Pikeville College history will be a most monumental one for the Bears. Playing a defending NAIA national champion's junior varsity team will definitely present a stiff challenge for a young group of players as they play the first football game in school history.

Mullins hopes to go down to Georgetown and show the Tigers, along with everyone else, that the

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■ Hank Mullins

## Pikeville

Pikeville led 13-2 before Allen Central scored point three on a serve by sophomore Jackie Martin.

Allen Central played hard but was never able to overcome the lead of Pikeville.

In game two, a 15-3 win for Pikeville, Allen Central took an early 2-0 lead with Amanda Potter serving up the two points. Pikeville tied the game at 2 and Allen Central's final lead came at 3-2 off a serve by Rebecca Smith. From that point it was all Pikeville as they scored the final 13 points of the match to give the Lady Panthers the win and match.

Coach Hall said her team has learned more about the game and seems to have a better understanding of how to play.

"This year they do have a better understanding of how to play volleyball," she said. "We have nine seniors on this team and only three new players. That gives us a lot of experience."

Coach Maynard said he was mystified by his team's play.

"Tonight it was if they had never seen a volleyball," he said. "I don't know what it is. They have the fundamentals but they just haven't pulled it together right now. Our blocking game is good but we need to move more on defense and cover the ball."

Boyd and Michelle Hall led the defense for the Lady Panthers.

"They played very well tonight," said the Pikeville coach. "Jill (Kimberlain) and Christa (McPeck), our setters, set the ball real well. It was a team effort for us tonight."

While the win was a good one,

Coach Hall said there was room for improvement.

"We definitely need to work on our serves, although our serves went in on a pretty good percentage," she said. "We also are going to work on getting good passes to the setters."

## CENTRAL JV WINS TWO

On the plus side for Allen Central, the junior Lady Rebels posted a 15-8 win in game one and won game two 15-7.

Allen Central scored the first five points for a 5-0 lead. Erin Majakey looked impressive on her serves. The middle play of Tiffany Turner was excellent as she made some strong defensive moves.

Trailing 6-1, Pikeville made a run at the Lady Rebs and moved to within two points at 7-5. Behind Turner's serves, Allen Central was able to make it a 9-5 game.

The Lady Rebels opened the game up with Jackie Martin serving by scoring four consecutive times to lead 13-6 before posting the 15-8 win.

Pikeville led early at 2-0 in game two but Allen Central tied it at 2 on some good plays in the middle. Pikeville then led 6-2 before Allen Central rallied to tied it for the second time at 6.

With Majakey serving, Allen Central took their first lead at 7-6 and never looked back as the Lady Rebels played some strong defense, allowing one point the rest of the way.

Allen Central will host county rival Prestonsburg Monday evening at Allen Central.

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## P'ville

made a big stop on the goal line for Paintsville on the Fleming County backfield. Paintsville's Ben Hale caught the ball, and was off to the races. The Hale touchdown pushed the Tigers out to a 26-14 advantage with only 22 seconds left in the game. A last-second Fleming County Hail Mary effort was all for naught.

Coach David Lemaster was appreciative of the winning effort following the game, but he did leave room for a lot of improvement.

"It was kind of a sloppy game all the way around, with all of the penalties, but we did some good things," said Lemaster. "One surprise is that the defense is way ahead of where I thought it would be at this point."

The Allen Central game now looms for the Paintsville coach and his team.

"I've not seen Allen Central yet, but we're going to get some film on them this week, and get to work preparing for them this coming Friday."

The win puts the Tigers at 1-0 on the season heading into their first home game of this Friday night against the Allen Central Rebels. The Rebels are 0-1 on the young season, following a season opening loss to Betsy Layne.

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■ Allen Central volleyball

## Bobcats

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room at the half. But the Bobcats must have been a little overconfident, according to their coach, as they played timidly in the second half.

Allen Central rallied to tie the game 12-12 on some outstanding running by freshman James Prater and junior James Hunter. But a big defensive play by Brent Hamilton spoiled a drive by Allen Central early in the fourth quarter that could have netted the Rebels the lead.

Sophomore Derek Kennedy had picked off a Brooks pass, giving the ball to the Rebels at the Betsy Layne 35-yard line. A 14-yard run by Prater put the ball at the Bobcat 21.

On two carries, Hunter moved the football to just inside the 16, where Jonathan Ellis went to the left corner of the end zone for Patrick Martin. Brent Hamilton stepped in front of the would-be receiver and intercepted the pass in the end zone.

"That was a phenomenal catch," said Coach George. "He laid out for it. Brent had been hurt all week but you couldn't tell it the way he played tonight. He is the kind of kid who puts pain out of his head. He knows he has a job to do and he flat does it."

With 5:18 to play in the game, Betsy Layne got a super effort by Collins as he broke three tacklers and jaunted 55 yards, being hauled down by Kennedy at the Rebel 5-yard line.

"I think he thought he was already in the end zone," said Coach George.

From the 3-yard line, Brooks, on a keeper, scampered into the end zone for what proved to be the winning touchdown.

The two teams battled to a scoreless tie after the first 12 minutes. In the second period, Betsy Layne put two touchdowns on the board to lead 12-0 at the half.

The scoring drive was set up when Kevin Bentley picked off an Ellis pass just before the first period ended.

At their own 35-yard line, Betsy Layne marched the 65 yards on eight plays that concluded with Brooks scoring from 7-yards out for a 6-0 score with 8:39 to play.

Allen Central put together a strong drive only to see it stall out at the Bobcat 32. Brooks went to the air with his first two tosses fruitless. On a third down play he hit Keathley for a 66-yard touchdown pass.

"That was just a great catch by Brock," said Coach George. "He had it in his hand and bobbled it to recover and score."

The lead was 12-0 with 1:23 to play in the half.

Allen Central never quit as they

roared back behind Prater and Hunter in the third and fourth quarters to knot the game. Coach George said he warned his team the game was not over.

"We went to the locker room at the half and I got on them a little bit," he said. "I told Coach (Jackie) Bush that I hope we realize this game is far, far from being over. I don't think we did. I think we came in a little overconfident in the second half and took a couple of plays off. You can't do that against these teams from Allen Central because they will come after you."

Come after them the Rebels did. With 4:34 to play, Allen Central made it a 12-6 game with Hunter breaking several tackles and rushing 34 yards for a touchdown. Ellis, a sure bet to hit the PAT, missed wide to the right.

Dusty Hammonds, a thorn in the side of Brooks all night, picked off his third interception of the game with excellent coverage on Keathley. The interception set up the Rebels' second touchdown, a 59-yard run by Prater to make it a 12-12 affair.

Coach George said he was happy with the win but his team could have played better.

"I feel great to win," said the Bobcat mentor. "Maybe it is a sign that I am getting old but we didn't play well. We are capable of playing a whole lot better."

Coach George said his team needed to go back to the "drawing board" and take a look at some things.

"In the second half we took a couple of plays off and it hurt us," he said. "If we want to be competitive in our district we cannot take any plays off. We play some teams that will hit you on every single play."

Ellis was five of 10 passing for 43 yards for Allen Central. Jon Bailey had two receptions for 26 yards while Martin hauled in three for 17 yards.

Prater rushed for 120 yards on 13 carries. Hunter netted 55 yards on 10 carries. Ellis kept the ball for 22 yards on five attempts. The Rebels gained 195 yards on the ground. They totaled 238 yards of offense for the game.

Allen Central had seven yellow flags for 65 yards. Ellis was intercepted twice and the Rebs fumbled the ball away twice.

Betsy Layne was hit with 60 yards in penalties on eight flags. Brooks was intercepted four times, three by Hammonds. The Bobcats did not have any turnovers on fumbles.

Allen Central (0-1) will travel to Paintsville next Friday night. Betsy Layne (1-0) meets Powell County on he road.

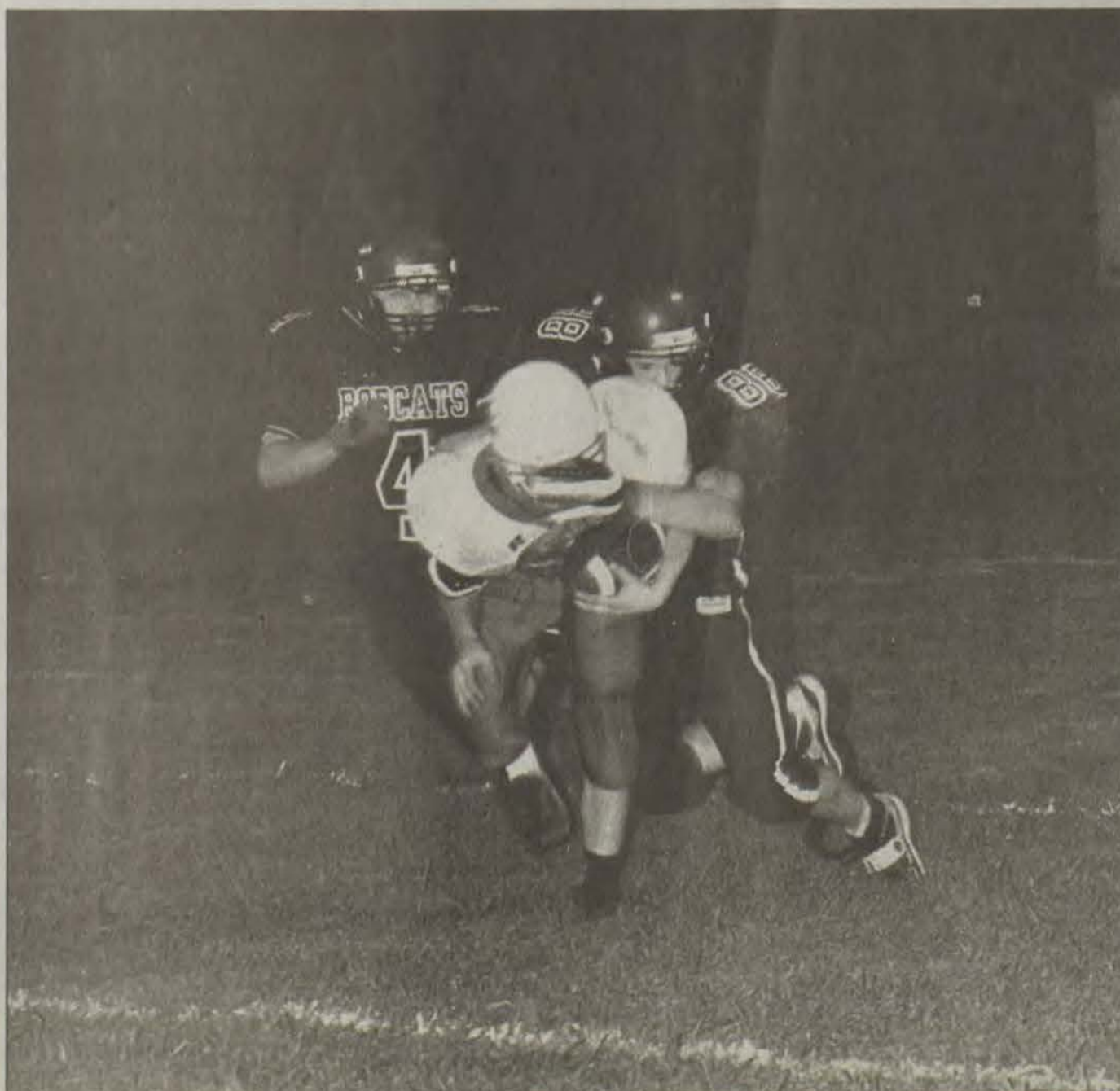


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ALLEN CENTRAL'S JAMES PRATER (24) carried the ball for 120 yards rushing in a 18-12 setback to Betsy Layne Friday night. Prater scored one of the Rebels two touchdowns



Steve's Sideline Shots...

