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Some members taking BSADD for free ride

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

Inez, Salyersville, Martin County owe total of \$18,000

BIG SANDY REGION — The purpose of area development districts is to provide services which would overwhelm many smaller communities — administration, coordination and regional planning.

But for some members of the Big Sandy Area Development District, that assistance has been a free ride.

Big Sandy ADD assesses annual dues to local counties and cities included in its coverage area. These yearly assessments require each county — Johnson, Martin, Pike, Floyd and

Magoffin — to pay a \$1,500 assessment fee used to help meet the needs of the agency in providing services to the local five county area. Each county seat is also required to pay an additional \$1,500 payment under the plan.

However, this policy has not always been followed, according to a recent audit of Big Sandy ADD, and reflects that some counties and cities are delinquent in paying their assessment fees resulting in \$18,000 which is needed to reflect the requirement accurately.

The \$18,000 owed in back assess-

ment fees is attributed two cities and one county, according to the audit report.

Martin County owes \$4,500, according to the report, which would mean that the county hasn't paid the assessment fee in three of the past five years, while it's county seat — the city of Inez — hasn't paid its \$1,500 fee in four out of five years and owes \$6,000.

Salyersville, the county seat of Magoffin County, is behind \$7,500 in payments, not having paid any dues since 1996.

And those figures could be higher. In 1996, when Big Sandy ADD faced a similar lack of contributions from some of its members, delinquent assessment dues were written off.

However, the situation has Big Sandy ADD director Sandy Runyon looking to call some meetings and find a way to collect the new fees which have now accumulated again.

"We're going to look at those numbers again and make an effort to collect," said Runyon Friday.

Auditor Lynette Schindler has rec-

ommended that the board make various policy changes to help cure the problem, and the board has heard the recommendation — and plans to go a step farther.

During a regular Big Sandy ADD meeting Thursday afternoon, Runyon moved to form a finance committee from the directors. The new committee to oversee the finances of the group will consist of board members Burl Wells Spurlock, Phillip Hunt, Pike County Judge-Executive Karen Gibson, Paintsville Mayor Robin Cooper, Doris Barnett and Craig Preece.

Runyon said the meetings would not

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'Party' planned for MLK

Times Staff Report

PRESTONSBURG — Those looking for a meaningful way to mark Martin Luther King Jr. Day won't have to travel out of town to do it.

A "community viewing party" has been scheduled in conjunction with Kentucky Educational Television's airing of the documentary "Living the Story: The Civil Rights Movement in Kentucky" tomorrow night.

The documentary is the first to explore the history of the civil rights movement in the state, presenting the experiences of 15 men and women who recall life in a segregated society and the struggle for equality.

The film is based on more than 175 interviews collected for the Civil Rights Movement in Kentucky Oral History Project. The project was initiated in 1998 by the Kentucky Oral History Commission, a program of the Kentucky Historical Society.

The local party, one of several similar events across the state sponsored by the Kentucky Historical Society, begins at 7:30 p.m. Monday, with the hour-long broadcast beginning at 8 p.m. Following the presentation, a group discussion will take place. Coffee and cookies will be served.

The viewing party will take place at the offices of Big Sandy Area Development District in Prestonsburg, located at 100 Resource Drive.

John and Jean Rosenberg will serve as hosts for the event.



photo by Sheldon Compton

During a meeting Friday, the Big Sandy Area Development District heard from American Electric Power state environmental manager Guy Cerimele about the future of the coal industry as well as hearing recommendations from an audit of the group's financial statements.

Coal still has future in East Ky., AEP rep says

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A question asked of executive directors of the Big Sandy Area Development District during the group's regular meeting had some members unsure of how to answer.

American Electric Power state environmental affairs manager Guy Cerimele began his presentation to members Friday afternoon by asking, "How many of you in here think prospects look good for coal in the future?"

A few hands went up, but not

enough to constitute a majority.

Cerimele smiled and asked that the group allow him the chance to explain why coal was going to continue to play a vital role in the future of the nation.

According to Cerimele, the biggest demand for coal in the present day exists outside the country. Third-world countries which have not made the technological advancements more developed nations have made still rely on burning coal to produce the bulk of their energy, said Cerimele.

But much of the energy generated here in the United States

still depends on the mining and consequent burning of coal. Cerimele said that 51 percent of the electricity in the country could be attributed to coal, but that coal was threatened as an option in opposition from Washington through conservation policies and environmental awareness issues.

Because of an increasingly relevant global climate concern, Washington pushed the use of gas as an alternative to burning coal in the not-too-distant past, highlighting the burning of coal

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Auxier sewer project delayed over easements

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Work toward a better sewage collection and conveyance system for the community of Auxier will now be put on hold for an undetermined amount of time, according to a development in procedures explained by County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson during a regular Floyd County Fiscal Court meeting on Friday.

Thompson was given authorization by the court to sign all documents pertaining to the agreement between the Big Sandy Area Development District, which will be doing work on the project, but quickly mentioned a halt in progress which came as a

result of the discovery of additional easements which need to be purchased before work could begin.

Thompson said engineering work had been completed and a fair amount everything else is in place to begin work for a better system for the Auxier area, but what was initially figured to be about 50 roadway easements that needed to be obtained in order to do the work has dramatically altered the speed of the project, at least on paper.

"The number of easements we needed to obtain in the project was 50," said Thompson Friday. "Since the last update we had, that number has now increased to 210 easements still needed to be obtained."

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Court moves ahead with park project

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A sizable portion of land at Turkey Creek along Route 680 has been recently donated to the Floyd County Service Inc. from the Elk Horn Coal Corporation with a standing condition that the land be used for public benefit.

This condition is not a

problem for the corporation or for the Floyd County Fiscal Court, as both groups have decided to cooperate and move headlong into plans which could lead to the creation of what is being billed as one of the more impressive recreational and educational parks in the region.

Thompson signed a reso-

(See PARK, page six)

Johnson gets 5 years for drug charges

by LORETTA BLACKBURN
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PRESTONSBURG — On Friday, Wheelwright resident James C. Johnson, 44, was sentenced to five years on drug trafficking charges in Floyd County Circuit Court.

Johnson was arrested by Lt. Ricky Thornsberry of the Floyd County Sheriff's Office after questioning and interviews from the drug roundup in August led authorities to seek Johnson in connection to drug offenses.

The roundup which occurred early in the

morning of August 16, was the result of a seven-month long investigation by Kentucky State Police, an effort which then-KSP Post 9 Caption Mike Luttrell said would be the beginning of more arrests that would come in the future during other drug raids. It came on the heels of one of the largest drug sweeps in the county, "Operation Oxyfest," in which several hundred suspected drug dealers were arrested and charged with drug-related offenses.

Twenty county residents were arrested during the drug raid in August, many of whom have entered guilty pleas since that time.

Johnson had been charged with three counts of first-degree trafficking in a controlled substance. Each count is a class C felony and carries a five- to 10-year sentence, which could have put Johnson behind bars for 30 years. The defendant pleaded guilty to the charges in exchange for a recommendation that he serve five years on each count concurrently.

"We are very serious about prosecuting drug traffickers," said Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner. "Anytime we get a case like this, even if they are just charged with prescription medication, they will be dealt with harshly."



James Johnson, 44, of Wheelwright was sentenced to five years for trafficking in a controlled substance.

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Kentucky unemployment rate increases to 5.2 percent

FRANKFORT — Kentucky's unemployment rate rose from 5.1 percent in November to 5.2 percent in December, according to the Department for Employment Services, a Cabinet for Workforce Development agency. The U.S. jobless rate increased from 5.3 percent in November to 5.4 percent in December.

"It has been 15 years since the unemployment rate in Kentucky has increased from November to December. Although the number of trade jobs increased in December because of holiday shopping, it was not as much as we have

seen in the past. The last time our December jobless rate was this high was in 1996 when the rate was 5.4 percent," said Carlos Cracraft, the department's chief labor market analyst.

"The 5.2 percent unemployment rate reported in December 2001 was 1.5 percentage points higher than the 3.7 percent rate recorded for December 2000."

Four of the nine major job sectors had employment decreases in December, while two sectors recorded increases in employment and the remaining two sectors had the same employment level for both months.

The trade sector had the highest gain with 3,600 more jobs in December mainly caused by holiday shopping. The retail trade area recorded the majority of the new jobs with an increase of 3,200 in areas such as miscellaneous retail businesses (up 1,100), apparel and accessory stores (up 1,000), food stores (up 800), and home furniture, furnishings and equipment stores (up 300) showing growth in December. Between December 2000 and December 2001, 1,700 trade jobs were added.

"Sales of items such as sporting goods, books, jewelry, clothing and furniture get a boost

from holiday shopping. Wholesale trade gained 400 jobs in December, so you can see the difference gift buying makes on retail trade," Cracraft said.

The finance, insurance and real estate sector rose by 200 jobs in December. Cracraft noted that since December 2000, 900 positions have been added in this sector.

Two sectors remained the same in December. The mining and quarrying sector reported 20,100 jobs for both November and December.

"For the first time in many years, the bituminous coal mining industry has added jobs," Cracraft said. "Since December 2000, this industry has grown by 1,000 positions."

Kentucky's services sector had a mixture of gains and losses in December. As a result, the sector recorded 492,200 jobs in both November and December. Seasonal job losses in amusement and recreation services (down 1,600), hotels and other lodging places (down 800), agricultural services (down 300), and educational services (down 300) jobs balanced the additional positions in personal services (up 600), business services (up 600), health services (up 600), and membership services (up 300).

Since December 2000, 13,700 jobs have been added in the services sector.

Kentucky's agricultural sector lost 2,600 jobs in December. Farm work usually slows down at this time of the year because of inclement weather and then picks up again in the spring, Cracraft said. Construction employment also was adversely affected by the impending winter weather. This sector reported 2,600 fewer jobs in December.

The largest loss in the sector was in special trade categories

such as electrical and roofing work where 1,300 fewer jobs were recorded. Heavy construction contractors reported 900 fewer jobs, general building contractors showed 400 fewer positions in December.

The government sector had a decrease of 800 jobs December. While the federal government added 200 postal workers to handle the additional holiday load, state and local government fell by 500 positions and state and local education dropped by 400 jobs.

The manufacturing sector fell by 800 positions in December with the largest drop in the textiles and apparel industry (down 800). Other manufacturing industries contributing to the overall job loss in the sector were in lumber and furniture (down 100), stone, clay and glass products (down 100), paper, printing and publishing (down 100) and petroleum, rubber and plastic products (down 100).

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Bill would reduce dealers' liability for wrecked 'loaners'

by CHARLES WOLFE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Car dealers call it a thorn in their liability coverage: A customer drops off a vehicle for repairs, gets one of the dealer's cars as a "loaner" and promptly has a wreck.

Under Kentucky law, the dealer's insurance pays. A bill approved by a House committee Wednesday would shift responsibility to the driver's insurer.

Proponents call it a logical arrangement. "When you hand those keys to somebody whose car's in the shop, (dealers) don't know their driving record," Ron Jackson, president of the Kentucky Automobile Dealers Association, said in an interview.

Two of the biggest car insur-

ers — State Farm Insurance and Kentucky Farm Bureau Insurance — objected to the bill during a hearing by the House Banking and Insurance Committee.

Their lobbyists argued that dealers are in the best position to assess risk to their vehicles. They also said the bill could be interpreted to apply to a dealer's employees, including sales people or the "lot boy" who runs new cars to the gas station for a fill-up.

"We have absolutely no way to rate that," testified Greg Kosse, an attorney for Kentucky Farm Bureau Insurance. "This is a mandate that's basically shifting the risk ... to those of us who have individual policies."

A State Farm lobbyist, Dustin Miller, echoed Kosse. Rep. Jimmie Lee, who is the

bill's sponsor and a retired auto dealer from Elizabethtown, said the insurers were raising "superfluous things."

Lee insisted his bill was aimed at car-repair customers who are driving a loaner. But Lee agreed to allow the bill to be amended in the full House to make it specific.

Jackson, of the dealers' association, said dealers are finding liability coverage increasingly expensive and difficult to obtain, yet Kentucky law requires it as a condition for a dealer's license.

Minimum coverage limits are \$100,000 per person and \$300,000 per accident for injury and \$50,000 for property damage, he said.

(The legislation is House Bill 260)

Odds and Ends

■ BERTRAM, Iowa — The Census Bureau admits it made a mistake — there's no college dorm in Bertram, or even a college, for that matter.

Census 2000 figures had included a dorm with hundreds of students across from Town Hall, where an empty house actually stands. The bureau has released a corrected count, reducing Bertram's official population from 681 to 263.

That will have a significant impact on the amount of money Bertram will get in certain local tax revenue, including from a road-use tax that gives municipalities about \$80 per resident.

The corrected count also matters a great deal to a nearby town that actually has a college with dorms — Mount Vernon, home of Cornell College.

Several weeks ago, the Census Bureau also corrected Mount Vernon's count, adding exactly the same number of people "in group quarters" to its population — 418 — that it now has taken away from Bertram's count.

Mount Vernon city leaders

figure Bertram was mistakenly given credit for one of its dorms.

Because of the miscount, Mount Vernon says Bertram got about \$25,000 in tax revenue in the last nine months that should have gone to Mount Vernon. Mount Vernon Mayor Rick Elliott said Thursday he has written to Bertram asking it to transfer that amount to Mount Vernon.

"They hopefully haven't spent it, and if they haven't spent it, we sure would like it," Elliot said Thursday. "We could use it."

■ FULLERTON, Calif. — A would-be car thief got more than he bargained for when his victim took a cane from the car's trunk and began bashing him over the head with it.

The man, who had a gun in his waistband, was suspected in the robbery of a doughnut store minutes before. He pushed the woman away and ran.

"She's a tough lady. She had a little chutzpah," police Sgt. Steve Matson said of the con-

frontation Wednesday.

The 58-year-old woman, whose name was not released, was loading belongings into her car as she prepared to leave for a Hawaiian vacation when the man demanded her keys.

"Just a minute," Matson said the woman told him. "Let me take my stuff out of the trunk."

Then, he said, "she pulls the cane out and started whomping on him."

The man, who was struck several times, managed to elude police who used a bloodhound and a helicopter in their search.

Although Matson was impressed by the woman's action, he added, "It's not something I would recommend."

■ DENVER — A group of lawmakers is attempting to trim some fat from the law books with a "better butter bill."

A Colorado House committee on Wednesday approved a bill to amend a law by eliminating a requirement that whipped butter made in the state contain at least 80 percent butterfat.

State Rep. Bill Webster pro-

posed the bill not because of its effect on butter producers or consumers — it's just that no one produces butter in Colorado, so the law isn't needed.

The bill passed unanimously in the Agriculture, Livestock & Natural Resources Committee and was sent to the House floor.

The debate lightened the atmosphere after days of wrangling over congressional redistricting. Webster, who has taken substantial ribbing for his bill, said, "I don't want anybody to get whipped up about it."

Dan Trimberger of the state Health Department said there is no reason to keep the requirement on the books because if someone decides one day to make butter, it can be handled by regulation instead of a law.

"It's a better butter bill now," quipped the committee's chairwoman, Rep. Diane Hoppe.

■ BLOOMINGTON, Ind. — Almost three weeks after taking over as owner of the Runcible Spoon, Matt O'Neill can't decide what to do with the fish swimming in the restaurant's bathroom tub.

Four goldfish apparently have been living in the restaurant's only restroom since 1979, the largest being about eight inches long.

The legend says a waitress who went on vacation filled the tub with water and left the fish behind. When she did not return, restaurant staff and customers began to convert the white porcelain tub into an aquarium.

Employees painted a mural on the bathroom wall, and a customer replaced floor tiles in front of the tub with a colorful mosaic. Gravel and plastic plants line the tub inside the converted house.

Some of the customers are put off by the algae that grows in the tub and think the restaurant should get rid of the fish. But others want the tub-tank preserved as a landmark to the restaurant's eclectic clientele.

"I don't want to get rid of the restaurant's uniqueness," O'Neill told The Herald-Times for a story published Thursday. "I want to try to nurture all the great things this place has assimilated into itself."

— The Associated Press

Bill would double sheriffs' state credit line

FRANKFORT — A sheriff's line of credit with the Finance Cabinet would be doubled to \$60,000 a month under a bill approved Thursday by the House Local Government Committee.

Sheriffs operate on commissions from collected fees. The president of the Kentucky Sheriffs Association, Butler County Sheriff Kenneth Morris, said many have to borrow to meet expenses until fee collections catch up.

Kentucky law now permits the Finance Cabinet to advance a sheriff as much as \$30,000 a month. The committee chairman, Rep. Steve Riggs of Louisville, said that amount

sometimes is not enough, and some sheriffs have to take out personal loans.

(The legislation is House Bill 218.)

Deadline extension appears likely

FRANKFORT — Senate President David Williams and House Speaker Jody Richards said Friday that the filing deadline for legislative and congressional candidates will have to be extended.

They said their chambers would be unable to pass reapportionment legislation, setting new district boundaries, in time for the current deadline, which is Jan. 29.

Both leaders said the deadline could remain the same for candidates for city and county offices.

House committee approves bill to restrict telemarketers

by BRUCE SCHREINER
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

FRANKFORT — A House committee endorsed a bill Tuesday to let Kentuckians disconnect from telephone solicitors.

The bill would allow anyone to join a "zero call" list maintained by the state attorney general's office. Solicitors would be barred from contacting people on the list unless they had prior written consent.

The bill, backed by an influential senior-citizens group, won approval from the House Labor and Industry Committee.

The vote marked the opening gambit on an issue that could expose sharp differences between the Senate and the House. Legislation to restrict telemarketers passed the House last year but died in the Senate.

"We feel that this is an issue whose time has come," Ray Roundtree, representing the AARP, said Tuesday. "You have a golden opportunity to do the citizens of the commonwealth a great favor with this legislation."

Rep. Buddy Buckingham, the bill's chief sponsor, said it's meant to protect people's privacy. People who don't join the "zero call" list would still be accessible to telephone solicitations, the Murray Democrat said.

"We are not trying to put telemarketers out of business," he said.

Todd Leatherman, an assistant attorney general, said 110,000 people have signed onto an existing list for telemarketing restrictions.

Noting the many exemptions to the no-call list, Leatherman likened it to a "fishing net that has so many holes in it you can't catch fish with it."

There are about 22 exemptions to the current rules, but Buckingham's bill would cut the list almost in half. Groups that would maintain exemptions would include schools, colleges or universities, charities, newspapers, cable television operators, utilities, real estate brokers and merchants who don't use telemarketing as their primary method of selling.

The bill drew opposition from a range of business interests.

Dan Walton, representing the Kentucky Automobile Dealers Association, said the bill might

give out-of-state car dealers near the Kentucky border a competitive advantage by being able to reach out to potential customers.

