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#### Info for parents of Floyd students

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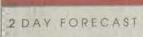
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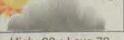
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News of disaster brings aid

ravaged by flood

by SHELDON COMPTON STAFF WRITER

Deadly flash floods took Eastern Kentucky by surprise Friday night, as five inches of rain fell in less than six hours, leaving portions of the southern end of the county, most notably in the Mud Creek area, without water or electricity, and some residents trapped in their homes, covered in water

Floyd County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson signed an order declaring a state of emergency at 12:07 a.m. Saturday morning.

Following that lead, Gov. Paul Patton signed an executive order on Monday declaring a state of emergency and authorized the state to respond to a wide range of assistance requests from local governments dealing with the aftermath of Friday's flooding, stating that he hoped the declaration would help to provide relief for those who were impacted.

Thompson said during a press conference Monday afternoon that 49 county roads had been affected, some of them, such as in Red Morg Branch on Mud Creek, have become nothing more than piled mud, dirt and rock as rushing water tore away the pavement and carried it downstream.

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photo by Mary Music These volunteers from the Kentucky Baptist Disaster Relief Team visited the Akers residence yesterday to remove carpet saturated by flood waters. Other Kentucky Baptist volunteers are currently working in homes throughout the McDowell and Mud Creek areas. Pictured are volunteers O.A. Collins (sweeping) and Carl Leech.

Furniture and household items lining Donald Tackett's front lawn at his home on Mud Creek stood as a stark reminder of the destructive powers of Friday evening's flash floods. Floyd County PVA Connie Hancock visited Tackett on Monday to take an initial assessment of the damages in hopes of providing tax relief.

# Homeowners, PVA take toll of damages

by SHELDON COMPTON STAFF WRITER

The flood waters are gone. The creeks have returned to a slow and natural rhythm and

the rain clouds have moved on. But tragedy, worry and despair still remain for families affected by a flooding storm which struck Floyd County

unexpectedly Friday night. Residents along Mud Creek, in places like Branham's Creek and Tinker Fork, were haunted by the sounds of rushing waters as they sat, defeated and tired, on their front porches, staring blankly at the contents of their homes displayed on their front

Beds, chests and kitchen tables along with other items all placed on plastic mats, sunk deep in the mud left by the floods, were carried from homes while families worked without sleep to remove destroyed flooring and paneling swelled with water

Monday afternoon. Floyd County Property Valuation Administrator Connie J. Hancock was there with them, asking questions,

taking names. Hancock, along with staff member Debbie McKinney and Morgan County PVA

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# PHS student dies in wreck

by SHELDON COMPTON STAFF WRITER

Funeral services were conducted on the Prestonsburg High School football field at 2 p.m. Monday afternoon for PHS student Joshua S. Francis, 16, of Middle Creek Road.

Hundreds of students, teachers and friends crowded the ceremony to mourn the passing of one of their young student athletes Monday after an accident Saturday at East Point left a dark spot on a Prestonsburg class just

(See WRECK, page two)



Teammates and fellow students tried to keep their composure as they bid farewell to Joshua S. Francis. The 16-year-old Prestonsburg football player was killed in a wreck Saturday.

# W'wright clerk wins battle with utility

by SHELDON COMPTON STAFF WRITER

Disputes within local city governments occur fairly often, comparatively. The debate about what to do with various city issues will, from time to time, take a heated route. These are known facts and accepted details of a job that elected citizens take without pay and as a service to the cities in which they live.

However, it is not so common for a city employee to fall under such scrutiny as to find himself or herself the center of a legal hearing that, at the request of legal counsel, is held openly so that the citizens of that city

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# Hall pleads guilty to charges from Wayland crime spree

by SHELDON COMPTON STAFF WRITER

A Wayland man pleaded guilty Friday afternoon in Floyd Circuit Court to several charges extending as far back

#### Correction

In the Sunday, August 5, edition, a submission entitled "Child neglect declines," should have read "Neglect defined." The Times apologizes for the



Matthew Christopher Hall, Sonama, 20, on the advice of his attorney, Vicki Howard, entered a formal guilty plea to Circuit Judge Danny P. Caudill to charges that spanned three separate cases following an agreement with the commonwealth's attorney's office.

The written charges against Hall began on July 20, 1999, when he was charged with third-degree arson and firstdegree criminal mischief in connection to a fire he said during a taped confession he set that went out of control and damaged a Wayland woman's vehicle.

According to reports, Hall apparently set fire to a building being used as a school bus stop in Wayland. The fire spread and damaged Brenda Strickland's 1992 GMC

On February 27 the following year, Hall continued his crime spree by burglarizing the Wayland Quick Mart.

Hall broke a front window and, while engaging a minor to help him, entered the business and stole unspecified items as well as cash.

The third incident brought before the court on Friday occurred on August 25, 2000. when, according to reports, Hall committed the offense of third-degree burglary and theft by unlawful taking when he burglarized Wayland Fountain.

Based on these separate charges, all of which occurred in the city of Wayland, Hall pleaded guilty in return for a recommended three-year

prison sentence from the com- for Hall in March, but Hall disposition of the case," said monwealth's attorney's office to run concurrent in connection to the bulk of the charges against him which could have, if sentenced to run separately, found Hall serving a substantial amount of time in prison.

In addition to the threeyear recommendation, the commonwealth's attorney's office also asked the court to order that Hall be made to pay restitution in the amount of \$1,839.33 to Strickland within 12 months of his release from prison, as well as \$366 to Bobby Hamilton, owner of Wayland Quick Mart.

According to Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Wayne Taylor, a preliminary hearing had been scheduled was, at that time, being held in Ohio on unrelated charges.

The plea was entered, however, and Taylor hopes now the people of Wayland will find some relief.

"We're pleased with the September 7.

Taylor on Friday. "We're hopeful that the citizens of Wayland can sleep better knowing that Mr. Hall is incarcerated."

Hall is set for sentencing on

#### School

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Duff Elementary, May Valley Elementary, McDowell Elementary, Prestonsburg Elementary, W.D. Osborne Elementary - School day begins at 8:15 a.m., ends at 3:15

#### Early Wednesday schedule

Allen Central High School, Betsy Layne High School, J.D. School, Adams Middle Opportunities Unlimited. Prestonsburg High School, South Floyd High School, South Floyd Middle School - School day will end at 2:45 p.m.

Allen Central Middle School, Allen Elementary, Betsy Layne Elementary, Clark Elementary, J.M. Stumbo Elementary, J.A. Duff Elementary, May Valley McDowell | Elementary, Elementary, Prestonsburg Elementary, W.D. Osborne Elementary - School day will

end at 2:30 p.m. Note: Early Wednesday will not begin until September.

Early Wednesday is first and third Wednesday of each month.

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Darryl Bradley, visited several homes on Monday in the Mud Creek area in an initial attempt to assess homeowners' damages.

"What I hope to do is run ads and have people come in with documentation such as pictures and damage estimates," said Hancock. "And if the Revenue Cabinet gives me permission, I would adjust the tax bills."

The current tax bills were based on the January 1 test dates and Hancock explained she would have to gain permission from state commissioner Vince Lang in order to include the flood damage on the 2001 tax bills because the damages occurred afterwards.

Tuesday morning, Hancock was scheduled to go back into the affected regions of the county with Denny Miller, the southern branch field manager for the Revenue Cabinet.

"I want him to see firsthand the damage to these homes," Hancock said.

Hancock's first stop in the area Monday was to Branham's Creek resident Bobby Roberts, whose home, which rests in a low-level area, was completely flooded, causing an estimated \$50,000 in damages.

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Roberts and his wife, Lola, had been up two nights tearing the flooring up in the entire bottom story of their home when Hancock arrived Monday.

To get to the flooring, the family had to first wait until the year. 10 inches of accumulated floodfour inches of mud that had rest- according to police reports, ed on the floor of the home.

"I've never seen the water get up this high," Lola Roberts said, median into the southbound wiping sweat from her forehead. Jane "We've been here 30 years and this is the first time we've ever site lane, Francis collided with a been flooded."

Roberts that he should make a embankment. list of damages to his home and bring them in to her office in Prestonsburg.

The next stop for Hancock was Donald "Bunker" Tackett, another Branham's Creek resident, who met Hancock amid the stacked furniture along his front

Tackett, who said he was stranded outside his home after going to move his car during the heavy downpour, pointed to the mud line along the wall in his living room to show where water had risen to nearly 20 inches.

"I stayed across the road because I couldn't get in my house," Tackett said. "My wife was inside the house unplugging things and getting upstairs.'

Tackett's wife, Rosena, described a water-soaked scene within the house.

"I couldn't even open the front door," Rosena Tackett said. "I was surprised the windows didn't give in. If they had I would have been in real trouble."

Hancock explained to the Tacketts the instructions she had given other residents, in hopes these accumulated and detailed personal accounts could help her better prepare to present the evidence of damages to Lang.

"The first step is to get the Revenue Cabinet to agree to help," said Hancock. "If I can, then it could mean hundreds of dollars in savings for people."

Hancock explained if someone's home were valued in the \$100,000 range and that home received \$20,000 in damage, they could receive a break of approximately \$200.

Anyone who has flood-related damages to report should gather documentation and/or pictures and take them to Hancock at the PVA office in Prestonsburg. For more information call 606-886-9622.

#### Wreck

about to start a new school

Francis, who was a football water dissipated and then shovel player at Prestonsburg, was, traveling north along U.S. 23 Saturday when he crossed the

After crossing into the oppoguardrail along that section of Hancock explained to Bobby road and proceeded over an

Johnson County Coroner J.R. Frisby, who arrived at the site of the wreck later, pronounced Francis dead at the

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Kentucky State Police said there was no evidence that alcohol or drugs were involved in the accident, but did include in their report that seatbelts were not in use.

The accident is still under investigation by KSP Trooper

Josh, although you were only with us 16 years, you have left your mark in our hearts, given us many laughs and precious memories. We will never forget your smile. You were special. We LOVE You and will miss you DEARLY!!!

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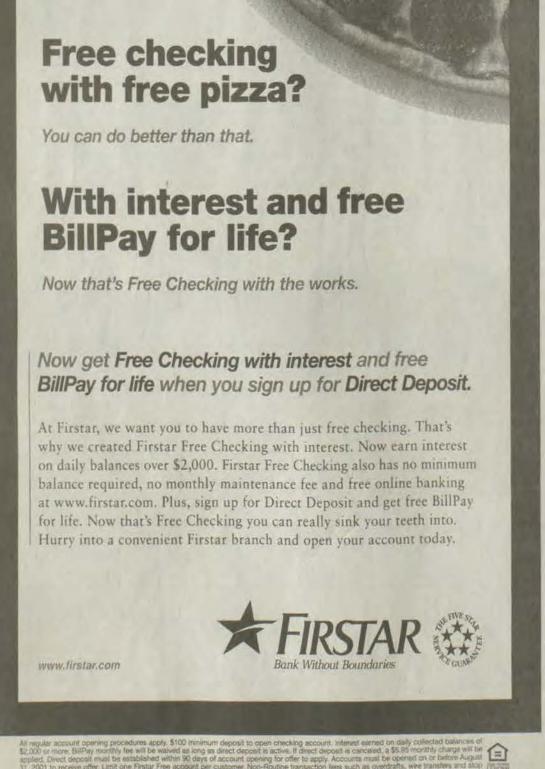
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#### Flood

An estimated 996 homes were impacted, said Thompson, who explained that this included any home that floodwaters touched, adding that approximately 300 homes were actually flooded.

The flash floods left 149 bridges either destroyed or damaged and resulted in 115 mudslides.

After meeting with state and local officials in Pike county Saturday night, Patton asked the Federal Emergency Management Agency to conduct a "preliminary damage assessment," which is the next step required to determine Kentucky eligibility for various forms of public and individual disaster aid.

"I expect to have the final report by Thursday, if not sooner," said Patton. "We will continue to work to make sure that all possible assistance is given to these counties during the recovery process.

If a presidential disaster declaration is obtained via the preliminary assessments, flooding victims could be eligible for various forms of help including grants or low interest loans.

"FEMA has to come in and

## Floods delay some schools

Dr. Paul Fanning, Supt. of Floyd County Schools, has announced that a delayed school opening date will apply to those schools in areas affected by recent flooding.

The following schools will begin the 2001-02 school year on Monday, August 13: Betsy Layne High School, Betsy Layne Elementary, John M. Stumbo Elementary. McDowell Elementary, South Floyd High School, South Floyd Middle School and Osborne Elementary.

All other Floyd County public schools will begin on Thursday, as originally scheduled.

## Road work to cause delays

The Transportation Cabinet's Department of Highways will be closing one lane of the Harold Bridge on Route 979 in Floyd

Work to repair the bridge deck will begin Wednesday, August 8, at 7 a.m. and will last approximately three weeks. Officials say long delays can be expected. Motorists are requested to use alternate routes when

All appropriate barricades, signs, barrels and other traffic control devices will be used to mark the closure.





by Stan Stumbo & Voncel Thacker JUST SWELL

Fortunately, when a piece of wood stock sustains a dent, the wood fibers have a memory that allows them to return to their original state, as long as they remain intact. If so, the dent can be removed with the help of a clothes iron and a wet, clean rag. First, place the wet rag over the dent. Then with the clothes iron set to its highest setting, place the hot iron on the rag. Hold it in place for at least ten seconds, allowing the iron to force the steam into the underlying wood fibers. At this point, the crushed fibers will likely swell to the extent that the surface will be restored to its original

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HINT: The steaming technique mentioned above can be undertal en a second and third time if the first attempt does not remove the assess this," Thompson said. "I assume they will make a recommendation to the governor and when they give us the green light what we pay out for repairs will be given back."

In what disaster specialist Lon May described as a "miracle" there were no deaths in Floyd County reported in connection to the flooding. However, several families were left Monday afternoon with their yards piled high with destroyed furniture, the insides of their homes stripped of flooring, walls warped from floodwaters that climbed three and four feet high in some areas.

The news was even more bleak in Pike County, where one man was killed during the flood and a woman remains missing.

As of Monday, utility workers had restored power to the affected areas, but Southern Water and Sewer District workers remained at work to restore water services to the areas of Ligon, including Clear Creek

According to Southern Water. 200 residents were without water as of Monday afternoon, although workers persisted throughout the night, working by spotlights, to replace the water lines.

The enormous amount of rainfall resulted in the Mud Creek area losing all water storage, and areas such as Hen Pen in the Weeksbury area have been without water since the initial rains late Friday evening.

The job of repairing water lines newly-placed during the water extension project which floodwaters left exposed along such places as Abner Mountain at the Floyd-Pike county line will now get underway.

help assess damages and prepare, if the need should arise, to ask for federal help to assist the victims of the floodwaters.