I'm just glad to be here, it's time to say thanks

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS WRITER

we always do.

Volleyball news and notes

The past two months have been a real whirlwind here at the newspaper, but I wouldn't trade my newfound experiences for anything. Many of the people I've met in my short time here have already made lasting impressions.

Coach Ted George at Betsy Layne High School is one of the finest fellows I've ever met. Coach Kevin Spurlock up at Allen Central graciously takes time out of his busy schedule whenever I come calling.

Pikeville College Football Coach Zak Willis and assistant coach Mac Bryan are always perfect gentlemen, who really seem to appreciate what the media is doing for their new Pikeville College football program.

Pikeville College Sports Information Director Rick Bentley has been a tremendous help. To say Rick has helped me out would be an understatement. Anytime I have a question concerning Pikeville College athletics or if I need to set up a meeting or an interview, Rick is more than willing to help. I really appreciate everything Rick has done.

My wife Janie has encouraged me beyond belief since the first day I filled out the application for this job. She has always supported this career move and I thank her for that.

Last, but certainly not least, I need to thank the man responsible for me being able to write this column. Ed Taylor, I would like to thank you for giving me a chance.

It's been busy lately with the fall sports tab in the works and the September issue of Sporting Times looming, but we'll get it done. After all,

This past week I had the chance to get out and meet three of our four county high school volleyball coaches.

I had the chance to meet and talk with Russell Shepherd of Prestonsburg, Jackie McKinney of South Floyd, and Larry Wilson of Betsy Layne. I'm also looking forward to meeting and talking to Allen Central Coach Larry Maynard.

I'm familiar with Larry through my coverage of the recent District 7 Little League tournament. Larry did a quality job umpiring the tournament.

All four of the county's high school volleyball coaches are quality people. Although each volleyball coach has taken a different path to coaching his or her team, one coach in particular took a much, much different route to coaching this season.

Larry Wilson's new coaching situation at Betsy Layne High School is probably the most unique of all Floyd County high school volleyball coaches. Nevertheless, Wilson already shows signs of becoming a top-notch high school volleyball coach.

Somewhat of a volleyball coaching controversy has been brewing at Betsy Layne for nearly a month now. Coach Roberta Epperson stepped down in early August, after taking a job in Perry County where she and her family currently reside.

Initially Sharon Barker was named as new head coach but later declined the position. Barker was going to coach the team at first, with Betsy Layne dance team coach Karen Wilson as her assistant.

As you probably know by now, plans as they were fell through, and Karen Wilson was left to handle coaching both the Betsy Layne volleyball team and the dance team. Karen's husband Larry was then pitched the volleyball coaching idea, and accepted the head coaching job.

The Wilsons are very enthusiastic about the new coaching endeavor, and should field a competitive team.

The Prestonsburg volleyball team has looked really good in recent practices. The Blackcats are looking to defend their 1999 district crown.

Coach McKinney also has her South Floyd Raiders playing very well.

The region remains strong this season with Letcher County, Breathitt County, Perry Central and Paintsville all returning veteran-laden teams. The Paintsville Tigers had a very good season last year. The Prestonsburg-Paintsville matchups in the last two years have been classics.

Oops! Floyd County Classic not a tournament yet

In this past Sunday's Sideline Shots, I inadvertently called the Floyd County Classic a tournament. The Floyd County Classic is a one-day event, it's not a tournament, at least not yet anyway.

Event director Rick Hughes confides that he hopes the event will one day grow into a tournament. A local high school basketball tournament would be great for the entire county. Putting the spotlight on the young athletes of the county and surrounding counties is always good.

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photo by Ed Taylor

ALLEN CENTRAL traveled to Pikeville last Tuesday night and faced a good Pikeville team and fell in two sets to the Lady Panthers.

Johnson Central prevails over old rival Leslie County

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS WRITER

The nightcap of the 14th Annual Big Sandy Bowl featured a battle of old rivals that dates back some 20 years.

Johnson Central and Leslie County renewed their rivalry back in the early 1990s but had not played each other since 1996.

The Golden Eagles of Johnson Central would prevail over the Leslie County Eagles by a final of 20-12.

Johnson Central's first drive of the game ended on a fumble. Leslie County took over on their own 12-yard line, and within a short series of plays, passed their way down to the Johnson Central 9-yard line. Quarterback Chris Barger found the end zone on a quarterback keeper for the first score of the game.

Leslie County opted to go for a two-point conversion. The conversion failed, and at the end of one quarter Leslie led Johnson Central 6-0.

The Golden Eagles of Johnson Central didn't stay down long as senior running back Scott Salyers scored on a touchdown run, tying the game up at 6-6. Casey Music's two-point conversion pass fell just short.

Leslie County went back to the drawing board after the Johnson Central score and drove all the way down to the Johnson Central 8-yard line. A sack of Leslie County quarterback Chris Barger put Leslie County at a big third-and-34 situation. Leslie failed to recover from the setback of 30 yards and was forced to punt the ball away.

As the second quarter horn sounded, both teams remained deadlocked at 6-6.

The third quarter got underway with a Leslie County fumble and a Johnson Central fumble recovery.

With 10 seconds left to go in the third quarter, Music punched it in for Central from 3 yards out on a quarterback keeper. The score was followed by the first successful two-point conversion of the game.

The conversion put the Golden Eagles ahead of the Leslie County Eagles 14-6.

Following a Leslie County punt, the Eagles of Johnson Central found a jump starter that had been waiting in the wings all night long.

Sophomore Cher Griffith took a handoff in the backfield and bolted 64 yards down the right sideline for his first high school career touchdown.

Griffith and his long run put Central up 20-6. A two-point conversion try by freshman Chat Yates was stopped short of the goal line.

Leslie County's offensive woes continued for most of the fourth quarter. A Johnson Central fumble at the goal line gave Leslie County the football with a little over four minutes remaining.

On the next Leslie County offensive series, Casey Music picked off his second Chris Barger pass of the night.

Barger added a late score with under a minute remaining to pull Leslie within a touchdown and a conversion at 20-12.

Leslie tried an onside kick but failed to get the ball 10 yards downfield, resulting in Johnson Central starting at their own 45-yard line. Central took over the ball and accepted a delay of game penalty as time ran off the clock, and the Eagles preserved the Big Sandy Bowl victory.

The Johnson Central Golden Eagles now try to learn from their mistakes as the Tolsia Rebels come into town this Friday.

"We fumbled the ball too much on offense," JCHS Coach Bill Musick commented after the game. "We can't have that many fumbles, and expect to win the football game."

"Leslie County is a good team and I look for them to surprise some people this season. We've got to get back now, look at the film, and correct our mistakes, and get ready for Tolsia this Friday."

The Eagles host the Tolsia Rebels Friday night at Golden Eagle Field.



photo by Steve LeMaster

Paintsville's Josh Conley gave a good chase after the Fleming County quarterback.



photo by Ed Taylor

ADAM COLLINS (9) made his way around an Allen Central defender during football play at Betsy Layne. The Bobcats posted a 18-12 win over the visiting Rebels

Mullins

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Pikeville College Bears have arrived on the college football scene.

"I think we're going to go down to Georgetown and play a real good football game," he said. "Everyone knows the great football tradition Georgetown College has and Pikeville College will have that kind of winning tradition before you know it. It's going to be such a special time when we step out onto that field at Georgetown for that first game. The Georgetown College game will be something special for everyone involved with the community, the school, and the football program."

The excitement level among coaches and players at Pikeville College has carried over to the student body. Everyone at Pikeville College is awaiting the kickoff of the inaugural season.

Georgetown, Pikeville College will only begin their hopes of achieving great success in the harsh Mid South Conference. The Mid South Conference is one of the most competitive conferences in all of NAIA football.

Is Hank Mullins ready for such a hard schedule grind among Mid-South competition? He sure seems to be ready.

"Once we get started in the NAIA, I know we'll be very competitive against the other schools," Mullins said. "We've got some good athletes on this team that will allow us to come out and play well against the Mid-South schools."

The Pikeville College Bears open up the inaugural 2000 football season on the road at Georgetown College, Thursday, September 7. Hank Mullins will be there, ready to get something started, something called tradition.



# Football best part of fall

by RICK BENTLEY

## Back-to-school notes:

Our time has come. It's football season, and I have to admit that it's my personal favorite to cover. Oh, baseball is the first love; there's no question there. And we definitely live in the heart of basketball country. But there's something special about football season. Basketball teams play 25 or so games at least. High school baseball, quite frankly, is played at the wrong time of year. It's too cold in the spring, but football

makes the fall too busy. Football isn't so much a game as it is an event. Go to Betsy Layne on a given Friday night and a throng of Bobcat backers will be there waiting to see their team in action. Even for a school like Allen Central, which doesn't compete for post-season slots, Friday nights are special. Game time may be 8 p.m., but get there at 6 and hundreds of fans — former players, alums, parents — are already there. Friday nights are special in the fall. They offer the opportunity for young men to follow in the footsteps of their

parents. It's a chance to write your name in the annals of the history of your school. And for those whose playing days are behind them, it's an occasion to meet with former classmates and teammates and talk about the glory days that have passed you by. It's not quite autumn, but it's football season for sure. Let's all enjoy it. All that said, let me say something very important here. I hope it's something parents, teachers, coaches and friends will remind these young men every time they suit up for a game. Please, whatever you do, see what you hit. When you lower your helmet and hit with the crown, that's when injuries occur. Sometimes, they can be fatal. Other times, they can change a person's way of living. So please, let's have fun and play hard, but be safe out there. And always, above all else, see what you hit. I'll never forget Monday, Aug. 7, 2000. It was the day I saw orange and black on the football field for the first time. I'd be remiss if I didn't welcome Bill McKinney back to the sidelines at Phelps High School. Bill's an old college friend of mine, and is a heck of a football guy. He

really has two things going for him: First, he detests the punt. Hates it. And two, he's the kind of guy you want your children around. Welcome back, Coach. Those of you who have been fans of pro wrestling dating back to the 1970s and 1980s will not be surprised to know that when a young man named Paul Jones signed to play football at Pikeville College, he was quickly assigned No. 1. Poor Bill Watson. His Reds have to be the most frustrating team in baseball. They'll win five of six from first-place teams and then get swept by cellar-dwellers. They're the ultimate tease, and will probably finish as close to third as first. Don't look now, but Paintsville native Willie Blair is having another outstanding season. Blair, back with the Tigers — for whom he won 16 games three years ago — is 9-3 heading into his scheduled start tomorrow night, with a 4.87

ERA. In this day and age, an ERA below 5.00 is pretty good. Blair's numbers aren't spectacular — in 118.1 innings, he's given up 135 hits and has only 54 strikeouts — but he's turned out to be the most affective starter the Tigers have. And for those who think that may not be much of an accomplishment, consider this: The Tigers are suddenly in third place and are rapidly approaching the coveted .500 mark. It won't surprise me if the Mets overtake Atlanta to win the National League East. The bottom line is the Braves don't have middle relief they can count on. Guys like Kevin McGlinchy, Mike Remlinger and Scott Kamieniecki just don't consistently get people out, and it will be them and not John Rucker who will be the ultimate demise of this team. I think Bobby Cox is one of the best managers in baseball, and definitely is most underrated. But as long as he asks no more than seven innings from what is still the best rotation in

the game, this team will have no real success in the post-season. Check this out: If the playoffs had begun this week, the AL division winners would have been New York, Chicago and Seattle. They would have been joined in the playoffs not by Boston, not by Cleveland, but by Oakland. In the NL, the division winners would have been Atlanta, St. Louis and San Francisco. And for all the fuss about Junior coming to Cincinnati and Kurt Schilling joining Randy Johnson in Arizona, the Mets would have been the Wild Card team. Endquote: My boyhood idol, Dale Murphy, was inducted into the Braves' Hall of Fame Monday. During a speech which saw him praise three times to fight back tears Murphy reflected on a time when he was the lone star on baseball's worst team. Is he bitter? On the contrary: "To have worn the Braves uniform No. 3 was a special and humbling experience in my life. It's something I'll always be proud of."