"We would hate to be restricted and deprived, so to speak, of the ability to meet that competition," he said.

Rep. Steve Nunn, R-Glasgow, raised concerns that the bill might prevent businesses from contacting people about their debts if they are on the no-call list.

Another Republican, Rep. Stan Lee of Lexington, questioned whether the bill's language would restrict its enforcement.

Telemarketers accused of violating the no-call list could have two possible defenses at their disposal. They could show they obtained the zero-call list from the attorney general's office in a timely manner and made "reasonable efforts" to avoid calling someone on the list.

On another enforcement matter, Leatherman said the attorney general's office is able to enforce telemarketing restrictions against out-of-state companies.

"The enforcement tools are not the problem," he said. "The problem is we have a law that does not work."

(The legislation is House Bill 47)

Housing income limits bill promoted

by MARK R. CHELLGREN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Another 29,000 Kentucky families might become eligible for below-market rate loans from the Kentucky Housing Corp. under legislation promoted Friday by Gov. Paul Patton.

The bill would eliminate the current income caps, established in 1986, and replace them with U.S. Housing and Urban Development income guidelines, which are revised annually.

The income guidelines differ in each county, but overall they would rise by 7 percent to 30 percent, said Housing Corp. chief executive Lynn Luallen.

For a two-person household, in Boyle County, the income limits would rise from \$41,210

to \$54,480; Graves County, \$41,210 to \$44,300; Harlan County, \$43,710 to \$53,160.

Kentucky Housing Corp. sells bonds and loans money at interest rates generally below those available from commercial lenders.

On a \$75,000 mortgage, for example, a KHC loan at 6 percent interest, could lower monthly payments by \$49 from a 7 percent commercial loan and save \$17,753 over the life of the loan.

For many people seeking the chance to buy their first home, "\$49 is a big amount of money," Patton said at an afternoon news conference. "It can make the difference between owning a home and renting."

Patton on Friday also pledged his support to a plan to make permanent the practice of

the last few years of turning over some unclaimed prize money from the Kentucky Lottery Corp. to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund.

The first \$6 million of unclaimed prize money goes to the General Fund. Whatever is left over goes to the housing fund, according to directions contained in the budget bill. The amounts in recent years have ranged from \$1.3 million to \$5.1 million.

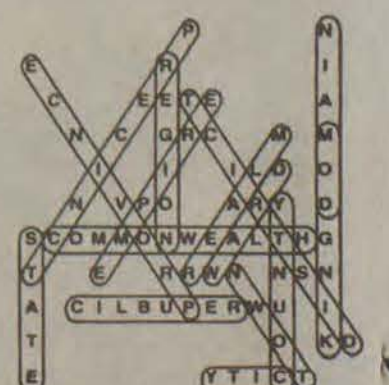
Legislation to make permanent the appropriation of unclaimed prize money to the housing fund was also endorsed by Patton on Friday.

The switch would leave another hole in Patton's already shaky budget, but he said it was an important initiative.

(The legislation is Senate Bill 45.)

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POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS



Death of daughter prompts couple to take up highway safety

by MARK R. CHELLGREN
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

Pulaski County chorus director June Correll had warned her girls she didn't want to see any wrinkled gowns at the holiday concert.

Maybe that was why Donna Fisher wasn't wearing her seat belt the night of Dec. 10, 1998, maybe not; but Correll will never know. And it haunts her.

Donna was on her way to the concert and a potluck supper to follow. The road was wet and her car began hydroplaning, wandering off the edge of the pavement, a tire dropping to the shoulder.

"Donna panicked and over-corrected," said her mother, Judy Fisher.

The car crossed the road, slid through a yard, hit a concrete barrier, became airborne and hit a tree. Donna, age 17, was not wearing her seat belt. She died a short time later. It was Dec. 10, 1998.

"Once you lose a child to an accident, you never get over it," Mrs. Fisher said.

"I was so guilt-ridden," Correll said.

Part of getting over Donna's death for Don and Judy Fisher and Correll has been promoting safety programs for younger drivers. They have sponsored visits by Kentucky State Police troopers to teach young drivers how to deal with issues like driving on wet pavement, how to correct safely when tires leave the road. And they are helping the state Transportation Cabinet and its seat belt promotion programs.

The Fishers acknowledge their seat belt promotion programs haven't been entirely successful even in their own household. Their son, Joey, buckles their 9-month old granddaughter into a safety seat, but Joey as likely as not will not wear his.

"He doesn't like to wear it," Fisher said.

Such a dichotomy is not uncommon when the issue is seat belt usage.

Current state law requires people to wear seat belts, but law enforcement officers cannot stop motorists and cite people who are not wearing them unless there is another traffic violation.

For several years, some lawmakers have tried to make lack of seat belt use a primary offense.

Gov. Paul Patton touched on the benefits of seat belt use during his State of the Commonwealth address. "Name me one other thing we can do in this session that will save 75 lives a year and not cost the state of Kentucky one additional dime in expenses," Patton said.

Patton also lamented his own role in killing legislation

a decade ago that would have required seat belt usage earlier.

Rep. Jody Haydon, D-Bardstown, will try again in the 2002 session to increase seat belt use.

Haydon's bill would not increase the current penalty of improper seat belt use. The current fine is \$25, although the addition of court costs and various fees can add another \$60 or more to the payment.

Haydon is circumspect about the chances for passage this time around.

"I'm willing to listen to any modification that won't kill the bill," Haydon said. "Any way we can make it more acceptable to the public, I'm all ears."

Haydon said statistics from national safety organizations speculate that a change in the law could increase seat belt usage by as much as 15 percent. Usage now in Kentucky is relatively low among the states, an estimated 60 percent or so.

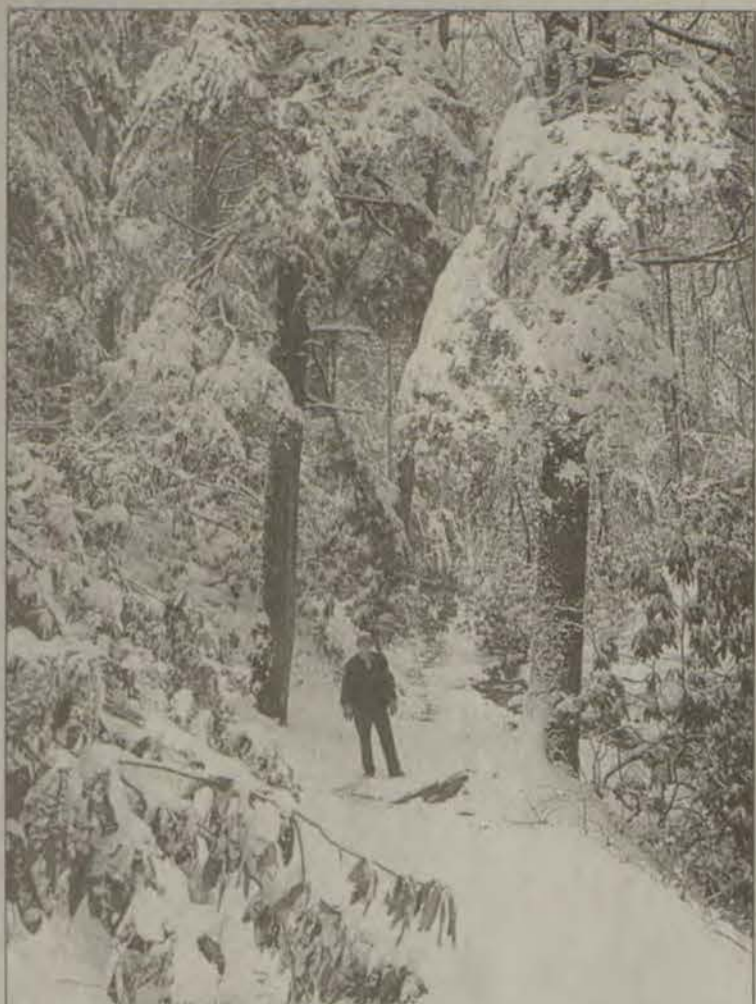
Haydon said it is frustrating that some people just won't

take a simple act to protect themselves.

"I regret that we have to have a law to encourage people to practice good habits," Haydon said.

The opposition basically comes from the theory that the government shouldn't be telling drivers what to do if they're not hurting anybody else. And Haydon acknowledges there is little to counter that position.

"I think those people will always be there," Haydon said.



A hiking trail at Natural Bridge State Resort Park after snowfall is a perfect example of the winter beauty Kentucky has to offer.

Branham won't seek re-election

The Associated Press

PIKEVILLE — Two-term Democratic state Rep. Ira Branham will not seek re-election this year.

The Pikeville lawyer said Tuesday he will concentrate on his legal practice.

Branham had served the 94th District, which takes in parts of

Pike and Floyd counties, since beating Republican Mitchell "Mickey" Maynard of Brushy in 1998. He spent more than \$119,000 in the race.

Branham said he isn't giving up politics for good.

"I enjoyed my time in public service and in all likelihood I will be a candidate again," he said.

Democratic senator threatened with censure

by BRUCE SCHREINER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — The president of the Kentucky Senate declined Friday to censure a Democratic senator who had lumped Republicans with scandal-ridden Enron Corp. during a Senate speech.

President David Williams, R-Burkesville, said he considered the comments by Sen. Ernesto Scorsone offensive and a violation of Senate decorum but not serious enough to warrant censure.

"Although the speech and decorum, in the chair's opinion, were breached, it does not rise to the level that should require censure, and I rule that no censure shall be issued," Williams said.

Scorsone, a Democrat from Lexington, drew Williams' wrath Thursday. Majority Floor Leader Dan Kelly had delivered a speech on bipartisanship, and Scorsone likened it to Enron officials conducting an ethics workshop.

Scorsone's comments came during a procedural debate that turned fiercely partisan on a Democratic bill to regulate telemarketers.

Williams interrupted, said Scorsone had violated Senate rules, declared the Democrat out of order, and told him to be silent and take his seat.

The tone was milder Friday in the Senate. Moments before Williams' ruling, Republicans and Democrats took turns praising Martin Luther King Jr. before adopting a resolution honoring the slain civil rights leader.

Afterward, Scorsone and Williams put different spins on the outcome of their dispute. Scorsone said "the Republicans backed down."

Williams disagreed. "I did not back down on the Scorsone situation," Williams told reporters. "I enforced the rule; the rule worked" because it effectively silenced Scorsone.

Williams said Scorsone was wrong to describe what happened as a victory.

"For him to depict that as a proud day ... is beyond my comprehension," Williams said.

Williams also said Scorsone has been playing "silly games" and "baited" him Thursday by

rising to explain his vote on a unanimous bill while he was under the cloud of possible censure.

Democrats had rallied around Scorsone, while Republicans lined up behind Williams in upholding his ruling Thursday.

Senate Minority Leader David Karem, D-Louisville, said Thursday he could not recall any Kentucky legislator being threatened with censure in his 31 years in the General Assembly. Legislative Research Commission officials could not find any instances on Thursday.

Democrats angrily accused Republicans of trying to silence them.

Scorsone's comments Thursday came during debate on a "discharge petition" by Democrats wanting to remove a Democratic telemarketing bill from the Senate Judiciary Committee. Kelly, the majority leader, said the attempt to circumvent a committee so early in the legislative session signaled an unwillingness among Democrats to work with Republicans.

Scorsone replied that he liked the tone of Republican calls for bipartisanship, fairness and respect, but was skeptical of their sincerity.

"And it strikes me ironic," Scorsone said. "Ironic that members of the Republican Party would attempt to lecture us on respect of each other, and lecture us on order and bipartisanship. I mean a sharper irony would have been if officials from Enron or Arthur Andersen would have been here giving a workshop on ethics."

From his seat at the president's chair, Williams interrupted Scorsone and accused him of violating Senate rules.

"When you compare members of this body to people in Enron and other organizations and accuse them of criminal activity, I request you to take your seat," Williams said. "If you will be silent, please!"

Scorsone later said his comments were meant as allegory and metaphor.

Williams said Friday that he would continue to enforce the rules on decorum and would not hesitate to censure anyone he considered to have breached Senate decorum.

Bill seeks to regulate body piercing

by BRUCE SCHREINER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — Amanda Kolb-Parsley nervously clutched her friend's hand as the body piercer dabbed antiseptic on her midriff.

"You're going to feel a sharp pinch," warned Ben Mullins, a burley man sporting tattooed arms, a flowing beard and a Confederate cap.

Kolb-Parsley winced and groaned softly as Mullins deftly jabbed a hypodermic needle through her bellybutton. When it was over, a silver ring dangled from the 19-year-old college student's midsection.

"Now the painful part comes," Mullins joked when it was time for Kolb-Parsley to pay the \$40 fee for the procedure.

On a busy day, Mullins does 15 to 20 piercings at Body Art Emporium, a tattoo and piercing shop in Louisville's Highlands neighborhood. His work is unregulated by public health inspectors, but that would change if a bill introduced in the General Assembly is enacted into law.

Under the bill, a body piercer would have to register yearly with local health departments and pay a \$20 fee.

The state Cabinet for Health Services would regulate body piercing shops to make sure they are clean and the equipment is sterilized to prevent disease or infection.

Local health inspectors would visit a body piercing shop at least twice a year to assure compliance with the regulations.

Also, minors would be barred from getting body piercings without written notarized consent of a parent or legal guardian.

"I think we are just getting out of hand when we don't let parents help make decisions for minor children," said Rep. Barbara Colter, a Manchester

Republican and co-sponsor of the bill.

The measure was approved by the House Licensing and Occupations Committee. Its chief sponsor is House Speaker Pro Tem Larry Clark, D-Louisville, who introduced a similar bill last year.

Tattoo parlors in Kentucky already face the type of oversight proposed for body piercings. A health inspection report at Body Art Emporium showed it had no violations for its tattooing business.

Mullins said he strongly supports the bill and thinks most body piercers follow the standards proposed in the legislation.

The trade is tainted by a few practitioners who use unclean equipment or pierce minors without parental approval, Mullins said. Some of the unsavory piercers operate from home, and they seem to attract youngsters wanting to circumvent parents' wishes, he said.

Mullins said the bill should be even stricter to crack down on those piercers and to guarantee minors aren't pierced without parental consent.

"It might give the parents a little more security," he said.

Mullins, a piercer for six years, said he won't pierce anyone under 18 unless they're accompanied by a parent, who must present an ID.

His customers sign release forms that inform them of the risks. The equipment is sterilized at the shop, and Mullins talks to each customer about the proper way to clean piercings to prevent infection. Each needle is used just once, then discarded, he said.

About half his customers are minors, Mullins said. Most parents who accompany them seem resigned to the piercings, he said, but last-minute spats between parent and child occasionally flare up in the shop.

Some celebrate their 18th birthdays with piercings, he said.

"When you get a piercing, you get an adrenaline rush," Mullins said. "It seems like it's gotten to be a rite of passage for the kids."

Gary Patterson, coordinator for the on-site and public facility inspection program with the Jefferson County Health Department, said the twice-yearly reviews are merited, but won't guarantee constant compliance.

"That doesn't mean an hour later that's the way things are being done," he said. "I think it does keep people in line, to some extent. But it doesn't eliminate all the hazards."

Clark said his bill would apply to any place that does piercings, including jewelry stores that pierce ears. Patterson said such a broad reach would add at least 75 businesses in Jefferson County to be reviewed twice yearly, adding considerably to his staff's workload.

Another body piercer, Jonathan Stucker, also plugged the bill.

He said it would help curtail the chance of infection or spread of diseases like hepatitis, and might improve the trade's reputation.

"A lot of people look at people who do piercings in a bad way," Stucker said. "I've got a strong belief in what I do is body art. If a person thinks it makes them look better, I will do it for them."

But he, too, draws the line with minors. Stucker, who works at a shop in downtown Shelbyville, said he requires parents to accompany minor children who want piercings.

"The parent has to be standing there holding their hand," he said. "No mommy or daddy, no piercing."

(The legislation is House Bill 29)



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Guestview

Shortfall will test education commitment

Too often money can be an obstacle to higher education. With college costs nationwide averaging \$10,458 a year for students at public colleges and universities and \$22,533 for students at private schools in 1998-99, higher education can be priced out of reach.

But in Kentucky the cost of higher education at public universities and colleges has been kept within reach of even low-income students, a new study finds.

The study by the Lumina Foundation for Education covering 1998 data puts Kentucky among only five states where all the four-year public colleges are considered affordable for low-income students.

A four-year education at Northern Kentucky University at the current tuition rate costs \$9,840 for Kentucky students. Four years at the University of Louisville (the commonwealth's most expensive public university) runs \$15,176.

That's still a lot of money. It's no surprise that the Lumina study found even when low-income students can afford school, they've got to borrow to get by.

But that the cost of Kentucky schools is within grasp of all is heartening news for a state that needs to make strides in the percentage of residents who go on to college. Kentucky ranks in the bottom five states in the percentage of high school graduates who go on to college. Just 20.5 percent of the adult population has earned some kind of college degree while the national average is 25 percent.

It's also encouraging news for a state that during the last decade has invested so much in education from kindergarten through college.

Since the 1997 higher education reform was enacted, appropriations to post-secondary education have increased about 45 percent — more than double the percentage increase in revenues.

This year's tight state budget could prove a tough test of how committed Kentucky really is to education.

The governor promises to spare education, in large part, from cutbacks necessary to address a revenue shortfall. Legislators will next have to decide if the gains made in improving higher education and in making it more affordable will be preserved when they take up the budget.

We would hope so. Kentucky's future can't afford obstacles to higher education.

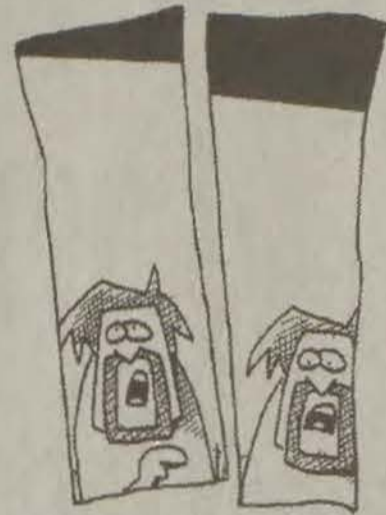
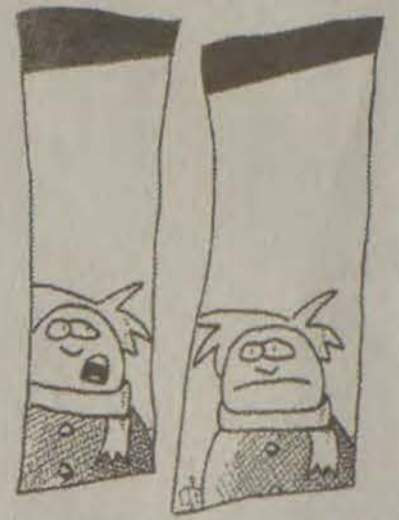
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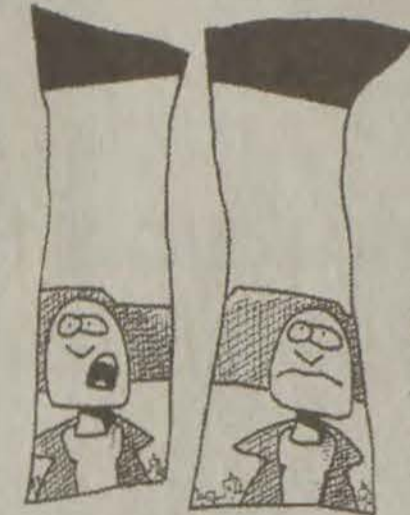


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— guest column

Excluding adolescents from executions

by MARK S. WRIGHT, M.D.

