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Left Beaver Fire and Rescue holds bike-a-thon

Left Beaver Fire and Rescue Squad's EMS division is celebrating National Emergency Services Week this week, with the observance culminating this weekend. On Saturday, Left Beaver Fire and Rescue will host an emergency services show and bike-a-thon at the Minnie Ballpark. The event is open to children in two groups, ages 3 to 6 and 7 to 12.

The event will promote bike safety by encouraging the use of helmets. Participants who pre-register for the event will receive a free bike helmet, while supplies last. There is no need to pre-register, but walk-ins will not be guaranteed a helmet.

First prize is a bicycle for a boy and girl in each age group. Second prize is a \$20 gift certificate from Wal-Mart, and third prize is a collection of bike accessories.

Local fire departments and law enforcement agencies will be on hand with rescue vehicles for the public to view, and the

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High: 66 • Low: 55

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High: 68 • Low: 50

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photo by Ralph B. Davis

A proposal to widen University Drive in Prestonsburg to three lanes would impact several businesses along the route. Now the state is locked in a condemnation lawsuit with the landowners.

State files condemnation suit against businesses

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

A lawsuit filed in Floyd Circuit Court May 11 has several business owners in Prestonsburg concerned about the Transportation Cabinet's plans to alter University Drive.

The suit makes clear the cabinet's plans to seek condemnation of property along Route 1428 as part of an upgrade of the road. The state currently plans to widen University Drive to three lanes.

Corporations involved within the suit and representing the businesses, which include Hardee's restaurant, Marathon gas station and Nordin Eye Center, have not been able to come to an agreement for purchase of the land the cabinet is seeking to condemn, according to the May 11 suit.

Within the suit, three areas are described in detailed plans that were taken from the final specifications of the proposed project.

These areas cover a total space of 1,528 square feet.

Manager for the proposed project, Charles Reichenbach of the state Department of Highways, said on Thursday that the project served more than one purpose.

"The project is an improvement of the highway and for safety purposes," said Reichenbach.

The project would convert University Drive into a three-lane highway with a center turning lane and would stretch the entire length of the road, Reichenbach said.

According to Reichenbach, in addition to improvements, the project should relieve some of the traffic currently in front of Prestonsburg High School.

"It will be a curb-and-gutter project," Reichenbach said. "It other words, it will improve the drainage where it gets muddy so we certainly know that it will improve that aspect."

Reichenbach said the project

will include a five-foot-wide sidewalk on each side of the new three-lane highway and will also provide roadway lighting.

The project would serve to move the intersection at University Drive and Route 321 away from the high school and would relocate into a vacant lot next to Nordin Eye Center, but the high school will have a private entrance to prevent unneeded through traffic.

"We've been buying right of way," Reichenbach said. "I think every property owner effected has been made an offer and a lot of property owners have already signed deeds. There are 28 parcels of right-of-way and we've already signed over half of those so we hope to have the right-of-way clear by August."

The effects Reichenbach mention would be in the form of a temporary easement so the state can

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2001 Relay for Life at PCC tallies funds for cancer research

Special to The Times

Hundreds of people gathered at the Prestonsburg Community College Walking Track on Friday, May 18, to take part in a 12-hour, overnight event to raise funds for the American Cancer Society and the continued search for a cure for the disease.

Several businesses and community groups gathered under tents armed with grills, snacks and sleeping bags in preparation for a night of activity, memories, and hope.

Opening ceremonies began at 7 p.m. Friday with the recognition of 60 cancer survivors by Prestonsburg Mayor Jerry Fannin. The survivors received a special t-shirt sponsored by Highlands Regional Medical Center and a cancer survivor medallion provided by the American Cancer

Society.

At approximately 7:20 p.m., the survivors walked the ceremonial first lap around the track and the Relay was officially underway.

Several activities took place throughout the course of the evening to include such things as a tricycle race, hula-hoop contest and a "womanless" beauty contest.

Between activities, entertainment was provided by Norm Marcum and Mindy Thompson of WQHY-FM with some technical support from WXXZ - FM. Other entertainment was provided by several local vocalists and by the Dance Etc. Pee Wee Elite dance team.

Although a great deal of fun and exciting activities took place at the Relay, there was one moment in the evening that defined the entire event.

At 10 p.m. hundreds of lumina-

ries were lit around the track. On the front of each bag, a name was inscribed either in honor of a person currently fighting cancer or in memory of someone who had died of the disease.

Greg Wilson and Leigh Ann Maynard, chair and co-chair of the event, both of whom work at First Commonwealth Bank, along with Harrison Horne of Highlands Regional Medical Center, read each of the names as the candles were lit. Only one walker from each team circled the track in silence as the crowd grew quiet and the event's purpose became real to the onlookers.

Shortly after 1 a.m., Wilson read the event totals to an elated crowd. Floyd County raised \$58,261.91 for the American Cancer Society and beat the previous

(See **RELAY**, page three)

Carolina man charged with raping cousin

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

A North Carolina man was arrested in Hi Hat on May 15 after an investigation by Kentucky State Police Detective Mike Goble concluded he had allegedly raped his 16-year-old cousin.

According to documents in Floyd District Court filed on May 22, James Marcus Mullins, 21, an unemployed man from Lenoire, N.C., has a long arrest record from that state which includes several offenses for which he has been incarcerated.

Mullins' last arrest, which occurred in North Carolina, was on January 13 when he was arrested and charged with armed robbery. Mullins was found guilty of this charge after a February deposition and a finding of guilty being handed over to a superior court in North Carolina.

The most recent incident found Mullins arrested once again, only this time it wasn't breaking and entry, or shoplifting or even armed robbery, which make up a good portion of his previous charges. This time the charge was that of rape, a felony

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Hearing on cruelty case delayed

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

A pretrial conference that had been scheduled this past Monday for Jason Brewer, the Ohio horse trainer charged in April with second-degree cruelty to animals in connection with the death of harness racing horse Dark Skies at Thunder Ridge raceway, has been rescheduled according to an order filed Monday in the Floyd District Court Clerk's office.

The charges against Brewer allege he beat the horse and did not provide it with adequate water while training the horse in July at Thunder Ridge.

The order to continue a pre-trial conference on the matter, signed by District Judge Eric D. Hall, explained that the conference was rescheduled because Brewer's attorney in the case, Rep. Greg Stumbo, was to be out of town Monday and unable to attend the proceedings.

Stumbo was on hand Monday to attend the grand opening and ribbon cutting ceremonies of Prestonsburg's new StoneCrest golf course, accompanied by U.S. Rep. Hal Rogers and Prestonsburg Mayor Jerry Fannin along with others

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photo by Angela Judd

Unsuspecting drivers who visited Wal-Mart on Saturday came out of the store to find that their cars had been moved from their parking spots as a result of a unusual fender bender which occurred while they were shopping. According to Officer Danny Martin of the Prestonsburg Police, the female driver of a 1999 Cadillac, who was parked in the Wal-Mart parking lot, said that she mistakenly thought the car was in reverse when she pushed the acceleration pedal. The driver told Martin that the throttle had stuck, sending her car crashing into the car in front of her and leading to a "domino" effect in which a total of five unoccupied cars were damaged. No injuries were reported in the accident. Martin said only two cars were substantially damaged.

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Summer solstice workshop lets local teachers measure the earth

Local teachers will measure the diameter of the earth from Prestonsburg, learn to keep track of NASA's mission to Saturn, and take home a meteorite kit for their school during a free Summer Solstice Astronomy Workshop. Everything from Comets to Meteorites on June 21, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Prestonsburg Community College.

The sessions will be held in Room 111 of the Campbell Science Building on the college's Prestonsburg campus. It is open to fifth- through ninth-grade science teachers. Admittance, programs and all materials are free.

The workshop is sponsored by the East Kentucky Center for Science, Mathematics & Technology (EKCSMT) in Prestonsburg and the Jet Propulsion Laboratory's (JPL) Solar System Educators Program of NASA.

Instructors are Raymond Shubinski, EKCSMT science director and astronomer, and



Ray Shubinski, director of the East Kentucky Center for Science, Mathematics & Technology.

Eric Thomas, science consultant for the state Department of Education's Region 7 Service Center and one of 100 educators nationally who is trained to conduct the Jet Propulsion Lab's Solar System Educator Program outreach activities. Thomas is also one of 15 Cassini-Huygens

Educator Fellows providing educational outreach for the Jet Propulsion Lab's Mission to Saturn and Titan.

Thomas promises that no participant will be bored. The workshop will showcase current NASA/JPL missions to explore the solar system, provide teachers with content related information about comets, meteors and asteroids, and provide resources for use in the classroom.

Teachers participating in the workshop will learn about NASA, Cassini, Stardust, and Deep Impact missions and be engaged in hands-on activities that they can use in the classroom. They will also study meteorites first hand with Center Director Raymond Shubinski utilizing real samples

from the Science Center's meteorite collection.

Representatives of each school participating will receive a meteorite kit containing pieces from some of those same meteorites. One of the world's foremost meteorite experts and collectors, Robert Haag, is preparing the kits, which are valued at around \$300. The kits will contain a study guide and the following meteorite pieces:

- Allende — a sample of unique carbonaceous chondrite that fell in Mexico in 1969. Besides carbon compounds, it contains small, round "chondrules" that have calcium-aluminum molecules that are older than the earth. To hold a sample of Allende is literally to hold stardust.

- A slice of stony meteorite with metal grains and some weathering. At least 90 percent of all meteorites that hit the earth are stony in nature. Only a few are ever recovered because they are so hard to tell from common terrestrial rock. The slice in the kit is from a witnessed fall and was picked up shortly after impact.

- Iron meteorite from the Russian Sikhote-Ahline fall of 1947. Many people in far eastern Siberia saw this meteorite hit the earth in a forest. It exploded on impact and looks like shrapnel.

- A cut, sliced and etched piece of iron meteorite from the Gibeon Africa discovery. When Europeans first arrived in this part of Africa in the early 19th century, they found the local

people using tools made of meteorite iron. The natives had picked up the meteorite on the desert plains of Namibia.

In addition to the meteorite session, the daylong workshop will feature programs on:

- Measure the earth from Prestonsburg. Teachers can become part of a worldwide project that blends science, math and geography. This event is a modern day re-creation of an experiment first done more than 2,200 years ago by an ancient Greek astronomer, Eratosthenes, who was the first to accurately determine the circumference of the earth.
- Cassini Mission. The

spacecraft Cassini is on its way to the planet Saturn, and teachers learn to use NASA's Internet site to help students keep up with the ship's progress.

- Stardust. This NASA spacecraft is soaring through space collecting particles from comets and other objects. Teachers pick up new information to share with their students about what's in outer space and how it came to be there.

Seating at the workshop is limited. Advance registration is required for this free workshop. Registration deadline is June 18 and may be made by calling the East Kentucky Center for Science, Mathematics & Technology at 889-0303 or, toll free, at 877-889-0303.

Rape

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that now finds Mullins held on a \$50,000 cash bond at the Floyd County Detention Center following a referral to the grand jury.

A temporary order of caution was issued to the victim by the Floyd County Sheriff's office prior to Mullins' arrest stating certain conditions.

One condition was that

Mullins was ordered to have no contact with the girl and also not to commit further acts of violence and abuse.

Included in the caution was that Mullins was believed to be armed and dangerous.

Mullins remains in the Floyd County Detention Center pending a court hearing.



Mountain Christian Academy, located at Martin, is the recipient of a \$50,000 grant from the Farris Foundation of Lawrenceville, Ga. The Farris Foundation Inc. is a socially-responsible private operating foundation that actively supports various charitable, religious and community projects and/or ministries. Dr. Parker Miller, dean of MCA, is presented the check by Tim Farris, left, and Otis Jones, right, Executive Director of the Farris Foundation. Mountain Christian Academy is a private non-denominational Christian school enrolling pre-school through eighth grade students.

THOUGHT WE'D FORGET?



Happy Birthday Theresa!
From the staff

Bike

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Floyd County Sheriff's Office's DARE Bear will be available. Kentucky State Police will also participate by offering a children's fingerprinting service.

Sponsors of the event include Wal-Mart of Prestonsburg and Pikeville, Magic Mart of Pikeville, Big Lots of

Prestonsburg, Pepsi, Mountain Bike Shop of Prestonsburg, Kaldworld Inc., Western Auto, Kentucky State Police, the Floyd County Sheriff's Office, UK Aeromedical Services (who will be on hand, weather permitting), Scott Gross and Coca-Cola.

Lawsuit

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clean the proposed drain should the occasion present itself. The effects have given rise to some concerns, Reichenbach said, but modifications have been made to accommodate those concerns.

Reichenbach said that once right-of-way is gained, he hopes to begin moving in equipment to begin the project and estimates it should get underway by March 2002.

The project would have a tentative completion date for the fall of 2003, Reichenbach said.

In their suit, the cabinet also includes a summons for each of the land owners and lessees to appear and defend the conditions of the suit within a 20-day period, asking that information be provided as to why the state has no right to condemn the property in question.

"I think one thing the project has the potential for is making Prestonsburg look better," said Reichenbach. "Or at least make that section of road look better, and it should increase the property value on that road."

Brewer

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involved in the course opening. Stumbo, who was asked to represent Brewer by Dark Skies owner Harla Renea Conn, filed a motion to dismiss the charges brought against Brewer in early April of this year, saying that the investiga-

tor who signed the affidavit for the charges, Ken Anthony of Standardbred Investigative Services, did not have personal knowledge of the incident and was therefore not acting under state authority. Stumbo contended this proved Anthony's charges to be "insufficient and illegal," according to his motion to dismiss, filed April 1 in Floyd District Court.

In rebuttal to Stumbo's request, Assistant Floyd County Attorney Dwight S. Marshall filed a response which stated the motion to dismiss was not supported by statutory law or case law and further stated that Anthony, acting under Kentucky law, did not need to have personal knowledge to request the issue of a criminal summons or warrant.

The pre-trial conference has now been ordered to be continued and will take place on June 18.

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Relay

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us record by more than \$14,000 as well as last year's total by more than \$24,000. "The Relay was truly a community event with all areas of the county represented," Wilson said. "We are so thankful to the people of Floyd County, our team members and our corporate sponsors for their respective efforts in making this event such a success."

Awards were given to several businesses and individuals for their fundraising efforts. Many of the awards were separated by only a few dollars and in some cases by only a few cents.

Our Lady of the Way Hospital took home the traveling plaque for the team which raised the most money, \$6,759, beating Highlands Regional Medical Center by a mere \$20 in donations.

R & S Truck Body took home the prize for the corporate team raising the most funds per person at \$221.86 and beating First Commonwealth Bank by only 31 cents in donations.

Prestonsburg Community College received the award for the community team raising the most funds per person.

Rhoda Franklin from Jenny Wiley Resort State Park was recognized as the individual raising the most money for the 2001 Relay for Life. Rhoda raised \$1,106 for the event and had been recognized earlier in the evening as a cancer survivor.

The award for the best decorated campsite also went to Jenny Wiley State Resort Park who constructed an early settle-

ment on the PCC grounds complete with a teepee, several Native American costumes, and some 17th century style dresses borrowed from the Jenny Wiley Amphitheater.

Participating teams included: R & S Truck Body, First Commonwealth Bank, Appalachian Research and Defense, Our Lady of the Way Hospital, City of Prestonsburg, WXXZ Radio, Wal-Mart, Firststar Bank, Citizens National Bank, Big Sandy Community Action, Country Boy Farm Supply, Prestonsburg High School,

Action Petroleum, St. Martha's Church, Prestonsburg Community College, Jenny Wiley State Park, Highlands Regional Medical Center, BB&T Bank, Lambuth Realty, Respond Ambulance, World Wide Equipment, WQHY-FM, and McDowell ARH Hospital.

Corporate sponsors included Highlands Regional Medical Center, Action Petroleum, Wal-Mart, and WQHY-FM. Other companies making donations to the 2001 Relay for Life included East Equipment Company, which provided the flatbed truck

used as a stage for the events, as well as McDonald's, which provided breakfast for the teams and walkers at 6 a.m. Saturday.

Committee members of the 2001 Relay were Greg Wilson, Leigh Ann Maynard and Virginia Campbell of First Commonwealth Bank; Norm Marcum of WQHY-FM; Brenda Felty, Tish Lafferty and Charlotte Endicott of Highlands Regional Medical Center; Cindy Hackworth of Wal-Mart; and Paula Chandler, Brenda Risner and Jo Keathley of Citizens National Bank.



Teams of walkers raised record amounts of money in the Annual Relay for Life held last weekend.

Child Abuse — A Matter of Fact
When can a child be left alone?

by PETER O. SAMPLES
STATE CHAIRMAN

When a child may be left alone is the most often asked question and the most difficult to answer about child care.

Like most questions concerning the family, there is no one response. When determining the appropriateness of a child's being left alone, there are many factors to consider.

A primary factor, of course, is the child's age, the time of day, the child's maturity level, the length of time the child will be left alone, the child's proximity and accessibility to trusted adults, and the child's knowledge of safety techniques.

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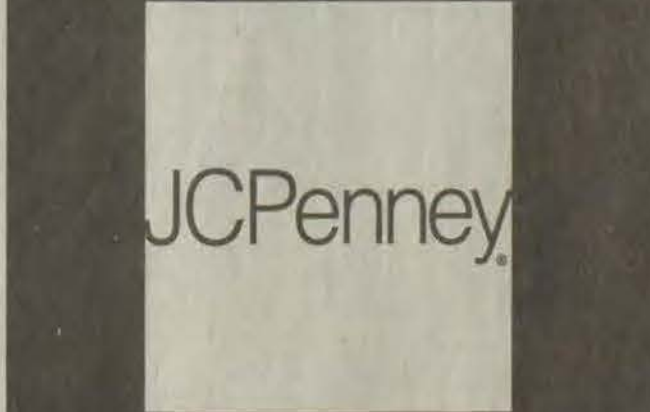
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Viewpoint

Worth Repeating ...

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now and then, but the
strings remain forever.*

— June Masters Bacher

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Guest View

Hypocrisy and arrogance

An unsavory alliance of human rights abusers and fair-weather friends has booted the United States off the United Nations Human Rights Commission. The natural reaction of many Americans is anger at such monumental hypocrisy. But beyond anger, the vote is an occasion to reflect on how the United States is viewed by the rest of the world.

First the anger: How can China, Sudan, Cuba, Libya and Syria take their seats in Geneva, while they victimize their own citizens at home? China condones forced labor, forced abortions and religious oppression. Sudan enslaves Africans, including old people and children.

Cuba locks up its dissidents. Libya long sponsored international terrorism. Syria's president regularly spews out anti-Semitic comments about Israel.

Not surprisingly, China and Cuba helped orchestrate the vote to remove their main accuser from the commission. The pot is screaming at the kettle.

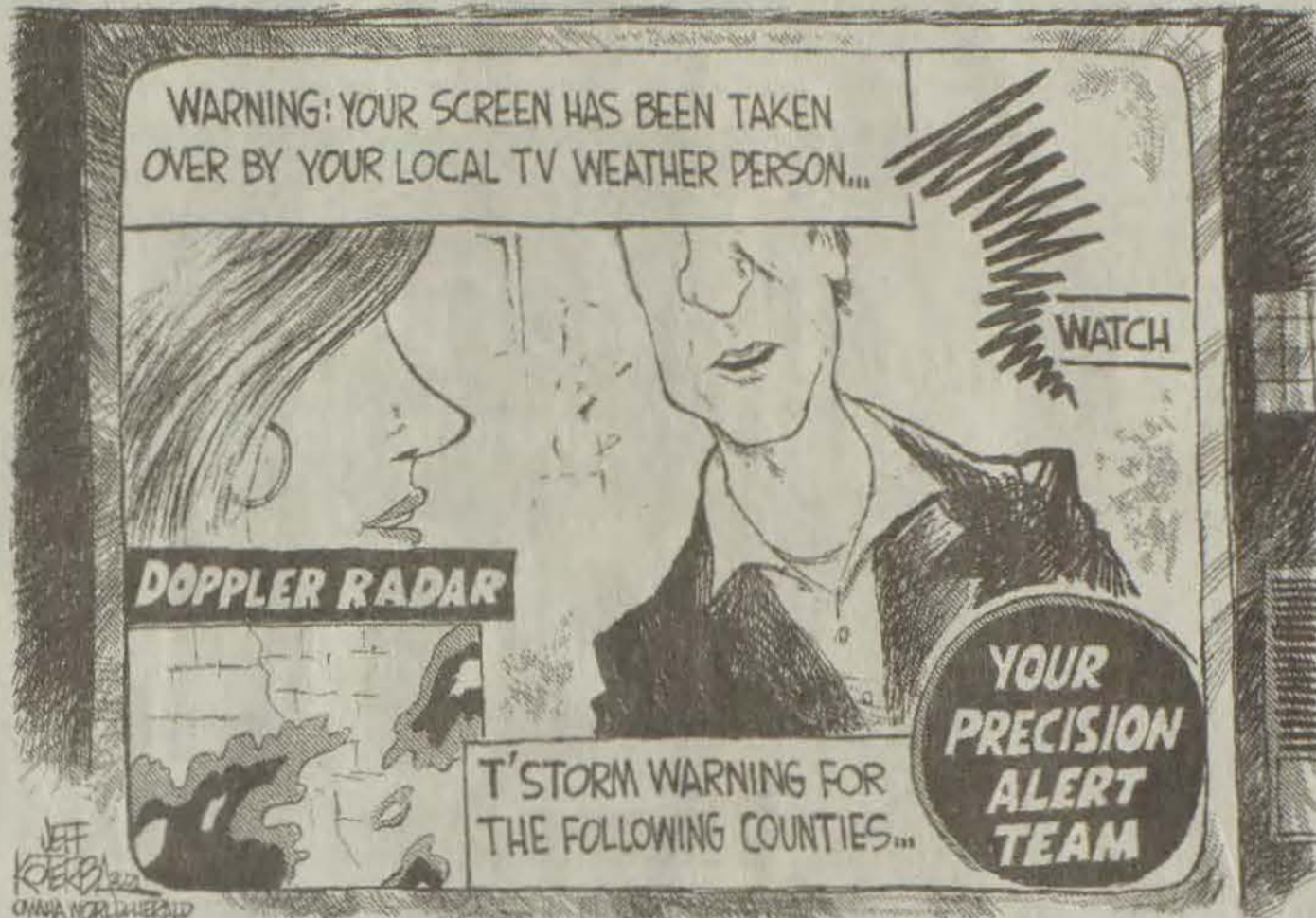
There's also cause for irritation with our European allies, who apparently didn't provide many supportive votes for the United States. Instead, France led the voting, its U.N. ambassador boasting that its foreign policy success was "founded on dialogue and respect."