Coach David Lemaster always has his Paintsville Tiger football team playing exceptional football. photo by Steve LeMaster

## Kenneth Huffman Memorial tennis tournament set for August 21

Tennis enthusiasts will take to the courts next week, as the 27th annual Pikeville College/Kenneth Huffman Memorial Tennis Tournament gets underway. The Pikeville College athletic department will be sponsoring the event, which begins Monday, Aug. 21 and lasts through Sunday, Aug. 27. All events will be held at the college tennis courts. Proceeds from the tournament benefit the

Pikeville College Student Scholarship Fund. Previously held in June, the tournament was moved to August this year to give players additional practice time during the summer. Players may register for the tournament through August 21. The cost for one event is \$20, \$35 for two events, and \$45 for three events. Entrants are asked to provide a new can of Championship Penn or Wilson tennis balls for each event. Pikeville College Women's Tennis Coach Frances Coleman has been involved with the tournament for several years. Although players are competitive, Coleman said the event is a recreational tournament. "Tennis is growing here, and there is more interest in it than there was five years ago," said Coleman. "People are now recognizing that you can play tennis recreationally at any age. It's a sport for a lifetime." For more information on the tournament, call Pikeville College Development Office at 432-9384.

# Pikeville basketball Bears add seven

The Pikeville football Bears have been in the news much of late but Bears basketball coach Randy McCoy has announced that his team has added seven new players for the upcoming basketball season later this fall. Coach McCoy said the new players will add depth to every position. "We feel we have definitely improved many areas of our program with this year's recruiting class," said McCoy. "We will work very hard with helping our young players." McCoy is in his second season at the helm of the basketball Bears. Pikeville finished 15-17 last year. Coach McCoy really added the height in landing Chad English, a 7-0 freshman from Nederland, Texas. "Chad is a young man who we feel has a very promising future," McCoy said. "Maturity is the biggest goal right now, both physically and because he is only 18 years old. He's only played basketball for four years, but had a very bright future."

lift with the signing of TaJuan Loney, a 6-4 freshman from Richmond, Va. "He's a tremendous athlete who has very good offensive skills," said the Bears mentor. "He will add more depth to our perimeter game." Alan Powe, a 6-6 sophomore from Freeport, Illinois, played for Iowa Central Community College in Fort Dodge and is expected to help on the boards. "He is a very skilled athlete with very good rebounding and offensive capabilities that will help us immediately," said McCoy.

By way of Miami, Florida and Chicago State, the Bears added Devin Friday a 6-5 junior. Having played for a Division I school, Friday is expected to give the Bears an offensive lift. "This young man will also add offensive and athletic capabilities to our perimeter," said McCoy. "And with his experience of playing one year at Chicago State, he will bring much needed experience to our program." The Bears open their 2000-2001 season on Saturday, November 4 by hosting Miami-Hamilton.



PIKEVILLE VOLLEYBALL coach Carol Hall instructed her team before they took the floor against Allen Central last Tuesday night. photo by Ed Taylor

## A Look at Sports

### Sports! Sports! Sports!

by ED TAYLOR  
SPORTS EDITOR

Upon entering the Betsy Layne football stadium I encountered two basketball coaches conversing. Allen Central Coach Johnny Martin and Betsy Layne Coach Brent Rose. Their conversation? They were talking about teaching. Of all things! Keith Henry, the white hat at the Allen Central versus Betsy Layne football game Friday night, was without his regular crew. "It is going to be different," he said. The officials did a good job in calling the game. What a game James Prater, just a freshman, put forth for Allen Central. James is quick with good foot speed. Add to that James Hunter and the Rebels have a solid backfield. The Rebels were without full-back D.J. Hoover, who, according to the coaching staff, has missed practice of late. He was not allowed to dress for the game. It is a shame when a kid has a lot of talent but does not use it to his advantage. With good talent in athletics it can earn one a college education. But kids today just don't seem as dedicated as they once were. It was a solid performance for Betsy Layne's Brock Keathley. It was just a pleasure to watch him play football. You have to remember this is the first time he has ever

played the game. "I don't know why I didn't play before," he said. "My sister got after me to play so I thought, 'I am a senior, why not?' So I decided to give it a try." Brock caught a 66-yard touchdown pass from Brandt Brooks. South Floyd dropped a big one at Evarts Friday night. We did not get any stats on the game to get in today's paper but we will try to have a report in Wednesday's sports. We can tell you this, they lost 42-18. The Raiders will have this Friday night off. Got to talk with good friend P.D. Gearheart at the Betsy Layne game and it had been some time since I had seen him. He looked well and golfing agrees with him. The University of Kentucky admits they are actively recruiting Jason Parker, who could enroll at UK during the fall semester. Parker was not allowed to attend the University of North Carolina because he did so well on his SAT test the second time. The 45 percent improvement had school officials, as well as the NCAA, questioning the test score. UK is looking into the matter. The best for the Cats is to leave it alone and let him go to a prep school and then the NBA. Tiger Woods just keeps rolling in golf. As of Saturday, Tiger held a one-stroke lead over Scott Dunlap in the PGA Championship. Woods has been good for the game. He is a good ambassador on the greens. Well, the Reds are faltering fast and it is getting late in the season. Have you noticed that Barry Larkin hasn't done anything on the field since he signed a contract extension for more money. Oh yeah, he has committed four errors since then.

Current four-game losing streak to lesser clubs, has the Reds seven and half out of first place. Fielding is hurting the Reds but the silent bats are killing them. Cleveland Browns Coach Chris Palmer told his team not to "ask for autographs" when they lined against the Washington Redskins in preseason play Saturday night. Good advice, Coach! NASCAR has not been in the news that much this summer and one has to wonder if interest in the sport is waning. Well, I just thought, I know better than to assume that to be true. Jeff Gordon and Tony Stewart had their war of words Sunday a week ago. Gordon has to be frustrated over the season, having won but one feature. I like balance and NASCAR now has it with some good young drivers coming in to challenge the veterans. High school soccer is on its way! Stay tuned. Until Wednesday, good sports everyone and be good sports! See you in church this Sunday.

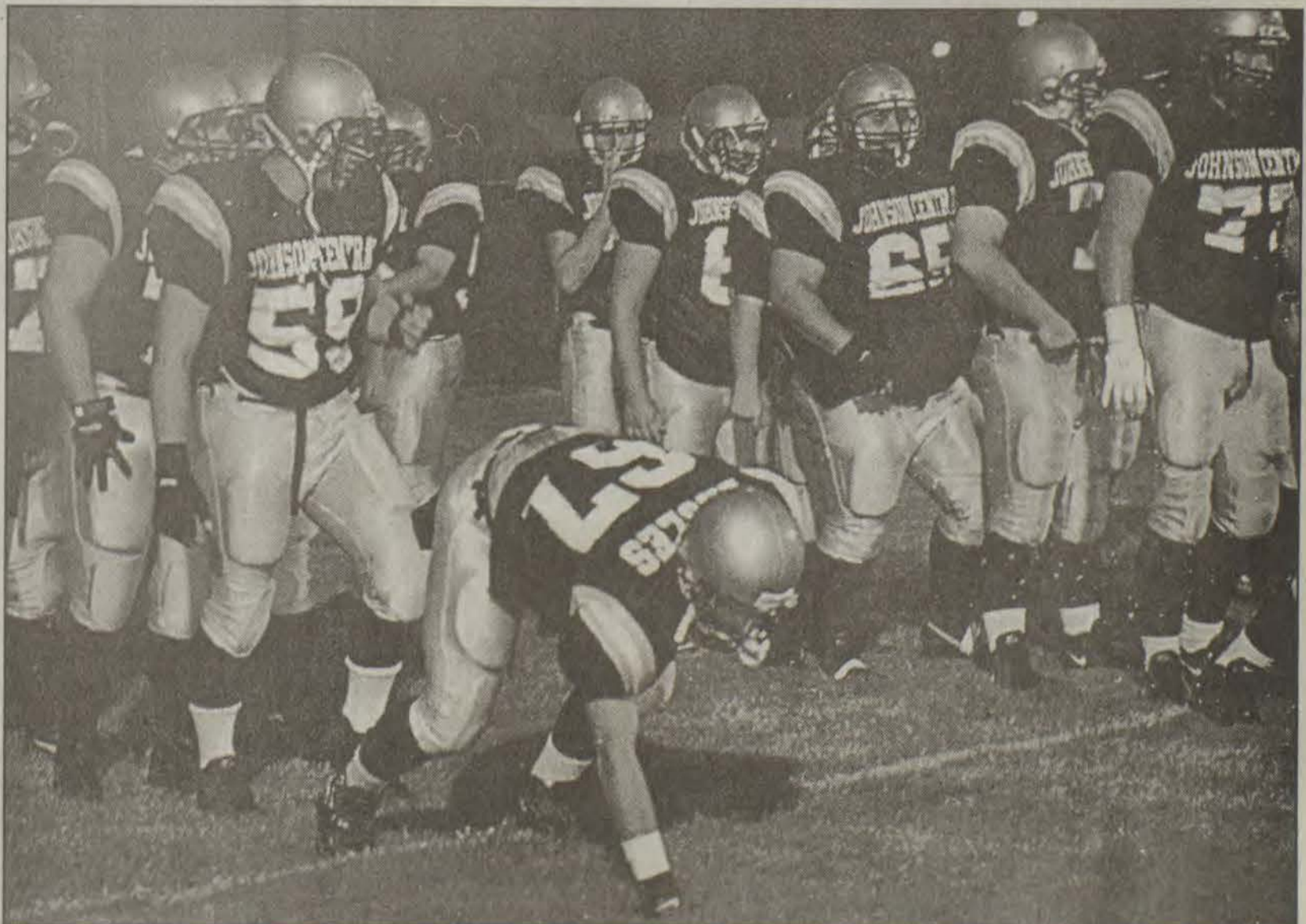
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#### How good is Pikeville High School's football team?