Many states, including Kentucky, exclude those who are mentally retarded from the death penalty. Even those who support the death penalty tend to agree that mentally retarded defendants should not be executed because they are not fully aware of the consequences of their actions.

Now, new brain research shows that juveniles should also be excluded from the death penalty for similar reasons.

Juveniles are far less developed than we ever knew, according to groundbreaking research. The studies have prompted many in the medical, psychological and scientific communities to support proposals that would bar those under the age of 18 from capital punishment.

Those in favor of the death penalty for juveniles argue that 16 and 17-year olds that commit "adult crimes" should be subject to adult penalties, including death.

No one is suggesting that juveniles who commit heinous crimes shouldn't be responsible for their actions, but recent discoveries on juvenile development, as reported in the Harvard Medical School publication, challenge the commonly held tenet that the brain finishes development at puberty.

Just as adolescents exhibit growth spurts, various features of their brains undergo dramatic changes as well. The frontal cortex and the prefrontal cortex, among other parts of the brain, don't

develop fully until the early to mid-20s. These are the "executive" areas of the brain which, among other things, calm emotions, control impulses, make decisions, process abstract ideas and organize and plan multiple tasks.

It's time for Kentucky to revise its death penalty procedures to reflect these medical findings about juvenile development.

Long-standing traditions of American law base the degree of punishment on the degree of fully formed intent. Because we now know that offenders under the age of 18 are less mature than their adult counterparts, it is immoral to execute teenagers under the assumption that they are fully formed adults.

According to Jay Giedd of the National Institute of Mental Health, this brain "maturation continues into the teen years and even the 20s." Recent research by Dr. Bruce Perry of the Baylor College of Medicine has also found that child abuse and neglect have profound, permanent and harmful effects on brain development.

Scientific proof that even normal adolescents are in far less control of their thoughts, impulses and actions, shows us that they should not be held to the same standard of punishment as fully developed adults. How can anyone decide that a sexually assaulted, abused, neglected, borderline retarded, or impaired teenager should be subject to the same standard of punishment as an adult?

As it is, the United States is the only

industrialized country in the world that still executes juveniles. Over the last 10 years, the countries that have executed juveniles include the United States, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Iran, Nigeria, Pakistan, Saudi Arabia and Yemen, according to Amnesty International. Of those countries, the United States carried out the greatest number (nine) of known executions.

The American Society for Adolescent Psychiatry, the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry and the 40,000 member American Psychiatric Association have all adopted policies specifically opposing capital punishment for those under 18.

The medical community is not alone. A recent statewide poll shows eight out of 10 Kentuckians favor a sentence other than death for a 17 or 18-year-old who commits an aggravated murder.

This session, the Kentucky Legislature is expected to take up the issue of juvenile executions. No matter how Kentucky voters feel about the death penalty, the Commonwealth has no business executing juvenile offenders.

Wright is president of the Kentucky Psychiatric Association.

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Residents in Letcher County community facing water woes

The Associated Press

McROBERTS — A reservoir in an underground mine is nearly empty, leaving some Letcher County residents to depend on the Kentucky National Guard for water.

A 5,000-gallon tanker operated by the National Guard began making up to 20 daily runs from Whitesburg to Fleming-Neon after local officials declared a state of emergency last week.

Several hundred customers

of the Fleming-Neon Water Department have been without running water intermittently since early last month. Water company officials say the crisis, a result of low rainfall last year, is expected to last at least until late February, when precipitation begins to replenish the reservoir.

When Amanda Holbrook wants to take a shower or wash her 19-month-old son's clothes, she drives three miles to her mother-in-law's home. That's

because the faucets in Holbrook's trailer spit out a murky brown goo — when they're working.

"It's aggravating," Holbrook, 22, said. "I call the water plant and all they say is that the well is dry."

Carlos Phillips, the operator of the plant, said the system is pumping about 160,000 gallons a day, down from the usual 260,000 gallons daily.

Phillips said some communities in the service area have been

spared, but McRoberts is having problems because it has the highest elevation in the area. When the water level in the 150-foot reservoir drops low enough to shut off the automatic pump, only people who live below the reservoir can get water.

"A lot of people understand the situation we're in, but a lot of people don't," Phillips said. "They think we're magicians."

Last year was the driest on record in the Eastern Kentucky coal region, with only 34.4 inches

of rain — more than 15 inches below normal, according to the National Weather Service office in Jackson.

"It's never been this bad," said Letcher County Judge-Executive Carroll Smith, who helped arrange for equipment to build a temporary dam to store water from a small stream near McRoberts.

Mark York, a spokesman for the Kentucky Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet, said underground

reservoirs in coal seams are typical in Eastern Kentucky, but the state is interested in helping communities seek alternative sources.

"It's a challenge to find those sources of water," York said. "Some remote areas of the state don't have access to a creek or stream or river."

Neon resident James Seals, the city's former mayor, said the water problem should have been

(See WATER, page six)

Religion

Methodists make final payment to fund for black, Hispanic clergy

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — The United Methodist Church has made its final payment from a \$23 million fund created to address pay inequities between the denomination's white and minority clergy.

The Temporary General Aid Fund was created in 1964, as Methodists planned for the integration of white and racially segregated sections of the denomination, which occurred four years later.

The money was used to

increase pension and minimum salaries in the former Central Jurisdiction and the Rio Grande Annual Conference, the divisions for black and Hispanic members respectively, which were formed in 1939.

The final payment of \$11,000 was made at the end of last year, marking the dissolution of the Temporary General Aid Fund.

Presbyterians abandon plan for hospitality center at Olympics

LOUISVILLE — Financial woes have forced the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) to

drop plans for a denominational welcome center at the Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City.

The denomination had hoped to raise up to \$7 million to build a center for worship and hospitality in the state where 70 percent of residents are members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

"We scrapped the project because it was just too much money and not enough time," said the Rev. Robert Sheldon of the Rocky Mountains synod. "It was just impossible."

The Welcome Center was to house big-screen televisions broadcasting Olympic events,

while offering Bible lessons and worship in a 10,000-square-foot sanctuary. Multimedia presentations on Presbyterian missions were also planned.

Summit Presbyterian Church of Park City, Utah, a recently chartered congregation, had hoped to make the new center its home when the Olympics ended.

Lay group takes charge of the Orthodox News Web site

CHICAGO — Orthodox Christian Laity, which represents several U.S. Eastern Orthodox churches, has assumed financial responsibility to operate Orthodox News, a Web site that provides information to church members.

Orthodox News publisher Stephen Angelides said the growing volume of stories became too great for his small editorial staff. He felt Orthodox Christian Laity had better resources to operate the service.

The site was launched in 1999, weeks after news and commentary disseminated by a now-defunct Web site had helped topple the U.S. leader of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese, Archbishop Spyridon. Critics had accused the archbishop of stifling dissent.

Orthodox News is edited by administrative law judge Stephen Angelides, a Greek layman, from his home near Oakland, Calif. Production manager D. J. King, a computer programming executive, belongs to the Orthodox Church

in America.

Orthodox Christian Laity, founded in 1987 with offices in Chicago, is currently promoting more independence for Greek Orthodoxy from the Istanbul-based Ecumenical Patriarch as a step toward a self-governing church that would unite the various Orthodox jurisdictions in the United States.

Actions of aid workers freed from Afghanistan raise questions about missionary work

by AMY GREEN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — As a Roman Catholic missionary in the Islamic nation of Mauritania, Sister Claire Rheaume discussed her faith only with close friends and never made the sign of the cross before meals at restaurants.

The government of the north African nation allowed missionaries to discuss their beliefs, but the nun felt it was important to be discreet.

"It wasn't denying your faith. It's the respect that you have for the country," said Rheaume, who spent 15 years in Mauritania and now works in Waltham, Mass.

Missionaries like Rheaume face a daunting challenge: how to share their faith without violating the laws and customs of their host nation. The case of American aid workers Dayna Curry and Heather Mercer, jailed then freed in Afghanistan, has prompted debate about the right approach.

"Churches have to be aware that they are guests of other countries," said Kathleen Flake, a professor of American religious history at the Vanderbilt University Divinity School in Nashville.

"Just like people who come to our country, we expect them to obey the law. So also other countries seem to have a reasonable expectation that we would obey their laws."

Curry and Mercer were jailed on suspicion of breaking a Taliban law that barred them from preaching Christianity. After they were rescued in November, the women publicly acknowledged that they partially broke the law by showing a video about Jesus to an Afghan family.

Rheaume fears the pair's actions will fuel suspicion of missionaries in Muslim countries and make it difficult for them to do their work. Even

those intending to share only goodwill, not their faith, may run into trouble, Flake said.

"Common sense kind of tells you this will set everybody on edge," Flake said. "To the extent other countries are suspicious of our motives, they will be more suspicious."

In their missionary training program at Antioch Community Church in Waco, Texas, the American aid workers were encouraged, to "share how the Lord has changed their lives," as part of their work overseas, pastor Jimmy Seibert said.

Curry, a Nashville native, and Mercer, of Vienna, Va., then went to work in Afghanistan for Shelter Now International, a Christian organization based in Germany. In Afghanistan, discussing religion is simply part of the culture, and declining to do so could be offensive, said Udo Stolte, Shelter Now director.

"If you're in Afghanistan, you're invited to speak about your family and to speak about your profession, and they ask you to speak about your faith. I cannot tell them, 'Don't tell them who you are,'" Stolte said.

Other missionary organizations are more aggressive.

The Southern Baptist Convention's International Mission Board, the world's largest Protestant mission organization with 5,100 missionaries in 185 countries, encourages its workers to convert people, board spokesman Mark Kelly said.

The board was reorganized four years ago to direct more money and personnel toward the countries where most Muslims live. The board also publishes a guide for Southern Baptists on how to help Muslims accept Jesus Christ as their savior.

The mission board was created "for the express purpose of sending missionaries overseas for sharing the good news of God's love to whomever will listen," Kelly said.

The U.S. Catholic Mission

Association, an umbrella organization for 650 groups that send 3,800 missionaries abroad, takes a more subtle approach.

Missionaries are told they can preach in countries where it is permitted, or can show the virtue of their faith by quietly doing health, education and relief work, said Sister Rosanne Rustemeyer, the association's executive director.

"We really believe that God uses our presence as witness," she said.

J. Dudley Woodberry, professor of Islamic studies at Fuller Theological Seminary in Pasadena, Calif., also feels Christians working in Muslim nations should be discreet.

Aid workers and missionaries should share their faith only with close friends or those struggling with extraordinarily difficult circumstances, such as the loss of a loved one, he said. Even addressing good-natured curiosity about Christianity can be dangerous, he said.

"It varies considerably from country to country, and it varies within the same country because there's sort of a fuzzy line between proselytizing and just being a friend answering questions," said Woodberry, a Christian who has spent time in Lebanon, Pakistan, Afghanistan and Saudi Arabia.

Like Rheaume and Flake, Woodberry feels the actions of the Shelter Now workers will increase Muslim suspicion of Christianity, at a time when tensions already are high because of Sept. 11 and the war on terrorism.

Still, he said there may be some positive effects from their case, such as drawing attention to mission work.

"Whether what they did was wise or not, their being in prison has gotten many people interested in what's going on in the way of Christian witness," he said. "It's gotten many people praying."

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Kentucky parks offer cool packages for hot Valentine's Day weekends

by ANN LATTA
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It may be cold outside, but there are plenty of heart-warming things to do around the Commonwealth to celebrate Valentine's Day. This year, Cupid's aim is on Kentucky's state parks. With dances, entertainment, games, fun activities and plenty of food, what more could your sweetheart want?

Each year, numerous Kentucky residents flock to the parks for Valentine's celebrations. According to Sam Devine, the Kentucky state parks assistant director of advertising and marketing, it's become an annual tradition for many residents. The same people come back year after year to enjoy the beautiful surroundings, renovated lodges, good food and good prices.

Below are some places to enjoy a Valentine's weekend:

Central Corridor

Tired of sending or receiving long-stemmed roses each Valentine's Day? If you're thinking of doing something a little bit different this holiday, consider staying at Barren River Lake State Resort Park near Glasgow or General Butler State Resort Park in Carrollton.

Barren River Lake

During the Honeymoon Weekend at Barren River on Feb. 15-17, you can play the "not so newlywed" game and take part in a scavenger hunt on Saturday, Feb. 16. With 51 lodge rooms and 22 cabins, there is still room available for the weekend. The rate of \$190 per couple includes lodging, entertainment and activities, Valentine's dinner/dance

and Sunday breakfast buffet.

According to Kim Potts, the park's recreation director, about 50 couples participate in the annual event each year.

General Butler

It's not too late to book your reservations at General Butler's Perfect Harmony Weekend, Feb. 15-17, and enjoy the park's renowned beauty and rolling hills.

The park's conference center will play host to a Monte Carlo casino night on Saturday, Feb. 16. In addition to dancing and gambling, Dan Jackson will perform on the saxophone. For \$215, a couple receives two nights' lodging, dinner buffet Friday, prime rib dinner Saturday and a breakfast buffet for the entire weekend.

There's also plenty to do during the day. You can drop in on an aerobics class, tour the nearby Butler-Turpin State Historic Home or simply relax in your room with a good book.

General Butler has been hosting this special weekend for many years. It's become so popular that many of the guests are regulars, said Tanya Supplee, the park's recreation supervisor. The lodge for the weekend is booked. However, cottages are still available.

Western Kentucky

If you live in the Western Region of the state, you don't have to miss out on the weekend fun. Several state parks are doing their part to make sure guests get hit by Cupid's arrow.

KenLake

KenLake State Resort Park, which is located in Aurora, Ky. near Hardin, takes a new twist on this romantic holiday. You can find your "lost shaker of salt" at the Caribbean-themed "Valentine's in Margaritaville" weekend, Feb. 9-10. The live band, Still of the Night, will perform island music while you dance or do the limbo with your true love.

The park wanted to do a spin on Valentine's Day, explained Cathy Clark, KenLake's recreation director. This is the first year KenLake has adopted a tropical paradise theme for the event.

The Caribbean theme is taken one step further with the dinner buffet. Helpings of jerked pork with lime sauce, blackened chicken breast, fried coconut shrimp and grilled tuna with tropical salsa on the buffet more than make up for the package price. One-night lodging on Saturday including the dinner and dance is \$99 per couple and the dinner/dance-only package is

\$60.

Just in case you want to meet another sweetheart, there will be a "search for your lost shaker of salt" contest, where one person is given a peppershaker and must locate the person with the matching salt shaker.

Lake Barkley

For more than 20 years, picturesque Lake Barkley State Resort Park in Cadiz has hosted a Sweetheart Weekend. With special packages for the Feb. 15-17 weekend, why not take one or two nights to enjoy the rustic lodge setting? The \$199-per-couple, two-night package includes a prime rib buffet and dance on Saturday evening with the live band, Kenny and the Krooners, so that you can dance the night away. On Sunday, stay for breakfast to enjoy the country ham buffet. Your best bet is to make reservations early because the 120 lodge rooms, four suites and 13 cottages may get booked-up. The one-night package is \$149 per couple.

During that weekend, the entire park is decorated with the Valentine theme, said Doug Hargrove, the park's recreation supervisor. It's a beautiful time of year to enjoy the park and surroundings, he said.

Kentucky Dam Village

Western Kentucky hosts another popular event at Kentucky Dam Village State Resort Park's Country Sweetheart Weekend on Feb. 8-10.

The weekend retreat breaks up the bleak winter months, said Gloria Peck-Hargrove, the park's assistant manager. And since Kentucky Dam Village boasts a rural setting, the spot makes an ideal secluded getaway. The \$170 per couple, two-night package includes lodging, two nights of entertainment, country and western dance lessons, and arts and craft sessions. It also includes the 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. prime rib buffet and dance, which begins at 8 p.m. and lasts until midnight. During the day, you can walk off your meals by

taking advantage of the nearby hiking trails at Land Between the Lakes.

Eastern Kentucky

Romantic getaways are only a car drive away in Eastern Kentucky. Both Carter Caves and Buckhorn Lake state resort parks are offering some sweet packages for your sweet.

Buckhorn Lake

For a secluded getaway, consider taking your special someone to Buckhorn Lake State Resort Park near Hazard. Couples of all ages enjoy the park's Sweetheart Weekend Feb. 8-10.

All of the 36 rooms face over the lake, so the view is spectacular, especially with snow on the ground, explained Julian Slone, park manager. You can also take advantage of reserving one of the three cottages. The Valentine's dinner/dance and one-night lodging is \$99 per couple. There's a reduced rate of \$30 for an extra night stay.

Carter Caves

Romance that special someone with laughter this Valentine's Day at the annual Valentine Dinner Theatre at Carter Caves State Resort Park. The musical comedy, entitled "Queen of the Bingo Parlor," which is written and performed by Laura Lee and Michael O'Connell, will have you in stitches.

The park is home to more than 20 caverns - those explored and those not yet charted - winding beneath its forested hills. From Feb. 14-17, you can spend time in a naturally beautiful setting, take cave tours and explore the hiking trails. During the evening, you and your date can take in the show. Admission to the dinner theatre is \$20 per adult. The park is offering a special winter weekend rate of \$42 per night, however, some reduced rates will be available for other nights.

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Coal

as responsible for the release of harmful emissions into the atmosphere if not done efficiently, said Cerimele.

The result of that attempt to "shut down coal" and a push for the use of gas, pointed out Cerimele, was raising gas prices and economic hardships.

However, global climate issues are still the biggest concern for AEP, which is responsible for producing an estimated 6 percent of the nation's electricity.

Carbon dioxide emissions, which are produced when coal is burned and are something AEP feels should be viewed as a "worldwide" problem, are a continuing part of the process that Cerimele and others are attempting to curtail, especially in other countries where coal is still a major export material.

Cerimele feels this can be done through the increased advancement of efficient power plants.

Older model power plants, such as the kind being used in countries such as Russia and China, emit a higher percentage of carbon dioxide per each ton of coal burned, unlike the newly upgraded plants in the United

States. However, AEP has had little luck in talks with these countries on finding ways to cure the problem, according to Cerimele.

