

Officials, residents upset after garbage man delivers

by SHELDON COMPTON STAFF WRITER

Roughly 20 miles outside of Prestonsburg at the Floyd-Pike County line, an Endicott man has a complaint.

Jackie Scalf, an Endicott resident whose home is just two miles from the end of Floyd County road maintenance along Route 3358,

said it was early Monday evening when he first noticed what he estimates to be about one ton of residential garbage that had been dumped along a roadway near his home.

Several people in the area noticed the large pile of garbage as well, as the road is frequently used as a shortcut into the Johns Creek area

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Jackie Scalf stood perplexed at the sight of nearly one ton of residental garbage which he found dumped near his home Monday. Inspections of the incident later revealed that a Waste Management garbage truck driver, who was later fired in connection to the incident, had unloaded along the roadway.

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photo by Sheldon Compton

Homeowner offers reward after burglary

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Auxier resident George Powers wants justice after his home was burglarized earlier this week, and he's willing to pay for

Powers is offering a \$1,000 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons who burglarized his home

And Powers is confident someone will be able to help, since the culprit or culprits struck in broad daylight.

"Someone is boud to have the seen them," Powers said.

Powers had left his Ford Gap home Monday to have lunch with his wife, who resides in a nursing home. The burglar or burglars struck while he was gone, estimated to be around 12:30 that afternoon

Powers said that the thief or thieves took with them numerous items, and left behind some damage as well.

"They tore my door all to pieces," Powers said. Powers asks that anyone with information call



Danny Ray Stevens, center, was shaken after being pulled from a car fire by his mother. The car caught fire after backfiring when he started it.



Rowan murder case to be tried in Floyd County

by SHELDON COMPTON STAFF WRITER

The 8-year-old murder case of Steven "Sammy" Fields was transferred from Rowan County Circuit Court to Floyd County Circuit Court recently, after having been sent to the Kentucky Supreme Court where a previous judgment of guilty was overturned based on Fields' state of mind and exact intentions at the time of the alleged murder.

Circuit Judge John David Caudill ordered Fields transported from the Rowan County Detention Center at the beginning of the week and he is currently being held at the Big Sandy Regional Detention Center in Staffordsville, according to Caudill.

Fields, a part-time bricklayer from Olive Hill, was arrested by Kentucky State Police Det.

head with a 10-inch long butcher knife.

He had been renting a home from Horton with his girlfriend and there had been some question as to whether or not the couple were moving from the residence, according to Fields' brother, John, who gave police an account of Fields' state of mind the night Horton was murdered.

According to John Fields, his brother had been partying and had arrived home "wild' and "looking for a fight." After a series of arguments with various members of the household, including his brother, Fields came upstairs asking for cigerette. John Fields told police his brother had a butcher knife and was rubbing it up and down his arm while asking for a cigarette.

John Fields said his brother en became enraged and left the residence at approximately 11 p.m. One witness reported to police that she heard what she thought was two people fighting at about 1 a.m. at Horton's residence and then breaking

the Floyd County Sheriff's Office.

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High: 40 . Low: 28 For up-to-the-minute forecasts, see floydcountytimes.com by LORETTA BLACKBURN STAFF WRITER

A paralyzed man, Danny Ray Stevens, 29 was pulled from a burning car Thursday evening by his mother, Patricia Stevens, after the car burst into flames when he tried to start it.

"I was trying to start my car when it backfired and caught on fire," said Stevens.

Due to his condition. Stevens could not get out of the burning

car in which he was sitting on approximately 5:20 p.m. and Main Street in Dwale.

According to Patricia Stevens, she was sitting on the couch on the phone when she saw a flash of light outside.

"When I saw the car on fire I dropped the phone and run," said Patricia Stevens.

She pulled her son from the burning car into the yard and called the Allen Volunteer Fire Department.

The fire department arrived at

quickly extinguished the flames that by that time had consumed the car.

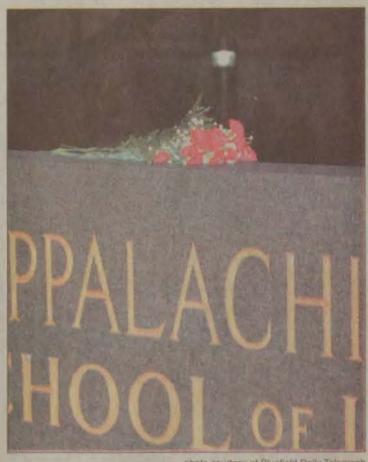
Captain Jimmy Osborne, of the Allen Volunteer Fire Department, said, "The fire appeared to start from the muffler at the rear of the car, but I really couldn't tell."

Other firefighters on the scene were Clarence Elkins, Jimmy Osborne Jr., Brett Preston and Vernie Bradley.

M.G. Stevens on Aug. 19, 1993, and charged with firstdegree murder and first-degree burglary after allegedly breaking into the home of 84-yearold Bess Horton.

Fields has been accused of breaking into Horton's home and stabbing her through the

(See MURDER, page seven)



An impromptu memorial was left for those killed and injured in Wednesday's shooting at the Appalachian School of Law in Grundy, Va. A gunman upset about failing out of the school a second time allegedly went on a rampage, killing the school's dean, a professor and a student, and injuring three more students. The full story can be found on page A8.

Walters faces new charge

by SHELDON COMPTON STAFF WRITER

Walters, Michala the Prestonsburg teen who was arrested last year and charged with two counts of first-degree arson in connection to a fire she allegedly set on the campus of Prestonsburg Community College, had charges filed against her Wednesday by her mother, Jennifer Walters.

Michala Walters was charged Wednesday with one count of fourth-degree assault for allegedly striking her mother several times with a piece of wood following a heated disagreement at their home on Riverside Drive in Prestonsburg.

In her complaint, Jennifer Walters said she was attempting to keep Michala from leaving the residence at approximately 5 p.m.

Wednesday evening Michala "got very mad" and handicapped student. Reports began striking her in

the head with a nearby piece of wood. Walters Jennifer described the piece of wood to police as a piece of wooden frame from a blackboard and said that her daughter struck her with the piece "several times." Michala Walters

was arrested at 5:30 p.m. by Prestonsburg police officer Mike

Conn and charged with fourthdegree assault. Walters was the subject of

Michala Walters

much debate last year after she was arrested for two counts of first-degree arson, at which time

when she was described as a mentallyindicated at the time

that Walters was suspected of having set fire to a sanitary napkin dispenser which resulted in a bathroom fire in the Pike and Johnson buildings on PCC campus. The location of the alleged arson attempt

added a degree of seriousness to the charges against Walters as it was stipulated in the offenses

against her that the crime took place in a public building and, as a result, endangered the lives of the students in the buildings at the

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GREEN BAY, Wis. -Green Bay Packers fans can breathe a sigh of relief after worrying that their unique headgear - known as cheeseheads - might be banned from Sunday's NFL playoff game in St. Louis.

St. Louis Rams spokesman Rick Smith made it clear Wednesday that the Dome at America's Center will be open to cheeseheads, under the same restrictions as any other hats.

"They would be subject to a security check as any other person wearing a large piece of headgear possibly could be subjected to a security check," Smith said.

U.S. Sen. Russ Feingold, D-Wis., had sent out a news release saying he had heard there was a possibility the hats - shaped like a large wedge of cheese - might be banned as a

security measure.

Packers executive vice president John Jones said he was confident the Green Bay fans would abide by any security directives regarding their favorite hats."

"The cheesehead is a symbol that's very important to our history and tradition," Jones said.

Smith said a ban on the hats was never considered.

INVERNESS, Fla. — A 48-year-old man who spent years behind bars stole a sixpack of beer and told the clerk to call police so he could be sent back to jail.

"I took the beer because I want to go to jail," Robert Fremer said, according to an arrest report. "Take me to jail. I can't succeed in this world. They won't give me a chance."

Fremer was sitting calmly in

Ohio man to be charged with

the parking lot of the Circle K when an officer arrived Sunday. The stolen six-pack of Busch beer was at his side.

Fremer was being held under \$5,000 bond on a count of retail petty theft.

"Clearly, there's a need for a social services net that includes temporary housing and a temporary soup kitchen, as well as some sort of vocational training," said Sam Sears, a clinical health psychologist with the University of Florida.

Without such assistance, it will be difficult for people such as Fremer to function outside of a jail or prison, he said.

TRENTON, N.J. --- Postal officials admit New Jersey did not get its due in an upcoming catalog that features stamps of all 50 states.

Stamps in the "Greetings

from America" series are supposed to depict landmarks and recreational activities that make each state "special to visit," according to a Postal Service ad.

The colorful display in the upcoming "USA Philatelic" catalog does not have the New Jersey stamp. Instead, the New York stamp is shown twice, once where New Jersey's should be.

Monica Hand, a Postal Service spokeswoman and a Newark native, said the omission was "an unfortunate mistake." She said the omission affects only the catalog.

Hand told The Star-Ledger of Newark for Thursday's editions that there is a New Jersey stamp in the series and it will be on the sheets available at local post offices. The Postal Service also will send out a flier correcting the error.

The oversight isn't the first time New York has muscled New Jersey out of stamp prominence. New Jersey was left off a special World Cup souvenir card as a World Cup site in favor of New York eight years ago, even though the local games were played at Giants Stadium in East Rutherford, N.J.

PICKERING, Ont. — A Siberian tiger who sleeps in four-star hotels, travels in a limousine and stars at weddings sent police on an urban chase.

Qadesh, who weighs nearly 500 pounds, snapped her tether while her owner was inside a veterinary office filling a prescription and went on a peaceful new set of wheels.

romp through her home town of Pickering, northeast of Toronto.

More than a half-dozen police cruisers and a helicopter chased the big cat. It strolled down some railroad tracks and even climbed onto the roof of one of the police cruisers, trapping two officers inside.

"I get this call from the police superintendent who said, I need you to get your cat off the roof so my men can get back to work." owner Bill Frazer said Wednesday.

Officers followed the tiger around a building, eventually trapping her with several cruisers. Nobody was injured.

"I feel like an idiot," Frazer said. "I have egg all over my face. I can't believe I let this happen."

Frazer raised the 13-year-old tiger from a cub and now takes her to schools, day-care centers, fund-raisers, corporate events and even weddings.

Qadesh is accustomed to celebrity life: She shares a bed with her owner and was escorted home after her ordeal in a limousine.

This is her third escape in recent years.

EVERETT, Wash. -Among the top priorities for Washington state's newest millionaire: Get rid of the ratinfested car.

Donna McCoy hasn't gotten around to disposing of a rat she exterminated in her car, but now that she's won \$2.2 million in the Washington State Lottery, she's planning to get a whole

Woman found shot to death at home; husband's body found later

The Associated Press

LONDON - A woman was found shot to death at her home in eastern Laurel County and a search produced the body of her husband in Knox County, according to Laurel County Sheriff Gene Hollon.

The deaths were the result of murder and suicide, the sheriff

The victims were Alice Fave Gibson, 59, and her estranged husband. Carl Gibson, also in his late 50s, Hollon said.

"The other night I was asking God for \$10,000 to make my house payments and saying to him, 'It's not a big deal for you, but for me it's huge," she said, "and this is what God gives me - not \$10,000 but \$6 million."

BLUFFTON, Ind. - An Indiana pretzel maker is putting a positive twist on President Bush's pretzel-induced fainting spell, seeing it as a product. endorsement of sorts.

McCoy, 39, a single mother

working two jobs, also plans to '

buy her church a new building

with the Lotto winnings she

ments totaling \$6 million, she

chose to take a lump-sum pay-

ment of \$2.2 million, after

would some day come into

money. I just knew it," McCoy

told The Herald of Everett, "and "

keeping in her old Subaru and

she couldn't get it to leave, so

she poisoned it but hadn't gotten around to removing the car-

"I'm a millionaire, and I'm

Besides a new car, McCoy'

getting into a car with a dead

plans to buy a new house.

rat," McCoy said.

She said a rat set up house-

now it really happened."

"My whole life, I thought I

Rather than 25 annual pay-

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"Well, we're happy that the 1 president likes pretzels," said Bill Huggins, a spokesman for Bluffton-based Pretzels Inc., whose pretzels are distributed under several brand names.

Bush fainted briefly while watching football on television in the White House residence Sunday, an attack apparently brought on by a drop in heart rate during a coughing spell caused by choking on a pretzel.

The Alexandria, Va.-based Snack Food Association sees a silver lining in the president's pretzel plight.

"First, let me say that we're grateful that the president is all right," spokeswoman Ann Wilkes said. "But we're also, glad to know that he enjoys savory snacks."

The association is fielding so many journalists' inquiries that a receptionist responded to a call Monday from The News-Sentinel of Fort Wayne by saying, "Is this about a pretzel?"



Fort Gay. Deputies found \$2,600 in \$250,000 fine.

Fort Gay bank robbery

The Associated Press

SOUTH CHARLESTON. W.Va. - An Ohio man arrested on public intoxication and disorderly conduct charges will be charged with the Jan. 10 robbery of a Wayne County bank

Steve Ray Meeks, 45, of Columbus, Ohio, was arrested Tuesday by Martin County,

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Ky., sheriff's deputies. West cash in Meek's vehicle, Police State Virginia spokesman Trooper J.C. Powers said Wednesday,

After Meeks was arrested in Inez, deputies contacted Wayne County officials saying Meeks matched the description of the person who robbed the Community Trust Bank of

Powers said, Federal bank robbery charges will be filed against

Meeks in U.S. District Court in Huntington, Powers said. Meeks is being held at the

Big Sandy Regional Detention Center in Paintsville, Ky.

If convicted, Meeks faces up to 20 years in prison and a

It's that time of year when nearly everyone is thinking about the "T" word-T-A-X-E-S. Over the next few months, readers will be mulling over their own tax filing and looking for ways to save money and places to get help.

It's also time for the Floyd County Times to publish it's annual tax edition. We'll include tips on lessening the blow-making the most of deductions, finding out how to optimize business expenses, figuring exemptions, and dodging the tax auditor, along with special tips for small business owners, as well as individual taxpayers. It will be the type of publication that readers will keep and refer to for the next few months-which makes it an important vehicle for your advertising dollar. Every time a reader picks it up to review an article on tax savings, your ad will be seen again, giving you more coverage, more power and more bang for your buck.

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'The best that I think they've determined it's just been domestic problems they were having and it escalated out of control." Hollon said, noting the couple was separated.

"She was shot in the head and abdomen." Hollon said.

State and local authorities searched for Carl Gibson and late Tuesday afternoon, found his body in the home of his brother at Artemus near Barbourville with a single shotgun wound to the chest, the sheriff said.

MESQUITE, Texas First there was radar. Then came radar detectors. And now, radar detector detectors.

(See ODDS page six)

Tax proposals still floated despite state woes

by MARK R. CHELLGREN ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT - A poll conducted on behalf of smoking opponents purports to show broad support for a 75-cent increase in the tax on a pack of cigarettes. Another group says a tax break for the poor would actually benefit the economy.

Despite a record state budget shortfall, there is no shortage of ideas before the General Assembly about what the state should do with its tax system.

The proposals already pending range from a sales tax exemption for straw or another on honey bees to a tax credit for processing wild game donated to charity. Many of them fall into the category of the hundreds of exemptions and special treatment for specific activities

Pike County man pleads guilty to Oxy charge

The Associated Press

PIKEVILLE — A former employee at a Pike County pharmacy could spend up to five years in prison after pleading guilty to trafficking in OxyContin, the powerful painkiller blamed for dozens of deaths in Kentucky.

Billy Gene "B.J." Ratliff Jr., 21, of Regina, entered the plea in already contained Kentucky's patchwork revenue code.

The one initiative that might produce a more wide-ranging and planned overhaul of the tax system is still in limbo.

The 2001 legislative session created a tax policy issues subcommittee that has been given the responsibility of taking a look at the whole tax system. The subcommittee's work has been delayed from its December 2001 deadline.

"I think it's too early to tell," said Sen. Richie Sanders, R-Franklin, the co-chairman of the tax panel.

Sanders' Republican colleagues in the Senate have made clear they would view any "reform" effort with some skepticism, if it meant raising anyone's taxes even if the over-

Pike County Circuit Court on

Friday. The former Pikeville

College basketball standout

admitted to stealing about 5,000

OxyContin pills from the Family

some of the pills and sold others.

He was indicted last October on a

charge of first-degree trafficking

Ratliff told police he took

Drug Center in Pikeville.

in a controlled substance.

Undeterred by the \$523 million revenue and budget short-, fall this year, several groups promoted the idea Tuesday of a state version of the federal earned income tax credit for the working poor. The groups, which include the AFL-CIO, the Catholic Conference and the Kentucky Youth Advocates, said 390,000 families would benefit from a tax credit.

in all effort was neutral

Gov. Paul Patton once again endorsed tax reform during his State of the Commonwealth address last week, but the administration will not be taking the lead.

'We stand ready to address, on a bipartisan basis, compre-, hensive and revenue neutral tax reform," Patton said. "This is a subject that leaders ought to be able to agree on and do the right thing for the long-term future of Kentucky.'

The line of interest groups with specific proposals has already started lining up.

Kentucky Health Investment for Kids, a group aligned with anti-smoking efforts, released what it said was a poll showing most Kentuckians favored putting 75 cents more on top of the existing 3-cent per pack cigarette tax.

Sanders and his House counterpart, Rep. Harry Moberly, D-Richmond, have said a cigarette tax increase was unlikely.

"I think we said 75 cents was no chance," Sanders said.

Legislative Briefs

Sen. Daniel Mongiardo and Rep. Paul Bather said electronic information-sharing revolutionized the banking and communications industries, but the health-care system still grinds along largely on paper records.

proposed Legislation by Mongiardo, D-Hazard, and Bather, D-Louisville, represents a modest step toward changing that. It would create a state board to begin implementing a "Kentucky e-Health Network," an Internet-based, file-sharing system.

The University of Kentucky and University of Louisville are backing

FRANKFORT - Two legislators the concept. "Isn't it really amazing Wednesday proposed creation of a "medical Internet" to expedite health-care information sharing. that your doctors don't exchange information easily?" said Dr. Claire Pomeroy, a physician and associate dean of the UK College of Medicine. "Is it good for your care? No."

> FRANKFORT - A bill passed by the House on Wednesday would solidify in law some steps state Medicaid officials have taken to rein in prescription drug costs.

The state is using an advisory committee of doctors and pharmacists to develop and administer a list of drugs that cannot be prescribed without prior authorization. The effect is to steer many Medicaid recipients away from brand names and toward less

costly generic drugs, saving perhaps \$100 million per year.

Rep. Jimmie Lee, sponsor of the bill, said Kentucky Medicaid spent \$312 million on prescriptions five years ago. The total for the fiscal year that ends June 30 is expected to be nearly \$600 million.

"We cannot continue to have 100 percent increases every five years," Lee, D-Elizabethtown, said in a House speech.

The vote was 98-0.

(The legislation is House Bill 103.)

FRANKFORT - A bill to let school districts post financial statements on the Internet, rather than paying to have them published in a newspaper, failed to get out of the House Education Committee on Wednesday.

The bill, by Republican Rep. Stan Lee of Lexington, also would give districts the option of making a copy of the financial statement available in the local public library.

(House Bill 240)

FRANKFORT - Kentucky veterans' children who are born with spina bifida would receive free tuition to Kentucky universities or state-supported schools under a bill approved by the House Education Committee on Wednesday.

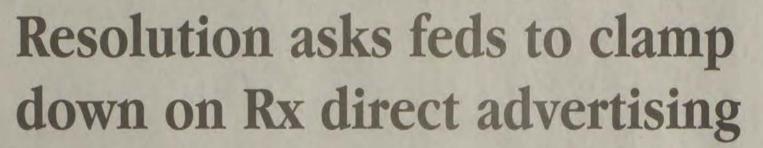
Rep. Mike Weaver, D-Elizabethtown, said his bill would apply to children whose disability was

caused by a parent's military service. Spina bifida, a congenital spinal disorder, currently is the only disability for which dependents of a veteran can be compensated under federal guidelines, Weaver said.

Spina bifida may be caused by exposure of one or both parents to Agent Orange or other herbicides in Vietnam, according to the Spina Bifida Association of America.

"After Vietnam, there was suspicion that Agent Orange had caused the offspring of people who fought there to have disabilities," Weaver told the committee. He said eight cases of spina bifida in Kentucky would qualify under the law.

(House Bill 115)



by CHARLES WOLFE ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT Some Kentucky legislators think pharmaceutical advertising has had a serious side effect -- "exponential growth" in prescription spending by Medicaid and private insurance plans.

A resolution moving toward the Kentucky House urges Congress, the Food and Drug Administration and other federal officials to clamp down on "direct-to-consumer" advertising by drug companies.

That includes radio and television commercials that encourage consumers to "ask your physician" about name-brand medications for ailments like allergies, asthma and heartburn, among others.

Rep. Mike Cherry, the resolution's sponsor, said the ads cause patients to put pressure on doctors. "Unfortunately, most of these drugs are supported by all of us," Cherry, D-Princeton, said in an interview. "It's a matter of everincreasing insurance cost."

Prescription drug costs are a recurring issue in the General Assembly. The House on Wednesday passed and sent to the Senate a bill to require physicians to get advance state approval for dozens of drugs before prescribing them to Medicaid recipients. Proponents claim it could cut Medicaid drug costs by \$100 million a year.

Cherry's resolution, approved by the House Health and Welfare Committee on Thursday, argues that "numerous studies have linked efforts to restrict it are in effect the increased direct-to-consumer advertising to the exponential growth in prescription drug expenditures." In addition, a large segment of the public assumes that advertised drugs are "completely safe," the resolution states.

An attorney for Pharma, a Washington-based pharmaceutical trade association, said direct advertising has caused consumers to "be more active in their health care" and probably has prompted many people to seek treatment for longstanding conditions.

"I can't defend every single drug ad," the attorney, Marjorie Powell, said in a telephone interview. "But we do think that advertising is an important way for patients to get information, and

efforts to avoid improving our health care system."

Drug commercials proliferated after 1997, when the FDA allowed drug ads to carry a statement about "major risks" instead of a rundown of all side effects and adverse reactions.

In a policy statement a year later, the American College of Physicians and American Society of Internal Medicine said direct-toconsumer advertising "does not constitute appropriate patient education about therapeutics."

However, the statement said, the groups "recognize that drug advertising targeted to consumers is now here to stay."

(The legislation is House Concurrent Resolution 7.)



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Patton proposes six bills on crimes against women, children

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT - Gov. Paul Patton said Thursday he will treatment programs to provide

been issued tries to buy a domestic-violence offender dren's advocacy centers.

firearm. It also would require immunity to staffers of chil-

Give the Revenue

Expand civil-liability data in the Cabinet for Families and Children. Revenue then could quickly seize assets of people delinquent in making

push a package of bills related to crimes against women and children.

Some deal with victims of stalking, rape, child abuse and domestic violence. One would expand the law against incest. Another covers seizure of assets of people who are delinquent in paying child support.

The legislative has a triple theme, Patton said at a news conference: "to protect women and children, to get tough on offenders and to use innovative technology to improve the system of justice.'

In general, the bills have "no identifiable cost," Patton said. An enhancement of the state's electronic notification system for crime victims is an exception, but the state is getting a federal grant for it, he said.

Three bills are being introduced in each chamber. Patton said he had Republican and Democratic sponsors in each.

The proposals would:

Redefine incest to include aunts, uncles, nieces or nephews among "family members" who can be prosecuted. Senate Judiciary Chairman Robert Stivers, R-Manchester, said it was prompted by a Jefferson County case last March in which an incest charge was dismissed against a man who had sex with his niece.

Allow victims to get a permanent restraining order against convicted stalkers. The orders would be entered a computerized information network for law enforcement personnel.

Require the state to pay for sexual assault exams conducted at out-of-state hospitals if the rape occurred in Kentucky and is to be investigated in the state. That measure, House Bill 308, already is moving. It was approved by the House Health and Welfare Committee on Thursday.

Automate the state's crime-victim notification system when a person against whom a protective order has

data about their effectiveness. Cabinet access to child-support support payments.

Committee approves requirement for diesel additive

by MARK R. CHELLGREN ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT - A House committee approved legislation Thursday that would require diesel fuel in Kentucky to contain an additive that opponents warned would invalidate engine warranties and raise fuel prices.

Supporters said the bill would reduce dependence on foreign fuels and help beleaguered farmers.

The proposal would require, by July 1, 2003, all diesel fuel in Kentucky contain a 2 percent blend and would increase to 5 percent by July 2007. The blend can be made from any animal fat or vegetable oil and most commonly uses the oil from soybeans.

And it was soybean and agriculture interests that carried the day. with a 17-1 vote from the House Agriculture and Small Business Committee to approve the bill.

Patrick Jennings of the Kentucky Farm Bureau estimated 17 million bushels of soybean would be sold to provide the oil for what is called biodiesel fuel.

Jennings also said prices for diesel fuel in Kentucky are already well below that in surrounding states, though he quoted retail prices which do not take into account Kentucky's much lower taxes on fuel.

Various estimates were given to the committee about how the price of biodiesel would rise above ordinary fuel, from 2 cents per gallon to 8 cents.

Jay Westbrook, a representative of CSX Corp., said the railroad's concern was more practical. Westbrook said the railroad has been told by its locomotive manufacturer that its warranties on the engines and pollution control devices would be voided if biodiesel fuel is used.

Trucking interests also said the

bill would cause mechanical and emission problems.

The debate also pitted industrial interests against the agriculture sector that might benefit.

'Let's call this mandate what it really is - an attempt by heavily subsidized agricultural interests to tax diesel fuel users through the force of a state mandate in order to provide a financial subsidy to biodiesel producers," said Richard Holcomb with the American Trucking Associations in a letter

distributed to legislators.