But help is here now, according to Harold Moore, who is the head of the Southern Baptists Disaster Relief and currently positioned at the Wheelwright Gymnasium, at least for those who need assistance is cleaning their broken homes and picking up the pieces.

"We're going to take those who need help in the order they come to us," said Moore. "We'll take the carpet out, we'll take the floors up and sanitize. Sometimes all we can leave is a shell because that's what needed to be done."

Moore explained if the number of requests grow, he would then call help from fellow agencies to come into the area and provide relief as well.

Also on hand in the area to provide help is the American Red Cross, which responded immediately providing emergency services to individuals and families affected by the flooding. The Red Cross has established a disaster headquarters in Prestonsburg to serve the entire region. As well as having set up a headquarters, emergency response vehicles are serving meals in the affected areas and also providing bulk distribution of cleanup kits and com-

"We will be sending outreach teams into each of the five counties," said Carol Grider of the American Red Cross disaster services in Louisville.

May, who was also on hand for the afternoon press conference at the Southern Water facili-

State help will be arriving to ty at McDowell, said that as of Monday no one remained sheltered, referring to the 50 or so shelters that quickly developed along the Mud Creek area to house those who could not reach their homes.

May said that those victims were now either back in their homes or staying with families.

Many of those people have been keeping local health care agencies busy with distributing tetanus shots as exposure to flood waters and mud put them at risk. However, authorities say the 160 shots reserved to be administered for beginning school children have been depleted due to a national shortage of tetanus shots which will result in deferments until more can be supplied.

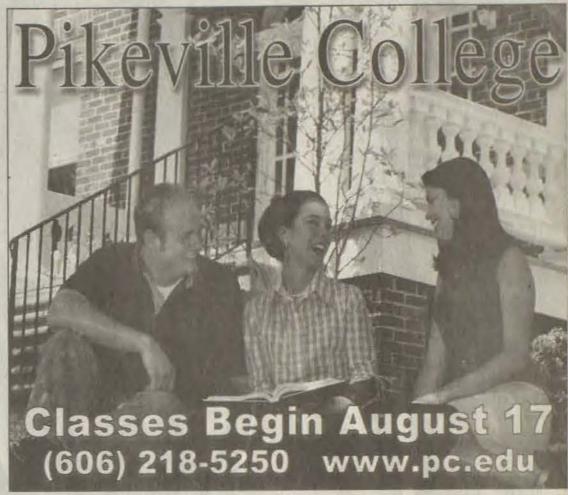
The process we had to go through to get storm ready served us tremendously in dealing with this," May said on Monday. "The warning helped save lives."

Those who may need help are encouraged to call Harold Moore with the Southern Baptists Disaster Relief Program at 606-

Southern Water has asked that the use of water by those who have had it restored to their homes be restricted to essential use only and to avoid using it as a cleaning component until water power had been fully restored and built back up.

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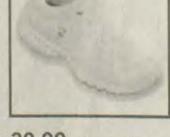
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- Ernest L. Woodward

# **Explanation needed** for jailing writer

"I am not a martyr," said Vanessa Leggett, from the bowels of a federal jail in Houston. "I want to see justice done. But I am doing what I must to protect the public's interest in

The free-lance writer, an adjunct lecturer in the University of Houston's professional writing program, was ordered to jail after refusing to turn over to a federal grand jury information she had gathered for a book about a society murder.

The victim, Doris Angleton, was the wife of a millionaire Houston bookie. Her husband, Robert, was acquitted of state charges of capital murder in 1998. His brother, Roger, also implicated in the slaying, committed suicide in jail before he could go to trial. He left a note saying he had killed his sister-in-law in order to frame his brother in a shakedown plot.

Leggett taped an interview with Roger Angleton before he took his own life. The Justice Department not only demanded that the 33-year-old writer turn over those tapes, but also all her other tapes and notes pertaining to the high-profile

When Leggett refused, as most journalists would under similar circumstances, the Justice Department hauled her into federal court. U.S. District Judge Melinda Harmon found the writer in contempt of court at a closed hearing on July 20. And she ordered Leggett jailed without bail.

So, Leggett remains behind bars as she appeals her contempt of court citation. If a federal appeals judge refuses to free the writer, and she continues to withhold her reporting material from the Justice Department, she could face 18 months of incarceration.

One need not be a journalist to find the Justice Department's tactics chilling. For federal prosecutors are essentially demanding that a writer become a tool of law enforcement, to betray the confidence of a source.

If a writer's tapes and notes are sought to exonerate a criminal defendant, particularly in cases in which the accused could face the death penalty, a legal argument could be made that the defendant's Sixth Amendment right to a fair trial should take precedence over a writer's First Amendment protection.

But that is not the issue in Houston. There is no criminal defendant on trial for his life. The Justice Department is simply trying to build a federal murder case against Robert Angleton. Prosecutors want Leggett to help them make their case.

The Nixon-era Justice Department established the policy that the attorney general must approve each federal subpoena issued to a journalist and every request by federal prosecutors to have a journalist jailed.

Not since 1991 has the attorney general seen fit to go to the extreme of having a reporter imprisoned. Attorney General John Ashcroft owes the American public an explanation of why he deemed it so necessary in this particular case.

- The San Diego Union-Tribune



#### Pain strikes closer to home

I must admit, I've been a bit selfish. Selfish wasn't certainly something I wanted or tried to be, but sadly, it seems to be something that I have mastered gracefully.

You see, I have heard rumors about murders, wars and sadness stretched from every corner of the globe. I have read where Christians have been terrorized and martyred in other countries. I have heard

where soldiers are killed and families are torn.

I have heard that suffering. I have read about it in newspapers I have seen it posted on the news online and on televi-

But I sat here and forgot

it ever existed. It's in another country (a whole other ball game).

I heard about hungry children in Ethiopia. I have seen children so close to starvation, dehydration, their skin seems to be the only thing holding their tiny skeletons together. They have no hope

in their eyes. Flies blow their faces.

I read that, too, in the newspapers in the magazines, and I saw those pictures.

> here and forgot it ever existed. (That's

But I sat

across the border. That doesn't include me.)

I heard about tornadoes tumbling across the United States. I have also heard about earthquakes, hurricanes, floods and fires that have brought pain to many families throughout the country and the world.

But I sat here and forgot it ever existed. (It's too far away. It doesn't involve me.)

This little song that I have been singing all these years may possibly be familiar to some of you. It's the type of song that you don't realize you're singing. You sort of hum the words as you mull through life, pretending to care, but really only caring for a split second or until the next commercial comes

It makes me sad to think I hadn't enough compassion for those people who are facing such pain in their lives to devote more time for them, at least in my prayers.

I drove up Mud Creek on Monday and became witness to the leftovers of Friday's downpour.

Although I had never visited the area before, I can tell you those hills were familiar to me. They resembled the hills I grew up with. Being there and seeing the homes and property torn apart made me realize how quickly life can turn into reality for some folks and how, sometimes, reality isn't something we wish to see so quickly.

When I think of those other places or countries now, I see how close to home it is to all of us. I, just like you, could have easily been born at another time, place or country, if God willed it to be.

When your life's all knotted up like the loose threads on an old towel you should have thrown away months ago, find it in your heart to be thankful that you had the towel in the first place. For those of you who have lost property, possessions, hope or even a loved one through this terrible time, just keep looking for a reason to be thankful. The sun will shine brighter eventually.

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#### Gives thanks for 'surprise'

It is nice to get surprises! One for me, Eleanor Acker, was to get an electric wheelchair here at Mountain Manor Healthcare Center on July 29.

A special thanks goes to Lou Ellen Hall, worker at the Mud Creek Clinic, for getting up the money to make this possible. She says the glory and thanks goes to God, who inspired her to do this. Many thanks to each and all in Floyd and Pike counties who game a small or large gift for your part, My arthritis in both arms and knees will really thank you as well for this "gift of love."

May God richly bless each of you. Many of you probably know me from past years, some 40-plus, when I

taught Bible classes in the schools in the Big Mud area. Riding in a Jeep then sure was as different as now is in an electric wheelchair.

Thanks again, Eleanor Acker Mountain Manor Healthcare Center Pikeville

#### Something needs to be done

To the lady who wrote, "It's just a ball game," yes, it is true. Unless you are a coach's son or friend, you won't get to play ball very much. Believe me, this is true for Prestonsburg High School basketball, too.

I went to watch my nephew play basketball last year, and they didn't even put him in. So, that was my last game. And believe me,

my nephew can play good ball. I've experienced this for

You parents need to speak up, or even write the principal of the school, or even the government about how things are going on. If we don't, the kids self-esteem will be destroyed. If noth-

ing's done, these incidents

are just going to get worse.

Gean Garza Allen

#### Audience can support children

The board of directors and staff of the Big Sandy Area Child Advocacy Center would like to thank the people of the Big Sandy area for the support received during the recent grand opening of Judi's Place for Kids.

Another way to support the center is to attend the August 8 performance of "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown," at the Jenny Wiley Theatre. For every Charlie Brown ticket purchased for the August 8 performance, Jenny Wiley Theatre will donate \$1 to Judi's Place for Kids, the only child advocacy center serving the Big Sandy region.

Please don't miss this chance to help sexuallyabused children in our region and also have a great time at the theater. Call the Jenny Wiley Theatre box office today at (877) CALL-JWT to reserve your tickets.

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#### Clerk

may hear and deliberate among legitimate themselves the charges.

But that was the case during a p.m. special hearing held at Wheelwright on Monday night.

The Wheelwright Utilities Commission met Monday and came to order by explaining to the citizens in attendance that a disciplinary hearing was to be held that evening concerning a city employee. Then, at the prompting of utility chairman James Branham, the commission prepared to go into closed session to discuss the charges against the employee.

retire, however, as Prestonsburg attorney Ned Pillersdorf spoke up from the front row, requesting the hearing concerning his client, Audrey Yates, be held openly and at the convienence of the public.

Wheelwright city attorney, Tim Parker, urged Branham and the other commission members to accept Pillersdorf's request and began the hearing by asking that Branham read the charges against Yates on behalf of the commission.

According to that reading, the commission claimed that Yates, a longtime clerk for the city of January or February earlier this year and also charged that she failed to advertise a meeting on July 17 that resulted in the meeting being canceled for lack of a

After reading the two charges against Yates, Branham then approached Yates about the alleged tape recorder incident.

"Yes, I had a tape recorder he had receipts. during the meeting," said Yates. "But it was on top of my purse. It wasn't concealed."

Branham, apparently not pleased with the statement, stated he remembered the incident differently, at which time Parker interceded and explained that the commissioners themselves were the witnesses to the supposed

"As I understand it," Parker said, addressing Yates. "When the recorder was noticed you were asked to turn it off and you did. Is that right?"

Yates explained that she did The commission would not turn the recorder off and then further explained that then-utility chairman Lowell Dean Parker took the tape from the recorder and destroyed it in front of her and the other members.

After these initial questions, Pillersdorf, on Yates' behalf, questioned Branham.

"Do you think you have a right to go into a secretive session without it being recorded?" Pillersdorf asked, admitting he couldn't see the legal problem with the incident as long as one person knew the recording was taking place.

Discussion moved then to the missed meeting notice, but only Wheelwright, brought a tape briefly before Pillersdorf recorder into a closed meeting in requested to issue more questions to Branham.

> "Miss Yates first learned of some check cashing around the time these charges were brought against her," Pillersdorf asked Branham. "Have you withdrawn any money that is the property of Wheelwright Utilities?

Branham returned that he had

Pillersdorf finished by stating that Yates had complained to Wheelwright Mayor Marlee Sammons about the check cashing and also asked Branham if the complaints had come during the same time the charges against his client were brought up.

Branham said the charges were not initiated during the same time period mentioned and when Pillersdorf said he had no more questions, the commission then went into closed session, along with Parker, to discuss the findings of the hearing.

After approximately 30 minutes, the commission returned to take no action against Yates, but detailed certain aspects of their

"The city clerk knew the meetings weren't supposed to be taped," said Parker. "But we're not inclined to take any action."

Parker went on to explain that, although the commission would hope Yates would make an effort to better advise members in the future, especially new members, of all meetings, including regular meetings, they would not take action against

As Branham called for an adjournment, Pillersdorf interrupted with a final question.

"I take it from your comments the allegations against my client have been dismissed?" asked Pillersdorf.

Parker assured him this was the case and the commission adjourned without further com-

"We're just glad to have this settled and behind us," Parker cashed three checks, for which said afterward. "Now we can get ■ Continued from p1

on with the business of the city." Pillersdorf remained disturbed by the hearing, particularly given its timing.

'It is outrageous that during a flood emergency this commission held a meeting over the most trivial reasons imaginable," Pillersdorf said Tuesday.

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# **KY 8th grade NAEP** data shows progress

Educational Progress (NAEP) mathematics assessment show that 8th graders performance improved significantly from the 1996 results, the Kentucky Department of Education announced recently.

Eighth-graders' performance average scale score of 220 to moved from an average scale

Results from the 2000 score of 267 to 272-a gain of National Assessment of five points, compared with gains of one point in the southeast and

God's Appalachian Partnership (GAP) assisted the owner of this home on Mud Creek Monday

afternoon by shoveling mud left behind by weekend flood waters. Mud Creek was one of the hardest hit areas in the county resulting in power outages and lost water services as well as extensive

> three points in the nation. Kentucky 4th graders' performance-which improved by five points between 1992 and 1996-did not improve significantly in 2000, moving from an

> > (See NAEP, page six)

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# Preliminary hearing held for escapee

by MARY MUSIC STAFF WRITER

A Floyd County resident who placed local authorities "on the run" last week and now faces charges of second-degree escape, a class D felony, was in court Monday afternoon for a preliminary hearing.



Lordy, Lordy

Look Who's

(Thank goodness,

he's no longer 4!)

A grand jury will now consider whether to indict Shawn Flannery, 20, Prestonsburg, an inmate of the Floyd County Detention Center who attempted an escape on July 30.

At the time of his escape, Flannery was on probation for charges he faced in Magoffin

According to court records, Flannery pleaded guilty to an amended charge of third-degree burglary on January 22. He was also found guilty on that day for two counts of theft by unlawful taking for allegedly

selling an all-terrain vehicle owned by Appeals Court Judge David Barber

In each of the three charges pending against him in Magoffin County courts, Flannery was sentenced to three years probation.

Floyd County Bailiff Elmo Allen testified on Monday that on the day of his attempted escape, Flannery failed a drug test which was stipulated by his probation. Allen said he was then ordered to take Flannery to the Floyd County Detention



photo by Kathy J. Prater

Mitchell Tolle, a Kentucky artist who grew up in a poverty-stricken area of Lewis County and now operates an art gallery in Berea that is frequented by visitors from all over the world, delivered a motivational speech to Floyd County educators on

# **County educators** prepare for a new year

Times Staff Report

The Floyd County School System convened officially as a body for the first time the 2001-2002 school year with a "Back to School Celebration" held at the Mountain Arts Center on

The celebration began with a arts center lobby for the benefit of school system employees. Representatives from various agencies were on hand to answer questions and provide written materials to school employees concerning employee benefit packages. Refreshments were also provided courtesy of Prestonsburg Community College and Morehead State University-Prestonsburg.