At least one member of the Big Sandy ADD's board of directors feels that AEP, aside from concerning itself with stressing to coal producing states the continuing growth of the industry, should consider investing a little back to the producers of their number one energy resource.

Pike County Judge-Executive Karen Gibson posed a question that Cerimele returned with a lengthy answer of "uncertainty."

Gibson, in pointed comments, asked Cerimele if AEP had considered bringing plants to Eastern Kentucky to "give something back" to the workers of the area in exchange for all that had been offered in terms of sheer workforce and commitment.

"There are certain things that must fall in place that would provide us with a business certainty," said Cerimele. "It's basically just that there is a certain sense of uncertainty at this time ... I know that we will build someday, but for now we just need that certainty."

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Water

dealt with long ago. Seals said he worked on finding an alternative source in the 1980s, but plans were never implemented.

On Thursday, local officials will meet with the Kentucky Infrastructure Authority to discuss creation of a master plan to prevent future shortages.

Roy Benge, area manager for the Division of Emergency Management, said nearly 20 percent of the 1,000 households served by the Fleming-Neon

Water Department have been without running water at any given time since the crisis started.

Holbrook said the little water she gets from her taps looks so nasty that she's worried it might be unhealthy for her son, Jaydon. So she gets well water from her mother-in-law's home in Neon.

"Having a baby, it's hard," she said. "You don't know if there's bacteria in the water."

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Rate

On the positive side, manufacturing had a seasonal increase of 200 jobs in tobacco products as tobacco warehouses and stemming redrying businesses increased their workforce, said Cracraft. Other December manufacturing increases were in industrial machinery (up 100) and other durable goods (up 100).

"During 2001, manufacturing shed 17,200 jobs or about 5 percent of its workforce," said Cracraft.

The transportation, communications and utilities sector reported 100 fewer jobs in December.

"Air transportation, which continues to be affected by weakened demand for business and leisure travel and parcel delivery, has lost 400 jobs in the past 12 months," Cracraft said.

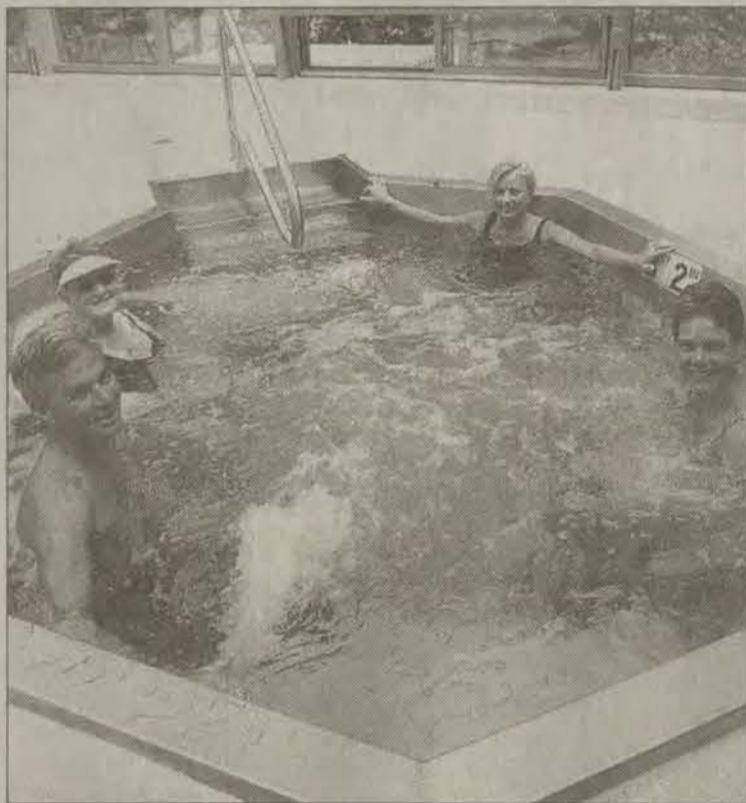
The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics monthly estimate of the number of employed Kentuckians for December 2001 was 1,893,156. This figure is down 9,589 from the 1,902,745 employed in November 2001, and down 21,165 from the 1,914,321

Kentuckians employed in December 2000.

The monthly estimate of the number of unemployed Kentuckians for December 2001 was 103,016. This figure is up 1,292 from the 101,724 unemployed in November 2001, and up 29,081 from the 73,935 Kentuckians unemployed in December 2000.

The monthly estimate of the number of Kentuckians in the civilian labor force for December 2001 was 1,996,172. This figure is down 8,297 from the 2,004,469 recorded in November 2001, but up 7,916 from the 1,988,256 recorded for December 2000.

The civilian labor force includes non-military workers and unemployed Kentuckians who are actively seeking work. It does not include unemployed Kentuckians who have not looked for employment within the past four weeks. Employment and unemployment statistics are based on estimates. They are compiled to indicate employment trends rather than actually to count numbers of people who are or are not working.



Who says winter is only about chilly weather? Lake Barkley State Resort Park has a fitness center with an indoor-wellness swimming pool and hot tub.

Sewer

Thompson said he and others involved with the project couldn't believe the tremendous increase when it was presented during meetings Thursday, and the county has since made plans to increase the staff in his office currently doing title searches for the area in order to get a clear and definite number.

"There are a pretty good number of 50-foot lots in Auxier and each person has to give an easement on it," said Thompson, noting how such an undertaking could be time-consuming. "We just couldn't believe there had been that much of an increase."

The project would mean alleviating low spots in current lines running beneath the community, which often cause lateral problems for a consistent flow, and

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replacing those lines with more efficient systems.

Thompson will now, having been given the go-ahead by the full court, sign agreements to issue compensation and method payments to the Big Sandy ADD in the total amount of \$37,900. It is noted within the agreement that no single payment issued upon the receipt of funds is to exceed \$7,500. The payments are to be used for planning services to the resolution passed Friday.

Further, the fiscal court will retain 50 percent of the compensation amount for administrative services until the project is closed out.

Thompson has anticipated a beginning construction date for the project as April 1 of this year.

Dues

be very regularly, probably meeting once a quarter, but that the committee seemed "badly needed" in light of the recent information received.

No details were given concerning the types of policy changes will be considered or what role the finance committee will have in collecting the delinquent dues.

Others recommendations mentioned in Big Sandy ADD's audit were the possibility of practicing cross-training, which would consist of staff members getting a better idea of what each other's responsibilities were in such areas as paying the bills and payroll duties. This would prevent the

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group being without the required knowledgeable participants in the event one of the group was absent at a pivotal moment.

Another change that needed to be implemented, the audit said, was the withholding of retirement from employees on a pretax basis. Schindler explained that retirement should not be subject to federal and state income tax or Social Security taxes, but noted that Big Sandy ADD has been taking Social Security taxes out of retirement benefits. The audit advised that the calculation be changed immediately for employees covered by the program.

Park

lution Friday agreeing to provide Floyd County Service Inc. with matching funds in connection to a preapplication to the Department for Local Government for assistance under the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965. The funds would be used for the purpose of developing what will be known as the Elk Horn Recreational and Educational Park along the 339 acres at Turkey Creek.

The Land and Water Conservation Fund is limited to funding a maximum of 50 percent of proposed project costs, not to exceed \$75,000.

The fiscal court agreed via its resolution to match the \$75,000 from Land and Water funding with county labor and equipment, as well as volunteer labor.

According to Amy Barnes of the Big Sandy Area Development District, some initial steps have been taken at the actual site. In addition, the county has obtained the help of the Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center, which will provide construction of the park for free. The Job Corps volunteers will be supervised, according to Barnes, by Stanley Allen, chairman of Floyd County Service Inc.

Some of the \$75,000 in matching funds have already been secured by the fiscal court, according to Thompson. Ninety percent - or \$55,000 - is already in place and ready to be distributed to the project, which will bring some unique recreational options to county residents.

In a letter from Allen on Jan. 14, the chairman detailed some of the things that could be expected from the project as part of the end result.

After consulting Jerry Howell, a biology instructor with Morehead State University, a list of possible activities were devised, some of which will be

unique to the area.

Among those will be a PRIDE demonstration site, hiking and walking trails, primitive campsites, a skeet shooting range. And, because the area was once mined by Elk Horn Coal, there will be one activity included which will be a reclamation station displaying natural land profiles, as well as including a veterans' cemetery, which Thompson said he had lobbied for during talks with various agencies involved in making the park a reality.

The park will, of course, include a visitor's center and fish ponds designed for harvest, observation and education, among many other activities.

Included in plans for construction will be a cabin for a full-time resident groundskeeper, as well as a natural wetlands area that will be, according to developers, a unique addition to the area.

Correction

In an article in our Friday, Jan. 18, edition, it was incorrectly stated that the two counts of first-degree arson against Michala Walters had been dismissed. The charges are still pending in Floyd County Circuit Court, having run their course at the district court level.

Clarification

In an article in our Wednesday, Jan. 16, edition a story making reference to the arrest of Danny R. Harris referred to the agency making the arrest and search of Harris' home only as the "police." More specifically, the Floyd County Sheriff's Department made the search and arrest.

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Regional Obituaries

Floyd County

Herschel B. Flanery, 65, of Langley, died Friday morning, Jan. 11, at the Pikeville Methodist Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Betty Stratton Flanery. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, Jan. 13, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Earnest Gibson, 84, of Willard, Ohio, native of Garrett, died Friday, December 28, at the Willard Mercy Hospital, following a sudden illness. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, Jan. 1, under the direction of Secor Funeral Home, Willard, Ohio.

Claude Goble, 86, of Dwale, died Sunday, Jan. 13, following an extended illness. He is survived by his wife, Ezel Slone Goble. Funeral services were conducted Thurs., Jan. 17, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Rachel Julia Hackworth, 90, of Prestonsburg, died Sunday, Jan. 13, following an extended illness. Funeral services were conducted Wed., Jan. 16, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Roberta Hall, 59, of Lackey, died Tues., Jan. 15, at St. Joseph Hospital, Lexington. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, Jan. 19, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Grover Hill, 81, of Wheelwright, died Thursday, Jan. 3, following an extended illness. He is survived by his wife, Aggie Johnson Hill. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, Jan. 5, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Burnice Johnson, 76, of Topmost, died Wednesday, Jan. 16, following an extended illness. He is survived by his wife, Edith Mosley Johnson. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, Jan. 19, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Larry Milton Marshall, 60, of Prestonsburg, died Monday, Jan. 14, following a brief illness. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, Jan. 17, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Bolten H. Martin, 79, of Eastern, died Tuesday, Jan. 15, at the Highlands Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Friday, Jan. 18, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Maggie Hall Newman, 88, of Berea, formerly of McDowell, died Saturday, Jan. 12, in the Norton Audubon Hospital, Louisville. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, Jan. 16, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Dwight Pennington, 44, of Melvin, died Monday, December 31, following an automobile accident. He is survived by his wife, Brenda Kaye Caudill Pennington. Funeral services were conducted Friday, Jan. 4, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Ada Prater, 78, of Garrett, died Thursday, Jan. 10, at King's Daughters' Hospital, Ashland. Funeral services were conducted Monday, Jan. 14, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Helen Prater, 85, of Hueysville, died Friday, Jan. 4, at the Crestmark of Rose Lawn, Rose Lawn, Ind. Funeral services were conducted Monday, Jan. 7, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Gladys Goble Wiley, 74, of Prestonsburg, died Thursday, Jan. 10, following an extended illness. Funeral services were conducted Monday, Jan. 14, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Virginia (Hobson) Williamson, of Betsy Layne, native of Pikeville, died

Thursday, Jan. 17, at her home. Funeral services will be conducted Sunday, Jan. 20, at 11 a.m., at the Betsy Layne Freewill Baptist Church. Burial will be in the Ferguson Cemetery.

Magoffin County

Patton Borders Jr., 79, of Kettering, Ohio, died Tuesday, Jan. 1, at Hospice of Dayton. Funeral services were conducted Friday, Jan. 4, under the direction of Gebhart-Schmidt-Parramore Funeral Home.

Norma Jean Minix, 42, of Falcon, died Monday, December 31, at the UK Medical Center in Lexington. She is survived by her husband, Joe Wendell Minix. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, Jan. 3, under the direction of Salyersville Funeral Home.

Emory "Steve" Perkins, 41, of Cincinnati, Ohio, formerly of Salyersville, died Saturday, Jan. 5, in the Mercy Hospital, of Fairfield, Ohio. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, Jan. 8, under the direction of Magoffin County Funeral Home.

Ruann Salyer, 27, of Salyersville, died Thursday, Jan. 10. Funeral services were conducted Monday, Jan. 14, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Doris M. Williams, 78, of Louisville, native of Salyersville, died Sunday, Jan. 13, at Norton Suburban Hospital, Louis. She is survived by her husband, Ellis G. Williams.

Knott County

Deanna Back, 54, of Jeremiah, died Tuesday, Jan. 8, at the Hazard Appalachian Regional Health Care Center. Funeral services were conducted Friday, Jan. 11, under the direction of Letcher Funeral Home.

Billie Carol Blair, 62, of Lodi, native of Hot Spot, died Saturday, December 22, at Medina General Hospital. She is survived by her husband, Everett Blair. Arrangements were under the direction of Valley City.

Dr. Eli Cornett Boggs, 92, of Woodland Park, died Monday, Jan. 7, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Margaret Craft Boggs. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, Jan. 9, under the direction of Engle-Walker Funeral Home.

Lyndia Jane Branham, 61, died Friday, Jan. 11, at the Whitesburg ARH. Funeral services were conducted Monday, Jan. 14, under the direction of Letcher Funeral Home.

Norman "Pat" Brunett, 50, of Saint Marys Ohio, formerly of Knott County, died Saturday, December 29, at the Memorial Hospital, Saint Marys. He is survived by his wife, Phyllis Singleton Brunett. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, Jan. 5, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services.

Albert Calhoun, 73, of Leburn, died Saturday, Jan. 12, at the Hazard Appalachian Regional Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Sharlene Calhoun. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, Jan. 15, under the direction of Hindman Funeral services.

Riley Campbell, 91, of Whiten, died Thursday, Jan. 3, at the Whitesburg Appalachian Regional Health Care Center. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, Dec. 6, under the direction of Letcher Funeral Home.

Powers Arthur Caudill Jr., 68, of Kingdom Come, died Tuesday, Jan. 1, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Elma Ison Caudill. Funeral services were conducted Friday, Jan. 4, under the direction of Letcher Funeral Home.

Jimmie D. Collins, 61, of

Kendallville, Indiana, died Friday, Jan. 4, at the Parkview Noble Hospital, Kendallville. He is survived by his wife, Lorene Crager. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, Jan. 8, under the direction of Berhalter Hutchins Funeral Home.

Arnold Combs, 80, of Topmost, died Tuesday, Jan. 15, following an extended illness. He is survived by his wife, Minnie Martin Combs. Funeral services were conducted Friday, January 18, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Kathryn "Katie" Reed Combs, 84, of Hilton Head Island, S.C., died Saturday, Jan. 5. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, Jan. 9, under the direction of Engle-Walker Funeral Home.

Dorothy Anderson Fields, 81, of Kingscreek, died Friday, Dec. 28, at the Jewish Hospital, Louisville. Funeral services were conducted December 31, under the direction of Letcher Funeral Home.

Margaret Ann Fields, 63, of Mt. Vernon, died Sunday, Dec. 30, at the U.K. Medical Center, Lexington. She is survived by her husband, Troy Fields. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, Jan. 3, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services.

Lillie G. Frazier, 83, of Cowan, died Friday, Jan. 11, at the Whitesburg Appalachian Regional Healthcare Center. Funeral services were conducted Monday, Jan. 14, under the direction of Letcher Funeral Home.

Christopher Loren Hale, 34, of Garner, died Tuesday, Jan. 8, at the Hazard Appalachian Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Friday, Jan. 11, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services.

Troy Hays, 101, of Pinetop, died Sunday, Jan. 13, at the Martin County Health Care Facility, Inez. Graveside services were conducted Wednesday, Jan. 16, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services.

Florine Mullins Honeycutt, 65, of Mallie, died Wednesday, Jan. 2, at the Hazard Appalachian Regional Medical Center. She is survived by her husband, Emery Honeycutt. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, Jan. 5, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services.

Jimmy Carnell Napier, 64, of Leburn, died Monday, Dec. 31, at Hazard ARH. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, Jan. 3, under the direction of Maggard Brothers Funeral Home.

Amos Brewer Nickles, 87, of Vest, died Sunday, Jan. 13, at the Knott County Nursing Home. He is survived by his wife, Ethel Fugate Nickles. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, Jan. 16, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services.

Sharon L. Perry, 41, died Tuesday, Jan. 1, at the St. Mary's Hospital, Norton, Virginia. She is survived by her husband, Samuel L. Perry. Funeral services were conducted Friday, Jan. 4, under the direction of Sturgill Funeral Home.

Ted Ramey, 56, of Garner, died Tuesday, Jan. 8, following an extended illness. He is survived by his wife, Betty Lou Brown Ramey. Funeral services were conducted Friday, Jan. 11, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Dennis Slone, 89, of Hindman, died Wednesday, Jan. 9, at the Hazard Appalachian Regional Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Berta Slone. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, Jan. 12, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services.

Roy Sturgill, 42, of Redfox, died Friday, Jan. 11, at Joseph Hospital in Lexington. He is survived by his wife, Karensa Day Watts Sturgill. Funeral services were conducted Monday, Jan. 14, at the Omaha Bible Church, Pinetop. Burial was in the Jerome Watts Cemetery, Watts Fork, Garner, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Lauzy Sumner, 35, of Sassafras, died Monday, December 31, at his residence after a brief illness. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, Jan. 2, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services.

Pike County

Ovie Allen, 72, of Caney Highway, died Sunday, Jan. 13, at home. Funeral arrangements were under the direction of R.S. Jones & Son Funeral Home.

Orma Lee Blankenship, 72, of Phelps, died Monday, Jan. 14, at her home. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, Jan. 17, under the direction of Phelps Funeral Services.

James E. Campbell, 78, of Ashland, native of Jenkins, died Monday, Jan. 14, at King's Daughters' Medical Center, Ashland. He is survived by his wife, Jacqueline Rolan Campbell. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, Jan. 17, under the direction of Marshall Steen Funeral Home.

Mary Maxey Clevinger, 60, of Elkhorn City, died Saturday, Jan. 12, in Lexington. She is survived by her husband, Arthur "Bang" Clevinger. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, Jan. 15, under the direction of Jones Funeral Home.

Ellen E. Davis, 61, of Naugatuck, West Virginia, died Friday, Jan. 11, at the South Williamson Appalachian Regional Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Monday, Jan. 14, under the direction of Hatfield Funeral Chapel.