The lone legislator who voted against the bill said the goal of the bill was "certainly noble" but misplaced.

"This is a tax increase on the people of Kentucky," said Rep. Mark Treesh, R-Philpot.

Rep. Roger Thomas, D-Bowling Green, chairman of the committee, hinted that the effective date of the requirement could be changed to accommodate objections.

League of Cities seeks higher mayoral pay scale

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT - A bill being pushed by the Kentucky League of Cities would set modern minimum salaries for mayors whose councils or commissions declare them to be full-time officeholders.

The idea is to ensure that high-caliber people seek such offices, KLC officials told the House Local Government Committee, which approved the bill Thursday,

The bill also is to give councils and commissions some guidance about their own powers, the officials said.

Cities already are free to pay their mayors more than the minimum. But there is no provision in law for allowing most cities to declare the mayor's job to be full time. "There's a lot of confusion out there." KLC Executive Director Sylvia Lovely said.

The bill, if enacted, would allow councils or commissions to make such declarations. Those that did would be required to pay these minimum salaries: \$48,000 in second-class cities, \$36,000 in third-class, \$24,000 in fourth-class and \$12,000 in fifth-class. The bill would not affect Louisville, the state's only first-class city.

The league's president, Fort Mitchell Mayor Tom Holocher, said he is paid \$2,600 per year for what is "basically a volunteer posi-

"I spend 25 or 30 hours there, but I'm still part-time," said Holocher, a retired telephone company engineer.

Republican Rep. Stan Lee of Lexington said the bill was unnecessary. "I think it's going to be taken as a mandate ... to raise salaries for mayors," Lee said:

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RULE THEM ALL ...

- Hans Hoffman

Guest View Upbeat news about depression

The number of Americans seeking doctors' help for depression has zoomed, with an astonishing tripling of treatment rates in the 10-year period ending in 1997, according to a study published last week.

Cause for concern?

More like reason for rejoicing.

Some experts believe that depression may have been on the rise in recent decades, with increased workplace stress and the break-up of the nuclear family. But until relatively recently, the millions of people stricken by this stealthy and often devastating disease suffered in silence.

The good news now is that victims finally are acknowledging their illness and seeking help, that Prozac and other wonder drugs have provided an easy and effective way to treat most of them, and that many insurers are willing to pay for the medication. ...

Depression can affect everything from relationships with loved ones to job performance, but in its most serious form, it can lead to death. Each year, 30,000 Americans take their own lives, many of them under the dark cloud of a mental illness from which they feel they have no escape.

The use of anti-depressant drugs increased dramatically during the 10-year period of the study, from about 37 percent of patients treated to about 75 percent, as the number of people treated climbed from 1.7 million annually to about 6.3 million.

There are obvious dangers that accompany the develop-

A rose by any other name

My family of three will soon become a family of four.

That's right, a new addition is on the way. My wife, Linda, is set to give birth on August 19 — three days after my son Tyler Lee's 7th birthday on August 16.

I have thought about the possibility of the new baby being born on Tyler's birthday and I would rather that not be the case. The last thing a parent needs is to be immediately faced with a sharing dispute between two children right at the beginning.

Of course, I only say that half-heartedly. Whatever the day may be that Natalie Grace or Luke (?) decides to join us in happy harmony will be fine, as long as the arrival is a healthy one. As you can see, we have firmly decided on a girl's name for the baby, Natalie Grace, but have failed to come to a firm stand on a boy's middle name. Luke will certainly be the first and most important name, but a middle name is a must and we have hit a wall. We initially picked Patrick — Luke Patrick — but the double "k" was not as pleasing to the tongue after a certain duration.

The only definite thing is that the middle name must have a minimum of three syllables, considering the short, single syllable "Luke."

Allow me to pause and explain my analytical concern for names. As you know, my name is Sheldon, and although I love my mother and father. I cannot for the life of me understand why anyone would name a child this.

A name should be powerful, not unique. When people tell me that my name is unique, they're just being kind.

Although too powerful can be a problem, as vorable names, according to an article written by Mike Nappa, Nappaland.com's website publisher. Here are a few:

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n On the one hand, you can set your expectations too low for your children such as the former commissioner of education for the Virgin Islands, who was given the unfortunate name, A. Moron, believe or not.

n Then again, you could certainly put a little too much pressure on your child to succeed like this nurse who graduated at the top of her class in medical school. Her name is Honor Roll, or the Oklahoma construction worker whose highly motivated parents named him Never Fail.

> n And then you have the name that is just too long and will cause your child much unneeded frustration

ment of medications designed to correct brain chemistry gone awry, including use by people who don't need them but twist their doctors' arms for prescriptions.

Prozac and similar breakthrough drugs are not a cureall. They do not help some people with the most severe forms of depression. ...

But the findings of the new study, detailed by the Journal of the American Medical Association, should be greeted with great joy.

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Curator thanks donators

Over the past few months, the Samuel May House has accepted for display and preservation purposes several priceless Eastern Kentucky heirlooms. Dr. Mable Rowe Lineberger, the Prestonsburg psychologist, has donated a rare hand-made scythe that she inherited from her grandfather, W.D. Kirk of Mingo County, West Virginia. James and Libby Ratcliffe of Prestonsburg have donated a handsome gray marble horse-and-buggy-type footwarmer that they inherited from the late Rainley "Snow" White of Prestonsburg. Betsy Spurlock Lambert of the First Commonwealth Bank in Prestonsburg has donated an exquisite oil portrait of Judge John M. Burns mounted in a rare antique frame. A Prestonsburg lawyer during the 1850s, Burns was the man who built the house on North Arnold Avenue that Colonel James Garfield used as his headquarters following the Battle of Middle Creek. Owned by Mrs. Maggie Fitzpatrick Leete during the 1930-1960 period, the house was demolished in 1984 to make room for the First Commonwealth Bank.

Last summer, Marty May Hicks of Prestonsburg, daughter of the late Newton May, donated her father's vedia.

My boss here at the paper, who is a big Star Wars fan, jokingly referred me to the

option of Luke Skywalker Compton, a very powerful name, but a bit to commercial, I'm afraid.

But the naming of children is a serious business, to be sure,

There are many examples of children who were cursed from birth with unfa-

antique tool collection to the May House. The collection includes, among other things, a manually-operated coal drill, a fireplace bellows, a moonshiner's distillery coil, an applesauce paddle, and a logger's hooking pole.

Another person who has donated heirlooms to the May House is Nancy Campbell of Prestonsburg, widow of the late Dr. Henry A. Campbell, first president of Prestonsburg Community College. Nancy has donated a rare Civil War cavalry sword once owned by Henry's father William Campbell, a resident of Pulaski County.

I would also like to report that Ben Ferguson, Jr. of Prestonsburg has generously allowed me to copy a large number of rare photographs originally owned by his grandfather, the late Schuyler Colfax "Colley" Ferguson, who practiced law in Prestonsburg during the 1890-1930 period. The Ferguson pictures will be added to the Floyd County Photo Archive, which now numbers over three thousand historic photographs.

On behalf of the Friends of the Samuel May House, I would like to thank these individuals for their contributions to the house and for their active interest in preserving our Floyd County heritage.

Robert Perry Volunteer curator Samuel May House SHELDONCOMPTON

HOLLYWOOD

with spelling during their early school years. Take the name of this 19th Century French orchestra conductor.

for example — Louis George Maurice Adolph Roch Albert Abel Antonio Alexandre NoZ^{*} Jean Lucien Daniel Eugene Joseph-Le-Brun Josephe-Bar?me

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Investigate Democrats, too

I find it amazing that Democratic politicians are questioning the relationship of the Enron Corporation and President Bush and calling for an investigation into the company based upon those facts.

It seems that Democratic figures were also recipients of Enron's generous donations as well. Many of Enron's key executives are known associates of key Democratic leaders (Sen. Daschle and Rep. Richard Gephardt).

The call for an investigation into Enron is duly needed, but there are also a couple of other large corporate giants who need the same treatment, namely Boeing and Northwest Airlines. Both companies have been 'bailed' out by the United States government, but some rather interesting facts are little known about them.

The United States government is leasing aircraft for approximately \$20 billion over a 20-year span. The same aircraft, bought at an initial cost, would only cost \$12 billion. (How's that for gratuity?) And also Northwest Airlines, whose

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Entertainment Briefs

LOS ANGELES -Boeing Co. will team up with Creative Artists Agency, a major talent and literary agency based in Beverly Hills, to launch its direct-to-cinema movie delivery system.

technology, called The Boeing Digital Cinema, aims to transmit movies, concerts, sporting events, advertising and corporate events directly to audiences by satellite. It uses some of the same techniques Boeing has used for years to deliver encrypted national security information to the Air Force, the company said.

CAA, which represents some of the biggest names in Hollywood, will advise Boeing on its business and marketing of Boeing Digital Cinema, the two firms said Monday.

Movie studios see the potential for big cost savings from digital delivery of their content, which plays back to audiences on digital projectors. The cost of traditional film prints can range from \$1,500 to \$2,000 each, and as many as 4,000 copies are

required for a major release.

The industry also boasts that the technology improves quality by eliminating the scratches, pops and hairs that mark film prints. But most theater owners have balked at spending \$150,000 to \$200,000 for new digital projectors, when conventional projectors cost about \$35,000.

Chicago-based Boeing already has run some direct-tocinema pilot projects. In March 2001, the company worked with Dimension Films to digitally transmit and project the premiere of "Spy Kids." In November 2000, Boeing and Miramax Films presented a digital version of "Bounce" in New York City.

TEANECK, N.J. - When Fairleigh Dickinson assistant soccer coach Ethan Zohn told the players and coaching staff that he was going to be a contestant on the CBS reality show "Survivor: Africa," he instantly became the target of goodnatured abuse.

'Survivor Boy,'" FDU men's coach Seth Roland said. "I'd say, 'Hey, Survivor Boy, can you make sure everyone's on the bus?' Or 'Survivor Boy, do you think you can warm up the goalkeepers now?' Stuff like that. It was endless.

"I think it was getting out of control when I asked him to teach the goalkeepers how to train by leaping through rings of fire.'

But the 27-year-old Zohn got the last laugh by winning the \$1 million top prize last week.

'I couldn't tell a soul," he said. "Not even my mother could know anything about it. It was tough to keep it bottled inside me, but I liked that I was able to lie to my friends. Seth Coachella Valley is now the would poke and prod, asking me every day."

Zohn watched the final episode at a CBS party in Los Angeles, with his mother and his two brothers. Afterward, he taped episodes of "The Hollywood Squares" and did interviews. numerous He

"We started to call him arrived in New York Monday, where the interviews continued, including an appearance on "The Late Show with David Letterman."

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PALM SPRINGS, Calif. - The beat goes on for late Congressman Sonny Bono.

Bono, who died in a skiing accident in 1998, has a statue of his likeness in downtown Palm Springs, a wildlife refuge named for him at the Salton Sea, a freeway interchange in Moreno Valley, and a small park maintained in his memory in Washington, D.C.

Now, there's a 40-mile stretch of desert freeway named in his honor.

Interstate 10 through the Sonny Bono Memorial Freeway. "Sonny's energy and vision stretched from one end of the Coachella Valley to the other, and beyond. It is fitting that the roadway connecting our valley communities and linking us to

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Movie review 'Black Hawk Down

by CHELSEA J. CARTER ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES - Eight years after a firefight in Somalia left 18 American soldiers dead and more than 70 wounded, some veterans of the battle feel a sense of redemption.

In the movie "Black Hawk Down," which goes into wide release Friday, a military mission widely viewed by the public as a failure has been recast by Hollywood as a tale of unlikely heroes.

"I was very concerned the movie would take a political stance, like the reports that originally came out that it was a military debacle - or that it would be portrayed as the greatest military success since the D-Day invasions," said Army Capt. Jeff Struecker, who was a staff sergeant in a convoy ambushed by Somalis.

"Clearly, it wasn't either of

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those events. It was just a lot of American soldiers through the on terrorism and searches for individual heroism. It's like that old quote, 'Uncommon courage was common that day.'

"Black Hawk Down," based on Mark Bowden's book of the same name, tells the story of a military mission to Mogadishu on Oct. 3, 1993, to capture two top lieutenants of warlord Mohamed Farrah Aidid.

The operation was supposed to take no more than an hour. It turned into a 17-hour battle that pitted several hundred U.S. soldiers against thousands of Somalis. Two Black Hawk helicopters also were shot down in the longest sustained firefight involving American soldiers since Vietnam.

While critics have praised the movie's attention to the details of combat, it avoids the mission's political fallout. It does not include the images of Somalis dragging the bodies of

streets - images that caused President Clinton to order an immediate withdrawal of troops.

"In that sense, it was a failed mission. But in the narrower perspective, taken by both the book and the movie ... these men accomplished their mission," Bowden said. "They did what they set out to do. They did so at a terrible cost to themselves and the Somalis.'

Producer Jerry Bruckheimer dismissed concerns that the movie glosses over the larger story of American involvement in Somalia.

"We never set out to tell that story," Bruckheimer said, "We wanted to make a film about what these young guys were sent out to do and what they did to survive."

The movie comes at a time of renewed interest in Somalia, as the United States presses its war other terrorist havens. The military has begun reconnaissance flights and naval patrols off Somalia's coast to determine if the country is harboring fleeing members of the al-Qaida network

A postscript to "Black Hawk Down" that drew connections between al-Qaida and the 1993 battle was removed after some test audiences objected.

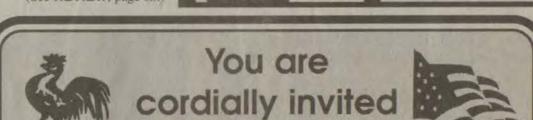
Originally slated for March, the movie's release was pushed up after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

"I don't think it's jingoistic," said director Ridley Scott. "I think it's totally relevant to where we are today."

For many of those involved

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KATE & LEOPOLD

Hands-on science series evolves from kids magazine

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by TERRY KINNEY ASSOCIATED PRESS

OXFORD. Ohio "DragonflyTV," a science series for children debuting on PBS this weekend, is going to look a lot like an MTV video to some adults.

has incessant music," said executive producer Richard Hudson.

"DragonflyTV" comes from Twin Cities Public Television, producer of the long-running "Newton's Apple," and is based on a children's magazine developed at Miami (of Ohio) University. The show is aimed at 9- to 12-year olds and has youngsters as hosts.

"Kids ask questions and then look for answers on their own," Michael, one of the first-nameonly hosts, says in the initial episode.

"On every show, regular kids will investigate the things they love to do," says co-host Mariko.

The show elicits science questions from kids, and producers then film kids carrying out experiments that often are based on vigorous activities such as martial arts, kayaking and rock climbing.

The photography is slick, the editing fast, the music current.

In the first show, groups of youngsters try to find out why so many boulders are in whitewater rapids, how a whale is weighed and how to get more power behind a tae kwon do kick.

Dragonfly magazine is the model. Now distributed to 200,000 homes as an insert in Scientific American's magazine, Explorations Dragonfly originated as "a magazine for young investigators" and featured environmental stories written by children.

"Kids are natural investiga-

tors, and what they remember is what they investigate on their own," said Chris Myers, a professor at Miami University and the former editor in chief of Dragonfly. "Kids see the world in much different ways than adults do."

Myers and the magazine's "This stuff moves fast, and it other creators serve as advisers to "DragonflyTV" and prepare a teaching guide for each program.

> Teachers are encouraged to tape the shows and replay them in the classroom. Discussion guides will be distributed to 40,000 classrooms by the National Science Teachers Association.

"Teachers are crying out for science programs they can use in their classrooms, programs that kids will actually watch," said Gerry Wheeler, the teachers association's executive director. "DragonflyTV' packages good science in a way that really appeals to kids."

Hudson, who guided "Newton's Apple" for 14 of its 15 years, has been trying to develop "DragonflyTV" since meeting with Myers in 1996. He liked the concept of "real kids doing real science."

"When I first saw the magazine, it really struck me as something new and different," said Hudson. "Kids are smart enough to learn things on their own, and I don't think they like being talked down to."

Myers likes the way the magazine has been adapted to television, keeping the focus on children. Adult scientists are present only to make sure the science is correct.

"As environmental educators, we don't like kids to stay inside and watch TV," Myers said. "But if they are watching TV, we want to encourage kids on their own."

In many citics, "DragonflyTV" will compete with Saturday morning cartoons (check local listings) and extracurricular activities. But PBS stations are eager for it.

"It's exciting to have a science show for kids," said Grace Hill, director of programming at WCET-TV in Cincinnati. "This is the first new one since 'Bill Nye,' so we're looking forward to it."

The National Science Foundation and Best Buy have provided funds for the first 13program season. The NSF has committed to share the cost of two more seasons if matching money is found.

Jon Stewart will return as host of **Grammy Awards**

The Associated Press

SANTA MONICA, Calif. -Comedian Jon Stewart will make an encore appearance as host of this year's Grammy Awards, the National Academy of Recording Arts & Sciences announced Tuesday.

"Jon was a joy to work with last year and demonstrated a real passion for the music and genuine understanding of his job as host," Michael Greene, the academy's president, said in announcing that Stewart has been asked to return.

Stewart is host of Comedy Central's "The Daily Show with Jon Stewart" and has appeared in such movies as "Big Daddy" and "The Faculty." His next film, "Death to Smoochy," starring Robin Williams, will hit theaters in March.

The 44th annual Grammy to go outside and explore things Awards will take place in Los Angeles on Feb. 27.

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look. **Charles** Caperton Catlettsburg

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Alternatives for disposing of human waste

by ROGER ALFORD ASSOCIATED PRESS

BELFRY - Disposing of human waste an ugly problem? Not at the Pike County Public Library in Belfry, where a small wetland, complete with cattails and aquatic flowers, has been created to allow

nature to handle the job. A growing number of homeowners and small businesses in the mountain region are finding that such alternative methods for treating human waste work just as well as conventional septic systems, said Walter Carter, environmental supervisor for the Pike County Health Department. Even so, he said, many people who would benefit from such sewage treatment are reluctant because of unfounded fears about odors.

"If these wetlands are maintained properly, they can be totally unobtrusive and you can think of them as flower gardens," Carter said. "They really can be quite attractive, a nice addition to the landscape."

Outside the Belfry library, two picnic tables stand ready for dining some 30 feet away from the manmade marsh that has temporarily given up most of its greenery for the winter

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the world beyond will now bear his name," U.S. Rep. Mary Bono, who remarried last month, said of her late husband.

The section of memorial freeway _ marked with four Sonny Bono Memorial Freeway signs _ runs from just west of the Highway 111 cutoff near Palm Springs to Dillon Road in the Coachella area. State lawmakers created the memorial through legislation last February.

SANTA BARBARA, Calif. - Restoration of the historic Santa Barbara Bowl amphitheater has gotten a \$2 million boost from Santa Barbara News-Press owner Wendy P. McCaw.

"It's cultural and architectural treasures like the Bowl that say so much about Santa Barbara," the Hope Ranch resident said last week. "I feel passionately they should be appreciated and restored for future generations. This grant helps accomplish

The Wendy P. McCaw

that."

months. There is no odor from the 12-foot rectangular marsh. And, unless visitors knew otherwise, Carter said they would think its only purpose is ornamental.

"When people hear about this, they think of a swamp, and they think of odors," he said. "They're wrong.'

areas In some of Appalachia, where municipal sewer lines are nonexistent and where conventional septic systems just won't work, disposing of human waste can be a problem. Often, there simply isn't enough flat land around mountain homes to install conventional septic systems, said Karen Engle, executive director of the government-sponsored environmental group PRIDE.

"In some areas, people have little choice," Engle said. "Eastern Kentucky is a terrain that's different than the Bluegrass area, and we're looking for new, innovative ideas that work here."

In the Millstone community in Letcher County, PRIDE helped a cluster of homeowners to build a treatment system that used peat moss to break down sewage. In other cases, the group has provided money for homeowners to construct

Foundation gift will pay for

restoration of the 66-year-old

Bowl's main plaza, where a for-

mer caretaker's cottage called "El

Balcon" now sits, with public

the concessions area, and the cot-

tage will be completely rebuilt as

a reception area, said Patty

Clarke, director of development

for the Santa Barbara Bowl

Foundation. Construction on that

phase begins in September.

The money will help remodel

restrooms on the ground floor.

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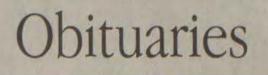
Engle said cost is the largest barrier to widespread use of wetlands for sewage treatment. "Where the average cost of

a traditional septic system is

as high as \$10,000," she said. PRIDE, Engle said, provides grants to low-income

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\$2,500, wetlands can go up to



Bolten H. Martin

Bolten H. Martin, age 79, of Eastern, Ky., husband of the late Hazel Moore Martin, passed away Tues., Jan. 15, 2002, at the Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg, Ky.

He was born Aug. 19, 1922, in Eastern, Ky., and was the son of the late Sol D. Martin and Della Gayheart Martin. He was a retired heavy equipment operator, a World War II Army veteran, and a lifetime member of the DAV.

Survivors include one son, Bolten Martin Jr., and his wife, Debra, of Eastern, Ky.; three brothers, Theodore Martin and Bernard Martin, both of Eastern, Ky., Willie Martin of Printer, Ky.; three sisters, Ova Warrens of Eastern, Ky., Nancy Bolen of Garrett, Ky., Madge Moore of Lansing, Mi.; one grandchild, Christa Nicole Martin; one step-grandchild, Brandy Nicole Everage, and one greatgrandchild, Austin Dye.

Funeral services will be conducted Fri., Jan. 18, 2002, at 11:00 a.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, Martin, Ky., with Clergyman Jerry Manns officiating.

Burial will follow in the Martin Cemetery, Eastern, Ky., under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral home.

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Roberta Hall

Roberta Hall, age 59, of Lackey, Ky., passed away Tue., Jan. 15, 2002, at the St. Joseph Hospital, Lexington, Ky.

She was born December 3, 1943, in Drift, Ky., the daughter of the late Dock Hall and Judy Howell Hall.

Survivors include one brother, Raymond Hall of Raven, Ky.; two sisters, Helen Galati of Marion, Ohio, and Hattie Staggs of Lackey, Ky.

Funeral services will be conducted Saturday, Jan. 19, 2002, at 11 a.m., at the Martin Branch Freewill Baptist Church, Estill, Ky., with the clergyman, Clinton "Buddy" Jones, and others, officiating.

Burial will follow in the Lackey Cemetery, Lackey, Ky., under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home, Martin, Ky. Visitation is at the church.

(Paid obituary)

Review

in the fighting, the movie was an accurate depiction overall of the ferocious fight, even though it was a Hollywood interpretation. The military let Bruckheimer use four Black Hawk helicopters, and an actual Army Ranger unit took part in some scenes.

"I first kind of wanted to say, That's not exactly how it hap-

pened.' But then I caught who needed to be captured.

myself," said Struecker. "It's still just a movie, and even though they are making great efforts to be accurate, it will never be 100 percent accurate."

Sgt. Matt Eversman, played in the movie by actor Josh Hartnett, said the movie got the feel of the battle right.

"We captured the (Somalis)

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Certainly, there was a price. That is a fact. That's what the movie shows," he said. "Obviously, it's a little different because it does not depict the entire battle ... and it condensed some characters."

Former Sgt. Keni Thomas said there were too many people and too much going on to fit into

The Family of Mary Magdaline Osborne



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The Family of Helen Prater

Panel of doctors says don't forget about aspirin's benefits as new drugs hit market

by JOANN LOVIGLIO ASSOCIATED PRESS

PHILADELPHIA - A federal panel of doctors is urging people not to forget about aspirin's benefit for the heart, as high-profile drugs designed to lower cholesterol and treat pain continue to hit the market.

Some doctors are concerned that people who took an aspirin a day for high cholesterol or pain from ailments such as arthritis may have switched to new specialized drugs. They hope that a new set of guidelines will send the message that, for many people, an aspirin a day helps keep heart attacks away.

The guidelines, released by the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force and appearing in Tuesday's edition of Annals of Internal Medicine, are based on decades of research that indicates taking aspirin daily can prevent heart attacks.

"There isn't evidence that these new drugs prevent heart attacks so people shouldn't use those as a substitute for aspirin," said Dr. Cynthia Mulrow, a task force member and professor of medicine at the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio.

Aspirin, which improves blood flow through the arteries by making it less sticky and less likely to clot, often is recommended to help prevent and treat heart problems.

Cholesterol-lowering statin drugs and pain-relieving cox-2 inhibitors, which millions of Americans take every day, don't appear to have that benefit.

The higher a person's heart

attack risk, the more aspirin seems to help. The task force looked at 35 years of research on aspirin and heart health and defined high-risk people as anyone with high cholesterol levels or blood pressure, men over age 40, postmenopausal women, smokers and diabetics.

Data pooled from several studies showed that aspirin therapy reduced the risk for coronary heart disease by 28 percent, and the numbers get better for people with a moderate to high risk of heart disease

"One of the things the task force wanted to get across is that the easiest and most cost-efficient intervention to lower one's risk of cardiovascular disease is low-dose aspirin." said Dr. Roger Blumenthal, director of preventive cardiology at Johns Hopkins University.

That doesn't mean that patients should stop their prescription medications in favor of aspirin. Many people can take a daily lowdose (about 75 mg) of aspirin in conjunction with their prescription pain or cholesterol medication, doctors said.

Mulrow, a co-author of the guidelines, said it's essential to first determine one's heart disease risk factor because aspirin's side effects - including intestinal bleeding and hemorrhagic stroke - can do more harm than good for people with healthy hearts.