Dialogue and respect are admirable characteristics for a foreign policy, but when was the last time France led the opposition to human rights abuses in China or Iraq?

As galling as this is, it would be foolish for the United States to miss this opportunity for serious introspection. Our European allies in particular are put off by U.S. arrogance, wealth, unilateralism and weak support for the United Nations. They have a point. The United States is years late paying its U.N. dues. It has refused to join treaties regulating the sea, banning land mines and setting up an international criminal court at The Hague. Most recently, President George W. Bush has upset Europeans by pulling out of the Kyoto global warming protocol and announcing plans to scrap the ABM treaty.

In fact, the vote to kick the United States off the Human Rights Commission is a double defeat for Bush. His increased unilateralism and confrontational style have eroded support among Europeans. And Secretary of State Colin L. Powell and his aides were snoozing at Foggy Bottom unaware they were facing international embarrassment.

Bush only needs to think back to the presidential debates for a piece of wisdom to guide him through the current situation. At that time he said, "If we are an arrogant nation, they will resent us. If we're a humble nation, but strong, they'll welcome us."



Think About It

Getting Into the Swing of Things

With the addition of StoneCrest to Floyd county, many people who have never entertained the thought of golfing have now decided to give it a try.

I have played miniature golf on a few occasions and have always wanted to take a good swing just once. I'd like to get to cut loose just one time.

On one of these miniature outings I was in Berea on a small course that has been built on what was once a lot for a drive-in theater and the urge to just cut into a ball got the best of me. There it was in all of its orange beauty, a little ball of explosive potential and there was the old dilapidated movie screen far off into the distance. The temptation was simply too much to resist.



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I glanced around, making sure no one was looking and raised the small club back, trying to remember something I had been told about keeping my arms straight, and then just totally disregarded that advice, figuring I would just belt that sucker off into the distance.

Just behind the course was a miniature racing track with a miniature food stand and all sorts of kids running around with miniature helmets. This last bit of information is important, as they would need helmets after I put down a massive strike toward the movie screen.

When I brought the club back down, feeling the weight coming down and knowing that I was going to connect solid, thoughts flooded my mind of how far the ball would travel. And as I connected and peered into the distance, squinting into the sun, searching the blue sky for my orange rocket of sheer speed and power I remember thinking that I must have absolutely knocked the stuffing out of that thing.

I couldn't even see the thing my swing was so viciously powerful.

Since then I have tried to answer a single question in my mind: How could that little orange thing have actually traveled backward?

I've hit a foul during a baseball game before, but only once have I hit a foul in golf.

My imperfectly placed aim landed the ball in the middle of the racing track. No one was injured and I suppose it probably wasn't that big of a deal, but it has kept me from taking a good swing since.

But recently, at StoneCrest's grand opening actually, I got to looking at that driving range up there and watched Robert Damron and Russ Cochran smacking those shots way into the distance, just like I envisioned my own shot back in Berea on that faithful day, and the need to cut loose into a shot like that has been rekindled within me.

It looks so easy, you know, real simple. I think I could really belt one out there this time. Just bring that club back and feel how gravity just pulls the end of that club down toward the ball and then lay into it.

I wonder if StoneCrest provides helmets?

Letters

State should legalize medical marijuana

I hope you believe, as I do, that a sick person's best ally in the fight against illness is his or her doctor. State law, however, forbids patients from following the advice of physicians when it comes to marijuana. There is no medical exception to the laws which punish marijuana users.

A doctor, not the government, should determine what treatments are best for patients with debilitating conditions, such as cancer, AIDS or chronic pain.

And if doctors inform some of their patients that marijuana may be beneficial in the treatment of a serious condition, surely those patients should not be subject to arrest and imprisonment for medical marijuana.

Regrettably, medical marijuana was not on the Kentucky legislature's agenda this year.

I hope that medical marijuana is not ignored next year. We

should trust a doctor's judgment and allow treatment decisions to be made in his or her office, not by government officials.

Hundreds, perhaps thousands, of patients across Kentucky are already using medical marijuana to treat a serious, debilitating medical condition. Of course, they do this in secret, fearful that if caught they can be punished by the state.

Unfortunately, current law treats patients who use marijuana for a legitimate medical need no differently than it treats all other drug users. What a shameful consequence of the war on drugs. Patients should not be penalized simply for trying to cope with their illness.

Patients should be treated differently. They should be exempt from criminal penalties for medical marijuana.

I regret to report, however, that the Kentucky legislature did not consider any bills this year to protect medical marijuana patients. In fact, Kentucky is just one of 15 states that has never had a law recognizing marijuana's medical benefits.

I urge all Kentucky residents to contact their state legislators to demand that medical marijuana

be on the legislature's agenda in 2002. It is time to protect patients who have a legitimate medical need to use marijuana.

In March 1999, the National Academy of Sciences' Institute of Medicine released a landmark report on medical marijuana, which found that marijuana is medically beneficial in treating a number of serious medical conditions, including cancer, AIDS and chronic pain.

This report, which was commissioned by the White House drug czar's office, recognized that it would require millions of dollars and decades of time before the FDA would consider making marijuana available by prescription. Consequently, IOM recommended that patients be given immediate legal access to medical marijuana.

Because the federal government refuses to heed the recommendations of the IOM report, states across the country continue to enact laws to protect patients from being punished under state law for using medical marijuana.

Kentucky should do the same. However, no state legislators introduced bills to protect medical marijuana patients this

year. While it is too late to pass a medical marijuana law this year, it is never too late to plan for next year.

If you believe that patients who use medical marijuana upon the advice of their doctors should not be punished, I urge you to contact your state legislators to let them know that Kentucky should follow in the footsteps of the eight states that have already removed penalties for medical marijuana.

Not a single legislator introduced a bill to protect medical marijuana patients. Given medical marijuana's broad support, it is unfortunate that this issue has not received more attention in Kentucky.

Every scientific public opinion poll ever conducted on the state or national level has shown that a majority of voters support making marijuana medically available.

Further, since 1996, medical marijuana initiatives have been passed by voters in every state where they have appeared on the ballot — Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Maine, Nevada, Oregon and Washington.

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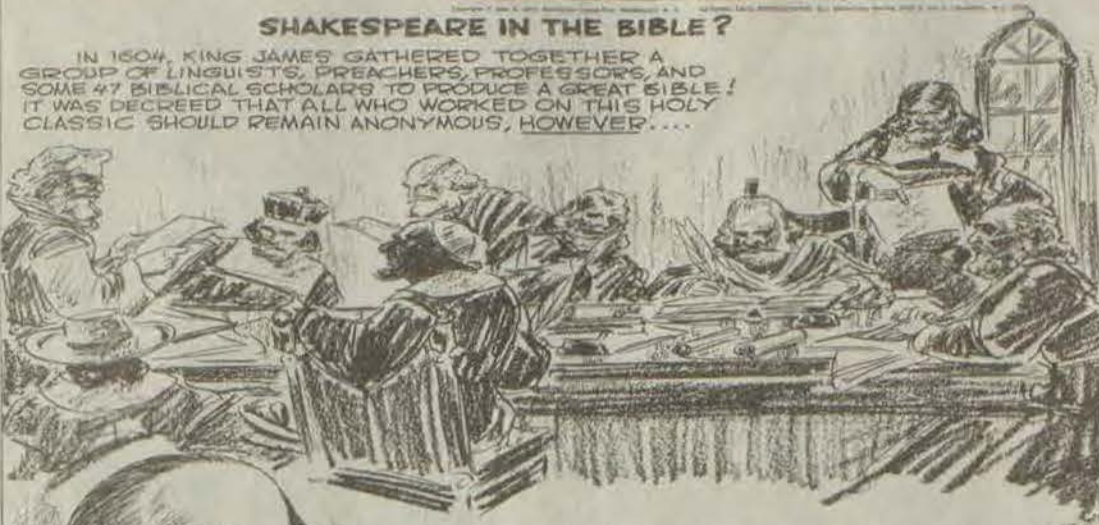
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Seventh-Day Adventist, 5 miles West on Mountain Parkway, Sunday School, 9:15 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.; Gary Shepherd, Minister.

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The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints; Relief Society/Preshoof Primary, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Sacrament Mtg., 11:20 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Church Meeting House address, Hwy 80, Martin, KY 41640; Meeting House telephone number: 285-3133; E.P. Gageby, Bishop.

OTHER

Drift Independent, Drift, Sunday 11 a.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m.

Dwale House of Prayer, Dwale, Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Sunday, 6 p.m.; Woodrow Crum, Minister.

Grace Fellowship, Prestonsburg (next to old flea market), Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m.; Bill Stukenberg, Pastor; 889-0605.

Faith Bible, Martin, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.

Faith Deliverance Tabernacle, West Prestonsburg, Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Don Shepherd, Minister.

Faith Revelation Ministry, 1/4 mile above Worldwids Equipment, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Randy Higgins, Minister.

Faith Worship Center, U.S. 460, Paintsville, Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Thursday, 6 p.m.; Buddy and Maude Faye, Minister.

Full Gospel Community, (formerly of Martin) moved to Old Alert, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Sunday evening, 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Lucerna Lafferty, Minister.

Lighthouse Temple, Main St. and Hill St., Worship Service, 12 p.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday/Friday, 7 p.m.; Roy Cooby, Minister.

Martin House of Worship, Old Post Office St., Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Saturday, Sunday.

Old Time Holiness, 2 miles up Arkansas Creek, Martin, Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; John W. Patton, Minister.

Spurlock Bible, Spurlock Fork of Middle Creek, Prestonsburg, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Dan Heinzelman, Minister.

Town Branch Church, Sunday School 10 a.m. except for first Sunday in each month; Worship Service, Sun. morning 10:00 a.m.; Evening 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; No Sunday night services on first Sunday of each month; Tom Nelson, Minister.

The Father House, Big Branch, Abbott Creek, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; J.J. Wright, Minister.

Youth Fellowship Center, Wheelwright, Monday, Tuesday 8 p.m.; Thursday 7 p.m.

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The Mountain Arts Center proudly announces a new "Arts Education Department"

The Mountain Arts Center is pleased to announce the beginning of an Arts Education Department at the facility. Classes will begin on Monday, June 18th and run through Saturday, August 18 for a Summer term of nine weeks. Fall term will begin on Monday, August 27 and extend through Friday, December 21.

Classes offered are:

Preschool Classes: Preschool classes will

be offered to children 3-5 years of age. During these classes, children will be introduced to the simple concepts of music and art. They will create fun art projects, listen to various types of music, and learn special songs every preschooler should know. This fun hour each week will allow them to develop an interest in the arts and to discover any talents they may possess. One class per week—One hour.

Elementary Art: Throughout this course, children will learn the basics of art. They will complete art projects, develop their creativity, learn the different mediums and will learn the basics of drawing. They will gain experience working with paint, and other artistic mediums. This class is open to children 8-12. One class per week—Two hour class.

Advanced Art: This class will be offered for the more advanced art student, ages 13-18. Throughout this course, the students will gain experience working with all different mediums...graded pencils, charcoal, watercolor, tempera, oil paints, etc. The students will learn techniques of shading, painting, texture, etc., and will complete art projects to begin an art portfolio. An audi-

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Governor Signs Order Allowing Creation of Advisory Council

Frankfort, Ky. - Governor Paul Patton today signed an Executive Order establishing a process under his existing authority for classified employees of the Commonwealth to voluntarily select an employee organization to represent them on a Governor's Employee Advisory Council. The Council will convene periodically and provide advice and recommendations to the governor concerning state employee/employer relations and discuss with the governor matters pertaining to wages, hours and other terms and conditions of employment that are within the governor's authority to decide or recommend to the General Assembly.

"This order does nothing more than provide a process for classified employees to have a voice in state government through the voluntary selection of an employee organization to represent them on the Advisory Council," the governor said. "As much protection as the merit system provides for employees, there are still inequities in state employment policies. The major reason for my action today is that there is no mechanism for all employees to communicate their opinion of what is fair and reasonable treatment."

Under the order, classified employees under the direct control of the governor would be divided into nine categories

of similar working interests such as clerical, labor and trades, administrative, employment and social services, health services, state police, corrections and parole, professionals and specialists and regulatory and inspection employees. Employee organizations would then be allowed to solicit a showing of interest from state employees as to whether they desire representation on the council. If an employee organization can garner the interest of at least 30% of the workers in any category, then it would take 50% of those interested workers to approve that organization as the groups representative on the Advisory Council.

Governor Patton emphasized that state employees aren't required to join one of the employee groups, nor can they be coerced or unduly influenced in any way to join. "This order is not a process for traditional collective bargaining because there are no requirements for dues, or provisions for negotiations or binding arbitration," the governor added. "While dues are not mandatory, employees can agree in writing to a voluntary payroll deduction of membership dues or fees to a certified employee organization."

The results of discussions of the council with the Governor will not have any effect on the rights and responsibilities of state employees in the state

merit system. The order doesn't apply to employees of Kentucky's elementary, secondary and post-secondary schools or employees of other constitutional officers. There won't be any tax increase under this order and its cost can be absorbed within the current budget.

Patton stated, "I say to state employees, I appreciate what you do for the people of Kentucky and what you have done for me and my administration. It's not for me to say that you want or need such an organization. I'm saying that if

the majority of employees of any of the nine employee units established in the Executive Order want an organization to represent them then I will recognize that organization and in good faith, will listen to your concerns."

The complete text of the Executive Order may be viewed at the following website: www.state.ky.us/agencies/personnel/pershome.htm

State Employees with questions can get answers by calling the Labor Cabinet at 1-800-704-3573 beginning Monday, May 21.

Morehead offers Advanced Placement Program for teachers

Time is running out for educators to register for classes in the Advanced Placement Program being offered at Morehead State University this summer.

Through a partnership with The College Board, MSU will offer a weeklong Advanced Placement Summer Institute, July 9-13, which will include classes, workshops and conferences for middle and high school teachers and supervisors.

Having a program close to home will be advantageous for local school systems as noted by William Helton, principal of Magoffin County High School, who has already registered six teachers. "This is a good opportunity for us to upgrade our curriculum and will save us money," Helton said. Previously, he would have sent his professional staff to as far away as North Carolina for training; now, participants may commute to MSU.

The cost to participants will be \$325 per person, per course, for classes in Biology, Calculus AB, English Language, English Literature, U.S. History and Statistics. More than 100 participants will receive scholarships through the Kentucky Department of Education.

The registration fee will cover the cost of instruction, College Board Advanced Placement packets and other training materials. There is an additional \$25 fee for the biology workshop. Courses are suitable for those who are new to the AP teaching experience, or who have been involved for several years.

To register, applicants must complete the application form and mail it by Friday, June 1, to MSU's Office of Continuing Education, 215 Allie Young Hall, Morehead, KY 40351. Payment may be made by credit card, personal check, school district check, or MSU will bill your district for the registration fee.

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Sheila Dawn Hackworth, 22, to Shawn Edmund Conn, 21, both of Drift.
 Sherry Ann Smith, 33, to Dallas Gene Smith Jr., 34, both of Garrett.
 Melissa Sue Hurd, 17, to Barry Ray Collins, 22, both of Minnie.
 Tara Lynn Johnson, 22, of Pikeville, to Denver Durrell Newsome, 24, of Teaberry.
 Victoria Lynn Meadows, 20, to Jamie Wayne Wicker, 27, both of Hindman.
 Chasity Gail Little, 21, to Danny Lee Blanton Jr., 20, both of Hi Hat.
 Aretta Vanderpool, 54, to

Barry Michael Stumbo, 46, both of Minnie.
 Deborah Lynn Bowman, 41, to Melvin Bradford, 49, both of Harold.
 Sarah Jene Bradford, 17, of David, to William Jessie Adkins, 19, of Dwale.
 Crystal Dawn Starr, 21, of Williamson W.Va., to Matthew Lee Newsome, 21, of Lenore W.Va.

LAWSUITS

Commonwealth of Kentucky vs. Floyd Skeans, et al.
 Department of Highways vs. Allied Auction & Realty, et al.
 Commonwealth of Kentucky Transportation Cabinet vs. East

Kentucky Development Association et al.
 Rowland, Dona Lecia vs. Dorton, Brandy.
 Stumbo, Ruby Christine vs. Lawson, Tommy.
 Combs, Odie vs. McCoy, A.J. Jr.
 Hamilton, Gary vs. Hamilton, Amanda.
 Harris, Paula vs. Westbrook, Thomas.
 Johnson, Randall vs. Johnson, Sheila.
 Woods, Mary vs. Woods, Mark.
 Little, Rudy vs. Little, Linda.
 Music, Krystal vs. Music, James.
 Wiley, Darrin vs. Wiley, Jamey.
 Paige, Frankie vs. Paige, Blaine Jr.
 Kidd, James G. vs. Kidd, Marietta.

CHARGES FILED

Michael D. Woods, 35, David, receiving stolen property, use/possession of drug paraphernalia, public intoxication.
 Steve Bolen, age unlisted, Garrett, theft by failure to make required disposition of property.
 James M. Mullins, 21, Lenoir, N.C., first-degree rape.
 Rex Phillips, age unlisted, Pikeville, theft by unlawful taking.
 Martin W. Dye, 33, Minnie, absence from military without leave.
 Mark A. Vance, 29, Switzer, W.Va., alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct.
 John W. Strickland, 28, Martin, alcohol intoxication, fourth-degree assault.
 Charles E. Hall, 31, Beaver, disorderly conduct.
 Anna Ferguson, 56, West Van Lear, alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct, resisting arrest.
 Debbie Skeans, 36, Prestonsburg, fourth-degree assault.
 Patricia A. Goodson, age unlisted, Litcarr, theft by decep-

tion.
 Pamela Sue Porter, 49, Prestonsburg, theft by deception.
 Laur Blackburn, age unlisted, Beaver, harassment.
 Kevin L. Stone, 30, Prestonsburg, public intoxication.
 Freddie Samons Jr., 39, Martin, alcohol intoxication.
 Patricia A. Shepherd, 29, Auxier, receiving stolen property.
 Sherman R. Poston, 42, McDowell, alcohol intoxication.
 Cindy Johnson, age unlisted, Prestonsburg, fourth-degree assault.
 Arthur Outting, age unlisted, Harold, menacing.
 Gregory Keith Blackburn, age unlisted, Prestonsburg, terroristic threatening.
 Dennie A. Daniels, 25, Boons Camp, public intoxication.
 Mark Christopher Stanley, 21, Blue River, alcohol intoxication.
 Brandon H. Stone, 20, Bypro, violation of a protective order.
 Christine Fields, 37, Martin, alcohol intoxication.
 Larry N. Sammons, 50, Martin, alcohol intoxication.

INSPECTIONS

Ryan's Mobile Home Park, Banner, regular inspection. Violations noted: No numbers for each lot, no garbage cans for each lot, small amount of debris scattered at lower end of park. Score: 94.
 Otter Creek Correctional Center, Wheelwright, regular inspection. Violations noted: Low pressure at water fountain in east dorm, hot water not on at sink in gym, no hand towels provided in central control vocational, ceiling in shower found with heavy build-up of mildew and also damaged, water fountain outside medical room leaking and also no trap installed, laundry room not equipped with back flow protection, open dorm shower and bath facilities found with drain gone and a leak in shower head, small hole in ceiling in adult education room, two

light fixtures damaged and out in gym, light out in E2 dayroom, light out in laundry room, gym doors found with outer openings not protected, exercise and equipment in disrepair, grounds around facility not drained — lots of standing water, laundry exit in disrepair. Score: 73.
 Pizza Den, Ivel, follow-up inspection. Violations noted: Items 8 (food protection), 5 (thermometers easily seen or provided), 14 (food contact surfaces maintained), 21 (wiping clothes clean), 24 (storage, handling of clean equipment) have not been corrected. Score: 93.
 Dairy Queen, Martin, regular inspection. Violations noted: Ice scoops not stored to protect from dust or contamination, horizontal freezer in rear storage room has inside lid in disrepair and handle missing, reach-in freezer in food preparation area needs defrosted and has bottom cover missing, compressor vents on top of reach-in cooler are dusty, single service spoons have soiled lid on top of them, hole in the wall of men's restroom, no soap in women's restroom, floor along with bottom of wall damaged in the mop sink room, floors cracked in food preparation area, carpet on the floor in the food preparation area, holes in floor with drain lines discharging into them need to be sealed around drain lines, ceiling tile in women's restroom missing, ceiling tile water damage in rear storage area. Score: 92.
 Hall's Community Market, Bypro, regular inspection. Violations noted: Inside light cover in disrepair in ice cream cooler, tops of some food items dusty, pink light shields being used in the meat cooler. Score: 97.
 Allen Food Market & Deli, Allen, regular inspection. Violations noted: Recommended meat products should be relocated out of the deli or to a location not adjacent to or close to cooked foods ready to serve to the public in order to eliminate any possibility of contamination of cooked food by the raw meat being processed, wiping clothes should be stored in a sanitary solution when not in use, floors in moderate disrepair. Score: 96 restaurant, 97 retail.
 Cardinal Mart, Stanville, follow-up inspection. Violations noted: Items 5 (thermometers easily seen or provided) and 32 (toilet facilities not having self closing doors) have not been corrected. Score: 97.
 Action Express Mart, Ivel, regular inspection. Violations noted: Upright refrigerator unit in back storage area has an accumulation of rust on the bottom section of the unit and on the shelves, single service cups observed stored on the floor, ceiling tile missing dish utensil area and also ceiling in food preparation area was leaking during inspection, purses were observed stored on shelf with food equipment. Score: 95.
 Osborne Elementary Cafeteria, Bevensville, regular inspection. Violations noted: Absorbent covering being used on some food items in the walk-in refrigerator units, window air conditioner over produce sink has front cover missing, outside garbage dumpster is not provided with lids or drain plugs. Score: 95.
 Adkins Quick Stop, Honaker, follow-up inspection. Violations noted: All items from previous regular inspection have corrected. Score: 100.
 Jenny Wiley Motel Pool, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Floor in equipment room wet. Score: 98.
 Martin's Quick Stop, Martin, regular inspection. Violations noted: Not all cooling units and hot holding units have easily seen thermometers, some food uncovered in walk-in freezer, fan vents/guards dusty in reach-in cooler with water and juice, some clean bowls stored upright and not inverted on vented storage shelf, no test kits provided to check the level of sanitizing agent(s) in the sanitization compartment of three compartment sink. 95 restaurant, 97 retail.
 Jet's Pizza, Martin, regular inspection. Violations noted: Upright freezer in the food preparation area in need of defrosting, no chemical test kits, not cover on the waste receptacle in women's restroom, no toilet tissue in either the men's or women's restrooms, hole in the wall behind the mop sink. Score:

94.
 McDowell Food World, McDowell, regular inspection. Violations noted: Not all cooling and freezing units have easily seen thermometers, inside floors of various reach-in freezers and coolers are constructed of wood, gaskets on reach-in freezer in disrepair, freezer located beside meat room entrance needs to be defrosted, gaskets on brown colored ice cream freezer in disrepair, door in disrepair in the walk-in milk cooler, tops of some canned items dusty, floor of reach-in ice cream freezer soiled, handwash sink in meat room cracked, outside garbage dumpster not provided with lids, lights out in reach-in freezer next to manager's office, lights not shielded in meat cooler. Score: 90.
 S&J Market, Beaver, regular inspection. Violations noted: Not all containers are properly labeled in food preparation area, some refrigeration and freezer units do not have easily seen thermometers, restroom door is not self closing, restroom ceiling in slight disrepair, lights in food preparation area not properly shielded. Score: 97 restaurant, 97 retail.
 Hi-Lite Pizza & Restaurant, Minnie, regular inspection. Violations noted: Not all cooling and freezer units have easily seen thermometers, not hair restraints being worn during food preparation, handle is missing on horizontal freezer, refrigerator has the inside of the freezer section in disrepair, minor amount of cobwebs in women's restroom. Score: 96.
 Save-A-Lot, Martin, regular inspection. Violations noted: Horizontal reach-in freezer has a wood piece being used as part of floor, debris accumulation between items on shelf between aisles five and six, trap or bottom of handwash sink in the meat room is noted to be leaking, outside garbage dumpster has no lids, floor in disrepair in front of the reach-in freezer with corn stored on it, floor drain cover missing in women's restroom, lights not shielded over eggs and cheese in cooler, lights not shielded in the meat cooler, lights out in ceiling above meat cooler, light(s) out in walk-in freezer in rear of store, dog food in absorbent material stored on the same shelf as cleaning agents, minor amount of debris around rear of store. Score: 87.
 Triangle Market, Martin, regular inspection. Violations noted: Ice cream stored under leaking condenser line in freezer, gasket on ice machine in rear in disrepair, meat tenderizer stored with light amount of food residue, tops of some canned products have light dust accumulation. Score: 94.