A brief introductory message was given by the Superintendent of Floyd County Schools, Dr. Paul Fanning, in which he recognized that though many students are anticipating the beginning of a new school season with excitement, still others were facing some "challenging moments" in reference to the severe flooding that occurred over the weekend in some areas of the county.

Flooding has been so severe that in many schools, the first day of school will be postponed

until Monday, August 13, for these students. Other students will return to school Thursday, as originally scheduled.

Fanning then introduced Floyd County Board of Education Chairman Johnnie Ross. Ross echoed Dr. Fanning's statements in regard to current challenges and delivered a motibenefits fair that was held in the vational speech to attending educators that they can make a difference in the life of a child. He commended educators for the tireless work they do and for the energy they invest in the county's "7,100 students."

Following Ross, Mitchell Tolle, renowned Kentucky artist and motivational speaker, was introduced. Tolle spoke of the impact that teachers had on his growth and development during his early years of elementary school and reminded the educators of the impact and influence, either positive or negative, that they each, individually, could inject into a child's life.

The author was available for comment afterwards in a booksigning session in the lobby.

The "Back to School Celebration" continued the following day with professional development programs for both classified and certified personnel of the school system.

# Tree-identification guide book available from the National **Arbor Day Foundation**

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(See TREE, page seven)

"I took him downstairs and we were still inside the garage when I reached into my truck to get the handcuffs," said Allen. "They opened the garage door and he ran.'

The search for Flannery culminated in about an hour with officers from the Department Probation and Parole in Prestonsburg, the Floyd County Department, Prestonsburg City Police Department and several bailiffs searching the city limits on foot and in cars.

He was found and seized while running along Riverside

Flannery, who was indicted by a Floyd County grand jury on May 8 for two counts of theft by unlawful taking, was arrested on January 18 and April 4 by Constable Homer Neeley. Those arrests followed the two separate alleged thefts of the same all-terrain vehicle from the residence of Steve

After referring the case to be heard by the grand jury on Monday, Judge Eric Hall agreed to lower Flannery's \$10,000 cash bond to \$5,000.

Flannery's next court date is scheduled for October 10.

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#### NAEP

"These scores reflect some of the changes brought about by Commonwealth Accountability Testing System (CATS) in 1998," said Kentucky Education Commissioner Gene Wilhoit. "In 1996, 4th graders made significant gains in mathematics. Moving the CATS mathematics assessment to 5th grade, decreased mathematics training opportunities for 4th grade teachers. The discontinuation of the mathematics portfolio network also may have contributed to the flat scores in 4th grade.

"There is some very good news in 8th grade, however. The number of Kentucky students performing at the proficient level increased by five percent, while those in the southeast increased by two per-

Continued from p5 cent, and those in the nation by three percent. And, even though the percentage of 8th graders who performed at or above proficient (21 percent) was smaller than the national percentage (26 percent), Kentucky's percentage was significantly higher than it was in 1996. The percentage of students moving from below basic, to at and above basic, and from proficient to advanced, also showed

NAEP mathematics assessments were given to samples of 8th-graders in 40 states in 2000. The NAEP is generally considered to be the only test given in the U.S. that provides valid results that can be compared from state to state.

significant increases."

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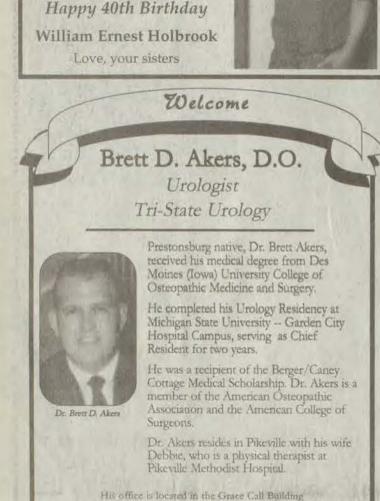
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# Community Calendar

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#### Howell family reunion

The Jarvey and Lizzie Cox Howell family reunion will be held at the Stumbo Park at Allen on Sunday, September 2, (Labor Day Weekend) beginning at 10. Bring a covered dish and any pictures you would like to share with other family members. All family members and friends are encouraged to attend. For more information, call Roland Howell, at (606) 377-6062.

#### Rose Price to be guest of Jenny Wiley AARP

Rose Price will be the guest of Jenny Wiley Chapter No. 3528, AARP, at the meeting to be held

Presbyterian Prestonsburg. Also on the agenda will be the installation of Charlotte Goble as vice president of the Chapter.

on Friday, August 17, at the First

The meeting begins at 6 p.m., and all members and friends are encouraged to attend.

#### **Old Regular Baptists** to meet

The fifty-sixth annual session of the Thornton Union Association of Old Regular Baptists of Jesus Christ, will convene August 17-19, at the Thornton Church, Mayking. Each day will begin at 9 a.m. A dinner meal will be prepared and served each day of session. All are invited and encouraged to

#### Miller reunion planned Sunday, August 26

The descendants of James Wilse and Sam Jr. are invited to attend the Miller family reunion that will be held at the Army Corps of Engineers Dewey Dam Spillway, Shelter No. 2, on August 26. Bring a covered dish and, if possible, family photographs and a brief family tree. If you have any questions, call Carol Smith at 859-792-8788, or e-mail: csmith@atrcable.com.

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Assistance offered to flood victims The Thankful Hearts Food

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# Obituaries

#### Joshua Shawn Francis

Joshua Shawn Francis, age 16, of Prestonsburg, Ky., son of Shawn Phillip Francis of Garrett, Ky., and Kimberly Ann Reynolds of Prestonsburg, Ky., C.V. Reynolds, stepfather, passed away Saturday, August 4, 2001, at East Point, Ky.

He was born October 11, 1984, at Pikeville, Ky. He was a student at Prestonsburg High School, and member of the Highland Avenue Freewill Baptist Church, Prestonsburg High School football team, wrestling team, and 4-H team

In addition to his father, mother, and step-father, he is survived by: cousins, Ariel Dawn Robinson of Prestonsburg, Ky., Kayla Nicole Wiley, Austin Blake Wiley, and Arrington Jade Wright, all of Allen, Ky.; aunts, Faye Wiley Wright and Tammy Francis Lafferty; uncles, Darrin Gene Wiley, Bruce Edward Wright, Christopher Francis, and Brian Francis; maternal grandparents, Doug and Judy Wiley; paternal grandparents, Sterling and Bethleen Francis; maternal great-grandparents, Maxine Stevens and Audrey

He was preceded in death by his paternal great-grandmother, Francis J. Huff.

Funeral services were conducted at 2:00 p.m., Monday, August 6, 2001, at the Prestonsburg High School Football Field, Prestonsburg, Ky., with David Garrett officiat-

Burial followed in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, Ivel, Ky.

Visitation was after 10:00 a.m. Sunday, August 5, 2001, at the Hall Funeral Home, Martin, Ky. The body lay in state, Monday, 1:00-2:00 p.m., at the Prestonsburg High School Football Field. (Paid obituary)

#### Tree

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#### Lanie Terry

Lanie Terry, age 89, of Lackey, Ky., wife of the late Earnest Terry, passed away Saturday, August 4, 2001, in the Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital, Hazard,

She was born June 12, 1912, in Magoffin County, Ky., the daughter of the late Wiley Jones and Ellen Slusher Jones. Mrs. Terry was a homemaker.

She is survived by one daughter, Bonnie Warrens of Wayland, Ky.; one half-brother, Jackie Jones, in Michigan; two grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Funeral services for Lanie were conducted Tuesday, August 7, 2001, at 11:00 a.m., in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, Martin, Ky., with Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial followed in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, Ivel, Ky., under the professional care of Hall Funeral Home, Martin, Ky.

Visitation was at the funeral

Pallbearers: Glennis Warrens, Donnie Hale, Jason Warrens, Raymond Lawson, and Jordan Hale.

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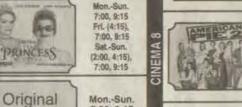
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"The ABC's of Marketing the Small Business" is a free seminar for prospective and existing small business owners who are interested in learning more about marketing their products and their business. The seminar is being offered the Morehead State University/Small Business Development Center and sponsored by the Community Trust Bank. The seminar will be conducted on Tuesday, August 21, from 1 p.m.-3 p.m. at the Morehead State University/Prestonsburg Campus in Prestonsburg.

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#### Dwale homecoming

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#### Prater reunion

- When: August 18, 2001. Time: 12:00 noon
- Where: Old Homeplace Prater Fork Off Brush Creek

Bring covered dish. For more information, call Clarence Prater, 285-9833.

#### 5th annual mentalh health consumer conference

Kentucky River Community Care will host the 5th Annual Mental Health Consumer Conference on August 22, at the Hazard Hotel in Hazard.

Speakers will include mental health professionals as well as mental health consumers. The cost is \$15.00, which includes lunch, For more information, and a registration form, call Juanita Hall or Brenda Rudder at (606) 785-0961, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., (Monday-Friday). Try to pre-register by August 6.

#### McCoy family reunion August 12, 10:30 a.m.

Sardis Association Building on Brushy Creek, (formerly Brushy Elementary School). Take 119 north past Johns Creek Elementary School. Keep going north on 119 until you come to the new 4-lane. Shortly after, you will notice a turn off to the left with a sign that reads to Brushy or Varney. Follow this road to the sign that reads, 881 to Brushy. It is approximately 11 miles to the Sardis Association Building.

Bring a covered dish. Eating will be at 1:00 p.m.

For more information, call: Betty Howard, 432-1601; Bertha Blackburn, 631-1005; Donna Taylor Morrison, 631-1763; Marquietta Deskins, 631-1811; or

Lexington and Cincinnati. Ticket Helen Sue Merkley, 304-583-

#### Wheelwright class of 1958 reunion

The Wheelwright High School Class of 1958 planning committee is currently attempting to locate all graduates. A reunion of the Class of 1958 will be held on Saturday, October 13, at the Pines Building at Jenny Wiley State Park. Further information is posted on the Floyd County High School web site, and additional information may be obtained by e-mail to: bbvance@bright.net.

#### -----Childers-Preston family reunion

The Childers-Preston Family reunion will be held on Saturday, August 18, at the Dewey Dam Pienic Hollow, Shelter No. 3. Registration begins, 11 a.m. Bring a covered dish and cold drinks. Descendants of Abraham and Elizabeth Preston Childers-pioneer settlers of Lawrence County-as well as descendants of Moses Preston and Fanny Arthur. Family branches also include Price, Meade (Mead), Hawes (Haws), and Borders. For more information, contact Donna Cox. 1720 Phillip St., Ironton, OH 45638, or (740) 532-6301, or email: coxd@zoomnet.net.

#### Find out about adoption through KBHC, August 9

Kentucky Baptist Homes for Children is hosting a free adoption orientation on August 9, at Highland Baptist Church in Louisville, Orientation begins at 7 p.m., Eastern time. Registration is required and child care is not provided. Call 1-800-928-5242 by noon on August 8 if you plan to attend. Highland Baptist is located at 1101 Cherokee Road.

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#### Social Security Rep. at Mud Creek

Security Social entative will visit the Mud Creek Clinic each Tuesday during the months of August and September.

A representative will be in the Clinic to assist people in filing Social Security claims and appeals.

People can also apply for Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Black Lung benefits, and Social Security numbers. You can also pick up booklets and get questions answered.

#### \*\*\*\*\* Fibromyalgia

support group Monthly meetings-Betsy Layne Senior Citizens Building, first Tuesday of each month-6:00 p.m. The Betsy Lavne Senior Citizens Building is located on Pike-Floyd Hollow, above the Betsy Layne Fire Department, For more information, contact Sharon at 478-5224, or Phyllis at 874-

#### Alzheimer's Association local seminars

The Alzheimer's Association of the Lexington/Bluegrass Chapter will be hosting several educational seminars designed to aide families that are earing for persons with Alzheimer's Disease and related disorders. The seminars will be

held at the First Presbyterian Church, North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg. The sessions are free of charge and care for your loved one can be provided with prior arrangement A snack supper for all attendees will also be provided. August 14 session-5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Topic-Legal and financial issues, grief. For more information, contact Tonya Tincher at 1-800-288-2323.

#### 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-

email:delphia@eastky.net

#### \*\*\*\* 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.

#### \*\*\*\*\* Red. White and Blue Notice

The Red, White and Blue Committee is collecting stories about American Veterans from any war, to be published in the Red, White and Blue annual publication available in October 2001. Drop off at City Hall in Martin, or mail to Pam Justice, Red, White and Blue coordinator, at Martin City Hall, P.O. Box 749, Martin, KY 41649, or call at 606-285-9335. If you wish to publish a picture and want the picture returned, enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope. Information must be submitted before August 31, to appear in the October publication.

#### For unplanned pregnancy

The beginning of an unplanned pregnancy doesn't have to mean the end of your dreams. For free, confidential assistance, call the Kentucky Baptist Homes for Children at 1-800-928-5242. You can talk to someone who cares about you and your baby Assistance is available across Kentucky.

#### 242422 Alzheimer's association caregiver support group

To help those who care for persons with Alzheimer's disease, the Lexington/Bluegrass Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association sponsors a support group in Prestonsburg. It will meet at the First Presbyterian Church at 7 p.m., on the 2nd Tuesday of every month. The group provides a relaxed, confidential atmosphere where fellow caregivers can exchange experiences, methods of dealing with unique problems, and the latest information about available services and research. Meetings are free and open to the public. For more information, contact the group leader, Dana Caudill, (606) 886-0265.

#### Depression support group

Need to talk to others who know how you feel? Join us at the Allen Convention Center, next to the pool and walking track, at Stumbo Park, every Thursday at 6 p.m. If you are feeling depressed and "blue" join us for a talk.

For information, call Tina at 874-0544

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# Damron renews push for "tax holiday" on back-to-school purchases

FRANKFORT — Families shopping for school supplies aren't receiving a tax break that would have been available this week if lawmakers had passed a bill establishing a "sales tax holiday" proposed during the: General Assembly's 2001 legislative session.

"sales tax holiday" that waives Kentucky's 6 percent sales tax on back-to-school purchases could be in place by this time next year.

Rep. Bob Damron, D-Nicholasville, has renewed his push to lower the cost of backto-school items in Kentucky

tax holiday" bill for lawmakers to consider during the General Assembly's 2002 ses-

"People shopping right now for school supplies are paying six percent more than they would have if the Legislature had passed my bill earlier this year," said Damron, who sponsored "tax holiday" legislation along with 53 cosponsors in the 2001 legislative session. "My goal is to make this the last year families have this tax burden when they're preparing for the start of a new school year."

