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Briefs

City police car involved in accident

An accident involving a Prestonsburg City police vehicle occurred on Friday evening near Prestonsburg High School.

According to Officer Roy Roberts of the Prestonsburg Police Department, a 1984 Pontiac Trans Am carrying a Troy Caldwell and an unidentified young woman was traveling on Route 302 when the vehicle attempted to make a turn into the Happy Mart parking area.

At this same time, the police vehicle operated by Officer Danny Martin was traveling south on Route 321.

Approaching the Trans Am, Officer Martin apparently realized that the two vehicles were about to collide and he reportedly began to tap the brakes of the police cruiser in an attempt to slow down.

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Chairman resigns — for good, this time

by PAM SHINGLER
SENIOR EDITOR



Terry Dotson

"I don't want to run away... but it's time to let someone else do it," said Floyd County School Board Chairman Terry Dotson, as he announced his resignation from the board at Monday night's meeting at South Floyd High School.

The resignation came near the end of the regular meeting, as the board reached the agenda item dealing with the election of officers for

the 2001 year.

"The last three years have been some of the most rewarding in my life," said Dotson, his voice cracking at times and his face registering weariness, "but they've also been some of the most frustrating."

Dotson, who joined the board in January of 1998, turned in his resignation about a year ago, but was persuaded to stay on. "I had a bunch of people talk me out of it," he said, in a telephone interview yesterday. "This year's totally different."

Dotson cited the need to focus more of his energy on his business, Worldwide Equipment, a multi-million-dollar, multi-state trucking operation headquartered in Prestonsburg. "We're in a recession," the executive said, "and the truck business is a barometer of the economy."

The former board chairman said he's attended more than 100 school board meetings during his three-year tenure and has found himself spending four to five hours a day on

board business.

"We tend toward micromanagement," he said, referring to the board. A case in point was Monday's meeting, which was the third meeting in 10 days and which lasted four hours.

Dotson also sits on several other boards, including that of Pikeville College, his alma mater.

As a school board member, Dotson said he and the other mem-

(See DOTSON, page two)

Going to Richmond ...



photo by Steve LeMaster

A celebration took place when the Allen Central Runnin' Rebels captured the 15h Region All A championship with a 39-36 win over Pikeville on Saturday night. Allen Central will take on 10th Region All A champ Bishop Brossart in the first round of the All A State Tournament Thursday at 8 p.m. in Richmond at Eastern Kentucky University's McBryer Arena.

School board hears Stumbo report, okays contracts

by PAM SHINGLER
SENIOR EDITOR

Before learning that the chairman was resigning (See related story.), the Floyd County Board of Education had a fairly routine meeting Monday night at South Floyd High School, considering reports, contracts, calendar changes and other matters.

The board approved preliminary changes in the school calendar to account for closings because of the weather. Pupil Personnel Director Kristina Springer, reporting that 12 school days have already been missed, recommended that the Presidents' Day holiday on February 19 be used as a makeup day, along with March 1 and 2, which were set aside for teachers meetings.

Springer also asked the board for approval for a holiday for Allen Central High School on Friday, the day after the school's basketball team plays in the All "A" Classic tournament in Richmond.

Board member Johnnie Ross (District 1) suggested the board develop a policy for such times, "rather than bringing (the matter) back every year." The board approved the changes.

Bids were approved for roofing projects at two schools and for work at the Prestonsburg High School athletic complex.

Architect Joe Jones said Bri-Den of Ashland was the low bidder on the roofing project at John M. Stumbo Elementary School, with a bid of \$215,000. Jones said,

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New P'burg council members bring new ideas to the table

Committee assignments, sewer smell discussed

by KATHY J. PRATER
STAFF WRITER

After city clerk Peggy Bailey completed the roll call, Prestonsburg Mayor Jerry Fannin opened Monday night's meeting with a welcome to all new council members. Fannin said that he had not done so at the January 8 meeting due to the fact that all of the council members had not been present.

Mayor Fannin then invited the newly inducted members to take the opportunity to speak for a moment and to tell a little about themselves if they so desired.

Council member Roy Compton spoke first saying that he looked "forward to serving the people here in

Prestonsburg" and that his objective was to do "things decent and right."

Jimmy Joe DeRossett was next to offer a comment, saying that he wanted to "move ahead and do all we can for the city and make it the best town in Eastern Kentucky."

Harry Adams was next in saying that he was "glad to be elected and proud to be here" as well as adding, "I like the town and I want to do all that I can."

Thomas Hereford III then added lightheartedly that the members who had spoken before him had "stolen all his thunder." He then went on to say that he wished to echo the same sentiments.

Veteran council member Hansel Cooley then took a moment to speak, offering a bit of advice to the new members. Cooley advised them to take time to listen to the guy with a little gray hair on his head because "he has probably stepped in a mud hole that he can help you to miss."

Moving on, Mayor Fannin then addressed the matter of old business by holding the second reading of Ordinance No. 9-2000.

Ordinance No. 9-2000 relates to the closing of certain streets, alleys

and public ways in the Gasco Park Addition of the city. More specifically, it provides for the closing of former streets Garfield Avenue, Margaret Street, Webb Street, two unnamed public alleyways, and any and all other named or unnamed streets, alleys or public ways located on the western side of Route 1428 in the Gasco Park Addition.

This ordinance became necessary due to the expansion of the Prestonsburg Football Field and the acquisition of the property by the Floyd County Board of Education.

Next on the agenda under old business was the second reading of Ordinance No. 1-2001. This ordinance relates to the establishment of a regular meeting time of the city council. The ordinance designates the second and the fourth Mondays of every month to be the regularly scheduled meeting dates. Each regularly scheduled meeting will be held at 6 p.m. in the council room of the municipal building.

The second reading of Ordinance No. 2-2001 was then held. Ordinance No. 2-2001 provides for the establish-

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photo by Kathy J. Prater

Joshua Allen Little was caught busy at work Sunday morning shoveling neighborhood sidewalks in the Herald Lane-South Roberts area of Goble-Roberts. Joshua said that he moved to Kentucky from Illinois "about two years ago" and that he was "just out trying to make a little money" by way of some good old-fashioned manual labor. Joshua is the son of Randy and Debbie Little.

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Board

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company officials agreed to work on the project at night to lessen classroom interruptions, but that they must have temperatures above 40 degrees. Spring break was set as the target date for the re-roofing.

A two-part roofing project at Osborne Elementary School was won by Boggs Roofing of Huntington. The cost of the two sections will be \$129,407 and \$93,660.

Bids were let for fencing and electrical work at the PHS football field. Ray's Fencing (no location cited) bid to do the fencing for \$17,440, and Kyova (no location cited) submitted the low bid of \$169,898 for electrical work.

Jones said the two bids came in at \$25,000 less than his estimate.

A request was made by the city of Prestonsburg to have the board donate the old light poles at the field for use on the Mountaintop Project, but board members had questions concerning who will pay for the removal. Chairman Terry

Dotson (District 2) said he will try to negotiate with the city for the pole removal.

Jones reported that the estimate on the cost of the PHS fieldhouse has risen to more than \$600,000, far above the original estimate of \$250,000. The county and city, however, previously committed to funding the project.

"They must be going to put the judge's office in the building for the cost to go up that much," Ross said.

Jones said two major changes had been made in the plans. The Corps of Engineers, he said, is requiring that the building be put up on a "platform" of raised earth, and a large weight room has been added.

Athletic projects at Betsy Layne and Allen Central were approved for the administrative process to begin, but actual design and construction would be on hold until funding is secured.

Jones had new design drawings for building addition and renovation at Stumbo Elementary, and he asked the board to have a survey of the property done, so his firm will have a better idea of where parking can be added and how much.

Board attorney Mike Schmitt said he hopes to have the deed with in the next week or two to the last

parcel of property at Hi Hat for the athletic complex for South Floyd High School.

Assistant Supt. Pete Grigsby reported that the state Department of Transportation will sponsor a meeting Friday at 9 a.m. at its Pikeville office to consider the re-routing of the entrance to Betsy Layne Elementary School.

On the recommendation of the Budget Committee and finance director Matt Wireman, the board approved the creation of a classified salary schedule for the director of transportation. The position had previously been under the schedule for certified employees.

On Wireman's recommendation, board members also approved extra pay for the principal of Duff Elementary, who has taken on oversight of Allen Central Middle School this year. The move, however, was characterized as a "temporary fix."

Also approved was the creation of the position of financial analyst in the central office's financial operation.

Principal Roy Johnson came before the board to present a report on how Stumbo Elementary is addressing problems cited in the recent scholastic audit of the school by the state Department of Education.

Among actions taken are the involvement of more parents, particularly on expanded committees, training of committee members and teachers, collaborative work on a vision statement for the school, purchase of textbooks, affiliation with professional organizations, development of a communication plan, and the posting of a counselor position.

Instructional supervisor Debbie Daniels said "one of the best days I've had" was a snow day when she

met with middle school teachers at Stumbo to realign the schedule. "They fired me up," she said.

Board member Carol Stumbo (District 4) asked Johnson to what he attributes the change in attitude at the school. "I think we lacked guidance," he said. "Sometimes a good swift kick is what you need."

Johnson offered to report to the board every other month as the school progresses.

Parent Bernardo Maldonado, a member of the school's Site Based Decision-Making Council, reported on the success he had in getting parents signed up for committees.

He said he spent about three hours on the phone, and "no one turned me down." His calls resulted, he said, in getting "40 to 50" people on committees. "Sometimes we overlook that we need to ask," he said.

Involvement by the school district in two external programs was approved by the board. Jim Stewart of the Big Sandy Community Action Program presented his program which involves mentoring, employment and enrichment activities for at-risk students. The program is an extension of CAP's Summer Youth Program, he said.

Sabra Jacobs, coordinator of Prestonsburg Community College's new Human Services Program, requested that the board allow students in the program to gain practical experience in the schools, particularly through the Family Resource Centers. She said she wants to place two students this semester, one at PHS and the other at Adams Middle School.

Among other items OK'd by the board at the Monday meeting were

■ an agreement with the Workforce Development Cabinet for funding of the position of transition liaison to work with

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Dotson

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bers had been able to "fix many things" in the system, which has been under state supervision for several years because of mismanagement and poor student achievement scores.

He said he is proud of the progress that has been made and of the board's decision to endorse continued state management, but he reiterated what he has said before — that the "culture of the district must be changed."

Referring to the lack of response to the request for community volunteers on the district's Budget Committee, Dotson said that no matter how dedicated the board and staff members are, the problems of the local school system will not be "fixed" until parents get more involved in the schools, "until parents demand that (the system) be fixed."

Dotson said he intended to "stay involved" with the school system, although he was not specific as to

how. As his last act as a member of the board, the outgoing chairman nominated Johnnie Ross, District 1, as chairman. Jeff Stumbo, District 3, and Glenna Slone, District 5, voted in favor of Ross, and Carol Stumbo, District 4, was opposed.

Ross later moved that Jeff Stumbo be elected vice chairman, with a second from Slone. No opposition was recorded.

Ross asked that Supt. Dr. Paul Fanning draft a resolution in appreciation of Dotson for the board to consider at its next meeting.

The process of selecting a person to fill Dotson's unexpired board term rests with the state Department of Education. Supt. Fanning said yesterday that a member of Education Commissioner Gene Wilhoit's staff administers the process, which includes the advertising for applicants, interviews of qualified candidates and the official appointment by Wilhoit.

Accident

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However, the attempt was unsuccessful and the law enforcement vehicle collided into the side of the Trans Am.

Officer Roberts reported that each of the three victims involved in the accident were transported by ambulance to the emergency room of Highlands Regional Medical Center.

According to the information available to Roberts, Caldwell was relatively uninjured in the collision, but the young woman accompany-

ing him suffered a laceration to her chin.

Officer Martin sustained a leg and head injury and reportedly has suffered from moderate to severe headaches in the days following the incident.

Martin, however, is scheduled to return to active duty on January 26.

The accident remains under investigation at this time by Kentucky State Police Trooper Rick Conn.

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■ trips to Cocoa Beach, Florida, by the PHS baseball team and to Nassau, Bahamas, by the PHS Honor Choir.

■ first reading of a policy that would require attorneys, physicians

and other professionals who work for the board to have at least \$2 million in malpractice insurance.

■ first reading of a policy to increase the number of monthly board meetings to two, with one addressing primarily academic issues.

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ment of certain standing committees made up of city council members with the express purpose of meeting in order to investigate, report and provide recommendations to the council as a whole on varying city related subjects.

Ordinance No. 2-2001 establishes the following standing committees of the city council of Prestonsburg:

- Administration & Personnel Committee
- Economic Development & Planning Committee
- Traffic & Streets Committee
- Cable T.V. Committee
- Buildings & Equipment Committee
- Finance & Revenue Committee
- Recycling Committee
- Community Projects Committee
- Ordinance Committee

Membership of each committee shall consist of a chairman and three other members, all of which shall be members of the council. The chairman and committee members shall be appointed by the mayor, with approval of council, and shall serve until their respective term of office expires.

The ordinance also provides for regularly scheduled meeting times for each committee. The meeting times are as follows:

- Administration & Personnel Committee, Wednesdays, 12 Noon
- Economic Development &

Planning Committee, Mondays, 12:30 p.m.

■ Traffic & Streets Committee, Thursdays, 12 Noon

■ Cable T.V. Committee, Mondays, 12 Noon

■ Buildings & Equipment Committee, Thursdays, 12:15 p.m.

■ Finance & Revenue Committee, Tuesdays 12 Noon

■ Recycling Committee, Wednesdays, 12:15 p.m.

■ Community Projects Committee, Fridays, 12 Noon

■ Ordinance Committee, Tuesdays, 12:15 p.m.

Mayor Fannin offered an explanation to the council as to how he had gone about placing the various council members on the committees, namely that he had attempted to place some of the older council members on committees they had previously served on along with the addition of some of the newer members. He said that if there were scheduling problems or if certain members desired to become involved in committees they had more interest in or knowledge of, that he would have no problem in making necessary changes.

In response, Hereford said he would like to offer a suggestion in regard to a change on the Finance & Revenue Committee. He suggested that another newer member be placed on the committee making it a "two and two" situation with two new members serving with two incumbents. He said that he felt it would help if two new council members were able to gain experience from serving on the committee.

Billy Ray Collins said that he would be willing to allow Hereford to replace him on the Finance &

Revenue Committee because he personally felt that Finance & Revenue is a "hard committee to be on" because "it takes a lot of time, it is a budget committee."

Council member Cooley agreed with Collins that serving on the committee requires an extensive amount of time, sometimes up to 15 to 20 hours a week. He said that it wouldn't "hurt his feelings" if he were also removed from the committee.

It was decided that Hereford would replace Collins on the finance committee and that Collins would decide at a later date on which committee that he would serve as a replacement for Hereford.

Cooley asked the mayor if revisions to the committees could be made at a later date to which the mayor responded that they could.

The second reading of Ordinance No. 3-2001 was also held. This ordinance provides for an amendment to section 1 of Ordinance No. 2-95 which relates to the classification and qualifications of commission members who serve as officers of the city's Mountain Arts Commission.

Section 1 of the ordinance states that the commission shall consist of 11 members appointed in the following way:

■ City of Prestonsburg: Shall have three members, consisting of the Mayor and two city council members.

■ Three members of the Kentucky Opry Company Inc. and

■ Five members from the surrounding region. One each from Pike, Johnson, Magoffin, Martin and Knott counties. Each of these members shall be required to have either a formal association with a local school system, community or regional educational institution of higher learning or have a formal association with or be a representative of a regional arts community.

This section of the MAC ordinance is being revised by way of Ordinance No. 3-2001 in that in addition to the previous classifications, two members of the commission will also be required to be city residents of the city of Prestonsburg, residing within the city's limits.

Moving to new business matters, Fannin explained to those present that with DeRossett's election to city council, he could no longer serve on the Prestonsburg Housing Authority Board which left a vacancy to fill.

Fannin said that new laws require that the replacement member be a Democrat and in addition, be an actual resident of the Housing Project.

Fannin nominated Dorothy Osborne to fill the vacancy.

Collins commented that Osborne was a "dandy" and also that she was "a real live wire for a senior citizen."

Osborne's appointment was agreed upon unanimously by the council.

Moving on, the matter of Golf Course Board appointments was brought up with a motion to reappoint Ted Naim and Paul Phillip Hughes to three-year terms.

The appointments were also approved unanimously by council.

The subject of the Golf Course Board initiated conversation surrounding the mountaintop area.

Cooley asked if any construction of homes had begun in the area as of yet.

The mayor replied "no," but added that the city still needs to construct a water tank and sewage lines in the area. He said that all the roadways are currently black-topped and curbs are in place, and that construction of utility lines is almost complete.

Collins said that he believed that some "spring construction" will be seen in the months to follow.

The mayor commented that all was going well with the project and that already the city had benefited from the completion of an appraisal that declared the value of the property to be \$3,475,000. He added, "That's the value before the houses are built."

In answer to a question posed by Cooley, Brenda Hayes confirmed that approximately 65 memberships to the Stone Crest Golf Course have already been sold.

Cooley commented that that should be equal to about \$26,000 already in the bank.

Mayor Fannin said he believes that it is actually about double that amount.

The mayor also said that Golf Pro Larry Ward expects 100 members by February. He added, "That's pretty good, people are signing up and the course isn't even open yet."

The mayor went on to say that the scheduled official opening still stands for the month of May.

In moving on to other new business, Collins brought up the subject of annexation of the hospital by the city.

Collins said that he was in favor of annexing the hospital because the city serves that area with police and fire protection. He said that he believes it would be of "benefit to them and to us" to annex the area.

Collins also said that he employed four persons from the Auxier area to work in his restaurant. He said that "all four of their private water bills are higher than

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Corrections

■ In an article concerning the Wheelwright City Commission in the Friday, January 19 edition of The Floyd County Times, Tom Engle, former Wheelwright Police Chief was mistakenly identified as the person who questioned the ethics of placing of Don "Booty" Hall on the Wheelwright Utilities Commission.

The question was posed by Hubert Farmer of the Wheelwright Ethics Commission in regard to the involvement of certain members of Hall's family in a lawsuit filed against the Utilities Commission.

■ In an item in the 2000 Year in Review which ran in Sunday's issue of The Times, it was incorrectly reported that Helen Maria Jarrell committed suicide by shooting herself in the head. She was shot in the chest.

Clarification

■ A headline and story in Sunday's Floyd County Times concerning Don Willis' ascension to the rank of potentate of the Oleika Shrine Temple incorrectly made reference to the term "club." Local Shrine groups are organized into both clubs and units. The local Floyd County group is a unit, not a club. Also, Willis serves as potentate over the Oleika Shrine Temple, which is an organization which oversees various Shrine clubs and units.

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Viewpoint

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QUOTE OF THE DAY...

"If you want to be listened to, you should put in time listening."

—Marge Piercy

Editorial

No need for the short session to go slow

Rep. J.R. Gray, a Democratic member of the Kentucky House of Representatives from Benton, has an interesting theory about the inaugural odd-year session of the General Assembly soon to convene.

"I think we owe it to the voters not to tackle too much too soon," Gray said.

It is unfortunately an opinion held by several legislators. They have discerned that what the majority of Kentucky voters who approved annual sessions in November really want is for their legislators to do as little as possible during the 30-day session.

We realize that anything new takes some getting used to. Rep. Brent Yonts, D-Greenville, said this session will be a test year to see what can get done in 30 days.

But we would point out that our legislators are not exactly treading into uncharted waters here. They are returning to the same chamber they left last spring, in many cases revisiting issues that either were discussed and defeated in 2000 or were passed but now need fine tuning.

Yet some legislators seem to believe meeting during an odd-numbered year is akin to being plopped down in the middle of the Sudan. It is doubtful that their parking spaces have even changed.

Annual sessions should result in the exact opposite of what is happening. By convening within a year since the last session ended, legislators should be able to move the process more quickly when they are more familiar with the issues at hand. There is no waiting for the governor's budget, and legislators can begin tackling controversial issues right away, instead of waiting for the filing deadline to pass to determine if they have opposition at the polls.

The odd-year session will not result in as much activity as a full session, and that is fine. The best part of meeting annually is that legislators can address new regulations that are not having their intended purpose, and can more quickly address problems that were unforeseen during the 2000 session.

But there are issues that should be dealt with, including the governor's proposal for requiring universal garbage collection to reduce the amount of litter in Kentucky. There also need to be some conclusions reached on how the projects in the six-year road fund will be paid for with a gasoline tax that does not generate enough money.

And Rep. Mark Treesh, R-Philpot, is right to at least get discussion started on how the state should proceed with tax reform.

Part of the appeal of this first odd-year session will be its novelty, but our legislators should not let valuable time slide by when they have the opportunity to make improvements to the state.

—Owensboro Messenger-Inquirer



Letters to the Editor

'Whatever happened to...?'

Editor:

Someone asked me if, given Jesse Jackson's closeness to President Clinton, I was surprised to hear of his extra-marital affair.

I'm not surprised, but neither am I disturbed. Why should I be? It was another famous minister who said: "The minister of the Gospel is really the

yardstick by which the nation measures its morals."

I wonder—whatever happened to Jimmy Swaggart?

James L. Hartley
Henderson

Commends 'Compassionate' staff at ARH

My wife, Olive Mullins, was an employee at McDowell ARH Hospital for nearly three years as a housekeeper. In 1999, we found out Olive had cancer. After two surgeries, she returned to work, and we thought she was cancer free.

She worked with an ostomy bag as the surgeons had removed her bladder. Many folks would not have done the same thing Olive did. She was a special person and her spirit was very strong.

Unfortunately, in the end of 2000, we found out the cancer had returned and Olive became a patient in the same hospital she had served as an employee. Olive was a resident in the McDowell ARH Hospital Nursing Facility until her death on January 17, 2001.

I firmly believe that we could not have received better care anywhere. I saw first-hand the compassion of the McDowell employees. They treated my wife like she was family. Granted, they knew her

and she had worked with them and alongside them. However, the nurses and doctors treated the other patients with the same compassion and caring that they treated Olive, whether they knew those folks or not.

Dr. Rivera was exceptional with my wife and I am thankful for his efforts to provide comfort to her over those difficult days. I also thank the wonderful nursing staff at McDowell for the way they treated Olive and the other residents of the nursing facility.

I am thankful for the McDowell ARH Hospital and all the staff members who knew and befriended Olive, and who stood by her in health and in illness. McDowell is a wonderful hospital that provides excellent care, and Olive and I were fortunate to have been there.

Claude Mullins
Hi Hat

Fat cats continue to rob the poor

Editor:

I have been thinking about our fat cats in Floyd County. They promised the people that the taxes would be taken off our cars and trucks, but they haven't. Us poor people had our hopes built on that promise, but it didn't happen. I don't see how working people can afford a car and insurance as high as it is. Paying taxes every year on a car in unconstitutional.

Our fat cats have robbed the poor in Floyd County for a long time. The more money they get, the more they take advantage of us. We are voting them out one by one. Thank goodness we got rid of one. We have got someone new that will help us in every way he can. There will be another Election Day. I hope you poor, pitiful people in Floyd County will think about the lies that you have heard. Let's vote for something different. Let's stand up and be counted, and let them know we are true blue Americans, that money or a load of gravel won't buy us.

Our news media has been talking about getting overpopulated with old people. The in our Floyd County Times, this smart dude makes his living checking on people to see how long they have been here. He is going to change the workforce, making the older people work longer. I would like to see that nut! I wonder if he ever had a grandpa or grandma. Maybe he is the one the neighbors ought to keep a close check on. (Oh, his name is Ron Crouch.) You nuts ought to remember that the old people are the cream of our country. They worked and made it for us. I know some of them are set aside because their family doesn't want them — they just want what they have.

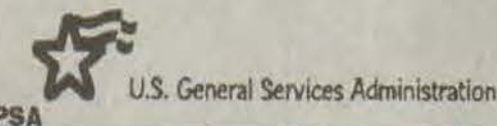
I don't like it when they talk about our old folks. Some of the old may freeze to death because our fat cats have raised the gas rates so high. I know some of them don't have the money to pay these high rates. I wish our fat cats would think more about the poor and forget about feathering their own nests. Their day is coming, and I hope to see it.

We never will have 911. Some are still paying. Our fat cats need money for something — the Lord only knows for what. That fee shouldn't be allowed to be on our telephone bills without our consent. That is wrong! I don't need 911. I have lived 66 years without it and I will right on. I have good neighbors that will take me to the hospital, and thank God for our state police. If I need gravel, MacArthur Jacobs will bring me all I need — and I will pay for them, too. We do have some good people in Floyd County.

Nora Martin
Printer

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The 10-year surplus gimmick

by ROBERT LINNELL

President Bush warns about an economic slowdown, the danger of recession, and the need for a large tax reduction plan (dated January 1, 2001) as the right medicine to solve the problem. He relies on a burgeoning federal surplus to make his plan feasible. But are there real ballooning surpluses?

In less than one month the OMB (Office of Management and Budget) has made two 10-year budget forecasts, the first increased the surplus by \$800 billion and the second warned that the 10-year surplus (2002 through 2011) could decrease \$800 billion. How is it possible to have such a huge change in just a few weeks?