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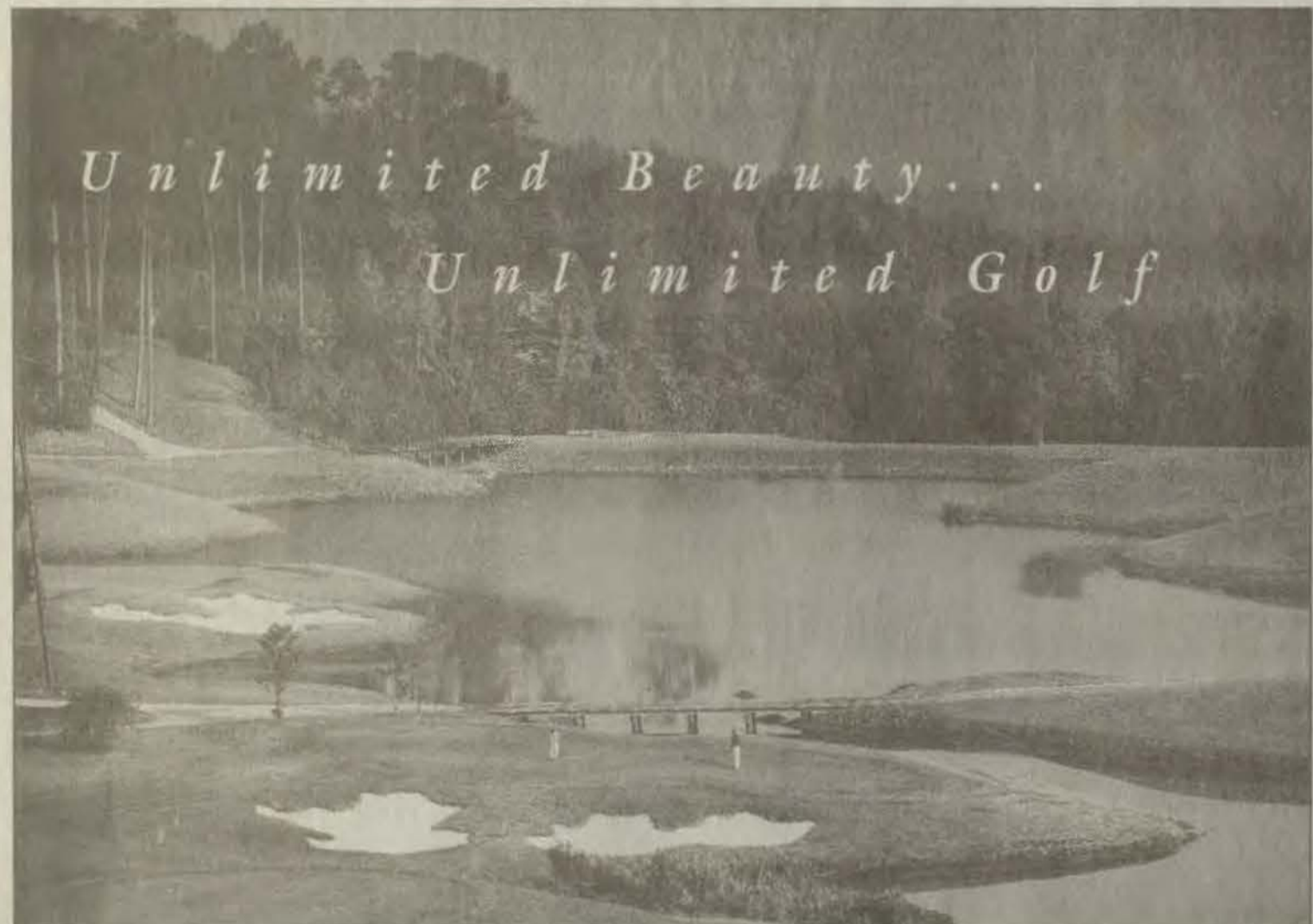
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tion will be held to select 15 students for this class. For the audition, each prospective student should bring at least four works of art which they completed, to determine if they are ready for an advanced class. Auditions are at the MAC, Monday, June 11 between 3 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. One class per week—Two hour class.

Children's Theater: This class will be offered to children ages 7-14, they will learn the fundamentals of theater and acting (stage directions, stage vocabulary, performance technique, etc.) They will audition and perform a full production that will include all staging, lighting, and sound. They will learn through this professional performance and gain experience they will never forget. One class per week—Two hour class.

Beginning Music Theory: Children will learn the basics of music theory: note names, rhythm, and meter, key signatures, chord structure, and intervals. This class will be beneficial to any music student. Those students who are beginning in private lessons will be encouraged to enroll in and learn theory through this course, leaving more time to develop their instrument with their instructor. Open to ages 8-18. One class per week—Two hour class.

For more complete information...interested students should call the MAC at 889-9125, and ask for Laura Ford. A very reasonable tuition is required, and 2 scholarships are available for all classes other than pre-school.

Card of Thanks

George F. King Jr.

We would like to extend our special thanks to all family and friends who were so kind to us in our time of sorrow. Your prayers, cards and flowers were very much appreciated. Special thanks to Joyce and Delmas Johnson for singing "Go Rest High On The Mountain," The Old Regular Baptists Clifford Williams, Ted Burke and Chuck Hall, Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home and the Sheriff's Department for traffic control.

God Bless each and every one
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Aunt, Aileen (Cook) Green
All Cousins

Pallbearers: Donald R. Green Sr., Rodney L. Green,
Timothy Cook, Tony Cook, Nelson Cook Jr.,
Bryan Fugate, Michael Coniglia, Greg Nelson

Card of Thanks

Perhaps you sent a lovely card, Or sat quietly in a chair,
Perhaps you sent a floral piece, If so we saw it there;
Perhaps you spoke the kindest words, As any friend could say;
Perhaps you were not there at all, Just thought of us that day,
Whatever you did to console our hearts,
We thank you so much, whatever the part.

A special thanks to Wheelwright Freewill Baptist Church, Pastor Louie Ferrari, The Church of Christ, McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital, Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home staff, and CSX.

The Family of Merlin Roop

-NOTICE-

Due to the Memorial Day Weekend, The Floyd County Times will be temporarily adjusting deadlines for the Sunday Paper, 5/27 and the Wednesday Paper 5/30.

SUNDAY'S PAPER:

Line Ads and Classified Display
Thurs. May 24, 5 at Noon

WEDNESDAY'S PAPER:

Classifieds, Legal and Real Estate
Thurs. May 24, at 5:00

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

MONROE VANDERPOOL MEMORIAL
CHAPTER 128

Regulations of the National Executive Committee, Disabled American Veterans.

Regulation 3—Contracts:

3.1 Neither the DAV name nor its insignia will in any way, directly or indirectly, be used to endorse a product or service.

3.2 DAV will have the right to approve the use of any advertising and promotional material, used in public fund raising.

The Monroe Vanderpool Memorial Chapter 128, does not solicit funds of any type, (private or companies), and we do not solicit any business or private company for any money, whatsoever. Any donation, if one is made to the Disabled American Veterans, must go through State and National Headquarters, for approval, and not for everyone to use.

Sincerely,
DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS

In Memory of Ronnie Sword

Daddy,
I Still Miss You!

Daddy, you've been gone for ten long years,
Not a day goes by, that I don't wish you were here.

Your granddaughters have grown, they've all got your soul,
Even your grandson, you didn't get to know.

We all have changed, but, memories of you never do,
I cherish them all, they're all I have left of you.

Please, Daddy, don't forget me, for I won't you,
Soon this life will be over, and I'll be in heaven too.

Forever missing you, I love you,
Your daughter, Ruthette,
and grandchildren, Misty, Kristin, Danielle, and Robby



Della Gross Hayes

Della Gross Hayes, 68, of Tram, died Monday, May 21, 2001, at her residence.

Born March 18, 1933, in Pike County, Ky., she was the daughter of the late Cora Gilliam Gross and Dallas Gross.

Survivors include two daughters, Oma McPeck of Pikeville, Bonita DeBoard of Woodhaven, Michigan; one brother, Charlie Gross; two sisters, Sarah SESCO and Charity Tibbs, both of Pikeville; and three grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted Saturday, May 26, at the J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home Chapel, with Don Lee and Robert Smith officiating.

Burial will be in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, at Ivel. *Paid obituary*

Corrected obituary of

Frances Crisp

and Thank You Message

Frances Ellen Reed Fields Frazier Crisp, 86 years old, born October 27, 1914, in Craigsville, Virginia, died May 13, 2001, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin, Ky.

She had been a resident of Martin since the early 1940's. She was a homemaker and a retired Dermont's store clerk. Her late parents were Edmond and Rosa Smiley Reed, and she had eight deceased brothers and one deceased sister.

She has one living brother, Jack Reed of Loveland, Ohio, and one living sister, Juanita Sprouse of Staunton, Virginia. In addition to her brother and sister, she has three daughters, Janet Howard, Phyllis Centers and Pat Shepherd; one son-in-law, Acie Shepherd, all of Martin; seven grandchildren and seven grandchildren-in-law; 10 great-grandchildren and one great-grandson-in-law. She also leaves one stepdaughter, Myrtle Berry of Lexington, Kentucky.

Frances also leaves many in-laws, extended family members, nieces, nephews, friends, neighbors, church family, nurses and doctors with loving thoughts and memories.

She was the widow of Lee Fields, Will Frazier and Frank Crisp.

She became a saved and born again Christian and a member of the Faith Bible Church at Martin, under the Rev. Bob Martin on June 6th, 1965.

Visitation was at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel. Funeral services were conducted, Wednesday, May 16, at noon, in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel at Martin, Kentucky, by Rev. Don Crisp and Rev. Randolph Crisp. Burial followed at the Crisp Cemetery on Cracker Bottom Road at Martin, Ky.

Pallbearers were Dickie Johnson, Gilbert Shelton, Kevin Robinson, David (Acie) Shepherd, Paul David Centers, Jim White, Josh White, Jeremy Clark and Ronnie Bryant.

We, the family of Frances Crisp, would like to thank all of our loved ones, friends, neighbors, extended family members, church family and any others for the love, comfort, and support during Mom's sickness and death. Thanks to all for the wonderful food, beautiful flowers, heartfelt prayers, home visits, hospital visits, final visitation, phone calls, cards, letters, gifts of love and for helping us to show Mom how much she was loved. Special thanks to the employees of Cooley Medical Supply and Reid's Pharmacy.

Very special thanks to Dr. James Campbell and his staff. Words cannot express the love and appreciation to all of the employees at Our Lady of the Way Hospital and to Our Lady of the Way Home Health — you all treated our Mom and us with so much love and respect and compassion — and we will always love you for that. Special thanks to Reverends Don Crisp and Randolph Crisp and their families. Much love and appreciation to the very special singers for their songs of love. We also appreciate the staff of Hall Funeral Home for their support and guidance. Thanks to the Martin City Police and the Floyd County Sheriff's Department for their final assistance.

Daughters,
Janet, Pat, Phyllis and all their families

Paid obituary

Maxie Holbrooks

Hackworth

Maxie Holbrooks Hackworth, 77, of Prestonsburg, Ky., died Monday, May 21, 2001, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg, Ky., following a sudden illness.

Born on June 2, 1923, at Floyd County, Ky., she was the daughter of the late Milt and Eliza McKenzie Holbrooks.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Thurman Hackworth.

She was also preceded in death by three brothers, John D. Holbrooks, Solmie Holbrooks and Theodore Holbrooks; two sisters, Roxie Butler and Nettie Holbrooks; five infant brothers and sisters.

She was a homemaker and attended the Chestnut Grove United Baptist Church.

Survivors include one son, Jarvis Hackworth of Salyersville, Ky.; one daughter, Elmina and Homer Nelson Jr., of Prestonsburg; two brothers, Ollie Holbrooks of Adrian, Michigan and Martin Holbrooks of Warsaw, Indiana; three sisters, Madelyn Hobbs of Warsaw, Indiana, Annie Adams of Perrysburg, Ohio, and Bethlee Wallen of Prestonsburg, Ky.; four grandchildren, Mike and Karen Nelson, Sherry and Doug Greene, Tammy and Charlie Amburgey, James Jarvis and Tonya Hackworth; and four great-grandchildren.

Matthew Amburgey, Lakeyn Mariah Green, Jayden Hackworth, and Kaelyn Greene.

Funeral services will be conducted Saturday, May 26, at 1 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, with Larry Adams, Morris Ray Miller and Jackie Prater officiating.

Burial will be in the Nelson Family Cemetery, Richardson Branch, Prestonsburg, Ky., under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin, Ky.

Visitation was at the funeral home. *Paid obituary*

Myrtle Horne

Myrtle Horne, age 93, of Hueysville, Ky., wife of the late Grant Horne, passed away Friday, May 18, 2001, at her residence.

Born May 4, 1908, in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late Hood Gearheart and Molly Gearheart Allen. She was a homemaker and a member of the Hueysville Church of Christ.

She is survived by three sons, Robert Horne of Kendallville, In., Ronnie Horne and Mack Horne, both of Hueysville, Ky.; four daughters, Georgia Brown of Wilmington, Oh., Donna Young of Williamsburg, Ky., Linda Adcox of Hueysville, Ky., and Connie Prater of Eastern, Ky.; one brother, Herman Allen of Paris, Ky.; one sister, Peggy Dudson of Hueysville, Ky.; 19 grandchildren, 32 great-grandchildren, and six great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services for Myrtle Horne were conducted, 2:00 p.m., Sunday, May 20, 2001, at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, Martin, Ky., with Clergyman Paul Rice officiating.

Burial followed in the Gearheart Cemetery, Hueysville, Ky., under the professional care of Hall Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

Pallbearers: Mike Shepherd, Larry Shepherd, Todd Bailey, Alan Knight, Brian Shepherd, Rick Allen and Kyle Tharp.

Honorary pallbearers: Ricky Young, Rodney Young and Randy Allen. *Paid obituary*

Paula A. Hall Mitchell

Paula A. Hall Mitchell, age 47, of Grethel, Ky., widow of Rex Mitchell, passed away Tuesday, May 22, 2001, at Harold, Ky., from injuries sustained in an automobile accident.

She was born May 26, 1953, in Paintsville, Ky., the daughter of Angie Hunt Hall, Banner, Ky., and the late Earl Hall.

Survivors include one daughter, Brittany Erin Mitchell of Grethel, Ky., and one sister, Glenna Hall Childers of Banner, Ky.

Funeral services for Paula A. Hall Mitchell will be conducted Friday, May 25, 2001, at 1:00 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, Martin, Ky., with the clergymen, Doug Lewis and Ronnie Samons, officiating.

Burial will follow in the Jones (Webb) Cemetery, Allen, Ky., under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home, Martin, Ky.

Visitation is at the funeral home. *Paid obituary*

Willard (Peewee)

Sizemore

Willard (Peewee) Sizemore, 67, of Martin, Ky., died Monday, May 21, 2001, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg, Ky., following an extended illness.

Born on January 16, 1934, at Orkney, Ky., he was the son of the late Willie and Mollie Flannery Sizemore. He was a disabled sales clerk and was a member of the First Baptist Church at McDowell, Ky. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army.

He is survived by his wife, Johnnie Adams Sizemore.

Other survivors include two daughters, Tammy Lance and Ramona Terry, both of Martin, Ky.; two brothers, Larry

Sizemore and Leonard Ray Sizemore, both of Ohio; four sisters, Daisy Vines of California, Della Jane Moore of Cheyenne, Wyoming, Sarah Ellen Mitchell of Wheelwright, Ky., Martha Sue Hall of Martin, Ky.; and two grandchildren, Stacia Lance and Andrew Lance.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, Millard Sizemore, and Bill Sizemore; and one sister, Dorothy Meadows.

Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday, May 23, at 11 a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin, Ky., with Mark Tackett officiating.

Burial will be in the Dingus Cemetery, Dinwood, Martin, Ky., under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Paid obituary

Record

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Barkley J. Sturgill Jr. and Ellen E. Sturgill to Randal B. Chaffin and Anita C. Chaffin, property located in City of Prestonsburg.

Betty Shepherd Wilson and Thomas R. Wilson, Patricia Ann Shepherd, Gary C. Shepherd, Chester Shepherd and Rosemary Shepherd to Bill Slone and Thursa Slone, property located in Lancer.

Girdle Moore and Gloria Salisbury to Greg Salisbury, property located on Left Beaver Creek.

Thelma Lou Murphy and Tharon Murphy to David H. King and Vonda King, property located in Wayland.

Vonda King to David H. King, property located on Right Beaver, Wayland.

Vonda King to David H. King, property located in Wayland.

Toney Lee Conn and JoAnn Conn to Joe S. Wells, property located, Dotson Branch, near Lancer.

Bill Webb and Flora Webb to Joe S. Wells, property located Dotson Branch, near Lancer.

Margaret O. Goebel and Margaret O. Goebel, Adam T. Goebel and Julie Goebel, Samantha Goebel to Deborah Kay Goebel, property location not listed.

Master Commissioner's Deed: Joann Joseph et al., to Bankers Trust Company, property location not listed.

Letters

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Supporting legislation to protect marijuana-using patients is not only the right thing to do, but it is the popular thing to do.

In the next legislative session, I hope Kentucky's lawmakers will join the aforementioned states in allowing the legitimate use of medical marijuana. It is time to provide legal protection for the state's medical marijuana patients.

Thank you all for taking time to read this.

Ken Barnhill

Williamsburg

Horses face more than disease

The thoroughbreds are dying — and not all of them are foals. Thoroughbred foals in Kentucky are dying of a mysterious illness. Older horses are dying, too, but their deaths are no mystery.

Thoroughbred horses are forced to race year-round by corporate owners who view them as "investments" and race them too frequently in an effort to make more money. Horses are often run at just 2 years of age, before their bones have fully matured, and are often injured as a result.

Horses who are too injured to race are given drugs such as Lasix and "Bute" to relieve symptoms like pain and bleeding — but these drugs don't treat the underlying disorders. Horses are often forced to race with hairline fractures that would, without drugs, be too painful to run on. As a result, minor injuries turn into life-threatening ones and chronic lameness is common.

Horses who fail to bring in winnings suffer an unceremonious early death, and their flesh is sold overseas for human consumption or rendered into dog food or glue. Former racers may endure up to 36-hour-long trips in double-decker cattle trucks (with ceilings too low for them to stand without hanging their heads or falling to their knees) with no stops for food, water or rest.

Given the sad future that many thoroughbreds face, these poor babies are better off not being born or dying before their big hearts can be broken.

Heather Moore
People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals
Norfolk, Va.

The Prestonsburg Church of Christ

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special evening to remember.

From 6:00-7:00 p.m. you will have
the privilege
of hearing live, "Heaven's Song."

The Sunday evening-worship service
will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Community Calendar

Calendar items will be printed as space permits

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

Free workshop

"Veterans and Small Businesses" is a free workshop for prospective and existing small business owners, specifically veterans, being offered by the Morehead State University/Small Business Development Center. The workshop will be conducted on Tuesday, June 19, at the Morehead State University—Big Sandy Extended Campus Center located in Prestonsburg, Kentucky. The time for the workshop is 1 p.m.-3:30 p.m.

Topics to be covered at this workshop are: Choosing a Business, Examining the Business Market, Financing Basis, Building a Business Plan, Business Licenses, and Lending Programs. To pre-register or get more information, call the Small Business Development Center at (606) 432-5848.

Revival meet

New Beginning Outreach Church, Garrett, Ky. will be having a 3-day Revival Thursday, May 31st-Saturday, June 2. Everyone welcome.

SBDM meeting at P.E.S.

Prestonsburg Elementary will have a regularly scheduled SBDM Council meeting, Monday, June 4, at 6 p.m., in the school auditorium.

Diabetes support group meeting

McDowell ARH Hospital is sponsoring its monthly Diabetes Education and Support Group meeting on Tuesday, May 29, at 2 p.m. A variety of diabetes-related topics will be discussed, including foot care, diet, exercise and medication management.

The meetings are free and open to the

public.

For more information, contact the hospital's Dietetic Services, at 377-3425.

Bible Study program to be held

Release Time will hold a presentation for the public at Jubilee Christian Assembly parking lot, 1978 South Mayo Trail on May 26th from 12-4 p.m. Release Time is a Bible Study program which permits public school students to attend bible study during school hours. Entertainment for the children will be provided, with clowns, face painting and skits. Sponsored by Alpha and Omega Ministries, Public School Bible Study Outreach, and Jubilee Christian Assembly.