Chadwick Dale Gibson, 29, of Mt. Sterling, died Thursday, Jan. 10, in Fayette County. Funeral services were conducted Monday, Jan. 14, under the direction of R.S. Jones & Son Funeral Home.

June M. Huffman, 78, of Pikeville, died Sunday, Jan. 13, at her home. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, Jan. 16, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

John Marshall "Stagger Lee" Johnson, 41, of Waverly, Ohio, formerly of Virgie, died Wednesday, Jan. 9, in Pike Community Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, Jan. 13, under the direction of R.S. Jones & Son Funeral Home.

Luther Clinton Looney, 72, of Belcher, died Sunday, Jan. 13, at his home. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, Jan. 16, under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

Joseph Harmon Maynard, 80, of Grove City, Ohio, native of Piso, died Sunday, Jan. 13, at his home. He is survived by his wife, Magdalene Marcum Maynard. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, January 16, under the direction of Miller Funeral Home.

Harvey Robinson, 82, of Island Creek, died Sunday, Jan. 13, at Mountain View Health Care Center, Elkhorn City. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, Jan. 16, under the direction of Thacker Funeral Home.

Robert Jefferson Bevins Sr., 60, of Shelbiana, died Tuesday, Jan. 15, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Sally Taylor Bevins. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, Jan. 19 under the direction of Lucas & Hall Funeral Home.

Lawrence County

Bernice Carter Jordan, 78, of Chapman, died Friday, December 28, at her residence. Funeral services were conducted under the direction of Wilson Funeral Home.

Barbara Ann Frazier Moore, 65, of Louisa, died Saturday, December 29. Funeral services were conducted under the direction of Young Funeral Home.

Charles Robert Tarring II, 78, of Louisa, died Wednesday, Jan. 2, at VA Medical Center, Huntington, West Virginia. He is survived by his wife, Dianna Marie Williams Tarring. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, Jan. 5, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Chapel.

Ann Ruth Raines Tucker, 67, of Ashland, native of Louisa, died Saturday, December 29. She is survived by her husband, Hubert L. Tucker. Young Funeral Home, Louisa, was in charge of arrangements.

Kay Frances Waller, 64, of Fort Gay, West Virginia, native of Louisa, died Jan. 3, at Three Rivers Medical Center. Graveside funeral services were conducted Sunday, Jan. 6, under the direction of Young Funeral Home.

Lowell E. Wheeler, 70, of Blaine, died Thursday, December 27, at King's Daughters' Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted under the direction of Wilson Funeral Home.

Jeffery Wayne Wilks, 18, of Webbville, died Tuesday, Jan. 8, at Cabell Huntington Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Friday, Jan. 11, under the direction of Wilson Funeral Home.

Johnson County

Annie Baldrige, 82, of Staffordsville, died Sunday,

Jan. 6, at J.J. Jordan Nursing Home, Louisa. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, Jan. 10, under the direction of Preston Funeral Home.

Christopher Ray Butcher, 23, of Deboard, died Tuesday, Jan. 8. He is survived by his wife, Jennifer Ann Riser Butcher. Funeral services were conducted Friday, Jan. 11, under the direction of Preston Funeral Home.

Nellie Meade, 81, of Thealka, died Monday, Jan. 7, at Wabash, Ind. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, Jan. 10, under the direction of Preston Funeral Home.

Jackie Lynn Meek, 39, of River, died Tuesday, Jan. 8, at Morehead. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, Jan. 12, under the direction of Preston Funeral Home.

Fay Taylor, 84, of Leander, died Monday, Jan. 7, at Mt. Manor Nursing Home, Paintsville. Funeral services were conducted Friday, January 11, under the direction of Preston Funeral Home.

Eloise Melvin Vanhooze, 80, of Paintsville, died Wednesday, Jan. 9, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, Jan. 12, under the direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home.

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Differences: 1. Snowman's hat is different. 2. Boy has a scarf. 3. Snowballs have been added. 4. Tree is missing. 5. Teacher's name is different. 6. Boy is holding an apple.

Answers to Crossword Puzzle and Magic Maze can be found on page A2



Super Crossword

FLIGHT MANUALS

- ACROSS**
- 1 Polish cake
 - 6 Melodious
 - 10 Tower material?
 - 15 Yak
 - 18 Caustic
 - 19 Mideastern airline
 - 20 '28 Irving Berlin song
 - 21 Antitoxins
 - 22 Dashiell Hammett book
 - 25 Evangelist Roberts
 - 26 Wield an axe
 - 27 Hood or Tell
 - 28 Have a hot dog
 - 29 Woods dweller?
 - 30 Explorer Sebastian
 - 32 Choose, with "for"
 - 34 Actor Howard
 - 36 "Mr. Television"
 - 38 Loaded
 - 40 Siouan people
 - 42 Hill or Haggerty
 - 43 Harper Lee book
 - 48 Utah city
 - 49 Dole (out)
 - 50 Algerian seaport
 - 51 "My word!"
 - 55 Won over
 - 58 Singer John McEntire
 - 61 Work like a horse
 - 62 Slip cover?
 - 63 Mauna —
 - 64 Soap ingredient
 - 65 Actor's lunch?
 - 68 Mark Bowden book
 - 73 "Ask — Girl" ('59 film)
 - 74 Main drag
 - 76 Mare's morse!
 - 77 Textbook headings
 - 79 Senator Fong
 - 80 Kathy of country
 - 83 Soldered or stapled
 - 87 Maintain
 - 88 Splinter group
 - 89 Grandma
 - 91 Emulated the Valkyries
 - 92 Agatha Christie book
 - 98 Conflict
 - 101 Rational
 - 102 Geometry calculation
 - 103 "Rawhide" prop
 - 104 Indifference
 - 106 August one?
 - 107 Religious belief
 - 109 Big vein
 - 110 1 Down, e.g.
 - 112 Adds a lane
 - 115 Bell and Barker
 - 118 Composer Siegmester
 - 119 Willa Cather book
 - 123 Word with dance or dunk
 - 124 Art supporter?
 - 125 — -Neisse Line
 - 126 Tenor Beniamino
 - 127 Internet acronym
 - 128 Put on a pedestal
 - 129 Actor Calhoun
 - 130 Burger topping
 - 6 So out it's in
 - 7 Vote in
 - 8 Hit hard
 - 9 Opposite of aweather
 - 10 "Baby — Want You" ('71 hit)
 - 11 Jeeves' profession
 - 12 Namu or Willy
 - 13 Crowd-burst?
 - 14 Itch
 - 15 McRaney or Ford
 - 16 Lawrence's locale
 - 17 Scrimshaw material
 - 21 Weeps
 - 23 Warhol subject
 - 24 Dress
 - 30 European peninsula
 - 31 Half and half?
 - 33 Sweater letter
 - 34 Meat cut
 - 35 Always, to Arnold
 - 36 — yesterday (naive)
 - 37 Got by, with "out"
 - 38 "Baloney!"
 - 39 Like some donuts
 - 40 Brute
 - 41 Stowe sight
 - 43 Sock part
 - 44 Basic organism
 - 45 Battlefield doc
 - 46 See 4 Down
 - 47 Farmer's place
 - 52 Festive
 - 53 Connecticut town
 - 54 Moist
 - 56 Photo book
 - 57 Annoy
 - 59 Bring bliss
 - 60 At once
 - 61 Present company?
 - 64 Ridicule
 - 65 "Very funny!"
 - 66 Tel —
 - 67 Insignificant
 - 69 Yaphet of "Homicide"
 - 70 Toque or topee
 - 71 Guitarist Eddy
 - 72 Available
 - 75 DEA officer
 - 78 Knee-slapper
 - 80 Nasty
 - 81 Zenith
 - 82 Pay to play
 - 84 Night noise
 - 85 Actress Purviance
 - 86 — Plaines, IL
 - 88 Corset part
 - 90 "The truth at last!"
 - 93 Hibachi residue
 - 94 Rob Roy's refusal
 - 95 Adult
 - 96 Coming from Cork
 - 97 "Saving Private Ryan" extras
 - 98 Solidarity leader
 - 99 Lunar spacecraft
 - 100 Tire type
 - 105 Swarm (with)
 - 106 Surgical tool
 - 107 Postpone
 - 108 Threshold
 - 110 Food fish
 - 111 Cuban currency
 - 113 Violinist
 - 114 Extinct bird
 - 115 Christmas visitors
 - 116 Chip off Woody's block
 - 117 Rind
 - 119 Actress Leoni
 - 120 Seville shout
 - 121 Self-esteem
 - 122 China's — Biao

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Butcher making great strides with Cumberland

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

WILLIAMSBURG — The National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics is featuring some very good basketball. Perennial power Georgetown College is as good as ever, and some other Kentucky schools, Pikeville College, Lindsey Wilson College, and Eastern Kentucky University — are very good basketball clubs — men's and women's.

Don Butcher, a native of Pikeville, began his coaching career in 1989 when he became an assistant coach at Cumberland. His collegiate playing days were spent at Georgetown College. Twelve and a half years later, in November of 2000, he became the head coach of Cumberland College. During his first year as head coach he was named Mid-South Conference Coach of the Year with a 21-13 record.

Butcher came to Cumberland because as he states: "It's a great place to work and a great place to

"It's a great place to work and a great place to be a student. The faculty and staff here want the students to succeed, you don't find that at every school."

— Butcher

every person in the administration. There is a proud tradition and they want to see it continue. If it doesn't start at the top, it cannot be done. All the coaches at Cumberland should be grateful for the pledge of excellence the administration has made."

According to Butcher, the best thing about being a coach is "working with and helping to mold young men. Teaching

every school." We have great support in all aspects when it comes down to our athletic program. It starts with Dr. Taylor's commitment to athletic excellence and filters its way down to

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■ Butcher

Commentary...

NCAA now looks at possible candidates

by BILLY REED
TIMES COLUMNIST

It was recently announced that Cedric Dempsey would retire as president of the NCAA when his contract expires at the end of the year. He has been a good bureaucrat in one of the sports world's biggest bureaucracies. Now it's up to the NCAA to decide what it wants in its new leader. Someone who will maintain the status quo? Or someone who will be given enough power to bring about real change?



In Walter Byers, the NCAA's executive director from the early 1950s through the late '80s, the organization had a strong leader whose fingerprints were all over every department and every decision. But his successor, Dick Shultz, didn't do a good job of managing the burgeoning bureaucracy. Dempsey, whose title was changed from executive director to president, fell somewhere between Byers and Shultz.

As Dempsey prepares to leave, the NCAA faces many of the same thorny issues that have plagued it for years. Should there be a Division I football playoff? Should scholarship athletes be paid more than room, board, and tuition

■ ? Is it possible to stop cheating, drug and alcohol abuse, and student gambling? And with the NBA taking more underclassmen

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photo by Jamie Howell

Shelby Valley looked to get a win on the road at Prestonsburg Thursday night but fell short. Both teams are scheduled to return to action this week.

Ladycats top Shelby Valley

by JAMIE HOWELL
SPORTS WRITER

PRESTONSBRUG — The Prestonsburg Lady Blackcats played host to the Lady Wildcats of Shelby Valley on Thursday night at Prestonsburg High School. Prestonsburg would be without the services of freshman guard Molly

Burchett who injured her foot earlier in the season, but Darcy Hicks would step into the starting lineup to replace Burchett and do an admirable job running the team.

The Lady Blackcats started the season slowly losing their first four games before they started to find themselves as a team at Allen Central in their first district contest of the season. Since the

Allen Central game the Lady Blackcats have steadily improved each time out and hoped to continue that improvement even more against Shelby Valley. The improvement would be clearly evident with a 65-56 win.

Prestonsburg's fate this season relies heavily on senior Ramanda

(See LADYCATS, page eight)

Ortega among D-3 honorees

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

Former Prestonsburg High School standout student-athlete John Ortega has been included on the d3football.com website's NCAA Division III 2001 All-American Team. Ortega, a sophomore on the Centre College football team, was named Honorable Mention. Following the 2001 football season, Ortega's first at Centre College, he was named Second Team All-SCAC (Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference).

Before coming to Centre College, Ortega played on the University of Kentucky JV football team. While attending Kentucky, Ortega was also majoring in engineering, his current major. He is expected to also play baseball at Centre College. Ortega

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Lady Raiders pull away from Paintsville

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PHELPS — The sophomore tandem of guard Megan Ousley and forward Ashley Johnson managed to post a combined 28 points and Tabitha Berger added nine points to lead the

(See RAIDERS, page six)

LocoMotives will sit out upcoming season

Lawrence County head coach was member of last season's staff

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

HUNTINGTON, W.Va. — Hunting football won't have indoor professional football in 2002.

The River Cities LocoMotives, a member of the National Indoor Football League, informed the league office Friday that it chose not to play in 2002, but plans to return for its second season in 2003. The LocoMotives finished last season with a 1-13 record.

During the 2001 season, current Lawrence County head coach Garry McPeck was a member of the River Cities coaching staff — serving as defensive coordinator. McPeck finished the season the LocoMotives' staff while still conducting practices at Lawrence County. It was a busy schedule for the veteran football man to say the least.

River Cities general manager Karri

Gould said reasons for sitting out a season are twofold — no schedule yet and no solid lineup in the Eastern Division. Last year, Huntington, Johnstown (Pa.) and Wheeling made up the Eastern Division.

Johnstown already has informed the league it is sitting out 2002 because of renovations at the Cambria County War Memorial. Wheeling has said it is playing in 2002.

NFL president Carolyn Shaver said Friday the LocoMotives must furnish the league office with an official notice of their plans for 2002 and 2003. League owners were scheduled to vote on that proposal at their Jan. 11 meeting in Omaha, Neb. Fred Davis, one of the Locos owners, will be one of the 18 eligible voters.

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Daniels

UK Basketball...

UK's Daniels has guard's skills in big man's body

by STEVE BAILEY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON — Kentucky sophomore Erik Daniels feels like a point guard trapped in a post player's body.

At 6-foot-8 and 210 pounds, Daniels most often finds himself playing down

on the block, posting up or defending opponents who outweigh him by 20 to 30 pounds.

It's when the lanky swingman from Cincinnati gets the ball out on the wing or runs the floor in transition, however, that the little man

(See DANIELS, page six)



photo by Jamie Howell

P'burg, a preseason favorite to win the 15th Region, got a balanced effort to beat 15th Region power Shelby Valley.

Pikeville College...

Losses cost Bears five spots

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE — Back-to-back losses to Mid-South Conference teams resulted in a five-place fall for the Pikeville College Bears in this week's NAIA Div. I poll.

Pikeville is ranked 19th after a triple-overtime loss at Lindsey Wilson College and the team's first home setback of the season, a 96-90

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Verizon/CoSIDA expand recognition for scholar-athletes

EndZone-Verizon/CoSIDA expand recognition for scholar-athletes

As student-athletes' talents increase on the fields and courts, so do their successes in the classroom...

Verizon and the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA) have announced that the Verizon Academic All-America program will honor 816 student-athletes during the 2001-02 academic year...

As a result of added participation in soccer and track/cross country programs nationwide, a men's and women's soccer team and a men's and women's track/cross country team will be selected in each of the university (Division I) and college (Divisions II and III) divisions for the first time...

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EndZone - Football, women's volleyball teams kick off annual accolades

The 50th anniversary Academic All-America Football Team and the annual Academic All-America Women's Volleyball Team are the first to have been announced as part of Verizon/CoSIDA's expanded scholar-athlete recognition for 2001-02.

Montana State University-Bozeman running back Ryan Johnson, who has a perfect grade-point average for his college career, was named the Team Member of the Year in the university division, while Widener University defensive back T.J. Hess earned Team Member of the Year distinction in the college division.

"This is an honor that I will cherish long my days as a football player are over, and it will have a direct impact on wherever my career path leads me," said Johnson, a pre-physical therapy major who finished the season with 1,510 yards rushing.

Hess, an accounting major who also sports a perfect GPA, led Widener with 158 tackles, had five interceptions and helped his team to the Division III playoffs for the second straight year.

Others on the university division first team included University of Oregon quarterback Joey Harrington, a Heisman Trophy finalist and the Pacific-10 Conference offensive player of the year.

In the college division, running back Chuck Moore of undefeated Mount Union College was named to the first team for the second straight year. The 2001 Gaillard Trophy winner as player of the year in Division III rushed for 2,078 yards this year, breaking the school's single-season record he set last year.

Verizon's academic accolades in women's volleyball featured NCAA Today's Top VIII award recipient Nancy Metcalf from the University of Nebraska, Lincoln, and Indiana University (Pennsylvania) outside hitter Laura Hall, who were named Team Members of the Year in the university and college divisions, respectively.

Metcalf, a three-time Verizon Academic All-American who boasts a near-perfect GPA as an advertising major, led the Cornhuskers to the national semifinals this year.

Hall has a perfect GPA in elementary education and is a two-time Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference Player of the Year.

The Verizon Academic All-America Teams are selected by a vote of the 1,800-member CoSIDA. Nominees must be varsity starters or key reserves and maintain a cumulative GPA of at least 3.200 (4.000 scale).

Following is a complete list of the 2001 teams in football and women's volleyball:

Football

University division

First-team offense

Quarterback - Joey Harrington, Oregon, business administration; Running backs - Thomas Hammock, Northern Illinois, marketing; Ryan Johnson, Montana State, pre-physical therapy; Wide receivers - Andre Davis, Virginia Tech, residential property management/marketing; Rob Turner, Central Michigan, business; Tight end - Tracey Wieman, Nebraska, mathematics; Linemen - Brian Hallett, Kent State, industrial technology; Seth McKinney, Texas A&M, management information systems; Ryan Schmidt, Oregon, business administration; Jon Stinchcomb, Georgia, microbiology; Kyle Young, Clemson, secondary education; Kicker - Todd France, Toledo, mechanical engineering.

First-team defense

Linemen - Ryan Denney, Brigham Young, finance; Aaron Kampman, Iowa, secondary education; Drew McLaughlin, Tulsa, accounting; Brandon Perdue, Army, mechanical engineering.

Linebackers

Linebackers - Chad Carson, Clemson, biological sciences; Mark Kasner, Dayton, computer engineering; Adam Waugh, Illinois State, political science; Defensive backs - Chris Hope, Florida State, communication/sociology; Vince Hunsberger, Montana, biology/premedicine; Jon McGraw, Kansas State, finance; Marty McManara, Dayton, finance/accounting; Punter - Dan Dyke, Michigan Tech, electrical engineering.

Second-team offense

Quarterback - Eli Manning, Mississippi, business/marketing; Running backs - Cameron Atkinson, Princeton, chemistry; Josh Staph, Harvard, economics; Wide receivers - Billy Brown, Yale, economics; Bryce Lee, William & Mary, business administration; Tight end - Stewart Kupfer, Lafayette, business/economics; Linemen - Cory Arnett, Eastern Michigan, sports medicine; Eric Damko, Northern Arizona, marketing; Andy Eby, Kansas State, construction science; Rodney Reed, LSU, accounting; Chris Tumineo, Toledo, civil engineering; Kicker - Travis Dorsch, Purdue, psychology.