A Bush spokesman immediately dismissed the lower numbers as "overly pessimistic" and "based on bad economic assumptions". However budget experts on both sides of the political fence have urged caution in using surplus forecasts and warned against spending money that may not be there.

Budget forecasts are produced by projecting annual government income and expenses, the difference producing a surplus or deficit. Income estimates are based on economic assumptions and expenses are based on rules mandated by Congress.

With a strong economy, income estimates have been optimistic but spending has been strictly controlled and increased only slightly; this is how a surplus is created. As income continues to rapidly increase and expenditures increase slowly, a small initial surplus grows larger each year; the 10th-year surplus can be five times greater than the first year.

By moving the 10 years up from 2001-2010 to 2002-2011 we drop a surplus of \$180 billion in 2001 and add a surplus of some \$900 billion in 2011 yielding an added surplus of over \$700 billion. This is the explanation for the first OMB forecast increasing the surplus. This is a clever but very misleading use of political economics but has no reality.

The lower surpluses are created by replacing the unrealistic strict expenditure limits with numbers reflecting actual or indicated Congressional action on spending. The Bush administration and Congress have made it clear that federal programs will expand over the next decade.

Defense spending (plus missile defense), health insurance for low-income families, adding prescription drugs to Medicare, and more funding for education will add hundreds of billions to the 10-year expenses. Popular tax credit programs, due to expire, will almost certainly be continued because of strong bipartisan support. This will decrease income. The surpluses will rapidly evaporate. Added together these more realistic changes explain the most recent and much lower surplus forecasts.

Why are such unrealistic assumptions used in making surplus forecasts? Forecasts are based on budget writing rules specified by Congress; large surpluses are necessary to justify reducing taxes and to finance new programs. The rules are basically dishonest and need to be changed. For Congress they are like the lamp-post is for the drunkard, more for support than illumination.

We need more national discussion on the gimmicks involved in creating "paper" surpluses. Congress has used a cash basis, that is, the cash income each year minus cash expenditures. We all know that Social Security and Medicare currently bring in more cash than is used to pay current beneficiaries. We also recognize that as our population ages the payout for these programs will exceed the annual income creating a major fiscal crisis sometime in the future.

The nation's Total Public Debt Outstanding has increased \$1.3 trillion since Sept. 30, 1993 (from \$4.4 to \$5.7 trillion on Jan. 18, 2001). Interest on this debt has increased from \$293 billion in fiscal 1993 to \$362 billion in fiscal 2000, and is now larger than the \$300 billion defense budget. A retroactive tax cut to Jan. 1, 2001 or additional appropriation for this year will continue to increase public debt. This burden on our children and grandchildren will come at the same time as our aging population will bring crisis to social security and medicare.

The bottom line for surpluses, tax cuts and costly new fiscal commitments is "citizens beware". We are creating phantom cash surpluses by increasing total debt which is not good for our future. Be skeptical of any claims involving 10 years into the future; focus on the current realities and take prudent actions for a secure future.

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Council

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the water bill to my restaurant." Collins said he believes that the hospital derives their water service from the same water company that his employees derive their private services from.

Mayor Fannin said that he believes that the city of Prestonsburg owns the water lines and that the Auxier Water Company owns the meters and that they, therefore, collected payment for the services.

Collins said that according to the knowledge he had of the water bills of his employees, it appears to him that "a raping of the citizens in Auxier" was taking place and that he "wanted to have it exposed."

Collins said he is in favor of moving ahead with annexing the hospital area.

Moving on, Collins also said that he still wants to pursue the issue of the welcome sign located at the entrance to the Prestonsburg

Village shopping center. Collins said he wants to see the sign modified to say "Welcome to Prestonsburg and Floyd County."

Also under a discussion of new business, Hereford said that he would like to ask the Traffic & Streets Committee "to consider looking at Jackson Street. It is currently one-way and I have been approached by several people" inquiring as to whether or not it could be changed to a two-way

street. Cooley agreed that it should be changed, because the street would soon be a three-way street.

The council agreed to look into the possibility of making a change in regard to this matter.

Roy Compton brought up the issue of a "sewer smell" that exists in various areas throughout the city.

Mayor Fannin said that the utilities commission is studying the problem and that thus far it has been estimated that it will cost the city about \$6 million dollars to rectify the situation. He went on to say that he believes that it is going to be "very hard" to get the money to make the needed repairs because, in part, the problem lies with "existing" lines and also because it is an area of the city where the median income tends to be in the "higher" income bracket.

Fannin said that grants and funding would be more readily available for correction of the problem if it existed in a low-income area of the city or if it was a problem related to the installation of new lines.

He also said that a repair of the problem would be a major project because it would also involve the replacement of segments of city streets and sidewalks.

Compton asked if the possibility

existed that the utilities commission could come to council meetings and report on the problem.

Fannin said that he would ask if he could get a member of the commission to report to the council by the next scheduled meeting.

Adams brought up the possibility of compiling a list of questions to present to the commission in

advance of the meeting.

With no further new business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned.

Council members present at the meeting were Mayor Jerry Fannin, Thomas Hereford III, Harry Adams, Jim DeRossett, Danny Hamilton, Roy Compton, Hansel Cooley, and Billy Ray Collins.

New emergency medical services board in place

A newly created state board has assumed responsibility for regulating and licensing ambulance services and emergency personnel.

The Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services was created in House Bill 405 by the 2000 General Assembly. The board, appointed by Gov. Paul Patton in September, will oversee the licensing and regulation of ambulance services as well as the certification and licensure of first responders, emergency medical technicians and paramedics. It will also administer grants to ambulance services operated by local governments.

These duties had previously been handled by the EMS Branch in the Cabinet for Health Services.

Employees in that branch transferred to other positions, retired or took jobs with the new board.

During the last few months, the board and cabinet have been working together to help with the transition. The board, which will be independent from the cabinet, has hired a staff and will be looking for new offices. The new executive director is Brian Bishop.

The board's chair is Capt. Mark Bailey of the Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky International Airport Fire Department. The board includes doctors, elected officials, EMTs, citizens and others. The other board members are:

Joseph Atwill, Fulton

- Greg Brown, Paintsville
- Lee Brown, Bowling Green
- Mike Swift, Glasgow
- Judge-Executive Anthony Stratton, Lawrenceburg
- Julia Martin, Lexington
- Julie Johnson, Louisville
- James Cornelison, Richmond
- Dr. Eric Bentley, Campbellsville
- Dr. Mary Fallat, Louisville
- Mary Guidugli, Alexandria
- Irvin Smith, Paducah
- Kyle Faulkner, Sandy Hook
- Connie Smith, Bowling Green

The board's next meeting is Feb. 1 at 1 p.m. in the Health Services Auditorium in the CHR Complex in Frankfort.

Community Calendar

Calendar items will be printed as space permits

Editor's note: As a service to the many clubs and committees that meet in our community, The Floyd County Times' Community Calendar will post meeting and public service announcements. Articles for the Community Calendar must be submitted in writing to The Times no later than 5 p.m. Monday for Wednesday's publication, 5 p.m. Wednesday for Friday's publication, or 5 p.m.

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Business workshop

"Small business record keeping" is a free workshop for prospective and existing small business owners being offered by the Morehead State University/Small Business Development Center. The workshop will be conducted on Thursday, February 8, at the BB&T Bank Building on the North Mayo Trail in Pikeville. The time for the workshop is 6 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Lynette Schindler, CPA, will be the instructor for this workshop. Topics to be covered are Managing Business Records, Handling Tax Payments, Analyzing Financial Statements, and more. For information, call the Small Business

Oil painting class

The Community Center for Lifelong Learning at Prestonsburg Community College is offering an oil painting class to the community. Local artist Tim Sizemore, is teaching the class, which will meet on Tuesday evenings from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the Art Gallery on the Prestonsburg campus. Sessions begin on January 30, and continue through March 20. For more information, contact Karen Houston in the Community Center for Lifelong Learning, Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call 606/886-3863, ext. 258, or email Karen.Houston@kctcs.net.

Concert

"The first ladies of gospel music," the Perry Sisters, will be in concert with God's Men, Saturday, February 17, at 6 p.m., at Caney Creek Freewill Baptist Church, in Pikeville. Admission is free. Call 606-437-0116.

Adoption fair

Adoption providers from across the state will be represented at a free adoption fair, Sunday, February 18, from 1 p.m. until 4 p.m., at the University of Louisville Shelby Campus. The event and workshops are free. For details and directions, call 1-800-928-4303.

Web page design class begins

The Community Center for Lifelong Learning of Prestonsburg Community College is offering a web page design class, starting Wednesday, January 24.

The class meets Wednesday evenings, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., in the Workforce Training Center, Johnson Administration Building, room 144, on the Prestonsburg campus, through February 13. For information, contact Karen Houston, 606/886-3863, ext. 258.

Gospel singing set for Maytown

A gospel concert and chili dinner is planned for Friday, February 2, at the Maytown Lifetime Learning Center (old Maytown School). The event begins at 6 p.m. in the "Gathering Place" (elementary school lunchroom).

Featured groups will be Mountain Harmony and Bluegrass Gospel Boys. The cost is \$5 per person or \$20 per family, with proceeds going toward restoration of the school building. For information, call 606/285-0539.

Auditions rescheduled

Floyd County Community Theatre has rescheduled auditions for the play "Two to Go," by Molly Bass. Auditions, for persons 13 to 18 years old, will be from 6 to 8 p.m. at the

(See CALENDAR, page six)

School Nurse Day

January 24, 2001

We salute our area school nurses.



Johnson County

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- Nancy Allison - Porter Elementary School
- Charlotte Dishion - Central Elementary School
- Brenda Blevins - Meade Elementary School
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- Laura Castle - Highlands Elementary School
- Pamela Tackett - Flat Gap Elementary School

Paintsville Independent School System

- Janie Heaberlin - Paintsville Independent Schools

Magoffin County

- LeAnn Meade - Salyersville Grade School and Middle Fork Grade School
- Sharon Green - Mildred Hensley Grade School and Harold Whitaker Middle School
- June Montgomery - Salyersville Elementary School and J. T. Arnett Grade School
- Kathy Borders - Prater Borders Grade School and Magoffin County High School

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Cold temperatures signal special care for pets, livestock

David Bolin's Australian shepherds have a deep coat of fur, but when temperatures plunged far below freezing in mid-December, he knew the five dogs needed special attention.

"Usually they stay outside, but I brought them indoors at night," said

Bolin, a veterinary pathologist at the University of Kentucky's Livestock Disease Diagnostic Center in Lexington.

That helped his dogs escape the threat of exposure and possible death that could have resulted from temperatures that ranged from -10 to -30

degrees when wind chill was factored.

Bolin's diligent care for his pets provides an example for other animal lovers, especially after several mild winters, UK agricultural meteorologist Tom Priddy said.

"The past three to four winters, we've had conditions affected by El Niño and La Niña. Now, we're getting slammed with arctic conditions. It's feeling worse, because we haven't had a normal winter in at least three years, and we've been lulled by those mild winters," Priddy said.

"Animals are just like people. They also have become acclimated to mild winters, so this winter's frigid conditions may affect them more," he said.

That means dogs, cats and livestock may require a little more consideration during January, February and March, Bolin said.

"You have to at least know your pet. Dogs or cats with thin hair coats, or animals that are themselves thin, aren't able to handle the stress of the cold as well as those with more body fat and thicker coats," Bolin said.

"It's important to provide pets and livestock with access to plenty of unfrozen water. Since water buckets can freeze during the day, pet owners need to pay attention to the supply.

Animals can become dehydrated quickly and that's a health hazard," he said.

Sufficient water provides good blood volume, and that promotes good circulation, he said.

Animals need access to shelter as well. Bolin noted that northern pet owners provide insulated doghouses that block wind. Doghouses also should be elevated from the ground,

so the cold soil does not sap an animal's warmth.

"A doghouse needs to be dry, out of the wind and offer good bedding material," he said.

Cats can also withstand cold temperatures if provided good water and shelter from wet conditions and wind, Bolin said.

Pet owners need to pay special attention to older animals, puppies

and kittens, he said. Those animals are especially susceptible to the threat of winter conditions.

Bolin added that pet owners should consider increasing their animals' food rations. That can help their endurance and stamina.

"If my dogs are going to be outside for a long time in the cold, I usually increase the amount of food I give them," he said.

Nunn to lead state long-term policy group

State Rep. Steve Nunn, R-Glasgow, has been chosen to chair the Kentucky Long-Term Policy Research Center board.

Created by the Kentucky General Assembly in 1992, the Long-Term Policy Research Center works to stimulate innovative thinking and provide community, business and government leaders with the data, research and strategic planning necessary to address issues like education, health care and economic development.

As chair, Nunn will preside over the Board of Directors and work with center staff to ensure that goal is met.

The 21-member board is comprised of representatives from the business community, advocacy groups, local government and the executive and legislative branches of state government.

"Being named to chair this group is a particular honor for me because I have had a great interest in its accomplishments and potential since we created it in 1992. It provides so many different groups with so many important resources that you just can't get anywhere else," Nunn said.

Nunn has been a member of the board since it was created. He was elected in 1990 to represent the peo-

ple of the state's 23rd House District which includes all of Barren County and a portion of Warren County. A strategic development consultant from Glasgow, he serves as President of the southcentral Kentucky cultural center and a member of the Glasgow/Barren County Chamber of Commerce.

Over the past decade the Long-Term Policy Research Center has published articles and studies on a wide variety of public issues relating to Kentucky. Many of the studies are available and can be downloaded from the center's website, www.kltprc.net.

Calendar

Mountain Arts Center. Adult volunteers are also needed. For information, call 606/886-2668.

C.P.R. class

There will be a C.P.R. class Thursday, January 25, at 3:30 p.m. in the Family Resource Center. This class is free. Anyone interested may call the center at 587-2233.

Pikeville Methodist activities

January 25: US TOO! Prostate Support Group, 6 p.m., Leonard Lawson Cancer Center conference room. 606/218-3513.

January 29: Diabetes Support Group, 6 p.m., PMH Education Center. 606/281-3513.

February 1: Lung Cancer Support Group, 6 p.m., Leonard Lawson

Cancer Center conference room; re-organizational meeting for any lung cancer patient, support persons and family. 606/218-4992.

February 7: Look Good—Feel Better program, 9:30 a.m. at the Leonard Lawson Cancer Center. Women undergoing cancer treatments to help them apply cosmetics effectively and to teach them to fashion wigs and turbans, co-sponsored by American Cancer Society. 606/218-4992.

February 8: Community CPR, 9 a.m.-noon, PMH Education Center. To register, 606/218-3525.

February 12: ABC (After Breast Cancer) Support Group, 6 p.m., Leonard Lawson Cancer Center conference room. 606/218-4992.

February 16: Dr. Mary Fox, AIDS Update, 6-8 p.m., Education Center. 606/218-3525.

February 19: CCS (Colorectal Cancer Survivors) Support Group, 6 p.m., Leonard Lawson Cancer Center. 606/218-4992.

February 21: Look Good—Feel Better program, 9:30 a.m., Leonard Lawson Cancer Center for women undergoing cancer treatments to help them apply cosmetics effectively and to teach them to fashion wigs and turbans, co-sponsored by the American Cancer Society. 606/218-4992.

February 22: US TOO! Prostate Support Group and US TOO! Partners, 6:30 p.m., Leonard Lawson Cancer Center conference room. 606/218-4992.

February 26: Diabetes Support Group, 6 p.m., Education Center. 606/218-3513.

AARP Tax-aid service begins February 7

Volunteers from Jenny Wiley Chapter No. 3528, AARP, will begin their tax-aid program of assisting elderly and low-income taxpayers with their income tax forms on Wednesday, February 7, at the Prestonsburg library.

The Tax-Aide service will continue every Wednesday, from 8:30-3, until April 11. This is a free service, provided by Jenny Wiley, AARP.

Jenny Wiley Theatre holds auditions

With a commitment to developing local talent, Jenny Wiley Theatre invites anyone interested in auditioning to prepare a song and short monologue for the auditions in February. The auditions will be held at the Mountain Arts Center on Friday, February 9, from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., and Saturday, February 10 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.. Auditions are open to anyone over the age of 6.

Extension group to meet

The Floyd County Extension Council and District Board will meet January 25, at 5:30 p.m., at the extension office at 921 S. Lake Drive, Prestonsburg. Light refreshments will be served.

Vaccines available for Veterans

All veterans enrolled for VA health care are encouraged to get flu and pneumonia shots. The vaccines are available at the Huntington VA Medical Center on Spring Valley Drive and at VA Outpatient Clinics located at 104 Alex Lane in Charleston and on KY 321 in Prestonsburg. Appointments at the Prestonsburg Clinic may be scheduled by calling 606/886-1970.

Rules change for transportation

Sandy Valley Transportation Service hours for scheduling rides have changed. In accordance with a new state law and effective immediately, all Medicaid and Kentucky Works recipients must contact Sandy Valley at least three days before their scheduled appointment times and between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday-Friday, and 8 a.m.-1 p.m. on Saturday, to schedule transportation. Urgent care trips may be scheduled at any time.

To schedule transportation or for information, call 1-800-444-RIDE (7433).

SSI rep to visit Mud Creek Clinic

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Obituaries

Charles Nathaneal Akers

Charles Nathaneal Akers, 82, of East Point, died Sunday, January 21, 2001, at his residence.

Born September 27, 1918, in Floyd County, he was a son of the late George and Mary Hughes Akers. He had been a coal miner and was a US Army veteran of World War II.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Julia Lorane Stanley Akers.

He is survived by two sons, Charles Akers of Seville, Ohio, and Roger Akers of East Point; three daughters, Beulah Ann Greene, Scarlet Shepherd and Cindy Estep, all of East Point; a sister, Belva Howell of Prestonsburg; nine grandchildren, and 10 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, January 24, at 11 a.m., at Jones-Preston Funeral Home Chapel in Paintsville, with J.M. Sloce officiating. Burial will be in the Akers Family Cemetery at East Point.

James Milford Fitzpatrick

James Milford Fitzpatrick, 38, of Lackey, died Friday, January 19, 2001, at his residence, after a sudden illness.

He was born November 11, 1962, in Hindman, and was a son of the late James and Corine Stanley Fitzpatrick. He was a disabled factory worker.

Survivors include two daughters, Carey Nicole Conley of Hindman and Kristie Fitzpatrick of Martin; a sister, Sue Hall of Lackey; and two grandchildren.

Funeral services were Monday, January 22, at 11 a.m., at the Lackey Freewill Baptist Church, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home of Martin. Burial was in the Lackey Cemetery.

Tinsley "Slim" Manns

Tinsley "Slim" Manns, 94, of Wayland, died Sunday, January 14, 2001, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital at Martin.

Born in Guage on December 18, 1906, he was a son of the late Tinsley Manns and Polly Hoskins Manns Collins.

He is survived by his wife, Virgie Bolen Manns, caregiver, Ethel Coburn, and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were Wednesday, January 17, at the Hindman Funeral Service Chapel, with Mike Caudill and Thomas Caudill officiating. Burial was in the Green Bolen Cemetery at Leburn.

Don Michael Riffe

Don Michael Riffe, 31, of Paintsville, died Saturday, January 20, 2001, at his residence.

He was born June 13, 1969, in Williamson, West Virginia, a son of Lou Riffe Tackett and the late Don Cassidy Riffe. He was a technician with Fannin's Plumbing.

Besides his mother, he is survived by his wife, Brandi Maynard Riffe, a daughter, Cassidy Michaela Riffe, both of Paintsville, and his stepfather, Dicky Tackett.

Funeral services were Tuesday, January 23, at Jones-Preston Funeral Home Chapel in Paintsville, with Jerry Fannin officiating. Burial was in the Cline Cemetery at Inez.

Orville Hall

Orville Hall, 87, of Hindman, died Monday, January 15, 2001, at the Knott County Nursing Home in Hindman.

He was born in Knott County, on April 8, 1913, a son of the late Walter and Louetta Watts Hall. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Connie Slone Hall.

He is survived by his wife, Frankie Hall; two sons, Clyde Hall of McArthur, Ohio, and Woody Hall of Shalimar, Florida; two daughters, Wilma Huffman of Pickerington, Ohio, and Alma Blimes of Reynoldsburg, Ohio; three stepsons, Edward, Dennis and Leroy Handshoe, all of Hueysville; one stepdaughter, Tina Bolen of Hueysville; four brothers, Orbin Hall of Leburn, Clarence Hall of Garner, Harold Hall of Ohio, and Bill Hall; five sisters, Olive Elliott of Florida, Ida Pritchard of Dwayne, Gracie Slone of Garner, Vina Slone of Wayland, and Marie Thacker of Leburn; nine grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren, 11 step-grandchildren, and five step-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Thursday, January 18, at the Hindman Funeral Services Chapel, with Milburn Slone, Ronnie Robinson and Danny Amburgey officiating. Burial was in the Slone Cemetery at Garner.

Johnnie Clatworthy

Johnnie Clatworthy, 64, of Estill, died Tuesday, January 23, 2001, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital, following a brief illness.

He was born June 29, 1935, in Wayland, the son of the late John Charles Clatworthy and Oralee Yates Clatworthy. He was a retired coal miner, a member of UMWA Local No. 176, and a U.S. Army veteran.

He is survived by his wife, Dora Jean Bradley Clatworthy.

Other survivors include three sons, John Charles Clatworthy of Tram, Clinton Ray Clatworthy of Wayland, Kevin Clatworthy of McDowell; four daughters, Dianna Lee Clatworthy of Dema, Lisa Jane Howell of Raven, Linda Jean Shepherd of Hueysville, Elizabeth Ann Clatworthy of Richmond; one brother, Willard H. Clatworthy of Williamson, New Jersey; two sisters, Ora Lee Ratliff and Betty Jane Moore, both of Canton, Ohio; and ten grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted Thursday, January 25, at 1 p.m., at the Martin Branch Freewill Baptist Church, at Estill, with Clergymen Red Morris and Jimmy Hall officiating.

Burial will be in the Bradley Cemetery, at Wilson Creek, Langley, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home, Martin.

Jimmie Edward Lawson

Jimmie Edward Lawson, 66, of McDowell, died Tuesday, January 23, 2001, at the Parkview Nursing and Rehab Center, Pikeville, following a long illness.

He was born January 11, 1935, in Drift, the son of Dixie Cornett Lawson, McDowell, and the late Dewey Morgan Lawson. He was a retired supervisor for Magnetek Industries, and U.S. Air Force, Korean War veteran.

In addition to his mother, he is survived by one step-son, Bill McCoy of Columbia, City, Indiana; one daughter, Vicky Jennings of Martin; two brothers, Fred H. Lawson of Pikeville, Dewey D. Lawson of West Liberty; three sisters, Anna Rae Ward and Patricia Cieslak, both of McDowell, Glenda Lawson of High Point, North Carolina, and four grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, January 26, at 11 a.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, Martin, with the clergyman officiating.

Burial was in the Lucy Hall Cemetery, McDowell, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Timothy Buckley

Timothy Buckley, 50, of Lackey, died Saturday, January 13, 2001, at the Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital.

He was born in Covington, on June 18, 1950, a son of William and Rita Brossart Buckley.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by his wife, Viola.

Funeral services were Thursday, January 18, at the Hindman Funeral Services Chapel, with Milburn Slone officiating. Burial was in the Pleasant View Cemetery at Carrie.

Bentley pallbearers listed

Serving as pallbearers for the funeral of Claude Bentley were Jay Dye, Stacy Hall, Mark Daugherty, Jim Kidwell, Brian Jones and Dean Hamilton.

Honorary pallbearers were Garry Newsome and Darrell Daugherty.

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Those serving as pallbearers for the funeral of David Keith Lawson were members of the military.

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Trylbia Hicks Osborne, widow of Ezra Osborne, daughter of William and Mary Coburn Hicks, born May 30, 1922, Pyramid Kentucky, died January 7, 2001, Paulding, Ohio. Burial January 10, 2001, Lehman Cemetery, Payne, Ohio, under the direction of Slade Funeral Home, Payne, Ohio.

Survivors: Sons, Kenneth Larry Osborne and Challis Osborne Lee. Four grandchildren. Three brothers, Bert, Garrett Keith, and Delmar Hicks. Three sisters, Sylvia Raines, Pearl Falk and KatherineONEY.

Tribute to Trib Osborne
Thank you Ken and Challis for sharing your mother with us. She was a second mother to many of her nieces, nephews, brothers and sisters. Her grandchildren were the apple of her eye. Trib's home was a place to gather; just as birds migrate home, so we too, found time to go home, to Trib's open arms, and a warm smile always greeted you, then the next words were, "Have you had anything to eat?" We all will miss sitting around the kitchen table visiting and eating. It always seems like the more she had around, the better she liked it. She seemed to be able to get a meal on the table in nothing flat, and it never seemed to be an effort. How I wish I could do that, and make combread like hers. She never had a cross word to say—well maybe she could fuss just a little. I was reminded she was fussing about her address book. It seemed Challis and Pearl had organized her addresses, and now she couldn't find anything. Today we say goodbye to a dear friend (you know I never thought of her as friend—just a favorite aunt, but today I can say she was a dear friend and a great aunt.) Rest in peace, Trib.
Your niece, Carol Osborne Brady

CARD OF THANKS

My children and I would like to say a heartfelt thanks to all of you who sent flowers, food, gifts of money, cards, called or showed us love and kindness in any way. To all who attended the funeral, it was beautiful. Chester's life touched so many people, thank you so much. After he became a Christian, he was so happy for the last 15 months of his life.