Damron's new legislation, BR 189, would exempt clothing, books, backpacks and other school supplies from the state's six percent sales tax each year during the first week of August, a time when many family budgets are strained by back-to-school costs.

The legislation also would remove the sales tax from computer purchases during the annual tax holiday. That should help the state close the "digital divide" and get more computers into Kentucky households, Damron said.

"If we're serious about trying to get a computer into every child's home, this would be a great first step," Damron said. "A tax holiday that lowers the cost of a computer by \$50 would help put computer items.

But there's hope an annual by pre-filing another "sales purchases within reach of many middle- and lowerincome families throughout

> Well over half of Kentucky households don't have a home computer, placing Kentucky in the bottom 20 percent of the

> But a tax holiday that includes computers could help change that. According to a survey by the Consumer Electronics Association, 27 percent of families with household incomes of less than \$25,000 would be more likely to buy a home computer if they did not have to pay sales tax. In addition, almost half of all households who do not own a computer, but plan to buy one in the next year. say that a sales tax holiday would improve the likelihood

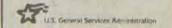
Retailers would also benefit from the tax holiday. When South Carolina implemented a sales tax holiday on back-toschool purchases last year. retailers saw their business jump by \$200 million over the course of their three-day break from the state sales tax.

People know Pueblo for its ... "This idea has worked in other states," Damron said.



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# Patton elected to national leadership position

PROVIDENCE, R.I. - Gov. Paul Patton was elected by his fellow governors today as the 2001-02 vice chair of the National Governors Association at its annual meeting. Gov. John Engler of Michigan was elected chair.

Patton is one of only three Kentucky governors to have been selected to assume a leadership position in the organization. He will follow Gov. Engler as the 2002-03 chair.

"As vice chair of the National Governors Association. I will have the opportunity to move Kentucky to the national forefront on many issues that are important to the citizens of this state," said Patton.

Patton's primary responsibility as vice chair will be to lead the NGA Center for Best Practices. The center helps governors and key members of their staff to develop and

implement innovative solutions to governance and policy challenges in their respective states. The center is an information source on state innovations and best practices in education, energy, the environment, health, social services, technology, trade, transportation, and workforce development. The NGA Center also helps governors and their staffs learn about emerging issues and to develop cuttingedge solutions to stay ahead of problems.

Patton will also co-chair the Post-Secondary NGA's Education Initiative with Gov. Jane Swift of Massachusetts. This is a three chair initiative designed to help states develop a seamless K-16 education system that develops individuals with skills to be effective in the new economy.

the state."

of such a purchase.

But the biggest winners from a sales tax holiday in Kentucky would be consumers. They'd save an estimated \$4.5 to \$6 million each year during a one-week sales tax holiday on back-to-school

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Damron

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#### Group sets meeting

The Ups of Down Syndrome support group now has a permanent meeting place and time. The group will meet the first Sunday of every month from 2-4 p.m., at the Pikeville YMCA, beside Pikeville Independent School. Call 606/377-6142 or 478-5099 for more infor-

#### Housing assistance in Wayland area

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

#### ..... Earn while you learn

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The Big Sandy Area Community Action Agency is taking applications for the senior training program. For information, call Tammy Jervis, 606/886-2929. The program's primary goal is to create employment for those 55 and over. SCSEP helps prepare older workers to compete for jobs by providing minimal training and placing eligible applicants into permanent employment. Training sites are expected to develop the participant's skill and hire or release them.

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TIMES COLUMNIST

I have an idea that, like many ideas, will never see the light of day because it makes too much sense. It's



about the reinvention of the NCAA, which has become an autocratic, monolithic, insensitive.

ponderous, and incomprehensible bureaucracy.

The final straw, I suppose, was the cold-hearted way the NCAA handled the case involving University of Louisville basketball player Muhammed Lasege. Justice was not served. He had earned the right to a second chance and the benefit of the doubt. Yet the NCAA told the world that its adherence to its rules, however unfair and murky they may be, was more important than compassion and common sense.

So I would urge the nation's university presidents to nuke the organization as it now exists and

My model organization would be run by a commissioner who would have as much, if not more, power than David Stern, Paul Tagliabue, or Bud Selig. His cabinet would include assistant commissioners in charge of Divisions I, I-AA, II, and III. There also would be cabinet members in charge of racial and gender equity. And it would include a designated "devil's advocate" to make the case on behalf of student-athletes such as Lasege.

The new commissioner's first priority would be to understand that the interests of Division I and Division III are as different as the interests of, say, America and Switzerland. Each division would have a separate convention to establish its rules, goals, values, and pri-

Second, the new commissioner would be charged with streamlining and simplifying the rules book. As it is now, it's ponderous and complicated to the point of being beyond comprehension by people of average intelligence.

Some programs innocently violate the rules because they're too obtuse, or because they change

Finally, the new commissioner would be charged with emphasizing amateurism and academics, He would support changes that would encourage schools to recruit players who have a serious interest in getting a degree instead of getting to the NBA or the NFL. He would work with the pro leagues to establish legitimate developmental leagues for good players who have no interest in academics.

So who would be the ideal NCAA commissioner? He, or she, must be someone who loves college athletics, who has a sincere interest in preserving the concept of amateurism, who knows how to negotiate and delegate and bring factions together, and who has enormous credibility with minorities.

> My candidate? Bill Clinton.

Once you stop laughing, please don't start making jokes about the idea of Clinton being exposed, so to speak, with female college athletes. Right now the former President is in a sort of limbo, looking for some-

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# 4 beats 2 in Class AA scrimmage at MSU



Josh Francis (59) went for a block against a Perry County Central player last season.

#### Prestonsburg 27, Corbin 26

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

No. 2 met No. 4 Friday night at Morehead State University in a Class AA battle. The Prestonsburg Blackcats, ranked fourth in Class AA in preseason rankings, and the always-tough Corbin

Redhounds, ranked number two in preseason predictions squared off in a battle on the Morehead turf, with the Blackcats coming away with a 27-26

Prestonsburg's win over the Redhounds came without the serves of leading rusher Matt Slone, who is still nursing an injury suffered earlier in the summer at a passing tournament at Morehead. Slone, however, is expected

to return to action very soon. Prestonsburg Coach John DeRossett

Jeff Gordon

is having his way on the

Winston Cup

NASCAR

Series.

noted a couple of big plays that Corbin scored on as a big boost to the Redhounds 26-point scoring effort. The coach went on to confide that in a typical situation, a scouting report would have prevented such scores.

Quarterback Joey Willis and fullback Mikeal Fannin, both juniors, teamed with senior Chris Spriggs and a host of others to account for a balanced offensive attack.

(See PRESTONSBURG, page two)

to the 1993 Peach Bowl, my

feelings were ambivalent.

Now, though, I'm convinced a

tournament is one of those

ideas that sounds wonderful

in theory but would be disap-

Let's start with some prag-

Running from a week

before Christmas through

January 4, the bowl season

pointing in practice.

matic reasons.

# Hammonds, Prater lead AC past visiting Eagles

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

he Lexington Christian Academy Eagles (1-1) came to Eastern Saturday to pay a visit to the host Allen Central Rebels (2-8) and new head coach Robert Mayton.

It was the first scrimmage of the preseason for both teams.

A Lexington Christian squad with assistant coaches Pookie Jones and Donte key, both former UK football players, found things harsh on the road as they fell 24-0. Each of Allen Central's scores came on back-to-back runs by junior running backs Dustin Hammonds and James Prater.

For Prater, it's kindof like picking up where he left off last season. For Hammonds, he will be running the ball more this season, instead of catching it as he had in previous campaigns.

The Allen Central defense had several stars as a strong defensive front mixed with a formidable group of linebackers

(See AC, page two)



by JOHN CLAYTON **CNHI MEDIA COLUMNIST** 

So much for the great Brickyard conspiracy of 2001. The popular plot line for this year's Brickyard 400 was that Dodge would finally break through and make the car manufacturer's first appearance in a Winston Cup Victory Lane in 24 years.

In fairness to Dodge, that was about the same time that

(See DODGE, page two)

# Kentucky Sportsline

# UK begins quest this week

by TOM LEACH TIMES COLUMNIST

If you think "standard deviation" is a form of dress for Generation X'ers or if you think "quartile ranking" is

something only an employee at Microsoft would need to know. then you're not up to speed on how college football's national championship is decided nowadays.

Such terms generate chuckles among college football fans and media and

the effectiveness of this formula remains questionable until we've seen how a few seasons play out. Whether the BCS is the answer or not, you can count me among those who prefer the bowl system to a playoff.

Until I followed Kentucky



> Lee Corso

fills a nice programming void around the holidays for TV networks. If you start a playoff tournament in early December, then you're going to college football going head-to-head with the NFL. (I doubt the

pros would give up that long-running policy of playing on Saturdays after Thanksgiving).

And you can forget about? that often-suggested idea of incorporating the bowls into a playoff system. Assuming-

(See UK, page two)



photo courtesy of DeWitt Photography Hi Hat's Tai England won a silver medal in the kata event. England is a student at the Family Academy of Martial Arts in

#### Francis

Blackcat wrestler, spent some time this summer at a wrestling all. camp at Virginia Tech. Francis was an accomplished wrestler Home Sunday night I was greetlast season and was one of the top grapplers in the region.

He also played tennis for Prestonsburg.

The last football action for Francis came on Friday when he helped lead Prestonsburg to a thrilling 27-26 win over 2A rival Corbin.

"He played a great game against Corbin," Prestonsburg football coach John DeRossett. "He gave us a great effort."

Francis spent a great deal of the Corbin game protecting friend and quarterback Joey

He spent a great deal of his football and athletic career playing, practicing and going to battle with the friends he grew up After earning a starting posi-

tion last season then falling to an injury, Francis was well on his way to making the 2002 season a breakthrough year of sorts.

He will be sadly missed by

As I entered Hall Funeral ed by several PHS coaches, all mournful of the young athlete's death. When I encountered a somber Coach DeRossett, I was greeted with a 'thumbs-up'. With that gesture, I somehow knew that the Prestonsburg football team could and would rise above in its direst time. And, I believe Josh would have wanted it that way.

"It's a rough time," said a visibly distraught DeRossett, late Sunday night.

The Prestonsburg football team returned to work and conducted their first practice after Francis' death last night. The Prestonsburg coaching staff faces the grueling task of getting the Blackcat football team back on track and focused after a tragic event that has left a city shaken, along with an entire high school football team.

If anyone can rebound from such a loss, one has to think Prestonsburg can and will. The

Prestonsburg coaches, players, against the Cardinals. parents and fans form to make a very strong family.

A family as in ONE.

Prestonsburg opens the 2001 season on the road Friday, August 17 at Sheldon Clark Continued from p1

MEDIA DAY

Media Day activities will be held at Prestonsburg High

School this afternoon.

#### Prestonsburg

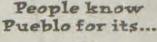
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Corbin (11-3) is the defending Region II champ. The Redhounds have 13 seniors returning this season. Led by running back Stephen Cook (6-2, 190), who rushed for 1,300 yards last season, and senior quarterback B.J. Foley (6-1, 190), who threw for 1,300 yards last season, Corbin is expected to give top-ranked Bardstown a run for their regional money.

Prestonsburg will be back in preseason action on Friday when they travel to Lexington to take on the Bryan Station High School Defenders. The Class AAAA Defenders compete in Region IV District 7 with Henry Clay, Lafayette, Paul Dunbar, Scott County, Tates Creek and Woodford County. Bryan Station is expected to challenge Henry Clay this season for a district title,

Clay County, George Rogers

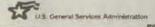
Clark, Madison Central, North Pulaski County. Laurel. Southwestern, South Laurel and Whitley County make up District 8. Whitley County is the only Class AAAA team on Prestonsburg's 2001 schedule. All four KHSAA football classes, and one team from Ohio make up the 2001 campaign.





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#### UK

Prestonsburg.

there's a 16-team tournament, most fans aren't going to have the money to travel to three different neutral sites to follow old State U. on its run to the title. game, meaning you'd eventually have to go with a format like the NFL or other lower divisions. in college use-making one of

the participants the host team.

Proponents say let's decide the championship on the field. so the best team prevails.

Like we see in the NCAA basketball tournament, right? Guess again.

Was Villanova really the best team in college basketball in

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thing to do. He loves college sports, especially when the Arkansas Razorbacks are involved. He has charisma, a quality that has never been attributed to any NCAA leader. And a person who has come close to bringing the Jews and Arabs together in the Middle East surely should be able to resolve the NCAA's thorniest

But something radical must be done. The NCAA needs new leadership and new thinking more than the Pentagon. It's sioner than Bill Clinton.

problems.

trying to operate in 2001 with a 1960s mentality. For all concerned, at every level, change is mandatory.

Imagine an NCAA rooted in compassion and common sense. An NCAA where the rules are simplified. Clinton could accomplish that. Crazy? Maybe. But I'd like to hear what you think the NCAA needs to do to become more efficient and fair.

Or whom you think would make a better NCAA commis-

1985? No, the Wildcats played the one perfect game it would take to upset a Georgetown that had proven itself betterthan 'Nova during the rest of the season. And would you have taken N.C. State or Houston in a series

Don't get me wrong-I love the way college basketball's title is decided. But that doesn't mean it's the best way for the football schools to go.

Obviously, football is not a sport that lends itself to playing that many games in such a short span of time. And if you had only eight or 16 "power" schools lining up to play in the basketball tournament every year, I don't think fans would find it nearly as appealing as they do know. Undoubtedly, the surprising success of teams like Valparaiso last season is as important to the success of the more than two schools. NCAA basketball tournament as the Final Four and there's no way you can incorporate that kind of small school charm into

■ Continued from p1 a football playoff with so many

fewer participants. There are also emotional reasons for keeping the bowl sys-

tem in place. From my experience, I don't think round-by-round progres-

sion through a playoff tournament could match the special kind of "big event" atmosphere that bowls generate for players, coaches and fans. I don't always agree with

ESPN analyst Lee Corso, but I've long advocated what the method he suggests for deciding the national champion. Develop a plan for identifying the top two teams after the bowl season ends and let them meet in a onegame playoff for thetitle (perhaps on the Saturday before the Super Bowl). Rarely has the debate on college football's national champion included

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and stout secondary to pitch the shutout performance,

"I'm proud of the way the kids played," said Allen Central head coach Robert Mayton. "We were able to play everybody and look at a lot of people at different positions."

The Rebels hit the road Saturday for a scrimmage game at Trimble County. The Wildcats went 5-6 last season, making the Class A playoffs.



photo courtesy of DeWitt Photography Morgan Caldwell was the winner of two silver medals at this year's Bluegrass State Games. Caldwell attends The Piarist School in Martin.