Second-team defense

Linemen - Andy Beniley, Dayton, secondary education/mathematics; Jordan Carstens, Iowa State, agricultural business; William Overstreet, Tennessee, finance; Coha Pilcher, Montana, business administration; Linebackers - Eric Pauly, Colorado State, information systems; Travis Stephens, Citadel, business administration; Josh Thornhill, Michigan State, kinesiology; Defensive backs - Nick Bamber, Valparaiso, sports management; Brian Davis, Morehead State, physics/pre-engineering; Ricot Joseph, UCF, physical education/criminal justice; Hadley Prince, McNeese State, agriculture science; Punter - Brian Simjanovski, San Diego State, liberal studies.

College division

First-team offense

Quarterback - Eddie Evison, Georgetown, accounting; Running backs - Jake Barkley, St. Thomas (Minnesota), business; Chuck Moore, Mount Union, business administration; Wide receivers - Andrew Hilliard, St. Thomas (Minnesota), mathematics; Adam Lila, Winona State, biology/allied health; Tight end - Jay Thomas, Washington & Lee, business administration; Linemen - Mike Bestul, Wisconsin-Eau Claire, kinesiology; Matt Kish, Baldwin-Wallace, history/education; Grant Leach, Nebraska Wesleyan, history; Eugene Ochso, Bethany (West Virginia), biology; Seth Roberson, Wartburg, physics; Kicker - Austlin Lepper, Truman, business administration/finance.

First-team defense

Linemen - Robert (B.J.) Bayer, Arkansas Tech, engineering; Peter Katz, Wisconsin-Whitewater, biology (premedicine); Casey Seyfert, Fort Hays State, history; Caleb White, Pittsburg State, biology; Linebackers - Brian Bergstrom, Gustavus Adolphus, health; fitness/management; Justin Buresh, Nebraska Wesleyan, business administration; Brent Haverdink, Kalamazoo, history; Defensive backs - Todd Baldwin, Augustana (Illinois), accounting/economics; Hans Bengston, Bethel (Minnesota), biology (premedicine); Lance Dorsey, Truman, biology (premedicine); T.J. Hess, Widener, accounting; Punter - Mark Rowand, Franklin & Marshall, chemistry.

Second-team offense

Quarterback - Dusty Bonner, Valdosta State, business management; Running backs - Josh Raneck, South Dakota State, HPER; Mike Smith, Dickinson, political science/history; Wide receivers - John Bannink, Abilene, German; Luke Klinker, Nebraska Wesleyan, English; Tight end - Jared McNeilly, Allegheny, physics; Linemen - Charles Hermanson, Northern State (South Dakota), chemistry/secondary education; Bob Montgomery, Massachusetts-Lowell, plastics engineering; Mac Schneider, North Dakota, history; Ken Taylor, Rochester Institute of Technology, engineering; Joshua Vogel, Marietta, petroleum engineering; Kicker - Ben Tuck, Sewanee (University of the South), premedicine.

Second-team defense

Linemen - Jon Foss, Bethel (Minnesota), economics/finance; Andy Kaiser, St. Thomas (Minnesota), accounting; Curt Kimmel, Missouri-Rolla, civil engineering; Chad Winters, Wartburg, physical education; Linebackers - Alex Daecher, Kutztown, elementary and special education; Brian Kowalski, Rochester, political science/history; Brandon Roberts, Washington (Missouri), biomedical engineering; Defensive backs - Mike Oswald, Northern Michigan, construction management; Brent Peroutka, Augsburg, business/finance; Eric Totter, Western Washington, business/economics; Lamar Watson, Adams State, business/marketing; Punter - Pat Amon, Emporia State, physical education.

Women's volleyball university division

First team

Kylen Bell, Georgia Tech, management; Jami Coughlin, Arizona State, special education; Nancy Metcalf, Nebraska, advertising; Keri Nishimoto, Long Beach State, computer sciences; Gina Schmidt, Oregon State, business; Beth Weynand, Texas A&M, biomedical sciences.

Second team

Rachel Ahlers, Tennessee-Martin, elementary education; April Barthont, Kentucky, marketing; Lauren Fandrick, UCLA, premedicine science; Angilia Knopf, Colorado State, mathematics; Laura Plakowski, Nebraska, advertising; Stacy Schmidt, Texas-San Antonio, community health.

Third team

Shelly Adamcik, Alabama, criminal justice; Greichaly Cepero, Nebraska, international business; Kim Frederick, Manhattan, computer science; Alison Kreager, North Carolina State, biological science; Kristen Meech, Youngstown State, elementary education; Jennifer Pritchard, Winthrop, biology; Krista Smith, West Virginia, biology.

Auto racing

NASCAR on Fox kicks off Feb. 22

Following its critically-acclaimed premiere season, which drew 278 million television viewers, NASCAR Winston Cup racing returns to FOX, Sunday, Feb. 24 (12:30 p.m. ET), live from "The Rock" North Carolina Speedway in Rockingham, N.C. NASCAR on FOX race coverage begins Saturday, Feb. 23 (1 p.m. ET) with Rockingham's Busch Series event.

NASCAR racing legend Darrell Waltrip and former crew chief Lary McReynolds return to provide race analysis for all NASCAR on FOX Winston Cup and Busch Series events, and Mike Joy returns as race announcer. Prerace coverage is again hosted by Chris Myers with analyst Jeff Hammond.

In its second season as the home of NASCAR, FOX Sports airs 13 NASCAR Winston Cup races. The NASCAR on FOX schedule is highlighted by NASCAR Winston Cup races on Sunday, March 3 from Las Vegas Motor Speedway (2:30 p.m. ET), Sunday, April 21 from Talladega Superspeedway (1:30 p.m. ET), Sunday, May 26 from Lowe's Motor Speedway in Charlotte (5 p.m. ET), and Saturday, July 6 from Daytona International Speedway (7 p.m. ET).

FX recorded the highest ratings in its history with NASCAR coverage in 2001 and its 2002 schedule is even more compelling than last season. In addition to being the primary carrier of Busch Series races, with 12 events, FX airs four NASCAR Winston Cup races in 2002, up from three in 2001.

FX once again airs the Richmond 400 Saturday, May 4 (7:30 p.m. ET), and "The Winston" All-Star race live from Lowe's Motor Speedway, Charlotte, N.C., Saturday, May 18 (7 p.m. ET), and also airs Winston Cup races from Martinsville and Dover.

NASCAR on FX begins its 2002 season with Happy Hour from Rockingham, Saturday, Feb. 23 (12:00 PM ET) and kicks off its race coverage with Busch Series racing live from Las Vegas Motor Speedway, Saturday, March 2 (3:30 p.m. ET).

High points of the FX season include Busch Series racing live from Nashville Superspeedway in Lebanon, Tenn., Saturday, April 13 (1:30 p.m. ET), and Busch Series racing live from Daytona International Speedway, Friday, July 5 (7 p.m. ET). FX is currently carried in more than 73 million homes, up from 58 million at the beginning of the 2001 NASCAR season.

Highlights of the Busch Grand National series on FOX Sports include live coverage Saturday, April 20 (2 p.m. ET) from Talladega Superspeedway, Saturday, April 27 (4 p.m. ET) from California Speedway in Fontana, Calif., and Saturday, May 25 (1 p.m. ET) from Lowe's Motor Speedway.

FOX Sports Net kicks off its NASCAR coverage on Friday, Feb. 22 (3 p.m. ET) with qualifying live from Rockingham. In addition to live coverage of 11 Friday qualifying events, other events include four ARCA races, a Goody's Dash Series race Saturday, June 1, and a NASCAR Featherlite Southwest Series race Saturday, June 29.

In its inaugural season, NASCAR on FOX's race broadcasts reached an average of 19.9 million viewers, one million more than the previous year's broadcasts on ABC and CBS (18.9 million). The 278 million total viewers who watched NASCAR Winston Cup racing on FOX in 2001 were more than double the total viewers for the same portion of the season in the previous year. The household ratings for the first season of NASCAR on FOX were also impressive.

When considering all Winston Cup races televised in the first half of the 2001 season, FOX Sports and FX combined to average a 5.3/13, an astounding 29-percent increase over the combined ratings of ABC, CBS, ESPN, TNN and TBS for the first half of 2000.

'The Witness' set to record crash data in 2002

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHARLOTTE, N.C. - "The Witness," a black box made by a Salt Lake City company, was selected by NASCAR to record all crash data this season as the sport continues its push for improved safety measures.

The bracket used to hold "The Witness" Independent Witness Inc. will provide the incident data recorders, commonly referred to as "black boxes," that will be installed in all cars competing in NASCAR-sanctioned events.

The model selected is called "The Witness" and it is intended to help officials understand what happens during a wreck.

NASCAR names black box provider Restraints mandated

"This is a significant step for NASCAR, and it is also a scientific step," NASCAR vice president George Pyne said. "It reflects our ongoing commitment to creating a safer racing environment for drivers."

NASCAR has searched for ways to make its sport safer following a string of fatal crashes, most recently the wreck that killed seven-time series champion Dale Earnhardt last February.

One of its measures is IWI's black box, which is about the size of a standard videotape and is installed next to the driver's seat.

The Witness monitors a vehicle's motion and, in the event of impact, records the date, time, direction, impact severity and acceleration profile in three dimensions. It also has the ability to record multiple incidents in the same car during the same event.

The data can be accessed immediately by NASCAR officials. The information is automatically added to a database, which will be used by NASCAR technologists to design safer cars as well as more effective safety devices.

IWI has been developing and manufacturing IDRs since 1998. The boxes have helped companies reduce fraudulent workers' compensation, property and soft tissue injury claims through providing hard evidence and data to substantiate the various forces related to impact.

UDTRA announces '02 rules update

It is the responsibility of all Drivers attempting to qualify for a televised race to make his or herself available for a head shot immediately following the drivers meeting the day of the Main Event. Failure to do so may result in withholding of all prize money for that event.

Once a drivers' head shot has been captured for television they will be considered to have fulfilled this requirement for all future races in the 2002 UDTRA season. All televised races will have as close to a 9:30 p.m. start time as possible.

The UDTRA reserves the right to change the number of laps in the Main Event or amend the racing format in the interest of time for ANY event. This includes waiving the pulling of sheet metal under caution by UDTRA Officials and waiving the three (3) caution lap courtesy rule to change a flat tire.

The UDTRA shall have full authority on all televised races to designate which team(s) shall carry on-board cameras.

REAR SPOILER RULE: Spoilers MAY be made of transparent materials such as lexan and of adequate strength OR aluminum with a min thickness of .060.

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Transactions

BASEBALL

National League

CHICAGO WHITE SOX - Agreed to terms with OF Carlos Lee on a two-year contract and OF Chris Singleton on a one-year contract. Claimed LHP Thomas Jaquez off waivers from Philadelphia.

NEW YORK YANKEES - Agreed to terms with INF Enrique Wilson on a one-year contract. Released INF-OF Clay Bellinger.

OAKLAND ATHLETICS - Agreed to terms with RHP Cory Lidle on a two-year contract. TAMPA BAY DEVIL RAYS - Named Jim Hoff field coordinator.

TEXAS RANGERS - Agreed to terms with OF Patrick Boyd on a minor league contract. TORONTO BLUE JAYS - Agreed to terms on one-year contracts with OF Shannon Stewart and RHP Kelvin Escobar. Acquired RHP Brian Cooper from Anaheim for 1B-D Brad Fulmer.

National League

COLORADO ROCKIES - Agreed to terms with RHP Jose Paniagua on a one-year contract. HOUSTON ASTROS - Agreed to terms with RHP Jamie Arnold, RHP Mark Guerra, RHP Peter Munro, LHP Jason Zimc, C Frank Charles, C Chris Tremie, C Alan Zinter, INF Trip Cramer, OF Chris Prieolo and OF Scott Pose on minor league contracts.

MILWAUKEE BREWERS - Agreed to terms on one-year contracts with INF Ronnie Bellard, LHP Valerio De Los Santos and RHP Jamey Wright. NEW YORK METS - Agreed to terms with LHP Jaime Cortes and RHP Pat Strange on one-year contracts. PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES - Named Mike Schmidt special hitting instructor during spring training.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

NEW JERSEY NETS - Signed G Anthony Johnson and F Donny Marshall to 10-day contracts.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

BALTIMORE RAVENS - Placed DB James Trapp on the injured list. Activated WR Keyon Hambrick from the practice squad.

JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS - Announced Gary Moeller, defensive coordinator, will not return next season. Signed C Carey Clayton, WR Henry Douglas, DE Aaron Hamilton, OT Jeff Miller, TE Tevita Oshengue, WR Jimmy Hedmond and FB Rich Young.

MIAMI DOLPHINS - Signed G Jim Bundren and WR Joey Getherall. NEW ORLEANS SAINTS - Signed WR Hilton Alexander, LB Roylin Bradley, RB Jeff Chaney, LB J.J. Jones, C-G John Romero, G Chris Valetta and C Bruce Weighans.

SEATTLE SEAHAWKS - Signed FB Kevin Clemens, S Shawn Forte, S Brian Gray, DE Reginald Grimes, DE Reggie Hargrove, CB Keith Heyward-Johnson, WR Damon Hodge, WR Aaron Jones, LB Keith Miller, WR Corey Nelson, RB Rod Phillips, OL Josh Rawlings, WR Davis Shookman, C Peke Situpu, DT Roland Smith and DT Nigel Tharpe.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

ATLANTA THRASHERS - Activated F Jeff Odgers from injured reserve. Reassigned D David Harlock and D Mike Weaver to Chicago of the AHL.

CHICAGO BLACKHAWKS - Acquired D Joe Reekie from Washington for a 2002 fourth-round draft pick. COLORADO AVALANCHE - Recalled F Kelly Fairchild from Hershey of the AHL.

NEW JERSEY DEVILS - Placed RW Randy McKay on injured reserve. TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING - Recalled RW Nikita Alejev from Springfield of the AHL.

WASHINGTON CAPITALS - Assigned D Nolan Yorkman to Portland of the AHL.

Baseball

Orioles to play

Nichols at Louisville's Slugger Field

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LOUISVILLE - The Baltimore Orioles will face the Cincinnati Reds in an exhibition game on Saturday, March 30 at Louisville Slugger Field with the first pitch scheduled at 2:05 p.m. It will mark the first exhibition game in the history of Louisville Slugger Field and the first major league game to be played in the city since the early 1980's.

In announcing the event, Louisville Bats President Gary Ulmer stated, "We have had many inquiries from fans about a major league game. With the help of the Cincinnati Reds, we are very pleased that we have been able to arrange for a game to be played at Louisville Slugger Field."

Reds General Manager Jim Bowden added, "Louisville is a very important market for the Cincinnati Reds. We are pleased to make this announcement and give the great fans of Louisville the opportunity to see the Reds major league team play at Louisville Slugger Field."

Game tickets will range in price from \$9 to \$15 and go on sale to the general public on February 26 at 10:00 a.m. Tickets can be purchased at the Louisville Slugger Field box office and through Ticketmaster. Bats ticket package holders will have the first opportunity to purchase advance tickets prior to February 26. Starting as low as \$63, Bats ticket packages can be purchased by calling 502/212-BATS.

Hornets file with NBA to move to New Orleans

by MARY FOSTER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW ORLEANS — Signs outside the Louisiana Superdome are already advertising tickets to New Orleans Hornets games.

“We’ve accepted New Orleans’ offer, they’ve accepted ours, the deal is done,” Hornets co-owner Ray Wooldridge said Thursday.

But before the Hornets’ 10-year lease on the New Orleans Arena can be completed, the NBA and state legislature must

approve the deal, and residents must buy at least 10,500 tickets and 54 luxury suites by March 15.

Within five hours of the announcement of the planned move, the Superdome received more than 2,000 ticket inquiries, spokesman Bill Curl said.

The Hornets filed an application for the move with the league on Thursday. The relocation has to be approved by 15 of the 29 NBA owners, who have 10 days to appoint a committee to study the proposal.

The committee would then have up to 120 days to issue a recommendation, and the league’s Board of Governors would have 30 days to vote.

“Our preference would be for the team to stay in Charlotte in a beautiful new arena, but the reality is that may not be possible,” NBA deputy commissioner Russ Granik said. He hopes the vote will take place by late April.

Wooldridge dismissed reports of a move in Charlotte to purchase the team and ask the NBA to keep it in North Carolina. He said the Hornets are not for sale.

The agreement can be nullified by the Hornets if they don’t sell 8,000 general seating tickets, 2,450 club seats, and 54 luxury suites by March 15.

“If those are sold by that date, they can’t get out of the deal and wouldn’t want to,” said Bill Hines, president of MetroVision, a New Orleans development organization. “I think the real problem is going to be people complaining about not being able to get good seats.”

Even as city and state officials announced the agreement with the Hornets, signs in the New Orleans Arena, where the team would play, and outside the adjacent Superdome, flashed information on purchasing tickets.

“Our marketing staff is here and they’re here to stay,” Wooldridge said.

Charlotte voters turned down referendums for a new publicly funded arena, and Wooldridge and his partner, George Shinn, said they had no choice but to move the team.

“We spent 21/2 years and a great deal of money trying to resolve problems in Charlotte — personal money,” Wooldridge said. “We are losing incredible amounts of money. That was our commitment, we stayed, we asked for a decision. We even paid \$400,000 for city expenses.

They gave us their decision. I don’t understand what they think I don’t understand about ‘No.’ I understand. The answer was ‘No.’ Fine, we’re off and doing what we’re doing.”

The Hornets lost \$12 million last year and will lose \$25 million this year, Wooldridge said. He expects to reverse that trend in New Orleans, which is smaller and has a lower average income than Charlotte.

It is the city’s third attempt to land an NBA team since 1979, when the Jazz moved to Utah. The NBA blocked an attempt to bring the Minnesota Timberwolves to New Orleans in 1994, and the city made a major effort last year to land the Vancouver Grizzlies, who moved to Memphis instead.

Louisiana Senate president John Hainkel predicted success with legislative approval of the

deal.

The Louisiana agreement calls for a 10-year lease, with the team paying \$2 million annual rent and receiving all the revenue from premium seating, advertising, naming rights, concessions, novelties and parking.

The rent is subject to adjustment if attendance is under 11,000 a game — but will not drop to less than \$1 million.

The state will provide \$8 million to \$10 million in improvements to the arena by October, and an additional \$5 million by October 2004. The first phase includes adding locker rooms, luxury suites, the team store, team offices and upgrades to the club lounges and concession areas.

The city also agreed to advance the funds for a permanent practice facility, estimated to cost \$6.5 million.

photo by Jamie Howell

Prestonsburg battles under the board for the rebound.