The question of how good is the 2000 Pikeville High School football team has crossed my mind several times this pre-season. Pikeville opens up with a tough, and I mean tough, Lawrence County team. Some pre-season previews have the Panthers picked as high as second in Class A, behind guess who. Give up? The Pikeville Panthers are picked to finish second behind Beechwood High School in several

pre-season rankings. Like that was really a big surprise. The Beechwood Tigers are one of the top football programs in the state. The Panthers boast a Floyd County product in pre-season all-state tight end Chase Gibson. Pikeville could be worthy of their lofty pre-season rankings. They return a strong team from last season. Only time will tell what this season holds for the Panthers. Football season is here, so get out and catch a game.



Johnson Central lineman performed hitting drills prior to the start of Friday's game with Leslie County. photo by Steve LeMaster



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# insider golf

by t.j. tomasi

Director of the Players School at PGA

## TEERING OFF

### A Good Round Begins With the Right Choice of Tees

A few years ago I was paired with a stranger from Boston who insisted on playing the back tees. It turned out he was a 21 handicap, but, he said, "I paid a lot of money to play this course and I'm going to get my money's worth."

And what a time he had — swinging out of his shoes, swearing and muttering. Four and one-half hours of abject failure later he looked like he'd been in a war.

How do you decide which tees to play so you don't end up like the Boston stranger? First check out the distances from the various sets of tees. The worst thing you can do is

play a course that's too long for you.

Great golf courses, no matter how hard they are, are also fair. Long par-4s will generally feature larger greens. A larger green gives you more room for error on a longer approach shot, and more surface area on which to stop a lower-trajectory shot.

By the same token, a shorter par-4 will feature smaller greens with trouble all around. A high-trajectory shot will be required to stop the ball quickly.

If you're playing the hole from too long a distance, you'll have shots into the green that even the

pros would have trouble with. Bottom line: You're playing the course far harder than the architect intended.

Distance is not the only thing to consider when choosing the correct tees. The USGA uses two designations that will help you: course rating and slope. Course rating tells you what an expert (scratch golfer) would play the course in, while slope rating indicates the relative playing difficulty of a course for players who are not scratch golfers.

Rating teams from the USGA determine the course rating and the "bogey rating" for each set of tees

on a course and use those figures to determine the slope rating. While yardage is important, many other factors are taken into account, such as water hazards, trees, out of bounds, prevailing wind and altitude above sea level.

A golf course of standard playing difficulty would have a USGA slope rating of 113. The lowest USGA slope rating is 55 and the highest is 155. If you're a 21 handicap and you're playing from tees that have, say, a 140 rating, you're mismatched, and it will do your game and your brain no good at all.

## ASK THE PRO

**Q:** I'm having a tough time coming over the top, and all my divots are pointing way left of the target. Is there any drill I can use to get rid of my slice swing?

— R.B.  
from Palmdale, Calif.

**A:** Here's a drill that will help:

Take your stance and place a ball three clubheads away from your back foot on the line of your foot flare. This is your guide ball. Take some slow-motion practice swings where the clubhead comes over the guide ball to the ball you're going to hit. Now hit some balls making sure to bring the clubhead in over the guide ball. Don't worry where the ball goes — it will feel like it's going dead right. Give it two weeks and you'll change your path.

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I have received a number of e-mails asking about my report that the newest research shows you can maintain your muscular fitness by doing only one set of reps per muscle group. Here is the reference from columnist Dr. Paul Donohue: "The article by Chris Haas is from *Medicine and Science in Sports and Exercise*, volume 32 [1], 2000, pp. 235-242."

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

## IT'S GOOD FOR YOUR GAME



Although her front hip is turning behind her (above at left), notice that this golfer's head and neck have stayed in position behind the ball, creating a reversal of the coil she built in her backswing. At impact (right photo) she continues the rotation of her body to bring the club to the ball. Even though her arms are following the rotation, her head and neck are still firmly planted behind the ball.



## Arms, Body Work Together To Square Club at Impact

The photos above illustrate a good player's position just before impact and effectively demonstrate how to ensure that the clubface will be square to the target at impact with the ball.

Notice that this golfer's left arm is in line with her back leg, and her right elbow is tucked into her side to get her arms back in front of her body. She's allowed her right side to release (rotate toward the ball) in order to keep her arms and body in the proper relation.

Also notice that her back foot and knee are working to the inside rather than up, and her front foot is down the entire time, serving as an anchor that keeps her body in the proper position.

When you let your back heel "flip out" toward the target line before impact, it causes your club to cut across the ball. When the back foot and knee work in, the club is delivered more from the inside so it comes to the ball along the target line rather than across it.

Good position before impact ensures that the clubface will be square to the target at impact with the ball.

From the top of her swing our model shifted her weight into her target hip, and in the photo on the left she has begun to turn it powerfully behind her to deliver the club directly to the ball.

Once your front arm has dropped the club into position and you've established your front hip joint as your pivot center, you're prepared to let your trail side release. At this point the

weight on your front side is ready to act as a buttress or wall of resistance against which you will hit.

Your trail side stays back as the target shoulder moves out from under the chin and the arms drop the club downward to the ball. The club must move down then around — never around then down.

It is very important that the arms drop the club down toward the ground before the club moves forward. This allows them to get back in front of the body at impact. Once this is done, your trail side rotates back to the target, thereby delivering the clubface square to the target at impact.

## DON'T MISS IT

### Designing for Women

Until just recently, golf course designers have practically ignored women in their layouts, but now that women are a force in golf, things are changing. If you want to know which golf courses are woman-friendly, Don't Miss [golf.com](http://www.golf.com)'s Best Courses for Women at [www.golf.com/women/best\\_courses](http://www.golf.com/women/best_courses). There you'll find Golf for Women magazine's Top Fairways 2000 report, which lists the 100 best courses for women in North America.

## TOOLS OF THE TRADE

### No. 2 Man: Ernie Els

Ernie Els has finished second so many times they're starting to call him "Avis Els," but what a great player he is. Here is the equipment ensemble he uses:

- Taylor Made prototype driver specially designed for him;
- Firesole 3-wood;
- Prototype forged irons with Royal Precision Rifle Flighted steel shafts;
- Cleveland Golf 588 sand and lob wedges;
- Never Ever Compromise center-shafted mallet prototype putter;
- Titleist "Professional" ball;
- Adidas golf shoes with Black Widow Softspikes.



Ernie Els

## TROUBLE SHOTS

### Use Putting Stroke to Give Chip Shot Accuracy

When you're just off the green and you're not using your putter, your best club choice would be the least-lofted club that will get the ball onto the green using your putting stroke. This allows your shot to hug the ground and take advantage of the accuracy of a rolling ball that has very little side spin. For this type of shot, side spin is the enemy of accuracy.

A properly executed putting stroke with any club keeps the clubhead low to the ground. Using this predominantly horizontal path in relationship to the ground increases your chances of making dead-center

contact at impact.

And the advantage of contacting the ball on the sweet spot of your clubface is that solid contact minimizes the twisting of the clubface, giving you an accurate roll in terms of distance and direction.

The key to the chip is to minimize any cocking or uncocking of the wrists. Chip entirely with the rocking motion of the triangle formed by your shoulders and arms. It's a movement of the shoulders, arms and hands together so that the butt of the club moves with the face of the club until after the golf ball is hit.

## QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“... and the wrist is history.”

—The announcer's play on words when Chris Smith was forced to withdraw from this year's Buy.com event, the Omaha Classic, during his round on Saturday. Smith hit his tee shot into some high rough on the 13th hole and jammed his wrist trying to get the ball out. Smith was close to the lead at 11 under when he withdrew.

(Last week's answer: Ty from "Caddyshack")

## BIRDIES & BOGEYS

### Buzz Off

Troubled by those flying, buzzing insects like mosquitoes and bees that get in your ear just as you start your backswing? Well here's a hint: Don't wear red, blue or black because these are the colors that attract bugs. A more aggressive strategy is to eat a lot of garlic before you play. The offensive odor is released through your pores and the bugs don't like it. Before you "go garlic," though, it's best to find out if your course allows onesomes.

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## GOLF SPOKEN HERE

### Dormie

The situation in match play where you are the same number of holes ahead or "up" that there are left to play. Mary Queen of Scots is supposed to have coined the term from a word that implies rest or a nap, meaning, I suppose, that you can't lose so you can rest a bit — a dangerous strategy even for a queen.





Students at May Valley Elementary recently completed an environmental workshop during summer camp under the direction of Ray Tackett



## PostScript

by Pam Shingler  
 Editor



### Living in the past

Some would accuse me of living in the past, and they just might be right.

The Battle of Middle Creek is taking place this afternoon, not last Sunday as some may have figured if they read Friday's edition of Leisure Times.

The feature story on the publication is about the weekend of activities surrounding the battle re-enactment. In the body of the story, I gave the right dates, but in the headline, in bold, flashy letters, I assigned the event to August 11-13, last weekend.

It's totally my responsibility. I wrote it and rechecked it. Perhaps it's not so much that I'm living in the past, as I can't seem to keep up with the times.

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Speaking of the past, I just finished Charles Wells' book, "Annals of Floyd County, Kentucky, 1800-1826."

Some would probably advise me to "get a life," and they might be right. But I have thoroughly enjoyed reading these early records. Perhaps it's my journalism background, for the annals are truly the abbreviated news of that time period.

The court records tell us who were the primary movers in those early days of the enlarged county, but they also record the mundane—who was working on what road, who was being charged with "bastardy," and who was applying for a veteran's pension.

The property transfers give you some idea of how big Floyd County was in those days. There are entries for land along the Kentucky, the Licking and the Red rivers, in addition to our familiar Big Sandy.

In the marriage bonds and other records, I'm captivated by some of the names. There are two or three references, for instance, to women named Elender, a name you never see anymore.

The only other time I've seen that name is in one of my favorite Old World folk ballads. It's a grizzly tale about the fair Elender whose boyfriend passes her over for a rich girl, on the advice of his mother.

Elender goes to the wedding party to confront him, and his new wife stabs her and kills her. He then takes down a sword and beheads his rich, young wife. He subsequently kills himself and falls at Elender's side. All three are buried together, the balladeer tells us.

Love and death in the Middle Ages, recalled in a name of our ancestors.

Among the marriage bonds are at least three women with the same name as our waterway—Levisa McHenry, Levisa Cain and Levisa Ellis. Were they named for the river, a beautiful gesture, or were they part of our French heritage? Le(a) visa = The view.

Some of the given names are intriguing. For instance, there's Hasten Frazier and Anguish Daggs. What do you suppose was on the minds of their mothers when they were born?

Morning Mathews must have been a lovely young woman. She married Reubin Collinsworth in 1816. Certainly, Morning is as good a name as Dawn, and infinitely better than Evening.

Reminiscent of the Pilgrims, some of the names are moralistic and, thus, possibly burdensome: Temperance Justice, Charity Maine, Obedience Prater.

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# Local PVA routs tax man myths



Retiring PVA Lovel Hall, above center, poses with Floyd County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson after Thompson presented a proclamation declaring Lovel Hall Week. Hall's wife, Cendia, holds the framed certificate, which was presented at Monday night's dinner to honor Hall. At right, Hall shows off some of the plaques and citations he received. They include recognition from the cities of Prestonsburg and Martin, Floyd County Fiscal Court, Gov. Paul Patton and Hall's staff.