To determine one's risk level, the report points to several Web site calculators, including one at www.med-decisions.com. Users can punch in statistics including blood pressure, cholesterol and age, and the site tells them what their chances are of having a heart attack in five years.

If your chance is 3 percent or greater, the task force says aspirin therapy is a good idea.

"It's a pretty straightforward message: Find out your risk and if your risk is elevated, see your physician and consider taking aspirin in low doses," Annals editor Dr. Harold Sox said.

Odds

The Texas Department of Public Safety announced Tuesday that it is equipping some troopers with the devices. The troopers will focus on ticketing truck drivers for traveling with a radar detector.

"It's a game, that's what it is," said truck driver Joe Fiorello, 32, of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., at a truck stop in this east Dallas suburb. "They get radar, we get a radar detector. They upgrade theirs, we upgrade ours."

Federal law prohibits commercial vehicles from using radar detectors.

Grant money from the Federal Carrier Safety Motor Administration helped pay for the 101 new radar detector detectors, which cost about \$1,500 each. Forty-three more could be purchased by June, said Col. Thomas Davis Jr., director of the Department of Public Safety.

"Because of their vehicle's sheer mass, truck drivers have a special responsibility to drive safely. Hopefully, this additional enforcement tool will make them think twice about violating the speed nit," Davis said.

BRINSON, Ga, — This tiny town in southwestern Georgia has just one full-time employee, so it's a movie. As for the depiction of the soldiers as heroes, Thomas struggled for an answer.

'Were we heroes? I don't know. I think we just did our job. If that's heroic, fine. I'll let everybody else figure that one out," he said.

Former Sgt. Scott Galentine, who was injured during the Mogadishu battle and is depicted in the movie, expressed skepticism about the current interest in the battle.

"Where were all these people in 1993 when it happened? There were people torn up to shreds and nobody even raised an eyebrow. Now these guys from Hollywood are portraying us and, yes, they do a fair job," he said. "But people will go and see this and a day or two later they'll forget about it. That's the shame."

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understandable when something slips through the cracks - like an election.

Brinson was supposed to elect two town council members last November, but officials mistakenly thought the terms expired later this year. Now there's no one to replace the outgoing members.

"Our faces are red, but it was an honest mistake," said Sharon Foulk, clerk for the town of 225. "We are very, very small. We're just doing the best we can in a small town.'

Foulk said a combination of factors led to the missed election: a 1997 change of the town charter that staggered the council terms, the death of a council member that led to a special election, and an ad published in a local newspaper with the wrong dates.

Town attorney Paul Fryer got a court order authorizing a special election, to take place on March 19. The order also allows the two outgoing councilmen to stay on the job until then.

It's not the first time a town in this part of the state has forgotten about an election - it happened in 1997 in Baconton, about 60 miles away.

Bill would let merged departments keep their training money

glass, but did not go out to brother had been at roughly 11

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT - Volunteer fire departments, many of them hard-pressed to keep a full staff. would be given a financial

incentive to merge under a bill the Kentucky Firefighters departments merge, they get but formed from three. Shares approved by a Senate committee Tuesday.

'We're having a terrible time maintaining our departments." Sylvan Smith, a spokesman for Association, told the State Government Committee.

Under Kentucky law, volunteer departments can qualify for state funding - \$8,250 a year if they have at least 12 firefighters, a chief, a truck and at least half the firefighters are pursuing certification. But if two or more

When police arrived at

Horton's residence on Main

Street, Horton's body was found

with a 10-inch long butcher knife sticking from her head.

during the autopsy report said

that "517 HARVARD CUT-

LERY" was engraved along the

house where Fields and his

Police later searched the

wooden handle of the knife.

Murder

inspect.

one department's share of money.

Under the bill by Sen. Katie Stine, R-Fort Thomas, merging departments would lose no funding for three years. A new department would get \$16,500 per year if formed from two departments and \$24,750 if

p.m. and from which Fields had

allegedly stormed in a rage, and

found a set of kitchen knives

which matched the brand found at the murder scene. The set was

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would decrease after that but never be less than \$12,250. The money is from a surcharge on insurance policies.

Smith, of Erlanger, said Kentucky has 22,000 volunteer firefighters in nearly 800 departments. Attracting new firefighters is increasingly difficult because the work is more dangerous, and the training is more rigorous and time-consuming. "It takes away from the people's lives," he said.

"The standards are so much higher now," Smith said. "And the type of fires you have now are so much different. ... You used to just stand outside and squirt water. Now you have to go in."

(The legislation is Senate Bill 66.)

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Garbage

of Pike County.

The road, although not paved, is, according to Scalf a part of 3358, but was primarily used as a route to a strip job in the area.

Floyd County School Board.

"We all use that road and I just can't see a single individual dumping this much garbage," Scalf said, standing alongside the roughly 30 to 40 bags of garbage. "I have my idea about how this got here, but I can't prove anything because I didn't actually see anything."

the area believe the garbage may have come from one of many Waste Management trucks contracted by Floyd County to assist in countywide garbage collection. His reasoning is based on the fact that his garbage wasn't picked up for nearly two weeks due to weather conditions which made the slim, one-lane road leading to his home impassable. This past Monday, Scalf said the county garbage truck came and picked up an impressive amount Scalf and other residents in of garbage from his home and

photo by Sheldon Compton

Johnson man killed in blast on construction

County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson signed a procla-

mation Tuesday as Community Education Coordinator for Floyd

County Schools Beverly Crisman looked on. The proclamation

proclaimed January to be School Board Recognition Month and

also expressed Thompson's appreciation to the members of the

The Associated Press

CANADA - A Johnson County man was killed Tuesday when he drove too close to a blasting site where crews are constructing a new section of U.S. 119 in eastern Pike

hours to remove Mollett from the pickup, which was covered with about four feet of rock.

"He probably suffocated underneath all of it." Morris

Morris said the truck was 25 to 30 feet from the blast locanon, a proximity confirmed by Kentucky State Police.

others which had accumulated in almost the last two weeks.

"I believe this truck probably got up in here and ran out of room," said Scalf. "He must have decided to go up there and dump what he had and then come back out for the rest."

Loaded with a possible answer to the mystery, Scalf contacted the office of Pike County Judge-Executive Karen Gibson, he said, and told them his theory. Afterwards, he was referred to Waste Department of Management for the county.

"I called them about it in Pike County because the area is officially in Pike County, you see," continued Scalf, whose property also rests in Pike County, despite the fact that, because of the water line set ups, he receives garbage collection through the Floyd County collection program.

According to Scalf, a marshal with the solid waste department had informed the family that he would come to the area and inspect the dumped garbage.

"No single person could have dumped that much garbage,"

(Thursday)," said May, "and after some review we determined that one of our trucks had for whatever reason unloaded part of their garbage there."

May said he then contacted the office of Waste Management. and informed them of the results of the inspection.

"I contacted Robert Baker with Waste Management and he assured me that it would be picked up before the end of the day," May said.

Danny Gibson, district manager at Waste Management, said the entire situation had left him at a loss.

"I just found out about it this morning (Thursday) and we've never had an issue like this before," said Gibson, "I've been in this business for 26 years and this is the first time something like this has happened.'

Gibson, who would not release the name of the driver. said his office was given inaccurate statements in the beginning.

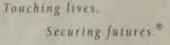
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seized and taken as evidence to Autopsy reports conducted on be compared to the murder Horton detailed that the five-inch weapon. metal blade had been pushed Fields, whose was murder through her skull flush with the conviction overturned following butt of the five-inch long handle. a Supreme Court ruling, will now Additional information provided

appear for a status conference before the Floyd County Circuit Court before Judge Caudill on Jan. 31.

Trial has been tentatively set for February, pending jury selection.

James H. Mollett, 56, of Staffordsville, was pronounced

dead at the scene. Mollett, an employee of Eastern States Oil and Gas Co., was in a pickup truck shortly after 1 p.m. when personnel for Elmo Greer and Sons Inc. of

London detonated a blast. 'They didn't know he was there ... and the blast covered him and the truck both," said Pike County Coroner Charles Morris.

Crews worked nearly four

Waste

homeowners to install septic tanks and various other forms of sewage treatment, including wetlands when they're the best option.

That's being done in an effort to stop homeowners from running pipes straight from commodes to creeks. Kentucky has an estimated 36,000 so-called straight pipes. and some streams have become so fouled with fecal bacteria that swimming is discouraged.

In the past month, PRIDE has given \$13.8 million to communities across eastern Kentucky to install sewage lines to help curb the problem. The money is intended to help extend sewer lines to more than 2,200 households, most of

Sara George, spokeswoman for the Kentucky Department of Highways, said workers at the scene followed safety precautions before detonating the blast. That included three bursts from a siren.

"We've confirmed everything was done according to the book." she said.

The construction site runs parallel to the existing U.S. 119 and is accessible by dirt roads at several places.

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which currently have straight pipes or failing septic systems.

Carter said the push for improved sewage treatment has resulted in more than 1,000 alternative treatment projects in Pike County alone.

The wetlands are effective, using the root systems of aquatic plants to pump oxygen to fecal-eating bacteria in the bottom of plastic lined pools, Carter said. He said sewage going into the wetlands gets some below ground treatment in conventional tanks before the plants take over.

"It doesn't work in every case, but for homes and most commercial applications in this area, it would be effective," Carter said.

said Tanya Hunt, Scalf's daughter. "He was so full when he ran that week that he apparently just had to find somewhere to dump it and so he dumped it there."

The four-foot high stack of garbage begins along the side of the dirt road and spills over into a nearby ditch.

"He didn't even bother to put it in the ditch," continued Hunt. 'It looked like he just dumped it right in the road and then some just happened to spill over there.'

Neither Scalf nor his daughter knew who ran the route that crossed into that section for the county pickup, but were sure that the garbage was from Floyd County after taking it upon themselves to do some reluctant inspections of the pile's contents. Within the array of waste along the road, one ripped bag of garbage revealed a clump of discarded letters all addressed to Floyd County residents most addressed to nearby Cow Creek.

This was taken into consideration as solid waste officials from both Floyd and Pike counties went on site yesterday to inspect the dumped garbage. Among those present were Floyd County solid waste coordinator Jim Redrick and county disaster and emergency services director Lon May.

"I worked with the Pike County solid waste coordinator

driver was in the area, we didn' get an answer right away," said Gibson. "It wasn't until after lunch that the driver admitted to dumping up there ... I was just in shock. I even contacted other areas and asked and they said they've never had anything like this happen."

Gibson said as soon as the matter was settled and it was determined that their driver had dumped the garbage, he was "terminated immediately."

Judge-Executive County Paul Hunt Thompson was in disbelief Thursday.

"We spend a lot of this money to clean up the county and then something like this happens," said Thompson. "It's unbelievable. It's absolutely unbelievable."

Thompson said because the garbage was dumped in Pike County, taking the matter out of Floyd County's jurisdiction, that there would probably be no citation issued to Waste Management and that the matter would be left to Pike County to consider.

As of late Thursday evening, the garbage along the roadway had been cleaned up, according to Gibson.

"I told them to go up there with a broom and sweep up a layer of dirt," said Danny Gibson. "I was notified about an hour ago that it had all been cleaned up."



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THE FLOYD COUNTY TIMES

Fellow students had concerns about alleged law school shooter

by CHRIS KAHN Associated PRESS

GRUNDY, Va. - The expelled law school student accused of killing his dean and two others in a campus shooting

spree was so paranoid and prone to outbursts that at least one classmate said he saw the violence coming.

At Thursday's arraignment on three counts of capital murder. Peter Odighizuwa, 43, told the

Two die in separate **Johnson wrecks**

by SHELDON COMPTON STAFF WRITER

Two fatal traffic accidents occurred in Johnson County Wednesday, claiming the lives of two men and leaving one injured.

Wednesday morning at roughly 6:30 a.m., Can S. Taylor, 71, of Paintsville, was pulling out of Steephill Road onto U.S. 23 south when he pulled his 1996 Ford Explorer into the path of James L. Ferguson, 23,

Ferguson was traveling northbound in a 2002 Peterbilt tractortrailer loaded with coal.

Taylor was pronounced dead at the scene at 6:52 a.m. by Johnson County Deputy Coroner Bill Robinson.

Ferguson was treated and released at the Paul B. Hall

Medical Center. Later that evening, at 7:15 p.m., another fatal car accident occurred in Johnson County resulting in the death of a Hager Hill resident, 18-year-old Tony R. Southern.

According to reports from the Kentucky State Police, Southern was traveling on Route 149 on Rockhouse Road when he failed to successfully take a curve and struck an embankment.

Southern was pronounced dead at the scene by Johnson County Coroner J.R., Frisby,

Both accidents are still under investigation by the Kentucky State Police.

Governor announces OxyContin

legislation and task force final actions

judge he was sick and needed help.

T was supposed to see my doctor," Odighizuwa said, hiding his face behind a green arrest warrant. "He was supposed to help me out ... I don't have my medication."

Police say Odighizuwa opened fire with a handgun at the Appalachian School of Law on Wednesday, a day after he was dismissed from the school for a second time.

Dean L. Anthony Sutin and Professor Thomas Blackwell were slain in their offices and student. Angela Dales, 33, died later at a hospital. Three other students were wounded.

Prosecutor Sheila Tolliver said she will seek the death penalty.

Odighizuwa also faces three counts of attempted capital murder and six weapons charges. A few minutes before his arraignment, Odighizuwa told reporters as he was led into the courtroom, "I was sick, I was sick. I need help."

Police said Odighizuwa was evaluated and given medication in jail, but declined to identify the drug.

On Thursday, students wept in small, shivering circles, many of them wondering about the classmate who always seemed aloof

and was prone to vulgar outbursts. Kenneth Brown, 28, said his friends always joked that Odighizuwa was one of those guys who would finally crack and bring

a gun to school. "He was kind of off-balance," Brown said. "When we met last year, he actually came up and shook my hand and asked my name. Then, like five minutes later he came back and said, 'You know I'm not crazy, but people tick me off sometimes." Out of the blue."

Zeke Jackson, 40, said he stopped trying to recruit Odighizuwa for the school's Black Law Students' Association after Odighizuwa sent the dean a letter complaining that Jackson was harassing him.

"I knew he'd do something like this," Jackson said.

Odighizuwa was arrested on Aug. 15 for allegedly assaulting his wife. The police report said he hit her in the face, bruising her right eye.

Police said Odighizuwa repeatedly approached them with concerns about people breaking into his house on the outskirts of this small town in western Virginia.

Chief Deputy Randall Ashby said Odighizuwa told police last year that someone placed a bullet



photo courtesy of Bluefield Daily Telegraph

sense," said Mary Kilpatrick, a

third-year student, wondering

aloud why Odighizuwa would kill

the dean. "He's the one who

allowed him to stay here."

"I was sick. I was sick. I need help," Peter Odighizuwa told reporters as he was led into a Grundy, Va., courtroom to answer charges he shot six people during a rampage at the Appalachian School of Law, killing three.

in a stairway at his home. Three months ago, he complained again that his home has been broken into.

"Both times my deputies checked it out and found nothing," Ashby said.

Odighizuwa also regularly visited the sheriff's office to nitpick with deputies over the wording of the police reports he'd filed, Ashby said.

Despite Odighizuwa's problems, the dean and others tried to help him through school. Last year, Sutin raised enough money to buy Odighizuwa a used car, clothes and food, according to students and staff.

Chris Clifton, the school's financial aid officer, said Sutin also helped get Odighizuwa a \$19,000 loan last fall.

Odighizuwa, a naturalized U.S. citizen from Nigeria, had been struggling in school for more than a year and had been dismissed before. His grades were poor again last semester, and school officials told Odighizuwa on Tuesday that

they were flunking him. "I don't think Peter knew at this time that it was going to be permanent and final," said Clifton, the financial aid officer. "He slung his chair across the room and slammed the door."

The next day, after the rampage, witnesses say Odighizuwa left the building, dropped a gun and was tackled by several students.

Felony charges in connec-

Walters was lodged in the

tion to the arson charges were

Floyd County Detention Center

after being arrested Wednesday

under a \$500 cash bond and a

court order to stay at least 500

feet away from her mother.

"That's what doesn't make

Walters

time.

Walters was given examinations after a series of apparent suicide attempts while being held at the Floyd County Detention Center. Officials at the jail said Walters had allegedly fashioned makeshift weapons and attempted to harm herself, as well as several other instances during which

Patton keeps promise with black lung

IOT.

(Frankfort, KY) Governor Paul Patton held a press conference to announce legislative proposals and recommendations from the OxyContin Task Force. "Now more popular than marijuana and cocaine, particularly in Eastern Kentucky, the illegal use of OxyContin has reached nearly epidemic proportions," Governor Patton said,

Governor Patton created the OxyContin Task Force after "Oxyfest", a drug round up (February 6, 2001) in which over 200 individuals were arrested for buying or dealing in Oxycontin. Immediately after "Oxyfest", Governor Patton created the Oxycontin Task Porce and mendations for a plan of action. State Police Commissioner Ishmon Burks as chairman. The Governor also indicated that since Oxyfest, preliminary numbers show 1145 criminal charges have been Electronic Reporting system), made in connection to OxyContin.

Today professionals, prosecutors, law enforcement and many others. Commissioner Burks stated that the first meeting was to allow members to address situations and concerns that were unique to their specialty or profession. The first meeting also began with the purpose to provide a plan of action that would, through enforcement, education, legislation and treatment, would eliminate the illegal use of Oxycontin.

The second meeting of the Task Force was held in April, in which members were divided into subcommittees according to their expertise or interest and were allowed to make recom-The recommendations were focused into four specific areas: legislation, education, K.A.S.P.E.R. (Kentucky All Scheduled Prescription and enforcement.

rent legislative session. This legislation would require a pharmacist to verify the identity of anyone presenting a prescription for a controlled substance. Pharmacist would verify whether they know the person or that the identity was verified by way of a photo ID. Thumbprints would be taken from those without a photo ID.

Commissioner Burks also described the need to enhance computer system the K.A.S.P.E.R. Burks stated that Governor Patton had agreed to use existing resources to begin upgrades that would improve the quality and timeliness of information that could be provided to health care professionals and police officers who were conducting an official investigation. Currently, information captured by K.A.S.P.E.R. may be a month to six weeks old. Under the proposed refinements, online information would be no more than two weeks old, making the results of inquiries much more current.

that are currently being put into action. The Kentucky Medical Association, Kentucky Board of Licensure, the Medical Kentucky Chapter of American College Emergency of Physicians were all making appeals to their members. They all agreed to educate physicians about the utilizing K.A.S.P.E.R. to its' full potential and cautioned physicians about patients who "Doctor Shop" in order to obtain prescription drugs. They will also educate patients and their families on medications prescribed.

Kentucky State Police Commissioner Ishmon Burks described how KSP had reorgamized and created a new "Drug

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later dismissed.

Oxycontin Task Force was held March 1, 2001 with membership Representative Robin Webb and including legislators, health care

Commissioner Burks The first meeting of the described new legislation that will be sponsored by will be presented during the cur-

Burks described other recommendation from the Task Force

is Feb. 15, 2002. People who

believe they are entitled to ben-

efits from a Holocaust-era poli-

cy should submit their claims to

the International Commission

before that date," she said. The

commission was created in

1998 to locate beneficiaries and

help them make claims on

unpaid dowry, education or life

insurance policies purchased by

victims of the Holocaust. There

is a searchable database con-

Control" branch. "With this new branch, KSP will have the ability to concentrate officers quickly in any part of the state in order to respond to illegal drug trafficking. We will bring officers into communities where typical enforcements techniques are not working." Burks also described new initiatives the Drug Control Branch will be using to educate the public.

Holocaust insurance claim deadline February 15

FRANKFORT — Holocaust Commission on Holocaust Era "The deadline for filing claims with

survivors and their heirs should Insurance Claims (ICHEIC), be aware that time is running said Janie A. Miller, commisout to file insurance claims sioner for the Kentucky International Department of Insurance.

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taining the names of potential claimants online at the International Commission's Web sile http://www.icheic.org/ The fact that a name appears on a published list is not a guarantee of payment. However, inclusion on list suggests that a policy was in effect during the relevant period (1920-1945), and that the policy may not have been paid.

There is no charge for filing a claim and it is not necessary to hire a lawyer. Claim forms may be obtained by calling the International Commission tollfree at (800) 957-3203 or visiting the commission Web site. Lists of Holocaust-era policyholders are still being produced by participating insurance companies and the commission Web site is updated regularly. Additional lists are expected should an agreement with nonparticipating companies be reached. ICHEIC established a two-year window for the filing of claims, as well as relaxed standards of proof to provide claims payments without full documentation. Provisions are also in place to provide benefits for those with claims against companies no longer in existence or companies that were nationalized under communism. Twelve claims have been made by Kentucky residents as of Dec. 7, 2001. The national total is 20,116.

About ICHEIC

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The International Commission on Holocaust Era Insurance Claims was established in 1998 by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC) in cooperation with several European insurance companies, European regulators, representatives of several Jewish organizations and the State of Israel. The commission is charged with establishing a just process that will expeditiously address the issue of unpaid insurance policies issued to victims of the Holocaust.

legislation for miners

in his State of the Address. Commonwealth Governor Paul Patton today announced legislation to broaden black lung benefits for coal miners - one of his top initiatives for the 2002 General Assembly.

Patton made it clear last week during his address to a joint session of the House and Senate that he would be presenting a legislative package aimed at fairness for coal miners with black lung.

"My proposal is not a return to the open-ended black lung program that operated before 1996," he said. "It's to train discased coal miners for another occupation after they've contracted the disease but before they've become totally disabled,"

To take the position miners have to continue to work until they have become disabled and their life shortened before they can receive training for another occupation is "ridiculous and inhumane," he said. In December 1996, the legislature, at the Governor's request, made substantial changes in the black lung program to curb the excesses of the program that, according to Patton, was threatening the very existence of the coal industry in Kentucky. In the 2000 session, Governor Patton asked the legislature to make adjustments to the entire workers' compensation program to correct problems that had come to light since the 1996 revisions. The legislature adopted most of Patton's recommendations except those relating to coal workers' pneumoconiosis, more commonly referred to as black lung. In the 2001 session, Patton filed a bill addressing those provisions not adopted by the legislature a year earlier, but the measure never made it out of the Senate after clearing the House. Patton's current legislation, to be sponsored by Rep. Greg Stumbo, D- Prestonsburg,

FRANKFORT - As promised is a mirror image of the 2001 proposal. It seeks to lower medical thresholds for black lung awards to include simple CWP (Coal Workers Pneumoconiosis) as being compensable for a retraining incentive benefit. Pulmonary impairment would no longer be a requirement for certain retraining incentive benefits.

Other aspects of Patton's legislation include:

Reconsider claims made after HB 1 of 1996 to the present under the new standards and extend the time allowed for the filing of post HB 1 claims to 12/12/2003.

Provide a presumption that the cause of pulmonary impairment for miners with 15 years of service in the mines, that have black lung, is the exposure to coal dust.

Provide that miners 55 years of age or older may take advantage of a permanent partial award in lieu of a retraining benefit.

Reconsider pre-House Bill I claims, which were evaluated by the university doctors and denied due to the x-ray interpretation by having two B readers interpret the x-rays filed on the claims.

Allow retraining benefits to be extended in time, but not amount, for those who want to attend school part-time rather than full time.

"I have worked as much on this issue as any issue I have addressed since I became governor," Patton said, "The health and fair compensation of injured coal miners is of the highest priority to me but I am equally concerned about their jobs. I have done my very best to be fair to both sides. This adjustment is necessary to do that. I will be urging the legislature to pass this bill this session."

For the Record

MARRIAGES

Lisa Rochelle Oiler, 30, to Eddie Evans, 32, both of Marion, Ohio. Tami Lea Roark, 25, of Harold,

to Gregory Bruce Patton, 30, of Hueysville.

Sheliah Rhayne Hall, 42, to Clarence Edward Kidd, 62, both of Dana.

LAWSUITS

Community Trust Bank N.A. vs. Robert A. Evans; complaint.

Leslie Setser vs. Dennis Jason Keathley and Allstate Insurance; complaint.

Ida Hunter vs. Billy R. Hunter; petition for widow against husband's devisees.

Stacy Stanley vs. Michael Stanley; petition for child support and health care insurance.

Myrtle Jones vs. Caudice Hall; petition for child support and health care insurance.

Palestine Hall vs. Steve Spriggs; petition for child support and health care insurance.

Susan Smith vs. Herbert Smith; petition for child support and health care insurance.

Lisa Bentley vs. Rosetta Webb; petition for health care insurance. Susan Yonts vs. Billy Yonts; petition for health care insurance.

Barbara Taylor vs. Derwin Taylor; petition for health care insurance.

Morgan Joseph vs. Earleena Hunt; petition for health care insurance

Angela Goble vs. John Goble; petition for child support and health care insurance.

Karen Elkins vs. Clarence Prestonsburg, criminal trespass-Elkins; petition for health care insurance.

CHARGES FILED

Teddy D. Hatfield, 38, Hardy, improper registration plates, disregarding a stop sign, two counts of disregarding a traffic control device, reckless driving, two counts of failure to wear a seatbelt, no registration receipt, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol or drugs, speeding, possession of an open alcoholic beverage container in a motor vehicle. no insurance, first-degree fleeing/evading police, failure to register transfer, improper turn on a divided highway.

Mitchell L. Moore, 31, Beauty, operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or drugs, fleeing/evading police, reckless driving, driving on a DUIsuspended license, three counts of failure to wear seatbelt, improper passing, failure to or improper signal, refusal of breath/blood/urine test

Wilson Guerra, 20, Paintsville, theft by unlawful taking.