■ HUNTING

Kentucky Grouse Hunters keep busy schedule

TIMES STAFF REPORT

The Kentucky Grouse Hunters Association has been busy the last 12 months. In May 2001 the club was able to plant 12 acres of food plots on Paintsville WMA for an alternative food source for all species off game.

The Kentucky Grouse Hunters held Kids Day on October 7. “We had a large group of boys and girls along with their parents that participated in a field trial on Yatesville WMA,” said Ronnie Wells. And October 21 we had our open trial with 13 braces and 26 participants,” added Wells. “The location for that was also Yatesville. Rodney King and Dave Cantrell won with a time of 11 minutes and 11 sec-

onds, with five birds on five shells.”

The Kentucky Grouse Hunters sponsored the first annual ticket hunt Nov. 28-Dec. 2 along with Paintsville Tourism. Lon Castle won the gobbler division and Ronnie Ramey was first in the hen division. Each division paid \$250.

The first grouse hunt of the 2001-02 season was held December 29-30., with Vessie and Wayne Jordan taking first-place with eight birds on 24 flushes. On January 12-13, Jerry Holbrook and Wesley Watson took first place with eight birds on 27 flushes.

There will be another two-day hunt January 26-27. Anyone who would like to participate in the event needs to join the Kentucky

Grouse Hunters Association. Club dues are \$12 per year, and club hunts \$5 per person. Another two-day hunt will be held in February. The first February hunt will be held February 9-10 and the second hunt will be held the 23-24. Family Night will be held at 7 p.m. on February 23. The menu will include ocean perch, prime rib and pork chops with all the trimmings.

The Kentucky Grouse Hunters Association has encouraged the KDFWR (Kentucky Division of Fish and Wildlife Resources) to invest \$76,000 on Paintsville WMA in the next seven months to improve small game habitat with a promise of a major habitat project to take place on all Eastern Kentucky WMAs.

■ TENNIS

Poehler joins EKV coaching staff

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

RICHMOND — Christoph Poehler, former first-team Verizon Academic All-America and two-time All-Ohio Valley Conference selection at Morehead State University, will serve this coming spring as a graduate assistant coach for the Eastern Kentucky tennis teams.

Poehler, 25, a native of Frankfurt, Germany, was also the Most Valuable Player for the Eagles in both the 1999 and 2000 seasons.

He spent only two seasons at Morehead State after transferring to MSU from the University of Southern California. During his stay at Morehead State, he owned career match-play marks of 32-9 in singles and 31-14 in doubles, primarily in the No. 1 position, becoming only the fifth member of the Eagle tennis team ever to be

named All-OVC twice.

Poehler helped MSU to a school-best 18-8 record his senior year, while compiling a mark of 18-3 overall and 14-2 in the league. In doubles’ play, he teamed with freshman Benny Schmid to go 18-2 for the best mark in the conference.

Poehler, who has competed in professional, collegiate (ITA) and international He was honored with the OVC Medal of Honor, signifying the top GPA in mens’ tennis among OVC teams, for the spring semester of 2000 and is a three-time OVC Commissioner’s Honor Roll recipient.

He is a 2000 graduate of Morehead State where he received his bachelors degree in business administration with an emphasis in economics. Poehler is currently pursuing his masters in business at Eastern Kentucky.

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Women's bobsled dispute appears headed for arbitration

by TIM KORTE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

SALT LAKE CITY — The simmering dispute between bobsled driver Jean Racine and brakewoman Jen Davidson is headed for arbitration.

U.S. bobsled federation director Matt Roy said Thursday he expects the dispute to go before the American Arbitration Association, which decides eligibility issues within the U.S. Olympic Committee.

Davidson's attorney, Mark Gaylord, said no hearing date has been set but one could be scheduled within three days. The USOC has a Jan. 28 deadline to submit names of athletes for next month's Olympics to the International Olympic Committee.

Davidson held a conference call Thursday evening where she said Racine led her to believe their partnership was secure, then surprised her by choosing former heptathlete Gea Johnson as her new partner.

In a grievance filed with the USOC, Davidson asked for a race-off with Johnson to settle the dispute.

"I'm not truly going to be happy with this situation until I have the chance to prove myself," Davidson said.

Racine declined comment. "Jean is a little crispy right now," said Evan Morgenstein, an agent who represents both women. "She's being advised not to say anything more until the grievance is over. It doesn't behoove her to say anything. It's got a life of its own."

Racine dropped Davidson in December after the pair had competed together for four years with spectacular success. The move came only a week before the Olympic trials and stunned Davidson.

"This is not an issue about friendship and it's certainly not a personal issue between Jean and I," Davidson said. "It's about fairness. I said from the beginning I would get in anybody's sled to represent my country. If that happens, we

would be two co-workers with a common goal."

At last month's trials in Park City, Racine and Johnson set a track record, putting them on the Olympic team. The performance also put them among the medal favorites when the women's event is run at the Winter Games next month for the first time.

Racine has said her decision

stemmed from a training session at Calgary in late September. Johnson, who had been sliding with Bonny Warner, posted a start time that was 13-hundredths of a second faster than Davidson's.

Davidson said Thursday she wasn't aware that Racine was using the September event to choose a partner.

The federation held a race-off for brakemen on Dec. 12, but Davidson said she elected not to participate because Racine had assured her in a voice-mail message that their partnership was secure.

"Had I known she was considering that competition to choose a brakeman, obviously I would have attended," Davidson

said. "It's not my nature to go down without a fight."

The start is a critical element in bobsledding and is expected to be a big factor at the Olympic track in Park City. That Racine and Davidson had been surpassed on the World Cup tour by the top two German teams also appeared to have been a factor.

"I'm not totally surprised,"

Roy said. "I can't say I expected it nor am I totally shocked by it. I don't think that Jean and Jen's results were at the same level compared to the rest of the field this year, regardless of the Germans. But certainly the Germans had stepped it up to a different level."

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MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Selig says Washington could get relocation team

by RONALD BLUM
ASSOCIATED PRESS

PHOENIX — The city that twice lost the Senators got an unexpected boost Thursday when baseball commissioner Bud Selig said Washington was the "prime candidate" to get a team through relocation.

On a day when players' union chief Donald Fehr directly spoke to all owners for the first time, Selig made the biggest news — though his aides said no team would move this season.

"There's no doubt in my mind that relocation is coming," he said. "It's just a question of when. I've always said that we need to solve the basic problems, and when we solve the basic problems we can then turn our attention to relocation."

Washington has been without a major league team since the expansion Senators became the Texas Rangers after the 1971 season. For at least a decade, groups have tried to obtain a team for either RFK Stadium or Northern Virginia.

Washington/Northern Virginia has been the most aggressive region in seeking a franchise.

"I'd have to say that given the demographics of the area, and the number of people who want it, I would say it's the prime candidate," Selig said.

Bob DuPuy, baseball's chief legal counsel, said no team will move this year. He said it was

too early to tell if a team could relocate for 2003.

After Fehr spoke to owners, he briefed his players on the status of negotiations for a new labor contract, and Arizona pitcher Curt Schilling blamed Selig for the tumultuous off-season, dominated by talk of contraction and franchise sales.

"As a group, I think players are deeply disappointed the commissioner chose two days after the World Series to make the announcement he made," Schilling said.

Schilling's Diamondbacks capped one of the best World Series ever by rallying in the bottom of the ninth to beat the New York Yankees in Game 7 on Nov. 4. Two days later, owners voted to eliminate two teams, plunging baseball into an off-season of uncertainty.

The contraction plan has been halted by a Minnesota court and owners are in the midst of unprecedented franchise swapping. On Wednesday, a group headed by Florida Marlins owner John Henry was given approval to buy the Boston Red Sox in a record \$660 million deal.

Owners vow to quickly approve a \$158 million sale of the Marlins to Montreal Expos owner Jeffrey Loria and a \$120 million sale of the Expos to the commissioner's office, which would operate the team this season — unless contraction goes through and the Expos are fold-

ed.

"We settled the Boston thing," Selig said, adding owners would deal with Florida and Montreal "expeditiously." He still says it isn't too late to eliminate two teams this season, with Montreal and Minnesota the likely targets. However, most baseball officials say the obstacles are too great for this season.

"Contraction, although it's provoked an angry and bitter response, is on the table because the owners want it to be on the table," Selig said.

Schilling said the uncertainty has hurt baseball's finances.

"The game should be going through the roof publicity-wise," he said. "Owners have killed season-ticket sales for some franchises."

Relocation for 2003 could wind up being linked with a failure to eliminate teams this year. An injunction forces the Twins — the original Senators before they moved in 1961 — to honor their 2002 lease at the Metrodome. Selig and the team are awaiting word from the Minnesota Court of Appeals on their attempt to lift the order.

Selig said that if the commissioner's office buys the Expos, an independent person would be put in charge. The commissioner's office intends to operate the Expos for one season at most.

"I'd be shocked if it was for more than one year," DuPuy said.

An option remains to eliminate two teams in 2003, including the Expos, and move another franchise. Anaheim, Oakland and Tampa Bay have been mentioned as possibilities by owners.

Both Fehr and Selig gave hope that the 2002 season will not be interrupted by a work stoppage, which would be baseball's ninth in three decades. The union hasn't considered striking and owners haven't considered a lockout.

Bargaining is to resume next week on a labor contract to replace the one that expired

Nov. 7. Teams proposed last week to increase the amount of shared locally generated revenue from 20 percent to 50 percent, after a deduction for ballpark expenses. The union worries that it would drain money from high-revenue teams that would otherwise spend it on players.

Owners also asked for a 50 percent luxury tax on the portions of payrolls above \$98 million.

"Our view is that players aren't luxuries," Fehr said. "That's a difficult issue for us to contend with."

Most owners said it was good that Fehr addressed all teams, although owners who have attended bargaining sessions have heard similar speeches

from the union leader.

Fehr, who had Selig speak to players last week, was accompanied by three players — Rich Aurilia, Tony Clark and Mark Loretta — along with union lawyers Gene Orza and Steve Fehr, the union head's brother.

Donald Fehr was pleased to have received the invitation and spoke for nearly two hours, including questions and answers. He did not publicly detail his remarks to owners but gave a general assessment of the off-season turmoil.

"We have had since the end of the World Series a number of developments which have necessitated an extended period of press coverage that hasn't been all that happy for baseball," Fehr said.

LEXINGTON LEGENDS

Mahan named host of Hot Stove League

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

LEXINGTON — The Lexington Legends and Sports Radio 1300, WLXG have announced that Patrick Mahan will succeed Larry Glover as the host of The Lexington Legends Hot Stove League.

The Hot Stove League provides an in-depth look at the Lexington Legends each Sunday afternoon at 12 noon on Sports Radio 1300, WLXG. "The Lexington Legends Hot Stove League is a terrific platform and Patrick Mahan will be a great edition," said Chris Cross, Manager of WLXG.

Mahan, 24, was a three-year letterman for the University of Kentucky baseball program. The Lexington native was an Academic All-SEC in 1999 and 2000. Mahan also served as the color analysts on the home game radio broadcasts and the play-

by-play for Insight Communications during the 2001 season.

"I'm excited about the chance to take over the program," said Mahan. "I appreciate the opportunity and I look forward to working with coaches and the players on a weekly basis once the season starts," Mahan added.

While Glover relinquishes the duty as host of the weekly program, he will remain the play-by-play voice of the Legends. "I loved being part of the show but the extra time allows me to focus on preparing for the upcoming season and gives Patrick a chance to get some valuable experience," Glover said.

The Legends begin their defense of the South Atlantic League crown on Thursday April 4 in Delmarva. The home opener is set for April 11 against Greensboro.

New owners for Red Sox could trigger purge

by JIMMY GOLDEN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BOSTON — New owners could be just the first of many front-office changes for the Boston Red Sox.

The group led by John Henry and Tom Werner declined to give general manager Dan Duquette a vote of confidence after the sale was approved at the baseball meetings in Phoenix on Wednesday night.

Since the sale was announced last month, Duquette and his handpicked manager, Joe Kerrigan, have been waiting for word on how to proceed for the coming season — whether to sign a second baseman or just update their resumes.

"We aren't going to get into any personnel decisions tonight," incoming president Larry Lucchino, who once ran the Orioles and Padres, said after baseball's other owners approved the sale of the team 29-0, with the New York Yankees abstaining.

"We're going to talk about the excitement, anticipation, the challenges of the new Boston Red Sox," Lucchino said. "So tonight's a day for celebration, gratitude, appreciation, but not that kind of decision making."

The Red Sox are 656-574 in Duquette's eight years, making the playoffs twice as a wildcard

and once as AL East champs but advancing to the second round just once, in 1999.

He has shown occasional shrewd judgment — making Nomar Garciaparra his first-ever draft pick and luring Pedro Martinez from the salary-dumping Montreal Expos — but the good moves are often overwhelmed by the sheer volume of roster tinkering that has failed to end the franchise's 83-year championship drought.

The Red Sox were in the middle of the playoff race when Duquette tabbed Kerrigan, a pitching coach who had never managed, on Aug. 16. But they went 17-26 after that, losing nine in a row and 13 of 14 at one point to drop out of contention.

Henry, who still has to unload the Florida Marlins and his 1 percent ownership of the Yankees, leads a group that will pay \$660 million for the Red Sox, Fenway Park and 80 percent of the New England Sports Network. They will also assume about \$40 million in Red Sox debt.

The deal isn't expected to close for another month or so. Until then, player moves will be made by Duquette and his staff, "we hope after consultation with our group," Lucchino said. "We're certainly not going to have any authority until after closing."

As for Duquette: "I think it is utterly inappropriate to discuss specific individuals and their future with the team," Lucchino said. "We have to have collaboration with, and discussions with, individuals. We wouldn't come to a decision until after closing."

Working against a front-office shake-up is the fact that spring training starts in less than a month — Kerrigan was planning on going to Florida right after the Feb. 3 Super Bowl — and shuffling the deck at this point could cause more problems than it solves.

"We are a significant way into the baseball year," Lucchino said, noting that the work to build a team begins before the regular season even ends.

Working for the change is the fear that a lame-duck front office will have difficulty winning respect from a clubhouse that has already shown a willingness to be disrespectful. Among the changes promised by the new owners is an emphasis on character, a strategy Duquette turned to only after the 2001 season was scuttled by turmoil.

Henry told the Boston Herald he was "very concerned" about the way the year ended.

"The pride of wearing the Red Sox uniform has to be first and foremost," he told the paper.

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by JIM LITKE
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What is it with football coaches, anyway?

In the name of motivation, they've staged fake shootings, had bulls castrated during practice and used deathbed speeches, real and imagined, as material for halftime pep talks.

But his brethren have nothing on Brian Billick.

When the Ravens coach tells people he wrote THE book on motivation, it's not an idle boast. Billick's "Competitive Leadership - 12 Principles for Success," hit the bookstores last spring, a few months after Baltimore won the Super Bowl, and he's already gathering material for the next one.

In a mere two weeks, Billick has transformed the Ravens from a team that squeaked into the playoffs into the more familiar woofing, snarling, arrogant defending champions everybody outside of Baltimore loves to hate. And like most sly geniuses, he did his best work away from prying eyes.

Today, the Ravens play an AFC divisional playoff game in Pittsburgh, where the Steelers put together the conference's best record. The two teams, which split regular-season meetings, already have a nasty history. Not that Billick needs any help.

Before the last game, Steelers running back Jerome Bettis said in a magazine interview that he considered Cincinnati Bengals fourth-year linebacker Takeo Spikes as good as Baltimore's Ray Lewis. "Tell him to tape that groin up," Lewis barked, "and come see me at PSINet."

Bettis didn't play, but the rest of the Steelers did. They won 26-21 in a game that wasn't as close as the score. Pittsburgh wideout Plaxico Burress, ridiculed as "Plexiglas" by Baltimore's Shannon Sharpe, had a career day - 164 yards and a touchdown. But when reports approached Sharpe this week, he held his famous tongue.

"Brian has threatened to fine me, and Mr. Modell said I

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wouldn't be his favorite son anymore if I talked trash, so I'm going to let it slide this week.

"But you know," Sharpe added, "it's killing me."

That's not to say there hasn't been any hubbub at all.

Last week, it seems, Billick was up to his old tricks. He took his players to Florida a day earlier than usual to prepare for the wild-card game against Miami and booked them into an ocean-

front hotel. There, they enjoyed the spa by day - massages, manicures, pedicures, body scrubs - and the pleasures of South Beach on Friday night with no curfew.

Then on Saturday afternoon, Billick took them to Pro Player Stadium around the same time as Sunday's kickoff. It's something he often does before big games on the road. He has players imagine the stands full of howling fans, note where the sun is and how the turf feels wearing shoes with different cleats.

Then - and this is what caused the hubbub - Billick tells them "mark your territory."

As anybody who watched HBO's behind-the-scenes special "Hard Knocks" knows, Billick, a one-time 49ers public relations man, loves to hear himself talk. Even his PG material is racy. So, when someone asked Ravens spokesman Kevin Byrne after Baltimore crushed Miami what Billick's "territory" remark meant, he just laughed.

"You know," Byrne said, "what animals do to mark their territory."

"But don't worry," Byrne added, "no matter what you're hearing, he doesn't mean it literally. Nobody did anything on that field."

The Steelers, though, have been conditioned to believe the worst. They remember watching Lewis, the last Baltimore player introduced at the Super Bowl a year ago, emerge from the tunnel and stop to snatch a handful of grass, then rub it across his chest while yelling, "This is our turf." That may explain why a

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photo by Jamie Howell

Heather White (40) worked against the Shelby Valley defense.

■ NHRA

Magazine show: new name, day, and time

NHRA has announced that its weekly magazine show, formerly named NHRA Heat, will change its name, air day, and time for the 2002 NHRA POWERade Drag Racing season. Beginning this year, the show will be called NHRA 2Day and move to a Sunday morning slot on ESPN2.

"It is my privilege to announce the return of our weekly magazine show to Sunday morning," said Tom Compton, NHRA president. "I am confident that with this new time and date, more fans will be able to tune in and get the inside

scoop on what is happening within the NHRA POWERade Drag Racing Series and the NHRA Sportsman Drag Racing Series."

NHRA 2Day will be air for 41 consecutive weeks on ESPN2 beginning on Sunday, Feb. 10, and concluding Nov. 17, one week after the Automobile Club of Southern California NHRA Finals. NHRA 2Day is scheduled to air each Sunday morning at 11 a.m. Eastern as a lead-in to the popular ESPN2 program RPM 2Day.

During race weekends, the show will originate from the

various tracks. On non-race weekends, the show will be produced within the studio facilities of ESPN Regional Television in Charlotte, N.C. The show will be hosted for the third consecutive year by longtime NHRA announcer, Bill Stephens.