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#### Dodge

Chrysler got out of motorsports - not that it would have mattered much. Remember the K-Car? I can't imagine it winning too many races unless maybe the other competitors were on

Dodge came back to Winston Cup this year with Ray Evernham, the former chief of Gordon's Rainbow Warriors, as the head honcho for the Dodge program. Upon its return, Dodge lured away NASCAR's most popular driver, Bill Elliott, hooked Sterling Marlin and reclaimed Petty Enterprises as Chrysler territory.

But the manufacturer has yet to reclaim Victory Lane - and that was what some figured would be changing this weekend at NASCAR's highest profile race of the summer.

This supposed conspiracy didn't tug at the heartstrings like the one involving Dale Earnhardt Jr. winning at Daytona in July. But, if successful, it would bring Dodge into the spotlight after the company spent millions to develop race teams for competition in 2001.

In highly technical terms, NASCAR officials gave Dodge an extra 2 inches of "aerodynamic stuff" on the cars' front ends to stop the dreaded "aeropush" that became infamous this week at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway. With added "downforce," Dodge was a shoo-in to win this race - a fact offered up loudly by the wronged persons unlucky enough to be driving, working on or backing Fords, Chevys and Pontiacs.

This, of course, is NASCAR custom. NASCAR changes a rule for one manufacturer in the name of equality and fair play

and the others scream as if they sat on an air wrench. Other than, "Gentlemen. start your engines," the most heard phrase in NASCAR is, "Wait a minute,

that's not fair!' But amidst the yelping, the plot thickened and the conspiracy theorists among us pointed at this rule change as if it were an Earnhardt restrictor plate.

"See?" they said.

And, sure enough, Elliott was on the outside of Row 1. Rookie Casey Atwood qualified third the highest of any Brickyard 400 rookie. Marlin wasn't far behind. Neither was Ward Burton. Dodges all.

Indeed, things were looking good for a Daimler-Chryslerauthored coup. Talks of an Oliver Stone film project began as Marlin, a close friend of Indianapolis Colts quarterback Peyton Manning (a subplot?), took the lead, staying out on the track during a caution caused by alleged debris at Lap 131.

"A likely story," the conspiracy theorists thought.

Funny how a guy like Jeff Gordon can get in the way of a good, juicy conspiracy theory, though. Gordon blistered Marlin on consecutive re-starts on his way to his record third Brickyard 400 victory.

"I thought I could run him down, and I gave it all I had for the last 20 laps," said Marlin. "But I came up a little short.

"I wanted to try and get close enough to put some pressure on him and try to make him make a mistake, but I couldn't get close enough."

Marlin, who produced Dodge's second runner-up finish of the season, said the only

thing the Dodge didn't do well

■ Continued from p1 all day was something 2 inches

"It took us a couple of laps to get started on the re-starts all day," he said. "If not for that, we might've been able to hold

of aerodynamic stuff couldn't

(Gordon) off." All Gordon did was come from 27th position to win the race - a formidable charge that aerodynamic rule changes could do little about. He said he saw a difference in the Dodges with their improved aerodynamics. but that does not a conspiracy

"I saw a difference, sure," he said. "I still believe, though, that you've got to be in the right position, have the right pits. You've got to have the whole package. Putting a couple of inches on the front end doesn't mean you're going to go out and lap the field."

Maybe a smoke screen or another James Bond-type gadget would've been more effective in stopping Gordon and his overpowering Monte Carlo that somehow found its muscle and handling out of traffic and on the Brickyard's long straights.

'Sometimes, things just work in your favor," Gordon said. "And today, for us, they did."

For Dodge and for the hardluck Marlin, things came close to working out - again. They'll just have to be a little more patient.

Sometimes these conspiracies take a little time to get you to Victory Lane.

And sometimes, like Sunday, it just takes a little more race

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# Brickyard 400 Notebook

by HEATHER SCHWARTZ CNHI NEWS SERVICE

INDIANAPOLIS - James Dean may have lived and died fast, but Johnny Benson just drives fast. Benson drove the Pontiac adorned with Dean's likeness to a third-place finish in Saturday's Brickyard 400 at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway. Benson enjoyed having the "American Rebel" along for the ride.

It was pretty cool being that James Dean was from "Valvoline set this deal up, and it has been really neat representing an Indiana hero."

The driver's season has been on the upswing recently, with two top five finishes in a row. Benson says his team has done a lot of testing that may account for the rebound.

"We feel like we're heading in a direction that's going to he good, and the last two weeks have gone that way," Benson said. "Hopefully, we're starting to figure things out, but it's been difficult for Fairmount, Ind.," Benson said. not just us but a lot of teams."

photo courtesy of DeWitt Photography

LOADS OF LEADERS: The Brickyard 400 featured 18 lead changes among 12 drivers. The number of different drivers leading laps was one short of the record set in 1994 and 1996. Six of the drivers, including Kevin Harvick, Dale probably going to happen Earnhardt Jr., Ryan Newman, Tony Stewart, Steve Park and Kurt Busch, led the Brickyard 400 for the first time in their careers. Park led the most laps with 39 and finished seventh. Tony Stewart became the only driver to lead the Indianapolis 500 and the Brickyard 400 in the same year.

CRAMMED WITH CAU-

TIONS: There were seven caution flags thrown over the yard of bricks. The total is the second highest in race history. The record for cautions is nine, set in 1998. The field ran a total of 28 caution-period laps. It was the second highest total of caution laps run since the field ran 34 in 1998.

PENSKE POWER: Car owner Roger Penske has found a lot of luck at Indianapolis Motor Speedway. For the second time, Penske cars led laps in both the Indianapolis 500 and Brickyard 400.

Penske owns the car Helio Castroneves drove to victory in the Indy 500 and the car driven by Ryan Newman in the Brickyard. Newman led three laps in the No. 2 ALL-TELL Ford before sliding into the fourth turn wall and finishing 31st.

Despite the team's disappointing finish, Newman says he enjoyed his weekend with Penske at IMS.

"We had a great weekend all together, great practice, great qualifying," Newman said. "I think we had a really great race car at the start of the race."

Newman's brush with the wall might have caused some teams to give up on trying to finish strong. The thought never crossed Newman's

"I just told the guys this is again next year, so let's stay in, get some laps, get some experience," Newman said. The first time Penske

pulled off the double-leader feat was in 1994. Al Unser Jr. won the Indianapolis 500 in a Penske-owned car, while Rusty Wallace led four laps in the 400 before finishing sec-

Chip Ganassi also had his cars lead both races this year. Tony Stewart led 13 laps for Ganassi in the Indy 500. Coors Light driver Sterling Marlin led 25 laps in the Brickyard.

Former Indiana resident John finished Brickyard 400 in 14th place in front of a full-capacity home crowd. Andretti's best finish at the track was seventh in 1998. The Honey Nut Cheerios driver has struggled in the Petty Dodge this season and is glad to see that change in Indy.

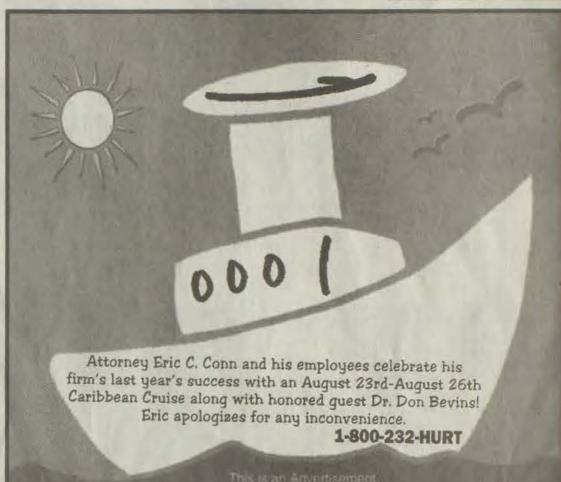
"I'm just happy to see the checkered flag again," Andretti said. "We've made improvements, which is important. It was banging on all eight (cylinders) and had all the fenders on it at the

LINING UP: For only the second time this season, all four car manufacturers had one car finish in the top four in a race. Jeff Gordon took first

HOMETOWN HERO: in a Chevrolet. Sterling Marlin was second in a Dodge. Johnny Benson ran third in a Pontiac. Rusty Wallace finished fourth in a Ford. The only other time the four car manufacturers finished 1-2-3-4 was in Las Vegas.



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photo courtesy of DeWitt Photography Gold, silver, bronze: Laura Absher collected three medals in the recent Bluegrass State Games in Lexington.

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Rick Rhoden captured last year's victory at the Central Baptist Hospital Charity Classic and has won several tournaments this year. Also in contention for the Central Baptist Hospital Charity Classic are several players new to Lexington this year, Florida Senate and retired in

■ Dick Anderson (All Pro

Safety, Miami Dolphins)

A 10-year NFL veteran with the Miami Dolphins, he was named to the Pro Bowl three times (1972, '73 and '74). Played in three Super Bowls, winning two of them. The strongest part of his golf game is driving and the weakest is putting. Career Best Round: 65. Successfully ran for

Al Del Greco (NFL Placekicker, Tennessee Titans)

A veteran of 17 seasons in the NFL, Del Greco ranks seventh on the all-time league scoring list with 1,584 career points. Named to Auburn's Team of the Century. Career Best Round: 65. Board

member of the Make-A-Wish Foundation and the Ronald McDonald House.

Davey Johnson (L.A. Dodgers) Biographical sketch not available at this time.

man, Anaheim Angels) Also played for San Diego and Atlanta. Career RBI: 1,106.

Wally Joyner (First-base-

Graduated from Brigham Young University.

Brian Kinchen (NFL Tight End, Carolina Panthers)

Completed his 13th season NFI season. Also played for the baltimore Ravens and Cleveland Browns. One of CPT's longest hitters. Strongest part of his game is length off the tee and weakest part is maintaining consistency. Career Best Round: 67.

■ Gary Mule Deer (Comedian)

He has appeared on over 300 television shows including the Tonight Show and David Letterman, and is a regular performer on the Grand Ole Opry. For the past several years he has been touring with Johnny Mathis in concert in major venues across the country.

John O' Hurley (Actor)

O'Hurley is best known for his portrayal of J. Peterman on the Seinfeld show. At the start of the Celebrity Players Tour tournament at Lake Tahoe this year, odds-makers gave O'Hurley 500 to 1 odds of winning. Said O'Hurley, "What really bothered me is that there's only 65 guys in the tournament. Sixty-five to one would have made the point. But they said my caddy and all the volunteers had a better shot of winning than I did."

■ Dan Quinn (NHL center) Played in the NHL for 14 years with Calgary, Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, Los Angeles and Ottawa. Won twice on the CPT in 2000. Best Round: 65.

For more information about the Classic, call Jim at 859/258-3251 or Rence, 859/258-3009.



TIMES STAFF REPORT

Fleming-Neon Coach J.J. Wright calls Daniel Knausz 'a base-hitting' fool for good rea-

The Pirates' center-fielder hit 6444 (50-for-82) last season. He also stole 53 bases, scored 45 runs and knocked in 26 runs, while striking out just three

Much like the outfield grass, the pitching mound was also very familiar, kind territory for the Pirate as he posted a perfect 5-0 pitching record for Neon, In addition to his achievements on the diamond, the versatile athlete also put together a nice seavaluable member of the Fleming-Neon Pirate basketball

Knausz

set to

enter

year

senior

Knausz was chosen as a 2001 Governor's Scholar. Sporting a 4.0 grade-point-average, he is ranked first in his 2002 class.

Knausz, a former Betsy Layne Bobcat, was recently selected to Who's Who Among American High School Students for the second consecutive year and is United State Achievement Academy winner in both math and english.

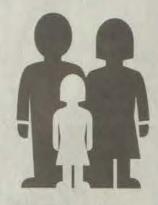
The talented athlete is the son of John and Deloris Knausz of Neon. He is the grandson of Albert and Laurel King of harold and the late Dan and son of 14th Region battles as a Marguerite Knausz of Harold.



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Garrett Brown (left) and Beta Risner (right) were gold medalists at this year's Bluegrass Summer Games. Both attend the Family Academy of Martial Arts in Prestonsburg where they train under

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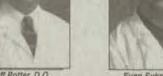
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by CLYDE PACK

The phone rang the other night and after a little voice from the kitchen yelled, "Get that. It's not for me," I answered it. But instead of the usual "hello," for some unknown reason, I said "Howdy." As soon as it came out, I realized what I'd done, but of course, it was too late to correct it.

Fortunately, it was a friend on the other end, and he merely answered, "Howdy" back. When I hung up, Wilma, who had heard my slip-of-the-tongue greeting, jumped my case pretty good.

"Boy," she said, "you'd have really been embarassed if it'd been somebody important."

Not that our friends are not important, but I knew what she meant, and I knew that she was right.

"Howdy" is what Roy Rogers or Tex Ritter would have said to the new school marm at the Saturday matinee when I was a kid. However, it is not an appropriate greeting to use on the telephone in 2001.

But it might have been, had it not been for Thomas A. Edison.

That's right, the same man who gave us the light bulb, the motion picture machine, the phonograph, and dozens of other little things that have made our lives better, also invented the word "hello."

According to an article in The New York Times, when the telephone began to be used on a regular basis, along around the 1870s, there was a bit of confusion, and even more discussion, as to what folks ought to say when they answered it.

There were tons of suggestions, and even Alexander Graham Bell, the guy who is credited with inventing the phone in the first place, suggested we say "ahoy," like they do in the Navy. "Ahoy" didn't catch on, however, and for a long time, people apparently just said whatever came to mind whenever it rang and they picked it up. Like, "Who's there?" or "Whadda ya want?" or something really dumb, like "Howdy."

Then, in 1877, Edison, who was probably on a break from one of his other inventions, suggested that people simply say "hello." For some reason, telephone company operators started using it, and the word soon became a common greeting, even out on the street.

So, according to the Times story, "hello" wasn't even a word before the phone was invented.

"Hallow" was a word which was the call used by fox hunters when they wanted to urge their dogs in the chase. (That was obviously replaced by "Go get 'em Blue" here in eastern Kentucky).

"Hilla, "hillo," and "halloa" were all words which were used to hail from a distance. And, the British used "hullo," which was an exclamation of surprise, as in "Hullo, there young lady. Is that a wart on your nose, or what?"

But, there was no "hello."

Anyway, from now on, when the phone rings, I suppose we ought to thank Thomas A. for inventing a way for us to answer it.

#### McDowell Senior Citizens Center lunch menu - August

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# Memories For...



A tiny Melodie sits happily in her father's lap. Five days later, Duran Newsome lost his life in a sawmill accident.

by AILEEN HALL

the story of Melodic Renec Newsome goes back a few generations-back to some great grandparents that include Beverly and Bertha Blankenship who lived at Betsy Layne and Joe and Mint Stumbo of

Their children, Helen Blankenship and Claude Stumbo fell in love during World War II and married while he was serving in the U.S. Air Force. The war had ended, but he had been a paramooper, serving in Alaska and Korea. Then he was sent to Japan where, just one month before their first child, Claudette, was born, he was found dead.