A special thanks to the Allen Baptist Church family for caring for him so much. A grateful thanks to all who helped with the dinner for all of us after the funeral.

We want to thank some people who called, or came to visit him. The days were made a lot happier for him, thanks again.

Bro. Arnold Turner, Harvey G. Maynard, Jarome and Ruby Kinzer, Harry Ray Porter and family. Also the singers from his church, Gary and Barbara Berry, Leo and Pearl Watts, Ray Crisp, Jess Branham, Bill T. Crisp, Glen Cowen, Tommy Blackburn, our family members. To all the guys at the post office—he spent many happy hours with you, there.

Chester, or "Pops," whatever you knew him by, would not want you to remember him with tears, but remember him with happiness. He would say, "accept the Lord in your life, for life becomes much sweeter when you do."

Thanks to Dr. Dale Adkins, Dr. Musgrave and his staff, especially Paula and Kim; the nurses at the Leonard Lawson Center—he loved all of you; the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home for their kind service.

Thank you, Beatrice Beverly Porter, William and Rita Porter, Deborah and Dennis Lumpkins, and all the grandchildren.

I remember the day I met you and the day God made you mine. I remember the day I lost you and will to the end of time. Among the tears and heartaches, there's one thing that makes me glad, that you chose me to share with you, those precious years we had.

I miss you, Beatrice



Dora Shepherd Sizemore

Dora Shepherd Sizemore, 86, of Prestonsburg, died Tuesday, January 23, 2001, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

Born on December 6, 1914, in Magoffin County, she was the daughter of the late Cleveland Shepherd and Isant Shepherd.

Her husband, Dave Sizemore, preceded her in death.

Survivors include one daughter, Lyda S. Caudill of Prestonsburg; one son Carl Sizemore of Morehead; two grandsons and two great-grandsons.

Funeral services will be conducted Thursday, January 25, at 1 p.m., at the Carter Funeral Home Chapel, Prestonsburg, with Rev. Ted Shannon officiating.

Burial will be in the Reynolds-Sizemore Cemetery, Prestonsburg.



Regional Obituaries

Pike County

Maxine Justice Adkins Kangas, 74, of Orange Park, Florida, formerly of Millard, died Thursday, January 18, at Orange Park Medical Center. Funeral services will be conducted Monday, January 22, 11 a.m., at the J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home, Pikeville.

Bervin Wendell Cool, 82, of Kimper, died Tuesday, January 16, at his home. He is survived by his wife, Bobbie Mae Deskins Cool. Funeral services were conducted Friday, January 19, under the direc-

tion of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home, Pikeville.

Grace Blackburn Lowe, 88, of Lowes Branch, died Thursday, January 18, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. Funeral services will be conducted Sunday, January 21, 1 p.m., under the direction of Lucas & Hall Funeral Home, Pikeville.

Pete Franklin Spano, 78, of Chattaroy, West Virginia, died Tuesday, January 16, at the Williamson Memorial Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Youla Spinosi Spano. Funeral services were conducted Friday, January 19, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Williamson, and burial was in Mountain View Memory Gardens.

Wheeler Slone, 73, of Raccoon, died Tuesday, January 16, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Friday, January 19, under the direction of Community Funeral Home.

Victor Tackett, 76, of Indian Creek, died Tuesday, January 16. He is survived by his wife, Nova Newsome Tackett. Funeral services were conducted Friday, January 19, under the direction of R.S. Jones & Son Funeral Home.

Ellis Thacker, 73, of Elkhorn City, died Wednesday, January 17. Funeral services were conducted

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The family of Ted H. Salisbury, Jr., would like to extend their appreciation to all those friends, neighbors and loved ones who helped comfort them during their time of sorrow. Thanks to all who sent food, flowers, prayers, or spoke comforting words. A special thanks to Clergyman Gary Mitchell for his comforting words; the sheriff's department for their assistance in traffic control; and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

THE FAMILY OF TED H. SALISBURY, JR.

Card of Thanks

The family of Fred Kelly Marshall would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their help in the loss of our loved one. We deeply appreciate you all. A special thanks to Elder Jimmy Hall for his comforting words; and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and efficient service.

THE FAMILY OF FRED KELLY MARSHALL

Card of Thanks

The family of Virgie Castle Hale Hicks would like to extend thanks and appreciation to those who sent flowers, the neighbors who brought food, Boldman Freewill Baptist Church for their kindness and food. Thanks to preacher James Harmon for his comforting words and to all singers. Thanks to all the staff of Prestonsburg Health Care Center for their wonderful care of our mother. Thanks to the Sheriff's patrol in their assistance in traffic control. A special thanks to Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home for being so kind to the family of Virgie Hicks.

The Family of Virgie Castle Hale Hicks

Regional

Saturday, January 20, under the direction of Justice Funeral Services.

Leo Stone, 55, of Millard, died Wednesday, January 17, at Caney Creek. Funeral services were conducted Friday, January 19, under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

Ralph Dale Burnett, 68, of Huey Town, Alabama, formerly of Johns Creek, died Wednesday, January 17, in Alabama. Funeral services were Saturday, January 20, in the Brown Funeral Home Chapel at Bessemer, Alabama.

Daniel David May, 78, of Wolfpit, died Thursday, January 18, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. Funeral services were Sunday, January 21, at the Samaria Old Regular Baptist Church, with burial in the Daniel May Cemetery at Wolfpit.

Mary Lou Stapleton Draughn, 72, of Pikeville, died Friday, January 19, at her home. She was past director of the Pikeville Model City Agency and Pike County Head Start. Funeral services were Monday, January 22, in Grace Baptist Church, with burial in Johnson Memorial Park, Pikeville, under direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

Johnson County
Hulda Ratliff Little, 85, died Monday, January 15, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were Thursday, January 18, at Jones-Preston Funeral Home in Paintsville, with burial in Highland Memorial Park.

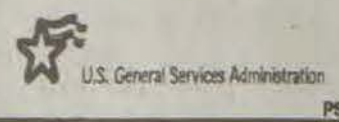
Richard Franklin "Frankie" Spencer, 48, died Monday, January 15, at his Paintsville residence. Funeral services were Thursday, January 18, at Jones-Preston Funeral Home, with burial in the Spencer Family Cemetery at

Paintsville.

Don Reed, 94, of Stoutsville, Ohio, formerly of Johnson County, died Tuesday, January 16, at Berger Hospital at Circleville, Ohio. Funeral services were Friday, January 19, at Defenbaugh Wise Funeral Home of Circleville.

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Agriculture Development Council is working

The Floyd County Development Council for the Phase I settlement funds has been busy putting together a County Comprehensive Plan as outlined by the State Agriculture Development Board for approval. From there, the county board will take formal applications for use of the funds.

The Agriculture Development Council has been looking at alternative crops as have other counties in the state. This will be a good opportunity to promote new crops and encourage counties to work together on alternative markets.

The Agriculture Development Council is composed of eight members. Two members were appointed by each of the following agriculture agencies: Farm Service Agency, Soil Conservation District Board and the County Extension Council. Those six appointees then recommended two young farmers here in Floyd County, also to serve on the Council.

Council members have had preliminary discussions on spending alternatives during meetings the past four

months. Based on those discussions and suggestions made during the forums, the council will submit a county plan to the state Agriculture Development Board for approval. From there, the county board will take formal applications for use of the funds.

They will review those applications and choose ones which comply with the county plan. Final approval must be made by the state board.

By working together with other counties on new crops or alternative marketing, state matching money could be made available to assist those plans approved.

The council's next meeting will be January 30, at 6 p.m., at the Floyd County Extension Office in Prestonsburg (across from Carter Hughes Toyota). A public forum will follow at 7:30. We need your input into how the monies should be spent to enhance agriculture here in Floyd County.

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The community is invited to join Pikeville College for its Homecoming 2001 celebration Jan. 26 and 27.

Homecoming is a longstanding tradition at Pikeville College and a time for alumni, students, and friends of the College to share in our rich history and honor those whose contributions have left lasting memories.

The event begins with a reception and open house honoring alumni of the nursing and medical technology pro-

grams on Friday, Jan. 26, at 4 p.m. in the Sturgill Board Room, located in Record Memorial Building.

Tours of the nursing division, the medical technology department, the Pikeville College School of Osteopathic Medicine, and the new Pikeville College Osteopathic Telemedical Center will also be available.

"This is a perfect time to see all the changes on campus and enjoy fellowship and fun with former classmates and faculty," said Mary Rado Simpson, chair for the division of nursing.

Both the nursing and medical technology departments are asking alumni to donate items such as nursing uniforms and caps, scrubs, old textbooks and photographs for use in a historical display.

The medical technology program, which began in the early 1950s, was a cooperative effort between Pikeville College and Pikeville Methodist Hospital. It was transferred to the school of osteopathic medicine in 1997.

According to director Betty Martin, the medical technology program has also been a stepping stone for alumni who have entered other health care professions, such as dentistry, medicine and cytogenetics.

"This event will give us an opportunity to honor the College's health care alumni for their significant contributions, not only in our community, but others as well," said Martin.

Homecoming activities continue on Saturday, Jan. 27, beginning with the Pikeville College Athletic Hall of Fame induction ceremony at 10:30 a.m. in Booth Auditorium. Immediately following the ceremony, a homecoming brunch will be held in Booth lobby.

The induction ceremony for the Pikeville College Athletic Hall of Fame has always been a highlight of homecoming activities. This year's inductees are Elizabeth Baird Salyers,

Class of 1995 - softball; Brian Johnson, Class of 1995 - basketball; Clinton Tatum, Class of 1941 - basketball; Jody Thompson, Class of 1996 - basketball; and members of the 1949-1950 basketball team. Honorary hall of fame members include Chuck Chrisman, Gene Davis, Terry Fitzer, the Kinzer family, and Ed Love (posthumously).

The celebration continues with exciting hoops action as the Pikeville College Lady Bears take on Spalding

University at 2 p.m. The men's basketball team will face off against the College of West Virginia at 4:30 p.m. Between games, there will be a crowning ceremony for the 2001 homecoming king and queen. The evening's festivities will conclude with a homecoming dance in the banquet room at the Landmark Inn at 9:30 p.m.

All events are open to the public. For more information, call the Pikeville College Public Affairs office at (606) 218-5271.



Pikeville College will crown its 2001 homecoming king and queen on Saturday, Jan. 27. The homecoming court represents the College's freshman, sophomore, junior and senior classes. Top, from left: Quintin Collins and Ricky Freeman. Middle: Jonathan Blackburn, Jody Damron, Erv Crisp, Tom Perry, Ricky Lopez, Jason Anderson, and Chris Maiden. Bottom: Kelli Johnson, Carrie Crigger, Amy Yates, Lauren Justice, Amanda Blackburn, Elisha Marcum, Mary Beth Dudley, Beka Norman, Karen Wallen and Courtney Mercer. Not pictured are Laura Ford and Josh Walker.

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Prichard Committee receives UPS Foundation grant

The Prichard Committee for Academic Excellence received a \$50,000 grant from The UPS Foundation. The grant will be used for publications and other general purposes.

"Public schools must have parent and citizen involvement to thrive," said Robert Sexton,

Prichard Committee executive director. "It is crucial that parents and citizens have an unbiased and accurate source of information on education in Kentucky, and we try to provide that source."

The committee informs the public through free publications such as the Kentucky School Updates; A Parent/Citizen Guide for 2000-01. The guide covers topics ranging from school assessment and accountability to parent involvement. Information about the basics of school law, legislative changes, citizen involvement, and resources is included for each topic.

Gaining Ground: Hard Work and High Expectations for Kentucky Schools, released in 1999, is a ten-year progress report on Kentucky education reform. The report included an analysis of changes in areas such as student performance and teacher salary and made recommendations for continuous improvement in Kentucky schools.

The committee publishes two quarterly newsletters, Perspectives and Parent Leader. Perspectives recently included articles on understanding school report cards, improving student achievement in writing, and the effects of poverty on student achievement in Kentucky. Parent Leader is a resource for graduates of the Commonwealth Institute for Parent Leadership, which is sponsored by the Prichard Committee. In it, parents will find resources

and ideas for implementing projects in their local schools.

The committee's Web site also contains useful information for parents and citizens, including education news and an online library. For more information, visit the Prichard Committee's Web site at www.prichardcommittee.org.

The UPS Foundation, founded in 1951 and based in Atlanta, supports initiatives that will positively impact communities. Its priorities include programs for family and workplace literacy and volunteerism. The Foundation awarded \$35.1 million in 1999. For more information visit the Web site at www.community.ups.com.

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FLOYD COUNTY Sports



SHAWN NEWSOME (21) OF Allen Central drove the baseline against Paintsville last Friday night.

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A Look at Sports

Allen Central makes yet another trip



by ED TAYLOR
 Sports Editor

Congratulations are in order for Coach Johnny Martin and his Allen Central Rebels. The Rebs captured the boys All "A" Regional at Pikeville this past Saturday night, their second such title in the past three years.

In fact, it has been a Floyd County team that has represented the region in the All "A" state tournament in the last three seasons.

In 1999, Allen Central advanced to the semifinals at Bowling Green before falling to unbeaten Grant County in the semi's.

Allen Central will return to the hardwood tomorrow evening (Thursday) in an 8 p.m. tip off at Eastern Kentucky University.

When you look at the three games the Rebs played in the classic at Pikeville, you have to say, "they really should have not been in the championship game to start with!" The Rebels found themselves down seven points with less than three minutes to play.

But fans who are familiar with the coaching style of Johnny Martin will tell you, never count the Rebels out. All Coach Martin did was challenge his ballclub to turn up their aggression a little more in the final three minutes.

The result: an overtime win over the Tigers and on to the championship game against the host Panthers.

Saturday night, with the roads dangerous in places, fans almost filled the T.W. Oliver Gymnasium for the championship game between the two region teams.

The weather outside was cold, snowy and icy. But the shooting from the hardwood was equally cold as neither team was not scorching the nets. In one of the lowest scoring nights (if not the lowest) the two teams either struggled on offense or they played a solid defensive game.

For instance the Rebels held Pikeville to just one field goal in the first quarter and led 9-2 after the first quarter. That basket did not come until late in the period. However, had Allen Central been hitting in the opening quarter it would have been a rout early.

Halftime, the two teams were just ice cold from the floor, but Allen Central did not help their cause with sever turnovers. However, the Rebels led 17-12 at the half.

I have seen a lot of All "A" Classic games both at the regional level as well at the state level. I have never seen a lower final than the 39-36 finish the two powerhouses played to.

Now, I know the fans wanted more scoring and I am sure the teams did as well. But, the lower point total made for an interesting finish. In the final two minutes, Pikeville could only get one field goal and that was a three-pointer after the final outcome had been decided.

Allen Central, who held a 35-33 lead with just over two minutes to play, had some anxious moments. A turnover when Larry Mullins lost the ball. Later, Mullins misses a wide open lay up. But down the stretch it was Mullins who guided the Rebels through the final minute and half and the eventual win.

Shawn Newsome, the Rebels leading scorer, was finding the baskets hard to come by. Not that he wasn't getting any looks at the basket, but they just would not fall. His patent drive-the-baseline-pull-up-jumpers were not

Allen Central travels to Richmond for All "A"

Rebels will face tough Mustangs

by ED TAYLOR
 Sports Editor

Allen Central (14-2) basketball coach Johnny Martin could not remember when one of his basketball teams ever scored "just" 39 points in a game, win or lose.

But for the Rebels the 39-36 win over a good Pikeville team spelled victory and their second trip to the All "A" State Tournament in the last three seasons.

It also marked the third straight year a Floyd County team has made to the trip to McBrayer Arena at Eastern Kentucky University. Last year South Floyd represented the 15th Region.

The Rebels are scheduled to tip off against a tournament veteran team in Bishop Brossart (Alexandra), a school of less than 200 students.

Tip off time is set for 8 p.m. and fans will have a long night if they return home. Even later, if the Rebels secure a victory in the opening round, will be a 9 p.m. start Friday night.

Allen Central has canceled all their regular scheduled

(See RICHMOND, page three)



Allen Central takes region All "A" title

Newsome-led Rebels score 39-36 win over Pikeville

by STEVE LeMASTER
 Sports Writer

When you hold a basketball team to just two points in one quarter, then you know that you have done something. If you hold a very good basketball team to just two points in a single quarter you have accomplished something great.

The Allen Central Runnin' Rebels went into the finals of the 15th Region All "A" Classic at Pikeville High School against the host Panthers this past Saturday night. The Runnin' Rebels came out and held Pikeville scoreless for nearly six minutes in the opening quarter. Allen Central maintained a lead throughout the first half, but fell behind early in the second half. Allen Central junior Shawn Newsome was held to a very low scoring total in the first half. However, it was Newsome who would bring the Runnin' Rebs back and give them a two-point lead in the fourth quarter with a pair of

(See ALLEN CENTRAL, page three)



RODNEY SCOTT (40) of Allen Central goes up for a shot over Pikeville center Chase Gibson (30) in the fourth quarter. Scott, a senior, finished with five points.

Betsy Layne Elementary basketball

Betsy Layne wins three as county tournament nears

by ED TAYLOR
 Sports Editor

Coach Jim Roberts and his Betsy Layne Elementary Ladycats are fine-tuning their game for next week's grade school basketball tournament that gets underway Monday evening.

The tournament will be played on the Ladycats' home turf, and Betsy Layne is the defending county champion.

Tuesday night, in a makeup game, the Ladycats posted a 41-22 win over visiting South Floyd. Wednesday evening Betsy Layne rolled past Allen Central Middle School, 46-24, and recorded a 29-27 win over, again, Allen Central at Allen Central

Thursday night. Kim Clark and Lindsey Frasure scored 10 points each against South Floyd in their 41-22 win. Kristal Daniels added eight and Breann Akers netted six points. Rachel Hunt finished with four and Jessica Blackburn totaled three while Bethany Tackett finished with two.

Hall and Trammel scored seven each to lead South Floyd.

Betsy Layne took a 12-8 first quarter lead over the Lady Raiders with Clark scoring six of her points in the first period.

The Ladycats led 20-10 at the half.

(See BETSY LAYNE, page three)

58th District and Conference Standings

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Teams	Conf	Overall
Allen Central	4-0	14-2
South Floyd	4-1	8-5
Betsy Layne	3-3	10-5
Prestonsburg	1-3	4-13
Piarist	0-5	0-12

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Teams	Conf	Overall
Betsy Layne	5-0	11-5
Prestonsburg	2-2	9-7
Allen Central	1-2	5-7
South Floyd	1-3	5-8
Piarist	0-2	0-8

Tuesday night games not included



ALLEN CENTRAL'S Neil Allen (32) put up a shot against Paintsville in the semifinals of the All "A" Region at Pikeville Friday night. The Rebels pulled out an overtime win.

Weather puts Floyd County tournament on hold

Classic could tip-off later this week

by ED TAYLOR
 Sports Editor

Even "The Greatest Show on Earth" has to wait on the weather.

The Floyd County Grade School Basketball Tournament, scheduled to tip off Monday, had to be put on hold because of weather over the past weekend that would not allow some schools to complete their regular season schedule.

The make up games were vital in determining the seeding for the tournament, scheduled for the D.W. Howard Fieldhouse at Betsy Layne. Weather also canceled school last Monday.

"No school, no games," said Betsy Layne principal Karen Allen. "It will be later in the week before we can get underway with the tournament."

Several years back Betsy Layne hosted the tournament and played the first round on Saturday, which was a big hit with fans.

"We may go to that format again this year," said Allen.

The tournament will involve 13 teams in the county, boys and girls.

The Show draws a full house almost each night as teams compete for the coveted title as the county's best.

Pairings for the tournament will be released as soon as all make up games have been played.

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STEVE'S SIDELINESHOTS

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS WRITER

15th Region All "A" parting shots

The 15th Region Boys All "A" Classic was definitely a "classic". Here are just a few parting shots from a tournament that saw the Allen Central Runnin' Rebels claim a championship.

> The best and definitely the most underrated defensive player in the 15th Region has to be Allen Central senior Travis Francis. It was Francis' play that helped keep the Runnin' Rebs in the championship game against Pikeville. Whether deflecting passes or gathering rebounds Francis made his presence known all over the Pikeville court throughout the entire tournament.

> The return of senior Rodney Scott to the Allen Central squad sure doesn't hurt the Runnin' Rebs chances of making their way into the Sweet Sixteen State Tournament in March.

> Is there a better rebounder on any level in the state than Pikeville Panther Chase Gibson? His future looks to be with the sport of football. But I'm telling you, Chase Gibson could put on a rebounding clinic full of the finer points of grabbing boards. Younger aspiring rebounders should definitely take notes from Gibson.

> One must wonder how Paintsville felt after their crushing overtime loss to Allen Central on Friday night.

> Pikeville College Men's Basketball Coach Randy McCoy took in a lot of the 15th Region All "A" at Pikeville High. McCoy has the Pikeville College Bears playing some very good basketball right now.

> Many people have already forgotten the valiant effort the Phelps Hornets gave in the first round against Paintsville. Phelps fought hard before dropping a 75-71 decision to the Tigers.

Coach, it's my pleasure!

The 15th Region All "A" Classic concluded on a snowy Saturday night, this past Saturday night, with Coach Johnny Martin's Allen Central Runnin' Rebels claiming an uncharacteristic low-scoring (39-36) win over the Pikeville Panthers.

Coaches and parents often thank me for coming out and covering the games. It's my pleasure to cover the sporting events of Floyd County and all the rest of eastern Kentucky and wherever else a game or event might take me.

Allen Central basketball coach Johnny Martin is one of my favorite coaches. Coach Martin is always gracious and willing to talk before or after any game.

Coach Martin is a successful high school basketball coach. His career mark now stands at 402 wins and 234

losses. Coach Martin is a gem and the many fans of Allen Central High School, as well as the fans of Kentucky high school basketball in general, should be thankful for having a coach of Martin's caliber here in the mountains.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish Coach Martin and his Allen Central Runnin' Rebels the best of luck as they go into Richmond to do battle in the All "A" State Tournament.

Look at it this way: We have a high school basketball team from Eastern, Kentucky traveling to Eastern Kentucky University to do battle for an All "A" state championship. There wouldn't be a more fitting end than to see the team from Eastern, Kentucky led by a coach who epitomizes the great tradition of eastern Kentucky basketball, bring a state championship back home to the mountains of eastern Kentucky. Go get 'em Rebels!

Who will apply this time?

The year was 1992 and a head football coaches job had come available at Johnson Central High School. Several coaches applied, folks like Chuck Williams, current head coach at Lawrence County High School, John DeRossett, current Prestonsburg head coach, and the one who got the job and has now left it vacant and

Bill Musick.

The Boyd County native ends his Johnson Central tenure as the school's winningest coach with a record of 50-47 in nine seasons at the helm.

Living in Johnson County, I can personally tell you that the job of head football coach at Johnson Central High School has brought up a lot of talk, not only in Johnson County but in other surrounding eastern Kentucky counties.

Will Chuck Williams, who has done such a tremendous job at Lawrence County actually put in for the job again? If he does, the people at Johnson Central, who ever makes the hiring decisions, would have to take hiring the proven coach into consideration. Williams, a Paintsville High School alumnus, is one of the best coaches in the state, as is Prestonsburg's DeRossett. But I don't think Coach DeRossett, is going anywhere. Hey, I know Coach DeRossett isn't going anywhere! However, Williams may go, that is if Johnson Central wants him. It would be a good choice if the school would go with Williams, that is if he is interested this time around. Sheldon Clark's Jim Matney is also being rumored for the job.

It will definitely be interesting to see what happens. Will Johnson Central go for a proven head coach or will they hire from within? Probably the latter. Who knows?

That's all for now, get out to a game this week. Remember: Super Bowl Sunday is now less than four days away! Let the football madness begin!



Coach Johnny Martin

Anglers host annual banquet

On Sunday, January 14, the Tug Valley Bass Anglers held their annual awards banquet at the Southside Western Sizzlin Steakhouse.

The banquet is the last function in a hard-fought, nine-tournament season. There were 11 awards given out in seven categories.

Kevin Runyon, who is the club's president and sponsored by Falcon Graphite Rods and Lucky Craft Lures, was the big winner, taking top honors in both the Angler of the Year and Club Champion categories.

The awards and winners are as follows:

■ Angler of the Year (award based on total weight for nine tournaments)

1st — Kevin Runyon, total Weight, 50lbs 6oz.

2nd — Keith Runyon, total Weight, 22lbs 3oz.

3rd — Kevin Harper, total Weight, 20lbs 9oz.

■ Club Champion (award based on total points for nine tournaments; 10 points for each win)

1st — Kevin Runyon, 57 points.

2nd — Keith Runyon, 37 points.

3rd — Eugene Runyon, 31 points.

■ Big Bass Award: Brian Smith, 5lbs 15oz largemouth from Yatesville Lake at March tournament.