Randall L. Caudill, 20, Melvin, first-degree wanton endangerment, driving on a DUI suspended licenses, improper registration plates, no insurance.

Tammy Lee Artrip, 30, Colton, Calif., fugitive/governor's warrant.

43. Poston, Sherman McDowell, alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct. 25. Shannon Adkins,

ing. Rose Hall, age unlisted,

Prestonsburg, parent failure to send child to school.

Terry M. Johnson, 46, Melvin, parent failure to send child to school

Rodney Hall, 34, Craynor, selling simulated controlled substance.

Shane Eric Brown, 30, give false McDowell, name/address, resisting arrest, disorderly conduct, criminal mischief, terroristic threatening.

Christopher Jason Hall, 23, Kite, criminal trespassing, fourthdegree assault.

Shane Brown, 30, McDowell, harassment, terroristic threatening. Lanita B. Smith, 36, Elkhorn

City, alcohol intoxication. William H. Pack, 46. Pikeville,

fourth-degree assault. Williams, 46. Adis

Salversville, alcohol intoxication. Roger Maynard, 43, Beauty, alcohol intoxication.

Paul H. Maynard, 49, Waverly, Ohio, alcohol intoxication.

Claude M. Mills, 32, Beauty, alcohol intoxication.

Frankie D. Hatfield, 36, Ransom, alcohol intoxication.

Walter Fick, 32, Melvin, alcohol intoxication.

Melinda D. McGhee, 31, Allen, possession of a forged drug prescription.

Larry Reed, 48, Beauty, alcohol intoxication.

Kenneth W. Patton, 43, fourth-degree Prestonsburg,

Dalton K. Sammons, 20,

Hippo, violating a protective order. Michala M. Walters, 18, Prestonsburg, fourth-degree assault

INSPECTIONS

W.D. Osborne Elementary, Bevinsville, regular inspection. Violations noted: Holes in stall walls of boys' restroom, lights out in the girls' restroom in the gym and laso in the art room, window panes in several rooms noted to be dusty, crack under exit door next to the library in excess of 1 1/2 inch. Score: 89.

The Piarist School, Martin, regular inspection. Violations noted: Some lights out in the boys' restroom, room 401 has a hole in the wall behind the book shelf, ceiling tiles are discolored due to water change in various parts of the school, exit door on the upper end of building has an opening at the bottom that is roughly 1/2 an inch. Score: 88.

Taco Bell, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Can opener blade has a slight buildup of encrusted food and needs to be cleaned on a more routine basis, hand wash sink in food preparation area has no hand drying devices provided, several floor tiles missing around the threecompartment sink, light shields in food preparation area in disrepair, coats observed stored on food equipment storage racks, santizing solution at the three compartment sink was found to be over in violation. Score: 88.

Pizza Hut, U.S. 23, regular inspection. Violations noted: Thermometers in topping unit not easily visible, absorbant material used to store clean galsses also baking pans not inverted, waste receptacle need to be covered, hair restraints not in use by all staff involved in food preparation. Score: 95.

Vito's, Auxier, regular inspec-Violations noted: tion. Thermometers in all units not easily seen, hair restraints not in use during food preparation, seals on reach-in damaged, clean utensils not stored inverted, single service items not inverted when stored, restroom not having self-closing doors, waste basket not covered. Score: 90.

Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Microwave rack needs cleaning, lights out in walk-in and dry storage. Score: 97. Martin Senior Citizens Center, Martin, regular inspection. Violations noted: Some food items in upright refrigerator units are not properly covered, no chemical test strips present, outside dumpster has no lids. Score: 96. Smith's Grocery, Ransom, complaint. Violations noted: No evidence of rodent dropping found in the establishment. No score given. Diary Queen, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Thermometers not easily

seen in all units, ice scoop stored in ice machine completely covered by ice, no soap located in men's restroom, mops found on floor not stored properly, hair restraints not in use by all employees preparing food. Score: 92.

Lake View Mart, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Seals on walk-in cooler damaged, some staff doing preparing food need to wear hair restraints. Score: 99 restaurant, 98 retail.

Skeans Shell Mart. Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: No thermometers found in all units, plumbing in restroom not properly installed on top sink, drain installed improperly, hand sink not properly set up with soap and towel. Score: 91 restaurant, 93 retail.

Brenda's Place, McDowell, regular inspection. Violations noted: Not all cooling units have easily seen thermometers, hair restraints are not being used in the food preparation area, inside microwave has minor amount of food buildup, some coolers and freezers have gaskets which are soiled, women's restroom commode has a cracked seat, one light is not shielded in the food preparation area. Score: 92.

Sam and Tonio's, Betsy Layne, regular inspection. Violations noted: Mop head observed store on the floor, food items stored in upright refrigerator and walk-in cooler not properly covered, lid of chest type freezer not closing properly, facility has no chlorine test strips, wiping cloth use not restricted and not stored in solution, food contact surface in need of more routine cleaning, nonfood contact surfaces of equipment and utensils in need of cleaning, sliverware should be stored with handles up, floor drains have no proper covering, handwash sink in food preparation area inoperable, floors in bad repair, walls ceiling in moderate disrepair. Score: 84.

Murphy's Restaurant, Martin, follow-up inspection. Violations noted: All items are back in compliance. No score given.

Osborne's Restaurant & Pizza, regular inspection. Violations noted: No hair restraints in use, several cooling units have door gaskets which are soiled, underside of the venting hood has a buildup of grease, outside garbage can has no lid, floors have debris noted: Inside of microwave has some food buildup. Score: 98.

Holiday Inn. Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Shelves in dry storage made of improper material, ice cream freezer has heavy buildup of food residue, soap missing from hand wash sink, covered waste can needs to be placed in restroom. Score: 96.

PROPERTY TRANSFERS

Orville Burke and Helen Sue Burke to Sheldon Berger and James Newsome, property located on Left Beaver Creek.

Thurman Akers to Teddy Ray Akers and Janice Akers, property located on Parsons Branch of Big Mud Creek.

Julie Hall to Hayes Hall, property located on Branham Creek.

Leonard Hall to Millie Mullins, property location not listed.

Claude Allene Isaacs, McKenzie Jr. and Martha McKenzie, Judy Peters and Robert Peters, Myra Mccoart and David McCoart, Rosemary Ramey and Darrin Ramey, James C. Hall and Kave Hall, Claude M. Newberry and Paula Newberry, Elvenia Combs and Bert A. Combs, Suva M. Music and Jerome Music to Michael Powers and Della Powers, property located in Auxier.

C.V. Waters and Hazel Waters to Amold Tumer Jr., property location not listed.

Mark, Boatwright and Hazel Boatwright to George E. Mastick, property located on Abbott Creek.

Claudith H. Walsh to Jerome Greathouse, property located in town of Auxier.

Hall & Hylton Development Inc., to Bear Hollow Subdivision Homeowners Association Inc., property adjacent to Bear Hollow.

Myles Gene Robinette to Pauletta Robinette, property located on Toler Creek.

Clinton Lafferty and Dorothy Lafferty. Willie Dean Lafferty and Linda Lafferty. Darvin Randall Lafferty and Sharon Lafferty to Bryon Marsillett and April Dawn Marsillett, property located on Big Sandy River.

Clinton Lafferty and Dorothy Lafferty to Melanie R. Lafferty, property located on Big Sandy River.

Melanie R. Lafferty to Bryon Margillett and Arril I Marsillett, property located on Big Sandy River.



Valentine's Day Greetings from Our Readers to Their Loved Ones.

Valentine's Day Special Edition Wednesday, February 13

Who do you love?

Of course, Valentine's Day has to do with sweethearts. But, it's not limited to romantic duos.

Above all, it's about love, caring deeply about another creature.

- -A girlfriend or boyfriend -A spouse
- -A son or daughter -A parent
- -An aunt, uncle, cousin or other relative -A brother or sister
- -A special friend who's been there through thick and thin, sickness and health, happy and sad
- -A dog, cat, horse, gerbil or some other critter who has made you feel loved

Tell us about the one(s) you love. Send a picture and a message and The Times will print it in a special Valentine's Day edition. Let him or her (or it) know how much you care. Cost: \$10 per picture. Deadline: 4 p.m., Thursday, February 7, 2002

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Message

Send photo and message to: Valentine Special Edition The Floyd County Times, P.O. Box 390 Prestonsburg, KY 41653

or drop off at The Floyd County Times 263 S. Central Ave., Prestonsburg

Public meeting outlines guidelines for upcoming **EKSC Science Fair**

For more information

about the East Kentucky

Science Center's region-

al science fair, visit the

Science Center's web-

site at www.wedo-

science.org; email eky-

science@setel.com; or

call the center at (606)

889-0303.

Let the competition begin. The tor of the Science Center. first East Kentucky Science Center Participants must be fourth through Regional Science Fair is slated for eighth grade students at schools in March 23, and the Science Center Floyd, Johnson, Martin, Magoffin will conduct a

tional meeting to help parents and teachers get stuprojects dent underway. The informational meeting will be held Monday. January 28, at 6:30 p.m. in the Pike Auditorium at Prestonsburg Community

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Cathy Neeley, the Science Center's education coordinator, and Solomon Kilburn, an educator and chairman of the Science Center's education committee, will inform parents about how to assist children preparing science fair projects. Neeley and Kilburn will also offer assistance to teachers who are involved in holding science fairs in their schools.

EKSC's regional science fair begins on the school level, according to Raymond Shubinski, direc-

buildup behind some equipment. wall/corners have some dust in the back storage room, both rooms in the back of the facility have one light each. Score: 93.

McDowell ARH Hospital, McDowell, regular inspection. Violations noted: Food in one freezer has ice buildup, mixer has some food buildup under the rim, meat slicer has some food buildup, floor has some debris noted in one freezer. Score: 95.

Viola Bailey Memorial Community Center, McDowell, regular inspection. Violations

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Shubinski said.

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be awarded at the regional event.

the public meeting on January 28.

Material aids, such as information-

al booklets for teachers and hand-

outs for parents, will also be dis-

tributed. Teachers will also receive

copies of the Center's Student

are available to do presentations at

participating schools or offer indi-

vidual assistance to educators

involved in the school science fairs.

Science Center representatives

Project Book.

Door prizes will be awarded at

added.

Marie Robinson and George E. Robinson to James S. Robinson, property located in City of Martin. James L. Robinson and Thomasine Robinson, to James S. Robinson, property located in City of Martin.

Naomi Dingus Combs to Clyde Combs Jr., property located on Left Beaver Creek.

Naomi Dingus Combs to Clyde Combs Jr., and Meredith Ray Combs, property located, mouth of Tom's Hollow.

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I can't imagine what these parents were thinking. It seems some of them weren't thinking at all, considering the irreversible and permanent mistakes they stuck their children with. It would be like naming your kid, Justin Case ... just in case it might come in handy someday, ha, ha. The problem is that it's no laughing matter. You're not naming your dog or cat, here. A person has to walk through life with the name you give them, unless, of course, they're rich and famous and arguably a few sandwiches short of a picnic and can change their name to The Artist, or some such nonsense. The rest of us, for the most part, have to abide by the rules, and those rules say that we shall not name our kids foolishly.

Make no mistake, naming kids is a serious business.

There is even an organization which hopes to bring to light some of the unfortunate trends that have developed in the naming of children. The partly tongue-in-cheek organization is called. The Institute for Naming Children Humanely. And if you think that's a silly reason to start an organization, you must not know Jack Schitt. He could probably give you at least two good reasons.

College Meeting facili-

Community Calendar

Calendar items will be printed as space permits

Editor's note: Due to rising costs and space limitations we will no longer be accepting items for our Community Calendar that contain a revenue-producing nature as of Monday, October 8. If your organization is holding a fundraising event, please contact our classified or advertising departments to announce your event. The Floyd County Times will continue its practice of posting meeting dates and public service announcements, up to seven lines of type. These submissions must be received in

writing no later than 5 p.m. Monday for Wednesday's publication, and 5 p.m. Wednesday for Friday's publication. Items may not be taken over the telephone. Community Calendar items are subject to editing according to space limitations.

Jenny Wiley AARP offers free tax service

AARP Tax-Aide volunteers will provide free tax assistance for elderly (60 and over) and low income persons at the Floyd County Library, each Tuesday, beginning Feb. 5, through April 9, from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Bring you last year's income tax return and current tax information.

2002 Girl Scout Cookie Campaign

Community Girl Scouts are

currently taking orders for the from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day. 2002 Cookie Sale event. Past favorites, as well as the new "Friendship Circle" cookie are all available at a minimal cost of \$3 per box. Locally, you may contact Phyllis Allison at 886-8271 to place an order, or call toll- free 1-800-475-2621. Thank you for supporting your local Girl Scouts.

AARP Tax Services

The AARP is currently seeking volunteers to undergo tax services training with the IRS. Volunteers are reimbursed for program-related, out-of-pocket expenses such as for mileage, postage and basic supplies. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, please plan to attend a training session that will be held at the Floyd County Library, Arnold Avenue, January 14-16,

Red Cross moves to new location

The American Red Cross, Big Sandy Area Chapter has moved to a new location. We are now located at the Big Sandy Area Developement District Building, 100 Resource Drive, Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653. Phone 886-8330.

Earn college credits before graduation

Don't let the lack of a high school diploma keep you from earning your college degree or diploma. Students who do not have a high school diploma or GED may still qualify for financial aid while attending college level courses. Contact Jennifer Leedy at Mayo Technical College for more information.



789-5321 extension 291.

PHS grads of 1992 plan

reunion

Prestons-burg High School are

now planning their 10th

reunion. Phone numbers and

addresses of all graduates are

needed. Please contact Alan

Quilt Guild to meet

The Nimble Thimble Quilt

Derossett at (606) 874-9514.

The 1992 graduates of

Mud Creek Clinic

A social security representative will be at the Mud Creek Clinic, Grethel, each Tuesday (except holidays) January, February and March. This representative will assist in filing retirement and disability claims, and survivors benefits, in addition to SSI, Black Lung and accepting applications for social security numbers.

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.

Attention Veterans!

The Kentucky Dept. of Veterans Affairs has moved their veterans field representative office from the Prestonsburg Courthouse to the Kentucky

National Guard Armory on Rt. 321 North, just outside of Prestonsburg. Services remain free of charge and phone number remains the same-(606) 886-7920.

"Looking for a Support Group?"

Laryngectomy Support Group - Meets ever 3rd Thursday of each month at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Medical Office Building, meeting room B. Further info, call Connie Clifton, (606) 886-2995.

Fibromyalgia Support Group-Meets first Tuesday of each month, at 6 p.m., at the Betsy Layne Senior Ciizens Building on Pke-Floyd Hollow Road, just above the Betsy Layne Fire Dept. For more info. call Sharon at 478-5224, or Phyllis at 874-2769.

Alzheimer's Association Caregiver Support Group-Meets on the second Tuesday of each month at the First Presbyterian Church (near Jerry's) at 7 p.m. For more info., call Dana Caudill at (606) 886-0265.

Depression Support Group-Meets every Thursday at 6 p.m., at the Allen Convention Center, Stumbo Park. For more information, call Tina at 874-0544.

The Ups of Down's Syndrome Support Group-Meets the 1st Sunday of each month from 2-4 p.m., at the Pikeville YMCA, beside the Pikeville Independent School. For more info., call (606) 377-6142, or (606) 478-5099.

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State park menus will include pond-raised catfish

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT - Menus at most of Kentucky's state parks will soon include catfish raised in ponds in the state.

The parks department recently bought 150 cases of catfish that will be served in park dining rooms by the end of the month, according to Roger Hisle, purchasing manager for state parks.

The parks have bought 2,200 pounds of catfish from the Purchase Area Aquaculture Association, a co-op of farmers that raises grain-fed catfish in more than 400 acres of water. That co-op and others were started to help the state's farmers, who have watched as the market for tobacco shrivel.

The Kentucky-bred catfish will replace basa, a fish imported from Vietnam. But Hisle said the pond-raised catfish will be limited to the menu, and won't be served on the parks' buffets. He said the buffet fish would be replaced by the catfish if the price becomes more competitive.

Dale Roberts, manager of the Purchase area co-op headquartered in Tri City, said the co-op pricing could drop through efficiency and growth of the organization. Currently, 56 members produce about 5,000 pounds of fish daily.

Along with the parks, state prisons have also agreed to serve the Kentucky-raised catfish.

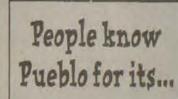
The state has put up \$4 million in tobacco settlement money to help farmers get started in aquaculture. Much of the money has gone to western Kentucky.

Agriculture Commissioner Billy Ray Smith said farmers

might also benefit from an additional \$25 million set aside by the state to help farmers find other products to compensate for declines in the tobacco market.

The state Department of Agriculture is planning a study to determine the size of the market for Kentucky fish, shrimp and other aquaculture products, Smith said.

"We don't really know how large the market potential is," he said. "It will help us in our marketing efforts and determine how much we can expand growing and production facilities."





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Commentary

by BILLY REED TIMES COLUMNIST

In Lexington, there are empty seats in Rupp Arena. unhappy crowds, and a lethargic team that suddenly is playing far below its potential. In

Louisville, the house is full every game, the joint rocks with joy, and the team



ing its lack of talent with grit, hustle. and effort. Only a few scant weeks ago.

is overcom-

when the Kentucky Wildcats drilled the Louisville Cardinals by 20 in Rupp Arena, who

could have imagined the way the hoops world would turn? But turn it has. Today those chants of "Tub-BEE, Tub-BEE" seem as to as much a part of the dim. long-ago past as the Big Blue boos for Rick Pitino. It's all about expecta-

tions.

The Cats went into the season thinking about winning the national championship. They seemed to have it all - experience, size, depth, versatility, coaching, and confidence.

But after a promising start that included a near-victory over top-ranked Duke, the Cats came unraveled in the

(See REED, page four)

Tickets

Tickets available for **UK** home games

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON - The University of Kentucky Wildcats are fresh off an 87-64 home win over the Ole



Bluegrass Winter Games registration deadline is Feb. 13

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON - What started as just as a once-a-year event has now grown into a twice-ayear thing. Shake off the winter doldrums and go for the gold, silver and bronze at the 2002 Bluegrass Winter Games.

The Winter Games will offer 13 sports, including cheerlead-

ing. The registration deadline contest will be held March 30. for most of the sports is Feb. 13. The deadline for the 5K road race is Feb. 22 and the registration deadline for cheerleading is March 15.

held the weekends of March 9-10 and March 16-17, Martial arts competitions will be held March 2 and the cheerleading

Registration booklets have been printed and distributed to our outlets," said George Milligan, executive director of the Games. "The main deadline Most of the Games will be for registration is now less than month away. a Besides martial arts and cheerleading, other sports included in this year's Games are basketball,

racquetball, bowling, chess, 5K road race, flag football, indoor soccer, disc golf, shooting, volleyball and fencing. Figure skating, ice hockey and power tumbling have been dropped from this year's list of sports

Entry booklets, which contain registration instructions, can

(See BGSG, page five)



Lady Eagles roll in rout over King

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

PIPPA PASSES - The King College women's team paid a visit to Alice Lloyd College Tuesday night as part of a men's-women's double-header. Both teams entered Tuesday night's contest with identical 8-10 records. And as the records would indicate, the two squads played dead-even through the first as both went into the intermission knotted up at 28. The host Lady Eagles came out in the second half and blasted visiting King en route to a 63-40 win. The victory pushed Alice Lloyd's season worksheet to 9-10. King - with the loss dropped to 8-11. The ALC women wiped the

(See KING, page five)

Blackcats

Friday

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Miss Rebels – one of C the better teams in the Southeastern Conference, Ole Miss is second only to Kentucky in SEC wins over the past six seasons. UK Coach Tubby Smith commented after the game, saying he was pleased with his team's performance except for the number of turnovers it. committed. The win improved Kentucky's season record to 11-4 (2-2 SEC). Ole Miss fell to 13-4 (2-2 SEC).

Tickets are available for Kentucky's home men's basketball games against South Carolina on Feb. 2 and Vanderbilt on Feb. 13. The tickets, which remained from UK's student ticket lottery, are \$17 apiece and can be purchased with a Visa or Mastercard at the Memorial Coliseum ticket office from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., or by calling 1-800-928-CATS, or at ukathletics.com.

Tickets for the UK-Alabama game on Jan. 26 are sold out. However, Prestonsburg High School is giving away tickets to the game. For more information on the ticket giveaway, call 886-2252.

AAU

Organization in developmental stages

A regional AAU girls' organization basketball could become a reality for Floyd County and other surrounding counties. Anyone interested in helping to form an AAU girls' basketball organization, i.e. coaches, directors, parents, should call Rick Hughes at 886-2232. The organization will be comprised of all different age groups. Upon interest in the organization, a meeting will then be scheduled.

Fourth quarter spurt lifts Paintsville over Raiders

Two teams could meet up in next week's All 'A'

by JAMIE HOWELL SPORTS WRITER

PAINTSVILLE - Tuesday night in Paintsville the South Floyd Raiders came calling on the Paintsville Tigers in a matchup of two of the top boys' basketball teams in the 15th Region. Both teams this night it would be no different.

are looking to make a strong push for this years State Tournament in Lexington and the gymnasium was buzzing with excitement for the game on tap.

Both Paintsville and South Floyd like the fast paced game and love to push the basketball up and down the floor, and on Unfortunately for South Floyd fans, in the end, the Raiders would come up short, losing 79-69.

South Floyd opened the game with a quick spurt and built a 10-4 early lead behind three-pointers from Tyler Hall and Josh Johnson. Paintsville struggled to find the range early missing seven of their

(See RAIDERS, page five)

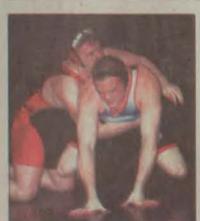
get back on winning track

Host Prestonsburg scores 83-69 win over Betsy Layne

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

The Prestonsburg Blackcats got big games from juniors Chris Kidd and Josh Allen Tuesday night en route to getting back on the winning track. The Blackcats hosted 58th District rival Betsy Layne and

(See BLACKCAT, page five)



Prestonsburg wrestling team hosts second event

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

The Prestonsburg High School wrestling team hosted Oneida Baptist Institute, East Carter, Lawrence County and Perry County

Central in grappling competition Thursday night. The Blackcats faced off against OBI, East Carter and Lawrence County but did not face

(See WRESTLING, page five)

Betsy Layne defeats Pikeville in All 'A' Classic

by JAMIE HOWELL SPORTS WRITER

PHELPS - Wednesday night the Betsy Layne Ladycats took a break from their regular season schedule to travel to Phelps for the Girls' All 'A' 15th Region Tournament. The Ladycats are one of the favorites to win the title, and on Wednesday night they broke open a tight game in the second half and went on to post the 73-55 win and move on to the

semi-finals on Friday night. Betsy Layne started slowly and trailed after one quarter, 17-13, as the Ladycats couldn't get their shots to fall. Pikeville had three players finish the game in double figures led by Dani Moore with 14.

The Ladycats would trim the lead to one at the half on the strength of hot shooting from Kim Clark and Kim Tackett. The Lady Panthers led at the half, 37-36, and

(See CLASSIC, page five)



EASTERN - Allen Central Coach Cindy Halbert is no stranger to close basketball games. As a matter of fact, she's coached in several, and also played in several back when she starred for the Belfry Lady Pirates

Free-throw shooting is often a necessity in the game of basketball and such was the case when the Lady Rebels dropped last Friday

night's game to the Betsy Layne

young talent. And as with most young talent, mistakes will often be made.

Close wins can be a very good motivational tool

With less than a second left in

(See LADY REBS, page eight)



troversial deal that was agreed to on Dec. 20.

baseball's other owners to approve the sale.

Expos' tranchise from Jeffrey Loria.

Capitol Hill critic of the sport said.

Associated Press Defensive Player of the Year.

to the Florida Panthers for three players.

and minor league prospect Tomas Malec

and 53 points, will be making his debut.

Australian Open in the second round.

loss to Argentina's Gaston Gaudio.

Committee forecasting at least 20.

be in the women's 3,000 meters.

BASKETBALL

AUTO RACING

speak clearly.

reached the third round.

Marta Marrero 6-3, 3-6, 6-1

OLYMPICS

heads the list of players added to the World Team.

3, 7-5, 3-6, 6-4 against Argentina's Juan Ignacio Chela.

York Islander Mark Parrish.