## Hall is retiring

STORY AND PHOTOS  
 by PAM SHINGLER  
 LIFESTYLES EDITOR

Ever since some ancient ruler came up with the concept of taxes, those people who assess, assign and collect have been demeaned as mean, spiteful and greedy—the bogeyman incarnate.

Not so for long-time Floyd County property valuation administrator Lovel Hall.

Monday night, property owners from across the county, fishing buddies, extended family members, local government officials and fellow PVAs from a number of other counties gathered to salute Hall, who is retiring after 27 years of public service.

Those paying tribute filled up the Wilkinson-Stumbo Convention Center at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park. Many brought personal tokens of appreciation, and others made official presentations from governments.

Prestonsburg Mayor Jerry Fannin gave Hall a Key to the City plaque. In spite of the number of property transactions that have had to be processed, Fannin said, "There have been no problems between City Hall and the PVA's office."

Officials of the City of Martin sent regards in the form of a framed Certificate of Appreciation.

Gov. Paul Patton, who was attending the Democratic National Convention on the West Coast, sent remarks via Ben Hale, a member of the governor's staff and former Floyd County judge-executive. The governor made Hall a member of the Honorable Order of Kentucky Colonels.

Hale added that he hoped "to be half the man that you (Hall) are. I don't think there's a person in Floyd County that could say anything bad about you."

Current Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson read a proclamation from the Fiscal Court, declaring this week Lovel Hall Week in Floyd County.

The proclamation cited Hall's statewide renown, including the prestigious 110% Award he received from the Kentucky Property Valuation Administrators Association and his Outstanding Kentuckian Award from the state House of Representatives.

Thompson read, "... the citizens of Floyd County and their Fiscal Court have long known and appreciated what the rest of the Commonwealth has come to learn, namely, that Lovel Hall typifies that greatness of the human spirit that faithfully toils without complaint and triumphs over all difficulties."

Some of the tributes were less solemn. Gordon Moore, a former educator and old friend of Hall's, kept the audience

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## This Town That World

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

After publishing that report last week about a squirrel-hunting expedition, I've decided that fishermen are the most maligned people in the world.

### FOR A LONG LIFE

Ancients and moderns alike have sought the secret of longevity, and as far as I'm able to determine all have been on a cold trail. Perhaps what a doctor advised, years ago, is about as near right as we'll ever get. He wrote an inquirer this:

"Get a chronic disease and take good care of it."

### QUAKER OR SHAKER?

Although my religious views do not coincide with them, I can very well qualify for the Society of Friends. If you don't believe it, watch my knees, when—and if—I stand up to speak. One of these rare occasions in my life may explain those disturbances recorded on a seismograph which could never be traced to the point of origin.

### MEDICAL ADVICE

A reader at Tram takes up my recent item in this column about my limited glossary of terms pertaining to health, and lists a whole passel of phrases descriptive of one's feelings. But enough of such fol-de-rol. What my correspondent was really interested in was advice. Wrote he (or she):

"Tell me a good remedy for the chiggers—they're eating me up!"

Now, if I knew a specific for the chiggers, I would not be in the newspaper business, more than likely would be fishing in Canada, this very moment. I regret to say that I've even lost track of modern trends in the treatment of this very serious affliction. They may be giving shots, these days, for the trouble, for all I know. Of one thing I'm certain, however, and that is that the medics aren't calling chigger-bites an allergy. To cut this short, I can offer the one and only remedy I have ever tried, and I add that it worked for me—whether because it was effective, or because the chiggers worked themselves to death digging into my anatomy, I cannot say.

The remedy: Salty grease.

## JWT slates fashion show

Jenny Wiley Theatre will host its second annual, fund-raising fashion show Thursday, September 21, at 6 p.m. in the Wilkinson-Stumbo Convention Center at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park.

The Jenny Wiley Theatre Fall View will include a runway show, booth exhibits (including cosmetics, jewelry, clothes and make-up), entertainment and a light dinner.

Tickets for the 2001 season fundraiser will be \$27 each, and all money raised will be used for production costs. Local vendors may purchase a booth at the fashion show for \$50.

The two primary lines of clothing to be showcased at the benefit are Doncaster fashions and apparel from Mickey's Classic Clothing in downtown Pikeville.

"It's going to be a really fun fund-raising event, and several of our board members are going to model the fashions," JWT board member Pat Preston said.

The event is for women only and will explore every facet of life of today's busy woman, including sports wear, evening wear, casual and business dress, and more.

Entertainment will be provided by several JWT cast members.

Anyone interested in attending the JWT Fall View needs to purchase tickets in advance by calling JWT at 606/886-9274 or toll free at 1-877-CALL-JWT.



The Wilkinson-Stumbo Convention Center at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park was filled Monday night with friends, family and co-workers who gathered to pay tribute to Lovel Hall, who is retiring as local PVA.



# Things to Ponder

## Why can't I read?

by MABLE ROWE LINEBERGER, PH.D.

One of the most common remarks is, "Why, he's dyslexic!" in a tone of voice that seems to try to excuse all the child's problems.

It is very important to know if a student has mental deficits; i.e., the likelihood of academic difficulties can be decreased—especially those pertaining to learning to read.

Various explanations have been made over the years about dyslexia, but, most recently (1996), a group of researchers at the Yale Center for the Study of Learning and Attention presented the "Phonological Model" or reading from a neurobiological viewpoint.

Now, as in the past, reading ability has been perceived as reflecting one's level of intelligence. Many people concluded that someone who is smart, motivated and educated will learn to read, but this is not always true.

It seems hard to believe that the first description of the learning disorder to be known as developmental dyslexia was first given more than 100 years ago (November, 1896) by a doctor in England. He recognized the profound and persistent difficulties that some "very bright people face in learning to read."

In the 1920s, defects in the visual system were blamed for the reversals of letters and words that are frequently identified as the hallmark of dyslexia. One frequent approach to treatment was eye training to overcome the alleged visual problems.

However, research over the years has shown that students with dyslexia are not unusually likely to reverse letters or words and that the basis of the cognitive weakness is related to the language system of the brain.

Based on years of cognitive and, more recently, neurobiological studies, one needs to understand how language is processed in the brain in order to understand the phonological model. Simply put, the language system of the brain consists of segments, each devoted to a particular aspect of language.

At the highest levels are components having to do with semantics (vocabulary or word meaning), syntax (grammatical structure), and discourse (connected sentences).

At the lowest level is the phonological module, dedicated to processing the distinctive sound elements that make up language. The phoneme, the smallest meaningful segment of language, is the most basic part of the linguistic system.

Would you believe that 44 phonemes produce every word in the English language? First, words have to be separated into their phonetic units by the phonological module of the brain, before they can be identified, understood, stored in memory or retrieved from it. Reportedly, in spoken language, this process occurs automatically, at a preconscious level.

Major language researchers believe that language is instinctive—you are born with all that is necessary, and humans need to be exposed to it. Thus, babies living in different countries learn different languages, i.e., whatever they hear in the home.

According to genetic influences, the phonological module automatically combines the phonemes into words for the speaker and then breaks them up again into its underlying phonological components for the listener. To produce a word, the human's larynx, palate, tongue and lips automatically compress and bring together the phonemes. Lo and behold! Information from several phonemes is combined into a single unit of sound.

Now, to the reading part of it all. Reading reflects spoken language, but is a much harder skill to master. Speaking and reading rely on phonological processing, BUT speaking is natural and reading is not.

Reading is an invention and must be learned at a conscious level. A major job for the reader is to change the written word into linguistic ones, such as to switch letters into their corresponding phonemes.

The new reader has to first come to a conscious awareness of the inner phonological make-up of the spoken words and realize that the sequence of letters on the page represents this phonology. Thus, a child learns to read.

Now for the rest of the story. A dyslexic child has a deficit within the language system at the level of the phonological module that interferes with his ability to separate the written word into its basic phonological components.

According to the phonological model, a deficit in phonological processing keeps the child from "decoding" the parts, preventing word identification. In the line of things, this basic deficit, "a lower-order linguistic function," stops the flow to higher-order linguistic processes and to gaining meaning from the written word. Then, the outcome is that comprehension and meaning cannot be used because they can be utilized only after a word has been identified.

In addition to its most obvious impact on reading, the phonological deficit can also affect speech in predictable ways, such as difficulties pronouncing long or novel words, doing rote memorization, and reading fast.

More than two decades ago, the research revealed that young children become conscious of the phonological structure of spoken words between four and six years of age. A conclusion was that the development of "phonological awareness" usually goes along with the creation of reading skills.

The findings of a longitudinal study, testing 445 randomly selected kindergartners from 1983 to 1996 until they were 19 and out of high school, showed that 20 percent of students were dyslexic and similar to the six-year-olds who could not identify the phonological structure of words.

As expected, another study indicated that a preschooler's phonological aptitude predicts future reading skills. Furthermore, it was disclosed that training in phonological awareness significantly improves a child's ability to read; phonological training in particular, rather than general language instruction, is responsible for the improvements in reading.

The Yale group of researchers also studied the neurobiology of reading in regard to the functional organization of the human brain with the use of MRI. In this way, the changes in the metabolic activity of the brain while an individual reads can be measured. Various areas of the brain are used for the many thought processes needed for reading—identification of letters, phonological processing, and access to meaning.

As with behavioral studies, results revealed surprising differences between men and women as to where they have the location of phonological representation for reading. Men use the left side of the front of the brain, while women use both sides of the frontal brain.

In summary, dyslexia specificity reflects a deficiency in the processing of the distinctive, basic units of the language system, called phonemes. It explains why some very intelligent people have trouble learning to read and performing other language-related tasks, like memorizing long lists of unfamiliar names and coping with multiple-choice examinations.

In contrast, the same student is likely to have exceptional abilities in reasoning skills, understanding difficult concepts, and comprehension skills. They often do better with prepared oral presentations and essays.

So, if your child shows problems with learning to read, work with his teacher to aid in clarifying whether he may be dyslexic. There are ways of supporting the child's weakness, so that his strengths can be enhanced.



The 2000 graduates of the Hill Country Dancers Square Dance Club gathered for a group photo: front row, from left, Ruth Potter of Elkhorn City, Glenda Rowe of Pikeville, Regina Frasure of Martin, Sherry Kinney of Shelbiana and Nancy Watkins of Harold; second row, from left, caller Robert Scott of Princeton, West Virginia, Paul Potter of Elkhorn City, Clinton Rowe of Pikeville, Paul Hall of Blackberry, Matthew Gilliam of South Williamson, and caller Rick Frasure of Martin. The club will have free lessons at the Hambley Athletic Center in Pikeville on September 7, 14 and 21, at 7 p.m. For information, call 606/285-0814, 432-5834 or 349-1990.

## Maynard is first 'Ray of Hope' recipient

To someone who didn't know Darrell and Debbie Maynard of Zebulon, it might seem that the couple has had more than its share of problems and would have every reason to complain.

Forty-six-year-old Darrell is dying of a leukemia-like cancer.

But they feel "blessed," with each day like a "miracle." And they can't leave God out of it, Debbie Maynard says. "We are religious and God is in it. This is a storm and a battle we are going through," she said. "And the key word is 'through.'"

Recently the Maynards have found another "blessing" in the Ray of Hope Foundation, with Darrell becoming the first recipient of financial help from the newly formed organization.

Multiple Myeloma is a painful cancer in the leukemia family, and it is terminal in Darrell's case. He became ill in June of 1998, but it was August 11 that year that his illness was identified. It usually attacks much older people.