■ Largest Weigh-in Award (based on the largest one day stringer of fish weighed in): Kevin Runyon, 17lbs 5oz five fish limit from Yatesville Lake at November tournament.

■ Most Improved Angler: Tim Marcum.

■ Non-boater Champion: Greg Maynard.

■ Club Classic Champion (Top 10 anglers qualify to compete): Kevin Runyon, 10lbs 15oz two-day total (5 fish limit Saturday, 4 fish Sunday) from Douglas Lake at October tournament.

Scoreboard

Boys

15th Region All "A" Classic finals

Allen Central 39 Pikeville 33

10th Region All "A" Classic finals

Bishop Brossart 65 Silver Grove 51
Shelby Valley 85 Millard 49
Betsy Layne 93 Piarist 30

Girls

Prestonsburg 45 Magoffin Co. 44
Shelby Valley 86 Allen Central 48
Johnson Central 64 Paintsville 31
Belfry 83 Pikeville 62
June Buchanan 43 Buckhorn 40
Elkhorn City 47 South Floyd 45
Betsy Layne 83 Piarist 19

Games on Tap

High School Basketball

Boys (Freshmen)

Wed. Jan. 24

South Floyd at Betsy Layne

(Varsity Boy's)

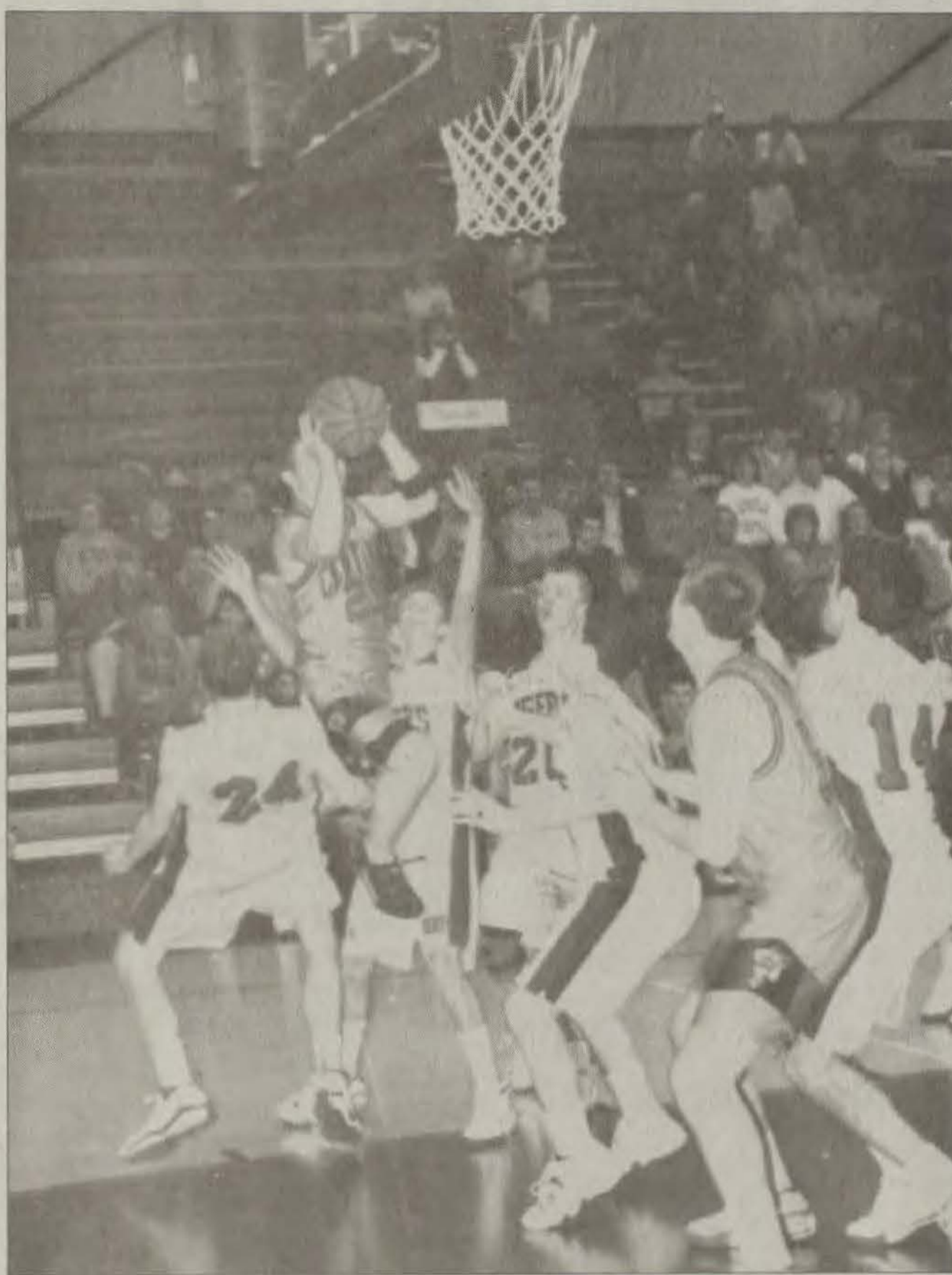
Fri. Jan. 26

Pendleton Co. at Prestonsburg
South Floyd at Sheldon Clark

High School Girls

Thurs. Jan. 25

Magoffin Co. at South Floyd



SHAWN NEWSOME (23) OF Allen Central drove the baseline against Paintsville last Friday night. Allen Central advanced to the championship game of the boys All "A" Classic by defeating the Tigers.

NASCAR in Kentucky

by AMANDA VINCENT

NASCAR Busch Series 2000 Champion Jeff Green was the toast of Beverly Hills Jan. 12 as the Busch Series held its annual awards banquet at the Regent Beverly Wilshire Hotel.

"What a year," Green said. "We won the most poles, led the most laps, led the most miles, broke records that haven't been broken in over 15 years, and even managed to win a few races in the process."

Green did more than win a few races. He posted six wins in 2000 to be exact while also claiming a series record 25 top-fives on his way to winning the 2000 title by a record-shattering 616 points over teammate Jason Keller.

Green didn't stop at the championship check at the banquet. He also took the 76 Gasoline Contingency Award (\$10,000), the Goodyear Award (\$4,000), and the Bud Pole Award (\$20,000).

The 2000 title wasn't the first Busch Series championship for the Green family. Older brother David Green claimed the championship in 1994. David finished 10th in 2001, his first top-10 finish since his runner-up performance in 1996.

Former Brewco Motorsports driver Casey Atwood was also awarded at the banquet for his eighth-place performance in the 2000 campaign.

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Fans who prefer to order tickets the old-fashioned way can still do so by phone by calling 1-888-655-RACE, by mail at Kentucky Speedway Ticket Office, Box 176248, Covington, Ky. 41017, or in person at 2216 Dixie Hwy., Suite 200, Ft. Mitchell, Ky. The ticket office in Ft. Mitchell is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday.

"We are ecstatic the way the schedule has developed for 2001," Cassis said. "With the Busch Series anchoring our schedule next season, 2001 is going to build on the tremendous foundation we have laid in our inaugural season."

■ Pikeville College Men's Basketball

Taylor's jumper at 0:07 gives PC Bears win

Cedric Taylor hit a baseline jumper with seven seconds left, giving the Pikeville College Bears an 84-82 win over Campbellsville University Saturday afternoon.

Taylor, a 6-7 junior from Houston, Texas, finished the day with 23 points and 15 rebounds.

The win gives Pikeville (12-7) a 6-3 record in the Mid-South Conference, allowing them to at least keep pace with Union. The teams entered Saturday's action tied for second place.

Campbellsville (11-10) is 2-6 in the MSC. Pikeville opened the game strong, jumping out to a 10-2 lead after junior Josh Walker sank a three with 18 minutes left. The lead ballooned to 11 (21-10) with 13:10 left when freshman Joey Mirus scored on a layup.

Campbellsville went on a 14-0 run, however, capped by a layup by senior Marcio Kardosh with 7:21 to play, to take a 26-22 lead. The game was tight the rest of the half, with Pikeville taking a 36-35 lead into the break.

Pikeville scored the first six points of the second half to take a seven-point lead, and kept it until the Tigers tied it at 56 after junior Donnie Hensley scored seven unanswered points.

The Bears built the lead back to 12 (75-63), coming after a layup by Joey Mirus with 5:51 to play. But the Tigers made one more run, and when junior Terry West scored consecutive lay-ins with 1:18 left the game was tied at 80.

Each team scored one more basket before Taylor's jumper to win the game.

Senior Ricky Freeman, who had 17 points, joined Taylor in double figures. Jeremy Hall tossed in 11 and Adam Reed 10.

Hensley, who came off the bench to score 19, led Campbellsville. Josh McKenzie, a senior who played as a freshman at Pikeville, added 14. Kardosh scored 13 while Terry West chipped in 11.

■ Pikeville College Women's Basketball

No. 14 Campbellsville gets road win over Pikeville Lady Bears

Sophomore Whitney Lee turned in a double-double and freshman Kristin Patton scored 12 of her game-high 18 after the break as No. 14 Campbellsville held off Pikeville 71-59 Saturday afternoon.

Lee, a native of Mt. Sterling, finished the game with 17 points and 14 rebounds, while Patton, from Berea, had her 18 on 8-of-13 shooting.

Campbellsville led 34-29 at the half, and used a 9-0 run early in the second frame to build its biggest lead. When Lee scored with 13:30 to play, the Lady Tigers led 52-35.

Pikeville rallied, however, going on a 20-7 run over the next eight minutes. When the Lady Bears got consecutive three-point plays from sophomores Courtney Mercer and Amanda Collins, they were within four, 59-55, with 5:12 to play.

But the Lady Tigers put an end to the Pikeville rally with eight points, six of which were scored by Patton, to seal the win.

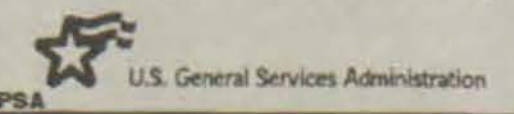
Campbellsville's 43-28 advantage on the glass, including 18 offensive rebounds, was the deciding factor in the game.

Joining Patton and Lee in double figures were Beth Sells with 11 and Sara Higdon with 10.

The loss overshadowed a brilliant game by Collins, who was 10-of-12 from the field en route to a 27-point performance. She was the only Lady Bear in double figures. Mercer followed with seven.

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Professional training offered for umpires

Major League umpire Greg "Gibby" Gibson heads the list of special guest instructors who will provide training for area baseball umpires during a February 10-11 weekend clinic at Alumni Coliseum on the Eastern Kentucky University campus at Richmond.

Minor League umpire Scott Kennedy, a fifth-year pro and an instructor at the famed Harry Wendelstedt School for Umpires, and Jack Kennedy, a retired Minor League umpire and former instructor at Wendelstedt's pro school are also on the list of professional trainers.

"It's not often that amateur umpires have the opportunity to receive this level of training," said Bill Bradley, clinic organizer and assignment secretary for the Central Kentucky Umpires

Association (CKUA).

The second annual Mid-South Conference/CKUA Umpire Development Clinic will provide advanced training for high school and college-level umpires as well as fundamental training for persons interested in becoming umpires.

"The clinic serves two purposes: it helps us spot amateur umpires (who are) ready to move up the ladder and it brings new umpires into the game," Bradley said.

Plate work — the art of correctly calling balls and strikes — will get greatest emphasis during the two-day clinic. Working the bases, proper mechanics, difficult rules and umpiring 'intangibles' will also be offered in classroom and out-

door sessions (weather permitting).

Interested persons who register on or before January 31, can sign up for \$60. After that date (including registration at the door), camp cost is \$75.

For more information, contact camp director Bill Bradley, 133 Raven Drive, Berea, KY 40403; phone 606-985-7260.



photo by Steve LeMaster

LARRY MULLINS (14) went airborne with a shot in the third quarter as Pikeville senior Chase Gibson (30) committed his third personal foul.



Sports

finding their way into the nets. But, when it came crunch time, Newsome drilled back-to-back three-pointers that erased a 33-29 Pikeville lead.

The icing came when Mullins stole the ball dished off to Jeremy Hayes, who was fouled, who connected on two free throws. Later Newsome would hit two charity tosses to seal the win.

This is an Allen Central team, who really hasn't been playing well of late, that has shown they can find ways to win, but, after all, this is a Johnny Martin coached team. You never count out a Martin-coached team until the final horn sounds.

Earlier in the tournament Coach Martin picked up his 400th win. Win number 401 was a big one as the Rebels will make tracks to Richmond Wednesday or Thursday and the All Class "A" State Tournament.

I wish the Rebels all the best as they take to the floor at ECU. We expect to be there as they make a run at a state championship. Can they do it? Never count them out!

What about those Betsy Layne Ladycats and Prestonsburg Lady Blackcats? They fought tooth and

nailed last Friday night with Betsy Layne picking up the win in overtime.

It will be hard for the rest of the conference to overcome the Ladycats in the conference race after the win over the second place club. The loss, the second in the conference for Prestonsburg, puts Betsy Layne pretty much in the driver's seat the rest of the way. With two conference games remaining the rest of the way (Allen Central, February 2; South Floyd, February 6) just one win will lock up the title for Betsy Layne who is 6-0 in the conference standings.

Chrissy Nelson has been playing well for Prestonsburg and had two three-point baskets in the overtime.

The game proved, as it has so many times, that games are won or lost from the free throw line. Prestonsburg hit only 25 of 42 attempts for a cool 60 percent.

Amber Roberts came up with a couple of big baskets for the Ladycats hitting two three-point baskets. Every team needs that "super sub" and the Ladycats have one in Natasha Stratton who had nine points in the win, three in the overtime. Ditto for Tabitha Mitchell who gives quality play from the pines.

Betsy Layne

Akers and Daniels scored four points each in the second stanza.

Frasure had 12 points to lead Betsy Layne to the 46-24 win over Allen Central in the first meeting of the two teams. Clark finished with nine points while Candice Meade scored seven. Akers totaled six with Lindsey Cross and Amanda Hunter scoring two each. Samantha Nelson led Allen Central with seven points. Amanda Mills tossed in five. Becky Thomas, Natasha Blanton and Kelli Allen scored four points each.

The two teams were tied at 4-4 after the first quarter with Betsy Layne taking a 13-9 lead to the locker area at the half.

The Ladycats outscored Allen Central 17-9 in the final quarter.

In game two with Allen Central, Thursday night, both Clark and Meade finished with 10 points in a 29-27 edging of the Lady Rebels on their home floor. Clark scored four, while Daniels finished with three and Tackett two.

Becky Thomas led all scorers with 17 points, and Mills added four. Blanton netted three with Meade and Hunter netting two apiece.

Betsy Layne outscored Allen Central 8-4 in the third. It was a tied game at 6-6 in the first and Allen Central led 13-10 at the half.

Prestonsburg Little League

The Prestonsburg Little League would like to announce the elected officers for the upcoming 2001 baseball season. Randy Gearheart- President; Denny Ousley- Vice President; Randy Tincher-Treasurer; Carla Hughes-Secretary; Ritchie Schoolcraft- Player Agent; and Hazel Boatwright- Information Officer. A representative from each division will also be appointed and will be a member of this year's board. The new board looks forward to working with each child and their parents and having a successful season. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call any of the board members.

"The Board of Directors of the Prestonsburg Little League would like to invite ALL players that live in the County of Floyd (Prestonsburg District), who are interested in baseball, to participate in our league.

T-Ball (players age 5-7; no score is kept)

Minor (players age 7-9; play utilizes pitching machine)

Major (players age 9-10, and 11-12)
Two Divisions

Senior (players age 13-14, and 15-16)
Two Divisions

The Prestonsburg Little League (Senior League) will be participating in "Inter-League Play" with surrounding Little League teams during the regular season.

Registration

at Adams Middle School

\$25.00 Registration Fee

Saturday, February 3rd- 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Saturday, February 10th- 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Saturday, February 17th- 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Saturday, February 24th- 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

The Prestonsburg Little League will be taking registrations for girls softball. If we have a sufficient number to register, we anticipate playing "Inter-League Play."

All kids will be placed on a team; no one will be turned down for any reason.

Anyone interested in managing or coaching can fill out a coach's application at any of the sign-ups. The Board of Directors will then select the coaches from the applicants.

Bentley's COMMENTS

BY HICK BENTLEY

Classic notes:

► The best memory of the first year of All "A" Classic play was courtesy my friend Jody Thompson. The senior from Feds Creek only played in one game in the tournament, which began his senior year of high school.

But in that single contest, Jody Thompson threw in 39 points as Pikeville felled his Vikings 71-70.

It was sometime shortly after that game that I realized this dream of folks like Stan Steidel and Ken Trivette wasn't such a bad idea after all. It wasn't going to force the class system into the Kentucky basketball playoffs. What it was going to do was give those players from small schools a chance to shine on a statewide stage.

It's been a few years since Thompson's night in the spotlight, and many youngsters have followed in his considerable shadow. In my mind, Thompson's heroics rank as the second-best moment in All "A" Classic history in the 15th Region.

Many times I've thought about what we would have missed had Steidel not had the courage to make his dream a statewide reality. We would have been denied some outstanding nights of fun, and many high school students would have missed out on their night in the spotlight.

► By the way, the best moment in the All "A" Classic? That's easy.

It was the championship game in 1994, the night Elkhorn City knocked off Allen Central, 98-89, to win the title. But it wasn't so much the teams that made it memorable as it was two of the participants.

Jeremy Hall of Allen Central scored 46 points that night in what was perhaps the best tête-à-tête in the history of mountain basketball. Elkhorn City standout Todd Conley was with Hall point for point, and finished with an amazing 52 mark-

ers to lead the Cougars to the title.

Entering the game, Conley held the record for three-pointers in an All "A" game with six. By the time the night was through, both players had obliterated that mark.

Hall's mark of 12 three-point bombs that night may never fall, just as Conley's 52 tallies could stand the test of time. Still, those are the two top scoring efforts in tournament history.

Conley established another mark that week. During the 1992 tournament, one played before much of the recent consolidation, Pikeville played four games and got 107 points from Murray Garvin.

But Conley needed only three to establish a new record. He had 20 against Feds Creek, 36 versus Paintsville and added 52 against the Rebels, giving him 108 points, the most ever in a single tournament.

It was clearly the best one-on-one performance I've ever seen, and I doubt anyone who was there would argue.

► Speaking of Jeremy Hall, he's now a senior at Pikeville College, and played his first game last Saturday at Cumberland.

Allen Central

back-to-back three pointers. When the final horn sounded on the snowy Saturday night, Allen Central had won 39-36 and were making plans for a return trip to the All "A" State Tournament in Richmond, their first since the 1999 season.

"This wasn't the kind of pace that we wanted to come out and set," said Allen Central Coach Johnny Martin at the conclusion of the championship contest. "We knew coming in that Pikeville was a good ballclub and that it would be a real competitive game. We've won 14 games now, but we haven't really beaten any of our opponents real bad in any of our games."

Allen Central, the home team on the scoreboard, put the first points in the scorebooks on a long jumper from Jeremy Hayes. The Runnin' Rebels ran out to a 7-0 lead before Pikeville center Chase Gibson put the first Panther points in on a short jumper in the paint. Allen Central held a 9-2 lead at the 1:57 mark after Daniel Sazabo connected on a baseline jumper. Allen Central went into the second quarter leading by that same seven-point margin.

"We came out and played some real good defense in the first quarter, and throughout the game," said Coach Martin. "Anytime you can hold a good ballclub like Pikeville to just two points in a quarter, then you know you have done some good things on defense."

Allen Central held a 15-10 lead with 2:46 remaining in the second quarter and went up 17-12 when Newsome came through with a layup. Gibson countered at the other end with a field goal and Allen Central took a 17-12 lead into the half.

Pikeville came out red-hot offensively in the third quarter. The Panthers went on a 6-0 run and took an 18-17 lead with 6:31 left in the period.

Hayes got the Rebs runnin' on offense once again, with a three-point basket to make it a 20-18 Allen Central lead with 5:07 left to play in the third quarter. Allen Central (14-2) trailed 26-25 heading into the final period.

Allen Central point guard Larry Mullins began the fourth quarter by driving the lane and drawing a foul from Pikeville's Gibson. Mullins went two-for-two from the free throw line and the Rebels held a 27-26 lead in the early goings of the final quarter.

The Runnin' Rebels trailed 33-

I'd forgotten how talented he is.

The shooting was still there, as he canned 6-of-11 from the three-point line en route to his 29-point performance. But I'd forgotten about the other things.

I'd forgotten about his intensity. He made a pretty good Bear team even better, as thanks to his leadership players were diving all over the court, making things happen for the guests.

I'd forgotten about his defense. He really knows how to get after someone, frustrating them into a poor shot or giving up the ball.

But I guess what I'd really forgotten was how much fun it is to watch him play when things are going right for him.

If you've forgotten it too, come on by the Pikeville College Gym Saturday at 4 p.m. I'm sure he'll do something to remind you.

► Perhaps the most astounding note in the storied history of mountain basketball is ours courtesy our friends at WYMT and their Mountain Classic. All 14 past winners of the tournament have gone on to win their respective regional tournament.

That's amazing.

Clay County got things started. Bobby Keith's Tigers won the first seven WYMT tournaments, and then won the 13th Region. Paintsville followed, then Hazard and Perry Central.

Now, the WYMT has smiled upon Rodney Rowe and his Shelby

Valley Wildcats, who needed double overtime to deny Clay County its ninth WYMT title. The Cats are now 14-0 on the season, and have been as impressive as that sounds.

Truth be told, I don't think the Wildcats needed the WYMT title to stake their claim as the team to beat in the 15th Region. But it certainly doesn't hurt.

► John Martin reached a milestone Wednesday night. The legendary Allen Central coach won his 400th game when the Rebels beat Feds Creek.

His list of accomplishments is lengthy and just as impressive. It's a sheet worthy of one of the good ones, and John Martin is among the best, in my estimation. More importantly, he's one of the best people I've met in this business.

Seeing how good he is at coaching makes me kind of thankful he didn't pursue the job he dreamt of. You see, at one time, John Martin wanted to be a sports writer.

Thanks coach. Add that to the list of things we owe you.

► That stat about the WYMT tournament you read earlier is courtesy Scott Anderson's Web site. It's a nice site, complete with schedules of the upcoming action and a weekly ranking of the region's Top 10 teams.

It has a lot to offer and provokes quite a bit of thought. If you're interested, the address is www.angelfire.com/ky2/15thregionsports.

29 with 3:47 left to play in the final quarter when Newsome drained three-point buckets on consecutive trips to the Allen Central offensive end. Allen Central regained the lead at 35-33 and never relinquished it.

"Shawn (Newsome) hadn't really gotten into his game in the first half but we knew he would get going," said Coach Martin. "He hit the two big three-point baskets that got us right back in it."

Hayes went to the line with just :21.3 left in the final quarter and went two-for-two, giving Allen Central a 39-33 lead. Gibson hit a three-pointer just before the buzzer to make it a three-point difference in Allen Central's favor.

Some of the unsung heroes for Allen Central could have been the biggest keys in the Rebel win. Seniors Travis Francis and Rodney Scott let their presence be known by cleaning the boards and playing stingy defense throughout the entire contest.

"Travis Francis, like I've said so many times before, is a big key to

this team," said Allen Central's Martin. "He plays great defense and he rebounds real well. The return of Rodney Scott to the team is also a big plus. Rodney is a big key to our team right now. He's a leader on the court and he has really helped us since returning."

Newsome of Allen Central shared game-high honors with Pikeville's Gibson. Both players finished with 14 points each. Mullins and Hayes chipped in seven points apiece for Allen Central.

Matt Branham, a Pikeville College football signee, and three other teammates: Adam Myers, Cory Russell and Matt Corbin, all seniors, ended the game with six points each for Pikeville (10-5).

ALLEN CENTRAL (39) - Newsome 14, Mullins 7, Hayes 7, Scott 5, Sazabo 4, T. Francis 2.

PIKEVILLE (36) - Gibson 14, Branham 6, Russell 6, Myers 6, Corbin 4.

Richmond

games this week, according to Coach Martin.

"We want to just concentrate on winning this thing," he said. "Last time we went, we played an overtime game just before we left."

The Rebels will board their bus and make tracks to Richmond this evening.

"We have to get back to playing the way we were the first of the season," said the Allen Central coach. "Larry (Mullins) played hurt against Pikeville and that affected his effectiveness."

Mullins, along with Z.W. Chaffins had a mishap on the way to the game last Saturday night.

Mullins is the key for the Rebels in being the floor general. He is a veteran who has played at McBrayer Arena two years ago when the Rebels advanced to the semifinals of the tournament with two wins.

Junior two-guard, Shawn Newsome, leads the team in scoring but has struggled on offense of late. However, he still finds a way to put points on the scoreboard and at a timely time. He drilled two three-point baskets, after struggling against Pikeville, in the fourth quarter, that ignited a Rebel comeback.

Jeremy Hayes has been Mr. Consistency for the Rebels this sea-

son as the senior forward is averaging just short of 15 points per game. His three-point scoring has been a big, big key for the Rebels in maintaining leads or playing catch up basketball.

If there is a real need it would be getting more offense from Travis Francis, who scored often in the early part of the season. Francis continues to be the top defensive player for the Rebels and the teams leading rebounder.