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BASEBALL

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Briefs

PHOENIX - Baseball owners voted to approve the purchase of the

Owners voted 29-0, with the New York Yankees abstaining, to t

BOSTON - The Massachusetts attorney general agreed not to

Henry offered \$660 million for the team, Fenway Park and the N

PHOENIX - In a move that could lead to the end of major league

Lona, a millionaire New York City art dealer, intends to buy th

PHOENIX - The Florida Marlins seemed set to get their third ow

sale of the Boston Red Sox to Florida Marlins owner John Henry al

ing another \$30 million for the state's charities. The deal cleared th

vision network - \$90 million less than the highest bid. Reilly was crit

deal, claiming that it shortchanged the charitable trust that owns 5

in Montreal by 2003, baseball owners said they are likely to buy

Martins and then sell the franchise back to the other 29 teams for

seasons after a group headed by John Henry was given approval Boston Red Sox Before he can close on his deal in Boston, Henry

out an agreement to sell the Marlins, the team he purchased in 19

NEW YORK - Baseball's labor counsel has agreed to allow th union to analyze the clubs' financial data for congressional review,

NEW YORK - The sack is a major reason why Michael Strah

Strahan, who set an NFL record with 221/2 sacks for the New Yo

RALEIGH, N.C. - Six-time All-Star detenseman Sandis Ozolins

The Hurricanes received defenseman Bret Hedican, center Key

NEW YORK - Jarome Iginia, the NHL's leading scorer, was sele

Iginia, the Calgary Flames right wing who leads the league with

Boston's Joe Thornton, who ranks second in points with 51, and

Enc Daze, second in goals with 26, will also make their debuts as

for the North American team. Other first-timers are Montreal go

Theodore, New Jersey's Brian Rafalski, Ottawa's Wade Redden

Washington's Sergei Gonchar, who leads all NHL defensemen i

MELBOURNE, Australia - American star Andy Roddick fell on a

No. 8 Pete Sampras lost his serve twice in the final set before

Arnaud Clement, last year's runner-up, sprayed shots wide and

No. 7 Tommy Haas and No. 9 Marat Safin, the 2000 U.S. Ope

Marcelo Rios, the 1998 Australian runner-up, and No. 23 Nicola

On the women's side, Belgians Kim Clijsters, the French Open r and Justine Henin, the Wimbledon runner-up, both advanced. No.

beat Austrian Barbara Schwartz 6-1, 6-1, and No. 6 Henin defeate

No. 10 Meghann Shaughnessy ousted Australian Bryanne Stewart

No. 7 Amelia Mauresmo beat Slovenia's Katarina Srebotnik 7-5

LAUSANNE, Switzerland - The United States expects to almo

SALT LAKE CITY - KC Boutlette, Jondon Trevena and Cather

Boutlette and Trevena qualified for the men's 5,000 meters and

TORONTO - Toronto Raptors assistant coach Stan Albeck, who

serious stroke last month, was discharged from the hospital and admi

a rehab center. Albeck, 70, was paralyzed on the right side and una

its 13-medal record haul at the Winter Games, with the U.S.

were added to the U.S. Speedskating long track Olympic team.

injured right ankle in a losing first-set tiebreaker and pulled of

North American reserve for February's NHL All-Star game in Los A

minor league prospect Byron Ritchie were traded by the Carolina H

earned a seven-vote margin over Chicago linebacker Brian Urlach

\$660 million, which will separate the Red Sox from the Yawkey nar

THE FLOYD COUNTY TIMES

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Toronto 92, Detroit 90 San Antonio 95, Weshington 91 Minnesota 97, L.A. Clippers 83

Charlotte 94, Chicago 86 Sacramento 109, Cleveland 102

Wednesday's games

Boston 101, New York 100 Taronto 109, Houston 103 New Jersey 111, Washington 67

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Portland 108, Phoenix 99 Miami 102, L.A. Lakers 96

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smaller market

Hornets owners aren't

worried about move to

by MARY FOSTER

ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW ORLEANS - The Charlotte Homets, hop-

ing to escape dwindling attendance and revenues

in North Carolina, are planning a move to a small-

"We are a perfect fit. We love New Orleans.

We're bringing a very good team here," co-owner

New Orleans' median household income is

Ray Wooldridge said Wednesday after meeting with Gov. Mike Foster in Baton Rouge.

er, less-affluent market in New Orleans.

Utah 95, Seattle 80

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Villa Madonna 48

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(Fayette County Invitational)

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Powell County 36

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CHICAGO CUBS - Agreed to terms with RHP Alan Benes on a minor league contract. MILWAUKEE BREWERS - Agreed to terms with 28 Eric Young on a two-year contract PITTSBURGH PIRATES - Agreed to terms with RHP Scott Service; SS Luis Garcia, LHP Sean Fesh, 18 Dave Post, 28 Randy Meadows and 28 Victor Rodriguez on minor league contracts ST. LOUIS CARDINALS - Agreed to terms with OF J.D. Drew on a one-year contract. SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS - Agreed to terms with C Scott Servais on a minor league contract.

FOOTBALL National Football League

HOUSTON TEXANS - Named Tony Marciano

NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS - Re-signed LB Tedy Brusch NEW ORLEANS SAINTS - Signed WR Hillon

Alexander, LB Roylin Bradley, RB Jelf Chaney, LB J.J. Jones, OL John Romero, G Chris Valetta, C Bruce Wiggins

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

CAROLINA HURRICANES - Traded D Sandis Ozolinsh and C Byron Ritchie to Florida for D Bret Hedican, C Kevyn Adams, D Tomas Malec and a conditional second-round 2003 entry draft pick. Assigned F Craig Adams to Lowell of the AHL DALLAS STARS - Traded LW Valert Kamensky to New Jersey for D Andre Lakos and future consider-

LOS ANGELES KINGS - Loaned D Jere Karalahti to Manchester of the AHL

NEW YORK ISLANDERS - Signed F Kip Miller and F Ted Donati

NEW YORK RANGERS - Claimed C Trent Whitfield off waivers from Washington, Reassigned RW Rico Fata to Hartford of the AHL

Auto racing

Pair of counties in Ohio studying indoor track

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WARREN, Ohio - Trumbull and Mahoning counties in Ohio will spend \$80,000 to study the leasibility of building an indoor NASCAR-style track near the Youngstown-Warren Regional Airport in northeast Ohio.

"This is a small step, almost a baby step, Trumbull County Commissioner Michael J. O'Brien said.

The indoor track had been planned since 1999 near Greater Pittsburgh International Airport, with Brant Motorsports of Morgantown, West Virginia,

financing the entire project privately Construction of the \$400 million facility was sidetracked by Federal Aviation Administration and environmental regulations.

Brant's plan is for a one-mile oval track with seating for more than 65,000 under a 16-hectare (40-acre) rool.

"If the feasibility study shows it is a workable project, then we can look to serious negotiations, said Gary Kubic, Mahoning County administrator "Otherwise, it is a moot point."

2001 was a whirlwind for Harvick

by KEN PETERS ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES - Last year was a whirtwind of fast laps, airplane flights, promotional appearances and roller-coaster emotions for Kevin Harvick, who suddenly had to take the wheel for a driver he knew was irreplaceable

Harvick was hand-picked by Dale Earnhand to succeed him someday on Richard Childress' racing team. Then, the young racer was abruptly thrust info that role when Earnhardt died in a crash at Daytona last February.

"I raced the whole Busch Series schedule, which is what I was going to do, raced the whole Winston Cup schedule, which is something I was scheduled to do for the first time this year," Harvick said. "So basically, we got two years of experience in one:

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\$38,800 a year, below the national average and below Charlotte's median income of \$51,000. New Orleans' television market, ranked 43rd nationally, would be the smallest in the NBA; Chanotte's TV market ranks 27m.

"I hear your comments about being the smallest market in the NBA," co-owner George Shinn said. "That's what I was told when I first brought the team to Charlotte, and we led the league in attendance. We're going to put forth the effort to lead the league here."

Shinn and Wooldridge said a deal could be announced Thursday or Friday, but Foster hinted that an announcement could come on his radio show Thursday, and officials at the New Orleans Arena called a news conference for Thursday.

Charlotte Mayor Pat McCrory said he was told by Mike Crum, director of operations management at the Charlotte Coliseum, that the learn applied to the NBA to move.

NBA officials did not immediately return phone calls seeking comm

A majority of the 29 NBA owners would have to approve the move.

Wooldridge said discussions with Louisiana included improvements to the 18,500-seat arena, which already is close to NBA standards, and state help in the sale of luxury box suites and season **bckets**

Jack Capella, a lawyer for the commission that runs the Superdome and the neighboring arena, believes the state and the owners are working on a memorandum of understanding that would be converted to a lease before April 1

Part of the deal, Capella said, would include using state construction money to expand the number of suites from 44 to 60, and expand locker rooms and a club area.

"This has been a very completely researched area," Wooldridge said. "We think New Orleans is more than qualified to be an NBA city and can support a learn."

The effort to sell lickets and suites would not be confined to just the city, Mayor Marc Morial

"We want you to know that the approach that we're taking is that this is going to be a team for southeast Louisiana, and for the entire state," Morial said.

Shinn met with his players Wednesday and told them the Homets "lost a lot of money. Something has to happen. He didn't say one way or the other," forward P.J. Brown said.

Coach Paul Silas said he and the players were trying to ignore the issue.

"We would like to have some sort of closure, but who knows when that's going to be?" Silas said "I'm kind of tired of the whole thing. We've got to win ballgames. That's what I want my players to concentrate on."

Last summer, the NBA approved a move of the Vancouver Grizziles to Memphis, the league's first relocation in 15 years. New Orleans lost the Jazz to Sall Lake City in 1979.

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vice president, employee and guest relations.

"Then, with the circumstances with Dale and everything that happened in Daytona, the microscope was on us."

It was all a blur for Harvick.

"I went to the race track, did an interview, did a press conference, won a race, did all that, and didn't really realize it," he said recently during a quick stop in Los Angeles for the Busch Series awards banquet. "I know that I won't ever take on as much in a year as I did last year, and hopefully I won't screw up as much. I got all that, screw-ups, positives, negatives. I matured a lot as a person

He sighed and added, "And I'm glad it's over." Harvick not only was busy, he was extremely successful.

It took just three races for him to take his first Winston Cup checkered flag, the quickest a driver nas won in NASCAR history.

After that triumoh at Atlanta, he waved three fingers - signifying Earnhardt's No. 3 - as he took the victory lap to the roaring approval of the crowd that had paid an emotional tribute to "The Intimidator" earlier in the day.

Harvick said he and his team, always with Eamhardt on their minds, were just trying to hold everything together and didn't really expect to win.

"We were at the track just going through the motions," he recalled. "When we won, none of us knew what to do, how to act. You're happy and sad and have all those different emotions going. After that win, it felt good again _ didn't feel great, but it felt better."

Along with his new Winston Cup duties for Childress, Harvick continued to drive in the Busch Series. By the end of the year, he had been in 70 races, the most by a driver in the modern history of NASCAR

He ran 36 times in Winston Cup, 33 In Busch and once in the Craftsman Truck Series. He won five Busch races and the series championship. He won twice on the Winston Cup circuit, linished ninth in the standings despite missing one race, and was named that series' rookie of the year.

Harvick, who turned 26 on Dec. 8, said everybody was supportive when he replaced Eamhardt.

"Everything's been positive from the first day," he said. "I think everybody realizes that we didn't ask to be in this position, still don't want to be, but it's something we just had to do because that's how we all eat, pay our bills. That's the only thing we've done all our lives and somehow Richard (Childress)

had to keep everything going at RCR." Harvick acknowledged that things will never be the same without Eamhardt.

"Every time you go somewhere he's done something. It brings back some kind of memory," he said. "And he's done so much at every race track."

Harvick is looking forward to this year since he has a year's Winston Cup experience, and his schedule obviously will be lighter than in 2001, with fewer trips around the track and lewer planes to catch.

"I'm going to race a lot, but everything is Winston Cup racing. Everything alse is for fun and trying to win a race," he said. "My biggest goal is to try to race for the Winston Cup championship. If we can finish all the races and linish on the lead lap in 90 percent of them, we should be in the hunt."

Harvick, who grew up driving go-carts in the racing holbed of Bakersfield, Calif., is an aggressive driver and already has been compared to Earnhardt, lagged with the nickname "The Instigator," while Earnhardt was called "The

"Like Ricky Rudd put it, I'm a bull in a china closet on the race track, and that's just me. That's something that will probably never change," said Harvick, who seems to be a rather reserved person who neventheless says what he thinks.

Harvick learned his hard-charging style from his lather, Mike, who often kept his intant son in a crib in his racing shop while he worked on cars in their hometown, the Bakersheld suburb of Oildale.

"It's part of my upbringing. From the time I linst raced, if I wasn't going fast enough or leading the

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Stewart puts turbulent 2001 behind him

by JENNA FRYER ASSOCIATED PRESS

Tony Stewart started last season by flipping his Pontiac down the backstretch in a wreck at the Daytona 500. It set the tone of a turbulent year of penalties, probation, politics - and, oh yeah, a career-best second-place finish in the standings.

With a new season set to begin, the slate is supposedly wiped clean. But with Stewart, one never can tell if it has been.

The biggest questions surrounding Stewart this season are: Can he forget about last year's tumultuous times? And, can he effectively learn how to manage his time - and his temper - in the future?

If the answers are "yes," then 2001 series champion Jeff Gordon thinks Stewart is probably the top contender to take his title away.

"I think his intensity is his best friend and it's his enemy at the same time," Gordon said. "There is nobody out there who is more talented and I don't think there is anybody out there who is more capable of winning races and championships.

"But I definitely see where there are things that get in the way of the focus at times.

Stewart understands that people believe his own temper and occasional lack of focus are the two biggest speed bumps blocking the path to his first-ever Winston Cup championship.

But he doesn't believe it, and points to the numerous championships he's won on other circuits most recently the 1997 Indy Racing League title - as proof. "If you win races, you can win

a championship, that's the way I look at," Stewart said. "It's not rocket science, there's no theories behind it. The guy who is the most consistent all year wins at the end."

Stewart, who set the mark as the most successful rookie in NASCAR history in 1999, has proven he can win races by racking up 12 victories in three sea-SOUS

But he's developed a reputation as a hothead who stands in his own way.

Last year alone, he spun out Gordon on pit road, argued with a Winston Cup official after an ontrack penalty, and knocked a tape recorder from a reporter's hands after the confrontation.

He butted heads with NASCAR over the required use of head-and-neck restraints and battled with the media and fans for the demands on his time.

He racked up \$20,000 in fines, spent most of the year on probation and alienated many people.

"It was a tough year," he admitted. "But it's over. And all I can try to do is learn from it, look at any mistakes I might have made and try to grow from them."

There's still some things that reporters seeking one of his scowl, and not by the bold fans Stewart never changes.

doesn't want be bothered. Not by phers quick to snap up a familiar

always candid and usually a little When at the track, Stewart colorful quotes, not by photogra-

"I feel when I look back on

my career, when others look

back on my career, my perfor-

mance in those offseason events

has no bearing on that," he

explained. "I could win every

one, I could finish last in every

one and it makes no difference.

don't have a bearing on one's

career; it's just a way to make

more money. I find that I can

better serve myself by taking

time off, recharging and getting

ready and getting my desire

Last year, he made \$4.4 mil-

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Mickelson had nine birdies

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this weekend.

The offseason events really

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Mickelson happy to be back

son" events.

by KEN PETERS ASSOCIATED PRESS

LA QUINTA, Calif. - Phil Mickelson returned to the PGA Tour rested and with lots of practice under his belt - and it showed

Back from a five-month break, he shot an 8-under 64 Wednesday to join a group one shot behind co-leaders Jay Haas and Brandel Chamblee after the first round of the Bob Hope Chrysler Classic.

"I'm excited to be back out and playing," said Mickelson, who took time off for the birth of his second child, a daughter, on Oct. 23.

He then extended his vacation from the tour by skipping season-ending Tour the Championship and the 2002 season-opening Mercedes Championships. This was his first competitive round since

"I didn't feel rusty." Mickelson said. "I've been playing and practicing. It's not like I took my first swing in five months. I've been using this time off as a way to improve my game away from the competitive atmosphere.'

and had 13 top-10 finishes last year, said he worked during the offseason on his game "from 150 yards in" and his tee shots.

I executed the swing change, the things that I wanted to in my swing, and hit a lot of good shots," Mickelson said. "I didn't feel like it was a struggle or a fight. I felt like I had birdie opportunities every hole."

who daringly asks for an autograph.

understand that he does, too. It's not as though Stewart doesn't try to do both. Although he was one of the chief complainers last year about the length of the season and how draining it

this winter to recharge. One of the busiest drivers on the circuit. Stewart limited himself to one break - a five-day trip to the Bahamas in December -He has never had much interand estimated it was his first vacaest in the so-called "silly seation since he was a young child.

He understands everyone has a

job to do, and wishes they'd

was, he's taken almost no time off

Then it was off to appearances, autograph sessions, test sessions, sponsor obligations and the many other races he squeezes into his schedule, leaving him with roughly five free days before he heads to Daytona next month for the start of the season.

It doesn't stop then, either. He visits an average of 25 Home Depot stores all over the country during the season, meeting the associates who sponsor his Joe Gibbs Racing car and greeting the fans who line up outside the store hours before his scheduled arrival. And he tries to remain true to

his short-track roots, racing in about 35 other events a year aside from NASCAR. He's also a hands-on owner for his sprint car

team, which won the World of Outlaws championship in its first season.

At every stop, he shows the charm and personality that is often lost at the track.

He spent a recent afternoon laughing and joking with a camera crew that was shooting a video of him answering trivia questions that will be used on his souvenir truck at the tracks.

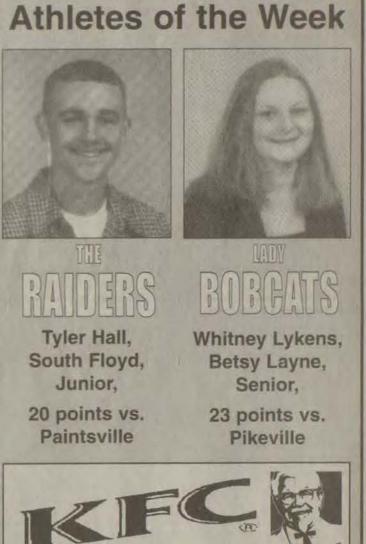
He slipped into a phony Italian accent when talking about crew chief Greg Zipadelli and came up with quips and one-liners to answer other questions.

Stewart tried to show NASCAR that side of him at its annual awards ceremony in December. Midway through his nationally televised speech, Stewart removed his tuxedo jacket to reveal a head-and-neck restraint he'd been wearing all night as a way to poke fun at his earlier reluctance to wear one.

The prank drew a rousing applause and hearty laughs from NASCAR's brass.

"Everything I heard about that was positive," Stewart said. "People didn't know I could be funny, but I can be. I'm not a bad guy, I just want to win and do my

"If I was always relaxed and having fun and joking with the fans, I bet I wouldn't be a very good race car driver."







South Floyd center Charles Ray

SEC BASEBALL

Slocum, Kirk Triplett, Glen Hnatiuk and John Senden. J.P. Hayes, who tied a tour record with eight consecutive birdies, was in a group at 65, along with Mark O'Meara and Corey Pavin.

Mickelson, who said he enjoyed the time off with his family, expects to take a long break again at the end of this year, although it probably won't be for five months.

"I will play the Ryder Cup, the Tour Championship and maybe one other event," he said

week's winner in Hawaii; Heath wife for the birth of their fourth child, shot a 68.

> Most of those on the leaderboard - including Haas, Chamblee and Mickelson played at Tamarisk Country Club, one of the four desert courses used for the tournament. Hayes' eight consecutive birdies, however, came on the Palmer Course at PGA West.



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Coaches pick LSU to ' win SEC baseball title

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

The LSU Tigers are the favorite to win the Southeastern Conference Baseball Championship, as voted by the league's 12 baseball coaches in the 11th annual preseason SEC poll

The Tigers seek to capture their 13th SEC Championship, having won or shared the title twice in the past six seasons (1996 & 1997), LSU is also the defending SEC Western Division Champion. Since 1996, the SEC has named a regular season champion as well as a tournament champion. Prior to 1996, the tournament champion was considered the SEC Champion.

In the overall SEC Champion vote, LSU received nine of the 12 championship votes in the poll. Ole Miss received two votes, while Alabama received one.

In addition to picking a preseason SEC champion, the league's head coaches voted a predicted order of finish in the SEC Eastern and Western Divisions. In the Eastern Division, South Carolina was the favorite with 63 points. Florida came in second with 58 points with Tennessee third with 48 points. LSU was the predicted winner in the Western Division with a total of 69 points, Ole Miss was second with 54, while Mississippi State, last season's SEC Tournament Champions, finished third with 45.

Points were compiled on a 6-5-4-3-2-1 basis for each division. Coaches were allowed to vote for their own team. Each coach also voted for one

team as an overall conference champion.

The 2002 season gets underway February 1 with the conference schedule set to begin the weekend of March 15. The 2002 SEC Tournament will be held May 22-26 at the Hoover Metropolitan Stadium in Birmingham, Ala.

Below is a complete look at the coaches' vote:

Eastern Division

| | Team | Pts. | '01 SEC Rec/Finish |
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| | 1. S. Carolina (10) | 63 | 17-13/3rd |
| | 2. Florida (2) | 58 | 16-14/4th |
| | 3. Tennessee | 48 | 18-12/2nd |
| 1 | 4. Georgia | 36 | 20-10/1st |
| | 5. Vanderbilt | 22 | 9-21/5th |
| - | 6. Kentucky | 20 | 7-23/6th |
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Western Division

| Team | Pts. | '01 SEC Rec/Finish |
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| 1. LSU (9) | . 69 | 18-12/1st |
| 2, Ole Miss (2) | 54 | 17-13/t2nd |
| 3. Miss. State | 45 | 17-13/t2nd |
| 4. Alabama (1) | 37 | 15-15/t4th |
| S. Auburn | 32 | 15-15/t4th |
| 6. Arkansas | 15 | 11-19/6th |

() - First Place Votes

SEC Champion: LSU (9); Ole Miss (2); Alabama (1)

EKU men break seven-game skid with win over IPFW

TIMES STAFF REPORT

It took 50 minutes of exciting, heart-pounding basketball, but Coach Travis Ford's Eastern Kentucky Colonels ended their seven-game losing streak with a 100-96 double-overtime win over IPFW at McBrayer Arena on Tuesday night.

EKU got double-doubles from freshman forward Michael Haney and junior guard Shawn Fields in producing its fourth win in 16 outings this season.

"I'm excited to talk about a win for a change." said a breath-

TENNIS

less Ford, who saw his team lose a 20-point lead midway through the second stanza that helped force overtime. "This team of ours deserves this win tonight. I'm happy for the guys.

"I am so proud of this young team and the way they stepped up in those overtimes. We hung in there. Most teams would have given up after losing a big lead like that. A lot of times we were playing four freshmen and a junior. I put Austin Newton (freshman point guard) in a difficult situation, and I thought he did a good job under the circumstances running the team."

After leading 35-27 at the break, EKU quickly inched the margin to 20 on two occasions, the last coming at the 10:20 mark when Eastern led 62-42. At this point, IPFW senior guard Nick Wise began hitting threepoint shots and along with a couple of missed Colonel shots and a couple of floor errors, the Mastodons had outscored

EKU 25-8 to only trail 70-67 with 1:05 left in regulation.

"With the three-point shot, you never out of a game," said a relieved Ford. "They started

Venus shows fire, wins despite injury

by PHIL BROWN ASSOCIATED PRESS

MELBOURNE, Australia -Hobbled by a sore left knee, Venus Williams still managed to avoid an upset. Unlike the top five players in the men's draw and her sister, Serena, she survived to play a third round at the Australian Open.

"God has blessed me to get through this round," Williams said after a 6-3, 6-4 victory Wednesday over American Kristina Brandi, ranked 79th. It was her 22nd consecutive match victory and it did not come easily.

There were 36 unforced errors and seven double faults. but Brandi could not take advantage, "If I was playing maybe a top player. I think the chances would have been very slim," Williams said.

A year ago, Williams arrived in Australia as the reigning Wimbledon and U.S. Open champion. Then she played lackluster tennis and was drubbed 6-1. 6-1 in the semifinals by Martina Hingis.

This year, she looked fit and ready until her match against

Williams said she felt the

Open with a turned ankle from a warmup tournament in Sydney.

The men's side was missing its top five seeds unprecedented for the second round at a Grand Slam event _ and injuries were largely to blame.

The men's draw also lost its 10th-seeded player Wednesday, when Wimbledon champion Goran Ivanisevic fell 6-3, 7-6 (2), 5-7, 6-4 to France's Jerome Golmard. Ivanisevic had a massage on his sore left shoulder during the fourth set, but said the injury had nothing to do with losing.

"Sure I'm disappointed, but if I have fun like this on court, and give my best, I go proud," he added.

Third-seeded Andre Agassi, the 2000-01 champion, hurt his wrist in a warmup tournament and withdrew before the Open.

Top-seeded Lleyton Hewitt, weakened by chicken pox, and No. 2 Gustavo Kuerten, complaining of hip problems, lost in Australia's Mark Philippoussis. the first round.

On Wednesday, No. 5 Sebastien Grosjean lost 6-4, 3-6, 6-0, 5-7, 6-4 to Spain's Francisco Clavet. He said he had awakened the previous day with neck pains, and wasn't able to

fifth, dropped out before the shots into the court," he said after losing 6-3, 7-5, 6-3 to American qualifier Alex Kim.

> Kim said he hadn't expected many misses from SO Kafelnikov, but "I felt confident going into the match _ not that I was going to win, but that I was hitting the ball well and I think that I had a good shot.'

Kim, a former Stanford player ranked 234th, was in only his third match at a Grand Slam event. He lost to Agassi in the first round of the 2000 U.S. Open and won the first round here before playing Kafelnikov.

The exodus at the top left No. 6 Tim Henman as the highestranking survivor, although No. 8 Pete Sampras, seeking his 14th Grand Slam title, has become the betting favorite.

Henman advanced to the third round with a 6-3, 6-4, 6-1 victory over Vladimir Voltchkov of Belarus. Next up is another British player, Greg Rusedski, a 7-6 (7), 6-3, 6-4 winner over

Henman has reached the semifinals at Wimbledon three times, but never gone beyond the fourth round at any other Grand Slam event.

With less disarray in the

making those threes and that at 83 with four seconds left to Morehead State got 28 points definitely help key their comeback. They got the 'eye of a tiger' look and I knew we were in for it. You have to give IPFW a lot of credit too. They mad some big time shots and fought us hard the whole way."

After EKU's Richard Sadler hit 1-2 free throws with 37 seconds left putting the Colonels up 71-67, the Mastodons' Jeremy King hit a putback shot, cutting the lead to two at 71-69 with 24 seconds left. Just one second later, Fields was fouled but he could only make 1-2 charity tosses

to put the lead at 72-69. A Deangelo Woodall driving layup at 17 seconds left made it 72-71 Eastern.