Darrell was a patient of Dr. Tamara Musgrave, a founder of the Ray of Hope organization. By the time he was diagnosed, he was already in advanced stages of the disease, Debbie said. She considers her husband of 27 years to be a "walking miracle," because he is still alive.

However, the pain associated with the disease has become progressively worse and though his doctors have periodically increased his dosage of a morphine derivative pain killer, the paperwork proved to be prohibitive for him to get timely relief. The time it took to get his medication approved through Medicaid was not keeping up with the pain.

"It was the hardest part for me, the

suffering," Debbie said of her husband's increasing pain.

Six pills cost as much as \$40.

That is when Ray of Hope came in. The organization, which offers all types of help for persons with life-threatening illnesses, was designed to do just as its name suggests, offer a "ray of hope" to those sorely in need.

Sometimes, it can be the financial assistance to get needed medical supplies. Sometimes it can be a simple excursion to lift the spirits of the very ill. Sometimes it can be a tiny, stuffed animal like the one recently given to

Darrell, the Hope Bear.

Depression often accompanies serious illness and lifting the spirits of a gravely ill person can be done by a simple show that someone cares, Dr. Musgrave said.

"I feel the Lord will bless this organization," Darrell said, because of the work it is trying to do.

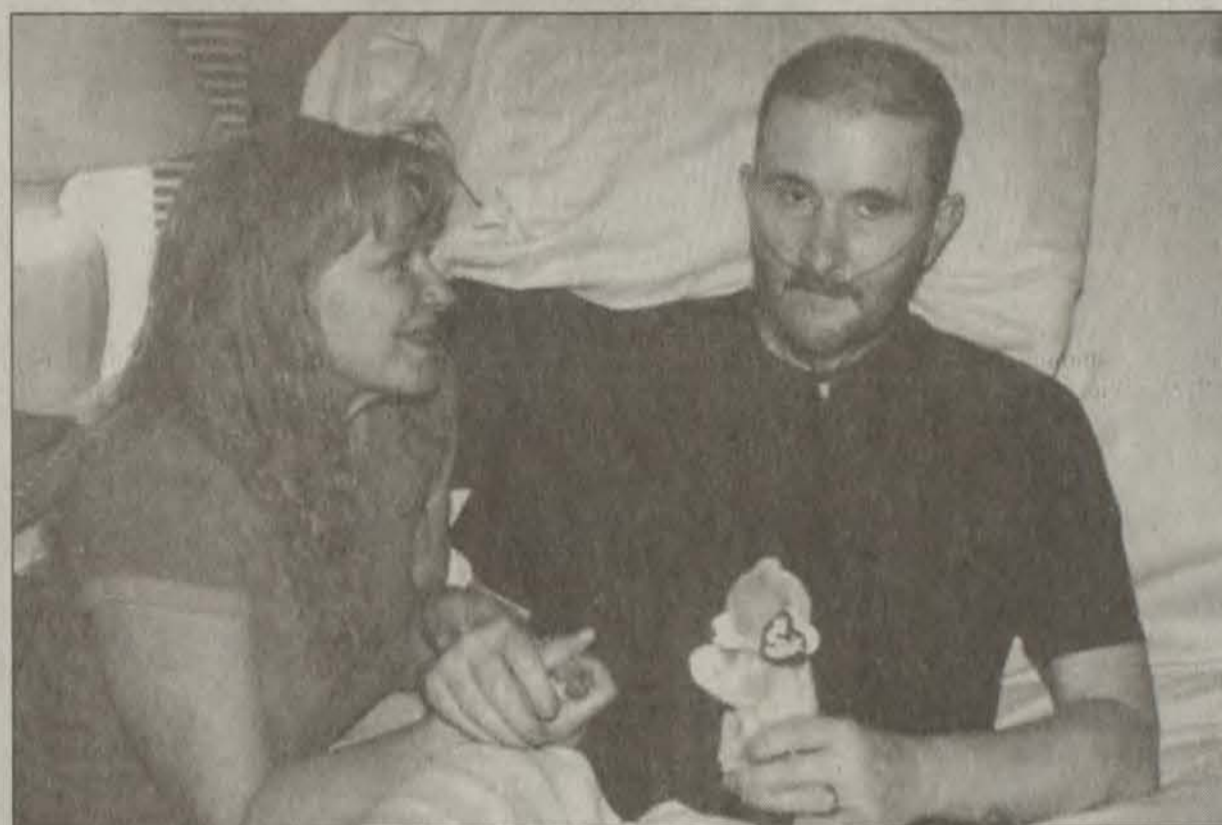
Darrell and Debbie are grateful for all the people who have helped them and remembered them in their prayers. They are grateful for the Leonard Lawson Cancer Center in Pikeville, which is "tops" in their

book. They are grateful for each day of life that Darrell has and his freedom from the pain caused by his illness.

"The Lord really blessed us with this time together," Debbie said.

On the refrigerator in their home is a writing entitled "What Cancer Cannot Do," which points out the many valuable things in life that cancer cannot kill. One of those is that "It cannot shatter hope."

For more information about the Ray of Hope Foundation, call 606/433-0636.



Debbie and Darrell Maynard pose with the Hope Bear beanie baby given to them by the Ray of Hope Foundation. Darrell, who has a terminal cancer, recently became the first recipient of help from the foundation. Ray of Hope stepped in with financial support to buy his pain medication.



### Pageant winner

Alexis Ciera Sexton won the title of Queen at the Appalachian Summerfest on July 8. She also was recognized for Prettiest Eyes, Prettiest Smile, Prettiest Swimwear and Overall Best Watermelon Wear. On August 12, at the Midsummer King and Queen Pageant, she won the title of '70s Queen, Prettiest Eyes and Best Personality. She is the 7-1/2-month-old daughter of Kristi Samons and McCaye Sexton of Langley.

### Postscript

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Two of my favorite men's names among our local forefathers are Valentine VanHoose (Do you suppose he was a dandy?) and Teague Quillen (homage, no doubt, to the much-ignored "Q").

I see Barberry Bailey and wonder if it should be Barbara, or was she named for the thorny shrub?

Among other intriguing names are Uriah Cottle, Willoby Deal, Seville Boyles, Civillar James, Calista Nott and Ashford Napier. I like the sound of each.

The most common names are evident in the marriage listings. Among the women, there were

many Hannas, a name that is again popular. Others seen most often include Sally, Polly, Elizabeth and Nancy, strong, solid, Mother Earth names.

Among men, the biblical names were common, particularly Isaac and Jacob.

I was sorry to come to the end of the book. I'm waiting now for the sequel.

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Greetings to subscriber Dona Terry of Dayton, Ohio. Thanks for reading the Times.

### Hall

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laughing with stories of fishing adventures the two shared in Florida and Texas — stories of sinking boats and rained-out vacations.

Darrell Bradley, Morgan County PVA, talked about state PVA conventions and said Hall should receive an award for being the "Outstanding Kentuckian of the Year."

Musical entertainment was interspersed throughout the program, which was planned by Hall's family and office staff.

Singer Mary Wright delighted the crowd when she announced that she was going to sing an emotional song that she believed captured the moment. She then began a raucous introduction to "Take This Job and Shove It," but she followed with a

serious tune.

Marena Nelson, a former member of Hall's staff, also sang, as did Ron Wright, who played background piano throughout the evening. The trio of Bryan Alan Griffith, Mark Stephens and Tony Stephens presented a bluegrass medley.

A videotape of photographs depicting Hall's youth, career, family and recreation was shown.

A graduate of McDowell High School and Prestonsburg Community College, Hall took over the PVA office in 1973 and has been re-elected repeatedly.

His last official day on the job is August 31. He cited "health reasons" in his letter of resignation to the governor. His replacement will be appointed by the governor to fill



# Reunions

•• Collins-Spears family reunion, descendants of Rhessa (Rece) and Mary Collins and Thomas and Rutha (Spears) Spears, Sunday, September 10, Picnic Hollow, Dewey Dam, Jenny Wiley State Resort Park, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Bring favorite food for dinner at noon. Call Pat Womack, 606/473-7192; Bill "Wendell" Stafford, 740/532-4926, or Wanda Collins, 606/836-8297.

•• Wells family reunion, descendants of Revolutionary War soldier Richard Wells (1760-1838) and Susannah Hutchison Wells, September 2-3, Johnson Central High School, Paintsville. Tour of cemetery at 3 p.m., and genealogical workshop at 6 p.m., Saturday; bring favorite food for dinner on Sunday, and bring pictures and genealogical materials. Call Bobby Wells, 606/886-2101, email [qwells@eastky.net](mailto:qwells@eastky.net), or John Wells III, 606/789-1940 or email [doredad@foothills.net](mailto:doredad@foothills.net).

•• Shepherd family reunion, Saturday, August 26, noon, Shelter No. 4, Dewey Lake. Bring a covered dish and new towel, wash cloth or dish towel. Call 606/377-0519.

•• Howard family reunion, descendants of James, John, John E., and Brack Howard, Sunday, September 3, at the Willard, Ohio, City Park. Call Dr. Richard D. Howard in Winchester, 859/744-3752.

•• Griffith family reunion, descendants of George and Matilda

Griffith and their children, Sunday, September 3, Archer Park Picnic Shelter, Prestonsburg, 11 a.m. The Griffiths' children were Lindsay Griffith, George Griffith, Ellen Music, Ali Griffey, Johnny Griffith, Vicie Burchett, Zella Burchfield, Wallace Griffith, and Pricie Spears. Call Mary Jane Murphy, 606/886-6954.

•• Ousley family reunion, descendants of Perry and Millie Crager Ousley and Dockie and Thelma Hale Ousley, Sunday, September 3, Archer Park, Shelter beside softball field. Bring a covered dish. Call Dennis Ousley, 606/285-3335, or Jimmie Ousley, 285-3337.

•• Dwale Homecoming, 10th annual, September 1-2, Dwale Shelter, beginning Friday at 7 p.m., and Saturday at 11 a.m. Bring a covered dish. Contact Lou Ellen Goble, 606/874-0041, or Phyllis Fields, 874-2769.

• James L. and Sally Tuttle family reunion, Sunday, August 20, City Park, Plymouth, Ohio. Bring covered dish and table serving; lunch around 1 p.m. Contact Brenda Tuttle by e-mail, [btuttle@cybrtown.com](mailto:btuttle@cybrtown.com).

• Childers family reunion, Saturday, August 26, Dewey Dam, Picnic Hollow, Shelter House No. 3, beginning at 11 a.m. Bring a covered dish and cold drinks. Descendants of Abraham and Elizabeth Preston Childers, who settled in what is now Lawrence County in early 1800s. Contact

Donna Cox, 1720 Phillip St., Ironton, Ohio 45638; 740/532-6301, or e-mail [coxdd@zoomnet.net](mailto:coxdd@zoomnet.net).

• Miller reunion, descendants of James Wise and Sam Jr., Sunday, August 27, Shelter No. 2, Spillway, Dewey Lake, JWSRP. Bring covered dish, copies of old and new photos of family members and brief family tree. Call Carol Sherman, 606/859-748-5460; e-mail, [csheer@searnet.com](mailto:csheer@searnet.com).