Coach Martin has been alternating the middle with Chaffins or Daniel Sazabo, who tends to be more offensive minded than Chaffins. Chaffins is a work horse under the boards but not as aggressive as Sazabo.

But a third player has entered the middle for Allen Central in the return of Rodney Scott, who made his return in the All "A" regional. Scott was a force in helping the Rebs win a title.

Scott gives Allen Central more quickness in the paint area and he is more aggressive in taking the ball to the basket.

Neither McBrayer Arena nor the All "A" state tournament will be a strange place for Allen Central. In fact, they seem a perfect fit for the arena and the atmosphere that surrounds the event.

Kentucky Sportsline

by TOM LEACH

Moxie. Synonyms for that word include guts, courage, grit and nerve. And it seems to be the perfect word to describe Kentucky freshman Gerald Fitch.

When the Wildcats were struggling earlier this season, the most glaring absence in the team's makeup was a player who made his teammates better. Watching one of those ESPN "Sports Century" features on Magic Johnson last week, I was reminded of how important that quality is.

Magic and Larry Bird combined to have the greatest impact on the college and pro game of any players in the last 30 years at least. They didn't do it because of how high they jumped or how fast they

ran or how many points they scored — they did it by making their teammates better and making their teams into winners.

And Michael Jordan didn't become the greatest player of all-time until he found that ability to elevate the level of play on his teammates.



In Fitch, I see a player who makes the players around him better, because of the way he plays. The most often-heard complaint about the Cats in December was that the team didn't seem to be playing hard. But led by Fitch, the Wildcats have found

their passion and that was never more evident than in last week's win over Tennessee.

Here's a player that stands 6-foot-1 inches tall and yet grabbed seven rebounds against the Vols, to go along with 10 points, two

blocks and three steals. And at halftime, this freshman asked, yes, asked Coach Tubby Smith for the right to try and check red-hot Vincent Yarbrough. And after a 17-point first-half, Yarbrough finished with only 21.

Early in the game, Fitch had a three-point shot knocked into the third row of the crowd by Yarbrough. Later, Fitch drilled one in Yarbrough's face only to have the Vols' star respond with a four-point play and some serious trash talk directed at Fitch. Yarbrough never scored again.

"It's called heart. It's called guts. It's called determination. That's what that's about. He's got a lot of it — more than most. And he has a real feel (for where the ball is), not just in rebounding but in defense," said Coach Tubby Smith of Fitch's spirited play when he's on the court. "Once he gets some more discipline to his defensive game, he's going to be a

great defender. Right now, he wants to try to do it all and that creates a problem somewhere else."

It was a former player-now-turned-coach, Shaun Golden, who tipped Smith off to Fitch after Desmond Allison ran afoul of the law last spring. Fitch was recruited primarily because of his shooting ability, probably in the hope that he might develop into a solid role player over the course of four years.

But it's funny how fate works sometimes, because Fitch might just be the straw that stirs the drink this season at Kentucky.

BLEVINS BOUNCES BACK

He didn't get much playing time against those quick Tennessee guards, but Kentucky

junior J.P. Blevins solidified his role on this team the previous week, against South Carolina.

At the end of that game, it was Blevins who was running the show for Kentucky, because of how well he played. And with the game tied at 59, it was Blevins who sank a pressure-packed shot to put UK ahead to stay.

"I'm past the level where it's boosting my confidence. I'm pretty confident, but it feels good to be in late in the game, when it counts. It's a situation I've been in all through high school and I feel comfortable in that situation. I feel like I'm a pretty level-headed kid," Blevins said.

And would he have passed up that crucial shot earlier this year, when he was misfiring from the outside?

"Certainly I feel good about the way I've been playing and early in the season I was frustrated, but I don't know about that," said Blevins.

SEC RACE

A month ago, some quick-tantric fans in Kentucky worried that the Wildcats might find themselves in the NIT come March. But this team has come a long way in a short time.

Kentucky is in the midst of a tough spot on its schedule, with four road games in five outings between last Saturday and February 3. If UK emerges from that period with at least three victories, this team is in great shape. With four wins, UK could be well on its way to a good seeding in the NCAA Tournament.

To me, the SEC is a little down this year, and I mean that in terms of teams with Final Four potential. Oh, there's great parity, but that doesn't always equate to greatness. Tennessee is probably the best of the bunch, but I don't think a point guard as erratic as Tony Harris will ever get the Vols to a Final Four.

I think Kentucky has the second-best overall collection of talent and as this young team gains experience, I like UK's chances of winning another SEC title. If the Cats stay perfect at home, I think a 5-3 road record in the league will

be good enough to win at least a share of the title.

SCHOLARSHIP CUTS?

Whenever there is an investigation of the UK football program, there's a good chance the punishment will at least include some degree of reduction in the number of scholarships for a season or two. After all, athletics director Larry Ivy has already acknowledged NCAA rule violations occurred.

Given the uncertainty of how stiff the penalty will be, this year's recruiting effort figures to suffer — players like Joe Dipre and Montrell Jones have already backed off their verbal pledges to sign with the Cats. And if that's the case, wouldn't it make sense to impose a scholarship reduction for this recruiting season, since it's probably not going to be as good as originally hoped anyway?

A UK official with whom I spoke declined to say if that proposal was part of UK's report to the NCAA. However, this person did acknowledge that such a scenario is possible in situations like this one.

IS DIPRE A LOST CAUSE?

Joe Dipre has reneged on his verbal commitment to UK, but the highly-regarded prep linebacker from Pennsylvania has not closed the door on the alma mater of his father. So says Dustin Williams, another linebacker who says his commitment to Kentucky remains solid.

Speaking on WLAP radio Friday night, Williams said he talked to Dipre Thursday night and no decision had been made. Williams said Dipre has already visited Pittsburgh and plans to check out Iowa. According to Williams, Dipre hopes to make a



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RACING Reporter

Gerald Hodges

Dodge is only 14th fastest in Daytona testing

After testing last week, several Dodge drivers and teams were scratching their heads.

Even though Ward Burton did not take part in the testing session, his Bill Davis team hopes to be a contender for this year's Winston Cup championship.

"I hope we don't disappoint anybody mainly ourselves," Burton said. "I have been asked a lot today if I feel like we have pressure on us because we are one of the teams that hopefully is considered a contender. You know you work your whole life to get somewhere and if anybody in Winston Cup racing, especially our competitors, feel that we are a team that is capable of winning a championship we think that's pretty neat."

"I don't feel any pressure about it. I think we have worked hard to get to that point, and if we were there actually it would be less pressure."

"The hardest thing in the world to do is run and not run well and not know why. When you are running well, to me, it's easier than when you are not running well. So, I don't feel any more pressure about it and I am excited about the upcoming year. Because we are considered one of the teams that can get it done doesn't mean

that we are going to get it done, doesn't mean that we even finish in the top 30 in points. It means that we have potential, and we got to go and put all of that stuff together, it will be hard to do."

Greg Sacks filled in for Burton.

Dodge teams ended a two-day test session Wednesday at Daytona International Speedway with so many questions and so little speed, they immediately planned to test at Talladega Superspeedway during the week of Jan. 21.

With teams battling warmer temperatures than what Ford and General Motors teams experienced at their tests last week, the first group testing session for Dodge's Intrepid R/T ended with the cars 1.5 mph off the best laps of the winter by Ford, Chevrolet and Pontiac.

Stacy Compton was consistent over the two days, electing to use only one of the two Melling Racing cars he had at Daytona. His best lap Wednesday morning and the best of the session for Dodge was 49.773 seconds, 180.821 mph. That placed him unofficially only 14th on the winter's cumulative speed chart behind fast man Matt Kenseth's Roush Racing Ford, which turned

a lap in 49.377/182.271 on Jan. 8.

Evernham Motorsports owner Ray Evernham, who could only shake his head and say he wasn't sure exactly where the full Dodge program was on Tuesday, wasn't much clearer on the subject Wednesday.

"We've got to pick up," Evernham said. "We've got work to do and we're going to do it. Like I said yesterday, I've left Daytona before being half a second behind. We just have more work to do."

Part of the reason for the significant lack of speed, according to some in the Dodge camp, is that the Intrepid is an unproven commodity in NASCAR racing. And with the season-opening Daytona 500 looming just a month away, Dodge is running out of chances to prove the Intrepid as a race-worthy vehicle.

"The couple months we've had to work on the speedway program doesn't stack up when you're competing against 10-12 years with a certain model or a certain brand," said Ganassi Racing team manager Andy Graves, who had drivers Jason Leffler and Sterling Marlin mired in 40th and 41st on the overall chart.

Graves, like Evernham, said a Talladega test was in his organization's future as the start of the season draws closer.

"It's tough and we've got the odds stacked against us right now," Graves said. "Where we're at with the program, it looks like everyone is gonna have to do another speedway test. We'll be at Talladega the 30th of this month for a couple days. When we come back in February with the best package we have, we'll see where we're at."

Dodge made it through the test with few engine problems, but John Andretti, who flailed away for two days to reach a 39th best on the list of 50, 302/178.919, saw his time cut short when his Petty Enterprises team had to make a change at 3:15 Wednesday afternoon.

"I felt something in the engine," Andretti said. "And we felt like we should make a change so a little problem didn't become a big one."

The top speeds of Dodge drivers during testing at Daytona Int'l. Speedway, Jan. 16-17: 1 Stacy Compton-180.821 mph, 2.

Dave Blaney-180.603, 3. Greg Sacks (tested for Ward Burton), 180.451, 4. Bill Elliott-179.928, 5. John Andretti-179.376, 6. Sterling Marlin 179.333, 7. Jason Leffler-178.891, 8. Kyle Petty-178.699, 9. Casey Atwood-178.557, 10. Buckshot Jones-178.409

Racing Trivia Question: What series will Ron Hornaday drive in during the 2001 season?

Answer To Last Week's Question: Winston Cup driver Bill Elliott is often referred to as "Awesome Bill" from Dawsonville.

Martin seeks return to old form

by STEVE MICKEY
NASCAR COLUMNIST

The 2000 Winston Cup season was one of the more competitive seasons in recent years. The season produced a first time Winston Cup champion as well as three first time race winners. Although Bobby Labonte controlled the points chase for much of the year, the point battles between the remaining drivers provided plenty of excitement.

One driver that wasn't responsible for much of the excitement created last season was Mark Martin. The former Valvoline driver experienced one of the worst years of his NASCAR career despite the fact that he won one race and finished eighth in the final point standings. His eighth place finish was his worst performance in the points since he first started driving for Jack Roush in 1988 when he finished in 15th place.

Martin had back surgery before the beginning of the 2000 season which for the first time in years allowed him to drive his race car without the pain that his back was giving him anytime he crawled into his car. With the pain gone, Martin was eager for the beginning of the season and another chance to capture his first ever championship.

The off season back surgery laid him up the better part of eight weeks and shortly after the season started he realized that he could have actually used another month to really get into racing shape. Health concerns weren't the only problem Martin encountered in 2000. Martin who always prided himself in being able to finish races

suddenly found himself struggling at times just to take the checkered flag.

The team put 6 DNF's in the record books last season and that is the most for Martin since the 1994 season when he failed to be running at the end of 8 races. Despite the 8 DNF's in '94, he still finished fourth in the points and won four races. Being able to finish that high and win 4 races is probably more a reflection on the level of competition then, as compared to now.

Martin and crew chief, Jimmy Fenning have put those DNF's behind them as they prepare for the start of the 2001 season in less than one month. Martin will quickly tell you that the success he has had in recent seasons is due largely to the efforts of Fenning and the work ethic that he has instilled in every member of the team.

This season Martin and Fenning will be found wearing the colors of a new sponsor in Pfizer/Viagra. The sponsorship is a natural for Martin as he is known throughout the garage area as a health and physical fitness advocate. He is looking forward to having the opportunity to spread the word about the importance of men's health issues.

The 2001 season also brings another major change for Martin. For the first time in several years, he won't be piloting the Winn-Dixie Ford in the Busch Series. Last season was the final campaign for Martin in the Busch Series, but he leaves as the all-time series leader in number of races won despite being just a part time driver in the series.

The extra time that Martin will now have by not having to shuffle between his Cup ride and Busch ride on a weekend will give him the opportunity to spend more time with his family. During the off season he spent an entire week with his son, Matt racing mini stock cars in Florida.

The week with Matt afforded Mark the opportunity to be around 185 other kids who were trying their hand in racing. He found out that Cup drivers are looked up to by such a young crowd and that he along with the rest of the drivers in the sport could really make a difference with the age group.

Martin faces the 2001 season with not only the thought of getting his Ford back into the championship battle but also as a year in which he could be a positive influence on so many people. His work with Pfizer/Viagra will give him the opportunity to connect with men over the age of 35 and to make a positive influence on their health habits.

Mark will tell you, "I realize there are some things more important than winning every race." He knows that the way he is looked up to by kids, the age of his own son and being able to connect with men on health issues are ultimately more important than race championships that are won.

All "A" Classic pairings at Eastern Kentucky University

Thursday

9 a.m. - Louisville Holy Cross (6th) vs. Raceland (16th)
10:30 a.m. - Lyon County (2nd) vs. Fort Knox (5th)
Noon - Somerset (12th) vs. Owsley County (14th)
1:30 p.m. - McLean County (3rd) vs. Trimble County (8th)
5 p.m. - Jackson Co. (13th) vs. Louisville Christian (7th)
6:30 p.m. - Frankfort (11th) vs. St. Mary (1st)
8 p.m. - Bishop Brossart (10th) vs. Allen Central (15th)
9:30 p.m. - Newport Central Catholic (9th) vs. Glasgow (4th)

Friday

Quarterfinals - 5 p.m., 6:30 p.m., 8 p.m., 9:30 p.m.

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INSIDE THE PRO FISHING TOUR

MacLean Takes First Big Title

Greg MacLean, who moved to the town of Okeechobee to open a tackle shop a few months ago, kept his big-bass pattern alive Saturday to win the \$232,000 Florida BASSMASTER Invitational on Lake Okeechobee.

The leader entering the final round, MacLean boated an 8-pound, 3-ounce bass late in the day to boost his catch to 10 pounds, 10 ounces, and score a 5-pound-plus victory. His three-day total of 44-4 earned him the \$51,000 first-place prize.

"I had a pretty calm and collected day," MacLean said. "I felt pretty good this morning, and after I caught the big one I got really excited. I knew that in order to win, I would need at least 10 pounds today. With an angler the caliber of Tim Horton right behind you, you never know."

Horton, the reigning BASS Angler of the Year and first-round leader, was a little more than 3 pounds behind MacLean as the final day unfolded. But the Alabama angler failed to catch a single bass on Saturday

and finished seventh. His final two rounds were hampered by mechanical problems.

MacLean, who relied on a firetiger-colored Bomber 6A crankbait during the first two days, switched tactics in the final round to pull out his first national victory.

"I had been cranking the Bomber real slow with 8-pound line in about 10 feet of water, keying on the outside drop of Harney Pond Canal," he said. "I fished there because it is the closest deep water to the spot where the bass usually spawn."

"At about 1 o'clock, I stopped at a rockpile and decided to try Carolina-rigging a 5-inch black Riverside finesse worm. On my third cast, I caught a 2-pounder, and two casts later I caught the 8-pounder."

North Carolina's Rodney Sorrell finished second with 39-3, followed by John Crews of Virginia with 37-6. Florida's Terry Seagraves was fourth with 37-2, while Mark Schafer of New Jersey placed fifth with 34-10.

Millennium Tournament Set Owners of Ranger boats will again get the chance to compete for the biggest prize in competitive fishing. Operation Bass recently announced that the second Ranger M1 Millennium Tournament is set for Feb. 27-March 2 in Mobile, Ala.

As with the inaugural Ranger Millennium event two years ago, the tournament will have a purse of \$3.6 million, and the winner can earn as much as \$1 million (depending on the equipment he uses). The winner is guaranteed a minimum of \$400,000.

The 2001 Millennium will feature 400 Ranger owners from hundreds of qualifying tournaments held nationwide. Anglers will qualify for the Millennium as pros or co-anglers, with pros fishing for the tournament's top dollars. Co-anglers will compete for a total purse of \$250,000 (with \$150,000 going to the winner). The entry fee is \$5,000 for pros and \$2,500 for co-anglers.

Millennium competitors will fish the Tensaw Delta, a 100,000-acre fishery formed by the convergence of the Tombigbee, Alabama and Mobile rivers at Mobile Bay.

Oklahoma's Darrel Robertson won the first Millennium tournament and pocketed a record \$600,000.

Pro Power Ratings

Star indicates a pro who is coming on strong.

This Week	Last Week	Weeks on List	Angler, Hometown
1	1	81	Kevin VanDam, Kalamazoo, Mich. Leads BASS Angler of Year standings
2	2	64	* Tim Horton, Spruce Pine, Ala. Reigning BASS Angler of Year
3	3	81	Rick Clunn, Ava, Mo. Won FLW Open
4	4	81	Davy Hite, Prosperity, S.C. Won '99 BASS Masters Classic
5	5	81	* Larry Nixon, Bee Branch, Ark. Won Top 150 season opener
6	6	81	Denny Brauer, Camdenton, Mo. Returning after surgery
7	7	59	* Aaron Martens, Castaic, Calif. Won recent Calif. BASS Invitational
8	8	45	* Shaw Grigsby, Gainesville, Fla. Won two Top 150s; third in Classic
9	9	51	Michael Iaconelli, Woodbury Heights, N.J. Placed 10th in Classic; finals of Top 150 opener
10	10	31	* Gary Klein, Weatherford, Texas Won two FLW events and Tracker Legends

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

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Bass enthusiasts pack a lecture hall to learn from touring pros. PHOTO © TIM TUCKER

Anglers Go to School to Learn From the Pros

By TIM TUCKER, Outdoors Writer

It began 27 years ago when Oklahoma bass enthusiast Gary White decided that dedicated anglers like himself would flock to hear the innermost secrets of their fishing heroes. He started simply, enlisting the help of Oklahoma buddies Jimmy Houston and Ken Cook, but his idea steadily spread into every corner of the country and expanded to include the biggest names in the sport.

Bass Fishing Techniques grew into the pre-eminent fishing seminar series in the country (held at more than 170 colleges in the United States and Canada) before being purchased by the Bass Anglers Sportsman Society a few years ago. This year, the renamed BASSMASTER University will take its show to 40 cities.

"It's definitely come a long way from some humble beginnings," said White, who still serves as its director. "We're real fortunate in that we've got the cream of the crop (of top pros) to be our instructors."

And the pros don't just shoot the breeze, either. "We have a detailed curriculum that we build for them," White said. "We try to play to the strength of the pro. Obviously, these pros can do it all, but each pro really has some area of expertise — Denny Brauer with flipping and pitching or Zell Rowland with topwaters. We try to develop this curriculum so that the pro gets to teach his specialty."

The result is the opportunity to hear each pro explore his special strengths as an angler in a setting that is relaxed and offers plenty of

exposure to the instructors. BASSMASTER University offers the chance to hear professional fishing's "dream team" in person, including: Kevin VanDam on jerkbaits; David Fritts on cranking; Woo Daves on tubejigs; Larry Nixon on worm fishing; Shaw Grigsby on sight-fishing; Jimmy Houston on spinnerbaiting; Hank Parker on jigs; Tim Horton on locating bass; Don Lovino on finesse fishing; Alton Jones on electronics; Davy Hite on soft-plastic baits; and George Cochran on topwater fishing.

Sitting in on one of these two-day seminars can take years off the learning curve for fishermen of all skill levels.

"I love doing these seminars," said Hite, the 1999 BASS Masters Classic champion from South Carolina. "The people there are eager to learn. They come there prepared to learn, and they aren't afraid to ask questions. I really like that."

In a classroom setting, each seminar features six accomplished tournament pros as instructors. Each student receives a detailed, illustrated textbook that complements the classroom instruction and can be used as a valuable reference after the course ends. The six sessions take about 14 hours over a two-day weekend. Ten-minute breaks separate the classes, and each day ends with an informal session where students are encouraged to ask questions of the individual instructors.

The cost of attending BASSMASTER University is less than price of a decent bass rod — \$99 for adults and \$50 for an accompanying spouse or child (age 16 and over). For more information, call BASS at 334-272-9530.

Tips From the Pros



MIKE WURM is a past winner on the BASSMASTER Tournament Trail. He lives in Hot Springs, Ark.

Add a Jig to Your Carolina Rig

"The normal Carolina rig consists of a main line connected to a leader of 3 feet or more with a small barrel swivel. Above the swivel is a glass or plastic bead and a large, 1/2- to 1-ounce egg- or bullet-shaped weight. On the other end of the leader is a hook and a soft-plastic bait. As it is pulled through the water, the sinker drags through the bottom, while the lure floats slightly off it."

"Most bass fishermen have experienced times when bass would actually hit the weight as it digs up mud and debris along the bottom. The sinker would have teeth marks from the fish."

"To counter this situation, I decided to try something unusual, and it has worked like a dream at times. Instead of a conventional Carolina weight, I substitute a rubber-skirted Strike King Pro Model Jig. The jig is allowed to slide freely above the swivel."

"There are a lot of advantages to using a jig in this situation. First, you still have the weight you need. Then you have the added attraction of a jig instead of a sinker. Plus, it allows me to cover two parts of the water column — two different depths."

GEAR AND GOODIES

Kistler Introduces New Generation of Rods

Trey Kistler knows fishing rods. After all, the Texas man grew up in the rod-building business. He watched — and helped — his father, Billy, start up two of the nation's elite rod lines (All-Star and Castaway). To those who know him, it is only natural that Trey Kistler would one day make his own name with a brand of custom-designed, high-quality rods at affordable prices.

Kistler Custom Fishing Rods was born in 1999, when Billy Kistler sold Castaway. Trey decided that was the time to begin making his mark in the rod industry, and the nation's fishermen have been the beneficiaries.

Kistler rods are made of high-quality components and designed after years of listening closely to anglers. The rods feature

YOUR SPORTS

Maps Increase Enjoyment Of the Wild

By JOHN E. PHILLIPS

To have more consistent success outdoors — to bag more fish, to see more game, to camp in the best spots — you must plan where you will go. That means, sooner or later, you will have to obtain — and learn to read — maps.

That's where the U.S. government comes in. Through the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) and other agencies, the feds have mapped every square inch of the United States. And with the emergence of the Internet, obtaining information about maps has never been easier. Here are some sources:

- The Terraserver from the USGS gives you aerial images of fishing, hunting and/or camping destinations, plus vehicle or boating access. Go to <www.usgs.gov/atlas>.

- Aerial photos show little-used roads and trails, the vegetation in wildlife pockets and the plant density in travel corridors. Also, aerial photos generally contain the most current information. The National Aerial Photography Program (NAPP), which has photographed most of the lower 48 states within the past few years, takes aerial photos from an elevation of 20,000 feet. Contact USDA-ASCS Aerial Photography, 2222 W. 2300 South, Salt Lake City, UT 84119, (801) 975-3500 or EROS Data Center, U.S. Geological Center, Sioux Falls, SD 57198, (605) 594-6151.

- The "Finding Your Way With a Map and Compass" program will educate your family about scale and how to determine direction and distance, besides explaining the purposes of topographic maps and how to use them for outdoor expeditions. The "Elevation and Distance" pocket book covers the elevation of geographic features such as mountains and the distance between points in the U.S. You can download the program and the book by going to <mapping.usgs.gov/www/products/mappubs.html#Brochures>, or order the book directly from the USGS, Information Services, Box 25286, Denver, CO 80225.

- "Topographical Map Symbols," "Topographical Maps: Silent Guides for the Outdoorsman" and "Maps for America: Cartographic Products of the U.S. Geological Survey and Others" are pamphlets that may be obtained from any of the USGS centers. They explain the various kinds of maps as well as the meanings of the symbols and lines on the maps.

- To order topographical maps for states east of the Mississippi River, write U.S. Geological Survey, 1200 S. Eads St., Arlington, VA 22202. Purchase indexes and order forms for the maps of states west of the Mississippi River, including Alaska and Hawaii, from U.S. Geological Survey, Federal Center, Building 41, P.O. Box 25286, Denver, CO 80225.

- The USGS Learning Web site has a variety of resources for K-12 and all-ages learning audiences interested in outdoor life at <www.usgs.gov/education>.

- You can order special maps, including the "National Wild and Scenic Rivers System," which encompasses 152 free-flowing rivers in 34 states; "Topographic Maps of the National Parks" as well as special topographic maps of many national parks and monuments, for which you can find listings in a free publication "Index to USGS Topographic Map Coverage of National Park System;" and/or topographic maps of all states representing the natural and man-made features of the land, from the USGS at the Denver address or through the Global Land Information System (GLIS) Web site under Map Finder <edcwww.cr.usgs.gov/glis/glis.html/>

- The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers produces and distributes maps of the recreation areas it manages, but each map must be ordered from the district where the recreational area is located. Write U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Office of Public Affairs, Department of the Army, 2 Massachusetts Ave. N.W., Washington, D.C. 20314, to learn the Corps' districts and addresses.

- The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission can give you information about maps covering the hydroelectric projects licensed by the U.S. Department of Energy where there are public facilities for hunting, camping and other activities. Write Office of Public Affairs, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First St., N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426.