The Colonels' Ben Rushing

was fouled at 14 seconds, but again could cash in only one of two free throws, set-

ting up Nick Wise's two free throws with six seconds left that sent the game into overtime,

tied 73-73. A would-be, gamewinning, off-balanced 14-footer by Fields hit the front of the rim and bounced away just before the buzzer.

Both teams scored 10 points in the first five minutes of extra play. Haney's two free throws at 13 seconds left put Eastern up 83-81 before a King tip-in tied it ence action from Tuesday night,

LITTLE LEAGUE

send it to a second and final overtime.

Wise opened the second extra period with a three-pointer, giving IPFW an 86-83 lead, but a Clinton Sims layup and a Fields driving 10-footer gave Eastern the lead back at 87-86. After two free throws by the Mastodons' King made it 88-87 IPFW.

Haney hit a follow shot to give the Colonels a lead they would never relinquish the rest of the night.

A Sadler dunk with 11 seconds left gave Eastern a seemingly insurmountable 98-93 lead, but IPFW's King nailed a straightaway three-pointer with five seconds left that put IPFW within two at 98-96. Rushing iced the game for the Colonels, hitting two free throws with four seconds left as the Colonels had eked out the victory.

Haney finished with his first collegiate double-double, notching a career-high 29 points and pulling down a game-high 15 rebounds. Fields, who earlier this season had a double-double, collecting 24 points and 12 rebounds at the University of Louisville, scored 22 points and snared 11 missed shots in 41 minutes of action.

In other OVC non-confer-

from Ricky Minard in an 86-73 win over Ohio Dominican. The Eagles shot 58-percent from the field to up their overall record to 8-7

EKU and Morehead State face off in Morehead tomorrow night.

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Little League site provides details on conducting background checks for Volunteers

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa. -Little League Baseball's Internet web site (www.littleleague.org) now provides local league administrators in the U.S. with recommendations for conducting background checks on its volunteers.

Little League is the world's largest organized youth sports program, with about 2.7 million baseball and softball players ages 5-18 in the U.S. There are about 1 million adult Little League volunteers in local Little Leagues, including managers, upper ranks of the women's coaches, umpires and league administrators. A new section of the Little League web site now lists recommendations from the attorneys general from most U.S. Four-time Australian Open states that responded to a champion Monica Seles, the request from Little League International Headquarters. The address is: champion www.littleleague.org/allabout/b ackgroundchecks.htm.

criminal background check in that state. The web site also includes information on whether individual states allow Internet users to search the state's database of sex offenders.

"Thankfully, incidents of sexual abuse of Little Leaguers by adult volunteers have been extremely rare," Stephen D. Keener, president and chief executive officer of Little League Baseball, said. "While we realize that no screening process can ever be 100 percent effective, we believe this will be a useful tool in helping our local

League Internet web site at: www.littleleague.org/allabout/c hildprotect.htm.

"At this point, not all of our leagues have decided to make background checks mandatory, but we recommend them in the strongest terms," Keener said. "There is a wide variety of procedures from state to state, and no regulation could cover them all adequately. Each individual local Little League should tailor their own system to the procedures allowed and recommended in their state, using the Little League background check information as a starting point."

knee injury "just about 20 minutes before the match. ... I guess I just had problems in the past, and sometimes old pain revisits you at the most inopportune times. I just feel like Serena wasn't able to play so I had to give it my all and just hang around a little longer.'

Serena Williams, seeded

hit properly. No. 4 Yevgeny Kafelnikov,

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the 1999 champion and 2000 runner-up, also talked of pain but just from the way he played, with 55 unforced errors.

"It was one of those days when I was so flat. I can't recall the last time I was having trouble playing three consecutive

draw, Hingis, seeded No. 3 and a three-time winner here, advanced with a 6-1, 6-2 victory over German qualifier Greta Arn.

eighth seed, beat Zimbabwe's Baseball Cara Black 6-1, 6-1.

Defending Jennifer Capriati has been wrapping a hip injured last week, No. 4 Kim Clijsters has had arm Mauresmo has had neck and shoulder complaint.

Venus Williams said that had her father. Richard, been here, he probably would have talked her out of playing Wednesday.

"I didn't say anything to my mom before I went, so it was a sneaky little thing," she added.

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Each attorney general was asked to provide his or her problems and No. 7 Amelie state's recommendation on the most effective way to conduct a

Reed

Cats came unraveled in the second half against Mississippi State and haven't been the same since.

The blew their 21-2 start against the Bulldogs and lost in overtime.

They got beat by a Georgia team that wins in Lexington about as often as Haley's Comet comes around. They played listlessly in a 51-50 win over South Carolina that should have been a loss. They appear to have lost their focus, their killer instinct, and their zest for the fray.

Who knows what went wrong? Did the Marvin Stone brouhaha have anything to do with it? Or what about Coach Tubby Smith's determination to keep junior Keith Bogans in the startling lineup even though Bogans is playing far below last season's level of competence?

Trust Smith to get to the bottom of the mystery and solve it. Given everything UK has going for it, the light could come back on as quickly as it went out. The Cats still have the potential to reach the Final Four. Maybe it's good that they're going through the inevitable slump now instead of later.

Of course, that will be a hard sell to those fans who are so unhappy that they're letting tickets go unsold. Not long ago, it was almost impossible to find a ticket whenever UK played in Freedom Hall. This year there were lots of empty seats for the

leagues prevent future tragedies."

The new information on conducting background checks through Little League's web site is part of the Little League Child Protection Program, which has been in place since 1998. The program gives advice to local league administrators on how to spot potential child abusers, educating the league on recognizing the warning signs of abuse. Details of the program are also available on the Little

Meanwhile, U of L fans are

enjoying the heck out of Pitino's

Bomblessbinos. The Cards can't

shoot a lick and they habitually

get killed on the boards. But

who cares? The fans love this

team for its effort. Win or lose,

the fans always get their

money's worth. As was the case

with Pitino's first team at UK,

this team is destined to exceed

Wednesday night's game at East

Carolina, the Cards needed only

four more wins in their remain-

ing 14 games to assure them-

selves a final 15-13 record and

a spot in the NIT, which would-

n't be able to resist the opportu-

nity to bring Pitino back to

Madison Square Garden, where

way would give the Cards 18

wins and probably put them on

the cusp of getting a low seed in

the NCAA tournament, espe-

cially if they can eke out a cou-

ple of wins against Cincinnati,

Marquette, Memphis, Indiana,

A 9-5 record, admittedly a

stretch, would give U of L 20

wins and almost certainly put

the Cards into the 65-team

NCAA field. Of course, none of

this speculations includes the

Cincinnati, where the Cards

will have a chance to pick up

tournament

in

and UNC-Charlotte.

another win or two.

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A 7-7 record the rest of the

he used to coach the Knicks.

At 11-3 heading into

Tulane game.

expectations.

Mr. Keener added that access to the Little League Background Check Database is not limited to chartered Little League programs.

"This program is available to anyone, anywhere, who has access to the Internet," he said. "Whether it's another baseball or softball program, or any other sport or youth activity, we want to share this information with anyone who has the best interests of children in mind."

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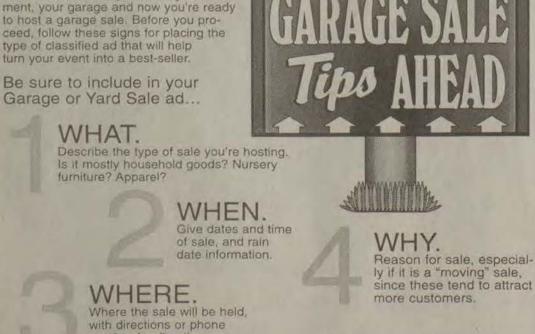
The appearance of Marvin Stone on U of L's bench for Saturday's win over TCU could be symbolic in a couple of ways. It indicates the new credibility and attractiveness that U of L has because of Pitino. It also could magnify the unhappiness and discontent that continues to swirl around the UK program.

Smith is under far more pressure than Pitino. Anything but a run deep into the NCAA tournament will be unacceptable to critics who believe he's over-rated as a coach. But Pitino is guaranteed a honeymoon that will last at least through next season. Eventually, he'll be expected to produce 20-win seasons and championships on a regular basis. For the time being, however, the fans are satisfied just to be having fun again.

It remains to be seen if this turns out to be a winter of discontent and disappointment for UK. Chances are, the Cats will regroup and recharge their emotional batteries long before March rolls around.

As for U of L, anything better than 15-13 is gravy. Sometimes, as a change of pace, it's sort of nice to have a season where the expectations are so low that every win is a cause for joy and celebration.

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King

came out on top, 83-69.

Kidd led Prestonsburg in scoring with a team-best 22 points. Allen hit the books for 20 points. Jeremy Clark hit for 12 points while Joey Willis and freshman Trevor Compton both added eight. Center Jeremy Daniels led

Early in the game as the Tigers

crowd tried to take the Raiders out

glass clean for much of the night

as they outrebounded King 32-

18. King managed just two

Leah Whitely and Kelley

turner led Alice Lloyd in scoring

with 17 points each. Delores

Jenkins scored 16 for the Lady

Eagles, Center Andrea Kelley,

the game's leading rebounder

with nine, added 11 points and

three assists for good measure.

Lloyd's three starting guards,

failed to score but led the Lady

Eagles in assists with seven.

Combs turned the ball over an

uncharacteristic six times. She

and Whitley each had two

Necha Combs, one of Alice

offensive rebounds.

game-high 24 points.

first eight shots to begin the game of their game, junior guard

The host Blackcats showed few signs of their sluggish play of late by coming out in the first quarter and going ahead 16-9 by quarter's end. Betsy Layne outscored Prestonsburg 23-22 in the second

Michael Hall kept the South Floyd

offense in high gear by scoring

four points and dishing out three

Betsy Layne in scoring with a period but still went into the half seven points for the Blackcats. trailing 38-32. Prestonsburg outscored the Bobcats in each of the final two quarters (16-15, 29-22) to post the win.

> Sophomore Nicholas Jamerson, who is in his first season of varsity basketball play, scored

Brad Bevins finished with four points and T.C. Hatfield added two for a victorious Prestonsburg.

Brian Roberts finished with 12 points in the setback for Betsy Layne. Bobo Hamilton had 13 points for the second-best Betsy

quarter to take the lead a 46-45

shot by Chas Harmon at the buzzer

that the folks from South Floyd

South Floyd was also playing

without senior Rusty Tackett

throughout the final quarter as he

was called for a foul at the start of

the final stanza that gave him five

for the night and sent him to the

seemed to hurt the Raiders as

Paintsville built on its lead in the

final quarter behind the play of

Jeremy Slone and Brandon Gullett

as South Floyd had to foul late and

the Tigers hit 13-of-15 free throws

Playing without Tackett

The Tigers took the lead on a

after three.

to end the quarter.

Raider bench.

Layne scoring effort. Point guard 9 Wes. Senters added six points in the losing effort.

The win keeps Prestonsburg and Betsy Layne fighting to advance in the 58th District. The win upped Prestonsburg's season mark to 5-9. Betsy Layne fell to 6-

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in the final stanza to pull away late and chalk up a win over a gutsy team from South Floyd.

Both teams could meet again next week in the All 'A' Classic from Allen Central and one can bet both teams will come out gunning.

Slone 17, Gullett 14, Nathan Haney 14. Adam Rice 7, Simpkins 4, Collins 3, Rutledge 2, Caudill 1.

Hall 19, Ray 9, R. Tackett 7, Johnson 5, A. Tackett 3, J. Hall 2, Slone 2, H. Hall 2.

Paintsville 24-of-32 South Floyd 16-of-30

Betsy Layne came into the Prestonsburg game following a district loss to Allen Central last Friday night

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Allen Central, 9-5 overall and 3-1 in 58th District play, led Betsy Layne 59-54 heading into the final quarter before posting a 72-69 win Daniels had a team-best 24

points in the Allen Central game.

Shawn Newsome, who entered the Betsy Layne game as the state's leading scorer at 30.5 points per game, poured in a game-high 33 to lead Allen Central.

Allen Central, which won for the fifth straight time - downing Betsy Layne - also got 10 points from Brian Paige and nine more from Mike Slone. Senior center Daniel Sazabo and sophomore guard Rossi Samons chipped in with three and one point, respectively.

Betsy Layne's Hamilton finished with 14 points against Allen Central.

Both Betsy Layne and Allen Central are gearing up for next week's 15th Region All 'A' Classic.

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SCOREBOARD Paintsville (79) - Harmon 17,

South Floyd (69) - T. Hall 20, M.

Team free-throws

E Continued from p1 steals in the game to go with their game-high efforts in the categories of assists and points.

Shannon Sizemore was Alice Lloyd's other scorer with two points. Sizemore, a freshman, had two points, three rebounds and a steal. All three of Sizemore's rebounds versus King came on the defensive end.

Rebekah Wilson led the Lady Tornado with 12 points. Wilson, a 5-9 freshman forward from Piney Flats, Tennessee, also pulled down a team-high five rebounds. Jennifer Testa finished with seven points for King.

lead after one quarter, and increased their lead to 35-26 at the half behind the hot hand of Tyler Hall. Tyler Hall, a junior, nailed three treys in the second quarter. seemed to think was after the horn The Raiders outscored the

assists. South Floyd held a 14-12

Tigers 21-14 in the second quarter to give themselves a nine-point cushion at the half. In the second half the three-pointer seemed to abandon South Floyd as the Raiders went the whole third period without connecting from behind the arc.

The Raiders began to go cold in the second half.

The Tigers started to heat up and hit the jump shot. Paintsville went on a 20-10 run in the third

Wrestling

County Perry Prestonsburg and Perry Central have met on separate occasions already this season.

Thompson led the way for the host team. Thompson finished the night a perfect 3-0 in the 152-pound division. Heavyweight Shawn Whitt and Tony White (189) both finished 2-1. Junior Nick Chaffin, ranked second in the state in the 119pound division, did not wrestle Thursday night.

Three new grapplers to the 7; Tabitha Mitchell 6; Natasha PHS team are Jeremy Jarrell (125), Jared Branham (160) and Randy Little (215). All three new wrestlers are high schoolers. Results of how middle school grapplers wrestling on the PHS team were unavailable.

Betsy Layne will move on to begins competition in the WSAZ-TV Invitational today in Huntington, W.Va. Competition in the WSAZ invite will contin-

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Prestonsburg grappler Steven

The PHS wrestling squad ue tomorrow.

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The Winter Games will officially kick off March 8-10, and continue March 16-17. Schedules and

locations include:

March 2: Martial arts, Frankfort. March 9: Chess, Louisville; 5K road race, Lexington.

March 10: Bowling, Lexington.

March 9-10: Basketball, Lexington and Danville; racquetball, Lexington.

March 16: Disc golf, Harrodsburg; shooting, Morehead; volleyball, Lexington; and fencing,

March 16-17: Flag football, Lexington; indoor soccer, Nicholasville.

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Classic

momentum switched quickly to the Ladycats as the pressure by Betsy Layne bothered the Panthers and caused several quick turnovers that led to easy baskets for Betsy Layne.

belonged to Whitney Lykens as she finished the contest with 23 points to lead all scorers. The clutch shooting and on court leadership provided by Lykens helped the Ladycats turn a close in the end.

The Ladycats would outscore Pikeville 19-12 in the third quarter to take a six-point lead heading into the final stanza at 55-49. In the fourth quarter it would be all Betsy Layne as Pikeville

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73-55.

The second half of play

game at the half into a blowout

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as the second half began the could manage only six fourth quarter points as the Ladycat pressure would eventually take over and lead to a final score of

Betsy Layne scoring was as follows : Whitney Lykens 23; Kesha Newman 8; Kim Clark 8;

Devon Reynolds 7; Kim Tackett Stratton 5; Tiffany Meade 4; Tabitha Whitt 3; Kristal Daniels

Samantha Howard added 13 points for Pikeville. Sarah Beth Dye finished with 10 for the Lady Panthers.

the semifinals to be played on Friday night at 6:30 p.m., and again at Phelps High School. The Ladycats will play Phelps:

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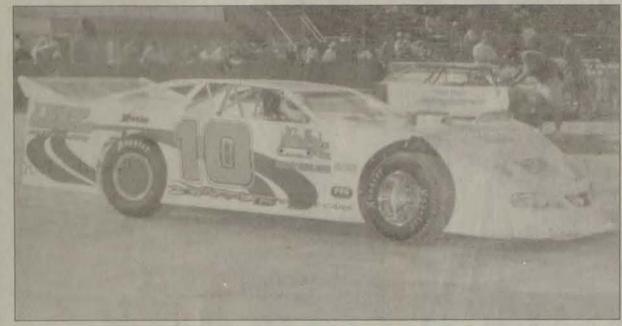
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Fairfield Inn Marriott official host hotel for Brunswick, Ga. UDTRA event



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Floyd County driver Paul Harris (10) is a veteran of the dirt track wars. Harris has notched several wins in his lengthy racing career. Look for profiles of Harris and other drivers in upcoming editions. To report racing news, call 886-8506.

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

WOODSTOCK, Ga. - United Dirt Track Racing Association officials have announced that the Fairfield Inn Marriott in Brunswick, GA will be the Official Host Hotel for the UDTRA Pro DirtCar Series 2002 season opener at Golden Isle Speedway in Brunswick, Ga. on Feb. 2

The Fairfield Inn Marriott is located off I-95 at exit 38 and is minutes from the track, major shopping areas, and the beaches. Manager Bruce Dixon and his friendly staff will offer UDTRA fans and competitors a special discount rate of \$55 per night for a standard room, and \$65 per night for a deluxe room with refrigerator and microwave. To make reservations call 912/ 264-2060 and ask for the special UDTRA discount rate.

The UDTRA season opener at Golden Isle Speedway will feature a 50lap, \$10,000-to-win main event on

Saturday afternoon, Feb. 2.

Top entries expected for the UDTRA season opener include the defending UDTRA Champion Rick Eckert of York. Pa., 2001 UDTRA Championship Runner-up Steve Francis of Ashland, four-time UDTRA Champion Scott Bloomquist of Mooresburg, Tenn., 1999 UDTRA Champion Dale McDowell of Rossville, Ga., Wendell Wallace of Batesville, Ark., and defending UDTRA Golden Isle Speedway Champion and 1996 UDTRA Champion Freddy Smith of Knoxville, Tenn..

Other expected entries at the fast 5/8mile dirt oval are Ray Cook of Brasstown, N.C., Dan Schlieper of Pewaukee, Wis., Jimmy Mars of Elk Mound, Wis., Randy Korte of Highland, III., and the 1997 UDTRA Champion Billy Moyer of Batesville, Ark.

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New rule forces engines to be bullet-proof in a question-and-answer ses-

QUOTE

"When you tape up the cars for qualifying, it heats them up pretty good," Dorton said. "Normally, we would just put in the race engine

rebuilding, you'll be able to pace yourself better. NASCAR mandates one-

engine rule Owners: Engine rule can work

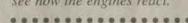
"On the other hand, one thing we'll have to expect in running one engine for the entire weekend is the unexpected. We'll have some small failures, I'm sure. When you have 5,000 valves, you're going to have at least one failure. If that happens at the racetrack, that's a problem." Another drawback to the

new rule, Ghent said, is that the teams will no longer be as likely to test the durability of new parts and pieces during practice and qualifying.

"That would be a pretty big risk under the circumstances," he said.

Randy Dorton, chief engine

Speedway. Although both of the engine builders said all the teams are working on making their motors more durable, a



builder for Hendrick Racing, said one possible problem of the one-engine rule is what he called "thermal cycles," meaning the repeated heating and cooling of the engines as they run through practice, qualifying and the race.

part failure after the car is qualified could prove costly.

"When you tape up the

cars for qualifying, it heats them up pretty good," Dorton said. "Normally, we would

just put in the race engine

after that. Now we'll have to see how the engines react." Ghent and Dorton took part

sion on engines Tuesday during the annual UAW-GM

Motorsports Media Tour,

organized by Lowe's Motor

"NASCAR is going to handle that just like a wrecked car," Dorton said. "If you have a failure after the car is qualified, the car will have to start at the rear of the field."

Safety initiative to continue in 2002

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHARLOTTE, N.C. - The accelerated safety initiative begun by NASCAR in the wake of Dale Earnhardt's death last year will continue full speed in 2002.

NASCAR vice president George Pyne

We want to maintain our focus, day in and day out, on safety," NASCAR vice president George Pyne said Wednesday.

He said NASCAR recently hired has filled a number of new positions related to research and development, including a full-time crash investigator, three medical liaison people and an aerodynamics engineer.

Helton: NASCAR must remain focused **NASCAR** names technology provider

Seven-time champion Earnhardt was killed last February in a crash at the Daytona 500. His death, following the fatal crashes the previous year of drivers Adam Petty, Kenny Irwin Jr. and Tony Roper was the catalyst for a series of safety moves by NASCAR.

Petty, Irwin and Earnhardt died of skull fractures caused by their heads whipping forward when they hit the wall. Roper died of a neck injury.

After a nearly six-month inves-

tigation of Earnhardt's crash, NASCAR announced late last year it would require all drivers in its Winston Cup series to wear head and neck restraints.

"It's highly likely we'll make further changes to the rules on restraint systems early in the season," Pyne said.

He also confirmed that NASCAR has approved the use of a new, more rigid driver's seat designed by PPI Motorsports and manufactured by Reynard Motorsport, U.K., giving its teams a choice other than the traditional seats

Cal Wells shows off the new aluminum seat.

The PPI seats, made of aluminum honeycomb material with formfitting bead foam head and body inserts, are designed to retain their shape in a crash, thereby preventing seatbelts from loosening and allowing the driver to be thrown forward.

PPI team owner Cal Wells III, who spent more than \$200,000 of his own money to design and produce the new seat, said it is being made available to any Winston Cup teams that want to use it, but that new, stronger seats being developed by others could be just as effective.

"I just knew there had to be something better than what all the said. "Whether it's our seat or somebody else's, our athletes are going to be protected."

It's not only the drivers who are the object of the new safety efforts.

After a pit road accident late in the season - in which several crewmen and a NASCAR official were injured - the sanctioning body decided to require all over-the-wall personnel to wear helmets and fireresistant clothing.

Gary Nelson, the longtime Winston Cup director recently named to the new post of managing director of competition, will run NASCAR's new research and development facilities.

The former championship crew chief said NASCAR decided to concentrate its initial efforts on the driver's compartment, but that the overall safety initiative continues to expand.

"Longer term, we"ll be looking at the design of the car, restraints and barriers," Nelson said, "We're going to begin the season with onboard data recorders in a standard location, and that should be a big help.

'We just have to be careful to make things better and not worse."

Brian France, senior vice president and son of NASCAR chairman Bill France Jr., believes many gains are being made in the safety area.

"Our mood is excellent getting competitors sat in last year," Wells ready to go to Daytona for Speedweeks," he said.

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ARCA RE/MAX Series honors champion **Kimmel during** awards banquet

550 people witnessed Frank Kimmel accept top ARCA RE/MAX Series honors for the tured ARCA RE/MAX Series third time in his career during the 49th Annual ARCA **RE/MAX** Series National Championship Awards Banquet held at the Northern Kentucky Convention Center.

Kentucky Speedway played a pivotal role in Kimmel's march to the championship as he drove his No. 46 Advanced Auto carried live by Speed Channel Parts/Pork Producers Ford to (formerly Speedvision). Events wins in "The Kentucky 150" in to be carried live include "The May and "The Blue Grass Channel 5-155," - sponsored by Quality Meats 200" in July. His championship run included 10 wins, 21 top-five and 22 top-10 finishes.

Tri-State Kimmel's Motorsports team also collected and team awards. It collected \$180,000 to send the team's season earnings past the \$500,000 plateau. Kimmel's career ARCA earnings stand at \$1.8 million.

"It was a dream season for Tri-State Motorsports," Kimmel said. "When you have the best sponsors, the best owners, the best equipment and combine that with the best crew, great things are going to happen. It showed big here.

"We love the ARCA RE/MAX Series and we're proud to be here. We're proud to be Americans and certainly proud to be the 2001champions. With Advance Auto Parts and Pork: The Other White Meat coming back next year, we have every intention of defending our title," he added.

was distributed to the top 20 Ste. 200, in Ft. Mitchell. Single series teams for their perfor- event ticket sales began earlier mances during the 2001 season. this month.

COVINGTON - A record 2001 series runner-up Jason Jarrett earned more than \$60,000 for the season and cap-Rookie-of-the-Year honors. Jarrett also announced he will return to the series with ML Motorsports and run the full 2002 series schedule.

The series also announced that as many as 11 series events will air on national television in 2002. Ten of those events will be Cincinnati NBC affiliate WLWT-TV - to be held at Kentucky Speedway on Saturday, May 11, at 8:00 p.m. Channel 5 will air the race live in the Greater Cincinnati mara myriad of individual driver ket. The broadcast will be the first live local market broadcast in ARCA history.

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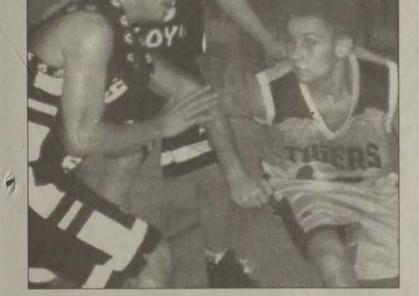
ARCA also unveiled a new logo to commemorate its 50th Anniversary Season.