Town meeting

The Maytown Lifetime Learning Center will host a town meeting on Monday, June 4, at 7 p.m.

For more information, call Don or Beth Chauncey at 285-0539.

To the descendants of Jim and Jenny Campbell

Join us for a family reunion at the home of Mont and Rexine Campbell, Saturday, June 16th, beginning at 11:00 a.m. There will be no problem with parking. Come to chat with your relatives and enjoy the fun and festivities of the day. Covered dishes will be welcomed.

Hicks reunion

The Hicks Reunion for the descendants of William and Oma Reffett Hicks, will be held August 11, at May Lodge, Jenny Wiley State Park. For more information, contact Delphia Hicks at 606-886-3108 or Paulene Allen at 606-886-3744.

email:delphia@eastky.net

Pie supper-cake walk

There will be a Pie Supper-Cake Walk on June 1, at 7 p.m., at the Dwale Shelter, Dwale, Ky. Fund raiser for the Dwale Homecoming building fund. Concession sales, prize drawing, and auction.

Martin Veterans' Memorial

A Veterans Memorial to honor all veterans is being constructed in the City of Martin. Donations are needed, and may be mailed to Firstar Bank, P.O. Box 1010, Martin, KY 41649, or call Glenn Patrick at 285-3519, for more information.

Co-op Extension sewing camp

Youth Sewing Camp to be held July 16-20, at the Auxier Lifelong Learning Center for youth ages 10-17. Registration fee: \$5.00, and must be paid by July 6th.

Camp sponsored by the Floyd County Extension Office and the Auxier Lifelong Learning Center.

Call Sue Schaffer at 886-0709, or Theresa Scott at 886-2668.

Special services offered at B.L. Free Will Baptist

New Mercy, from Free Will Baptist Bible College, Nashville, Tennessee, will be conducting a special service at Betsy Layne Free Will Baptist Church. The group will be ministering on Sunday, June 10, at 11 a.m., according to Pastor Tracy Patton.

Free Will Baptist Bible College is a regionally accredited four-year institution that specializes in training Christian workers. In addition to programs for ministers, missionaries, church musicians and youth workers, the College offers certified programs for elementary and secondary teachers, and degree programs in business management, accounting, and psychology.

1st annual golf tournament

Boldman Teen's first annual golf tournament has been scheduled for Friday, June 15, at 8 a.m., at the Mountain Pub Links, Lower Johns Creek. Prizes will be awarded immediately following tournament. Lunch in the picnic area. To register your team, call (606) 478-1002. Registration fee is \$160.00 per team and \$40 per person.

Salem family ministries

Salem Family Ministries, with Cheryl and Harry Salem will be at Chrisman Auditorium at Pikeville College, on May 24 and 25, Thursday and Friday, at 7 p.m. For further information, call Pam Isom at 432-5162. (They were scheduled to be at Jubilee Christian Assembly on the 24th, but this has been changed to Chrisman Auditorium for both nights).

DAV memorial service to be held May 26

The Betsy Layne Chapter of the DAV will be conducting a memorial service for deceased veterans on May 26, at 2 p.m., at the Nimrod Hall Cemetery, located one mile up Branham's Creek at Grethel. A special

reading in honor of deceased veterans of the War of 1812 and the Civil War, will be presented by Carmel Ray Akers, local historian. For more information, you may contact Akers at 587-2341 or Larry Roberts at 478-5066. The service is open to all who wish to attend.

Floyd County 4-H

programs 2001 poultry judging team

The Orientation meeting for the 2001 4-H Poultry Judging Team will be held Thursday, May 31, at 6 p.m. at the Floyd County Cooperative Extension Office. All participants are asked to bring a parent or guardian with you. For more information, contact the Extension Office at 606/886-2668.

Revival services

The Rev. Jack Lassiter of Wilson, North Carolina, will preach revival services on June 1, 2, and 3 at the Tom's Creek Free Will Baptist Church at Ivel. Service times are at 7 p.m. on June 1 and 2. On June 3, service times are 10 a.m., 11 a.m., and 6 p.m.

The church is located just north of Layne Brothers Ford on U.S. 23.

Pastor Chuck Ferguson invites the public to attend.

Hyden-DeLong Reunion

The 14th annual Hyden-DeLong Reunion will be held on May 27th, beginning at 11 a.m., in the Pines building, located within the campgrounds area of Jenny Wiley State Resort Park. A welcome invitation is extended to all family members and former Johns Creek resident.

Frasure-Patton family reunion

Descendants of the Jack Frasure family originating from Langley (Maytown), and including the families of Jones, Louraine, Robert, William, Jeff, Reece, John, Alice, Linda and Sylvan Frasure will have a family reunion at the Army Corps of Engineers, Dewey Dam Spillway, Sheltern No. 3, on Sunday, June 10, beginning at 11 a.m.

Also included in this reunion are the descendants of the Mart Patton family, also originating from Langley (Maytown), and including the families of Emmie, Fannie, Jenny, Sarah, Joe, Lula, Jeff, Willie, Darcus and Jake Patton.

Due to road construction and excavation taking place near the Terry Boad Dock

entrance into the Dewey Dam area, it will be necessary to enter the Dam area from the Route 3 entrance.

Family members should bring a covered dish and drinks for their family. Table service will be provided. For more information, contact Candy Frasure, 6186 State Route 47 East, Bellefontaine, Ohio 43311 or, e-mail to: gfrasure@loganrec.com.

23rd annual Nickles-Elam family reunion

The twenty-third annual Nickles-Elam family reunion will be held on Sunday, June 10, at the Twin Springs High School near Nicklesville, Virginia, in Scott County. To get to the school, follow Virginia Route 71 to the west end of Nicklesville, Virginia; turn north on Route 680; travel about three (3) miles. Note that you will pass Culbertson's Chapel United Methodist Church. Just beyond this church, Route 680 intersects with 671, follow 680 and 671 about one-half of a mile. Route 680 will veer left; stay on Route 671 for a very short distance and note that to your left will stand the school. The total distance from Nicklesville to the school is about four (4) miles.

All friends and relatives are invited to join the descendants of James Nickles Sr. and Robert Elam (the immigrant).

Registration will begin at 10 a.m. Bring a picnic lunch and drinks for your family and we will spread the food together for a noon meal potluck lunch.

For more information about the reunion, motel accommodations and the activities planned for June 9, at the motel; or for information on the family's history, contact Edwin E. Nickles, 682 Rocky Branch Rd., Blountville, TN 37617, or call (423) 323-2009.

4-H Project day schedule

2001 4-H Projects will be judged at the following locations on the date listed. Criteria has been distributed to School/Community Club Leaders. For more information, contact the Floyd County Cooperative Extension Office at 886-2668.

S.T.A.R.S. Homeschool Club, 5/29
J.A. Duff Elementary School, 5/30
Allen Central Middle School, 5/30
Osborne Elementary School, 5/31
Prestonsburg Elementary School, 6/1
County 4-H Project Day
(for Blue Ribbon Projects), 6/16

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by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

Tackett to sign with Brevard

Prestonsburg senior Matt Tackett is scheduled to sign to play college basketball at Brevard College. The signing will take place Tuesday at 1 p.m. in the PHS library. Brevard College is in North Carolina.

Moss joins USBL club

Randy Moss was scheduled to make his debut in the USBL last night with the Pennsylvania ValleyDawgs.

The ValleyDawgs are coached by former NBA star Darryl Dawkins.

Why would Randy Moss, an All-Pro receiver for the Minnesota Vikings who will make \$3.5 million playing in the NFL next season, even consider playing minor league basketball? Because he can? Yes. But it's not like he isn't capable.

No, I haven't seen Moss play since his high school days, but if his basketball skills are anything like they were, oh say, five or six years ago then he shouldn't have any problem making a quality showing in the USBL.

Does anyone foresee a Randy Moss-Jason Williams reunion? The two made for quite a tandem in high school. It was a court tandem that put fear in the eyes of just about every opposing team in the state of West Virginia.

The funny thing about Moss and his stint with the USBL is the fact that it may end almost as quick as it starts.

Minnesota will hold a training camp in early-June.

Hmm...I wonder what he'll opt for - the small market of minor league basketball or his guaranteed NFL millions. I'd like to have that choice.

The NFL will have a new look come 2002. Good or bad,

(See **SIDELINE**, page two)

HAP Little League

Astros down Indians, Dodgers

TIMES STAFF REPORT

The Allen Astros A-team ran their record to 7-0 on the season by defeating the Indians 9-2 Friday, May 18 at Allen Park.

The Astros once again got strong pitching from Travis Hamilton, who pitched three innings giving up just one earned run, while striking out five hitters. Hamilton gave up six walks.

Scottie Little came on in relief of Hamilton in the fourth inning. Little went three innings. The stout Little struck out eight of the nine batters he faced. The only Indian to put the ball into play against Little grounded back to the mound.

The Astros led 4-1 at the end of the first inning and added three more runs in the third frame to seal the win.

James Michael Lafferty finished the game with three runs batted in to go along with a home run and a double. Little

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New video board added to Marshall Stadium

TIMES STAFF REPORT



Marshall Memorial

Marshall University football fans will have yet another big reason to attend home football games this fall.

Thundering Herd fans will now be able to catch every single play thanks to a new video board at the south end of Marshall Stadium.

The new video board is being made possible through the efforts of ISP Sports. Marshall recently renewed its contract with ISP. The deal included the addition of the video board.

"As we extend our relationship with Marshall University, we look forward to continuing to expand our programming and enhancing the overall quality of our sales and marketing efforts," Ben Sutton,

president of ISP said. "A major step in that direction comes next season with the installation of a state-of-the-art video board in Marshall Stadium, which will be a new and exciting experience for Thundering Herd fans."

The new video board will be larger than the current message board and will replace that apparatus as well as some existing signage. The new video board will measure 17-feet by 23-feet.

The new video board will be composed of 68,096 pixel, with each pixel including three LEDs (light emitting diodes) - one red, one green and one blue. Total number of LEDs on the screen will therefore be 204,288.

The new board will mean live video, instantaneous replay capability and a full animation and graphics package. The tech-

nology utilized in the board is state-of-the-art. The exact same board has been installed at the new Cincinnati Bengals stadium as well as numerous other professional and intercollegiate venues across the country.

In addition to the new video board, the existing scoreboard will also be refurbished to include updated technology. The new video board is manufactured by Daktronics, Inc., which is located in Brookings, S.D. Long a leader in scoreboard manufacturing, Daktronics is now one of the leading manufacturers of video boards in America and around the world.

Other schools currently using Daktronics' video installations include sta-

(See **MARSHALL**, page two)

photo by Steve LeMaster

Allen Central freshman Terri Mullins stood in against a Paintsville pitcher during a regular season game. Allen Central scored a 20-6 district tournament win over Prestonsburg Wednesday night and were scheduled to do battle against host Betsy Layne last night in the district championship game, weather permitting.



57TH DISTRICT

s o f t b a l l t o u r n a m e n t

AC Lady Rebs blast P'burg

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

The Allen Central Lady Rebels got up 2-0 on Prestonsburg in a belated opening round game of the 57th District softball tournament Wednesday at Betsy Layne. Allen Central, visitors on the scoreboard, plated 11 runs in the second inning and cruised to a rather easy 20-6 victory.

Tiffany Turner pitched the Lady Rebs to the win. Prestonsburg got one run back in the bottom half of the second inning. The Lady Cats got another run back in the bottom of the third frame when cleanup

hitter Stacey Goble came around to score after reaching base on a double.

After failing to score in the top half of the third stanza, Allen Central roared back by plating five runs in the top of the fourth inning. Jennifer Risner came up with a single in the inning while seven other Lady Rebels reached base on walks. Allen Central held a commanding 18-2 run heading into the bottom portion of the fourth inning.

A pair of Prestonsburg seniors scored in the bottom half of the fourth. Catcher Angela Howell reached base on a fielders choice and later scored while center fielder Brooke Coleman doubled and then scored.

Jackie Brown singled and later scored for one of Allen Central's two runs in the fifth inning. The two runs would be much more than enough for the Lady Rebs as Prestonsburg managed just two runs in the fifth inning, resulting in a season-ending setback.

Allen Central was set to do battle with Betsy

Layne, the host school in the championship game last night.

Betsy Layne blanks S. Floyd in easy win

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

The host Betsy Layne Ladycats scored 11 runs in the first two innings of their opening round district

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Blackcat Football Golf Tournament set for Monday at StoneCrest

TIMES STAFF REPORT

StoneCrest Golf Course, an 18-hole championship golf course, located in Prestonsburg, overlooking the Big Sandy Valley, will be the site of the 2001 Blackcat Football Golf Tournament on Monday, May 28.

The event is sponsored by the Blackcat Touchdown Club.

Cash prizes will include \$800 for first, \$500 for second and \$300 for third. Prizes will also be awarded for longest drive, closest to the pin and hole-in-one. Entry fee is \$200 per team. Sponsorship is \$200 per hole. A shotgun start is set for 8:30 a.m.

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The Prestonsburg High School boys and girls track and field teams claimed county conference championships last week. Both squads are coached by Dewey Jamerson. Prestonsburg was scheduled to be in regional competition last night at Leslie County. Regional competition will continue through Saturday.

Next up for Jeremy Clark

Prestonsburg Blackcat Jeremy Clark will embark on next week's state tennis tournament. Clark is a three-time regional singles champ.

2001 KHSAA Boys' & Girls' State Tennis Championships

Boone/Downing Tennis Complex
University of Kentucky,
Lexington
May 31-June 2

Schedule of events
(Times are EDT)

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201 Speedway event canceled

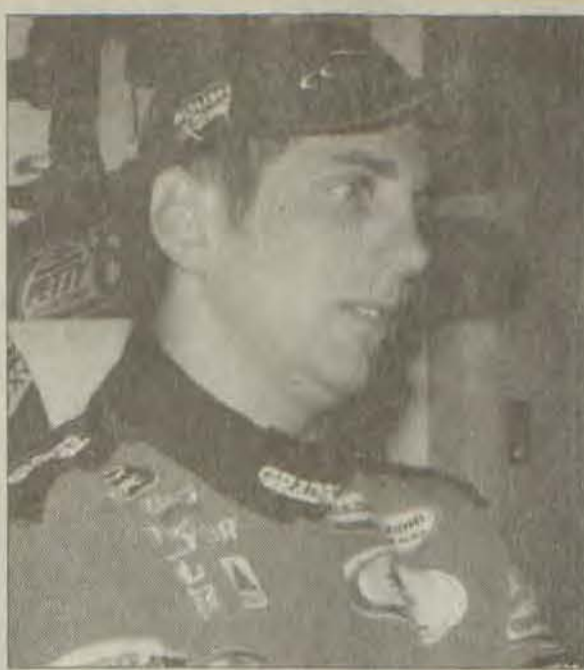
The following article originally ran in Wednesday's sports section but did not run in its entirety.

Fourteen Late Models were in attendance at 201 Speedway Saturday night (May 19) hoping to claim the \$2,500 top prize. However, there would be no racing as rain forced postponement of the P.J. Dick & Trumbell sponsored event.

P.J. Dick & Trumbell is the contractor currently working on the new federal prison in Martin County.

Although it hadn't rained all day, a brief shower passed through and changed track conditions considerably. The event was called off at 9:30 p.m. and is tentatively scheduled to be run in two or three weeks.

Late Model drivers on hand Saturday night included Charlie Swartz, Paul Harris, Shannon Thornberry, Rod Conley, Eddie Carrier Jr. and David Powers.



Greg Biffle is looking to repeat the success of last week's Busch win at Nazareth.

photo courtesy of Gerald Hodges

Track and field

Prestonsburg High School captured a Floyd County Conference Track & Field crown last week. Yesterday, the PHS squad, under the guidance of head coach Dewey Jamerson, were scheduled to be in regional competition at Leslie County.

Several event finals are set for Saturday. Results from the conference meet are as follows:

Girls team scores: 1. Prestonsburg, 101; 2. Allen Central, 53.50; 3. Betsy Layne, 26; 4. South Floyd, 21.

Boys team scores: 1. Prestonsburg, 144.50; 2. Allen Central, 66.3; 3. Betsy Layne, 26.50; 4. South Floyd, 11; 5. The Piarist School, 1.

Morriss signs wide receiver from Georgia

Darimy Crawford, a wide receiver from Westover High School in Albany, Georgia, has signed with the University of Kentucky, becoming the 22nd signee for Coach Guy Morriss.

The 6-5, 195-pound Crawford played two years of high school football and was a member of

Westover's state championship basketball team.

Darimy Crawford bio

Talented wide receiver with excellent height and athletic ability...Started as a senior, making 20 catches for 303 yards, a 15.2 yard average and two touchdowns...Won the team's Most Valuable Receiver Award...Also returned kickoffs, with nine returns for 202 yards, a 22.4-yard average...Had an 88-yard kickoff return for a touchdown...Named the area "Player of the Week by the Albany Herald"...Three-year letterman as a forward on the Westover basketball team, a perennial power in Georgia...Westover has won six state championships in 11 years, including the 2001 title...Won the team's rebounding and best defensive player awards during his career...Competed on his school's mock trial team that finished third in area competition...Comes from an athletic family with three cousins who have played in the NBA: Chris Cameron, Lavar Postel and Donotio Wingfield.

tight end James Whalen and former UK All-SEC defensive end Chris Ward are playing for Scotland of the NFL Europe League.

Through five games, Whalen has 30 receptions for 250 yards and two touchdowns. He is second in pass receptions and sixth in receiving yardage. Whalen is under contract to return to the Dallas Cowboys when the NFL Europe season ends. Ward ranks fifth in the league in quarterback sacks with 4.5.

Another former Wildcat, Cumberland High School alumnus George Massey, is playing the Arena Football League. Massey plays for Detroit.

A new strategy for stream fisheries

by LEE McCLELLAN
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Because Kentucky has 17 major reservoirs, management efforts from fisheries personnel of the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources (KDFWR) historically have been directed toward these resources.

Kentucky also possesses more running water than any state other than Alaska. With the upcoming hiring of a full-time stream biologist and the multi-agency Watershed Management Initiative, the flowing streams of Kentucky will get management attention similar to our reservoirs.

"The Watershed Program Initiative is an admission of woeful neglect of our stream

resources," said Ted Crowell, assistant director of fisheries for the KDFWR. "We never had the money or the personnel to do this work before."

"There is no where in the state of Kentucky that you can't drive 15 minutes to a stream that has a fishable population," Crowell continued. "We've concentrated our efforts on our 17 major reservoirs and we barely know what's there in terms of streams. We could have 17 or 18 'Elkhorn Creeks' out there."

The stream biologist will be responsible for protecting and restoring these streams using data gleaned from the Watershed Management Initiative. "The stream biologist's duties are mainly going to be stream restoration work," said Betty Kinman, fisheries project coordinator for the KDFWR. "This person will be the point person for the agency on streams."

The Kentucky Watershed Management Initiative is a cooperative effort of the KDFWR, the Kentucky Division of Water and 21 other resource agencies to improve stream water quality. The KDFWR is assisting with fish sampling and other duties.

"Instead of shotgunning the whole state, we're taking a systematic approach and looking at individual river basins at a rate of two per year on a five year rotation," Kinman explained. "The Kentucky River watershed is getting ready to start year five."

"With stream fisheries," Kinman continued, "the important thing is habitat. If the habitat is there, the fish will be there."

"Most problems are related to the watershed, not the stream," Kinman said. "The stream biologist will work with private lands biologists to help landowners do stream restoration work."

Kinman said the philosophy of the management of these stream resources is holistic in nature. "We are focussing on the big picture, the protection and restoration of the whole stream," concluded Kinman.

"The bullfrog season opens today at noon and continues through October 31. If a gun or bow is used to harvest frogs, a hunting license is required. If frogs are taken by pole and line, a fishing license is required. If frogs are taken by hand or by gigging, then a fishing license or hunting license is valid.

The daily noon to noon creel limit for bullfrogs is 15. The possession is 30.

May is the month many boaters take their first excursions of the year. However, it is easy to forget that their boat registration expired on April 28. If you have not registered your boat for 2001, do so before hitting the water. Remember to affix your registration sticker on your boat and to carry a copy of your registration with you onboard.

diams at East Carolina, Florida, Georgia, Indiana, Wake Forest and Southern Miss.

In addition to the new video board at Marshall Stadium, Daktronics and ISP will also be providing Marshall with a new, state-of-the-art, scoreboard for Thundering Herd baseball. The new scoreboard will be installed at University Heights Field in time for the 2002 season, but Marshall will be able to move the new board to a new campus facility as soon as it is ready.

Former Prestonsburg High School football standout Nathan Leslie is a sophomore defensive lineman at Marshall.

The new video board and baseball scoreboard, costing a total of \$750,000, are both being provided to Marshall by ISP.

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The Betsy Layne High School girls 4x100-meter relay team took home top honors at last week's conference track meet with a first-place time of 59.54.

Time to renew boat licenses

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Thursday, May 31

10:00 a.m. - Coaches meeting (Nutter Center)

11:30 a.m. - Play begins and continues throughout the day

Friday, June 1

9 a.m. - Competition continues in singles and doubles

Saturday, June 2

9 a.m. - Doubles semifinals (boys, girls)

10:30 a.m. - Singles semifinals (boys, girls)

12:30 p.m. - Doubles finals (boys, girls)

3:30 p.m. - Singles finals (boys, girls)

\$5 general admission charge good for semifinals and finals on Saturday.

All other admission is free.

State tennis brackets

Brackets for next week's boys and girls state tennis tournaments will be posted on the KHSAA website today at noon.

To view the brackets, visit the site at www.khsaa.org/tennis.

Sideline

it is now set in stone,

NFL realignment for 2002 season

AFC

NORTH

Baltimore

Cincinnati

Cleveland

Pittsburgh

SOUTH

Houston

Indianapolis

Jacksonville

Tennessee

EAST

Buffalo

Miami

New England

New York Jets

WEST

Denver

Kansas City

Oakland

San Diego

NFC

NORTH

Chicago

Detroit

Green Bay

Minnesota

SOUTH

Atlanta

Carolina

New Orleans

Tampa Bay

EAST

Dallas

New York Giants

Philadelphia

Washington

WEST

Arizona

St. Louis

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San Francisco

Seattle

Houston rejoins the NFL in 2002. The Texans will play in the AFC South.

Kentucky Wesleyan will get a transfer basketball player from Wisconsin Green Bay.

The school has announced that Gene Evans will transfer in to play basketball next season.