- You can also order outdoor maps at Map Express, (800) 627-0039, <www.mapexp.com>; Powers Elevation, (800) 824-2550; Trails Illustrated, (800) 962-1643; and DeLorme Mapping, (800) 452-5931, <www.delorme.com>. And don't forget to check your local library's reference area.

PRO BASS FISHING RESULTS

Eastern Invitational

Here are the top finishers in the Florida BASSMASTER Eastern Invitational held Jan. 11-13 on Lake Okeechobee, Fla., including angler, hometown, total catch (and number of dead fish), total weight, and earnings.

1. Gregory S. MacLean, Okeechobee, Fla.	10/00	44-04	\$52,000
2. Rodney Sorrell, Stokesdale, N.C.	13/00	39-03	\$32,000
3. John Crews, Jetersville, Va.	15/00	37-06	\$30,000
4. Terry Seagraves, Kissimmee, Fla.	15/00	37-02	\$9,000
5. Mark A. Schafer, Williamstown, N.J.	13/00	34-10	\$7,000
6. Jeffrey Thomas, Broadway, N.C.	11/00	31-02	\$5,500
7. Timmy Horton, Mussel Shoals, Ala.	6/00	30-08	\$5,000
8. James A. Parker, Fayetteville, N.C.	10/00	29-00	\$4,500
9. Chris Elliott, Raleigh, N.C.	11/00	28-08	\$5,000
10. Darrell Pons, Gainesville, Fla.	11/00	28-02	\$3,450
11. Russ Bringer, Pompano Beach, Fla.	13/00	28-02	\$3,450
12. Ed Klepeis, Wallkill, N.Y.	11/00	27-13	\$2,500
13. Gerald Beck, Lexington, N.C.	8/00	27-03	\$2,500
14. Walter Swafford, Winter Garden, Fla.	8/00	26-10	\$2,300
15. John L. Chaffo, Pittsborough, Pa.	12/00	26-05	\$2,200
16. Rick Morris, Virginia Beach, Va.	13/00	26-00	\$2,000
17. Gerry Williams, Winter Garden, Fla.	13/00	24-09	\$2,000
18. Mickey Bruce, Buford, Ga.	12/00	24-01	\$2,000
19. Coby Carden, Shelby, Ala.	11/00	23-09	\$2,000
20. Roland Martin, Clewiston, Fla.	10/00	23-00	\$2,000
21. Rick Sharp, Florence, Ala.	7/00	21-11	\$1,900
22. Rick Taylor, Holland, Mich.	10/00	21-04	\$1,900
23. Curt Lytle, Suffolk, Va.	8/00	21-02	\$1,900
24. Hugh Crumpler III, Melbourne, Fla.	6/00	20-14	\$1,900
25. Randy Yager, Syracuse, N.Y.	10/00	20-10	\$1,900

26. Buck Durrance, Okeechobee, Fla.	13/00	20-09	\$1,800
27. Wesley Kemper, New Straitsville, Ohio	7/00	19-09	\$1,800
28. Dave Smith, Del City, Okla.	9/00	19-06	\$1,800
29. Chris Baumgardner, Gastonia, N.C.	11/00	19-03	\$1,800
30. Mike Balon, Clewiston, Fla.	11/00	18-11	\$1,800
31. Jim Bitter, Fruitland Park, Fla.	9/00	18-05	\$1,700
32. Barry Wilson, Chelsea, Ala.	5/00	17-08	\$2,700
33. Lee Pitts, Centre, Ala.	4/00	17-06	\$1,700
34. Mark Pattinson, Ridgeway, Wis.	5/00	17-04	\$1,700
34. John W. Gardiner, Glastonbury, Conn.	7/00	17-04	\$1,700
36. Scott R. Martin, Clewiston, Fla.	9/00	17-03	\$1,600
37. Mark Lamb, West Palm Beach, Fla.	8/00	16-14	\$1,600
38. Marty Carter, Hamilton, Ala.	5/00	16-09	\$1,600
39. Lewis Lecroy, Ohatchee, Ala.	11/00	16-08	\$1,600
40. Walter Stringer Jr., Tallahassee, Ala.	9/00	16-08	\$1,600
41. Ray Marques, Livingston, Ala.	5/00	16-06	\$1,500
42. Mark Fletcher, Palmetto, Ga.	5/00	16-04	\$1,450
42. Dwayne Horton, Knoxville, Tenn.	11/00	16-04	\$1,450
44. Roger Crafton, Boca Grande, Fla.	8/00	16-03	\$1,400
45. Joe Thomas, Milford, Ohio	7/00	16-02	\$1,400
46. Sandy Melvin, Boca Grande, Fla.	8/00	15-11	\$1,400
47. Frank Sipe, Murfreesboro, Tenn.	9/00	15-08	\$1,400
47. Kevin Wirth, Crestwood, Ky.	5/00	15-08	\$1,400
49. Frank Scalish, Cleveland, Ohio	8/00	15-06	\$1,400
50. Mitch Stevenson, Cincinnati, Ohio	5/00	15-02	\$1,400
51. Mark Menendez, Paducah, Ky.	7/00	14-12	\$1,000
51. Rickie Harp, Cottondale, Ala.	8/00	14-12	\$1,000
53. George Cochran, Hot Springs, Ark.	11/00	14-11	\$1,000
54. Weldon Adkins, Haviland, Ohio	4/00	14-09	\$1,000
54. Mike Surman, Boca Raton, Fla.	8/00	14-09	\$1,000
56. Richard Leibege, Cullman, Ala.	7/00	14-08	
57. Ray Craig, Crooksville, Ohio	9/00	14-04	



Feature: Pikeville College faculty receive fellow awards



GIANTS RAVENS
SUPERBOWL COOKBOOK

You don't have TO EAT CROW

by PAM SHINGLER
LIFESTYLES EDITOR

Come Sunday, the pride of two East Coast cities will meet in Florida to determine who is the No. 1 pro football team.

The New York Giants and the Baltimore Ravens, literary allusions notwithstanding, will duke it out in Tampa, and by day's end, some folks will be eating crow.

But not before they've eaten quite a few other things as well, most of them, you have to hope, more appetizing than foul fowl.

Almost as closely associated with food as Thanksgiving and Christmas, Super Bowl Sunday has become a time of feasting, with family and friends gathered around the TV, eating before, throughout and after the game.

In honor of the occasion, and just in case you're looking for something different to serve your hungry sports fanatics, here are some recipes you might want to try. They vary in preparation time, in complexity and in rib-stickingness, and they've been gathered from a variety of sources.

The goulash is simplicity personified. My mother made it for as long as I can remember. She may have gotten it from the Chef Boy Ar Dee can; I'm not sure, but there are no measurements — you just do it.

The Mulligan stew comes from a friend in Arkansas, again, with few measurements. It is hardy and delicious, but it takes hours to make, so plan ahead if you're thinking of trying it.

The green bean casserole is not the classic version with the canned onions, but it is sinfully rich. Your guests will want to lick the bowl. It came from a former co-worker in Frankfort.

The chili-cheese-egg canapés are super easy, but oh, so good. I got the recipe from dear friends in Pennsylvania who had perpetual open house and fed and entertained everyone in the neighborhood. They also shared the oyster cracker recipe.

Kim Thomas, who used to work at the paper, treated us to the artichoke dip one day and was gracious enough to share the recipe.

The potato cheese balls were among my mother's cache of hastily written recipes. She gathered them from everywhere and stuffed them in drawers, books, magazines, old margarine containers, you name it.

I don't remember where I got the two dessert recipes — Fresh Apple Cake and Brown Sugar Pie — but I've had them for years and they're always a hit. The cake is nothing fancy, just good, filling food. The pie is way too sweet, but to die for. In fact, it always reminds me of one of my late father-in-law's favorite sayings when he was enjoying a fine morsel of food: "If it was any better, I'd have to lie down beside it."

Goulash

- Ground beef
- Can of Chef Boy Ar Dee spaghetti
- Green peppers
- Onions
- Milk

Brown ground beef and sauté diced peppers and onions. Pour in can of spaghetti, and add milk. Heat slowly, stirring often — until it feels right.

Mulligan Stew

1 hen - season with garlic and pepper, boil in water, with diced celery and onion, until you can pick meat off bone. Take out bones. Save juice.

- Rice (boiled)
- Bell pepper, celery and onions, cooked until crisp
- 2 small cans tomato paste
- 2 cans of corn
- 1 large can of tomatoes
- 1 stick of butter

Combine rice, corn, tomatoes and paste, chicken and juices. Later add other ingredients and season. Cook slowly until well seasoned.

Green Bean & Corn Casserole

- 1 can water chestnuts
 - 1 can French cut green beans
 - 8 oz. sour cream
 - 1 package Ritz crackers
 - 1 can shoe peg corn
 - 1 can cream of celery soup
 - 1 stick butter/margarine
- Drain water chestnuts, corn and beans. Mix in casserole pan with soup and sour cream. Crumble crackers on top of mixture. Melt butter and pour evenly over crackers. Bake at 350 for 1 hour.

Chili-Cheese-Egg Canapés

- 6 eggs beaten
 - 1 lb. shredded Cheddar cheese
 - Hot chilies
- Line pan with chilies. Pour mixture of cheese and eggs on top. Bake at 350 for 30 minutes. Cut in squares.

Oyster Crackers

- 1 bag oyster crackers
 - 2 tbsp. dill weed
 - 1 cup cooking oil
 - 1/4 tsp. garlic powder, optional
 - 1 package dry original ranch dressing
- Mix well and let dry before putting in container.

Artichoke Dip

- 1 14-oz. can artichoke hearts, drained and chopped
- 1 cup mayonnaise
- 4 oz. Parmesan cheese, grated (1 cup)
- Dash of garlic powder

(See SUPERBOWL, page four)



■ Pam Shingler

Shingler wins KAC award

Floyd County Times Senior Editor Pam Shingler is one of 20 writers in Kentucky to receive Al Smith Artist Fellowship Awards from the Kentucky Arts Council.

According to the Council, the award selections are based on quality of artists' work and professional commitment. The awards carry a monetary stipend to help the recipients pursue their goals.

The fellowship awards are presented annually, with creative non-fiction writers, writers of fiction, choreographers, interdisciplinary artists, screen and playwrights, poets and musical composers selected in even-numbered years, and visual and media artists selected in odd-numbered years.

Shingler's award was for creative non-fiction.

Shingler is in charge of the Lifestyles, Leisure, Business and School sections of the Times, works with the Newspaper In Education program, and also does some news writing. She writes a column, Postscript, which appears in the Sunday edition of the newspaper.

The awards are named for television personality, journalist and former KAC board chair Al Smith.

The other award winners, by category, include:

- Musical composition: Laurence Bitensky of Lancaster and Raleigh Dailey of Lexington;
- Poetry: Martha Greenwald, Clifford Wiecek, Edmund August, and Frank Walker, all of Louisville, and Carolyn Koo and Davis McCombs, both of Munfordville;
- Creative Non-fiction: Arwen Donahue of Carlisle, Ronni Lundy and Dianne Aprile, both of Louisville, Normandi Ellis of Frankfort;
- Fiction: Christie Hodgen, Kristina McGrath, Ruowei Strange and Kathleen Driskell, all of Louisville; Rebecca Bailey of Morehead, Paul Prather of Mt. Sterling, and Kim Edwards of Lexington.



The hard cold facts

I've always heard that if you ignore a cold, it'll go away in seven days. If you doctor it, it'll be gone in a week's time. Or something like that.

In last Sunday's edition of Parade magazine, in explaining why there had never been a successful vaccine developed for the common cold, Dr. Isadore Rosenfeld reported that it's simply because there are at least 200 different cold viruses.

Perhaps that could very well explain why our ancestors, long before the term "cold and flu season" ever became a popular catch phrase for TV commercials, had such a variety of cures for the cold and cold-related afflictions.

Dr. Rosenfeld stated flatly that there was "no way to cure a cold." But in the dozen or so years that I've been collecting old-time cures and superstitions, I've had some dandy suggestions of ways to at least cope with the misery that a nasty cold brings with it.

Dr. Rosenfeld suggests that to relieve headache, sore throat and general discomfort, we should try acetaminophen (Tylenol) or a mild nonsteroidal, anti-inflammatory drug such as ibuprofen (Advil).

Since old timers had never heard of such things, they eased a sore throat by gargling a mixture of salt and baking soda mixed into a glass of warm water. Sipping a mixture of whiskey, hot water and ginger apparently helped, too.

The old folks must have known a little something because if your throat feels raw, gargling in warm salt water is also one of the things recommended by Dr. Rosenfeld.

For a cough when you have lots of mucus, the doctor recommends guaifenesin. For a dry cough and a persistent tickle in the throat, Rosenfeld suggests you suppress them with dextromethorphan. He didn't list any brand names, so I suppose in order to get what you want, you'll have to spend a while reading labels.

Maybe those ingredients were in the mullein leaves our ancestors boiled and sweetened to make a cough syrup. Or maybe horehound candy and whiskey have medicinal properties. Folks used to dissolve four sticks of horehound in a pint of whiskey to ward off coughs. I would imagine that in some cases, it was a popular cure, even without the candy.

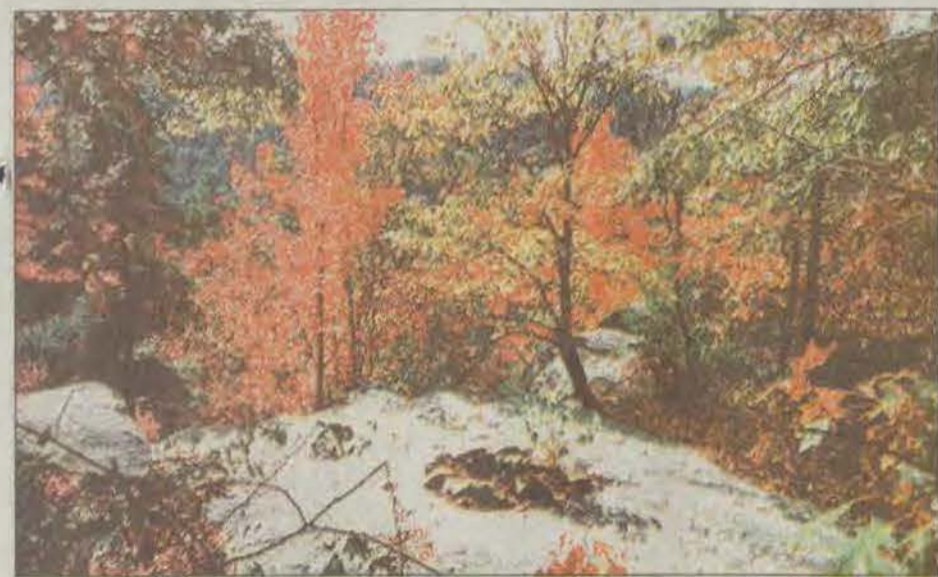
When their babies took the croup, our grandmothers bathed them in groundhog grease or fed them juice from a baked onion. Sometimes, they'd give them a mixture of pokeberry juice and honey. For chest congestion, they'd make a poultice from onions fried in butter and place it on the sufferer's chest.

My mom always gave me a Vick's salve rubdown, followed by her draping a smoking hot towel over me. I'm sure it helped, but to this day, I can't stand Vick's salve.

But what about the most effective cure of all: the 100 percent sure thing to ward off misery from a cold — Granny's big pot of steaming hot chicken soup?

"By all means, take some," writes the doctor, who says that chicken soup contains cytokines, which is an antiviral substance that can neutralize cold viruses.

Do you reckon Granny already knew that?



Photography work on display at PCC

A photography exhibit, "Other Thoughts and Places," by Sheree Colley is on display at the Prestonsburg Community College Art Gallery until February 16.

The Middle Creek resident has been a photographer for more than 20 years, both amateur and professional. In addition to landscapes, she is a portrait photographer and has done numerous weddings and special events.

Her keen eye for detail and composition captures the essence of her subjects, even though she has had no formal training.

Originally from Letcher County, Colley has had her work exhibited at The Artist Attic in Lexington, Hazard Community College, the

Black Gold Festival in Hazard, Mountain Heritage Festival in Whitesburg, and at PCC in 1994.

"Though I have visited many places, I love the mountains and the people," the photographer said.

Colley was a nurse at St. Joseph Hospital in Lexington for several years and is pursuing a master's degree in nursing.

A reception for the artist is planned for January 30, from 5:30 to 8 p.m.

Regular gallery hours are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday through Friday.

For information, call 606/886-3863, ext. 342.

Small World

by AILEEN HALL

A Clock To Treasure

There are a few things in this world that give an individual any more down-to-earth satisfaction than having a time piece that does what it's supposed to do—keep the correct time, and in some cases, alarm when it's supposed to wake someone.

Our household has more than its share of clocks and watches. There are at least four clock radios, two small alarm models and a travel clock. Every appliance we have has its own built-in clock, including the microwave, coffee maker, stove and computer. Each of our cars also has a clock and every season, when the time changes and we have to spring forward or fall back, it takes a few days for us get them all reset.

Of course, my husband and I both have watches. Ever since he gathered up his sweat shirts, socks and

watches to let our daughters and me know he didn't need any more of either, they use Christmas and any other occasion to give him another watch. Some of them have a Mickey Mouse face and others look like they might have come out of a Cracker Jack box, but they would reach from his wrist to his elbows, on both arms, if he chose to wear them all at once.

One of the small alarm clocks loses about five minutes in 24 hours, but all the others do pretty well if we set them right to start with. One of the clock radios, however, is a pure rebel and has created more disturbance than any other item we possess.

The guy bought this appliance after he retired and was spending several months a year salmon fishing on Lake Michigan. Serious fishing demands that you have all the right equipment, whether it be proper tackle or the right size engine for the boat. It also requires you to have a good clock to wake you in the wee hours so you can

be out on the lake about the time fish are waking for the day.

Since waking on time is imperative, as part of his "fishing equipment," he went out and bought a fine clock radio with two alarm systems. He could have music or the buzzing alarm—or even both if he wished. He was living in a travel trailer at a fishing resort camp in Manistee, Michigan, and he proudly set his radio time piece and placed it on a shelf in the living room area. His bed was at the complete opposite end of the living quarters, so he turned the volume high enough for him to hear at a distance. He wanted it to wake him at 5 a.m.



He settled in to sleep, feeling good about the arrangements he'd made. But no sooner had he dropped off to sleep than the radio came on with a "BZZZZZZ!" He ran the length of the trailer, hoping it hadn't wakened the whole camp, only to find it was just midnight.

He tried to remedy the wrong setting and went back to bed, again hoping to wake at 5. But about 1:30, the musical system came on with a loud, "Rock, Rock, Rock, Till Broad Daylight." Again, he went running to turn the thing off, this time unhooking it from the outlet. He found his old alarm clock to use this time and went back to bed.

Eventually he sold the travel trailer and brought his nice clock radio home. It now sits on his night stand, a treasured possession, and he sees it as a challenge. From time to time, he thinks he has figured it out, but he has learned to keep the volume down. When he wakes in the night, he likes to look over and see what time it is. Once he had his back turned to it and asked me to tell him the time.

I did a second glance to be sure, but it read 10:99. He didn't believe me and turned to look for himself. I decided to check another time and saw it was 18:00 o'clock. I couldn't see whether that was a.m. or p.m.

I would put this item in a yard sale, but it's the best entertainment we have.

School happenings

Adams Middle School Youth Services Center

Center is open weekdays, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. or later by appointment. 886-9812.

Allen Central High School

ACHS Band is collecting Pepsi Musical Points, which enable the purchase of instruments. Points are on 12-pack cubes, 20 oz. and liter bottles of Pepsi, Diet Pepsi, Mountain Dew and Diet Mountain Dew. Give to any ACHS band member or mail to Eastern Band Boosters, PO Box 156, Eastern, KY 41622.

Clark Elementary

1-25: SBDM Council regular meeting, 6 p.m., library.

Clark FRC

After school child care, 3-5:30 p.m., school days, openings available.
Nurse in the center on Thursdays. Appointments for sixth grade physicals now being scheduled. 886-0815.

McDowell FRC

Floyd County Health Department nurse is at the Center each Monday to see patients. Call to schedule physical appointment for your 5th grader. Call 377-2678.
A counselor from Mountain Comprehensive Care

is at the center one day a week to see students in need of counseling. Parents are encouraged to stop by the center if they think their child can benefit.

GED classes, free, Mondays, 8 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Instructor, Linda Bailey of The David School.

Child Care, from school dismissal -5 p.m., \$20 per week/child. For possible fee assistance, call East Kentucky Child Care Coalition, 886-1280.

Osborne FRC

1-24: Wolfe Brothers.
1-26: Safety program, K-3.
1-29 & 30: Recycling program.
Lending Library is available to school and community.

Prestonsburg FRC

Center is open weekdays, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. After School Child Care, 3-6 p.m., school days.
Counselor from Mountain Comprehensive Care at center one day a week to see students in need of counseling. Call 886-7088 or stop by.

South Floyd YSC

1-24: AIDS awareness presentations.
1-29: Eating disorders awareness presentations.
Walking track open to public, except during special event. Adult education available. Contact Mable Hall, Keith Smallwood or Misty Dawson, 452-9600 or 9607, ext. 243 or 242.

room temperature. Some examples:

—fats from animal sources such as beef, pork, lamb, and poultry skin;

—fats from whole milk as well as dairy foods made from it, such as butter, cheeses, some yogurts, ice cream;

—tropical oils, such as coconut and palm oils;
—other shortenings and margarines hardened through hydrogenation.

PUFA: Food fats with a high amount of PUFA are liquids or soft products and include:

—soybeans, corn, sesame, sunflower and safflower oils.

MUFA: Food fats with a high amount of MUFA are liquids or soft products and include:

—olive, canola, and peanut oils.

Trans-fatty Acids: Food fats with a high amount of trans-fatty acids include:

—meats (from naturally occurring chemical changes);

—dairy products (from naturally occurring chemical changes);

—hydrogenated oils.

Amount of Fat and Cholesterol

It's important to be aware of the types of fat in your diet, but we also need to watch the amount of total fat as the dietary guideline indicates. Keep total calories from

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FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCES

Heart health—Part 2

Guideline 4: Choose a Diet Low in Fat, Saturated Fat and Cholesterol

Dietary Guideline 4 tells us to have only 30 percent or fewer of our daily calories from fat. Only 10 percent or fewer of those calories should come from saturated fats, 10 percent from polyunsaturated fats, and 10 percent from monounsaturated fats. The recommendations for cholesterol is to take in no more than 300 mg/day from foods.

Saturated Fats

Saturated fats are made of substances including saturated fatty acids (SFA)—hereafter we will refer to saturated fats as SFA). SFA, one of the three types of fat we get from foods, is a type of fat that can raise blood cholesterol, increasing our risk for heart disease.

SFA is found naturally in some foods and also in foods processed by hydrogenation, which hardens the fat and makes it more saturated.

Polyunsaturated Fats

Polyunsaturated fats (PUFA) in general are not harmful to heart health and in fact, can be a positive factor when consumed in moderation.

One type of PUFA in the news is omega-3 fatty acids found in some fish. Although research has not proven that fish oils are needed for heart health, it could be healthy to add fish to your diet—

up to three times a week. Those highest in such PUFA include some salmon, lake trout, Atlantic mackerel, and halibut. It is believed that fish oils may increase blood cholesterol but lower triglycerides. Taking fish oil supplements is not recommended for the general public.

Monounsaturated Fats

Monounsaturated fats (MUFA), like PUFA, are not harmful to heart health when consumed in moderation. Some research suggests that MUFA may be protective against heart disease. This is why the Mediterranean diet, rich in olive oil, may be heart-healthy.

Trans-fatty Acids

Trans-fatty acids are found in animal and plant foods. Recent

research suggests that trans fatty acids may increase the risk for heart disease.

Sources of Fat

Most fats in foods are made of a mixture of SFA, PUFA, and MUFA.

SFA: Food fats that have high amount of SFA are often solid at

fat to 30 percent or less. Keep in mind that each gram of fat, no matter which type, contains 9 calories. This is over twice as much as our other calorie sources; carbohydrates and proteins each provide about 4 calories per gram. Cholesterol in foods comes from animal sources only.