The ARCA RE/MAX "Channel 5-155" is part of the first event weekend of 2002 at Kentucky Speedway. The event is paired with the Friday, May 10, "Short Track Special," featuring the USAC National Midget Car Series, ARCA Lincoln Welders Truck Series and Baby Grand Series - Region C races. The "Short Track Special" begins at 8:00 p.m.

2002 Kentucky Speedway season tickets are on sale now and can be purchased online at www.kentuckyspeedway.com, by phone at 1-888-652-RACE, or in person at the speedway Overall, a record \$700,000 ticket office at 2216 Dixie Hwy.,

Region 15 2002 Boys Regional Tournament at Phelps High School January 22 - 26

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Paintsville senior Chas Harmon drove around a South Floyd defender.

Piarist girls no match for Feds Creek; South Floyd also advances

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

PHELPS - In just their second game of the 2002 portion of the present season, the Piarist Lady Knight went into the 15th Region All 'A' Classic looking for their first win of the season. And, in this Tuesday night contest, it just wouldn't happen as the Lady Vikings came away with a very convincing 74-33 win.

Maybe it was the often long, winding trip south to Phelps. Then again, maybe it was depth. The Piarist School suits just six girls up on its basketball team, and playing today's game of hoops take alot out of an individual. A whole lot.

Feds Creek came out and went ahead 16-11 at the end of the first quarter. Piarist also dropped the second quarter, 28-8 en route to a 37-19 deficit at the halftime break. The Lady Knights would manage just four points in the third and 10 in the fourth as they suffered the setback. Feds Creek outscored Piarist 15-4 in the third period and 15-10 in the final stanza.

Feds Creek's Michelle Webb scored a game-high 30 points to lead the Lady Vikings. Emily Walton added 12 points and Heather Hunt added eight to advance Feds Creek.

Senior Kari Ross paced Piarist with 17 points. Another senior, Morgan Caldwell, finished with 12 points. Two other Piarist players each had two points to round out the scoring.

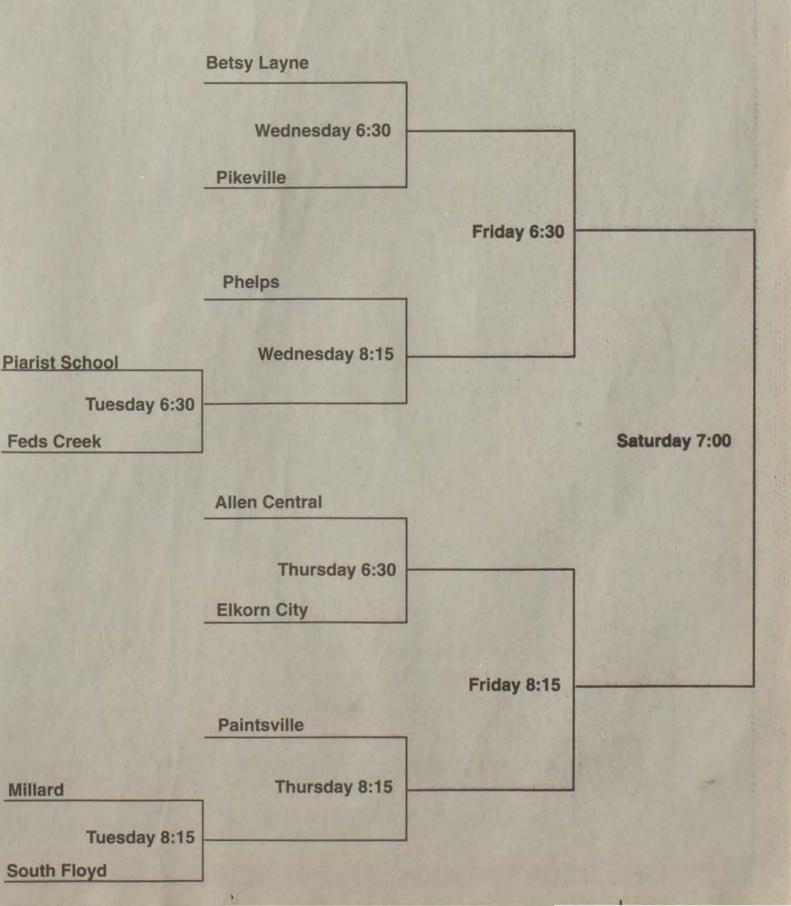
In other first round action, South Floyd advanced with a win over Millard.

South Floyd's win set up a game with the Paintsville Lady Tigers last night. Results from the South Floyd-Paintsville game were unavailable. In other action last night, Coach Cindy Halbert's Allen Central Lady Rebels were also scheduled to be in action against Elkhorn City. Results from the Allen Central-Elkhorn City contest were also unavailable at presstime.

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Eagles fall to King

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

PIPPA PASSES - Forward Jason Collins netted 21 points. pulled down five rebounds and dished out three assists, but it wasn't enough to turn back the Tornado as visiting King College scored a 86-73 road win over the host Alice Lloyd Eagles.

King came out strong and jumped out to an early lead before cruising into the half with a 40-28 lead. Alice Lloyd played close with King in the second half, before eventually

46-45.

John Sproles led King in scoring with a game-high 22 points. C.J. Manahan came off the bench for 13 points and Lucas McCain added 10 for the Tornado. Quinton Thompson and Troy Owens finished with nine and eight points, respectively. Owens and Milos Bazovic led King in rebounding with six boards apiece. King won the rebounding fight 34-26. Twenty-five of King's 34 rebounds came on the defensive end,

Kent Campbell tossed in 12

fixed fast enough to go back out

to the race track," he said. "The

last night of that year, I burnt

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Harvick

race, it was 'Do what you have to do." That's the same thing I'm doing now with Richard, It's hard to change when you've raced that way since you were 5 years old," said Harvick, who received a go-cart as his kindergarten graduation present.

"Sometimes it does rub (the other drivers) the wrong way, but you just have to say, 'Oh, well,' and get on with it."

Harvick also had some early lessons in caution. He smiled as he remembered his first year of driving late model cars at Mesa Marin in Bakersfield.

"I raced only seven times because we couldn't get the car

first night I raced I tore off the front and rear of the car. The

the car completely to the ground. "The next year. I had it in my head that I wanted to race more than seven times. If I tore the car up, we couldn't go back the next week. So we had to take care a little bit. The next year, we won the championship

panel the whole year. "I learned that hitting the wall isn't the most fun thing to do."

and we didn't change a body

dropping the second go-around points and pulled down five rebounds for Alice Lloyd. Nick Samons, one of two starting guards for the Eagles, added 10 points and four rebounds. The other starting guard - Tommy McKenzie - registered a gamehigh seven assists to go along with four points and two rebounds. Shannon Akers finished with nine points, three rebounds and two assists off the bench. Tim Parks chipped in six points while Sean Noel and Brandon Slone finished with four and three points, respectively. Jason Slone and Jimmy Burchett rounded out the ALC scoring with two points each.

> Burchett also had the game's only technical foul. Jason Knott and John Meade each played for Alice Lloyd but did not score.

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the final period of regulation, and her team trailing by three. Betsy Lavne guard Tabitha Mitchell stepped to the free-throw line and calmly sank three free- throws to send the contest into overtime.

Lady Rebs

"We're having trouble winning the close ones," Allen Central Coach Cindy Halbert has said on more than one occasion this season. "We're getting better, though. I thought we deserved to win the Betsy Layne game but some things went against us late and plus we missed the free throws, and we can't blame that on anybody but ourselves."

Allen Central went into the season off an impressive summer of play against some of the better teams in the state. As in other games this season, the Lady Rebs just couldn't take advantage of the most opportune chances in order to beat their opponent - the opponent in this case - Betsy Layne

The Lady Rebs missed four straight free throws in the closing seconds that allowed Betsy Layne to come back. Terri Mullins, who scored 11 points for Allen Central, put the Lady Rebs ahead by five (52-47) when she sank a pair of free-throws late in the fourth period.

Allen Central held a one-point lead twice in overtime, both on scores from center Becky Thomas. A freshman who is coming into her own after seeing limited varsity time last season as an eighth-grader. Thomas led the Lady Rebs with 12 points.

much in the overtime period by going on for the closer-than-close win.

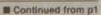
Betsy Layne got nine points from senior guard Devon Reynolds and five more from Whitney Lykens. Tiffany Meade and Tabitha Whitt finished with four points each while Kim Clark and Kim Tackett rounded out the Betsy Layne scoring with three and two points, respectively.

Freshman Megan Harris scored eight points for Allen Central. The Lady Rebs got seven tallies from Erin Majakey, and six each from Jackie Brown and Jessica Isaac. Tonya Howard scored five and Tiffany Turner finished with four in the Betsy Layne game.

The All 'A' Classic is under way at Phelps High School. It began on Tuesday and will go through Saturday when a champi-

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One of the essential ingredients in conserving Kentucky's wildlife resources is habitat improvement. Our Habitat Improvement Program offers an opportunity for interested landowners or managers, hunters, and groups to work with wildlife professionals toward a common goal of improving wildlife habitat-their cover, food, water, and space-across the state.



Betsy Layne proved to be too on will be crowned. The Allen Central Lady Rebels have captured a 15th Region All 'A' title a record five times and one can figure the Lady Rebs have the same in mind again this season. Pikeville and Elkhorn City each have two championships. On the boys side, Paintsville has four. No 15th Region team, boys or girls, has won an All 'A' state title.

> Going into last night's game against Elkhorn City, the Lady Rebels continued to smart from some close losses, but one or two big wins could really erase some big losses - and in quick fashion. One can also figure, assuming the Lady Rebs got past Elkhorn City last night, Coach Cindy Halbert too has her eye on the Class-A region hardware.

Is it a sure thing that the girls' All 'A' champ will be a Floyd County team? No. Is there a good chance of it? Yes.

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Wildlife biologists are available to work with interested individuals or groups on properties of 5 acres or more that they own or have management rights on. This program helps create suitable habitats that benefit local wildlife populations and demonstrate to others the value of such improvements. The technical assistance is designed to help participants to meet their goals. There is no obligation for participation in this program.

The Habitat Improvement Program can provide a link to available funds and other assistance offered by state, federal, and private agencies. There are many opportunities to receive technical assistance and even financial assistance through a variety of programs for incorporating wildlife habitat improvement projects into ongoing farming operations and other land management systems.

Funding for habitat improvement projects is dependent upon how the projects will benefit wildlife. Availability of funds is also subject to annual changes in federal and state appropriations. Eligible projects must be approved before they are begun. Some commonly recommended practices include fescue eradication, beneficial grass establishment, shallowwetland creation, and tree or shrub planting.

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Through My Eyes

by KATHY J. PRATER FEATURES EDITOR



Just whizzing by

Life moves along at a fast pace. December was especially hectic for me, as it is for most folks, and as January approached and my phone began to ring less and less, I have to admit, I breathed a much needed sigh of relief. However, as the first couple of weeks of 2002 have now passed, the pace seems to be picking up once again.

Doctor appointments, community meetings, real estate, and wrangling with teenagers who happen to be wrangling with the "me" syndrome, at present anyway, have pretty much managed to occupy the better part of my week thus far. I'm telling you, I feel as though I have no place to actually call "home" as I seem to spend my days in my automobile, in front of this computer, and in a variety of meeting halls, business establishments, etc.

I rarely ever cook anymore which has lead to a decrease in my bank account and an increase in my girth. I've just about forgotten what it feels like to just "kick back" and engage in some serious video viewing or becoming lost in the pages of a well written novel. And I dare not mention the length of the hairs on my legs. (And, Tammy, I PROMISE that I'll be in to pick up those sunclips and pay that bill really soon!)

Honestly, I just don't know where all the time goes and it's something that really worries me because as the months and the changing seasons continue to whizz on by, I am reminded that my life, also, is whizzing by. There is much to be done and little time in which to do it.

I am reminded of the past admonishments received from the many elders in my family that one must "plan ahead"





photo by Kathy J. Prater Savannah, look on, Teddi Leigh prepares to "sign on the dotted line" as Creed Warner, president of Family Tree Entertainment readles the paperwork.



As friends, family and her daughter, Chelsea Teddi's "family" enlarges as she signs a gospel recording contract with Family Tree Entertainment. From left to right, are Creed Warner, president of the recording company, Billie Jean Osborne, founder of the Kentucky Opry, Teddi Leigh, and Angella Clark, vice president Family Tree Entertainment.

From Grandpa's church to the big stage...



photo by Kalhy J. Prater "So I guess this is a big deal, huh,?" Chelsea Savannah seems to be saying as folks enjoy celebrating all around her.

Teddi Leigh signs up for a big career

by KATHY J. PRATER FEATURES EDITOR

It was truly a "family affair" as folks gathered from near and far to be present as Teddi Leigh (Pack) Frasure and her family realized a dream come true this week at the Mountain Arts Center.

Teddi Leigh, a native of McDowell, signed a major recording contract with Family Tree Entertainment this past

Tuesday afternoon. Family Tree Entertainment is an independent record label that features southern gospel music and artists from the Kentucky, Ohio, and West Virginia tri-state area. Their home office is based in neighboring Ashland.

"We are delighted to have Teddi Leigh." said Angelia L. Clark, vice president of Family Tree, "we look at it that our organization is one big family and now Teddi, and her family, are joining our family. We couldn't be happier. Teddi is an outstanding performer.

We discovered Teddi through a contest," Clark continued, "we held a contest inviting gospel singers to audition and Teddi showed up with her mother, who actually ended up accompanying her on the piano, a beautiful, big grand piano that happened to be in the music hall. It was a wonderful performance. Teddi didn't actu

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Nutrition Notes

Secrets of **Success for** reaching goals

by KAREN COLLINS, MS, RD, CDN AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR CANCER RESEARCH

Year after year, do you make the same New Year's resolutions to eat better or exercise more-yet don't? If you think it's all about self-discipline, that pattern will continue. On the other hand, research shows that following the example of those who are successful in sports and business can make a big difference in achieving our health goals.

Simply memorizing the calorie and fat content of every food or reading low-calorie cooking magazines will not make you a healthy eater any more than just knowing the right way to hold a bat makes a home-run star. The world is full of people asking, "I know what to do, so why can't I do it?" Knowledge is necessary, but not enough.

Successful executives, coaches and athletes have long considered goal-setting a crucial part of improving performance. In the Journal of the American Dietetic Association, a review of different studies confirms the benefit of setting goals to create healtheir eating habits.

According to the goal-setting process recommended by the M.D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston, the first step is to acknowledge the need for change. Get past the excuse that your eating habits are about average. Where do you stand compared to the guidelines for good health? Do you eat at least five servings of vegetables and fruits virtually every day? Do you accumulate 60-or even 30-minutes of physical activity each day? Is your weight at a

and "think about tomorrow." Because, if you don't, "tomorrow" comes and goes and the rut you're in remains unchanged.

So, it is now the sixteenth day of January. Not too bad, because I usually don't get around to reexamining how I'm allowing the new year to become only a repeat of the past year until much later. Maybe I'll manage to keep a few resolutions and incorporate a couple of significant changes this year after all. Ah, well, here's a toast to

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This Town That World

Editor's Note: For years, Floyd County Times founder and former publisher Norman Allen wrote a weekly volumn that looked at Floyd County through his eyes. His columns are being reprinted due to request. The following column was written in 1961.

If I change jobs, it will not be to go into the weatherforecasting business ... But, with the "outs" I granted myself, and with a bit of tacking and filling, my longrange forecast made last week was as accurate as what you get from most of the experts.

TRY IT, SOMETIME

Children, these days do not know the real comforts of a bed. Central heating, furnaces, insulation and other conveniences make it impossible. To know how delectable a bed is, you must awaken to look outside on a world of snow and ice, in a room where the frost has made fancy patterns on the windows and the temperature is down to near-freezing. You must know that the touch of a



Tuesday afternoon at the Mountain Arts Center. Her father, Johnny Pack,

accompanied her on guitar. Also, from left to right, are: Kathy Stumbo,

her aunt, Peggy Pack, her mother, Jenny Allen, and to Teddi's right, her

photo by Kathy J. Prater Ted Shannon, Teddi's grandfather, as well as her namesake, offered prayers of thanks and blessings at Tuesday's reception.

The next step is to establish a goal. Your long-term goal might be to lose weight or lower your risk of cancer, but these are not behaviors. Your more immediate goal should be a specific behavior you want to change or improve.

How high a standard should you set for your behavior change? The standard you set needs to be realistic for you. If you currently manage one walk a month, aiming for a daily hour-long walk is probably bound for failure. Studies of successful change in sports and

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Things to Ponder. When do babies grow up?

by MABLE ROWE LINEBERGER, PH.D.

sister, JoJo.

As usual, there has been another "run" of several clients having very close to the same problem. Although the general problems associated with these types of cases have been discussed on other occasions, it seemed like it might be of value to mention these families, since there have been so many, as though it were like a rash. The scene is that of a parent or parents coming for advise about how to present themselves as very interested in knowing what they can do to create a more positive situation for often a long-term problem. They talk and act as though they truly care about "doing the right thing." Most frequently, the real primary issue is that the parents have not worked together as a team to provide KNOWN consistent rules and have not followed through with the announced and natural consequences over the child's lifetime. A secondary issue is that other adults, such as grandparents, have not supported the parents' plans for the "child" when he becomes distressed about not getting his way. From an objective viewpoint, the

question becomes, "Why cannot these parents expect and allow their child to become adults-learn to be responsible for his feelings and behaviors, socially, legally, and financially?"

There have been about four families

It certainly is easier to change a child's habits at 2 years old, than it is cope with the trials and tribulations of another adult, who happens to be your child.

with the same difficulties. Lately, the "child of question" has been a male, two were 18 years old from different families, one was 28 years old, and the two others were brothers 22 and 25 years old. One of the 18 year olds, Albert,

lives at home and "attends" a high school within the region. When Albert became involved with the legal system and he "had to have counseling", his mother was relieved to have a "real" excuse for getting some professional advise so he would not get upset with her. Most likely, the truth was that he would not come unless the shadow of the legal system was upon him as an iadult.î He always had academic difficulties that his parents had not addressed reasonably. The reality now was that he was about to fail and perhaps not graduate with his classmates. Although he was not studying and not handling his homework, Albert did extracurricular activities about three hours after school and then drove his vehicle around about town in the evenings to visit with friends. Albert appeared amazed, after he was informed that now that society viewed him as an adult, who could make a legal contract, he would have to stand up alone in front of a judge, and could be arrested for having intimate relationships with a girl under the age of 18. His mother was just as amazed as Albert with the suggestions that she and his father needed to

set guidelines for Albert so he could learn more adult-like behaviors, such as he could drive the truck they bought and supported, if his grades were "average" or better. Needless to say, Albert sure reacted to the thought of him not being in charge of his "free time". His mother's response to the general idea that he act like the adult age he had become and accept HIS responsibilities was, "But, he's my baby!'

Last week, I ran into a "step" relative of the other 18-year-old, Chris. She was quick to tell me all of the news. I recalled how Chris and his father had come for about three sessions, sat quietly, and responded appropriately. However, since that time, Chris had stayed with his mother for a couple of weeks in Tennessee. His father and stepmother had sent him there after he had done so many illegal things, such as stealing checkbooks out of his stepmother's purse, signing his father's name to his parents' joint checking account, and even hocking his 10 year old stepsister's expensive video games. As suspected, his father had not made-

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bare foot on the uncarpeted floor will be like ice, that you'll have to build a fire in the grate-and that there isn't a stick of wood or a lump of coal in the house. Only then can you know how delightful it is to remain in bed, beneath a load of quilts-and never mind the day or the time, or world events, or anything much.

BUSINESS GOES TO THE DOGS

"Dognapping" appears to be among the more prevalent of Floyd crimes, these days. The report we have is that a Tennessee man is buying dogs at the rate of 10 cents a pound, and that certain individuals have been, as a consequence, conducting a winter roundup, corralling every dog, stray or cherished pet, they can find, then on Fridays, taking the week's collection to Pikeville to market.

For those involved in the dogmarket, we suggest:

1. That they read a little boy's ad in this week's Times by which he hopes to recover his pet.

2. That the purchaser of these dogs will consider that, in many cases, he is receiving stolen property.

Moreover, we'd like to know when times got so hard in eastern Kentucky, that the going price for a dog was as low as 10 cents a pound. I have owned, or been owned by, some pretty onery mutts in my day, but I have never had a dog that wasn't worth at least a dollar a pound-if he was for sale at any price.

JUST BREAKING THE SAD NEWS

I've heard this one from various angles, one time wirh the mayor of a certain town as one of the characters, another with a preacher in this stead. It runs to this effect:

The preacher telephoned a nearby funeral home to tell the director thereof that a mule had exercised the poor judgment of lying down on the church lawn and giving up the ghost.

The undertaker wasn't looking for that kind of remains, so he told the preacher: "You're in the funeralizin' business, so why don't you take care of the body?"

"I could," retorted the preacher, "but when I do, I always take time to notify the next-of-kin."

One fisherman told me that he heard a bluebird singing outside his window, Tuesday morning. Another suggested we load up with nightcrawlers and go jigging. It was indicated that spring is just around the corner and that hope again was springing in the angler's breast. But by nightfall the jig was up, temporarily at least, for the snow was coming down.

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Teddi

ally win that particular contest, but recording contract thereby launching when we saw Teddi, we saw a 'winner' just the same."

According to Peggy Pack, Teddi's mother, her daughter has been singing since the age of 3. "Teddi started singing in her grandfather's church when she was about three years old," she said. "From there, she went on to be chosen for the Kentucky Opry All-Stars, from there, she made it to the Junior Pros and then on to the "big" (Kentucky) opry.'

attended McDowell Teddi Elementary and South Floyd High School where she was active in cheerleading and various other school activities, as well as keeping busy with her Opry performing schedule. While with the Opry family, Teddi had the opportunity to perform for several dignitaries, among them Kentucky Governor Paul Patton and United States President Bill Clinton. She has also performed at the Jenny Wiley State Resort Park Amphitheatre, the Kentucky State Capitol and the Kentucky Horse Park.

For Billie Jean Osborne, the catalyst behind the area's rising stars, seeing Teddi Leigh, whose talent was first discovered during one of Billie Jean's tours of area elementary schools, sign a

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what will hopefully prove to be a successful recording career, is a great boost and wonderful payoff to all of her own hard work. Osborne has long been aware of the hidden talent within the Eastern Kentucky region and, as she posed for photographs with "one of her own," Teddi Leigh and her family knew she meant it when she looked at Teddi and said, "Honey, I am so proud of you."

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"I love to sing," Teddi said Tuesday afternoon, "and I'm so happy about this contract and that all these people that I love so much have come out to celebrate with me and my family. Singing gospel music is just one way that I can share with others that God is real and that He loves us all."

Teddi invited all in attendance to mingle with one another and to share in the luncheon buffet of finger sandwiches, salads, fruits, and drinks. Afterwards, she treated the guests to her own beautiful renditions of two gospel tunes, "Jehovah," and "I'll Fly Away.

"These are two of my most favorite songs," she said, "and I hope you all will enjoy them. If you know the words, just sing along with me."

As Teddi's crystal clear voice rang

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heck, maybe it'll work. Put me down for a bunch. Six for \$3.

I mark the Colorado Blue Spruce on the first numbered page. \$1.99 apiece. Perhaps I can set out a series up next to the fence.

On page three, the Blue Butterfly Bush is tempting. It's alongside red, yellow and white butterfly bushes, but I'm drawn to the blue, perhaps to match my winter mood. \$3.75 each.

I love daisies and, in fact, have a sweet dog by that name. So the Giant

Alaska Daisies on page five are a must. I can envision flower vases filled with the big radials through July and August.

"Tall, stately, 3 foot spikes. Sweet pea-like Down the road from

admired for the beautiful white flowering vine that envelops its fence every summer. The flowers look like the Silver Lance Vine on page six. \$7.49 each. I want it.

School Happenings

Adams Middle School Youth Services Center

Homework Hotline 886-9314 - Homework information available from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m.

Center is open weekdays, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. or later and each Friday from 12:30 by appointment. for more information about the center or any of the listed activities. call 886-9812.

Allen Central Middle School and Youth Service Center

School is currently collecting Food City receipts. Students may turn them in to their homeroom teachers.

Hours are 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., or later by appointment. Call 358-0134 for more information.

Allen Elementary Family **Resource Youth Service** Center

Open House, Jan. 22, 6-7p.m. Reports will be given out. Sixth grade will perform. Service Center Hours:

Mon.-Fri., 7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Telephone: 874-0621 Call Allen Elementary Youth Service Center at 874-

0621 to schedule your child's 6th grade entry physical, Hepatitis B vaccination, immunizations, and WIC appointment.

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

Clark Elementary

Jan. 30 - Our Lady of the Way presentations.

Dairy Queen "buy one, get one free" cards still on sale through the Family Resource Center.

After School child care hours are 3:00 - 5:30 p.m., school days.

FCHD nurse in the center on Thursdays. Please call the center at 886-0815, to schedule an appointment. Appointments are currently being scheduled for Hep B immunizations and 6th grade physicals for the 2002 fall school term.

MCCC services are available at the center. Call for more information, or to schedule an appointment.

Center provides services for 377-2678. all families regardless of income. Center is located in the Clark Elem. school build-Hours are Mondaying. Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Office phone is 886-0815.

Mud Creek Family Resource Center / John M. Stumbo Elem.

The Bridges Project will be at the center each Wednesday and Thursday, from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. p.m. until 4:00 p.m.

•Center is open weekdays 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Telephone: 587-2233.

Plarist School

The Piarist School is currently collecting Food City receipts to be used toward the purchase of school equipment and technical tools. You may send your receipts to school with any Piarist School student, or you may mail them in to the following address:

The Piarist School, Highway 80, Box 870, Martin, KY 41649.

Call 285-3950 for further information.