Kentucky Wesleyan, for those of who might not know, is a private, coeducational liberal arts institution located in Owensboro. The school boasts some very talent-rich athletic programs.

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Softball

tournament game with South Floyd and added four runs in the bottom part of the fourth inning to post a convincing 15-0 win.

Betsy Layne's Kim Tackett went to work on the mound and recorded the shutout win.

Leadoff hitter Jenny Parsons got things going in the bottom of the first by reaching base on an error. Parsons was followed by Devon Reynolds, who banged out a double. Parsons, Reynolds, Denise Jones and Tabitha Mitchell scored in the first to give Betsy Layne a 4-0 lead.

South Floyd's back-breaking inning came in the second when Betsy Layne came to bat and plated seven runs.

Monica Hobson started the game on the mound for South Floyd and was replaced in the second inning by senior Minnie Tackett.

The win put Betsy Layne into the championship game against Allen Central.

Results were unavailable.



SPORTS FAN OF THE WEEK

of Prestonsburg



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by KATHY PRATER
FEATURES EDITOR



A time to reflect

Memorial Day 2001 is upon us. I have found at various times in my life, that on certain occasions bits and pieces of information come at me in increments, until finally, my attention is caught and the puzzle comes together as a whole. This has happened once again, and if you would be so kind, I'd like to take a moment of your time to share.

To begin, Matt Doyle, the son of our town's state farm agent, just spent a long weekend with us as his dad needed to travel to Texas for a few days. Matt and my son, Elliott, have, of recent, become fast friends.

Turns out that Matt is into military history and brought along to our house the movie "Saving Private Ryan," which I had never seen before. Although I was quite under the weather with a bad head cold and clogged ears, I did manage to watch the first 30 or 40 minutes of the movie with the boys. (I promise to watch the rest when I finally get better.)

I was amazed at the heroism and the bravery that the men descending upon Omaha Beach displayed. I was horrified to see, with stark realism, the slaughter that occurred immediately after their descent. I was proud and touched to know that these American men managed to take this coast against all the odds that were set against them. In short, I fell back into bed with a belated admiration for the troops of World War II.

On Sunday afternoon, I came into the office and discovered, in that week's edition of American Profile magazine, the story of Roger Durbin and his mission to ensure that a national monument be raised in Washington, D.C. to the memory of World War II. For any of you who missed it, dig it out, it's a story worth reading.

On Monday morning, I received a letter from my sister, in which she had included some of our father's writings. Writings, mind you, that I had seen before, in my father's hand, and that were already instilled upon my heart, but after seeing them this second time, they seemed to fall into place with the happenings of the week-end. My father, Herbert Prater, was a veteran of World War II, and to his memory this day, I'd like to share a piece of his writing, and give you a glimpse into the kind of man that he was.

He begins by relating that his father, Adam Prater, had had a taste for poker, and that his propensity to "play a few games now and then" led to more than one disagreement with his wife who was firmly opposed to gambling of any nature. My father recalled that the one and only time that his mother ever slapped him was the result of her being upset because she had caught him with a deck of cards in his possession. She apologized to him later, telling him that it was really Adam that she was angry with, and she asked her son to "Please, don't never be a gambling man."

My father writes:
"Several years later, a group of cousins and I were playing poker for chestnuts under a large chestnut tree. Dad followed me, waited until we stopped, and on the way home, asked me to sit down, saying he had a few words to say to me - 'Son, I hope you never take up the practice of gambling. It is a waste of money and a waste of time. The more you play, the more you want to play. And even if you become a good gambler, there's always somebody else who is better than

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The Ivy Mountain Memorial



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Memorial Day is a day that is set aside each year in order to honor the memory of those Americans who gave their lives in service to their country. Historically, Memorial Day honored military personnel who died in the Civil War (1861-1865), so it seems only fitting that we denote space at this most reverent of times to the telling of the story behind the Ivy Mountain Battlefield Monument which is dedicated to the Civil War troops who fought the Battle of Ivy Mountain on November 8, 1861.

The monument is located on U.S. Route 23 between Prestonsburg and Pikeville. It stands on Kentucky Highway Department property a few hundred yards north of the Ivel Post Office and the mouth of Ivy Creek. Plans are currently underway to further beautify the natural scenery by landscaping the area immediately around the monument and creating a small picnic area on the riverbank below.

The two fiberglass panels which flank the monument will contain pictures, maps, and texts detailing further information about the battle and the men who fought it.

The monument is comprised of a fifteen-foot-

tall granite obelisk on a concrete foundation, with sidewalks and two interpretive panels. The cost of the entire package was \$20,000, not including the cost of the pull-off and the parking lot. All costs associated with the project are being borne by the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, in order to honor a promise made to Pikeville coal operator and hotel-keeper James Hatcher in 1928.

Col. James Hatcher - The Man behind the Monument

The man who made the monument possible was James Hatcher (1859-1939), the Pikeville coal baron and hotel owner, known throughout the Big Sandy Valley as "Uncle Jim" Hatcher. In 1928, when land for the Mayo Trail was being acquired, the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet approached Hatcher, who owned a chicken farm



at the mouth of Ivy Creek, and asked him to donate a right-of-way for the new highway. Hatcher agreed on the condition that the agency build a memorial arch at the site commemorating the Battle of Ivy Mountain. The agency agreed to meet Hatcher's terms. A man of foresight, Hatcher made sure that the state's promise was included in the deed conveying the Ivy Mountain property to the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

A year after the deed was executed, the stock market crashed, sending the state's economy into

"THE BATTLE OF IVY MOUNTAIN"

HERE, ON NOV. 8, 1861, 300 MEN FROM COMPANIES A & C, 5TH KENTUCKY INFANTRY, C.S.A. AND COMPANIES B, C & D, 1ST BATTALION KENTUCKY MOUNTED RIFLES, C.S.A. COMMANDED BY CAPTAIN ANDREW J. MARY, FOUGHT A DELAYING ACTION AGAINST FIVE FEDERAL REGIMENTS: THE 2ND OHIO INFANTRY, THE 21ST OHIO INFANTRY, THE 59TH OHIO INFANTRY, THE 16TH KENTUCKY INFANTRY AND A SECTION OF BATTERY D, 1ST OHIO LIGHT ARTILLERY, COMMANDED BY GENERAL WILLIAM "BULL" NELSON.

a tailspin. As a result, the Highway Department decided to postpone the project until economic conditions improved. When Colonel Hatcher died in 1939, the project was dealt another set-

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PCC's Class of 1966 - Where are they now?



■ Andrea Crum Blanton

Dr. ROBERT PERRY
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Andrea Crum Blanton

Andrea Blanton's life has been a successful one by any standard. She graduated from Prestonsburg High School in 1964, earned her two-year degree from PCC in 1966, and married high school sweetheart Payne Blanton of Dwayne following the graduation ceremony.

When I asked Andrea how PCC had influenced her life, she said, "Had it not been for Prestonsburg Community College, I wouldn't have been able to go to college."

The couple subsequently moved to Michigan, where Payne began work for the Ford Motor Company. After a long and successful career, he retired in March, 1996.

In order to be closer to their kinfolk, the Blantons then moved back to Floyd County and bought a house on Abbott Creek.

Andrea and her husband are proud of their two children, Michael and Dawn, both of whom graduated from Eastern Michigan University in Ypsilanti.

Prestonsburg Community College salutes Andrea Crum Blanton, Class of 1966!

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■ Jane Osborne Bond

Things to Ponder...

Influencing the development of creativity

by MABLE ROWE
LINEBERGER, PH.D.

So many years ago, a major goal of mine was to be a "baby nurse," as it was called back in the old days. Fresh out of nursing school I worked on the pediatric floor at the Good Samaritan Hospital in West Palm Beach, Florida.

During another time of "trying my wings," I worked with the very small premature babies at New York Hospital.

Later, as a working wife and mother, I worked the evening shift with normal and sick babies in a county hospital north of Atlanta. With this great lifetime interest in children, it seemed very natural that I become interested in clinical/developmental psychol-

ogy or clinical child psychology. One long summer at the University of Mississippi in the middle 1980's, I took a graduate course in the development of creativity as part of my Ph.D. program. Who would have believed there would be so many theories and research about how creativity is brought about?

More recent ideas on the topic of children and their development of creativity were found in an article about "Children's Play and Television." The first segment had to do with how parents keep buying every toy that children beg for and yet the toys end up on the shelf and the children complain of being bored. It seems that the division in play between the sexes is more defi-

nite and occurring at earlier ages than it did a few years ago, with less interaction overall between girls and boys. Parents reported that daughters played Barbie and dress-up with "gentle" feelings—caring sharing, nurturing, sadness, or helplessness. In contrast, their sons often played with toys revolving around action figures and toy weapons—to fight bad guys and "save the world"—channeling them into being strong, dominant, and competitive. A change from the past seemed to be that kids were obsessed with war in a different way prior to the 1980's. Supposedly now, they tended to repeat the same violent gestures over and over, based on the characters, action and script of television shows that had mesmerized them, and not acting out their own plots.

The authors had traced these drastic changes on children's play to the impact of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) deregulat-

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This Town That World

Now I know why I wait till the last minute to do this column. I wait all week for an idea...and usually in vain.

Believe it or not, some folks ask us about the absence, some weeks, of an editorial in this sheet. Here's why: We get crowded for space, and the editorial usually is the first thing that gets left on the dump...The boys know the world will wag along for another week, even though it isn't aware of our ideas about how it should wag. And I usually agree with them.

BEWARE!

It has at last dawned on me that Sunday is the "unhealthiest" day of the week, and so I hasten to

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Ponder

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to protect children from commercial exploitation. Simply put, there was a change from the concept that programming should come first, not the selling of products; it was illegal to market a toy that was attached to a television show, plus other boundaries of kids' TV (1984). By December 1985, all of the 10 best selling toys had TV programs attached. By fall of 1987, toy companies produced 80 percent of children's programs. Would you believe that by 1993, the sale of TV action figures was the same as for the sale of children's books? The amount of toys on the market, ones directly linked to movies and TV shows, jumped from an amazing 10 percent in 1984 to 50 percent in 1994. A great number of the toys had to do with war, more than a 500 percent increase with over a billion dollars a year being spent. In addition, war cartoons on TV rose from 1.5 hours a week in 1982 to 27 hours a week in 1988. While more than 98 percent of American homes had at least one TV in 1999, more than 48 percent of homes had a set in a child's bedroom. No wonder teens spend so much time in their rooms and refuse to interact with the family! It cannot go without saying that an overwhelming majority of studies since the 1950s have found a link between screen violence and real violence in children.

Then there is the emphasis of play versus imitation for the development of creativity in young children. A major early theorist of child psychology viewed pretend play as an important activity for children because it allows them to understand and master personal experience, ideas, and feelings. Through playing, children try on new roles—what might be instead of what is and learning problem-solving skills as they transform difficulties they run into. Symbolic play is shown from infancy through preschool years and remains valuable through adulthood. When kids imitate, they are placing themselves into reality, trying to conform to something they have seen. If the children are "stuck", then they are likely to continue doing things as they have always been done—which might inhibit the child's ability to adapt to change constructively.

Supposedly war play has become appealing, because it allows children to feel powerful and strong, as they attack imaginary foes. Being in charge, they can always win. Hopefully, these positive feelings can balance the negative ones of separating from parents and making that scary trip from home to school. They are able to express anger and hostility and gain control of these feelings. Play having to do with violent themes also helps children create an understanding of the violence they have heard about; supposedly this helps children form an understanding of where fantasy stops and reality begins.

The authors identified several factors that undermine the ability of children to take part in rich dramatic play. A major factor is that dramatic play is limited, thus allowing kids to fall into the less desired form of play—imitation. Children have less time to play, since they have more scheduled and regimented lives these days. Without time for free play, children do not have the chance to develop their own version of play and give it personal meaning. Then a second drawback is that children are more likely to just imitate what they have seen in the media, when the toys are specifically tied into a show or movie, and instructions of how to play are given. Toys are tools to form dramatic play, which can help a child explore developmentally appropriate issues. The child may be prevented from moving from the early exploratory phase of play if his toys are very purpose-specific, such as a Rambo rifle, and/or there is a constant showering of new toys. Then in the second phase, a non-specific toy can be used creatively, such as the box that the toy or, perhaps the new washing machine, came in.

The value of children being able to play was shown in 1989, when the United Nations adopted the "Rights of the Child" with "full opportunity to play" as one basic right of childhood. In helping children gain control of their play, several things were identified that concerned adults can do to help children re-establish control over their play. Do such things as hold the line on single-purpose toys where possible. Pick a toy that can be used in different ways, let the children decide how they will be used, get a toy that can be enjoyed at various ages and stages, plus being fun and interesting overtime. Also help children make their (war) play their own as much as possible. Know what kinds of toys children are using and how they are being used. Help them to play with objects in new and different ways. Try to influence the attitudes and values children are learning from their play—encouraging cooperation, practicing rules together, responding quickly to conflict and trying to enjoy the "doing" and not only thinking of the final score.

"Creativity and imagination continue to be the key raw materials needed in the search for solutions to global problems." Understand TV with its focus on children's play has become perhaps the single most destructive influence depleting this potentially limitless human resource. Have you turned your family's TV sets off and been in charge of the creative justice? Your children will be the best for it.

School Happenings

Adams Middle School Youth Services Center.

- May 25 - 5th grade visit day for students/parents from Prestonsburg and Clark Elementary Schools.
- May 25 - Title I Parent meeting at 1:00 p.m. in the school library. This is an important meeting and parents are urged to attend.
- May 30 - CPR classes for 8th grade students. Conducted by Our Lady of the Way Hospital.
- Center is open weekdays, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. or later by appointment; for more information about the center or any of the listed activities, call 886-9812.
- Counselor in center on Wednesdays to see students in need. Contact the center for more information, 886-9812

Allen Central Middle School Youth Service Center

- Election for parent members to the Allen Central Middle SBDM will be held on Friday, May 25, from 8 a.m. until 6 p.m. in the Youth Service Center. Nominations must have been submitted in writing to the Youth Service Center office by Thursday, May 24.
- May 30 - Sixth grade 4-H project judging held.
- June 5 - East Kentucky Regional GEAR-UP Project Parent Workshop, 6 p.m. in the school library. The workshop will provide academic information along with information on scholarships and financial planning for college. The workshop is free and open to parents of seventh grade students.
- Hours are 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., or later by appointment. Call 358-0134 for more information. If your child has lost a coat at school, please check in the Youth Service Center.

Allen Elementary

- KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION: May 21-25 from 8:15 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. Parents need to bring immunization certificates, completed physical forms, child's social security card and birth certificate. For an appointment, call 874-2165

Allen Elementary Family Resource Youth Service Center

- Service Center Hours: Mon.-Fri., 7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. After School Child Care available 3:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Telephone: 874-0621
- Call Allen Elementary Youth Service Center at 874-0621 to schedule your child's 6th grade entry physical, Hepatitis B vaccination, immunizations, and WIC appointment.
- G.E.D. classes offered-FREE-each Friday, beginning 8:30 a.m. and lasting through 11:30 a.m. Instructor: Linda Bailey

Clark Elementary

- May 25 - Tour of Adams Middle School for fifth graders.
- May 30 - "Buckle Up" presentation for students. "Especially" presentation for fourth and fifth grade girls. "Especially" presentation for fifth grade boys.
- 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.

Duff Elementary

- June 4 - An election will be held to name two parents to the school site-based council. All parents of Duff Elementary students may cast their votes in the Family Resource Center between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. All ballots will be deposited into a locked ballot box by the person casting the vote.
- Nominations in writing will be accepted in the Family Resource Center from May 23 - 31.
- Any parent of a student who is pre-registered to attend J.A. Duff Elementary for the 2001-2002 school year may vote to elect parent council members.
- A parent council member shall be a parent, step-parent, or foster parent of a student at J.A. Duff Elementary for the term. The parent member shall not be an employee of that school, or the district central office, the relative of an employee of that school or a district central office employee, a local Board member or spouse of a local board member. Relative shall mean father, mother, brother, sister, husband, wife, son, daughter, aunt, uncle, son-in-law or daughter-in-law.

ter, aunt, uncle, son-in-law or daughter-in-law.

John M. Stumbo Elementary

- May 29 - Parent meeting in the school library at 6:30 p.m. Summer reading activities and making plans for the upcoming school year will be topics of discussion. Refreshments will be served and FREE books will be given away. All parents are encouraged to attend.

May Valley Elementary

- KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION will be held on the following dates: Thursday, May 24 and Friday, May 25 from 8:30 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. For further information, call 285-0883.

McDowell Elementary

- May 31 - SBDM Council election will be held in the school cafeteria at 7 p.m.
- June 11 - Health Fair hosted by McDowell ARH from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. in the auditorium.
- June 11 - Honor Banquet, 6:30 p.m. in school cafeteria.
- June 13 - Young Author's School Showcase, 12 p.m. until 6 p.m.
- June 14 - Awards Day - 9 a.m. for primary classes; 1 p.m. for intermediate. Held in the school gymnasium.
- June 14 - Last day of school for students.
- June 18 - KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION - 9 a.m. until 1 p.m.

McDowell Family Resource Center 377-2678

- June 7 - Parent Involvement Night, 6 p.m.
- June 7 - Family Resource Center Advisory Council meeting, 5:30 p.m. in the FRC.
- The McDowell FRC After-School Program has openings for students who need a safe place to stay until their parents get off from work or out of school. Call 377-2678.
- Call the FRC to schedule fifth grade student physicals and immunizations update, required by law. Floyd County Health Department nurse is at the Center each Monday to administer these and other services.
- Call the center now, 377-2678, to schedule appointments for physicals for children entering head start, kindergarten, or the sixth grade for the fall semester, 2001.
- GED classes, free, Mondays, 8 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Prestonsburg Elementary Family Resource Center

- June 8: Spring Carnival, sponsored by PTA - 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
- 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 FRC office.

South Floyd Youth Services Center

- May 29, 30 - CPR Training
- Walking track open to public, except during special event.
- Adult education classes available.
- The center has a one-stop career station satellite that is available to the community as well as students.
- All new students and visitors, please stop by the center and see Mable Hall. The center is located on the South Floyd campus in room 232. For more information call 452-9600 or 9607 and ask for Mable Hall, ext. 243, or Keith Smallwood or Misty Dawson, ext. 242.

W.D. Osborne Elementary

- Election of parents and teachers to the SBDM Council will be held on Tuesday, May 29. The election for teachers will be held during the school day and the parent election will be held in the school library from 6-7 p.m.

W.D. Osborne Rainbow Junction Family Resource Center

- May 25: School store.
- Located in the W. D. Osborne Elementary School, hours of operation - 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., or later by appointment.
- Lending Library is available to school and community.

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you are."

He was exceptionally calm as he sat there. It didn't sound like a chastisement, nor a rebuke. It was more like calm words of advice that remained with me in my mind always. I have ignored them on a few occasions, but there were many more times that the memory held me in restraint.

Almost two years after the infamous incident at Pearl Harbor, I entered the Army of the United States. I spent September, 1943 to June, 1944 at Camp Atterbury, Indiana. From there I went to Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, and Panama, and in 1946, back to Camp Atterbury for mustering out. I thought of Mother a great deal and one particular night in Puerto Rico, it seemed that she was never out of my mind. I was afraid that something bad had happened. On the following Saturday, I took a pass and went into San Juan. I walked into a bar and learned that a "good game" of poker was underway in one of the back

rooms. I walked in with a feeling of self-restraint because I knew Mother wouldn't approve, yet I also had another feeling that perhaps I could get some relief from the dread inside me.

I was dealt three or four hands that were no good, but presently I was dealt three Queens which is a good hand in five-card natural draw poker. Some of the players around the table evidently had "pat hands"—straights, flushes, etc.—and by the time the bet, or call, came to me, it took most of the money I had to call the bets. We discarded, and I took two cards to the three queens. When I looked at the two new cards, I saw that one of them was the Queen of Hearts, making the strength of my hand Four Queens. That gave me a feeling of optimism because on the basis of how cards are drawn, it seemed that I had a veritable lock on the situation. However, by the time

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Organizations



Still champions...

The Middle Creek Baptist Youth won yet another Championship Bible Quiz that was held at Camp Lewis on April 28.

Joseph Gilliam, son of Creed and Noel Gilliam, Alicia Stone, daughter of Charles and Estalene Stone, and Buddy Bieger, son of Bob and Nancy Bieger are shown with their winning plaque.

Alicia placed first in answering the greatest number of questions correctly and was awarded a week's stay at Camp Lewis during summer 2001. Joseph came in fourth in overall number of questions answered correctly. These three fine examples of Floyd county youth plan to devote a portion of their time to working with the younger children of Middle Creek Baptist.

Churches involved in the Bible Quiz were: Middle Creek Baptist, Pastor Vernon Stone; Lighthouse Baptist, Pastor Don Crisp; Grethel Baptist, Pastor David Tucker; Bledsoe Baptist, Pastor John Baughman; and, Victory Mountain, Pastor Sam Baer.

Coaches for the Middle Creek Baptist team were: Rue Hager, Cassie Justice, Dolores Ward and Eddie Ward. Their van driver is Charles Justice.

The 2001-2002 Bible Quiz will begin again in September, 2001.



photo by Kathy Prater

Mud Creek Senior Citizens Center "Mother of the Year" shown with Loretta Bentley, center director.



photo by Kathy Prater

Mud Creek Senior Citizens Center May birthday celebrants Irene Roop and Arthur Hall.

Mud Creek Seniors Celebrate

The Mud Creek Senior Citizens Center recently celebrated Mother's Day this past May 11 with a cook-out attended by many area seniors. In an effort to show much deserved respect for all the ladies attending, the senior men prepared the meal and presented roses to the women.

Marie Hall was in attendance and recognized as "oldest mother," though her youthful appearance belied the title. She was crowned and presented with a bouquet of roses.

Ocie Alley and Pearl Jones were recognized as the mothers having the most children, each having brought up eight children into the world. They also were crowned and presented with bouquets.

The most coveted title of "Mother of the Year" was awarded to Pearl Jones. Mrs. Jones was honored with a crowning, a bouquet, much applause and many hugs.

May birthdays were also recognized at this event, with Irene Roop and Arthur Hall enjoying recognition.

The day was a festive and fun one for all seniors attending. The Mud Creek Senior Citizens Center encourages all seniors living in the area to join them in center activities. Center activities are rewarding and uplifting and all who attend go away in good spirits and looking forward to the next event.

For more information, please call (606) 587-2507 or just stop by on any day.