(See **EXTENSION**, page three)

B-Vitamin	Recommended Daily Amount	Food Sources
B6	1.3-1.5 mg	fruits & vegetables grain foods, meats & fish
B12	2.4/mg	dairy foods; meats, poultry & fish
Folic Acid	400 mg	fortified ready-to-eat cereal; dark green leafy vegetables; liver; legumes; citrus fruit

Our Yesterdays

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

Ten Years Ago (January 23 & 25, 1991)

While the world's attention focuses with anger at Iraq's reported treatment of allied prisoners of war, a Floyd County soldier stationed in Saudi Arabia reported Tuesday that Iraqi prisoners are finding a remarkably different approach to captivity on the U.S. side of the battle line... The constitutionality of an ordinance aimed at regulating hazardous medical waste burned at a local incinerator has been challenged in federal court by Medisin Inc... Testimony is expected to begin today, Wednesday, in Johnson Circuit Court in the trial of a Van Lear man charged with the May, 1990, murder of a Prestonsburg teen-ager... A group of Floyd County residents, expressing concern that a new high school will not appear on the horizon of their children and grandchildren, will hold an organization meeting Thursday... Betsy Layne Volunteer Fire Department has the highest insurance rating for a volunteer department in Kentucky. The fire department recently received a Class 4-rating; most fire departments strive for a Class 6 or 5... "A homey atmosphere, a place to feel comfortable" will be the major attractions of Adult Day Care Center soon to be located at Archer Park, said Patsy Evans, director of the center... Former Kentucky State Police trooper Jerome Martin has filed an appeal of his dismissal in Franklin Circuit Court. Martin was fired earlier this month on sexual misconduct charges... A 20-year-old Floyd County man was charged with first degree robbery for an incident allegedly involving the theft of two pizzas... A state legislative committee has recommended that Agriculture Commissioner Ward "Butch" Burnette face impeachment... A television crew from ABC's Good Morning America program was in Paintsville Thursday to tape a candlelight vigil supporting U.S. troops in the Middle East... An early Friday morning fire resulted in major smoke and water damage to the home of Buford Stone of Wayland... There died: Verlie Daniels Ward, 72, of McDowell, Monday, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Rhoda Moore Napier, 80, of Garrett, died Saturday, January 19, at the Riverview Manor Nursing Home, Prestonsburg; Otellia Estep, 67, of Columbus, Ohio, formerly of Drift, died Thursday, at Riverside Hospital in Columbus; Ethel Elliott, 53, of Bevinville, died Sunday, at McDowell ARH; Elaine "Bud" Stude Howard, 67, of Martin, died Saturday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Edna Tackett Hall, 71, of Craynor, died Friday, at St. Joseph Hospital; Vannie Sexton, 76, of Martin, Monday, at HRMC; James Adam Click, 39, of Martin, Thursday, at his home; Garfield Castle, 88, of Harold, Sunday, at the Jenkins Hospital; Lora Layne, 77, of Dema, died Monday, at the Shelby Memorial Hospital; Blake Roger Meadows Jr., 47, of David, Thursday, at HRMC; Florence Salyers Woods Bussey, 74, of Allen, died Thursday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Thornie Steve Daniels, 91, of Ashland, formerly of Louisa, died Monday, Jan. 21, at his home; Woodrow Whitaker, 78, of State Road Fork, Prestonsburg, died Tuesday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Frank Bailey, 67, of San Antonio, Texas, died January 15 at his home; Kermit Dean Castle, 48, of Shelby, Ohio, formerly of Hueysville, died Wednesday, at Mansfield General Hospital; Eva Robinson, 67, of Langley, Wednesday, at HRMC.

Twenty Years Ago (January 28, 1981)

Two girls were fortunate to escape serious injury Friday night when their car was struck by a train at a crossing on the Lancer-Water Gap road, near its junction with old U.S. 23. Patty Adkins, 17, of Grethel and Carolyn Hall, 12, of Galveston, were in the Ford Mustang when it was struck by the train... Floyd Countians joined in the nation's sense of relief and Thanksgiving when news was finally confirmed last week that American hostages, after 444 days of captivity in Iran, were coming home. As they had all across the

country, yellow ribbons became the symbol here of hope and, finally, of homecoming... The Ten Commandments posted in Floyd County schools will soon come down, Superintendent of Schools E.P. Grigsby Jr. said Monday. The action will be the result of an opinion by Attorney General Steven Beshear interpreting the U.S. Supreme Court decision which held the posting of the decalogue in the schools to be unconstitutional. Supt. Grigsby said he will recommend to the board of education at its Feb. 4 meeting that the privately financed plaques be removed... Following a state audit of its claim for federal disaster relief in the wake of the April 1977 flood, Prestonsburg is said to owe the federal government \$33,062 in disallowed expenses of one \$25,123 claim for road repairs, \$15,115 was disallowed. It was the cost incurred in paving Mays Branch, a section undamaged by the flood. Also disallowed was \$6,908 of a claim for \$7,456 for replacing a damaged waterline, said by auditors to have been not only replaced but also relocated. There died: Martin Vance Boyd, Thursday at the Highlands Regional Medical Center; Hester Martin, 89, of Garrett, Thursday at the McDowell Appalachian Hospital; Mary Alice Lawson, 55, of Honaker, died last Wednesday at Mountain Manor Nursing Home, Pikeville; Sola Blackburn, of East Point, Wednesday, January 14 at HRMC; Parthena Gayheart, 75, of McDowell, Sunday at the McDowell ARH; Marie Short Hall, 55, last Friday at her home at Wheelwright; Rev. Moses Adkins, 50, of Banner, Friday at the Methodist Hospital in Pikeville; Willard Horn, 66, native of this county, Friday, January 16 at his home in Paintsville.

Thirty Years Ago (January 28, 1971)

Striking employees of the Island Creek Coal Company at Wheelwright, Price and Spurlock returned to work at 12:01 Monday morning and thereby evaded what might have been heavy fines for contempt of court... Completion of Prestonsburg's third low-rent housing complex has been delayed by four to five months because of financial difficulties encountered by the low bidder on the project, and now it appears the work will not be finished before May... Representatives of the Big Sandy Community Action Program and the Floyd County Comprehensive Health Services Program were told in Washington last week by the Office of Economic Opportunity that the pilot health program will be funded for the period, Nov. 1, 1970 through July 31, this year, but that the funds so promised—approximately \$800,000—will not arrive immediately... Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Aaron DeRossett, of Allen, a daughter, Aaronda Kay, Jan. 5 at the Methodist Hospital, Pikeville; to Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Green, of Orkney, a daughter, Jan. 15; to Mr. and Mrs. Town Hall, of Craynor, a son, Jan. 15; to Mr. and Mrs. William C. Estep, of Auxier, a son, William Samuel, Jan. 17 at Prestonsburg General Hospital; to Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Thompson, a daughter, Alisha Renee, Jan. 21 at Portsmouth, O.; to Mr. and Mrs. Sammy Ealey Jr., of Warsaw, Ind., a daughter, Michelle Lee, Jan. 18... There died: Virgie McCombs Davidson, 78, formerly of Prestonsburg, Friday at Pikeville; Thelma Wright, 57, Sunday at her home at Hi Hat; Pearl Akers, 68, formerly of this section, last Thursday in Ravenna, O.; Gladys Flannery Sole, 61, Floyd native, Saturday at Clearwater, Fla.; Harrison Hunley, 81, of Betsy Layne, last Thursday here; Samuel L. Wells, 77, former city councilman here, last Wednesday; Leroy Combs, 60, formerly of Prestonsburg, last Wednesday in Dallas, Texas; Clyde Howell, 49, formerly of Estill, last Tuesday at his home in Anderson, Ind.; Sondra Lynn Adkins, 5, of Printer, last Tuesday; Verdie Mae Kidd, 50, of Grethel, last Wednesday at Pikeville; Myrtle McKinney, 88, of Harold, Friday at Pikeville; Isabel "Sis" Brown, 96, of McDowell, last Thursday in Chillicothe, O.; Dora B. Gibson, 74, of David, last Thursday at Martin; Charles L. "Buck" Osborne, 56, of Martin, last Tuesday there.

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Stewart-May

Mr. and Mrs. Revella Dean Stewart of Jacksonville, Florida, announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Jodi-Marie, and Derek Lamar May, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lamar May Jr., of Dallas, Georgia, a suburb of Atlanta. The couple plan to be married on February 24, 2001, at the Fort Caroline Methodist Church in Jacksonville. After a honeymoon in the Great Smoky Mountains, they will reside in Mableton, an Atlanta suburb. The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Revella Stewart of Minnie, and Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Frazier of Live Oak, Florida, formerly of Floyd County.

Yesterdays

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Forty Years Ago (January 26, 1961)

Cooperation is the keynote as Floyd Countians begin combining their efforts to win the location in the county of a two-year college... A double share of surplus foods to the needy was one of the first directives made by President Kennedy following his inauguration, and later new Labor Secretary Goldberg announced he favors some quick federal aid to the unemployed who now exceed 5,500,000... The Federal Housing Administration last week authorized financing of as many as five units of low-cost private housing at Martin to help rehouse families displaced by the urban renewal project which is ready to be started there... The Floyd County Education Council Advisory Committee at its first official meeting Tuesday evening voted to confer with the board of education and key school administrative personnel on problems facing the school heads... The Winston Ford Company of Prestonsburg is low bidder on grade drain and bituminous surface of 2.86 miles of the Dewey Lake road from Goble Branch to Stratton Branch, the State Highway Department announced last week. Its bid was \$220,368.30... There died: William Winston Ford, 50, prominent Prestonsburg contractor, Tuesday in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.; William Guy Biggers, 60, of Prestonsburg, former State Representative from the 96th district, last Thursday here; Billy Howell, 29, of Bonanza, Jan. 18 here; Queen Shepherd Arnett, 90, Tuesday at West Prestonsburg; Willard Hamilton, 78, Saturday at his home at Harold; Martha Ellen Kidd, 80, of Harold, last Thursday; Goldie I. Hall, 34, formerly of Martin, Sunday at Danville, Virginia.

Fifty Years Ago (January 25, 1951)

The U.S. Corps of Engineers this week repeated to Congressman Carl D. Perkins its decision not to approve canalization of the Big Sandy River... The move for an added five feet of water hit another snag this week when the United Fuel Company wrote County Attorney W. W. Burchett reconstruction required for five miles of pipe line if the lake is deepened would cost \$100,000... Born: To Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Hignite, of Prestonsburg, Jan. 19, a daughter, Barbara Waine... Married: Mary Ellen Brummett and Charles William Hanger, Dec. 30, at Wheelwright... There died: Mattie Mosley, 31, Jan. 18 at Drift; Maude Turner, 51, Friday at Eastern; Alex Smiley, 83, Tuesday at Dana; Phenie Hall, 30, Monday at Melvin; Mary Hamilton McKinney, 71, Monday at her home on Little Mud Creek; Seymour Sammons, 80, last Wednesday at his home on Arkansas Creek; Emmitt Stanley, 20, at Garrett.

Sixty Years Ago (January 23, 1941)

Reed Brothers — B.F. and C.D. — announced Wednesday that the Turner Elkhorn Coal Co. would open a new mine at Drift by Feb. 1... Deputy Sheriff Fred E. Damron, former Floyd County magistrate, was shot and killed in a Martin restaurant Monday morning... The paintings of Reba Mayo, local artist, are featured in The Times this week... Forty-seven Floyd County youths left this week for C.C.C. camps. The WPA has begun work on building a road on the Left Fork of Middle Creek to future mining operations on Lick Fork... Marvin Music opened a new service station Saturday on the Mayo Trail at Richmond street... Jerry Ward also has opened a dry-cleaning plant here... There died: Minnie Adkins Sturgill, 50, last Wednesday at Harold; Rose Ranier Stephens, 23, Tuesday at the Paintsville Hospital; Mrs. Andy Hamilton, 65, of Galveston, Jan. 11 at Esco, Pike County; H.P. Gearheart, 57, Floyd native, in Oklahoma City, Okla. last week; Sarah Caudill, sister of Sherman May, of Prestonsburg, Jan. 7 at her Staffordsville home.

ATLA Consumer

Civil rights and small print

by **FREDERICK M. BARON & PENNY GOLD**

Did you ever worry about the "small print" you see in the agreements you sign? If you haven't paid much attention before, you might want to begin to now.

Why? More and more legal documents—from credit card agreements to telephone bills to employment contracts—include clauses that force people to sign away their constitutional rights to a jury trial.

When these clauses (called mandatory arbitration provisions) are placed in employment agreements, they obligate workers to argue cases before private arbitrators that would ordinarily be heard in court. These private arbiters are usually picked by the employers, and are not bound to follow civil law.

The power of these private regulators of disputes is at the center of a case the U.S. Supreme Court is now considering.

The question facing the Court is this: do workers have the right to go to court to address employment grievances, or can their employment contracts force them to give up the right to a hearing before a jury of their peers in favor of a review by an arbitration com-

pany? This is the question the plaintiff in the case, St. Clair Adams, would like answered.

When Mr. Adams was hired as a computer salesman at a California Circuit City store, the company insisted that he agree to a mandatory arbitration provision as a condition to his employment. The clause stated that, in the event that he had a legal complaint with the store, he could not have his dispute heard in court.

After experiencing repeated harassment (and complaining to his supervisor and store manager to no avail) Mr. Adams quit his job. He then took his case to court.

But a jury of his peers never heard his story. The court decided that his employment contract's mandatory arbitration clause preempted his right to a jury trial.

However, further appeals have landed the hotly disputed case in front of the land's highest court.

Supporters of Circuit City's position say that arbitration is a better way for businesses to resolve disputes because it saves on the cost of settling employment-related problems and keeps all parties from having to deal with the sometimes complicated requirements of the courts. But those who don't agree say

that employee rights are too important to be given away for efficiency's sake. In addition, since many employees have no choice about signing away their rights—they either sign the mandatory arbitration provisions in their employment contracts or they won't get the job—the clauses are fundamentally unfair.

And worse, they say, since some mandatory arbitration provisions force employees to pay for the services of the companies that arbitrate disputes, less affluent employees are left vulnerable to having their rights violated by employers who know their workers can't afford to have their problems addressed in arbitration.

Who will win the case? It's impossible to tell. The one thing known is that this is one U.S. Supreme Court decision that will affect millions of America's families far into the future, no matter what the outcome.

For more health and safety information and tips, visit ATLA's "Keep Our Families Safe" web site at <http://familysafety.atla.org>.

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Extension

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Additionally, it is produced by our bodies. Since we cannot control what the body makes, we should limit our dietary intake of cholesterol to no more than 300 mg.

Food sources of cholesterol are animal foods:

- meats, poultry, shellfish;
- whole milk as well as dairy foods made from it, such as butter, cheeses, some yogurts, ice cream;
- egg yolks.

Guideline: No. 3: Choose a Diet with Plenty of Grain Products, Vegetables & Fruits

Dietary Guideline 3 focuses on fiber in our diets. Dietary fiber, the part of plant foods we cannot digest, is found largely in fruits, vegetables, dried beans and peas, and whole grain foods. There are two types of fiber in foods, soluble and insoluble.

Soluble fiber can contribute to heart health by lowering blood cholesterol. These fibers include pectin (found in oranges, bananas, carrots, apples); gum (found in oats); soy fiber and others found in oats, dried beans, and peas.

Insoluble fiber does not lower cholesterol, but helps the body in other ways, such as in good bowel function. It is found in wheat products such as breads and cereals, wheat bran, and vegetables such as beets, carrots, cabbage, cauliflower and apple skins.

Healthy adults need 20-35 grams of total fiber a day, with at least 30 percent (6-10 grams) from soluble fiber. Most Americans only consume half this much.

Vitamins

Following the Dietary Guidelines, including eating a variety of foods, can provide most vitamins and minerals needed.

B-Vitamins: Specific vitamins related to heart health include some B-vitamins. Vitamins B6, B12, and folic acid may play a role in preventing heart disease by keeping levels of homocysteine (an amino acid in the body) at the right level.

Although all seven of these are important, we will focus on numbers 3 and 4. Here's a quick look at the others:

All of us should follow Guideline 1 by eating a varied diet which enables us to get enough vitamins, minerals, proteins, fatty acids, and carbohydrates.

Guideline 2 is important, since being overweight can be a risk factor for CHD. Lack of physical activity can lead to CHD by contributing to the occurrence of conditions such as obesity, diabetes and high blood pressure.

Guideline 5 tells us to be moderate in sugar intake. Too much sugar contributes to elevated triglycerides in the blood.

Guideline 6 tells us to be moderate in sodium use, which may help certain people to control high blood pressure.

Guideline 7 suggests that a small amount of alcohol may be a positive factor in that it may raise the levels of HDL, the good cholesterol. However, drinking more than a drink or so a day can be a

negative factor by raising blood pressure and damaging heart muscle.

Antioxidants: Research suggests there is a relationship of antioxidant vitamins to heart disease. Vitamins C, E and carotene (a form of vitamin A) help prevent the oxidation of lipoproteins. This oxidation contributes to CHD.

One should attempt to get these vitamins through the diet if possible. Food sources of vitamins A and C mainly are from the vegetables and fruits. Vitamin E is found in many foods and is especially high in milk and unsaturated vegetable oils.

Choosing Heart-Healthy Foods

Reading Labels can help you shop wisely for heart-healthy foods. Food labels provide several types of information, including several discussed in this article: Total Fat (SFA, PUFA, MUFA); Cholesterol; Dietary Fiber, including soluble fiber; and Vitamins B6, B12, and Folic Acid; Vitamins A, C, E.

Look for foods:

- lower in total fat
- lower in cholesterol
- higher in dietary fiber
- higher in soluble fiber
- higher in vitamins B6, B12, and folic acid

Using the Food Guide Pyramid: Follow the Food Guide Pyramid for planning meals and snacks, grocery shopping, and preparing foods.

■ In the tip, use fewer fats; choose oils & soft margarines.

■ In dairy and meat, make lean & low-fat choices. Choose dried beans often.

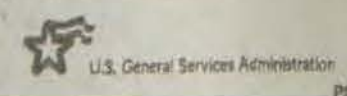
■ In vegetables and fruits, try to get Five-A-Day, especially citrus fruits & green leafy vegetables.

■ In the base, look for foods rich in soluble fiber; folic acid and other B-vitamins.

For more information contact Theresa M. Scott, Agent for Family and Consumer Sciences, Floyd County Extension Service, 606/886-2668.

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Birthdays

Osborne is 77

Joseph Osborne of Bevsinsville recently celebrated his 77th birthday with a dinner prepared by his daughters Janet O. Pack and Donna Jo Conway, at the home of Janet and Ervin Pack of Mt. Washington.

Among those attending were four grandchildren, Tim Hughes, David Hughes, Blake Conway and Kaelyn Conway; a niece, Ruby Joyce Osborne, and a nephew, Alvin Osborne.

The birthday celebrant was in Louisville for a checkup by his heart doctor.

While there, his wife, Maxine Osborne, visited her sister, Susan Akers at St. Matthew's Manor Nursing Home. She is formerly of Floyd County.



Is one

Nicholas McDonald, son of Ted and Stephanie McDonald of Abbott, celebrated his first birthday on November 25, 2000, at his home, with his family. He is the grandson of Jeff and Mary McDonald of Town Branch, and of Calvin and Ann Sizemore of Martin. He is the great-grandson of Helena Nelson of Cow Creek and the late Ted Nelson, and of Merle and Deanna May of Martin. He is the great-great-grandson of Halme Warrix of Cow Creek and the late Theodore Warrix and Dean R. Merritt of Emma and the late Wilma Merritt.

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Preheat oven to 350. Combine all ingredients and pour into ungreased 1-1/2 quart casserole. Bake 35 to 40 minutes or until golden brown and bubbly. Serve with corn chips or crackers.

- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1 tsp. soda
- 1 tsp. cinnamon
- 2 tsp. vanilla

Sift dry ingredients except cinnamon. Stir in cinnamon, mix apples and nuts with 1/2 the flour. Mix oil and eggs together and add dry ingredients. Then add nuts and apples. Bake at 350 for 1 hour, 15 minutes. Cool in pan.

Potato Cheese Balls

Add dash of salt and pepper and 1/2 cup grated cheese to 2 cups mashed potatoes. Beat one egg and add 1 tbsp milk to egg. Form potatoes into ball and roll them in egg and milk mixture and then in bread crumbs. Bake on greased baking sheet at 450 until brown.

Brown Sugar Pie

- 2 baked (8-in) pie shells
 - 1 lb. brown sugar
 - 4 eggs
 - 1/3 cup milk
 - 2 tbsp. butter, melted
 - 1 tsp. vanilla
- Beat eggs and sugar together. Add milk, vanilla and butter. Pour into unbaked pie shell. Bake in a 350 oven, 45 minutes. Makes 2 pies.

Fresh Apple Cake

- 3 cups plain flour
- 3 cups diced apples
- 2 cups white sugar
- 1 cup chopped nuts
- 4 eggs
- 1-1/4 cups oil

Tips for planning a great family reunion

(NUE) - Getting the entire family together in one place may seem harder than ever these days. Children move away for college and careers, leaving the older generations longing for the good old days when families spent their whole lives in the town.

One sure-fire cure for those empty nest blues is the family reunion. Not only are you gathering your brood for a party, but you are also celebrating the family heritage and ensuring its legacy.

Planning a family reunion is not as daunting a task as you might imagine. With just a little planning and some help from some kin, your family reunion will become the holiday you'll bring everyone home for. The planning experts at Registrars.com offer these tips for making your reunion a success.

■ **Start early.** Begin planning six to 12 months in advance to work out all the details. Encourage people to attend by creating invitations and mailing them out early enough to give everyone plenty of notice. Save time and money by following up with relatives by e-mail whenever possible.

■ **Be consistent.** Keep attendance up by scheduling your family reunion for the same weekend and at the same location every year. At the close of your reunion, have a family member volunteer to host the next one and begin planning the date and costs for each family soon thereafter. This way, relatives who must pick their vacation time early can plan it.

■ **Timing.** Organize the reunion for the spring or summer since people tend to have more vacation time then and the weather is warmer.

■ **Use the Web.** Create a Web site so that family members can learn all about the reunion weekend. After the reunion, have everyone post photos, feedback and recap of the weekend on it. To ensure your site will be an informative source of news, register your site with Registrars.com. With Registrars.com, you are guaranteed exclusive use of your desired domain name for the low-price of \$35 a year or \$60 for two years.

■ **Involve everyone.** Family reunions are for all generations, so be sure to plan activities in which everyone can participate. Give the children an assignment, such as passing out tickets for door prizes or helping with the guest registry. Have the older generation construct the family tree.

■ **Breaking the ice.** Seeing long lost family members for the first time can be nerve racking, but there are activities to help everyone get to know each other. Pair up family members from different generations and have them ask each other questions and then tell the group what they learned. Or, bring old photographs and have everyone try to guess when and where each photo was taken.

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Budget Food

It is possible to eat healthy on a budget

by BONNIE ROBERTS ERICKSON
RADFORD UNIVERSITY

Today's consumer has three words they carry with them to the supermarket: fast, instant and inexpensive. Unfortunately, this sometimes leaves no room for nutrition. This is not a good trade-off, with research showing there is a nutritional component directly linked to seven of the 10 leading causes of death in the United States.

Whether we like to admit it or not, it does cost a bit more to eat well. But, according to Radford University Foods and Nutrition instructor Mary Jean Miller, it is possible to eat healthy and still keep grocery bills from skyrocketing.

Ask Miller if it's possible to shop on a budget and eat healthy and she instantly replies, "Absolutely! I do it myself."

It just takes some planning and time. Simply thinking your shopping through can make a world of difference, says Miller. "Some consumers will say 'I don't have time to shop nutritionally.' Most Americans watch 30 hours of television a week. There certainly can be time for smart shopping if you make the time," she says.

Miller says it is important to plan your weekly menus, carry a grocery list and calculator, shop regularly, avoid impulse buying, always take advantage of coupons and in-store specials and "don't ever shop when you are hungry."

Buying at the lower end of the food chain is the least expensive means of shopping, according to Miller. "Take for example legumes, dried beans and peas. They have a lot of protein and are not expensive. They're also high in fiber, low in fat," she notes.

Meats are always the "high dollar" end of the trip to the grocery store. Buy meats that are on sale and freeze them in the same size serving containers that your family would use for a meal. "A butcher can cut beef different ways to help you prepare several different meals."

The smart shopper will always be looking for a good bargain at the store. "That's one of the reasons you need to make time to shop and think your shopping through. Focus on what is on sale and what you need and don't need." Miller suggests stocking up when a sale comes along, especially when

there's a sale on frozen vegetables or the 100 percent fruit juice concentrates. "Always pull the sale flyers out of the newspapers and grab the special sale papers inside the store before you start shopping."

If your family is on a limited budget, the first thing to eliminate from your shopping list is soft drinks. "They just have a taste we get use to. We'd all be better off, of course, just drinking water."

When buying cereals, remember that sugared cereals sometimes cost more and often times are not as healthy as those with less or no sugar. Miller believes the generic brand of cereals are just as good as the brand names. Consider cereals like toasted oats, corn flakes and puffed rice.

Try to include fresh produce in your shopping. It does cost a little more to buy fresh fruits and vegetables but the difference in price can be worth it. "As much as possible, buy within season for better prices. If you are looking for the most nutrition for your dollar, these are an excellent source of vitamins, minerals and dietary fiber."

Miller also gives these helpful pointers:

■ **Less is best.** Foods with the least amount of processing are the best. If you can pluck it, pick it or grow, it's usually a bargain both nutritionally and economically. Families who use Food Stamps can benefit greatly from the "less is best" theory. "Use more grain-based dishes instead of meat. A stir-fry with just a little meat or a casserole with just a small amount of meat is good for dinner. Simple home-prepared meals cost less."

■ **Make a list before you go to**

the store and stick to it. Consumers who shop without a list are more likely to buy things they do not need.

■ **Need a snack?** Hot-air popcorn is inexpensive, high in fiber and low in calories. "Yes, the microwave popcorn is tastier but you can buy a hot-air popping machine for under \$15 and get 15 years of use out of it and still be eating healthy." Miller also recommends trail mix as a snack. "It can be raisins, peanuts, dried cereal, and pretzels."