Widowhood was very difficult for the young mother and she was grateful for her parents who loved having her and Claudette with them. They lived near the L. D. Hunter store in Betsy Layne and, though Claudette always missed knowing and having her father, she has wonderful memories of life in her grandparents' home.

She remembers sitting on the porch of the Hunter store with other young people in the evenings and hearing chimes from Calvary Baptist Church that sometimes rang through the valley. Grandpa Blankenship took her fishing in the Big Sandy River where they sat under the big willow trees and shared the experience of catching real fish.

As a majorette with the high school band, she fell in love with Duran Newsome who was a star basketball player. She graduated in 1967 and attended Morehead State University while Duran finished high school. He was offered several college basketball scholarships but gave them all up to marry Claudette, July 6, 1968, and they moved to Marion, Ohio, to begin a life together.

They were happy together but both wanted earnpus and basketball back in their lives, so they returned to Kentucky where he accepted a scholarship to play basketball at Calvary College near Hyden, Kentucky, In January of 1969, Duran left Calvary to play basketball for Pikeville College, also on a scholarship,

They were expecting their first child in May, and Claudette didn't work for a while before her birth, May 12, 1969. But a month after Melodie was born, she took a job as executive secretary to the president of R. H. Hobbs Co, in Pikeville, Duran's team was doing well and life was good.

On May 7, 1970, five days before Melodie's first birthday, Duran left for his second day on the job with a saw mill at Daniels Creek in Floyd County. He had planned to work two weeks before going to Ypsilanti,

Michigan, where he was offered a job for the summer. "I walked him to the door," she says, "and kissed him goodbye, telling him to be careful at work." He answered with, "I always think positive and never in a negative way."



Melodie Renee Newsome, at age 18.

Claudette was at work and, after returning from lunch, she had a call from her grandmother Blankenship saying she heard Duran was hurt on the job. "I called everywhere," she says, "but everyone was afraid to tell me what they were hearing. Finally I called Brennan Newsome, our friend, and he told me it didn't look good and I should call the hospital in Martin. When I called, a doctor told me Duran was 'dead on arrival.' The whole world stopped turning for me."

"My mother and a nurse she worked with at the

"It took me ten years to work through every emotion you could have," she continued "and no one would ever understand the depression I went through. I broke out in buge, borrible bives for several months after his death. and I know I gave a lot of people reason to lose faith in me. During that rough ten years, I wound up in Florida for a time, remarried and had another child. Chad Tallent. But that marriage didn't last."



Melodie's mother, Claudette, at age 18.

Pikeville Methodist Hospital came to me and drove me to my grandmother's house in Betsy Layne. I remember Tommy Boyd, who had been Dunan's high school coach, coming to the house and I could hear him crying when he got out of his car. He and Duran had shared a special friendship.

"I had to go to the funeral home that night, but nothing was real. Sportswriters kept interrupting Johnny Hall as we talked. I could hear people in the background talking about my mother having been a young widow also, and I hated the word widow. My heart was broken. I had no memories of my own father who had died a month before I was born, and now Melodie would have no

memories of Duran. "Even the next day, when I went to find an appropriate 'funeral dress', everything seemed surreal. There was a parade in town and I was so mad at Pikeville. Didn't they know what was happening in my life? But it did seem the

bands were marching in slow motion." 'It took me ten years to work through every emotion you could have," she continued "and no one would ever understand the depression I went through. I broke out in huge, horrible hives for several months after his death, and I know I gave a lot of people reason to lose faith in me. During that rough ten years, I wound up in Florida for a

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G.E.D. classes offered-FREE-each Friday, beginning 8:30 a.m and lasting through 11:30 a.m. Instructor: Linda

#### Clark Elementary

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■ Volunteer orientation is scheduled for August 21 - 8:30

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Family Resource Center is currently open. Office hours are Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 3:00

For more information about the Family Resource Center or programs sponsored by the center, call 886-0815. We are located in the Clark Elementary School

#### James A. Duff Elementary

Regularly scheduled meetings of the Duff Elementary Site Based Decision Making Council will be held in the school's library from 5-6 p.m. on scheduled meeting dates throughout the school year 2001-2002.

May Valley Elementary

Kindergarten orientation will be held on Wednesday, August 8, at 6 p.m. This orientation session will be geared toward those students already registered for kindergarten for the 2001-2002 school year.

#### McDowell Family Resource Center

Floyd County Health Department nurse, Joy Moore, is at the center each Monday. Call to schedule your child's school physical. All children entering the sixth grade, kindergarten, or Head Start must have a physical evaluation before school begins. Immunizations and T.B. skin tests may also be given - immunization updates and student physicals are required by law. Call 377-2678 now to schedule appointments.

■ GED classes, free, Mondays, 8 a.m. -11:30 a.m.

#### Mud Creek Family Resource Center

■ G.E.D. classes offered free each Tuesday, 8:30 a.m to 12:30

■ Center is open weekdays 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

#### Prestonsburg Elementary and Family Resource Center

Monthly SBDM Council meeting to be held August 13, at 6 p.m. in the school auditorium.

■ Center is open weekdays, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

■ After School Child Care, 3-6 p.m., school days.

#### South Floyd Youth Services Center

■ 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

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# August is Kentucky Breastfeeding **Awareness Month**

FRANKFORT — The month of August is Kentucky Breastfeeding Awareness Month and public health officials are calling attention to this natural, human right. Special focus will occur during World Breastfeeding Week, August 1-7.

"Most people know that breast feeding is natural," said Dr. Rice Leach, commissioner of the Department for Public Health. "What many people do not know is that in addition to giving babies milk that is custom made for them, it also protects them against certain infections and it helps develop their mouths, jaws, and

Gov. Paul Patton, in a proclamation declaring August Breastfeeding Awareness Month, noted the important health benefits of breastfeeding as well as the importance of providing accurate information about breastfeeding.

The theme, "Breastfeeding in the Information Age" highlights the fact that breastfeeding may be simple and natural, but getting accurate information is difficult. The theme was chosen to address both face-to-face ways of sharing and teaching with the new technology ways of learning through the

(See BREASTFEEDING, page three)

# Our Yesterdays

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

#### Ten Years Ago (August 7, 1991 and August 9, 1991)

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The Floyd County Board of Education is reportedly considering a call for a special meeting Thursday to review a host of controversial issues confronting the board. Among topics proposed for discussion are issues concerning purported restrictions on booster clubs at Prestonsburg High School; school activity fund finances at Martin Elementary; and the position of board secretary... A federal judge denied a motion August 1 on behalf of a Floyd County teachers' aide to set aside a settlement in a civil rights case against the Floyd County Board of Education. Judge Joseph Hood ruled Thursday that a settlement on behalf of Karon Robinson would stand as submitted to the court by her attorney, John David Preston of Paintsville...Water samples taken from the area where medical waste was discovered in Dewey Lake on Friday, July 21 have been tested and the results returned on Tuesday, according to David Chaffins, Area 9 Disaster and Emergency Services representative. The results, provided from the Floyd County Health Department, showed no type of contamination, according to Chaffins. The Kentucky State Police are still investigating the incident and further information about the contents of a medical dispenser bottle found on the scene were unavailable...An investigation is underway into the cause of a train derailment Tuesday morning near Allen Elementary School. At approximately 9 a.m. on August 6, a CSX train rounded a curve and two of the cars tipped off the rails and landed on the side embankment. The derailed cars had been ripped from their axles and they spilled a portion of their cargo, which was plastic beads. An engine and two other cars were also derailed in the incident but remained upright...Morgan County native, Jerry Cecil, has announced his intention to seek the Democratic nomination for the 7th District seat in the U.S. House of Representatives. Cecil, 48, finished a distant second to incumbent Congressman Chris Perkins in the 1990 primary...A motorcycle accident on Friday, August 2, near Honaker, resulted in the death of a Floyd County man Tuesday. According to state police reports, Edessel Case Jr. of Honaker was driving his 1974 Honda motorcycle west on Route 2030 when he apparently lost control of the bike on a curve and crossed the center line, striking a 1991 Toyota Corolla driven by Clifton Hughes...While presenting a drug awareness and prevention program to a group of Headstart teachers Wednesday at Adams Middle School, Floyd County Sheriff Paul Hunt Thompson and D.A.R.E. officer Ricky Thornsbury were unaware of the real-life drama unfolding involving the eradication of marijuana in a remote area of the county...The intersection on the east side of Prestonsburg at the entrance to the Jenny Wiley State Park was the site, on Wednesday, August 7, of yet another accident. It was the third accident at that intersection in less than one month. According to Ricky Conn, investigating officer for the Prestonsburg Police Department, David Pratt, driving an '81 Chevy Malibu, was leaving the park heading west on Route 3 and failed to stop at the intersection of Route 1428,

striking a 1985 Dodge Aries driven by Darlene Campbell, 36, of Prestonsburg...There died: Elma Nellie McKinney, 53, of Grethel, Sunday, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Dicie Watson, 70, of Printer, Friday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Gladys Marie Schmidt, 65, of Sciotoville, Ohio, Friday, at her home; Lawrence Edward Conley, 28, of Lackey, August 2, in the Cabell Huntington Hospital; Finley Boshears, 79, of Halo, Thursday, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Grover Watkins, 77, of Middletown, Ohio, Tuesday; Henry (Jim) Hamilton Jr. of McDowell, Sunday, at HRMC; Bersheba (Ber) Dingus Stumbo, 89, of Nicholasville, formerly of Prestonsburg, August 2, at her residence; Lon Irvin Slone, 32, of Blue River, Tuesday, at his residence; Vonda Humble Webb, 60, of Dwale, dead on arrival Saturday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Mandy McCoy Ray of Wheelwright, during a prayer session at Sunday services, at the Pentecostal Church of God; Neola Burke, 70, of Virgie, Monday, at the Williamson Memorial Hospital; Aggie J. Click, 63, of Martin, Wednesday, at her residence; David Lee Allen, 33, of Garrett, Tuesday, at Garrett, from injuries sustained in an automobile accident; Lizzie Newman Frasure, 87, of Harold, Sunday, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital; James Elzie Keathley, 57, of Galveston, July 31, at the Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Edessel Case Jr., 26, of Honaker, Tuesday, at St. Mary's Hospital in Huntington, West Virginia, from injuries sustained in a motorcycle accident, Friday; Willow Johnson Makarewicz, 55, of Ecorse, Michigan, Tuesday, at the Wyondotte General Hospital in Michigan; Otto (Bruiser) Endicott, 77, of Ypsilanti Township, Michigan, Saturday, at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital; Curtis Tackett, 66, of Harold, Wednesday, in the Pikeville Methodist Hospital.

#### **Twenty Years Ago** (August 12, 1981)

For the second year, the Floyd school district will be ending in the black, said Assistant Superintendent Ray Brackett. Brackett warned that state and federal budget cuts would mean difficult times ahead for the district...The Floyd County Board of Education has stated that a new middle school for Prestonsburg is the system's number one priority...The trial of Teaberry coal operator and merchant Sterling Hamilton, 54, and five other defenants on charges of trading in stolen explosives began Monday in U.S. district court in Pikeville...Officers involved in the search for Michael Dwayne Cline of Emma and Elijah Branham Jr. of Prater Creek who disappeared, along with two vehicles, have no new leads regarding the youths' whereabouts. Also missing is Greenberry Tackett from LaGrange prison. Tackett failed to return to prison after being permitted to visit his sister in Floyd County. Tackett had been visiting his sister in Floyd County. He was serving a 20-year sentence for murder...Community pressure may prove the most effective means of controlling live entertainment at the Prestonsburg Drive-In, complainants were advised at a city council meeting Monday. Citizens were complaining about a series of events, most recently a "wet nightgown" contest, held at the drive-in some Saturdays to entertain the audience between movies...The Jenny Wiley Summer Music Theatre enters its last week of what has been hailed as one of the finest seasons ever... There died: John A. Reatherford, 69, of Paoli, Indiana, formerly of Prestonsburg, at his sister's home; Mildred S. Nelson, 55, of Prestonsburg, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; James Walter Sanders, 51, of Cincinnati, Ohio, formerly of Betsy Layne, at Cincinnati General Hospital; Marson Moore, 97, of Mallie, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Zola G. Craft, 77, of Lackey, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Wilson Crum, 70, of Town Branch, at HRMC; Myrtle B. Hall, 84, of McDowell, at Riverview Manor Nursing Home; Jewel D. Allen, 48, of Martin, at her home; Rex Ramey, 73, of Mousie, at Knott County Health Center; Carl Robinette, 60, of Harold, at the VA Hospital in Lexington; Sarah J. Cole, 82, of Garrison, formerly of Floyd, at Mercy Hospital in Portsmouth; Julius F. Schmidt, 70, of Leitchfield, Michigan, at Bronson Hospital in Kalamazoo, Michigan; Clara G. Warrix, 80, of Prestonsburg, at her home.

#### Thirty Years Ago (August 12, 1971)

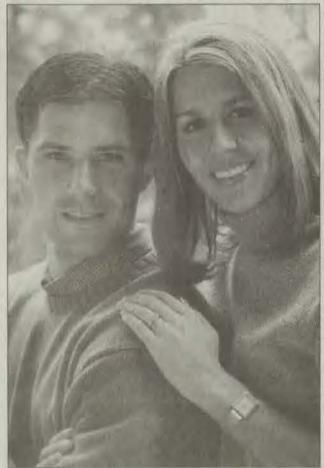
Prospects for an open-air mall in the Court Street business district here may have appreciably dimmed with the appearance last Thursday night of only business houses at the City Council meeting scheduled for consideration of the project...Contract for construction of a two-story, six-classroom grade school building as an addition to the Martin school campus was tentatively awarded at Saturday's meeting of the Floyd County Board of Education to Akers & Akers, Dana contractors, on the firm's low bid of \$220,000...The Floyd County Comprehensive Health Services Program may have been snatched from its deathbed by action of its board of directors here last Friday night. The board by 9-1 vote agreed for an interim committee to be formed along the lines suggested by the health Affairs Office of OEO, and it was indicated in Washington that reorganization and reactivation of the program will be started almost immediately...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Gary Hall, of Prestonsburg, a daughter, Jayne Elizabeth, July 12; to Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Rector, of Martin, a son, Robert Lee, July 27... There died: Ben Woods, 72, of Bonanza, last Thursday; Raymond Samons, 73, of Arkansas, near Martin, Aug. 3; Emma Weddington Alley, 76, of Prestonsburg, last Wednesday; Henry Jenkins, 43, of Garrett, Saturday; Willie R. Spradlin, 69, of Cliff, Saturday; Shiller King, 80, of Harold, last Thursday; Bessie E. Wells, 81, of Auxier, Aug. 3; Lilly Click Frasure, 84, of Bonanza, Saturday; Orville R. Porter, 63, of Prestonsburg, Friday; Martin V. Shepherd, 84, native of this county, July 30, at Columbus, Ohio,

(See YESTERDAYS, page three)



Engagement announcement

Larry Bevins and Teresa Thompson, of Pikeville, and Budge and Glema Moore, of Langley, are pleased to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their children, Terra Lynn and Benjamin Cary. The wedding ceremony will take place at two-thirty in the afternoon on Saturday, August 25, 2001, at Grace Baptist Church, Shelbiana, KY. The gracious custom of open church will be observed and all friends and family of the couple are cordially invited to attend.