Happy Birthday

Gregory Ryan Hoskins



Gregory Ryan Hoskins, son of Nathan and Stacy Hoskins, will be celebrating his third birthday on Wednesday, May 23, at Daniel Boone National Park with family and friends with a "Hot Wheels" theme party. Ryan is the grandson of Mike and Debbie Hoskins of Stanville, Greg Clark of Allen, and the late Debbie Blair Clark. He is the great-grandson of Donna Blair of West Van Lear, and the late Clay Blair, Gerry Clark of Ivel, Sonny Trick of Betsy Layne, and the late Darnell Trick and Leonna and Hobert Hoskins. He is the great-great grandson of Juanitta Morrill of Lexington.

Readers asks – is home-grown food “clean and safe?”



Family Medicine

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Question: In the last few weeks many of my neighbors have been starting their gardens. I've never been much of a gardener myself, and I wondered how the safety and cleanliness of backyard produce compares with the commercially grown stuff I buy at the grocery store.

Answer: First, let me admit my bias. I am a gardener. Each summer I plant and tend a garden — as all of my neighbors are aware. In answering your question, I'll try to stick to the objective medical facts, as best

as I can determine them. But, please keep in mind that medical research on nutrition is fraught with difficulty. One of the major problems is that a change in diet usually only causes a slow and subtle change in health. It is very hard, then, to know when these changes can be attributed to diet rather than to hereditary or environmental factors.

When we look at the issue of home-grown versus commercially prepared food, we have to not only look at fresh produce but at commercial versus home canning. Improper canning

techniques can result in food poisoning due to the bacteria *Clostridium botulinum*. The spores of this bacteria can withstand boiling temperatures for several hours; and after cooling to room

temperature, they can germinate and begin to produce toxin. Leaving the food at room temperature for hours greatly increases the risk of toxin production. Then, this bacterial toxin-laced food becomes a potent poison. Just tasting a small quantity of contaminated food can result in death. Even with the best care available today, 20 percent of poisoned individuals die.

Ingestion of improperly home-processed vegetables, fruits, meats — such as ham, bacon, sausage and jerky of all types — and seafood is the cause of most cases of botulism.

Even fresh garden produce can be contaminated with the ubiquitous spores of *C. botulinum* and, therefore, can also produce food-borne botulism.

Fortunately, the methods of food preparation and canning used in commercial facilities make this potentially fatal illness quite uncommon. Following currently recommended home canning methods — these are not necessarily the same ones Mom used — also greatly reduces the risk for home-canned food. So, on this score, it is a close call, but the commercial foods win.

On the topic of flavor, the commercial foods usually place a distant second to home-grown fresh produce. Home-canned and frozen produce is usually equal to, or superior to, the best commercial products and considerably more flavorful than the least desirable brands.

Score one for the home-grown side.

All commercial foods are grown with the use of pesticides, herbicides and fertilizers. Many of the products are then treated with other chemicals to reduce spoilage, improve appearance, or in other ways to increase the value of the product. The U.S. Department of Agriculture has

determined a “safe level” for each of these products and, in general, foods produced commercially are at or lower than this level. Home-grown produce, in contrast, may have even higher levels of these chemicals because the gardener fails to follow label directions. On the other hand, the gardener may use none of these chemicals at all. Therefore, this part of the debate gets a split decision.

If you tally the points, you'll

note that we have a tied score so far. However, there is one other aspect that tips the scales. The greatest benefit from gardening may be the joy of the activity. I enjoy being outdoors, working the soil and nurturing the plants almost as much as I enjoy consuming the succulent, fresh produce. Believe me, no trip to the grocery store is as rewarding. Score one for the garden. So, if you'll let me count this “bonus point,” I'll be happy to declare the home grown produce the winner in overtime.

“Family Medicine” is a weekly column. To submit questions, write to John C. Wolf, D.O., Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine, Grosvenor Hall, Athens, Ohio 45701. Past columns are available online at www.fhradio.org/fm.

Postscript: Post-Ages

By PAM SHINGLER

Thinking, I suppose, there may still be a teensy bit of space in my storehouse of worthless information, Janice Shepherd gave me some data she found while looking for something else on the Internet.

It is a list of post offices in Kentucky as of September 1, 1870 more than a century and a quarter ago, back in the time of our grandparents, with a few greats added.

Of course, I went first to Floyd County to see where the post offices were way back then, before Auxier, before Wheelwright, before Allen. Only three stations are recorded.

First is Haws

Ford, which I had never heard of, even in historical references - at least not that I remember. Not to despair. Every home should have a copy of Prestonsburger Robert Rennicks book, Kentucky Place Names. There it is in alphabetical order on page 134. Haws Ford PO (Floyd). See Dwale.

Before Dwale, Mr. Rennick writes, there was Haws Ford, established as a PO on March 10, 1868, with John M. Layne as postmaster and named for Robert Haws, who had a ford on the Levisa Fork around that location.

Dwale, by the way, (Look where reading takes you.) was named by Capt. John Finlayson, a Scotsman who was superintendent of the Yellow Poplar Lumber Co., a Chicago firm that helped denude our hills the first time. The captain reportedly claimed Dwale was the name of a town in Wales, although Rennick says he finds no verification of that.

The second reference on the list of post offices for Floyd County in 1870 is to Lanesville, absent then the y that denotes the Laynes, one of the oldest families in the county. Again, Rennicks reference work comes in handy. He reports that the PO was established in 1828 and named for James Shannon Layne. James L. Layne was the first postmaster, and the spelling was corrected to reflect the prevailing family name in 1878.

Laynesville, Rennick says, was on the east side of the river at what is now Harold. The Harold PO, in fact, was opened on the west side of the river in 1905 and named for Harold Hatcher, a local merchant. The Laynesville office closed in 1917, and Harold remains but now on the east side of the river.

Prestonsburgh, with an h is the other post office listed in 1870. I have heard that Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, is the only burg city in the country to use the h on the end. Apparently, the US Postal

Service attached the letter to every burg back then, for the list includes Millersburgh in Bourbon County, Hardinsburgh in Breckinridge, Flemingsburgh in Fleming, Catlettsburgh in Boyd and so on.

In Johnson County, where I grew up, Paintsville and Oil Springs are listed, along with Hoods Fork, which has disappeared and is not even listed in the Rennick book.

Likewise, Pike County has seen post offices come and go. At the time of this document, the county seat was known as Picketon. When did ville replace ton and why? The other Pike offices were Bent Branch, Coal Run, Little Creek, Mouth of Pond and Robinson Creek.

The only two post offices listed in Magoffin County were Salyersville, which remains, and Johnsons Fork, which does not.

Martin and Knott counties did not exist in 1870. However, Warfield in modern-day Martin County was listed in Lawrence County.

Lawrence County, by the way, had far more post offices than its neighbors, several of which still remain. Besides Warfield, there were Blaine, Buchanan, Cherokee, Falls of Blaine (now Fallsburg), Louisa, Lowmansville, Prosperity, Stone House and Webbville.

I couldn't help but look at the other post offices, even those in counties far removed from my experience. Some of the names are intriguing, making me want to spend more time with Rennicks book, when I get a chance.

For instance, there's Neatsville in Adair County. Is it really, I wonder? Mount Aerial in Allen County is interesting. What kind of aerial were they thinking about in 1870? Blandville in Ballard County does not sound like someplace you would want to visit. Wyoming in Bath County seems rather out of place in Kentucky, but I would like to share the pride of the Butler Countian who named his (or her) community Quality Valley.

Among others that pique my curiosity are Oddville in Harrison County, Chinkapin Roof in Jackson, Rabbittsville in Logan, Big Hill in Madison, Head Quarters in Nicholas, Peru in Oldham, Horse Shoe Bottom in Russell, Jesses Store in Shelby, and Lot and Rockhold in Whitley.

Pulaski County, however, had some of the most creative names 131 years ago: Garden Cottage, Plato, Sublimity and Waterloo.

I think it would be Neatsville to have a Garden Cottage in a Quality Valley on the edge of Sublimity, don't you?

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the second bets were made, and everyone called, I was more or less in a daze. On the show-down, the man sitting next to me had to nudge me and tell me to turn my cards up and show them. The “Four Queens” won, and they raked the money to my side of the table. I was stunned! I could see nothing but the image of my mother in front of me.

I raised up, stuck the money into my two front pants' pockets and walked out. An old lady with three or four children was standing outside the door. I made out from what she said to me in Spanish that she was operating a home for orphans. I immediately remembered a verse from a song composed and sung by a

favorite country artist, Jimmie Rodgers, Mississippi's Blue Yodeler. The song was “Mother, the Queen of my Heart,” and the refrain that came to my mind was “My winnings I gave to a newsboy, I knew I had done wrong from the start; For I had broken a promise to Mother, Mother, the queen of my heart.”

I emptied one of my pockets and without counting it, I gave it all to the woman. She patted me on the back and said, “Vaya con Dios!” And, I think, God has been with me since.”

This Memorial Day, let's not forget to take pause and take a moment to thank and remember all our American veterans and their families.

World

warn all my friends to have a care. This fact becomes apparent when you go down the list of those who were unable to attend church and Sunday School, because they weren't feeling up to par on this particular and very special day. But there is some balm in Gilead. The sad fact about Sunday causes one to look a bit further and to learn that Monday is the most healthful. If you don't believe it, look around you and see how many of those Sunday invalids made remarkable recoveries and were blithely at work or otherwise engaged on Monday morning.

SOUND APPRAISAL

Some folks hereabouts have an idea The Courier-Journal never has anything good to say about anybody. They are referred to Kyle Vance's excellent appraisal of Chester Patton, foreman of the special grand jury now in session here. Wrote Vance in Tuesday's C.J.:

“Chester Patton, Allen...with a reputation for unquestioned integrity among neutral Floyd Countians, was named foreman of the grand jury.”

We agree with Mr. Vance. But somebody still may want to know where you'll find a neutral Floyd Countian.

TRY THIS:

This kind appraisal of a Floyd County man reminds us of a suggestion we read recently. It asked that the reader count all the people about whom he had said a kind word and to credit himself with 10 cents for each; then count all about whom he had had something bad to say, and charge himself 5 cents each. The idea was to determine if the reader would come out ahead or in the hole on the transaction.

A CAPITAL IDEA

Governor Combs made a statement at

Class

Jane Osborne Bond

Quite a few members of PCC's class of '66 went on to become successful educators. Such is the case with Jane Osborne Bond.

The daughter of the late Red and Dora Osborne, Jane said about her PCC experience, “PCC really did make a big difference in my life. Walter Frasure and my other teachers put me on the right course. My classes at PCC were very useful and very enjoyable.”

After earning her associate's degree at PCC, Jane transferred to Eastern Kentucky University, where she graduated with a B.A. in English and Psychology. She then taught school in Greenup county

for three years before returning to Floyd county and a position with Mountain Comprehensive Care.

From 1977 to 1979, she was employed as a frame technician for South Central Bell, and in 1981, she went to work for the Floyd County Health Department. Today she is in charge of the department's Health Education program.

She has two children, Holly and Aaron, and one granddaughter, Victoria Grace.

Prestonsburg Community College salutes Jane Osborne Bond, Class of 1966!

Aleene Brown

Aleene Brown is another class of '66 member who became a teacher. After earning her associate's degree from PCC,

Paducah, the other night, which should immortalize him, when he declared, “Commencement speeches ought to be abolished.” The Governor pocketed his prepared speech, congratulated the graduating class, wished them God-speed, and told the graduates' parents he knew they were anxious to get home and take off their shoes. And there upon adjourned, sine die.

Not many men who reach the office of Governor have the humility to realize that impatient youngsters and tired parents will not hang with bated breath onto every word they say in a long and formal address... We recently heard C. Hunter Green, Kentucky president of the Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Company, and he attacked his subject much after Combs' style. He registered with us, because he was not filled with his own importance as so many of us are tempted to be.

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back. Local people, however, did not forget about the deal. In April, 1946, World War II veterans of Floyd County Post # 129 of the American Legion publicly reminded the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet of their obligation to build the memorial arch.

Dr. Earl T. Arnett, post vice-commander, was quoted

Seven or eight years ago, while doing the research which preceded the composition of Jack May's War, I ran across the Times article quoting Arnett about the unhonored promise. Curious about the deed, I made a trip to the Floyd County Courthouse and checked it out. Sure enough, its lan-

tacted by Frank Hatcher of Pikeville, a direct descendant of Colonel Hatcher and custodian of the Hatcher and Trimble Trust. Frank and I began a letter-writing campaign designed to coerce the Kentucky Highway Department into honoring its promise of years ago. We were aided in our effort by State Senator Benny Ray Bailey, State Representative Hubert Collins, Paintsville historians John B. Wells, III and John David Preston, State Representative Greg Stumbo, and Governor Paul Patton.

We were also aided by the Floyd County Post # 129 of the American Legion, the American Veterans Post #27 of Martin, and the Floyd County Historical and Genealogical Society, whose president, Jim Daniels of Auxier, played an important role. All three organizations passed resolutions supporting the project, copies of which were subsequently forwarded to the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet.

A year or so after we initiated this campaign, I received a letter from the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet informing me that

the agency had decided to build a monument at the site, using its own architects and engineers. There was great rejoicing among our group when this news was finally received.

The person who supervised the development of the project was Tom Fugate, of the Kentucky Heritage Council. Preservation Officer for Kentucky's Civil War battlefields, Tom was, until a few years ago, the Curator of the Kentucky Military Museum in Frankfort. For the last five years he has taken a keen personal interest in the development of Eastern Kentucky's Civil War battlefield sites. Tom has played a major role and been an instrumental force in making the Ivy Mountain Battlefield Monument a reality.

The formal dedication of the Ivy Mountain monument is scheduled to take place on November 8, 2001, the 140th Anniversary of the Battle of Ivy Mountain.

We hope to see you there.

For more information about Colonel James Hatcher, go to www.geocities.com/heartland/9999/index.html

MUSTERED INTO SERVICE JUST TWO WEEKS EARLIER AND ARMED ONLY WITH SHOTGUNS AND SQUIRREL RIFLES, MAY'S CONFEDERATE MOUNTAINEERS WERE OUTNUMBERED EIGHT TO ONE. NEVERTHELESS, THEY DETAINED NELSON'S PROGRESS LONG ENOUGH TO ALLOW COLONEL JOHN S. WILLIAMS TO VACATE PIKETON (PIKEVILLE) AND MOVE THE MAIN BODY OF CONFEDERATE TROOPS TO POUND GAP. UNION LOSSES WERE EIGHT KILLED AND TWENTY-FOUR WOUNDED. CONFEDERATE LOSSES WERE TEN KILLED AND FIFTEEN WOUNDED.

by the Floyd County Times as saying: “We feel that the highway department, even at this late date, will not attempt to evade its pledge, given in consideration for right-of-way that otherwise would have cost a lot of money.” Unfortunately, the department did evade its pledge and chose to ignore the veterans' plea.

guage was just as Dr. Arnett had said. The deed contained the state's promise that it would build a memorial arch at the Ivy Mountain site. I subsequently published “The Case of the Missing Memorial Arch,” in the Floyd County Times.

My article reawakened interest in the project, and it wasn't long before I was con-



Artists Leonardo da Vinci and Michelangelo both claimed that the herb called Garden Rue improved their eyesight and inner artistic vision.



The first carbonated soft drink was created by Dr. Phillip Syng Physick in Philadelphia in 1807. Dr. Physick used the fizzy water to treat his patients.

Weddings



Mr. and Mrs. Michael and Patricia Dye of Prestonsburg and Mr. and Mrs. Howard and Mary McFaddin of Paintsville, would like to announce the forthcoming marriage of their children Melissa and David. Melissa is a senior at Eastern Kentucky University where she is a Child and Families Studies major. She plans to obtain her Masters degree in Marriage and Family Counseling from the University of Kentucky. David is a 1999 graduate of Eastern Kentucky University with a degree in Public Relations. He is currently working in Georgetown as a Network Manager for Bellsouth. The wedding will take place August 4, 2001, at the Prestonsburg Church of Christ at 2:30 in the afternoon. A reception will follow at the Wilkinson-Stumbo Convention Center in Jenny Wiley State Park. The gracious custom of an open ceremony will be observed.



Little-Blanton to wed

Donnie and Joyce Little of Melvin wish to announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Chasity Gail to Danny L. "Peno" Blanton, Jr. of McDowell. The wedding ceremony will take place on Saturday, May 26, 2001, at 5:00 p.m. at the Wheelwright Freewill Baptist Church.



Brittney Dawn Ginn of Milton, Ky., and Ryan Dwayne Hamilton of Lexington, Ky., would like to announce their engagement and forthcoming marriage. The ceremony will take place on June 9, at 6:30 p.m. at the Bedford Baptist Church in Bedford, Ky. The bride-to-be is the daughter of David and Teresa Ginn of Milton. She is a 1994 graduate of Trimble County High School, and a 1998 graduate of the University of Kentucky College of Nursing. She is currently employed as a registered nurse at King's Daughter's Hospital in Madison, Indiana. Her maternal grandparents are Wyman and Juanita Callis of Bedford, KY. Ryan is the son of Ricky and Gwen Hamilton of McDowell. He is a 1995 graduate of South Floyd High School, 1998 graduate of Morehead State University, and a 1999 graduate of the James Graham Brown Cancer Center in Louisville. He is currently employed as a radiation therapist at the University of Kentucky Markey Cancer Center. His maternal grandparents are Willis and Earlene Mathews of Prestonsburg. His maternal great-grandmother is Beulah Mathews of Hi Hat. His paternal grandmother is Dorothy DeRossett of Printer. Immediately following the ceremony a reception will be held at the Moose Lodge, Madison.



Mr. and Mrs. Larry and Denise Branham, of Grethel, and Mr. and Mrs. Terry and Brigett Clemons, of Mousie would like to announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Candice Leigh Branham, to James Douglas Gilley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie and Linda Gilley of Dorton. The couple plan to be united in marriage at the Little Mountain Chapel in Gatlinburg, Tenn., on June 9 at two o'clock in the afternoon. Candice is a sophomore at Pikeville College where she has maintained a position on the Dean's List both semesters of her enrollment. James is a graduate of Mayo Technical College and an employee of Worldwide Equipment of Prestonsburg.

Youth News



Piarist School Valedictorian

The Piarist School of Martin, KY has announced that Nora Traum, the daughter of Clarence and Carolyn Traum of Prestonsburg, has been chosen as Valedictorian of their 2001 graduating class. Traum has a perfect 4.00 grade point average. She is a 2000 Kentucky Governor's Scholar, and is the president of the school Y-club. She has been a TIP participant at Duke University, and she has been a volunteer with the Jenny Wiley Summer Music Theater, the Kentucky Opry, and Consolidated Health Systems. She has also served in a volunteer capacity with the Paxton for Judge Campaign, as well as serving as pianist at the St. Martha Catholic Church. She has been in the school Drama Club and French Club for the past four years, and has been a member of the school newspaper team, basketball team, and Y-Club for the past three years. Her current plans are to attend Centre College in the fall and to pursue a major in the Liberal Arts.



Piarist School Salutatorian

The Piarist School, Martin, KY has announced Thomas Bryant Greene, the grandson of Thomas and Virginia Greene, of Prestonsburg as Salutatorian for their 2001 graduating class. Greene has a near perfect 3.99 grade point average and has served as president of the Student Council. Greene is a 2000 Kentucky Governor's Scholar and a Rogers Scholar. He has served as a volunteer at Highlands Regional Medical Center and Kentucky Water Watch. He has been the captain of the Science Olympiad team, a member of the Drama Club and school newspaper team for the past four years, and has served on the Student Council for the past three years, as well as the Academic Team for the past two years. Greene has been listed as an All American Scholar and in "Who's Who Among American High School Students" for the past four years. Greene has succeeded in balancing his extracurricular activities with his academic studies. When asked how he was able to be an effective Student Council president as well as a top scholar, he replied, "Leadership is a test of a person's strengths, weaknesses, and resourcefulness. A leader also has to follow at times, allowing others to take command when they have ideas." Greene plans to major in education with a concentration in high school mathematics at Centre College.



The Piarist School 2001 graduating class. From left to right: William Duty, Tabitha Nunemaker, Brett Hall, Nora Traum, Joel Castle, Emily Meyer, John Layne II, Matthew Goeing, and Thomas Greene.

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 - 740 - Masonry
 - 745 - Miscellaneous
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 - 755 - Office
 - 760 - Plumbing
 - 765 - Professionals
 - 770 - Repair/Service
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 - 790 - Travel
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 - 805 - Announcements
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 - 815 - Lost & Found
 - 830 - Miscellaneous
 - 860 - Personals
 - 870 - Services
 - 890 - Legals

The FLOYD COUNTY TIMES does not knowingly accept false or misleading advertisements. Ads which request or require advance payment of fees for services or products should be scrutinized carefully.

AUTOMOTIVE

115-ATV's

1996 HONDA 400 FOREMAN 4 wheeler, very low hrs. \$4,200. 874-5577.

130-Cars

'98 TOYOTA CAMRY: One owner, has warranty. 35,000 miles. \$11,900. 606-546-3975.*

'85 ELDERADO CAT. gold key edition. 16,000 miles, V8, Garage kept. Mint. \$14,500. 874-2000.

1995 MONTE CARLO: V-6, auto., \$4,800. **1999 Grand AM SE,** V-6, auto., 47,500. **1995 Thunderbird** gold pkg., V-8, \$6,000. **1990 Ford 450,** Superduty, Rollback \$11,000. Call 358-5658.*

150-Miscellaneous

'98 KAWASAKI 1100 ZX1 JET SKI: 886-6186 or 886-8286.*

1996 TIGERSHARK JET SKI: Low hours. \$2,500. 874-5577.

160-Motorcycles

1993 DUCATI 900 SS: 2,700 miles, red with black wheels & Michelin tires. Stock, adult owned sports bike. The Ferrari of motorcycles. Asking \$5,300. 606-439-1615 daytime or 606-439-3924 night time.

1993 HONDA MOTORCYCLE 1100 Shadow excellent cond. asking \$3500. 606-377-2212.

175-SUV's

'96 JEEP GRAND CHEROKEE: Red w/gray interior, CD/Cassette, PS & PW, factory tints, V-8 Quadra Trac. 80,000 miles, garage keep, like new. 358-4055 or 886-8128.*

180-Trucks

BOXED TRUCK & Continuous Gutter Machine. All materials included. Good income. Call days only. 789-6416.*

'82 MACK: With a Thermo King ref. box. 886-6186 or 886-8286.*

EMPLOYMENT

When responding to Employment ads that have reference numbers, please indicate that entire reference number on the outside of your envelope. Reference numbers are used to help us direct your letter to the correct individual.

210-Job Listings

AVON
 Earn \$\$\$ for Spring. Call Jancy at 886-2082.