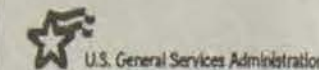
■ **Remember the calculator and don't be ashamed to use it.** If you're on a tight budget, you'll want to know what the total is before you get to the checkout line. Calculators could save a red-face and money, too.

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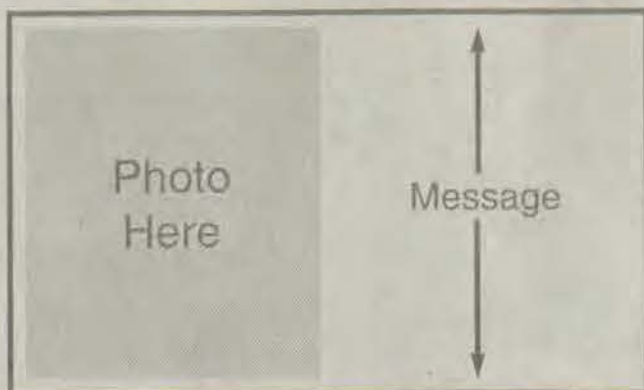
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Pikeville College faculty receive fellow awards



Dr. John A. Strosnider, left, and Dr. Michael K. Murphy have been named members of the Conclave of Fellows of the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians (ACOF). Twenty-one members of the ACOFP were honored in November for their distinguished service to the osteopathic profession, and their scholastic achievements during the American Osteopathic Association's 105th Scientific Seminar in Orlando.

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ACOF is the national organization of Osteopathic Family Physicians. As the largest college affiliated with the American Osteopathic Association (AOA), its membership is from every state and every branch of the Armed Forces in the United States and other allied governmental fields.

Each new fellow must be sponsored by an existing fellow, write a scientific paper suitable for publication, be certified by the ACOFP and maintain the highest standards in continuing medical education.

The ACOFP represents 18,000 osteopathic family physicians, residents, interns and students, but less than five percent achieve the rank of fellow.

Dr. Strosnider was presented his fellowship hood from close friend and sponsor Dr. Phillip Accardo, an AOA Trustee. Dr. Murphy received his hood from his close friend and sponsor Dr. James Zini of Mountain View, Arkansas, and the AOA president-elect.

Dr. Strosnider is a 1975 graduate of the Kansas City College of Osteopathic Medicine. He did his internship at Lake Side Hospital in the Kansas City area and worked as a family physician for 18 years. In 1989 he accepted a position as associate dean for clinical sciences at the University of Health Sciences where he remained until 1996.

He also served as president and trustee of the Missouri Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons. He is the vice president and dean for the Pikeville College School of Osteopathic Medicine (PCSOM). He is also a member of the board of trustees of the American Osteopathic Association, on the Governing Board of Pikeville Methodist Hospital and a member of the Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure.

Dr. Strosnider's scientific paper was entitled "A-OPTIC: A New Vision for Medicine in the Mountains." It described the formation and establishment of the Pikeville College School of Osteopathic Medicine's osteopathic postdoctoral training consortium, which was designed to provide internships and residencies for graduates of PCSOM and other osteopathic colleges.

This is the third of three strategic goals for PCSOM, to recruit, train and retain the highest quality osteopathic physicians for eastern Kentucky and the Appalachians.

Dr. Murphy is a 1973 graduate of the Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine. He was

commissioned in the US Navy in 1970 and did his family practice internship and residency at the Naval Hospital, Camp Pendleton, California.

In 1998 he retired from the Navy as a captain in the Medical Corps after serving nearly 30 years as a family physician, clinical professor, administrator, commanding officer and instructor.

Dr. Murphy was dean of the College of Osteopathic Medicine at Des Moines University, prior to accepting the position of executive director for the Appalachian Osteopathic Postgraduate Training Institute Consortium (A-OPTIC) and director of medical education for the Pikeville Methodist Hospital Family Practice Residency.

Additionally, he was a charter

member of the Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons, where he served as president and trustee. He also served on the AOA Board of Trustees for eight years and is a trustee of the Kentucky Osteopathic Medical Association.

Dr. Murphy's scientific paper, "Osteopathic Medical Training Road Map for the Future," was awarded special recognition as an outstanding work. The paper described the selection process for recruitment of medical students with the greatest likelihood of pursuing careers in primary care and how the osteopathic model exemplifies that process.

Drs. Strosnider and Murphy join Dr. William Betz, PCSOM's assistant dean for clinical sciences and chairman of the family practice department, as family practice faculty who have received their ACOFP Fellowship. Dr. Betz received his fellowship in 1999.

Area people appointed

Gov. Paul Patton has appointed three area women to state committees.

Kimberly May-Downey of Pikeville has been reappointed to the Commission for Children with Special Health Care Needs. Her term will expire on December 20, 2004.

Jean Marie Dorton of Paintsville and Patty F. Wallace of Louisa have been appointed to membership on the Environmental Quality Commission.

Dorton, who is on the staff of Prestonsburg Community College, replaces C.V. Bennett III, whose term has expired. Dorton's term expires January 1, 2004. Wallace was reappointed, for a term expiring January 1, 2005.

Deskins joins First Commonwealth Bank



Timothy Deskins

Greg Wilson, president and CEO, has announced that Timothy D. Deskins has joined First Commonwealth Bank as senior vice president/senior lending officer.

Deskins has 22 years of experience in bank management and commercial lending. He has held several positions in banking, including community president and CEO at Matewan Bank, FSB, in Pikeville and most recently chairman of the Kentucky Advisory Board and vice president, city executive for BB&T in Pikeville.

He is also active in community affairs, including his service on the board of directors at the Pikeville Area YMCA.

He was graduated from the University of Kentucky where he earned a Bachelor of Science in business and economics and from Prestonsburg Community College

where he earned an associate's degree. He is also a graduate of the Kentucky School of Banking and Commonwealth School of Insurance.

Deskins has completed numerous continuing education courses, including courses in commercial loans to small business, analyzing financial statements, extraordinary sales leadership, proactive relationship banking, and new business development techniques.

"First Commonwealth Bank is very excited to have Tim join our team," Wilson said. "Tim's exceptional professional background, extensive experience in the Pike County, eastern Kentucky market and his desire to return to a community banking environment position him for success within our market and organization."

Deskins said he is "very happy to be at First Commonwealth Bank and look forward to continuing old business relationships and developing new opportunities." He can be reached at 606/886-2321, ext. 291, or toll free at 1-877-886-6777.

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Chamber Notes

Big Sandy Women's Business Symposium

by REGINA BECKNELL
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
FLOYD COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The Floyd County Chamber of Commerce, Floyd County Cooperative Extension Service, Morehead State University Small Business Development Center, PCC/Rural Community College Initiative and WINGS (Women's Initiative Networking Groups) invite you to come and be a part of the second annual Big Sandy Women's Business Symposium.

Whether you are a homemaker, career woman, entrepreneur or educator, we have speakers who will provide information to our area women.

The symposium date is Thursday, February 22, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., in May Lodge at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park, Prestonsburg. The cost is \$15, which includes lunch.

Registration forms will be coming to Chamber members, but going by the Chamber or calling 606/886-0364 or 606/432-5848 can get you additional forms.

Register for a day filled with interesting speakers, outstanding area women, great food, door prizes and informative displays. The symposium will feature display space, so if you are interested in having a display, please contact the Chamber.

Speakers include:

- Brad Humphrey, noted psychologist and speaker: "Renewing Your Spirit"
 - Theresa Scott, Floyd County Cooperative Extension Service: "Balancing Family & Work"
 - Carol Hatfield, Kentucky Small Business Administration: "Loans for Women in Small Business"
 - Successful Entrepreneur Stories: Ruth Cox, AAA Real Estate Services Inc. and Marilyn Halbert, Mertz Home Super Center
 - Jamie Salyer, Family Bank: "Loans"
 - The Floyd County Chamber of Commerce looks forward to seeing you at this exciting event centered on area women.
 - The Floyd County Chamber of Commerce reminds you to mark your calendar for these upcoming Events:
 - January 31 — Leadership Challenge at Betsy Layne, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.)
 - February 5 — Executive Committee Meeting, 11 a.m., Jenny Wiley State Resort Park
 - February 5 — Membership Meeting, noon, Jenny Wiley State Resort Park; Guest speaker: Tom Jones with East Kentucky Corp., sharing the video released by Gov. Paul Patton on economic development in eastern Kentucky.
 - February 5 — Awards/Nominations/Membership Committee Meeting, 1 p.m., Jenny Wiley State Resort Park.
 - February 12 — Education Committee Meeting, 2:30 p.m., Cooperative Extension Office.
 - February 22 — Big Sandy Women's Business Symposium, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., May Lodge, Jenny Wiley State Resort Park
 - February 28 — US 23 Tourism Meeting, 1 p.m., Ramada Inn, Paintsville.
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BUSINESS professions

After-tax income and fixed income investments

Submitted by J.R. BLACKBURN

Millions of Americans file tax returns every year. Should you ever find yourself in the unfortunate position of owing a significant amount of money to federal or state tax authorities, it will be an experience you'll not soon forget—and one you'll want very much to avoid repeating.

To that end, now might be an opportune time to ask your tax advisor about the many advantages of fixed-income investments. More specifically, ask if tax-exempt municipal bonds are right for you.

For many investors the higher numerical yields of taxable fixed income investments, such as corporate bonds, certificates of deposit and U.S. Government bonds, often overshadow their significantly lower after-tax yields. With so

many choices available today, let's choose a hypothetical example—a taxable fixed income investment—and examine its after-tax yield.

Our example starts with an offering of high-grade corporate bonds in the amount of \$100,000, assuming a rating of "AA", a coupon of 6.70% and a price of par (\$1,000).

Participating investors in the 36% federal and 5% state income tax brackets (an effective combined tax rate of 39.20%) would realize a pre-tax income of \$6,700 on their investment. However, their after-tax income would only amount to \$4,073.60—the \$2,626.40 difference represents taxes paid to federal and state tax authorities. The formula used to arrive at this lower after-tax figure is a simple one:

Income Earned times the Effective Combined Tax Rate equals Taxes to be Paid [\$6,700

(39.20%)=\$2,626.40. \$6,700 - \$2,626.40 = \$4,073.60]

When trying to create an investment portfolio that's right for you, consider the advantages of tax-free municipal bonds.

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J.R. Blackburn is associate vice president of Morgan Stanley Dean Witter in Pikeville, 606/432-5888.

Memo

Local attorneys cited

Several local people were recognized in the most recent edition of the newsletter for Volunteer Lawyers for Appalachian Kentucky (VLAK), for their acceptance of pro bono cases between January 2 and November 30, 2000. Floyd County attorneys include Craig Davis, John Chafin, Dan Rowland, Gerald DeRossett, Tim Parker, Ralph Stevens, Jerry Patton, Ronnie Slone, Frank Heaberlin, John Howard, Jay Callis and Sheridan Martin.

Former local manager promoted at Brandeis

Chuck Mueller, former manager of the Stanville branch of Brandeis, has been promoted to vice president—regional sales manager for Bramco LLC, Brandeis' parent company. Mueller joined the company in 1974 and was appointed to head the local operation in 1989. In May 1998, he was promoted to corporate coal sales manager. Brandeis distributes construction and mining equipment. The Stanville office is one of five in Kentucky.

BB&T tops in NC

BB&T was recently named Bank of the Year by the North Carolina IOLTA (Interest on Lawyers Trust Accounts) for its commitment to the state's IOLTA program, which helps pay for legal services for the poor.

Criteria for the award included total number of IOLTA accounts opened, average net interest earned per account, and average net interest paid to the program.

Akers to lead Center for School Safety

A veteran educator with 30 years' experience at the classroom and school administration levels has been selected to become director of Kentucky's Center for School Safety.

Jon Akers of Lexington has been chosen for the post by the Center for School Safety's Board of Directors. Kentucky's Principal of the Year in 1998, Akers will assume his new duties on February 5. He succeeds Lois Adams-Rodgers, who returned to the state Department of Education last February as deputy commissioner.

Artisan Center director named

Victoria Faoro, former executive director of the American Quilt Museum in Paducah, has been picked to head the Kentucky Artisans Gateway Center, to be built near Berea. Faoro's appointment was announced by Ann Latta, Secretary of the state's Tourism Development Cabinet. The \$8 million center is expected to be completed in 2003.

Cardiologist joins PMH staff

A physician specializing in interventional cardiology who is board certified in three specialties has joined the staff of Pikeville Methodist Hospital.

Edgar J. Massabni, M.D., completed a fellowship in interventional cardiology at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital in Philadelphia, which was chosen by U.S. News & World Report as the best hospital in Philadelphia for cardiology/cardiothoracic surgery. Thomas Jefferson cardiologists have been among the nation's pioneers in interventional cardiology.

Dr. Massabni is experienced in performing interventional cardiology procedures. Angioplasty uses a balloon to open blockages inside the coronary arteries. Rotational atherectomy uses a device that rotates inside the artery to pulverize plaque. Coronary stents are implants used to permanently open blocked arteries.

Dr. Massabni also performs peripheral interventional procedures that open blocked vessels in the legs, arms, neck, and kidneys. He implanted the first renal stent in this area on a patient at Pikeville Methodist Hospital on December 19.

While at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital, Dr. Massabni was involved in several research projects involving intercoronary stents. He studied the body's reaction to the stent and the renarrowing of the artery that happens with 15 percent to 20 percent of patients with stents. He presented his findings to a

meeting of the American College of Cardiology held in California in March 2000.

He was also a clinical investigator in a study that involved 12,000 patients in medical centers around the nation and world. This study looked at new techniques to reduce the incidence of the renarrowing of the arteries called restenosis. He also studied radiation therapy that can be delivered inside the artery at the time the stent is deployed to prevent and treat restenosis, and new medications that modify the body's response to the injury that happens with the placement of the stent.



Edgar J. Massabni

Dr. Massabni is also a contributing author to a recently published book titled "Prevention and Management of Thrombosis in Primary Care," edited by John Spandorfer, Barbara A. Konkle and Geno J. Merli, and published by Arnold Publishing, England.

He completed a residency in internal medicine and a fellowship in cardiology, and then went on to complete a separate accredited interventional fellowship at Thomas Jefferson. He is board certified in cardiovascular diseases, nuclear cardiology, and internal medicine. He is a member of the American College of Physicians and the American College of Cardiology.

Dr. Massabni's office is located at The Grace Call Building on South Mayo Trail in Pikeville. He can be reached at 606/432-3524.

Emmy winner joins Newschannel 36

WTVQ Newschannel 36 has signed local newsmen John Wesley Brett as a Weekend Anchor/Reporter. Brett joined the Newschannel 36 team on January 10.

"John Wesley Brett brings us two decades of experience—a ton of it right here in the Bluegrass," said Newschannel 36 News Director David Foky. "John knows the community and the community knows him. It's a coup to bring him into our newsroom. He will have immediate impact on the air."

Brett will contribute to Newschannel 36 daily news coverage throughout the week and will join Michelle Rauch as co-director of Newschannel 36 Weekend Edition.

Since 1995, Brett has been an investigative reporter and weekend

anchor for WLEX-TV. Before moving to Lexington, Brett served as anchor and executive producer for WPTF/WDRG-TV in Raleigh, North Carolina.

Throughout his 25-year career as a broadcast journalist, Brett has earned a number of honors, including a 1999 Emmy nomination and a 1998 Emmy Award for Investigative Reporting. He also earned the 1998 Reporter of the Year Award from the Kentucky Associated Press, and a 1987 George Foster Peabody Award.



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Independent Auditor's Report
We have audited the accompanying statement of receipts, disbursements, and excess fees of the County Clerk of Floyd County, Kentucky, for the period April 16, 1999 through December 31, 1999. This financial statement is the responsibility of the County Clerk. Our opinion is to express an opinion on this financial statement based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and the Audit Guide for County Fee Officials issued by the Auditor of Public Accounts, Commonwealth of Kentucky. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statement is

free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As described in Note 1, the County Clerk's office is required to prepare the financial statement on a prescribed basis of accounting that demonstrates compliance with the cash basis and laws of Kentucky, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles. This cash basis system does not require the maintenance of a general fixed asset group or general longterm debt group of accounts. Accordingly, the accompanying financial statement is not intended to present financial position and results of operations in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. In our opinion, the financial statement referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the receipts, disbursements, and excess fees of the County Clerk for the year the period April 16, 1999 through December 31, 1999, in conformity with the basis of accounting described above.

Based on the results of our audit, we have presented the accompanying comments and recommendations, included herein, which discusses the following areas of noncompliance:
• The Clerk Should Publish His Annual Financial Statement
• The County Clerk Should Prepare Monthly Bank Reconciliations On A Timely Basis
In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued a report dated July 25, 2000, on our consideration of the County Clerk's compliance with certain laws and regulations and internal control over financial reporting. Respectfully submitted,

Edward B. Hatch
Auditor of Public Accounts

Audit fieldwork completed - July 25, 2000
The above transmittal letter accompanied the audit report presented to the fiscal court. KRS 43.090(2) requires that this letter be published in this newspaper. Copies of the complete audit report, including the accompanying financial statements and additional information, are available in the reports section of the Auditor of Public Accounts' website at www.kyauditor.net or upon request by contacting the Auditor of Public Accounts, 144 Capitol Annex, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON HOUSING AUTHORITY COMPREHENSIVE AGENCY PLAN
The Housing Authority of Martin is developing its Agency Plan in compliance

with the Quality Housing and for review and comment at the following location:

Grigsby Heights 110 R. Griffith Drive #1101 Martin, KY 41649

The Authority's office hours are 9 a.m. to Noon and 1 p.m.

to 5 p.m.. In addition, a public hearing will be held on Friday, February 2, 2001, at the Grigsby Heights Community Room, 110 R. Griffith Drive #1101, Martin, KY 41649. Anyone requiring assistance for sight or hearing impaired individuals may contact the

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CITY OF WHEELWRIGHT
COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE — BUDGET AND ACTUAL FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2000

	Budget	Actual	Over (Under) Budget
REVENUE			
Intergovernmental Revenue	\$11,447	\$12,509	\$1,062
Miscellaneous	2,828	2,106	(722)
Total Revenues	\$14,273	\$14,615	\$342
EXPENDITURES			
Streets	13,606	13,627	21
Total Expenditures	13,606	13,627	21
Excess revenue over (under) expenditures	667	988	321
Fund Balances — July 1, 1999	17,722	5,780	-
Fund Balances — June 30, 2000	\$18,389	\$6,768	\$321
REVENUE			
Taxes	\$66,957	\$63,116	(\$3,841)
Licenses and Permits	2,050	26,695	24,645
Intergovernmental Revenue	20,332	24,326	3,994
Other Revenues	26,440	\$9,970	(\$16,470)
Total Revenues	\$115,779	124,107	8,328
EXPENDITURES			
General Government	54,418	56,312	1,894
Police	31,582	31,365	(217)
Fire	7,276	7,268	(8)
Streets	-0-	-0-	-0-
Total Expenditures	\$93,276	\$94,945	\$1,669
Excess revenue over (under) expenditures	22,503	29,162	6,659
Fund Balances - July 1, 1999	15,201	(15,599)	(398)
Fund Balances - June 30, 2000	\$37,704	\$13,561	\$6,261

*Rounding of (\$2) included

CITY OF WHEELWRIGHT
COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE — ALL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2000

	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund
REVENUE		
Taxes	\$63,116	\$-0-
Licenses and Permits	\$26,695	-0-
Intergovernmental Revenue	24,326	12,509
Other Revenues	9,970	2,106
Total Revenues	24,107	14,615
EXPENDITURES		
General Government	56,312	-0-
Police	31,365	-0-
Fire	7,268	-0-
Streets	-0-	13,627
Total Expenditures	94,945	13,627
Excess revenue over (under) expenditures	29,162	988
Rounding	(2)	-0-
Fund Balances - July 1, 1999	(15,599)	5,780
Fund Balances - June 30, 2000	\$13,561	\$6,768

CITY OF WHEELWRIGHT
COMBINED BALANCE SHEET — ALL FUND TYPES AS OF JUNE 30, 2000

	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund
ASSETS		
Cash - Unrestricted	\$34,901	\$4,497
Cash - Restricted	1,294	-0-
TOTAL ASSETS	\$36,195	\$4,497
LIABILITY AND EQUITY		
Accounts Payable	-0-	-0-
Note Payable	3,300	-0-
Due to Utility Commission	18,040	-0-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	21,340	-0-
FUND EQUITY		
Fund Balance - Restricted	1,294	4,487
Fund Balance - Unrestricted	13,561	-0-
TOTAL FUND EQUITY	14,855	4,487
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	\$36,195	\$4,487

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application Number 836-5399 In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Levisa Fork Mining Company, 544 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653 (606)-874-2330, has applied for a permit for an underground coal mining operation located 0.7 miles south of McDowell in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 19.00 surface acres, and will underlie 271.00 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 290.00 acres.

The proposed operation is approximately 0.5 miles east of McDowell; is 0.55 miles east of KY 680's junction with the KY 122, and is located 0.1 miles south of Hall's Fork.

The proposed operation is located on the McDowell U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Loretta Sue Newsome, and The Elk Horn Coal Corporation. The mineral is owned by The Elk Horn Coal Corporation, and the operation will underlie land owned by Loretta Sue Newman, David Aker, Martha Newsome, estate, Dorthy Bently, and Lee Tackett.

The surface mining application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Ky., 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, Frankfort, Ky. 40601.

This is the final advertisement of this application; all comments, objections or requests for a permit conference must be received within thirty days of today's date.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to KRS 231.040, application for a permit to operate a place of entertainment, has been made by Cecilia Buelis of P.O. Box 176, Drift, KY 41649. The name of the proposed business of entertainment is AMJ Grocery. The nature of the business will be Games, Arcade, Pool Table and Pinball Machines. Pursuant to KRS 231.070, the Floyd County Attorney shall investigate whether the application lacks good moral character, or whether the appli-

cant will obey the laws of the commonwealth in the operation of the business, or whether the applicant, within the last two (2) years prior to the date of filing the application has been convicted in Kentucky of maintaining a public nuisance. Pursuant to KRS 231.080 any person desiring to oppose the permits shall file with the County Clerk no later than February 15, 2001, in writing, allegations that show cause as to why the application shall not be granted. Said written information shall be signed, dated and reflect the current address of said person providing the information.

Pursuant to KRS 231.080, a hearing has been scheduled for February 15, 2001, at the hour of 2:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as same can be heard before the Floyd County Judge/Executive at the Floyd County Justice Center, 2nd Floor in Prestonsburg, Kentucky. The Floyd County Judge/Executive shall hear evidence in support of or in opposition to the granting of the permit.

Hon. Keith Bartley
Floyd County Attorney

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Huntington District, by this Notice of Availability (NOA), advises the public that the Draft Supplemental Environmental Assessment and Draft Finding of No Significant Impact (DFONSI) for the Dam Safety Assurance Project Dewey Lake, Big Sandy River Basin, Floyd County, Kentucky, is complete and available for public review.

In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and 40 CFR 1501.4, the DSEA and DFONSI must be made available to the public in the affected area for thirty (30) days for review and comment. Final determination regarding the need for additional NEPA documentation will be made after the public review period, which begins, on or about December 27, 2000. Copies of the documents may be viewed at the following locations:

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Van Lear, Kentucky
- Kentucky Department of Transportation District Office
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- Floyd County Public

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Prestonsburg, Kentucky
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Ms. Lucile V. Mullins
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Sealed bids will be received by the Department of Highways in the Division of Contract Procurement and/or the Auditorium located on the 1st Floor of the State Office Building, Frankfort, Kentucky, until 10:00 a.m., EASTERN DAYLIGHT TIME on the 16th day of FEBRUARY, 2001, at which time bids will be publicly opened and read for the improvement of:

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Specimen proposals for all projects will be available to all interested parties at a cost of \$10 each (NON-REFUNDABLE). Specimen proposals cannot be used for bidding.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Jenny Wiley Pioneer Festival Committee will be meeting the first Monday of each month at 5 p.m. This meeting will be held at Prestonsburg City Hall.

This meeting is open to the public. Next meeting is the 5th.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Jenny Wiley Pioneer Festival Committee will meet the 5th day of February, at 5 p.m., at City Hall for all new members. Anyone wishing to become a part of the festival and/or serve on a committee or you have an event or ideal—please come.

Anyone wishing to be chairman of an event must be present.

The following chairmen must be present:
Car Show Chairman
Beauty Pageant Chairman
Arts, Craft Chairman

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NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS OF PRESTONSBURG CITY'S UTILITIES COMMISSION

Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission strives to provide reliable gas, water, and sewer services to our customers at reasonable rates. Our costs of gas supply, operational and maintenance costs have increased, as they have for all natural gas systems, making a gas rate increase necessary. Fortunately, the new rates will still be less than the rates of many of our area's other gas systems. The new gas rates will be reflected in our customers' bills that will be mailed at the end of January, 2001.

The new rates effective for retail gas service are as follows:

	Inside City	Outside City
0-1 MCF Minimum	\$7.24	\$9.58
Over 1 MCF	\$6.73 per MCF	\$7.39 per MCF

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