Engagement announcement

Mr. and Mrs. Randy Blakenship, of Stanville, are pleased to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Brandice Ryan, to Scott Michael Harrison, the son of Dr. and Mrs. Steven M. Harrison, of Pikeville. Brandice is a graduate of the University of Kentucky's physician assistant program and is currently employed as a physician assistant at the Pikeville Methodist Hospital Emergency Department. Scott is a graduate of Western Kentucky University and is currently a fourth year medical student at the Pikeville College School of Osteopathic Medicine. The couple will marry in a ceremony that will take place on Saturday, September 1, 2001, at 6:00 in the evening, at the First Presbyterian Church, Pikeville. The gracious custom of an open church wedding will be observed.



Engagement announcement

Donna Kremer, of Louisville, and Stuart and Marian Kremer, of Bardstown, wish to announce the engagement and upcoming wedding ceremony of their daughter, Jamie Michelle, to Brandon Stumbo, of Lexington. Jamie is a Marriage and Family Therapy graduate student at the University of Kentucky. Brandon is an employee of Ashland, Inc., Internal Audit Department. He is the son of Ivan and Wanda Stumbo, of McDowell. The bride-to-be is the granddaughter of John and Katie Dobbs, and Norbert and Betty Kremer, all of Louisville. Her fiancee is the grandson of James and Leona Hall, of Topmost, and Dorothy Moore, of McDowell, and the late Woody Stumbo. The couple plan to be united in marriage at the First Christian Church, Bardstown, on August 11, 2001. After a honeymoon trip to the

Bahamas, they plan to reside in Lexington.



Jenny Lee VanHoose and Casey Michael Jones will wed in a ceremony that will take place at the First Baptist Church, Prestonsburg, on Saturday, August 11, 2001. The bride-elect is the daughter of Mrs. Janet White, of Prestonsburg, and Mr.Robert Michael VanHoose, of Louisville. She is a 2001 graduate of Northern Kentucky University and Chase College of Law, receiving her Juris Doctorate and Masters of Business Administration. Her fiancee is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Larry and Sue Jones, of Banner. He is a 2001 graduate of Chase College of Law, receiving his Juris Doctorate. The couple will reside in Lexington.

# Happy Birthday



Turns one!

River Stephen Ray Koger celebrated his first birthday on June 8, 2001. Many friends and family members joined him at his "Bear in the Big Blue House" theme party. He is the son of Amber and Timothy Koger and the grandson of Stevie and Phyllis Hall, of Allen.



Happy birthday, sweetie

Brianna Kristan Slone will celebrate her twelfth birthday on Wednesday, August 8, 2001. She will be the guest of honor at a birthday bowling party that will be held at the Pin-Zone Bowling Alley on Saturday, August 11, from 4 -6 p.m. All family members and friends are invited to join in the celebration of this special day. Brianna is the daughter of Rodney and Judy Slone and the granddaughter of Clyde and Nadine Slone and Charles and Alma Portwood.

# **New Arrivals**

#### Pikeville Methodist Hospital

July 18: A daughter, Anastasia Loraine Wolfe, to Tina Marie Blevins and William Thomas Wolfe.

William Thomas Wolfe.

July 19: A son, Harley
Dakota, to Jennifer and Jerry
Fields; a daughter, Gloria
Pearl, to Leslie and Glenn

Spears; a daughter, Olivia Renae, to Angie and Billy Stover.

July 20: A daughter, Alyson Paula Brooke, to Candy Sugar and Delbert Benjamin Burgess; a daughter, Cassie Leigh, to Amy and Shon Lee Hampton.

July 23: A son, Jacob Alexander, to Anita and Mark Franton; a son, Benjamin Wayne Kidd, to Brandy Nicole McKinney.

#### Breastfeeding

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In support of the theme, the Kentucky Department for Public Health's Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Program has introduced its new breastfeeding website during July.

For information on breastfeeding, new mothers turn to health professionals, support groups, books, magazines, and websites for answers to their questions. Doing an Internet search on breastfeeding brings up hundreds of sites. These include the personal testimonials of mothers, research-based medical information, support groups, professional organizations and commercial sites selling breastfeeding accessories.

Some of the better Internet sites are those targeted specifically to breastfeeding and developed by professional and non-profit organizations. The La Leche League website has a host of topics ranging from the basics of breastfeeding to special situations like premature babies. The website for the World Alliance for Breastfeeding Action has a long listing of links to other websites with quality information on a range of topics from advocacy to breast reduction surgery.

Sorting through all of this information can be tough and confusing. That's when to turn to the breastfeeding professional or the International Board Certified Lactation Consultant (IBCLC).

"It is the IBCLC's job to be aware of the most current information regarding lactation and evidence-based breast-feeding management strategies," noted Sallie Page-Goetz, president of the International Lactation Consultant Association. "Therefore, IBCLC's are able to provide families and their health care providers with care and information that supports their breastfeeding needs."

For health professionals, the Web also has good resources. The American Academy of Pediatrics website hosts information on their Breastfeeding Promotion in Pediatric Office Practice program, which includes steps for making offices supportive for breastfeeding families. The website for the International Lactation Consultant Association provides information on continuing education, professional resources, and breastfeeding advocacy.

If a mother or health professional finds some information that they have questions about, we encourage them to contact their local IBCLC, the American Academy of Pediatrics, or their local health department breastfeeding promotion coordinator.

#### Yesterdays

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#### Forty Years Ago (August 10, 1961)

Low bid of \$826,000 on construction of a 36-room lodge at Jenny Wiley State Park was offered by Akers & Akers, Dana Contractors. A dynamite blast shortly after Sunday midnight caused \$300 damage to the Standard Oil bulk plant at Allen...The death Monday at a Paintsville hospital of Magistrate Johnny D. Caudill, 61, of McDowell, places on the Democratic Executive Committee the responsibility of naming a Democratic nominee for the Magisterial District 3 office...Miss Jo Pack, of Paintsville, has installed equipment here for the manufacturer of souvenirs...There died: Della Frazier Crisp, 73, Wednesday, at her home at Martin; Alex Welko, 68, formerly of Wheelwright, July 28, at a Pikeville hospital.

#### Fifty Years Ago (August 9, 1951)

All doubt of the intentions of anti-administration forces in the Floyd county school system to carry out its plan to change County Superintendents was dispelled Tuesday afternoon when the Floyd County Board of Education appointed Virgil Osmer Turner, principal of the Maytown consolidated school, to the post for a four-year term, effective July 1, 1952...Survey and deeds for the proposed Buckingham road connecting Left Beaver Creek with Knott county have been returned by County Judge Henry Stumbo to Emerson "Doc" Beauchamp, former commissioner of rural highways, with the reminder that Floyd county is not interested in the route until a promise to build a highway up Jack's Creek is kept... A 26 1/2-inch walleye was caught at Dewey Lake recently by a McDowell angler fishing a minnow in deep water near Goble Branch...Planning funds for the proposed Floyd County War Memorial Hospital are being withheld, pending acceptance of a site, the Housing and Home Financing Agency wrote County Judge Henry Stumbo, August 1...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Herbert S. Ison, of Prestonsburg, a son, Bert Stephen, July 29...There died: Emma Moore Gayheart, probably the county's oldest resident, at age 104, Wednesday, on Little Mud Creek; Hattie Craft Powers, of Tandy's Branch. August 5 here; Kelly Turner, 58, of Minnie, August 1, at Huntington, West Virginia,

#### Sixty Years Ago (August 7, 1941)

Another hectic Democratic primary last week resulted in the following nominations: Jerry Fonce Howell for Representative, Edward P. Hill for County Judge; Woodrow Burchett for County Attorney; A. B. Meade for County Clerk; Dr. W.L. Stumbo for Sheriff; Guy Horn for Jailer; and Clive Akers for Tax Commissioner. Farmer Halbert, son of Jailer Will Halbert, suffered a skull fracture Saturday when struck with a hammer wielded by a jail inmate whose name was listed as Joe Hill who is being held for trial on a charge of slaying Henry Hale of Dwale. James Halbert, grandson of Jailer Halbert, also was struck by Hall but his injuries were minor. There died: Rhoda Mayo, 80, Aug., 2, at the Martin home of her daughter, W.J. Reynolds; Nancy Wallace, 81, last Wednesday, at Estill; May Moore, 33, of Orkney, last Wednesday; Victoria Adkins, 40, of Galveston, July 31, at the Beaver Valley Hospital; Casey Jones, 27, of Martin, July 31, when hit by a mine car inside a Utility Elkhorn mine; Stafford Gibson, of Tram, when hit last Saturday by a train near the Betsy Layne depot; Noretta Spurlock, 5, of Printer, July 29 at a Martin hospital, of measles.

#### Happenings

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Keith Smallwood or Misty Dawson, ext. 242.

W.D. Osborne Rainbow Junction Family Resource Center

■ Lending library open to community. ■ Rainbow Junction Family Resource Center is located in the W. D. Osborne Elementary School. Hours of operation -8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, or later by appointment. Call 452-4553 and ask for Cissy or Karen.

■ Lending Library is available to school and community.

#### Melodie

time, remarried and had another child, Chad Tallent, But that marriage didn't last."

As her mother had before her, Melodie spent those early years with relatives—great aunts Melvina Stumbo Thomson and Violet Stumbo Hall, and with Grandmother Helen who was remarried to Edward Kendrick and had moved to the Wheelwright area. She remembers attending Betsy Layne and Osborne Elementary Schools before enrolling at Wheelwright High School.

With that terrible ten years behind her, and with help from another aunt, Betty Blankenship Moore, Claudette finally recovered and went back to Michigan where she enrolled in the community college at Ann Arbor. She graduated with honors and was, for twenty years, a microcomputer and telecommunications manager for a national bank. She retired from that job and now manages a multi-media services department for the University of Michigan Business School.

When Melodie was fifteen, Claudette married Jeffery Reaume, a business man and former golfer who had attended the University of Florida and was, for a time, a roommate of golfer Woody Blackburn whose parents, Clyde and Katherine Chandler Blackburn, grew up in Betsy Layne, Together, they own and manage four apartment and office building complexes. They have three grandchildren, Chad's children, to enjoy, and they make time for fishing on Lake Michigan and surrounding streams.

After Claudette and Jeffrey's marriage, Melodie went to Michigan to live with them and enrolled in Yosilanti High School. But after a semester, she started crying one day and said, "Mom, I'm doing this for you, but I'm not happy here. I want to go back to Kentucky." She returned to

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graduated from Wheelwright High.

Melodie attended Morehead State
University for a year, then returned to
Michigan for five years. She attended a
community college for two years, then
graduated from a travel agency school in
Ann Arbor.

But Kentucky is still home to her and she moved back and bought a home in Harold. She now manages a Pizza Hut restaurant on the South Mayo Trail in Pikeville. She and her mother are very close and call each other almost every time the wind changes directions. Claudette has always known what it

Claudette has always known what it was like to miss your father, and is aware of how much Melodie misses Duran. She is asking that anyone who ever knew Duran or any of the family to write something she can add to a book she is preparing for her, titled "Memories for Melodie,"

Duran's parents were Martha and William Newsome, and they had a big family so there are many aunts and uncles who live in the area. A man had come into her restaurant one day and, seeing her name was Newsome, asked who her parents were.

When she told him her father was Duran, he said, "Oh, I remember him. He was a basketball legend." She was thrilled to meet someone who remembered him and would truly treasure any other information anyone has about him.

If any of our readers have something to write for her, it would be greatly appreciated. You may mail this information to: Claudette Reaume, CSR, Manager of Multimedia Support Services, University of Michigan Business School, 701 Tappan Street #D0253B, Ann Arbor, Michigan, 48109-1234. Her e-mail address is reaume@umich.edu

# Business/Professions

# Kentucky Housing Corporation offers special home buyer assistance

Purchasing a home is the most nearly 30 years. expensive and important investthe state housing finance agency, has been helping home buyers for

"We also periodically offer ment most people ever make and homeownership special assistance sons with disabilities," said F. Luallen,

Housing's chief executive officer. reap the benefits of homeowner-"However, we now have this special set-aside to specifically help Kentucky Housing Corporation, to single-parent families and per- two-parent families who may be working very hard to get ahead Kentucky but just need a little assistance to

ship."

This special set-aside is for closing costs and down payment households who are receiving a first mortgage from Kentucky Housing Corporation, These funds are available on a firstcome, first-served basis and are provided in the form of a second mortgage loan that requires no repayment. To e eligible for this funding, families must meet the following requirements:

hold with at least one dependent must be used with this special child (under 18 years of age).

Eligible two-parent housestepparent, or adoptive parents.

Purchase price of the properassistance for eligible two-parent ty cannot exceed \$85,000. Only existing property or completed construction (no proposed construction) is permitted. If repairs are required, the seller must pay for them.

Gross annual household income cannot exceed \$29,260 for three-person households and \$35,300 for all other households.

A Kentucky Housing ■ Must be a two-parent house- Corporation regular first mortgage assistance.

All personal funds (except holds consist of birth parents, a for an amount equal to two months of mortgage payments), including savings and checking accounts and monetary gifts, must be used toward the purchase of the property before the amount of assistance can be determined.

> Not all eligible applicants, however, will receive the maximum amount of assistance. Home buyers will receive the amount of funds they need to qualify for a loan up to \$20,000. If the household needs \$3,500 or less, they must apply for Kentucky Housing Corporation's regular down payment assistance loan program.

# EPA acting administrator to speak

Commerce announces that A. Stanley Meiburg, the acting regional administrator for the Environmental Protection Agency's Region 4, will be the keynote speaker at the Chamber's 4th Annual Environmental Kentucky Permitting and Reporting Conference, August 9-10, at the Hotel, Radisson Plaza Leixington.

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Clean Air Act Amendments, and the EPA's Silver Medal in 1983. for work on state-federal rela-

For reservations or more information, call Phyllis Wells at 502-695-4700, ext. 302.

# Dr. Hornback accepts HRMC pathology position



Dr. Brian Hornback, Pathologist, new medical director of the Clinical Laboratory at Highlands Regional, will provide in-house pathology services and laboratory development.