AVON: Good way to earn extra money. Work your own hours. 1-800-796-7070 or 639-4294.*

EASTERN KENTUCKY Heating & Cooling company looking for experienced HVAC installer and licensed service technician. Competitive rates based on experience and license. inquire @ 606-788-9188.*

LPN RN & CNA POSITIONS available at Martin County Health Care Facility. Please call or come to the facility for more information. (606)298-0091.*

WANTED: Experienced Land Agent for Coal Company. *Negotiating and Drafting contracts. *Handling complaints and disputes. *Familiar with maps. *skilled in Word and Excel. *Title Research. *Administrative skills a plus. Send resume to: P.O. Box 270, Prestonsburg, KY 41653.*

TRUCK MACHANIC NEEDED: Willing to work in the Lexington area. Good pay & benefits available. No tools required. 859-266-2188, 24/7.*

SUBWAY IN WEDDINGTON SQUARE SHOPPING CENTER: Now hiring nights & weekends. \$5.50 per hr. to start. Apply within or call Paula 432-0212.*

PIKEVILLE AND S. WILLIAMSON Cost Cutters now hiring hair stylists. Up to \$10/hour, paid vacation, medical insurance. Call Stephanie (606) 432-6629, Renee (606) 237-4499.*

DENTAL ASSISTANT: Part-time position which could lead to full time. Experience is not necessary. Send resume to 415 N. Lake Dr., Ste. 201, Prestonsburg, KY. 41653.*

LOOKING FOR PARALEGAL OR LEGAL SECRETARY: 2 yrs. minimum experience. skills must include: Typing & Window 95+. Location: Hindman, KY (Knott County). Contact: Wicker Law Offices (606)785-5556, 8-4:30pm.

220-Help Wanted

HOMEWORKERS NEEDED \$635 weekly processing mail. Easy! No experience needed. Call 1-800-440-1570 Ext 5095.

PUT YOUR COMPUTER TO WORK! Earn \$500-\$5,500 a month! Free Book 1-800-934-9831, www.wealth4life.org

UNEMPLOYED VETERANS

We can give you a free hand-up to help get you back on your feet. We will pay your first month's rent and short-term training to help you get re-employed. Please call Volunteers of America, (606)432-3111, or toll-free, 1(866)314-4860.

IF YOU MUST WORK, WORK AT HOME! Build your own successful business. Mail-order/e-commerce \$500-\$7000/mo. Free booklet. (888)834-8971.

COMPUTER INTERNET PEOPLE NEEDED \$25-\$75 Hour Vacations, Bonuses, Incentive, FREE e-book www.pcworkonline.com

ATTENTION: Lose 20lbs NOW! Money Back Guarantee FREE SAMPLES 800-233-2165.

IMMEDIATE ATTENTION LOSE 2 to 8 POUNDS A WEEK. FREE SAMPLES. 800-233-2165.

29 People Wanted to get \$\$\$ to LOSE up to 30lbs in the next 30 days! *NATURAL* *Guaranteed* FREE SAMPLES* 800-233-2165.

FREE SAMPLES!! Lose up to 30lbs, 30 days \$\$ back Guarantee! \$38.00 800-233-2165.

FINANCIAL

380-Services

BECOME DEBT FREE! Cut payments without new loans. It's easy! 1 hr. approval. Call 1-888-302-1569.

MERCHANDISE

410-Animals

FREE PUPPIES to good homes. Mixed breed. 886-1332.

445-Furniture

ALLEN FURNITURE ALLEN, KY Furniture, used appliances, living / bedroom suits, bunkbeds, and lots more! Call 874-9790.

RAY'S BARGAIN CENTER

Let us help you brighten up your home for spring! Spring in and save on Name Brand domestics and other home decorating ideas. New & Used furniture & appliances. Shop At The Little Furniture Store & Save!! RT. #122, McDowell. Call 606-377-0143.

REAL ESTATE

530-Houses

APPROX. 15 ACRES with 3 BR, 2 BA house. Stevens Br., Cliffside. Large yard, blacktop, out of flood plain. 874-0044.*

4 BR, 2 BA HOME: LG frm, LRM, kit., 2-fireplaces, util. rm., hot tub, Appl. included. Located near HRMC. 606-874-9566.*

460-Yard Sale

ESTATE OF THELMA & BILL MERRITT: May 25, 26 & 27. 184 Bee Fork, from US 23 north, take 1750 (Lick Fork Rd.) 7 miles to Bee fork or US 23 from P'burg, 1427 Abbott Rd. 5 miles to 1750, 1 mile to Bee Fork. Signs will be posted. 1986 Oldsmobile, Lark handicap scooter, lift chair & misc. handicap equipment. Couch, TV's, Freezer, books, sewing machine (portable & cabinet), mattresses & box springs, many pots & pans, outdoor furniture, lots of knick knacs, china cabinets and much more misc.*

550-Land & Lots

LOTS FOR SALE: Will accommodate doublewide. Private drive or state paved highway, farm setting, city water. Hwy 302, Van Lear, KY. \$25,000 each. Collect 1(803)957-5931.*

LOT AT MAYTOWN

facing Rt. 80, 886-8366.*

570-Mobile Homes

2000, 28X60 CLAYTON: 4 BR doublewide with glamour bath and dream kitchen only \$39,900, delivered and set-up. Call 606-353-6444 or 1-877-353-6444.

1994, 14X72 INDIES

vinyl siding, shingled roof, gutters, porch, 2 BR, 2 BA, garden tub, oak cabinets. On rental property, must be moved. Call 478-9313.*

FLEETWOOD HOMES

Louisa, KY. New Repost! Only 4 left - Never lived in. Free Delivery & Set-up. 1-888-246-1075.

FLEETWOOD, Redman, Riverchase

Repos's. Try to beat the prices on these homes. Conesco Reo Center, 1-888-999-7410.

1995 PIONEER

singlewide in excellent condition, only \$12,900 delivered and set-up. Call 606-353-6444 or 1-877-353-6444.

UNBELIEVABLE!

Fleetwood Homes - Louisa, KY. New 14x70 - NO payments after 4 years. Make only 2 payments to move in. FREE delivery & Set-up. 1-888-246-1075.

SELLING ALL 2000

lot model single and doublewides at huge discounted savings, to make room for all the new 2001's. Call 1-606-353-6444 or 1-877-353-6444.

NO CONTRACT TO ASSUME

reliable person needed to make this 3 BR home their own. Call for details 1-888-999-7410.

RENTALS

610-Apartments

Apartments for Rent: 1 & 2 BR. Executive suite also available. Call 349-7285, leave message.

UPSTAIRS FURNISHED EFF. APT.

Nice, clean. \$275 month. \$100 dep. + util. 886-6208.*

R & L APARTMENTS:

We now have coin laundry for tenants. We have apts. available. One easy payment, all utilities & cable included. Call 886-2797.

LIKE NEW, 2 BR, 2 BA APT.:

Furnished with stove, ref. W/D, trash compacter & dishwasher. \$500 month w/dep. Arnold Ave., P'burg. 859-608-0605 or 606-789-8130.*

-NOTICE-

Due to the Memorial Day Weekend, The Floyd County Times will be temporarily adjusting deadlines for the Sunday Paper, 5/27 and the Wednesday Paper 5/30.

SUNDAY'S PAPER:

Line Ads and Classified Display Thurs. May 24, at Noon

WEDNESDAY'S PAPER:

Classifieds, Legal and Real Estate Thurs. May 24, at 5:00

FOR SALE

'99 Chevy Tracker

New body style. 4-cylinder, 5-speed, loaded, tinted windows, & towing package. 40,000 actual miles. \$12,000.

Great gas mileage!

886-2573 (home)

after 5 p.m.

SCOTT - GROSS Co., Inc.
 has a position available!

COUNTER PERSON/COMPRESSED GAS FILL PLANT SPECIALIST/ROUTE DRIVER

Distributor of medical & industrial gases and welding supplies seeks qualified individual for counter sales, fill plant operations, and route delivery. Responsible for working counter in retail store and filling cylinders to specified pressures. Must be able to read gauges, move cylinders, and be mechanically inclined. Class B CDL and Hazmat endorsement required. Will serve as back up driver when needed. Retail experience a plus.

- * \$10.75/hour for 1st 90 days
- * Review for \$11.25/hour after 90 days
- * Higher drivers wages when driving

Benefits: Health Insurance, 401K, Disability Insurance, Paid Vacations, Boot & Uniform program

Applications available at:

SCOTT-GROSS CO., INC.
 855 S. Lake Dr., Ste. A,
 Prestonsburg, KY 41653

Attention: Wendell
 Phone: (606) 886-6870 Fax: 886-6010
 Scott-Gross Company is an Equal Opportunity Employer

ACTION EXPRESS MARTS
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We are seeking qualified Customer Service Representatives and Fast Food Employees at our Johnson and Floyd County locations.

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Get rid of those ugly, troublesome stumps. Won't damage lawn! Free Estimates 874-0356 or 874-8077

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- VCR's
- Microwave ovens

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 20 years experience
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FOR ALL YOUR BUILDING NEEDS! New homes, remodeling, roofing, patios, block, concrete or siding. Have 30 years experience. Call Spears Construction, Romey Spears (606) 874-2688.

TREE CUTTING AND TRIMMING

Topping, Land Clearing, etc.
 Free estimates. References furnished.
 Call 874-5333

Tree Trimming
 Hillside, lawn care and light hauling. Garage & Basement Cleaning.
 886-0971,
 874-5532
 or 874-0023

Want To Advertise Your Business? Studies Show... We Reach Over 30,000 People Call 886-8506

2 BR TOWNHOUSE: Central a/h, stove/ref., W/D hookup, city limits at US 23 & 80. \$400 month + util., dep. \$300. No Pets! 1yr. lease. 886-7237 or 237-4758.

2 B.R., 1 1/2 bath Townhouse across from CableVision. Also 1 B.R. furnished or unfurnished, at Briarwood. 886-8991.

2 BR APT.: Auxier Heights. Real nice. Call after 5pm 886-3552.

SPACIOUS 1 BR APT.: newly decorated in town. Paved off-street parking, private. \$375 per month, dep. req., cable & water furnished, walking distance from downtown. Ref. required. 886-2444, 9-6pm.*

NEW, 2 BR DUPLEX: Central heat & air, stove & ref. US 23, 1 mile from P'burg. No Pets! 886-9007 or 889-9747.*

1 BR APARTMENT: New paint & new carpet. 606-886-2880.

NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS On 1 & 2 BR apts. (Section 8 welcome) **PARK PLACE APARTMENTS** Rt. 114, Prestonsburg, KY 886-0039.

620-Storage/Office Space

OFFICE SPACE FOR LEASE: 2,169 sq. ft., located at 5080 Ky Rt. 321, near HRMC. 889-9717.*

TWO LARGE OFFICES: Rest room, and kitchen on second floor. Private entrance on Bingham St. at Lancer. utilities included. \$350 per month. 886-6946.

630-Houses

2 BR HOUSE: S. Central Ave., Prestonsburg. 606-743-7979.*

LARGE 4 BR, 2 FULL BA HOUSE: Rt. 122, printer, Ky. Central air/heat, total electric, large family room & kit., hardwood floors, brick fireplace, stove furnished, ample parking, city water, NO PETS. \$450 per month + dep. & util. 606-785-3291.

2 OR 3 BR HOUSE: Jack's Creek. Trash & water furnished. \$400 month. HUD accepted. 285-3504.*

2 BR HOUSE at Garrett. City utilities, central air/heat. \$350 month + dep. & util. Not HUD approved. 358-2876.

3 BR HOUSE: Wayland area. City utilities. HUD approved. 358-2876.

640-Land & Lots

MOBILE HOME SPACE FOR LEASE: Will accommodate doublewide. Private drive, farm setting, city water, Van Lear area. \$135 to \$155 monthly + \$135 to \$155 dep. (606)789-5296 or collect. 1(803)957-5931.*

Advance-Fee Loans or Credit Offers Companies that do business by phone can't ask you to pay for credit before you get it. For more information, call toll-free 1-877-FTC-HELP. A public service message from The Floyd County Times and the Federal Trade Commission. PSA

TRAILER LOT: Located in Stone's Trailer Park, 6 miles from P'burg. 886-6186 or 886-8286.

650-Mobile Homes

2 BR, 1 BA MOBILE HOME: All appliances, w/d, all electric. Private lot. Rt. 114, Mtn Parkway. \$375 month + dep. 886-6685.

2 BR TRAILER: Martin area. Must have ref. Dep. req. 285-4742.*

2 BR FURNISHED OR UNFURNISHED TRAILER: Off Mtn. Parkway on Old 114. 886-8724.

16X70, 2 BR, 2 BA MOBILE HOME: McDowell. 377-2869 or 377-0785.*

2 BR TRAILER: Total electric. 874-2805.*

EXCELLENT CONDITION 3 BR / 2 BA mobile home for rent. Located about 1 mile above Cliffside Apts. of Prestonsburg. Water and sewer provided. HUD approved. Call (606)874-2162 or (606)874-9852 evenings.*

3 BR, 2 BA DOUBLEWIDE: 101 Jefferson Rd, Hueysville. \$400 + sec. dep. & util. 358-2876 or 937-272-3545.

1994 16X70 MOBILE HOME on 100x100 lot. 2 BR/2 BA, nice yard, 4-car paved parking, storage bldg. 2 mins. from GlynView Plaza. \$450/mo. Some restrictions, lease req. 886-0226.*

670-Comm. Property

LARGE BUILDING, good location, N. Lake Dr., P'burg. 859-745-1556.

SERVICES

705-Construction

ALL TYPES: Remodeling & additions, garages, decks, etc. Also concrete work. Robie Johnson, Jr., call anytime, 886-8896.

765-Professionals

TURNED DOWN FOR SOC. SECURITY/SSI? Free consultation. Call 1-800-517-3406. No fee unless we win your case.

NOTICES

812-Free

FREE PALLETS: Can be picked up behind The Floyd County Times.

830-Miscellaneous

SEEKING BIDS TO DEMOLISH HOUSE on Abbott Rd., Bee fork. 886-3652 or 1-906-249-9240.*

LEGAL
Mary L. Boushey, Legal Representative
Phone: (606) 886-8596
or Fax: (606) 886-3015

ADVERTISEMENT FOR SEALED BIDS

The Floyd County Board of Education is requesting sealed bids for the following services for the fiscal year of 2001-2002. Water Treatment for Heating and Cooling Systems Waste Water Treatment Disposal Bids will be accepted at the Central Office, located at 106 North Front Avenue, Prestonsburg, KY

41653, until 1:00 p.m., on May 31st, 2001, by Matthew C. Wireman in the Finance Dept., and will be opened at 1:05 p.m.

To obtain requests for proposals, specifications, or further information, contact Matthew C. Wireman, at 606-886-2354, extension 534.

The Floyd County Board of Education reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Delano May, Box 396, Allen, KY 41601, has filed an application with the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet to construct a 60'x120' metal building in the flood plain. The property is located at Allen, KY, on the left ascending bank of the Levisa Fork of the Big Sandy River, approximately 0.75 miles south of Kentucky 1428's intersection with U.S. 23/460. Any comments or objections concerning this application should be directed to: Kentucky Division of Water, Water Resources Branch, 14 Reilly Road, Frankfort Office Park, Frankfort, KY 40601. Phone (502) 564-3410.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application Number 836-5197 Major Revision

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.070, not ice is hereby given that Cross Gates Mining Company, Inc., P.O. Box 905, Flatwoods, KY 41102, has applied for a major revision to an existing underground coal mining and reclamation operation located 1 mile west of Woods in Floyd County. The major revision will add/delete no acres surface disturbance, and will underlie no additional underground area, making a total area of 295.29 acres within the permit boundary.

The proposed operation is approximately 1.4 miles east of KY 194's junction with KY 1428, and is located just south of Cow Creek.

The proposed operation is located on the Lancer, and Harold U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minutes quadrangle map. The surface area to be affected by the major revision is owned by Stanford Burchett.

The major revision proposed a post mining land use.

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.

NOTICE

The City of Prestonsburg is tak-

ing bids on 2000-2001 audit for the city. The bids need to be submitted to Brenda Hayes by June 15, 2001, by 4:00 p.m., at City Hall.

If you have any questions, please contact Brenda at City Hall at (606) 886-2335.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to application Number 836-5327, Amendment 1

1) In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that CONSOL of Kentucky, Inc., P.O. Box 130, Mousie, Kentucky, 41839, has applied for an amendment to an existing underground coal mining and reclamation operation located 4.6 miles northwest of Bosco in Floyd and Magoffin Counties. The amendment will underlie an additional 130.0 acres, making a total area of 3827.4 acres.

2) The proposed amendment is approximately 1.8 miles northwest from KY, Highway 7's junction with KY, Highway 209 and located near the head of Raccoon Branch. The latitude is 37°30'50". The longitude is 82°53'40".

3) The proposed operation is located on the Handshoe and David U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 mile quadrangle maps. The operation will use the underground method of mining. The amendment area will underlie land owned by Fred Shepherd, Roby Shepherd, Delmer Shepherd, Hayes Vanderpool, Dosie Bailey, Ell Howard, Delphia Hale, Steve Wright, Annie Handshoe and Sylvia Warrx.

4) The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg regional office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, 41653-1410. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky, 40601

PUBLIC NOTICE

Ordinance #00-014 Amendment #12

Second Reading of a proposed ordinance amending The Floyd County Budget for the fiscal year 2000-2001, to include unbudgeted receipts from LGED grant and increasing expenditures of Worldwide Equipment, will be held Friday, June 1, 2001, at 12:00 noon in the courtroom or the Floyd County Courthouse. A copy of the proposed ordinance with full text is available for public inspection at the office of the County Judge/Executive during normal business hours.

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MARTIN WATER WORKS ANNUAL DRINKING QUALITY REPORT!!!
PWSID #0360272

This report is designed to inform you about the superior quality water and services we deliver to you every day. Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We want you to understand the efforts we make to continually improve the water treatment process and protect our water resources. We are committed to ensuring the quality of your water. We purchase our water from the City of Prestonsburg, which is treated water from the Levisa Fork of the Big Sandy. This report shows our water quality and what it means.

All drinking water, including bottled drinking water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some constituents. It is important to remember that the presence of these contaminants does not necessarily pose a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline 1-800-426-4791.

Martin Water Works routinely monitors for constituents in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws. The first table shows the results of our monitoring for the period of January 1st and December 31st. Due to Martin Water Works purchasing its supply of water from Prestonsburg Utilities Commission, they also routinely monitor for constituents in the drinking water according to Federal and State laws. The following tables show the results of their monitoring for the period of January 1, 2000, and December 31, 2000.

If you have any questions about this report and would like to present them directly to the water system, you can contact Regina Fraley at 606-285-3332, Monday through Friday, between the hours of 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. If you want to learn more, please attend any of our regularly scheduled meetings. They are held every fourth (4th) Tuesday at 6:00 p.m.

Definitions

In the following table you will find many terms and abbreviations you might not be familiar with. To help you better understand these terms, we've provided the following definitions:

Below Detection Level (BDL)—laboratory analysis indicates that the constituent is not present.

Treatment Technique (TT)—a treatment technique is a required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Action Level—the concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

Parts per million (ppm)—one part per million corresponds to one minute in two years, or a single penny in \$10,000.

Parts per billion (ppb)—one part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.

Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (NTU)—nephelometric turbidity unit is a measure of the clarity of water. Turbidity in excess of 5 NTU is just noticeable to the average person.

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL)—the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to MCLGs as feasible, using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG)—the level of a contaminant in drinking water, below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

REGULATED CONTAMINANT TEST RESULTS							
Contaminant	MCL	MCLG	Highest Detection	Range	Date of Sample	Violation Y/N	Likely Sources of Contamination
Microbiological Contaminants							
1. Total Coliform Bacteria (3100) (% Coliostive samples)	5%	0	N/D		Monthly 2000	N	Naturally present environment
Inorganic Contaminants							
2. Copper (1020) (p.p.m)	AL=1.3	1.3	N/D				Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosions of natural deposits from wood preservatives
3. Lead (1030) (ppp)	AL=15	0	N/D		6/27/00	N	Corrosion of household plumbing systems, erosion of natural deposits
PARTICULATE TEST RESULTS							
	Allowable Levels		Highest Single Measurement	Lowest Monthly%		Violation	Likely Sources Y/N
1. Turbidity (NTU)	Never more than 5 NTU Less than 0.5 95% of samples each month (TT)		45	100%		N	Soil Runoff
REGULATED CONTAMINANT TEST RESULTS							
Contaminant (code) (units)	MCL	MCLG	Highest Detection	Range	Date of Sample	Violation Y/N	Likely Sources of Contaminants
Inorganic Contaminants							
2. Arsenic (1005) (ppb)	50	0	1	1	3/2L/00	N	Erosion of natural deposits, runoff from orchards, runoff from glass and electronics production waste
3. Fluoride (1025) (ppm)	4	4	2.15	56-2.15	6/16/00	N	Erosion of natural deposits, water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
4. Lead (1035) (ppb)	AL=15	0	0 (90 percentile)	BDL-L (0 sites exceeded the AL)	9/7/00	N	Corrosion of household plumbing systems, erosion of natural deposits
5. Nitrate (As Nitrogen) (1040) (ppm)	10	10	.01	.01	7/25/00	N	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks; sewage, erosion of natural deposits
Volatle Organic Contaminants							
6. Xylene (2955) (ppm)	10	10	.00065	ND-.0065	8/7/00	N	Discharge from petroleum factories; discharge from chemical factories
7. TTHM Total (80)*	100	0	140	.6-140	August 2000	N	By-product of drinking water chlorination
* The current MCL for total trihalomethanes (TTHM) is 100 ppb but will change to 80 ppb in the year 2001. Although the TTHM level in our water is below the current MCL, it has been detected above the future MCL and we are including health effects language.							
Fluoride							
Fluoride is added to your drinking water during the treatment process for dental purposes. Most water systems in Kentucky must test for the contaminants listed below. Some water systems are not required to conduct all of these tests. Some tests are required every year. Only those contaminants that were detected are included in the test results table. For a complete listing of the tests actually conducted you may contact the water system office.							
Turbidity	Microbiological Contaminants	Radioactive Contaminants	Inorganic Contaminants	Synthetic Organic Contaminants	Volatle Organic Contaminants	Unregulated Contaminants	
	Total Coliform	Beta/positron emitters	Antimony	Acrylamide	2,4-D	Aldrin	
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				Lindane		1,1,1,2-Tetrachloroethane	
				Methoxychlor		1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane	
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New AARP report looks at parent-adult children conversations on aging and living independently

NEW YORK - Three quarters (75 percent) of adult children think about their parents' ability to live independently, but fully a third (32 percent) of these say they do not talk with their parents about it. Similarly, seven in ten (69 percent) older

parents say they think about their ability to live on their own, but more than a third of them (36 percent) say they do not talk with their adult children about what they will need as they age. A new AARP report, "Can We Talk? - Families Discuss

Parents' Ability to Live Independently," combines findings from a two-part national telephone survey conducted in February, and sheds new light on the importance of - and barriers to - family conversations about the future.