Prestonsburg **Elementary and Family Resource Center**

MCCC services available at the center. Call for additional information.

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

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

Call 886-7088 for additional information regarding the Prestonsburg Elementary Family Resource Center or its programs.

South Floyd Youth

Services Center

Feb. 25 - Nutrition classroom presentations.

Feb. 25 - CPR classes. Adult education classes available.

Walking track open to public.

The center is located on the South Floyd campus in room 232. For more information call 452-9600 or 9607 and ask for Mable Hall, ext. 243, or Keith Smallwood, ext. 242, or Donna Johnson, ext. 135.

The David School

Adult Education Class Schedule - Fall 2001:

Monday and Wednesday: McDowell Family Resource ■ The Family Resource Center, 8:00 - 11:00 a.m. Call

Monday and Wednesday. Morehead Big Sandy Campus, 12:30 - 3:30 p.m. Call 886-2405. Tuesday and Thursday: Betsy Layne High School Family Resource Center, 8:30 - 11:30 a.m. Call 478-3389. Tuesday: Cliffside Housing Project Community Center, 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. Call 886-9860. Wednesday: Floyd County Detention Center, 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. Thursday: Auxier Lifetime Learning Center, 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. Call 886-0709. Thursday: St. James Episcopal Church, 5:00 - 7:30 p.m. Call 886-8046. Friday - The David School, 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. Call 886-8374.



A perennial hibiscus bursts on the

In a square at the bottom of the cover

Seedtime, almost

By Pam Shingler COLUMNIST

One of the nicest things to happen in January is the arrival of the first seed catalog. It is partial assurance that there will be a spring.

My first one came last week - Burgess Seed and Plant Co. of Bloomington, Illinois. It's a colorful, newsprint, magazine-size version that fits easily beside your favorite chair.

As I look out the window on a patch of snow that lingers and reminds that more will likely come, I look at the cover of the postal gift, and I am heartened.

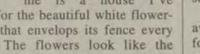
page. I can get six for \$2. I think of a pond I know of where scores of hibiscus bloom every summer, and I want some.

2 for \$1.99. keep me on page five. flowers." The visions of vases of cut flowers

brightens me. 3 for \$5.24. me is a house I've

The Blazing Star Liatris on page

The Russell Lupines



Question: What is a cancer cluster?

A cancer cluster occurs when there is an unusually high number of cases of cancer within a group of people, a geographic area, or a period of time. Cancer clusters may be suspected when people report that several family members, friends, neighbors, or coworkers have been diagnosed with the same or related cancer(s).

Whenever someone reports a suspected cancer cluster, scientists use their knowledge of diseases, environmental science, lifestyle factors, and biostatistics in their investigation. It is very difficult to prove that a cluster exists. Most reported cancer clusters are not shown to be true clusters.

A true cancer cluster is likely to involve: Many cases of one type of cancer, rather than several different types.

A rare cancer, rather than a common one. An increased number of cases of a certain

cancer in an age group that is not usually affected by that type of cancer.

Exposure to a substance that already has been proven to have the ability to cause cancer.

A number of cases significantly greater than the number that would be expected to occur normally within a given group of people.

Suspected cancer clusters may be reported to local or state health departments. The department will investigate the report, often with help from federal agencies.

For more information on cancer clusters, call the Cancer Information Service at 1-800-4-CANCER.

Ask the CIS is distributed by the Cancer Information Service (CIS) of the Mid-South, which serves Kentucky, Arkansas, Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi, and Louisana. The CIS is a program of the National Cancer Institute. Call the CIS toll-free at 1-800-4-CANCER, between 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., local time.

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the concept of positive outlooks and eternal hope. May we all incorporate positive change in our lives this year.

Have you noticed? And could you help but not? Everywhere I look I'm seeing pink hearts, red roses, and teddy bears. Only 30 days until the hearts of the unattached are broken.

page is a picture of Walk-On-Me-Plants, also called Mother of Thyme, a name I prefer. The copy says the plant grows well in shady and hard-to-plant areas. I think of my hillside, steep and nine would be an attractive addition to a flower garden on one of my back slopes. And it's a bargain at 50 for \$2.99. How can you not get it?

(See POSTSCRIPT, page three)

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A Son, Brayden Connor Jude to Jennifer & Claude Jude

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A Daughter, Haley Alexis Ratliff to Shawna Renee Hackworth

Children attending the Stairway to the Stars, Karen's Kare learning center and daycare, participated in a class on floral design during a recent art class held at the center. These children are obviously delighted with their floral arrangements. The arrangements were later used to decorate the First Christian Church Youth, "God's Kids" Christmas program.

May Valley Family Resource Center

Jan. 25 - Nutrition Program, 5th grade.

Each Wednesday -Health Dept. Nurse. Services offered: WIC, blood pressure checks, immunizations, TB skin tests, and Head Start, Kindergarten, 6th grade, and well-child physicals. Must call center at 285-0321 for appointment.

McDowell Family Resource Center.

Floyd County Health Department nurse, Joy Moore, is at the center each Monday. Services provided include: immunizations, T.B. skin tests, school physicals (Head Start, kindergarten, and sixth grade), WIC appointments, prenatal and postpartum care and others. If you are in need of an appointment, call 377-2678 to schedule.

■ GED classes each Monday and Wednesday -8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Instructor - Linda Bailey, of the David School.

McDowell Family Resource Center hours are 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. If you are in need of assistance, call the center at 377-2678.

W.D. Osborne Rainbow **Junction Family Resource** Center

Center now accepting new applications for cleaning supplies.

Little Eagle Basketball now in progress.

Clothing Closet" available to all students.

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.



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Question: Our 31-year-old son has had migraine headaches since he was three years old. Sometimes he has difficulty talking or getting up when he has an attack. He has seen many doctors with this problem over the years and has also had many "normal" MRIs. They always come back with the same diagnosis - migraine. In October he had a headache that became so severe he couldn't get out of bed, eat or drink, and then he began talking "out of his head." We took him to the hospital, where he was admitted to the psychiatric ward. After four days he was almost back to his

University College of Associate Professor of Family Medicine old self so they released him. He does seem to still have a bit of confusion, though. He thinks that we bought all new furniture while he was gone even though nothing has changed. Is this type

of migraine attack common?

Family

John C. Wolf, D.O.

Answer: Migraine headaches are common, but your son's form is quite rare. Before I talk more about his problem, I want to tell you about the more common forms of this disorder.

As strange as it seems, the brain itself has no pain sensors. The covering of the brain, the attachment structures, and the supplying blood vessels do have them, Son had rare 'statues migraine,' needs to plan for next attack

however. In addition, muscles, blood vessels and other structures of the face have pain nerve endings that when irritated are perceived as a "headache."

The current theory of migraine says that the disorder is triggered by a brief narrowing within the blood vessels supplying the brain followed by a swelling of them. This process stimulates the nerve endings within the vessels and, thereby, creates pain. At the same time, a poorly understood temporary dysfunction is activated within the brain itself. Together these changes within both the blood vessels and the brain produce the migraine headache symptoms.

About 50 percent of migraine sufferers have symptoms that precede the attack of pain. Sleepiness, blurred or otherwise distorted vision, numbress or tingling usually in an arm or leg, and confusion are common examples. When the headache begins, it is on one side of the head only. It is usually quite intense and made worse by physical activity, nausea and generally feel absolutely miserable. Some individuals lose vision, have numbness, are unable to properly move a body part, or have other signs that would in someone without a history of migraine suggest the presence of a stroke or other serious neurologic disorder.

Most migraine attacks subside within three days if no treatment is used. That is a long time to suffer! The prolonged attack and severe neurological symptoms that your son experienced is more than a common migraine. His attack is called a status migraine, and it requires prompt hospitalization and the administration of the proper medication.

You may be concerned that some emergency department physician had your son admitted to the incorrect unit. I wouldn't fault him or her for that decision because there are several psychiatric disorders that cause an individual to withdraw from interactions with others and become unable to take care of their bright light or by noise. Many suffer own needs. The important thing is that he received good care and was able to come home in only a few days.

After a migraine it is not uncommon to have some confusion for a while. After status migraine, this period can last for several days. I imagine that your son has returned to his normal state by now.

An important thing for your son to do is to talk to his doctor about the benefit of taking medicine and adjusting his lifestyle to prevent or reduce the frequency of future attacks. This is also good advice for any migraine sufferer. In addition, your son should develop a treatment plan for any additional attacks that he may have, and this plan should be communicated to the appropriate family members.

"Family Medicine" is a weekly column. To submit questions, write to John C. Wolf, D.O., Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine, P.O. Box 110, Athens, Ohio 45701. Past columns are available online at www.fhradio.org/fm.

Conniversaries



Couple to celebrate 63 years of wedded bliss

Dockie and Geneva Prater, of Hueysville, will celebrate their sixty-third wedding anniversary on Saturday, January 19, 2002. The couple plan to celebrate their special day with a host of much loved family and friends.

Happy Birthday

Ponder

any changes in the expectations and consequences regarding Chris' behaviors. His father and his father's parents would not say anything to him. In fact, his grandparents had continued to give him money that was used to buy drugs even though his father had taken him to an inpatient facility for detox of the drugs. Yet, Chris continued to have the money to buy the drugs when he arrived home. This family brings to mind a saying that was made a long time ago by a very wise person, "To keep having the same behaviors and expect change is insanity."

The parents of the two sons in their 20's came together. Their father proudly announced that he was glad that his wife promised him that he would only have to come one time. It seemed kind of sad that a father would not have the insight that their 20 years of allowing their sons to do what they wanted might not be "magically" wiped away with one-hour's worth of discussing briefly their possible choices to approaching the situation. Both of their sons were having the lifestyle that they wanted and their parents planned on continuing to support them financially, even if they did not believe in the sonsí' value system regarding male-female relationships. The major issue was that their sons were involved with the drug scene. The oldest one was seriously involved with the legal system. The mother admitted that she just had not been able to follow through with the suggestions when she had sought psychological advice about five years ago for dealing with him. Now, his parents were stressed about getting him a job that he liked, how much money it would cost them to keep him up in their home, and how they could cope with the changes it could make on their 16 year old daughter still in the home and who had been going by the rules. The parents were also concerned about how their 22 year old was not respecting them, while they supplied him with separate living quarters and paid his expenses. Knowing when to quit is success, and, an indicator of good mental health. Although all of the cases are very unfortunate, there are ways to resolve the issues to be more appropriate for everyone. Needless to say, there is usually a relationship between the length

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of time the family members have been in distress, the intensity of their problems, and their level of motivation versus the intensity of the pain needed to tolerate the change, the length of time required for reasonable solutions, and the various methods of treatment. The last family, Ruth and her 28-year-old son Adam, sounded so entrenched in their problems when she started coming about six weeks ago. The bottom line was that Ruth had finally concluded that she and her husband were better off giving Adam \$100 every morning for his drugs, rather than expecting him to be "on his own." "If we didn't help him, then he would be stealing and doing other illegal stuff so that we would then have to get him out of jail and pay for lawyers." Ruth has gained lots of insight into how she and his father are keeping the situation going, they are slowly doing little changes, and they have told Adam a deadline for when they will no longer give him the money. As expected, Ruth acknowledges how hard she thinks it will be for her to keep her word and not give in, since Adam has agreed on a date and place that he will go for detox. Her frequent question is, "But Organizations

Floyd County **Democratic Woman's** Club installs officers for 2002

Officers of the Floyd County Democratic Woman's Club for 2002 were formally installed during the club's December meeting and Christmas party held at the home of club member, Sallye Allen, of Cow Creek. The installation ceremony was performed by Numia Pickle, of Paintsville, who is currently serving as 2nd Vice President of the Kentucky Democratic Woman's Club.

As hostess, Mrs. Allen served refreshments and graciously shared her collection of political mementoes accrued by her father, the late Woodrow Burchett.

Club president, Janice Allen, recognized the 2001 club officers, Donna Thompson, vice president, Pam Justice, secretary, and Rebecca Derossett, treasurer, commending them for their outstanding contribution to the organization. Sallye Allen, education. Margo Barber and Pam Justice, membership, Donna Thompson, programs, Patricia Carty, publicity, Connie Gearheart, scholarships, and Charlotte Frasure and Anita Thornsbury, ways and means committee, were also formally recognized for outstanding work.

President Allen presented all officers and committee chairs with a commemorative 2001 Kentucky Snow wooden snowflake ornament handcrafted in Kentucky by artist, Dick Scheu.

Members enjoyed hearing Janie Bailey as she sang several musical selections and Charlotte Frasure led the group in various activities. Donna Thompson chaired the hospitality committee. The members participated in a gift exchange and Charlotte Frasure, Thomasine Robinson, and Janice Allen provided door prizes.

Members attending the December meeting were Janice Allen, Rita Allen, Janie Bailey, Lillian Baldridge, Patricia Carty, Charlotte Frasure, Brenda Hicks, Allison May, Hattie Owens, Donna Thompson, Anita Thornsbury, and Geraldine Ward. Special guests included Numia Pickle, James Pickle, and Denzil Allen.

The Floyd County Democratic Woman's Club meets the second Monday of



Celebrates 1st birthday

Elizabeth Catherine Weathers celebrated her first birthday on December 27, 2001 with a "Winnie the Pooh" theme birthday party held on December 29 at the home of her paternal grandparents, Gene and Linda Weathers. Elizabeth was joined in the celebration by her parents, Dusty and Shelley Weathers; her maternal grandparents, Kenneth and Joyce Blackburn; her paternal great-grandparents, Tom and Edna Pridham; her uncle, Jason Blackburn; aunt, Lisa Weathers; and Don and Shelby Willis. Elizabeth is the great-granddaughter of Ralph and Clara Sione and James and Mabel Blackburn, and the late Bill and Grace Braddock.

Hardy

Postscript

Winter The Boxwood appears

to be another bargain. It's one-half price, according to the catalog. For \$7.99, I can get three, which is exactly what I need for the deadly area in front of my porch, shaded by the apple tree and filled with rocks. Well, why not?

Though I love roses, I'll pass on that section. My rose garden is struggling and needs help. But, wait, the Dainty **Double Pink Cushion Rose** would be lovely along the back fence, if it doesn't tangle with the electric wire or get smothered by the poison ivy. \$3.95 each.

Nut trees and fruit trees come next, but I flip past

them. I haven't the patience. I need instant gratification.

Next come the vegetables. I think of jars of green beans, home-canned and packed with summer warmth to be savored in the dark days of winter.

I'm not very tempted on these pages. I prefer to buy new plants locally when the time has come. But some of the exotic varieties cause me. to linger. There's Peaches and Cream Corn, which reminds me of western Pennsylvania, where I used to live and where I ate the best corn you can imagine. Hmmmm. What a pleasant thought when the temperature hovers around freezing

On page 46 is the Yard Long Bean. It would be inter-

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esting to try, but would it be as satisfying as a white half runner or a greasy bean. I suspect not.

I stay awhile on the watermelon page. The Sugar Baby Watermelon takes me back to Arkansas where the dark green round melons grown around Hope were unsurpassed. I've never tasted any better. Would they grow the same in rocky eastern Kentucky? For \$1.80 a packet, what would be the harm?

These pages are marked. I shiver and dream of planting time and the call of the earth. I expect more catalogs are on their way, and I'll while away more time and spend more paper dollars contemplating the perfect yard and garden.

when you are a parent, aren't you suppose to help your child?"

So many books have been written and so much research has been done about parent-child relationships and children's normal growth and developmentphysically, emotionally, and mentally. There has been a great effort to teach parents the value of supporting and allowing children to appropriately meet the challenges faced with each age level. The bottom line is that parents need to learn to set consistent boundaries and maintain structure for the child at every age. If the adult cannot be reasonable in their parenting techniques due to their own emotional distress, then the adult is the one with the problem and needs the professional help. It is best not to put it off. It certainly is easier to change a child's habits at 2 years old, than it is cope with the trials and tribulations of another adult, who happens to be your child.



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each month at 6:00 p.m., in the May Lodge, Jenny Wiley State Resort Park. Democratic women are eligible for membership by the paying of membership dues of \$5.



Officers of the Floyd County Democratic Woman's Club for the year 2002 were formally installed this past December by a visiting member of the Kentucky Democratic Woman's Club, Mrs. Numia Pickle. Shown from left to right are: Janice B. Allen, of Prestonsburg, President; Charlotte Frasure, of Grethel, Vice President; Numia Pickle, of Paintsville, 2nd Vice President of the Kentucky Democratic Woman's Club; Anita Thornsbury, of Prestonsburg, secretary; and Brenda Hicks, of McDowell, treasurer.

Notes

business suggest that goals that are achievable yet challenging produce greater performance than goals that are either too hard or too easy to meet.

Another study in the Journal of the American Dietetic Association looked at the role of goal-setting in increasing people's consumption of dietary fiber. At the start of this study, the participants averaged 10 to 13 grams of fiber a day, typical of the U.S. population, but well below the recommended 20 to 35 grams a day. Rather than trying to reach the ideal level right away, people in the study were instructed to first aim for adding just five grams to their current levels, and then increase the goal each week by five more grams, until the ultimate goal was met. This same approach could be used to gradually increase your targeted servings of vegetables and

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fruits, extend your exercise time, or gradually decrease your weekly tally of sweets or alcoholic drinks.

The process of goal-setting seemed to be the most important part of the overall process behavior of change. Nevertheless, most researchers on behavior change recommend that you also find a way to monitor your progress. Whether mentally or on paper, keeping tabs of how you are doing each day gives you the chance to identify the kind of problems that arise as you try to change, and to then come up with ways that get around those problems.

Monitoring progress also gives you concrete reminders of progress toward your goal. Building confidence in your ability to do something makes it more likely you will succeed.



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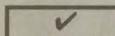
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In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Creek Frasure Mining, LLC, 1149 Newmans Branch Road, Milton, West Virginia 25541, has applied for a permit for a surface coal mining and reclamation operation, localed at Graynor in

for area of approximately 2002. Department Surface Mining 1.75 surface acres, Reclamation Enforcement's additional Prestonsburg is located approxi-Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, mately 3.0 miles Suite 6. northwest of Harold COMMERCIAL Prestonsburg, in Floyd County.

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Kentucky 41653 Written comments, or requests for a permit conference must be 987 and KY 1426, filed with the Director and located just north of the Division of of Prater Creek. Permits, #2 Hudson Complex, Hollow U.S. 127 South,

Frankfort, Kentucky 40601 This is the final of the original bond advertisement of the application. All comments, objections, or requests for a permit for release. conference must be received within 30 days of today's date.

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE Pursuant to

> Application No. 836-5290

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applied for Phase II objections, Bond Release on requests for a public. Increment 1 of permit hearing or informal number 836-5290, filed with the Director, which was last issued The Division of Field application covers an area of approximately 20.15 acres, located

in The permit is apprximately 2.46 miles from Kentucky Route 3's Department junction with Long Branch Road, and mile the South Lake Drive, intersection of Johns Prestonsburg, KY Creek and Daniels 41653. The hearing checks sent to, the will be cancelled if no office of the Architect, The bond now in request for a hearing effect for increment 1 or informal conferis a surety bond for \$

NOTICE OF

The application has which was last issued Services, #2 Hudson Room, 405 Capital in the operation of the been filed for public on Dec. 18, 1997, Hollow, Frankfort, KY St., Suite 509, business, or whether inspection at the The permit covers an 40601, by March 8, Charleston W. V.

> A public hearing on and and underlies an the application has accompanied by a ing the application 122.00 been scheduled for certified check or has been convicted in acres. The operation March 11, 2002, at cash or bidder bond, Kentucky of maintain-9:00 am, at the Department for Surface Mining and Enforcement's Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg. KY the junction of KY 41653. The hearing BASE PROPOSAL. will be cancelled if no request for a hearing required as a guaran- that show cause as to or informal confer- tee that if the propos- why the application ence is received by

INVITATION FOR BID

The Floyd County ed in this application Fiscal Court will rity. receive sealed bids for the re-roofing of thus far performed the existing RND building (Floyd cate. County Community Center), Route 80, Kentucky. Martin, Bids will be received and was completed in at the office of the mayor Martin City located on Main St., ing of bids. Martin. Kentucky. The bids will be pubis hereby given that approved post mining licly opened and read Fork land use plan, and aloud. Bids must be fails to execute a sat- shall hear evidence in Processing, Inc., P.O. the post mining land received on or before isfactory Contract support of, or in 6:00 p.m., January 22, 2002, local time, eliminated and shall and at the Conference forfeit his certified Room at the Martin check, cash of his Bid City Hall, at which Bond, and shall be conference must be time they will be liable for the loss opened and read occasioned by the aloud. Plans are Owner by such failfrom ure. available location of the renobasis, or in the proper A public hearing on vation shall be held at form, returned unopened. Copies of plans, accept any or reject for Specifications, any, and all Bids, and tions asked. to waive any inforand Form of Proposal malities therein.

specifications) (in ordered must be from, and deposit Randall Burchett, 233 West Court St., Suite 200, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653,

(606)886-3929. Plans will be distributed from the office of tainment, has been

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231.080, a hearing Forms has been scheduled must be filled out and for February 21, submitted in dupli- 2002, at the hour of No qualifying 2:30 p.m., or as soon letters or statements thereafter as same will be considered. can be heard before No bidder may with- the Floyd County draw a bid submitted Judge/Executive at for a period forty five the Floyd County of Martin, (45) days after the Justice Center, 2nd Hall, date set for the open-floor, in

> Prestonsburg, In the event the Kentucky. The Floyd Bidder to whom the C o u n t y Contract is awarded Judge/Executive and Bond, he shall be opposition to, the granting of the permit.

> > HON, KEITH BARTLEY FLOYD COUNTY ATTORNEY

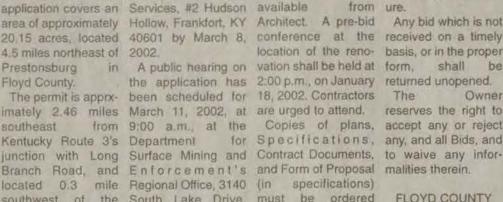
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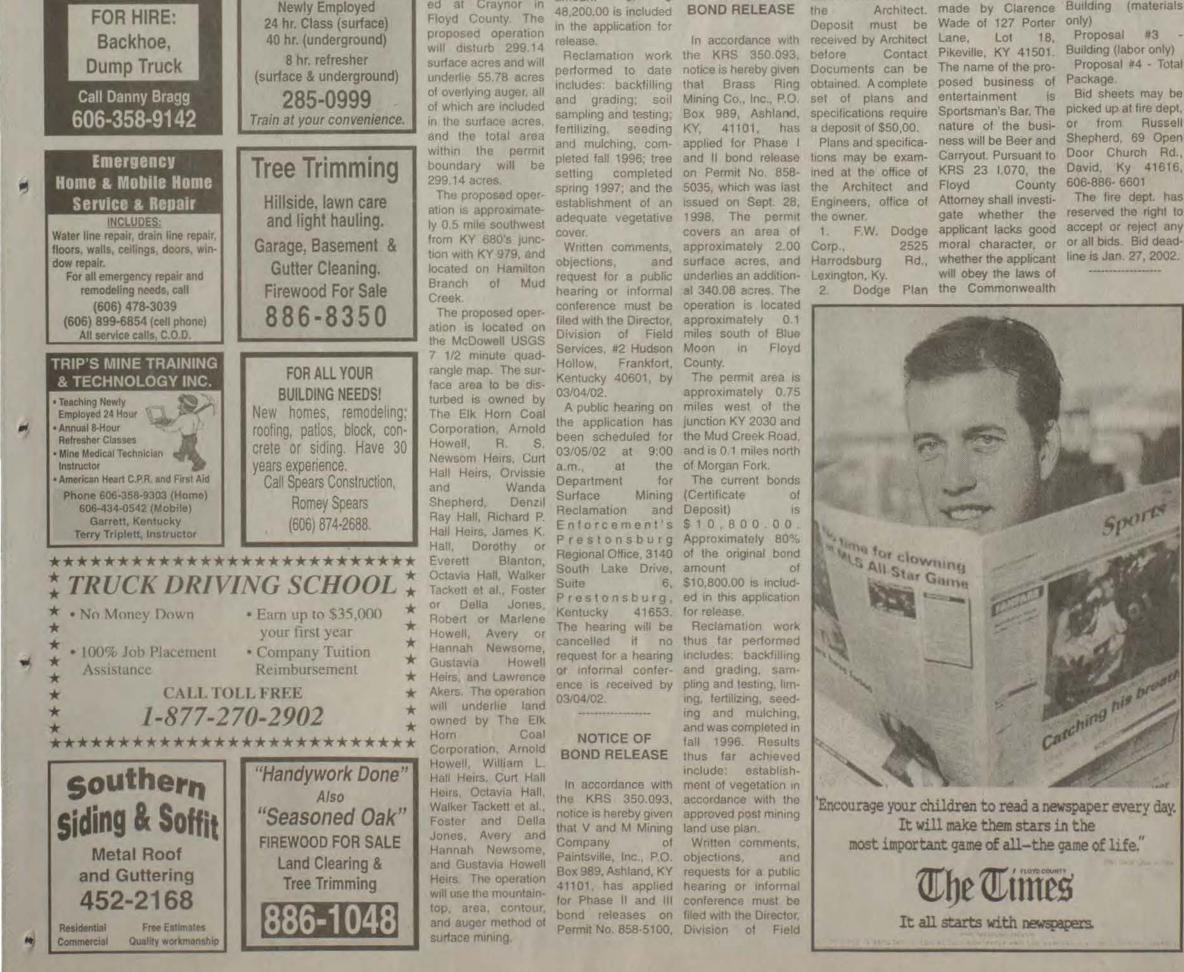
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