Brian Hornback, MD, pathologist, has accepted the position of medical director of Highlands Regional Medical Center's Clinical Laboratory.

Dr. Homback is an employee of Associates an affiliate AmeriPath, the company with

which Highlands contracts for clinical laboratory services. Although Dr. Hornback will continue to be an employee of AmeriPath, he will work primarily at Highlands.

Hornback, through Pathology Associates, previously provided pathology services at St. Joseph Hospital and Samaritan Hospital in Lexington, the Garrard County hospital, the Berea hospitals, and at Highlands Regional Medical Center. When he learned of the pathology opportunity at Highlands, Dr. Homback said he was interested because of the positive experiences he has had while providing service at Highlands over the past few months.

Dr. Hornback said, "Highlands has an experienced and a very cooperative medical staff. It also has a well managed laboratory with a good mix of anatomical and clinical material. These were all positive influences which helped me with my decision to accept the position at Highlands."

Dr. Hornback received his bachelor's degree in chemistry

from Wright State University in daily basis with the hospital's med-Dayton, Ohio; his medical degree from Ohio State University in Columbus; completed his residency in anatomic pathology at the University of Cincinnati Medical Center in Cincinnati; and is working on a fellowship in pediatric pathology at Children's Hospital Medical Center in Cincinnati.

Dr. Hornback is board certified in anatomic pathology and is a member of the American Society of Clinical Pathologists, the College of American Pathologists, and the American Medical Association.

Dr. Hornback believes that every pathologist has his own unique style, language and terminology and that by interacting on a ical staff, communications and working relationships will be enhanced, resulting in a smoother continuum of patient care. Dr. Homback also stated that he is looking forward to helping further develop the clinical side of the laboratory.

Bud Warman, president and CEO of Highlands stated, "We are pleased Dr. Homback has accepted our offer and welcome him to our medical staff. His expertise in the field of pathology will complement and be of great value to our physicians in their delivery of quality patient care."

Dr. Hornback, his wife and daughter will live in the Prestonsburg/Paintsville area.

#### **ABC** Marketing

"The ABC's of Marketing the Small Business" is a free seminar for prospective and existing small business owners who are interested in learning more about marketing their products and businesses. The seminar is being offered by the Morehead State University Small Business Development Center and is being sponsored by Community Trust Bank. The seminar will be conducted on Tuesday, August 21, from 1 p.m. - 3 p.m. at the

Prestonsburg Campus, located in the Highland Plaza Shopping Center. Topics to be covered at this

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new Floyd County a credit against said Justice Center) to the lien for the amount of highest bidder, at the bid and no bond public auction on shall be required of Thursday, the 16th the Plaintiff, and it day of August, 2001, shall only be obligatat the hour of 9:00 ed to pay court costs, a.m., the following the fees and costs of described real estate, the together with any and Commissioner and all improvements, any real estate taxes appurtenances and assessed against the fixtures, any personal real estate. property described in Any announce-

thereon, located at 69 Branch, Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

Real Estate located Kentucky, Per Deed Clerk's Office, and a Fleetwood

A certain tract or parcel of land lying on Frasure Creek, Kentucky, and more particularly described Beginning at a

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feet rectangle. Being the same Bid must be marked property conveyed to dated

Deed September 11, 1992, of record in Deed Book 362, page 433, in the office of the Floyd County Court Clerk. TERMS OF SALE:

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date of sale until is \$21,600.00 Appro paid, having the force ximately remainder of and effect of a the original bond Judgment. (b) The property

shall be sold subject ed in this application to any easements for release. and restrictions of record in the Floyd performed includes: County Clerk's Office grading, and seedand such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the objections, United States of requests for a public America and/or the hearing or informal record owners there-

(c) The purchaser Division of Field shall be required to assume and pay all Hollow, Frankfort, Default Judgment Floyd County, and Kentucky40601 by and Order of Sale of City of Prestonsburg. the Floyd Circuit Kentucky, real prop-Court entered on the erty taxes for the year the application has the total area within Mosley, Ed Mosley, 13TH day of July, 2001, and all subse- been scheduled for the permit boundary Rodney Johnnie Alma Tackett, Danny 2001 in the Floyd quent years which 9:00a.m., /9/24/01 at will be 588.08 acres. Mosley, and J C and Ray Tackett, The Elk Circuit Court, in the are not yet due and above styled action, payable. Any and all in the principal sum delinquent Floyd Thirty-One County and City of One Prestonsburg, Hundred Thirty-One Kentucky, real estate and Sixty-Three taxes will be paid Cents (\$31,131.63), from the sale pro-

(d) In the event the ky 41563. sale at the Old Floyd chaser of the above cancelled if no County Courthouse described property request for a hearing Door, 3rd Avenue, for an amount equal or informal confer-NOTICE OF

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3.5 miles south of DLT Honaker in Floyd Harold County.

The permit is approximately with KY 2030, and along Stonecoal Hollow of Little Mud Creek. The latitude is 37°28'16". The longitude is 82"40'48".

effect for Permit number 836-5352 is a Elkhorn surety bond in the Corporation. amount of twenty seven thousand six dollars hundred A public meeting to (\$27,600.00). discuss the purchase Approximately sixty of an E-One Pumper percent (60%) of the will be held at the original bond amount Maytown VFD in the of twenty seven thouat Langley, KY 41645 lars (\$27,600.00) is South Lake Drive, included in this appli-

8:00 p.m., KY time, cation for release. Reclamation work August 14, 2001. performed includes: The meeting will be backfilling, final gradheld to inform the ing, seeding and public of the Fire mulching, completed Department's deciin April of 2000. The sion to purchase the establishment of the approved post-mine #2 Hudson Hollow, land use has been US 127

conference must be

filed with the Director,

pumper apparatus. By order of: The achieved. Darrell Bradley, Written comments, Fire Chief objections, requests for a public hearing or informal

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County. The permit area is 2 Fork of Brushy Creek

The bond now in amount of \$53,900.00 is includ-

Reclamation work ing.and tree planting. Written comments, conference must be filed with the Director, Services, #2 Hudson

9/21/01. A public hearing on The Department for Surface Mining Prestonsburg Regional Office 3410 South Lake Drive Suite Prestonsburg, Kentuc

The hearing will be received

# BOND RELEASE

is hereby given that Energy. Inc., 251 Tollage Pikeville, Kentucky 41501, has applied for a Phase I mit number 836-5352 which was last issued

contained application covers an Lynn Terry, Darrell & Esta Elliott, Lesley area of approximately Rosa Chaffins, Bob and Joyce Hamilton, 5.20 acres located &Tessie Campbell, Charles Vance, Laura Enterprises, Dean 8 Arvella Martin, Willie Jr. & Martin, miles south from Co. Roberts, William D. Denzil Ray Rd. 5197's junction Allen, Mary Allen, D. Gilbert Martin, Scherer, Mrs. S.D. Wanda Martin, Richard Hagans, Rebecca Conley Estate. Rondell & Jacquline Lawson, Willie & Goodman, Margie The bond now in Bobby Don jacobs & Coal

> The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department Mining Surface Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg sand six hundred dol- Regional Office, 3140 Suite Prestonsburg. Kentucky 41653. Written comments. objections, OF conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits,

#### NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

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hearing will be can-

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Application Number

836-5409

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conference

Pursuant to Application Number

836-5423 In accordance with been scheduled for KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that 9:00 a.m., at the Frasure for Mining, LLC, 1149 Newmans Branch Road, Milton, West Enforcement's Virginia 25541 has Prestonsburg applied for a permit Office, for a surface and Ed Mosley, located at 3140 underground coal South Lake Drive, mining and reclamation operation located 3.6 miles southeast Kentucky 41653. The of McDowell in Floyd County.

The proposed operation will disturb is 218.90 surface acres Drexal the total area within Mary will be 3,272.77

acres. proposed Jr. and Shirley operation is approxi- Mosley, Carl Butler mately 1.5 miles Mosley, Raymond southeast from KY Route 1929's junction Fraley, Road and is located Anita Gollins, Janet In accordance with along Poplarlick Fork and

KRS 350.055, notice of Frasure Creek. is hereby given that The Levisa Fork Mining operation is located Earnestine Company, 544 South on the McDowell McKinney, Drive, USGS 7 1/2 minute Prestonsburg. Kentucky 41653, has The surface area to applied for a permit be disturbed is Wallen and Lee for an underground owned by The Elk Kendrick, Rudolph coal mining operation Horn located 1.2 miles east Corporation, Margaret and Ricky of Garrett in Floyd Josephine Henson, Robinson, County. The pro- Moses and Pamela posed operation will Frasure, Raymond Hamilton, Dorothy disturb 8.08 surface and Margie Hall, Moore, Crit Mitchell acres and will under- Kenneth and Sherry Heirs, Tony and lie 580.00 acres, and Hall, Carl and Patsy Jamie R. Newsome, The proposed oper- P Coal Corporation. Horn ation is approximate- The operation will Corporation, Reclamation and ly 1.3 miles southeast underlie land owned Several Enforcement of State Route 80's by Lonnie Akers, Owners. The operajunction with Goose Millard Caudill, Liza tion will use the con-Creek County Road Hamilton, and located along Gayheart, Ricky and method of surface Michelle The proposed operation is located on Blevins. Ernest and been filed for public Wayland Delores U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 William Howell Heirs, Department

Alvin tour and auger Blevins, mining. Ronnie and Mildred minute quadrangle Myrtle Paige, Virbil Surface map. The surface and Jean Hall, Hank area to be disturbed Jr. and Velvie Enforcement's is owned by Rondell Osborne, Anthony Prestonsburg & Jacquine Lawson Newsom, Woodrow Regional Office, 3140 and Mary Allen. The Caudill, Benji Caudill, operation will under- Elanor Pike, Garlis lie land owned by Caudill, Troy and Kentucky 41653. Arthur & Buretta Mary Howell, Teddie Written comments, Moore, June martin, Howell, Bee Howell objections, or Herbert Lawson, Estate, Teddy Howell, Ralph & Mae Martin, Pauline Allen, Rita mit conference must Ed Bentley, Lesley & Varney, Billie J. Fred Scott, Willie & Isaac, Guy and Director of the Ida Hunter, American Flotine Power Anthony Ray and #2 Hudson Hollow Company, Charles Vicki Spencer, Emmit Complex, U.S. 127 W. Hicks, Howard Blevins Estate, Tivis South, the subject deeds, ments made on date bond release on per-Bays, John & Linda Knott, Cloie Akers,

Caudill. Osborne and Heirs, McKiriley Mrs. Gwendolyn Osborne, Kenneth and Della Tucker Vickie Lynn Bryant, Joe Martin, Rex and Gavheart Noah Jr. and Terinle Vance, Noah Sr. Vance. Roger Lee and Lovetta Tackett Darlene and Gigi Renee Randall Gene Vance, Anna Stephens, Nora Mathews, Janice and Michael Gayheart, Thelma N. Adams Estate, Bill for Page, Hazel Progress Homer Cemetery, 6, Hamilton, Mitchell,

Victor Ray, Goble: Land Corporation, Lois and Charles R. and Ethe P. Bradley, Henson Dorsie and Ethel Bradley, Willie and Anna Lou requests for a permit Meade, Bobby Gene and Lacy Henson, Elliot Raney Estate Velvia Osborne and Heirs, Burton Farris South, Estate, Dessie Hom, Frankfort, Kentucky Brenda Slone, Neil J. and Linda Mitchell, William E. and Mahalia Mae Clay, Mike Tackett, Effort Reynolds Estate Marcettia Newman, Pete and Minnadel Caudill, Polly Tackett Estate, Meredith and Geneve Slone, Billy and German D. Stumbo, Gale and Birdie Collins,

Rosetta Collins, Evan Collins, Diane Moore, Moses Frasure II, Denver and Joanne Page, John Boy and Josie Henson, Vester Gayheart, Carl Butler and Patricia Mosley, Elizabeth Hall, Wade Frasure, Anthony and Winona Della Vance Estate, Boone and Brenda Angela Frasure. Collins, Green and Helen Gayheart, Dean and by and will underlie Norene Hall, Michael Board of Education ty thereon for the located on Prater September 28, 2001. 3,259.06 acres, and and Verline Collins, Hamilton. the permit boundary Wilburn and Juanita Page, Rodney and Johnnie Mosley, Edd

> Hall, Robert and Kelly with Ned Fork County Baxter, Dale and Loren Herrington, Carl and proposed Anna Rose Bentley, Stambaugh, Charles quadrangle map, and Lena Page, Ira Lee Jones, Naomi Coal and Emogene Jones, Blankenship, Samuel Trip Hall, Danny and

> > The application has Blevins, inspection at the Reclamation and South Lake Drive. Prestonsburg. requests for a perbe filed with the Jones, Division of Permits,

#### NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application Number 858-0165

In accordance with and 350.055, notice is

Corporation, HC 64 Counties. The pro- ly 1.89 Box 915, DeBoard, posed operation will Southeast from KY maps. The operation Corporation, and been filed for public Kentucky 41214 has disturb 326.36 sur- Route 3's junction will use the Contour, Sally Turner Heirs. Inspection at the Written comments, advertisement of this applied for a permit face acres and will with County Road Area and Auger min- The operation will Department auger coal mining acres, and the total 1.89 miles Southeast face mining. The sur- by Beech Fork Reclamation and conference must be requests for a permit reclamation area within the permit of Daniels Creek.

1.89 miles Southeast 480.90 acres.

Coal Floyd, and Martin ation is approximate- U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 Pocahontas Sally Turner Heirs. 312.43 #129 and located ing methods of sur- underlie land owned Surface Mining requests for a permit ments, objections or

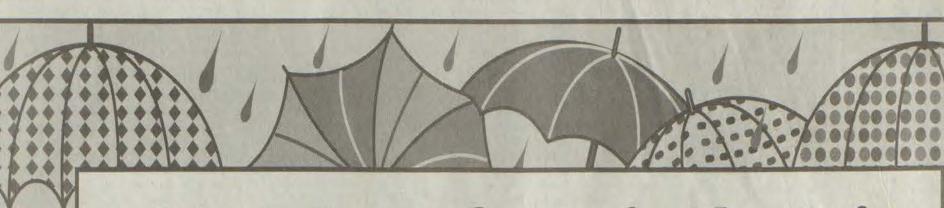
ation is located on Processing,

The proposed oper- the Offutt and Lancer Molly Spears Heirs, Corporation, face area is owned Processing,

miles minute quadrangle Development The application has Prestonsburg, 40601. the provisions of KRS operation located boundary will be The proposed oper- by Beech Fork Pocahontas Prestonsburg Division of Permits, received within 30 Inc., Development Regional Office, 3140 #2 Hudson Hollow, days of this date.

6. Frankfort, Kentucky for objections

Inc., Enforcement's, filed with the director, conference must be



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