"This report shows that while most people say they are thinking and talking about this issue, a significant number are still avoiding the conversations that could help older family members live more independently in their later years," said Katie Sloan, director of AARP's Life Resources program. "Most Americans want to stay independent as they age, and most adult children with older parents want to help. But many families don't talk about the issue until a serious illness, financial set-

back, or other family crisis erupts."

Three in ten (30 percent) adult children said they suspect their parents have needed help at some point, but have not asked for their children's help, Sloan noted.

"Many people think they are adequately prepared, when in fact they may not be well prepared at all for unforeseen problems that their parents could encounter," Sloan said. "Families should begin talking and planning now, while older parents are still young and healthy, because early planning opens a broader array of options later on."

For example, Sloan said, more than two-thirds (67 percent) of adult children who do think about their parents getting

older - and half (50 percent) of older parents who think about their own aging - say they think about how parents' aging will affect adult children. But the two generations have differing opinions of how parents' aging will affect adult children. More than half of adult children in this category (54 percent) say they predict their older parents will need to rely on them as they grow older, while only a quarter (27 percent) of older parents agree that they will need their children's help as they age.

The new AARP report - released as part of AARP's April 29-May 5 Independent Living Week, a week-long series of events in communities around the nation aimed at helping older people continue living independently as they age - is

based on the findings of a two-part national telephone survey conducted from February 9 - March 4, 2001. The data from adult children were collected from a nationally representative cross section of 1,431 adults between the ages of 30 to 64 who have at least one living parent age 65 years or older. The data from older parents were also collected from a nationally representative cross section of 1,010 adults age 65 or older with at least one adult child between the ages of 30 and 64.

For a free copy of AARP's publication, "Family Conversations that Help Parents Stay Independent (D17002)," write to AARP Fulfillment, 601 E Street, NW, Washington, DC, 20049.

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SeniorNet steps up effort to bridge digital divide

SeniorNet, the world's leading technology trainer and offline/online community for adults over 50, has announced the addition to its award-winning website, www.seniornet.org, of a new Enrichment Center aimed at educating the public about, and ultimately ending, the age-related Digital Divide.

SeniorNet chose to launch its "Bridging the Digital Divide" Enrichment Center yesterday as a way to honor America's 76 million older adults during "Older Americans Month" as well as the country's 17 million military veterans over 50 during the Memorial Day observance.

"SeniorNet has led the fight to close the technology gap between older and younger people for more than 15 years," said Ann Wrixon, CEO of SeniorNet. "At hundreds of SeniorNet Learning Centers nationwide, our 4,500 senior volunteer instructors have trained more than a hundred thousand older Americans to use computers and the Internet. We

will continue building on that momentum until the age-related Digital Divide is a thing of the past."

The majority of the 50-and-over population still lacks Internet access, trailing other age groups in Web use by a factor of 2-to-1, while the 65-and-older population trails those under age 30 by a factor of five-to-one. SeniorNet's "Bridging the Digital Divide" Enrichment Center is designed to serve as a nexus for the study and discussion of this troubling disparity.

The Center, which will evolve over time as visitors to the site and SeniorNet authors contribute new content, already features a rich collection of articles, research reports, and interactive discussions focused on understanding and ending this

fundamental inequity.

Funding for the "Bridging the Digital Divide" Enrichment Center was provided by The eBay Foundation and The Charles Schwab Corporate Foundation, two of SeniorNet's closest strategic partners. Previously, eBay had named SeniorNet the cornerstone sponsor of its "Digital Opportunity for Seniors" initiative, through which The eBay Foundation committed up to \$1 million to SeniorNet and pledged to work with SeniorNet to bring at least one million older adults online over the next five years.

SeniorNet's Enrichment Centers integrate the strengths of the organization's online community with the expertise of trusted partners and sponsors. Other Enrichment Center topics

include healthy aging, investment education, technology trends, the "Golden Age of Entertainment," and consumer education.

Particularly relevant during the Memorial Day observance is SeniorNet's "World War II Memorial - A Living Archive" Enrichment Center. This extraordinary tribute to an era and its people, created by SeniorNet members themselves, enables those who lived through the WWII years to share their memories and reflections with younger generations and one another. Included among the thousands of pages of discussions and other resources are riveting first-hand accounts of everything from "Near Death at Sea" to "D' Day at Omaha Beach."

AARP unveils landmark report on economic state of over-50 set

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Americans age 50 and over are "unquestionably" better off financially than people the same age were 20 years ago. Yet, there are troubling signs that not all boats have been lifted by the rising tide of prosperity - and not all boats will stay afloat, according to a new report by AARP.

Beyond 50 - A Report to the Nation on Economic Security, is an unprecedented look at the status and trends affecting the 76 million Americans age 50 and over. The first of an annual series planned by AARP, the report suggests a clear need for families and policy makers to rethink their strategies for improving economic security.

"This report provides important new perspectives as Congress and the President debate the budget, tax cuts, health care and Social Security. It also sheds important light for families as they discuss the 'pocket book' elements of these issues," AARP Executive Director Horace Deets said in commenting on the report. "It is crucial that policy discussions recognize the current and future needs of 50 and over Americans."

The report takes a unique approach to analyzing the 50+ population, segmenting this group into three distinct age subgroups: age 50-61, called "pre-retirees;" age 62-74, identified as "younger retirees;" and those over age 75, the "older retirees." Using data that spans 20 years, it focuses in part on the key issues of Social Security, personal retirement savings and investment, workplace opportunities and health care coverage.

Based on its findings, AARP is unveiling an alternative to the traditional concept of the so-called "three-legged stool" of retirement security, which includes Social Security, private pensions and personal savings. Instead, AARP calls for a foundation for retirement that includes four supporting "pillars" - a sort of four freedoms - Social Security, pensions and savings, earnings and health insurance.

Among the report's key findings:

Faster growth in income among retirees. Thanks to faster growth in

income among retirees, the income gap between retirees and pre-retirees has diminished. Retirees' incomes grew more than twice as fast as pre-retirees' incomes since 1980. Wealth also grew at a more robust pace among retirees than among pre-retirees. But inequality of income and wealth increased. Incomes grew faster among the top quarter than the bottom quarter, and wealth disparities widened.

■ Four in ten Americans over age 60, regardless of their current economic circumstances, will experience poverty at some point in their later lives. The chances of a person in this age group experiencing near-poverty (falling below 125 percent of the poverty line) is even greater: 1 in 2. Low-income pre-retirees age 50 to 61 have median savings of just over \$6,000 and may need to work longer than they had planned to survive economically. Census data show a recent up tick in the number of 65 and over Americans who are working now, and a 1999 national AARP study of 2,000 Boomers found that 80 percent said that they planned to work into their retirement years.

■ Health care coverage, which is critically important to the eco-

nomically well-being of all Americans, decreased among people age 50-64 since 1988. Even those with Medicare coverage (age 65+) spend nearly one-fifth of their income on healthcare. This situation is exacerbated by declines in health and the rising cost of health care.

■ Pension coverage for pre-retirees has not increased in two decades, and risk has been sifted to workers and retirees due to the shift from defined benefit to defined contribution pension plans. Pension participation rates have declined slightly in every age group since 1980. Just over one-third of those over age 65 have pension income, and just over half of pre-retirees have pension coverage - figures that have changed very little since 1980.

■ Social Security is even more critical as one of the four pillars of retirement security. Some of the key points in the report show:

■ Over the past two decades, the number of those over 65 who rely on Social Security for 90 percent or more of their income

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AFL-CIO creates new national organization for union retirees

The Alliance for Retired Americans, a new 2.5 million-member advocacy group backed by the AFL-CIO, was announced Wednesday at a Capitol Hill news conference and retiree "Speakout" that drew enthusiastic support from Members of Congress.

"Ours is a bold step to harness the energy and commitment of millions of retired union members who care very deeply about their country," said Ed Coyle, executive director of the Alliance for Retired Americans. "We'll be

a powerful new voice for retired workers, and we're going to start by raising it on behalf of voluntary, affordable, comprehensive prescription drug coverage for all Medicare recipients."

Coyle, a veteran of Washington political wars who was recently named executive director of the new organization, was joined at the news conference by AFL-CIO President John J. Sweeney.

Among the members of Congress attending and speaking in support of the new group were

Massachusetts Sen. Ted Kennedy, Minnesota Sen. Paul Wellstone and Connecticut Rep. Rosa DeLauro.

"The Alliance starts out as the largest retiree-only advocacy organization in our country, and its size and scope makes it an instant political force to be reckoned with," Sweeney said.

The new organization is expected to become a formidable player not only in grassroots legislative advocacy, but also in electoral politics. In recent elections, the "senior vote" has become an important swing constituency.

Following the news conference, retirees from Maryland, Pennsylvania, North Carolina, Delaware, Virginia and The District of Columbia were scheduled to gather outside the U.S. Senate chambers for a "Medicare Prescription Drug Speak Out" led by Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle and House Minority Leader Richard Gephardt before fanning out to make lobbying calls on members of Congress.

A mass demonstration protesting skyrocketing drug prices was set to take place later in the day outside the headquarters of Pfizer, Inc. in New York City.

Coyle said that during the Congressional recess next week, Members of Congress in 20 cities across the country will be treated to grassroots activities and home office visits by retired workers.

"In many cities, members supporting our prescription drug plan will join our rallies and press events," Coyle said. "In others, non-supportive members will be the object of protests."

Sweeney said retiring union members will automatically become members of the Alliance for Retired Americans. With union members who are "baby boomers" beginning to retire in increasing numbers, membership of the organization is expected to grow to more than 5 million in the next five years.

"Membership will be open to retirees from outside the labor movement who support our issues, and we expect thousands

of them to join," Sweeney said. Unlike many other senior citizen organizations, membership will consist entirely of retired workers and their spouses.

Coyle said soaring prescription drug prices have forced millions of retirees to, "choose between the drugs they need to stay healthy and the food they need to survive," prompting the call for low-cost prescription drug coverage to be provided under Medicare.

According to a "primer" on drug prices released by the Alliance for Retired Americans, seniors with the least insurance coverage are paying the highest prices for prescription drugs because they lack bargaining power.

Meanwhile, the report says, drug prices rose 306 percent between 1981 and 1999 while

the consumer price index was going up only 99 percent. Average prescription drug costs for Medicare recipients increased from \$674 a year in 1996 to \$1,539 last year and 10 years from now it will be \$3,751, an average rate of increase of 9.3 percent.

Last year, while the average Fortune 500 company was making after-tax profits of 4.9 percent, pharmaceutical companies were averaging 18.6 percent.

The prescription drug plan advocated by the Alliance for Retired Americans calls for all Medicare beneficiaries to participate on a voluntary basis. All benefits would be guaranteed and all drugs needed would be covered. All drug costs would be covered for low-income retirees, average-income seniors would see their out-of-pocket costs cut

substantially, and older Americans with high costs would be fully protected.

The plan also calls for protecting employer-provided retiree health and drug benefits, and controlling prices charged by drug companies.

Coyle said the group's 2.5 million members are being asked to sign and return cards addressed to President George W. Bush, urging him to support prescription drug coverage under Medicare.

President Bush's own proposal offers, "expensive drug coverage by private insurance companies instead of affordable coverage under Medicare," Coyle said. The Bush plan would allow the insurance companies, individual states and HMOs to decide which drugs to cover. States could also set dollar limits on coverage.

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jumped to 27 percent, a four percent age point increase from 1980.

Overall, Social Security provides 40 percent of retirement income, as it has throughout the previous period. Without it, poverty would increase five-fold to nearly 50 percent among those over 65, making it the "chief bulwark against poverty."

Noting that Social Security provides all of the income for 17 percent of 65 and over beneficiaries, the report says: "(The program's) importance to retirement security can scarcely be overestimated."

Fully 60 percent of 401(k) participants who change jobs take cash payments rather than roll their balances over into their new employers' plan or an IRA, jeopardizing their long-term economic security. A key benefit to employer-provided 401(k) plans is that those plans are portable - that is, employees may take their contributions with them when they change jobs, and continue contributing to them over the length of their working years.

The report combined pensions and savings as one pillar because today's employer-sponsored pensions, which are most often in the form of 401(k) or other kinds of "defined contribution" plans, are generally indistinguishable from individual saving. Pension participation rates have declined slightly for pre-retirees and other age groups in the past 20 years, probably in part because the newer defined contribution plans offer employees a choice whether or not to take part.

Women, in particular, face obstacles to economic security. Women make up a disproportionate share (65 percent) of the bottom income quarter of the 50+ population. Poverty rates are higher among women than among men, and the probability of being poor for a long period of time after age 65 is higher for women than for men. And among retirees, women are far less likely than men to have income from a pension - in 2000, 44 percent of men age 65-74 had pension income, compared with only 26 percent of women in the same age group.

Beyond 50 was released Wednesday at a press briefing at AARP's offices in Washington. Dawn Sweeney, an AARP Associate Executive Director; John Rother, AARP's director of Legislation and Public Policy; Tom Gardner, co-founder of The Motley Fool, and Marcia D. Greenberger, founder and co-president of the National Women's Law Center, participated in the event.

AARP is a non-profit, nonpartisan membership organization for people 50 and over. We provide information and resources; advocate on legislative, consumer and legal issues; assist members to serve their communities; and offer a wide range of unique benefits, special products, and services for our members. These benefits include AARP Webplace at www.aarp.org, Modern Maturity and My Generation magazines, and the monthly AARP Bulletin. Active in every U.S. state and territory, AARP celebrates the attitude that age just isn't a number - it's about how you live your life.

Clinical research suggests pollen extracts reduce painful symptoms of prostate disease

Men who suffer from prostate conditions take note — clinical research suggests that pollen extracts can reduce non-cancerous prostate enlargement and painful symptoms associated with prostate disease.

Dallas Cloutre, Ph.D., researcher, lecturer, and author of *Flower Pollen for Prostate Health* reports that consumption of pollen extracts among men with prostate problems results in less nighttime urination, improved bladder emptying, and reduced prostate discomfort.

This is welcome news for millions of men across North America. The National Institutes for Health report that 50-60 percent of men between 40-60 years of age suffer some form of prostate condition, and this percentage increases sharply as they age.

Dr. Cloutre says that pollen extracts help relax smooth muscle, making it easier to empty the bladder. They also act as an anti-inflammatory and decrease the swelling of the prostate. This can reduce pinching of the urethra, which results in a better urine flow; and pollen extracts also reduce enlargement of the prostate by improving the body's ability to

remove the dihydrotestosterone (DHT) from the prostate.

Dr. Cloutre reports that 80 percent of those using pollen extracts find marked relief and that pollen extracts may also forestall future problems. "Patients often report that they are no longer getting up at all during the night and that they no longer have difficulty or discomfort upon urination," he says.

He advises that men age 40 and older consume a diet of less than 20 percent fat, high in fiber from fresh fruits and vegetables, high in mineral and vitamin content and low in sodium. Drinking adequate water and avoiding caffeine, alcohol, smoking, and spicy foods can help. "Like most health conditions, a healthy diet will go a long way in reducing risk factors."

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Baby Boomers to face financial challenges in retirement

Baby boomers' retirement income will be less certain and have fewer guarantees than that of many earlier retirees because of the shift away from "traditional" defined benefit pensions, according to a new research report by the nonpartisan Employee Benefit Research Institute (EBRI).

The April EBRI Issue Brief features original research on the long-term implications of the growth of defined contribution

plans (such as 401(k) plans) and the decline of defined benefit plans for future retirees. It focuses on the expected increase in retirees' reliance on income from sources that are not guaranteed for life — a change that puts many Americans at increased risk of outliving their resources if they do not plan wisely and save for retirement.

"This report quantifies and projects the sources of retirement income that Americans are

likely to depend on, how those sources are changing, and the very real risk that many Americans face of outliving their money," Salisbury said.

The report presents results from EBRI's Retirement Income Projection Model that quantify how much the importance of individual account plans (such as 401(k)s) is expected to increase because of these changes in private retirement plan patterns.

men and 30.9 percent for women.

The EBRI analysis noted that the shift to defined contribution plans was due to changes in the work force and business environment. For employees, defined contribution plans benefits are less age-sensitive, in that benefits payable upon job termination to younger workers are usually higher under defined contribution plans than under traditional defined benefit plans. Also, years of service under defined benefit plans with age and service requirements are not usually transferable from employer to employer.

is a clear increase in the proportion of retirement assets that retirees — rather than pension plan managers — will have to manage. This shift in responsibility involves the individual (rather than the pension plan) bearing the risk of investment losses.

■ Since most retirees' non-Social Security retirement income will be withdrawn as a lump sum or in self-initiated periodic payments, rather than as a monthly paycheck for life arriving from the pension plan, retirees will need either to purchase an annuity from an insurance company or carefully manage their individual rate of spending in order to make their assets last throughout their retirement years.

"The dramatic growth of 401(k)-type retirement plans that pay in lump-sum distributions rather than annuities, and the increasing payment of lump sums from defined benefit pension plans, means that individuals are increasingly responsible for decisions that will determine their future retirement: Whether to spend it immediately — or whether to roll over and save the lump sum, how to invest it, and how fast they can spend it in retirement and not outlive the money," said EBRI President and CEO Dallas Salisbury. "More workers than ever will have the opportunity for pension-provided income to supplement Social Security — and they will also have the opportunity to have it disappear by personal decision long before they die."

Salisbury added, "This report serves to underline the tremendous importance of expanding financial literacy education, beginning at the earliest possible ages, and extending it to today's

worker and retirees. The shift to a personal responsibility retirement model will only be successful if financial literacy rises."

When the IRS calls, you'd better answer

In news that is certain to shock and dismay some seniors, the Internal Revenue Service has announced its intention to garnish the Social Security checks of debtors who are at least six months in arrears.

The program, set to begin in October, is authorized by the 1996 Debt Collection Improvement Act, which gave the Treasury sweeping powers to go after debtors, irrespective of age, including assigning accounts to private collection agencies, garnishing salaries, and withholding income tax refunds.

Social Security recipients who receive \$750 per month or less would not be affected, but Treasury intends to withhold 15 percent of all payments above that amount, except for payments to the disabled and others under the Supplemental Security Income program.

"By rule, the IRS must notify the prospective garnishees of the Service's Intent to Levy; taxpayers are put on notice to contact the IRS to explain their situations," Romo adds.

The first 55,000 delinquency notices were sent in March, with a second wave mailed in April.

"To qualify for CNC status, the taxpayer MUST respond to the notice, contact the IRS or a tax preparer for assistance, and explain the Hardship situation," urged Romo. "Failure to do so puts the affected taxpayer's Social Security benefits at considerable risk."

For example, EBRI's model shows that:

■ For today's retirees with either defined benefit, defined contribution and/or IRAs, approximately 39 percent of pension wealth for males would be available from defined benefit plans and 49.7 percent for females; defined contribution and cash balance plans would provide 33.2 percent for men and 32.5 percent for women; and IRAs would provide 27.8 percent for men and 17.8 percent for women.

■ For the youngest baby boom males (born in 1964) the analysis finds that 26.4 percent of their pension wealth will be provided through defined benefit plans, a decline of 32.4 percent compared with today's retirees, while their female counterparts will see their defined benefit pension wealth fall to 37.2 percent, a decline of 25 percent.

Defined contribution plans will provide 33.7 percent of the retirement wealth for men in this birth cohort, and 31.9 percent for women, the analysis found. IRAs will expand their role the most, reaching 39.9 percent for

Some of the report's other main findings:

■ A reason for public policy concern about income adequacy for future retirees is that Social Security's age for payment of full-retirement benefits is rising, and projected long-term financial shortfall could result in a reduction in the current-law benefit promises made to future generations of retirees. Another reason is that fewer baby boomers will be retiring with "traditional" pension annuities that historically have been the predominant source of pension-provided retirement income. This raises the question of whether individual decisions on "spending or saving" pension distributions will lead to retirement income.

■ Results from the EBRI Retirement Income Projection Model show, for both men and women, an appreciable drop in the percentage of private retirement income that will be paid as an annuity. Consequently, there

Alliance for Retired Americans issues report linking excessive profits to exorbitant prescription drug prices

The Alliance for Retired Americans, the new 2.5 million member senior organization established by the AFL-CIO and community-based groups, released a report — "Profit in

Pills: A Primer on Prescription Drug Prices" — Thursday which demonstrates that the primary cause of rising prescription drug prices is the excessive market power of the pharmaceutical companies backed by long-term patents.

According to the report's author, Dianna Porter, "Manufacturers charge different prices for different customers which results in inflated prices for seniors and persons without insurance."

Drug manufacturers also, "enjoy a lower tax rate than other industries," said Porter, "although they maintain that high prices for new drugs are justified as their recovery for research and development (R&D expenses) most core research for drugs is funded by the federal government, primarily through the national Institutes of Health. Much of the companies' development of drugs actually is for derivatives of existing drugs rather than new drugs."

While the precise cost of drugs is difficult to pinpoint, Porter said, the profit levels are not.

"In 2000, pharmaceutical companies had after-tax median profits of 18.6 percent, compared with 4.9 percent for all other Fortune 500 companies combined."

Alliance President George J. Kourpias notes that, "that age 65 and older and persons with disabilities suffer the most from price gouging by the pharmaceutical industry because they take more medications than other segments of the population."

Edward F. Coyle, the Alliance's executive director, also denounced the pharmaceu-

tical industry, pointing out that the, "time has come for the Federal government to act decisively to resolve the crisis. There is overwhelming support for the government to provide prescription drug coverage for the elderly and persons with disabilities and to confront drug prices."

The Alliance is making the fight for prescription drug coverage for all Medicare beneficiaries its number one legislative priority in the 107th Congress. The Alliance kicked off its nationwide campaign with major events in Washington, D.C. and New York City on Wednesday.

During the Memorial Day Congressional recess, activist members of the Alliance will participate in various events in 20 cities across the country to call attention to the issue.

The Alliance for Retired Americans is a nationwide organization of more than 2.5 million union retirees, members of the former National Council of Senior Citizens and other older and retired Americans working together to make their voices heard in the laws, policies, politics and institutions that shape our lives.

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