• Scott family reunion, September 2 and 3, The Pines, Jenny Wiley State Resort Park. Bring covered dish and dessert; meat is furnished. Call Burette Scott Moore at 606/358-4107, or Ralph Scott, 606/358-4267.

• Maytown Community Reunion, Labor Day Weekend, September 1-3. Contact Libby Ree Flanery, 606/285-3413.

• McDowell High School Homecoming, September 1-4, McDowell Elementary Campus. Call 606/377-2678.

• 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.

• Paintsville High School All-

Alumni Weekend, September 1-4, Paintsville High School. Call J.C. Blevins, 606/789-3126.

• Layne family reunion, Sunday, September 3, Tom's Creek Baptist Church, Ivel, 1-4 p.m. Bring covered dish. Call 606/874-2821.

• Parsons family reunion, Sunday, September 3, from 11 a.m. - 5 p.m., at the Isaac Parsons Cemetery on Parsons Branch, off KY 979, Big Mud. Covered dish

dinner begins at 1 p.m. Call E.J. Parsons, 865/426-7585, or Amos Carroll, 606/478-2338.

• Blankenship-Hatfield family reunion, Saturday, September 9, beginning at noon, Thelma Community Center (Johnson County). Family and friends of Richard and Jettie Hatfield Blankenship, Nancy and Wilbur Blankenship and Joseph and Pricy Hatfield. Catered picnic at 2 p.m.;

auction at 3 p.m. Call Sue Blankenship-Fairchild, 606/789-6866.

(\*\* New to list)

The Reunion Calendar is a free service. Send reunion announcements to Pam Shingler, Floyd County Times, PO Box 390, Prestonsburg, KY 41653; fax 606/886-3603; e-mail [fcetimes@eastky.net](mailto:fcetimes@eastky.net).

## Bryant Family reunites at Price

by NELLIE MULLINS

The Bryant Family Reunion is held the third Saturday of July each year at a different residence at Price. This year, the reunion took place on July 15, at the home of Gary Bryant.

The reunion is for descendants of Reecie Bryant, daughter of Nellie and Linville Wheeler, and the late Silas Bryant, son of Wyatt and Rhoda Newsome

Bryant.

Family members come from various states to participate in the many events of the day. This year about 85 persons attended.

The horseshoe tournament seems to be the big event each year. This year, the father and son team of Lloyd and Anthony Bryant of Price, took first place. Brothers Gary and Lester Bryant, also of Price, took second place.



Gary and Lester Bryant, horseshoe team runners-up



Lloyd and Anthony Bryant, horseshoe team winners

## Helping new parents adjust to parenthood

(NUE) - A new video, narrated in English by Oprah Winfrey and in Spanish by Univision talk show host Cristina Saralegui, provides information and guidance for parents on establishing a nurturing environment for their new babies.

Produced by Civitas, a non-profit communications group, "Begin With Love" will be distributed free to parents of 3.6 million

new babies born in the United States through The Parenting Groups' First Moments new parent kit. The year-long giveaway began on Mother's Day.

"This video provides caregivers a crucial tool to help them with the most important job they have," says Winfrey, a Civitas board member.

"I'm proud to be a part of 'Begin With Love,'" said Cristina Saralegui. "I certainly wish I had this information when I gave birth to my kids."

"Begin With Love" highlights five guidelines for parents:

■ Take care of yourself. Once home from the hospital, it's important you take care of yourself and your important relationships. How you feel affects how you care for the baby.

■ Provide a warm and loving environment. Your affection is key to your baby's growth and development. When your newborn is happy, he's more open to learning.

■ Talk, sing and read to your baby. Words and music are some of the best ways to connect with your infant.

■ Create a predictable world for your baby. Providing routines lets your child know she can depend on you. In turn, she'll spend less energy fussing and more time learning.

■ Understand and respond to your baby's needs. Responding to your baby teaches him he can communicate his needs, building trust in you and the world around him.

"Begin With Love" was produced with a \$2 million gift from Ronald McDonald House Charities and a \$1 million sponsorship from drugstore.com.

The 30-minute Spanish or English editions may each be purchased for \$9.95 (plus shipping and handling) on the Internet at [www.civitas.org](http://www.civitas.org), or by calling 1-800-TO-BEGIN (862-3446).

Civitas provides parents and caregivers with the tools they need to enrich young children's lives. Founded in 1993 by Jeffrey Jacobs, president of Harpo Entertainment Group, Civitas transforms leading edge research in early childhood development into products and services. Civitas "tools" are disseminated through television, the Internet, print media and commercial partnerships.

### NEW ARRIVALS



Emily Danielle Shelton

Emily Danielle Shelton was born on July 21, 2000, at 1:16 p.m., at Pikeville Methodist Hospital to Eddie and Charlotte Shelton of Hi Hat. She weighed eight pounds, 10 ounces, and was 21-1/2 inches long. She has an older brother, Grant, 3-1/2. Her grandparents are Omery and Nita Compton of Hi Hat and Donna Isaac of Mt. Orab, Ohio.



Phillip Nelson Harvey

Allen and Limikia Robinson Harvey of Martin announce the birth of their second son, Phillip Nelson Harvey, who was born July 30, 2000, at Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center in Paintsville. He weighed eight pounds, five ounces. He has an older brother, Nicholas Allen. His grandparents are Mack and Reba Crisp Harvey of Martin, Cathy McKinney Kretzer and Shane Kretzer of Lexington, and Mike and Anita Robinson of Martin.

## BIRTHDAYS

Marks 94 years

Effie Howard of Garrett celebrated her 94th birthday recently with her daughter and son-in-law, James and Alberta Bolding of Warren, Indiana, along with Brenda, Micheal and Heather Paynter.

Among those who visited her from Indiana, were Bonnie and Larry Farmer of North Manchester; Rita, Donald and James Winkler of Andrews; Jeffrey, Jeff Jr. and Jordan Bolding and Lisa and Cody Bolding, all of Warren; and Jenny Farmer, Tim Williamson and Goff and Mary Miller, all of Huntington.

Glenna, David and Kaitlynn Slone of Garrett also attended. The birthday celebrant, who received many cards, calls and gifts, is the mother of Alberta Bolding of Warren, Indiana, and Glenna Caudill of Marion, Ohio.

She also had three sons, who are deceased: James Howard, who was killed in Korea; Harry Howard, formerly of Burnside, and Garry Howard, formerly of Maysville.

Her husband was Kelly Howard, who died on January 19, 1977.

Well-wishers may write her in care of Alberta Bolding, 5871 S. 200 W., Warren, IN 46792.



Three years old

Courtney Slone celebrated her third birthday on Saturday, July 8, 2000, at Pleasant Home Baptist Church. The theme of her party was "Lion King." She is the daughter of Todd and Connie Slone of Blue River. Her maternal grandparents are Lawrence and Mary Craft of Auxier, and paternal grandparents are Burns and Wanda Slone of Blue River. Her paternal great-grandmother is Susie Clifton of West Prestonsburg. Among friends celebrating with her were Katie Blevins, Sara Castle, Arron and Michael Meeks, Jessica Moore, Olivia Sublett, and Joshua Williams.

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## Williams-Meade family reunites



Grace Meade & Family

by JUANITA COMPTON

On August 5, a Williams-Meade reunion was held at the home of Omery and Nita Compton at Price.

A host of relatives and friends came from far and near, including Idaho, Washington and Michigan. The rest were from Pike and Floyd counties.

Gary Compton, son of Omery and Nita Compton, roasted a 100-pound pig, while C. Buck Dawson cooked a kettle of beans over an open fire. The food and games, including horseshoes and golf, were enjoyed by all.

At the center of the reunion was Grace Meade, 93-1/2-year-old mother of the following children, all of whom were there: Nita Compton, Price; Treva Wallace, Toni Hunt, and Lowell Williams, Michigan; Joetta Sorenson, Idaho; and Don Williams, Madeline Miller and Kathleen Turner, Pikeville.

Others present were Darlene Rowe; J.E. Miller;

Walter Turner; Oliva Williams; Juanita Williams; Imogene Ratliff; Bill and Marcella Casebolt; Jody, Misty and Brittany Dawson; Joey and Josh Compton; Tina Compton; Oscar Mosley; Nick Castle; Brandi Slone; Amanda Compton; Gary and Beulah Compton; Hager Meade; Anthony, Michelle and Reese Slone; Linda Bertrand; Tony and Leanne Fields; Eddie, Charlotte, Grant and Emily Shelton; Pat, Biegler; Rita Gooch; Pam, Donnie and Zak Keathley; James Wallace; Harvey Meade; Bobby Reed; Scott, Stacy and Kaily Shannon; Carlos, C. Buck and Oma Davison; Ricky, Angie and Ethan Waddles; Bud and Carol Stumbo; Linzie Hunt; Teter, Chesa, Tyler and Kierra Shelton; Rhoda, Corey and Justin Paige; Virgil and Sharon Shelton; Crista Lewis; Omery Compton; Kyle Brown; Maureen Park; Thelma Hrazier; Mertie Stumbo; Paula Lewis; Pam, Garth and Grace George; Dustin Stumbo; Vernon and Trudi Rose.



# Youth News

## Teaching kids about the Internet

(NUE) - The definition of literacy has changed dramatically over the course of history. Centuries passed between the first printing press and widespread print literacy. However, in just over 50 years, we've had to learn how to be literate in a variety of new media — film, radio, TV and, most recently, the Internet.

Kids now need to be media lit-

erate. They need to be able to understand, analyze, evaluate and create these mediums. They also need to be aware of the dangers. This is especially true of the Internet, where the rules are new and the technology is full of promise and peril. Information found on the Web may be accurate or misleading. A site may include racist rhetoric, pornographic

images or may attempt to elicit personal information. What's a parent to do?

According to Cable in the Classroom, the cable industry's nonprofit effort to support children and schools via access to commercial-free, educational programming and educational online resources, parents can help their children be safe and responsible Internet users

by asking questions such as, "Who created the site?" "What is the purpose of the site?" "Is the information reliable and accurate?" or "What techniques are used to grab and hold my attention?"

For help teaching children to become thoughtful Web users, visit [www.websmartkids.org](http://www.websmartkids.org) or call Cable in the Classroom at 1-800-743-5355.



### Toured Washington

Of the many services that rural electric cooperatives offer, the Washington Youth Tour is one of the most important. Once again, the Big Sandy RECC sponsored two high school juniors on a week-long tour of Washington, DC, June 16-23. They are Melissa Pennington, left, from Johnson Central High School and Sarah Allen from Prestonsburg High School. They joined 56 other juniors from Kentucky, as well as students from 40 states. The tour included visits to Thomas Jefferson's home in Virginia, US Capitol, Washington Cathedral, Supreme Court, Library of Congress, Arlington National Cemetery, Smithsonian Institution, and the Vietnam, Lincoln and Iwo Jima memorials.

## Learning Through Listening Helps Students With Visual Impairments, Learning Disabilities

by LORI AVILA

(NAPSA)-Having a severe learning disability has been a big part of my life because learning has been so difficult for me. But dyslexia is also my friend because I have become a very strong person in my efforts to overcome its obstacles. I feel like I have a responsibility to help others with this invisible handicap. The feelings of frustration, humiliation and fear that confront students with learning disabilities can be overwhelming. They need to know that there are tools that can help.

My dyslexia was diagnosed when I was in the second grade. My teachers tried all kinds of strategies to help me read but nothing worked. Eventually, I learned to memorize entire books in an effort to cover up my reading problems. Finally, my mother learned about Recording for the Blind & Dyslexic (RFB&D) and ever since then, I have been able to learn through listening.

RFB&D is a national nonprofit organization that provides taped textbooks and other educational material for students who cannot read effectively because of a disability like a visual impairment or a learning disability like dyslexia. RFB&D serves more than 90,000 students of all ages, from kindergarten through graduate school, with a library of 80,000 titles in every subject area.

I used RFB&D taped textbooks for almost all of my classes in high school, including history and literature, where the reading assignments were substantial. I read the textbook while I listened to the tapes. It gave me such a feeling of independence. I no longer had to stop to guess at words or ask my mom to read aloud to me. For the first time, I was learning, not memorizing. I realized then that I could set and reach goals for my education and my career. I finished high school with a 4.0 grade point average and I'm now attending college where I still use RFB&D taped textbooks.

RFB&D recently introduced new programs that help students like me in more than 3,500 schools across the country. Through its educational outreach programs and annual institutional memberships, RFB&D is bringing taped textbooks right into the classroom and working directly with teachers and students to help them incorporate taped texts into their day-to-day learning strategies.

The world is a different place when you are learning new things. If you'd like more information on how to learn through listening, please call Recording for the Blind & Dyslexic at 800-803-7201 or visit [www.rfbd.org](http://www.rfbd.org).



### Investigating the environment

Students at May Valley Elementary recently completed an environmental workshop during summer camp under the direction of Ray Tackett. Creating a worm compost are Jeff Skeens, Brittany Hancock, Alesia Meade, and Sara Johnson.



Brandon M. Gearheart

## To enter Berea

Brandon M. Gearheart, a recent graduate of South Floyd High School, has been admitted to Berea College as a member of the 2000-01 freshman class. He becomes the recipient of a four-year, full tuition scholarship, worth more than \$66,000. He is the son of Sandra K. Gearheart of Printer. According to statistics from the College Board, Berea is one of the country's most selective institutions, admitting students on the basis of academic achievement, community service, leadership potential and financial need.



In June, the children at Karen's Kare Learning Child Care on Armory Road decided to plant a garden with flowers, beans and tomatoes. Olivia Mullins, seated, is the boss as the children get ready to dig in. From left are Dalton Parker, Tori Hammonds, Garrett Hammonds, Zack Blanton, Blake LeMaster, Josh Crider, Lauren Davis, Angel Riley, Chris Mullins, Justin Riley, Teresa Rowe, assistant director, and Phil Cornett, the straw boss.



Karen's Kare held a celebration on July 9 at the First Christian Church in Prestonsburg in honor of four graduates who are going on to kindergarten. They are Cheyenne Clifton to Allen Elementary, Adam Castle to Wesley Academy, Kylie Seaton to Russell Elementary and Austin Blanton to Prestonsburg Elementary. The program consisted of songs and nursery rhymes by the children, with each receiving a certificate and an award for their talent and achievements. Director Karen Cornett also received an award from the staff in recognition of her outstanding work in the care and development of young children. Parents and grandparents shared the festivities. Children attending were, from left, Blake LeMaster, Tori Hammonds, Austin Blanton, Cheyenne Clifton, Adam Castle, Josh Crider, Zack Blanton, Kylie Seaton, Chris Mullins, Erien Castle and Dalton Parker. Olivia Mullins and Phil Cornett are not pictured.

## Paying for college: What's the smartest course?

(ARA) - Today, the total cost for one year at a four-year public university averages about \$10,450 (tuition, room and board, books and other expenses). At a four-year private school, the tab averages about \$22,500.\* If costs rise 5% per year, parents of a newborn could be paying \$25,700 to \$55,320 yearly for their child's college degree. Given the expense, the smartest course is to use all the saving, financing and tax breaks available.

### A College Fund

First, create a college fund and make regular contributions. The size of the contributions and the kinds of investments you select depend on your goals, risk tolerance and the age of your children.

■ Children under 10: Consider a mix of 80% stocks and mutual funds and 20% in bond funds. Look into an education individual retirement account (IRA) or a traditional IRA, which can be tapped to pay college costs, penalty-free.

■ Children 11 to 14: Your timeline is still long enough to continue investing somewhat aggressively. You may want to invest 70% in stock funds and 30% in bond funds. But diversify your holdings to reduce risk. Also, see if your preferred college has a prepaid tuition plan, which allows you to save for future college expenses at today's prices.

■ Children 15 and older: Consider shifting some investments to less risky choices, such as certificates of deposit. Look for financial aid, too. In 1999, roughly \$64 billion in financial aid was awarded to students.

### Student Financial Aid

Though education costs are rising, the financing options available are numerous.

■ Federal Stafford Loans go to students with demonstrated need. These low-interest rate loans are government-insured. With a subsidized Stafford loan, the government pays the interest while the student is in school, and students may defer payment until six months after graduation. An unsubsidized Stafford loan allows students to defer payments until after graduation, but interest begins to accrue immediately.

■ Federal parent loans for undergraduate students (PLUS) help parents cover the difference between the total cost of education and any financial aid awarded by the school. The government considers credit history, not financial need, when awarding these loans. Repayment must begin within 60 days of disbursements.

■ Private and insured loans can supplement federal loans and scholarships. They usually offer better rates or terms than other consumer loans and are distributed according to creditworthiness rather than need.

■ Scholarships are gifts from organizations to students who demonstrate certain merits and/or financial need. Search local employers, civic and fra-

ternal organizations, foundations and corporations for scholarship opportunities.

To apply for federal and many state aid programs, students must complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). You can submit a FAFSA using the Internet ([www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)) or a paper application (see your high school counselor).

### Tax Breaks

Several tax breaks also lower the cost of higher education.

■ Custodial account in your child's name. This is an account that a custodian (usually a parent) controls for a child. Earnings may be taxed at the child's lower rate, depending on the child's age and earnings. Once the child reaches legal age, funds in the account are his or hers to spend.

■ Education IRA. Contributions of up to \$500 a year may be made for children under age 18 into an education IRA. Earnings accumulate tax-free and are tax-free upon withdrawal as long as they are used for college tuition, fees, books and room and board. However, withdrawals from an education IRA are not tax free in any year in which you claim a Hope Scholarship Credit or a Lifetime Learning Credit.

■ Traditional IRA. Withdrawals prior to age 59-1/2 for education are penalty-free, but taxable. Contributions are limited to \$2,000 per year.

■ Hope Scholarship tax credit. Parents of post-secondary education students, or the students themselves, may claim up to \$1,500 per student per year for out-of-pocket tuition and fees for the first two years of college. The maximum credit allotment will be adjusted for inflation after 2001.

■ Lifetime Learning tax credit. Taxpayers with undergraduate and graduate students may claim a tax credit of up to 20% of qualified, out-of-pocket college expenses annually. Until 2002, the tax credit will amount to 20% on the first \$5,000 spent on tuition. After 2002, the credit is based on the first \$10,000 spent on tuition and fees.

(The Hope Scholarship Credit and Lifetime Learning Credit cannot be taken on the same student in the same year).

■ Student loan interest deduction. Borrowers may deduct interest paid on any college loan for the first 60 months of repayment. The maximum deduction is \$2,000 for 2000 and increases to \$2,500 thereafter.

Some states now sponsor qualified state tuition programs. Under these programs, taxpayers can make contributions on behalf of a designated beneficiary. The contributions grow tax-free and the beneficiary can withdraw the funds as needed for higher education expenses.

Eligibility for any of the education tax breaks depends on your income level. Consult a tax advisor for more information.

\*Source: College Board Annual Survey of Colleges

## College Financing Opportunities



(NAPS)-Many families are unaware of some simple options that can help them save money and afford the costs of higher education.

Faced with tuition, room and board costs that can exceed \$30,000 annually, many families believe they have no choice but to take out loans or add second or even third mortgages to the family home. This kind of debt can have expensive consequences.

For example, even a ten-year loan at eight percent interest will increase \$40,000 in college costs by a hefty \$18,237 over the life of the loan.

Fortunately, a number of families have discovered an innovative financing option that enables them to steer clear of lump sum tuition payments in favor of interest-free monthly payments.

By stretching out college payments in the same way they pay mortgages and car loans, families are finding they can afford to budget more and borrow less. This can reduce their long-term debt significantly.

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To learn more call toll free, 1-800-635-0120 or visit the Web site at [www.amsweb.com](http://www.amsweb.com).

## Regents Scholar



Mary Jo Prater

Morehead State University has announced that Mary Jo Prater of Prestonsburg is among those students receiving a Regents Scholarship for the fall semester. Prater, the daughter of Jeanette Prater and Amos Prater, is a graduate of Prestonsburg High School. She was a member of the National Honor Society and Select Girls Chorus. To be eligible for the Regents Scholarship, applicants must be admitted to MSU as an entering freshman, have an admissions index of 500 or more, and have a minimum ACT composite of 20. The admissions index is calculated by multiplying the student's high school grade point average by 100, multiplying the ACT composite score by 10 and adding the two figures together. Applications and information on scholarships and grant programs at Morehead State are available from the Office of Admissions at (800) 585-6781.



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**Mobile Homes**

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As Staff Physical Therapist, your caseload will afford you the opportunity to add to your skills by covering in all areas including outpatient, acute, SNF and home health. Requirements include graduation from an approved School of Physical Therapy and KY physical therapy licensure. ARH offers an extremely attractive salary, and benefits include fully paid family plan health insurance, three weeks paid vacation and nine paid holidays annually, sick leave allotment, etc.  
Please send resume with cover letter to: Marilyn Hamblin, ARH System Center Lexington, Human Resources Dept., P.O. Box 8086, Lexington, KY 40533 Fax: 859-226-2586 \* email: mhamblin@arh.org or call 1-800-888-7045, Ext. 532 EOE

**CREDIT & COLLECTION SUPERVISOR**  
Appalachian Regional Healthcare's McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital is accepting resumes for a part-time (60%) Credit & Collection Supervisor opportunity at the 60-bed facility in McDowell, Ky.  
This position is accountable for directing, coordinating and supervising the billing, credit and collection activities in order to maximize collections and reduce bad debt. Responsibilities will include pre-admitting arrangements; timely preparation of statements and collection letters for all self-pay accounts; and coordinating the work of the credit and collection function in collecting monies owed, etc. Requirements include high school diploma with additional education in accounting or business administration preferred, and two (2) years of experience in a credit and collections setting, preferably in a hospital or similar institution.  
ARH offers a very competitive compensation package with salary based on education and experience and prorated benefits, including paid health insurance, vacation, holidays, etc.  
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**DIRECTOR OF HOME HEALTH SERVICES**  
**McDOWELL APPALACHIAN REGIONAL HOSPITAL**  
**McDOWELL, KY.**  
McDowell ARH is accepting resumes for the position of DIRECTOR OF HOME HEALTH SERVICES. This position coordinates and supervises the professional and therapeutic activities of home services in the McDowell, KY, area and surrounding counties. A Bachelor of Nursing degree is preferred but not required. KY RN licensure is required and several years of nursing experience, preferably in a home health or public health setting are preferred. Applicants must possess strong leadership, communication and interpersonal skills. Experience with regulatory agencies, i.e., licensure, JCAHO, would be an asset.  
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