Among the scheduled features are a "Sportsman Spotlight," which will exclusively feature participants and activities in the NHRA Sportsman Drag Racing Series. In addition to coverage from national events, the segment will include footage from selected divisional races throughout the country.

"Moving NHRA 2Day to Sunday morning will create a true pre-race show on NHRA race weekends," said Burke Magnus, director of motorsports and acquisitions for ESPN. "The show's placement adjacent to RPM 2Day will form a formidable block of motorsports programming for ESPN2."

ESPN and its family of networks will dedicate more than 110 hours of original programming to the 23-event, \$50 million NHRA POWERade Drag Racing Series in 2002. It is the second year of a five-year agreement between ESPN and NHRA.

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the push-off," Roy said. Davidson remained intent on getting another chance. "I'm going to move forward and exhaust all of my options to chase my dreams," she said.

Those dreams were lofty. Davidson won two world championships and earned 21 World Cup medals in the sled with Racine. Though the two struggled this season by their standards, they were tied for No. 3 in the world, behind emerging German drivers Susi Erdmann and Sandra Prokoff.

Bobsled

Davidson contends her dismissal didn't meet federation criteria by which pilots choose their brakewomen.

"In the interest of her having a hearing - regardless of if it gets her on the Olympic team - we'll do it," Roy said Thursday. "The federation is willing to move forward."

Roy said the bobsled federation held its trials by the process approved by the USOC.

"Jen was requested by our coaching staff to participate in

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every year, can the NCAA get players to buy into the concept that they're students first and athletes second?
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sure of the membership, and lacks the power of, say, the commissioner of the NFL, the NBA, or the PGA Tour. The organization's agenda is set by the members, who make the rules, and it's up to the president to reconcile

the differences between, say, Division I and Division III.
So who should get the job? Well, let's use the process of elimination.

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Pikeville

defeat at the hands of Campbellsville University.
Both Lindsey Wilson and Campbellsville were getting votes in this week's poll, but neither reached the Top 25. Campbellsville is tied for 30th with 13 votes, while Lindsey Wilson is 36th with five.
Pikeville is 13-4 on the season and 2-2 against Mid-South Conference competition. The Nears are tied for 19th with Olivet Nazarene (Ill.) which fell two places this week.
Several teams Pikeville College fans are familiar with are in this week's poll. Georgetown College remains second this week, although it lost

three of its six first-place votes from last week. The now 21-0 Tigers, ranked 20-0 when the poll was released this past Tuesday, are behind Biola (Calif.) University for a second consecutive week.
Oklahoma Baptist, whom Pikeville beat in the quarterfinals of last year's national tournament, is third. Cumberland College, whom the Bears will visit Thursday night, moved up three positions to No. 8. Dillard (La.) University, Pikeville's first-round foe in last year's national tournament is 10th.
The next poll will be released Tuesday.

Daniels

buried deep inside in him gets the chance to shine.
Whether it's a backdoor pass to a teammate cutting to the basket or a laser-like, no-look toss to a trailer on the break, Daniels is a master at finding the open man.
"I just love to pass the ball," he said. "I've worked hard all my life on being a good passer and take pride in that."
"Most of the time, I'd rather set up a teammate for an easy basket than score myself."
There's a reason for Daniels' unselfish approach: an unexpected nine-inch growth spurt.
"I played guard most of my life," Daniels said. "My freshman year of high school, I was 5-10 and played point guard."
"Magic Johnson was always my favorite player. I loved all the different things he could do with the ball to get his teammates and the crowd involved in the game. I wanted to be like that."
Then Daniels started growing ... and growing and growing.
His coaches at Princeton

High School soon had him playing forward and center. By the time he graduated, after averaging 21 points, 10 rebounds and five assists and leading the Vikings to a sectional championship his senior year, he was playing in a 6-foot, 7-inch frame.
"It was really hard at first," Daniels said of the growth spurt and inevitable position changes. "I had problems running because my knees were always bothering me. But the stronger I got, the more I started to adjust."
Daniels arrived at Kentucky last season with little fanfare, undergoing arthroscopic knee surgery just five days before practice began in October. But he didn't need long to make an impact.
Daniels made 20 of his first 23 shots, grabbed eight rebounds and dished out four assists in his first three games in a Kentucky uniform.
He scored eight points in his college debut — an overtime loss to UCLA in the Coaches vs. Cancer Classic at Madison

Square Garden — and followed that up with 19- and 16-point performances.
"I can do things with the ball that a lot of taller guys can't do because I had that experience of being a guard," he said. "I can still handle the ball pretty well and I still see the court like a guard."
"As tall as I am now, it's a lot easier to see passing lanes and open teammates."
Despite limited playing time this season, he's made the most of his opportunities.
Daniels is averaging 4.6 points and 2.7 rebounds in just 14 minutes a game for the 12th-ranked Wildcats (11-4) entering Saturday's nationally televised showdown at Notre Dame (12-4).
He's also fifth on the team in assists with 19 despite seeing less court time than all but two players in Coach Tubby Smith's current 10-man rotation.
"Erik's a very intelligent player and one of the best passers, if not the best passer, on our team," Smith said Thursday. "He sees

individuals who have absolutely no shot of being Dempsey's successor:

BILL O'REILLY — The Fox News Network's biggest mouth, whose aggression in interviews often borders on rudeness, would cut through the red tape and get to the heart of problems. But he would not suffer fools gladly, which is a big part of the NCAA president's job.
BOB KNIGHT — During his story career at Army, Indiana, and Texas Tech, Knight has run clean programs that graduate the vast majority of players and strictly adhere to the NCAA rules. But suffice it to say that he's not enough of a diplomat or a consensus-builder to head a

large, unwieldy organization that doesn't allow you to wear sweaters to work and go fishing whenever you want.
BILL CLINTON — The former President of the U.S. has vast experience in running a bureaucracy, conducting negotiations, and selling the public on himself and his agenda. In addition, he's a huge fan of college athletics.
When his favorite team, the Arkansas Razorbacks, won the 1994 NCAA title in Charlotte, Clinton attended the final game. His main drawback is that he must be kept away from interns and womens' teams.
RUSH LIMBAUGH — The controversial radio talk-

show host knows sports almost as well as he knows conservative politics. He could use his expertise to help Jim Nantz and Billy Packer on the Final Four telecasts. Under Limbaugh, liberal institutions probably would be forced to play in a separate division and required to play their championships in Alaska.
BUD SELIG — The commissioner of major-league baseball is one of the few individuals who could screw up the NCAA even worse than it is now. Here's a guy who wants to kill two franchises and once again is involved in a labor dispute with

GOLF

Senden reached goal of playing on PGA Tour

by KEN PETERS ASSOCIATED PRESS

LA QUINTA, Calif. — The fear of flying after the Sept. 11 attacks didn't keep Australian John Senden from his goal of playing golf in America.
Deciding whether to come to the United States for PGA Tour qualifying in October, Senden gave himself a pep talk.
His decision paid off Thursday when his 7-under-par 65 vaulted him into the Bob Hope Classic lead.
"There were a lot of guys, especially from Australia, who pulled out because of (the attacks)," Senden said. "I sort of said to myself, 'You cannot hold yourself back because of that sort of incident. You do what you do. You travel for your living and you've got to fly to get to these places.'
"My wife, Jackie, and I said we might as well go together. If something is going to happen, it might as well be together."
Starting with the first stage of qualifying in October, Senden

earned his tour card on his first try, finishing tied for fifth at the third and final stage last month.
"It was a heck of a grind, but the goal was there," he said. "So now that I'm here, I'm going to have to work twice as hard to stay here."
Senden, who played the European tour the past four years, was at 15-under 129 after the second of five rounds.
Brandel Chamblee had a 67 and was one stroke behind.
Phil Mickelson, playing for the first time in five months, made only one birdie on the par 5s and closed with a bogey after hitting into the trees. He had a 67 and was two strokes back, along with 1988 Hope winner Jay Haas (68).
Charles Howell III, the PGA Tour's rookie of the year last season, had a 67 for 132.
Senden missed the cut last week at the Sony Open in Hawaii, his PGA Tour debut. He took the 36-hole lead at the Hope with a spectacular finish, blasting out of a bunker and into the cup for an eagle on the 501-

yard par-5 No. 18 at Indian Wells Country Club.
He grinned and raised his arms to acknowledge the applause from the gallery.
"I just splashed it out and it dropped right in the middle," he said. "I was a happy man."
Senden has not finished higher than 69th on the European tour money list.
"My ball-striking is probably the best part of my game," he said, explaining that that didn't necessarily translate into good scores in Europe. "But over the last 12 or 18 months, I've really improved my putting, and that's given me a better consistency and better scoring."
Senden, who has yet to make a bogey in the Hope, has averaged 24.5 putts per round the first two days. He made putts from 12 feet and 10 feet on his way to five birdies during the second round.
Chamblee finished the first 36 holes at 130, the lowest score of his career.
"Obviously, I'm pretty happy with where I am," he said. "Who knows what the scores are going to be here the next couple of days, 30 unders?"
"These golf courses are playing easy because they're in such good shape. There's not a blade of grass out of place. The greens are putting like pool tables. If you get a ball on line, there's nothing to deflect it. So there's nobody to blame it on but yourself."
Mickelson, who took the long break to spend time with his family, was mostly happy with his second round.
"I didn't score as well as I could have due to my having a birdie on only one of the par 5s," he said. "But Bermuda Dunes has not been a course that I have played well in the past, so my 67 was not disappointing."
Four courses are used for the Hope, with the pros and their amateur partners playing a different course each day until Sunday, when the low 70 pros and ties play at PGA West.

Season

The NFL added franchises in Winston-Salem, N.C., Knoxville, Tenn., and St. Louis for next year. Evansville, Ind., and Gary, Ind., also are expected to field teams. That would give the Eastern Division six teams.
"You can market without a schedule. That's the key," said Shaver, who owns two NFL franchises. "You sell the game you're playing."
As for attendance at the Huntington Civic Arena, the high was 3,974 (tickets sold) for the home opener April 21 against Lake Charles, and the low was 1,737 on June 30 against Wheeling.

Raiders

South Floyd Lady Raiders to an All 'A' 57-31 victory over Coach Mark Baldwin and the Paintsville Lady Tigers.
Things weren't always easy for the Lady Raiders on Thursday night. A hot-shooting Paintsville club came out on a roll early on and held a doubled-up 12-6 lead at the end of the first quarter. South Floyd then managed to take control of the game in the second quarter by outscoring Paintsville 16-6, thus taking a 22-18 lead into the half-time break.
The South Floyd defense took control of the game from the beginning of the second quarter through to the final buzzer. The Lady Raiders outscored Paintsville 17-7 and 18-6 in the final period.
Brandi Anderson and Kandice Mitchell scored eight each for South Floyd. Seven Lady Tigers scored but no Paintsville player scored in double-figures. Stacey Music led Paintsville in scoring with seven points. Stephanie Hall and Heather Staniford each finished with six points.
The win upped South Floyd's season record to 7-6. The loss dropped Paintsville to 7-7.
Wednesday's edition will include results from the semifinals and the championship game.
In other action, Allen Central downed Elkhorn City 73-65.

Ortega

played football, basketball, baseball and participated in track and field at Prestonsburg High School.
The d3football.com All-American list includes Division III football players from throughout the country. Pat Coleman is editor and publisher of the site.
2001 d3football.com All-Americans

Offense

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| QB | Tom Arth, John Carroll |
| RB | Chuck Moore, Mount Union |
| RB | Davon Cruz, Bridgewater (Va.) |
| WR | Nate Jackson, Menlo |
| WR | Michael Coleman, Widener |
| TE | Jeff Gibbs, Otterbein |
| OL | J.D. Sheldon, Augustana |
| OL | Anthony Vitale, Montclair State |
| OL | Bill Smith, Trinity (Texas) |
| OL | Mat Rapoza, Washington & Lee |
| OL | Ed Malone, Mount Union |

- Second Team
Dustin Proctor, Hardin-Simmons
Shearrod Duncan, Ursinus
David Chorney, Augustana
Todd Fry, Washington & Jefferson
Jim Jones, Widener
Ryan Short, Wabash
Michael Day, Bridgewater
Matt Morris, Hardin-Simmons
Bob Schmidt, UW-Eau Claire
Mark Shafer, Chapman
Jeff Leng, Buena Vista

Defense

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| DL | Steven Wilson, King's |
| DL | Jeremy Hood, St. John's |
| DL | Pat Ryan, Benedictine |
| DL | Tim Williams, Augustana |
| LB | Jeremiah Janssen, St. Norbert |
| LB | Omar Lucas, Montclair State |
| LB | Ryan Moore, Gettysburg |
| DB | Chris Kern, Mount Union |
| DB | Dino Rossi, Chapman |
| DB | T.J. Hess, Widener |
| DB | Kip Daniels, Aurora |

- Second Team
Quincy Malloy, Methodist
Joshua Stinehour, Union
Matt Campbell, Mount Union
Paul Schmitt, UW-Stevens Point
Preston Meyer, Mary-Hardin Baylor
Jared Sanderson, Hardin-Simmons
Lonnie Parker, Bridgewater
Jason Wingard, Western Maryland
Seth Berghoff, Pacific Lutheran
Jarrod Pence, Moravian
Eric Moe, UW-Stout

Specialists

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| K | Carlos Martinez, Buena Vista |
| P | Scott Verhalen, E. Texas Baptist |
| RET | Chris McKinney, Guilford |

- Second Team
Drew McMaster, Howard Payne
Brad Abraham, UW-Platteville
Blake Elliott, St. John's

Third Team

Honorable Mention

Offense

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|----|----------------------------------|
| QB | Roy Hampton, Trinity (Texas) |
| RB | Jeremy Boyce, Trinity (Texas) |
| RB | Mike Johnson, Bethel |
| WR | Ryan Johnson, Hartwick |
| WR | Kirk Rogers, Hardin-Simmons |
| TE | Jim Triveri, Augustana |
| OL | Thomas Anderson, Hardin-Simmons |
| OL | Mike Willey, Tufts |
| OL | Joe Corbett, King's |
| OL | Joel Demro, Wartburg |
| OL | Trevor Roberts, Pacific Lutheran |

- Honorable Mention
Zamir Amin, Menlo
Daniel Grove, Wittenberg
Jason Lutz, Bridgewater (Va.)
Joel Olson, Bethel
Eric Magnini, Montclair State
Conor Mulkeen, Ithaca
Tim Boothe, Ferrum
Drew Davidson, Ithaca
Geno Ochap, Bethany
Daniel Schwartz, Rose-Hulman
Kevin Vacca, Springfield

Defense

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| DL | Jelani Patterson, Emory & Henry |
| DL | Andrew Porter, Macalester |
| DL | Josh McMillin, Franklin |
| DL | Ken Freeman, FDU-Madison |
| LB | Jose Zamora, Westfield State |
| LB | Ron Swearingin, Capital |
| LB | Jason Perkins, Mount Union |
| DB | Chris Miller, Loras |
| DB | Alex Grinch, Mount Union |
| DB | Jeremy Unerth, UW-La Crosse |
| DB | Michael Mystic, John Carroll |

- Honorable Mention
Pat McGee, Amherst
Austin Crow, UW-Eau Claire
Jon Foss, Bethel
Tim Corr, Westfield State
Scott O'Reilly, Carleton
Jason Johnson, Brockport State
Sam Hohl, Oberlin
John Ortega, Centre
Mike Dale, Ursinus
Hans Bengtson, Bethel
Clinton Tabb, Rowan

Specialists

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| K | Rodney Chenos, Mount Union |
| P | Brian Bicher, Ithaca |
| RET | Hays Mathis, Rhodes |

- Honorable Mention
Andrew Ruffo, Union
Scott Schera, Coe
Brad Guettel, Carroll

Butcher

them that it is okay to put in an honest day's work and sometimes to see very little benefits from that day's work. You must keep on keeping on!" But he also admits that the worst thing about being a coach is, "Players graduate and I lose contact with them." His biggest disappointment is "every year we seem to lose our last game. I have that feeling that the season is over. I want one of my teams to be able to say they are the Champions!" Perhaps, most critical of himself, Butcher says, "I'm not sure I've ever coached a good game. I am still trying to get one right."
The Patriots, ranked No. 8 in this week's NAIA poll, recently signed a very talented Division I transfer. Butcher has signed Division I transfer. David Morris will be taking the floor with the Patriots this spring after having attended North Carolina A&T.
The Pikeville native and his current coaching staff have high hopes for the new addition. "David is a big and strong

post player," said Butcher. "We are counting on him to help us on the defensive end. His athleticism should help our shot blocking as well. He will be a good addition to our team and will increase our depth."
Morris is a 6-8 center hails from Plateau, Nigeria. He will be majoring in math and computer sciences at Cumberland.
As if the Patriots didn't already have enough talent on the roster.
It's hard to say where the Patriots will end the season. The Pikeville College Bears made a great run last season, making it all the way to the NAIA Final Four. The same for the Cumberland College Patriots this season? Should the Bears fail to make it, and the Cumberland Patriots should, a little bit of Pikeville would still be present. Shall we wait and see how the rest of the season unfolds? Yes.
Butcher resides in Williamsburg with his wife of 11 years, Bonnie, and his two sons, Don Russell, Jr., 9, and Daniel Raymond, 7.

Work

few Steelers warned the Ravens not to take this "territory" thing too far.
"Whatever they do," Pittsburgh's Earl Holmes said, "they still got to come see us about 12:30 at Heinz Field."
Whether Billick gets any more mileage out of this, count on the Ravens to be stoked by kickoff. At various times, he's had speakers ranging from NEL great Jim Brown to FBI agents to a quadriplegic address his team, and he's spliced movie clips into his game films to great effect.
He envisioned Sunday's super-charged confrontation as early as training camp. While warning his players to focus on the regular season instead of repeating as champions, he dimmed the lights in the room

and played the scene from "Butch Cassidy & The Sundance Kid," where lawmen have the bandits cornered at the edge of a cliff.
"We've got to jump," Butch tells his sidekick.
"But I can't swim," the Sundance Kid says.
"Hell," Butch comforts him, "the fall will probably kill us."
With that, Billick switched the lights on.
"The season will probably kill us," he said. "Forget about the end of the journey and just jump off the cliff. If we make it, we'll figure out how to float down the river."
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2002 spring training tickets on sale tomorrow

CINCINNATI - Tickets for Cincinnati Reds 2002 exhibition games will go on sale Monday, January 21 at the club's spring training complex in Sarasota, Fla. and on-line at www.CincinnatiReds.com. Pitchers and catchers will report to the City of Sarasota Sports Complex on Feb. 16, fol-

lowed the next morning by physical examinations and an afternoon workout. Position players will report on Feb. 21. After a morning of physicals, the first full-squad workout is scheduled for the afternoon of Feb. 22.

The Reds will play home games in Ed Smith Stadium during their fifth season in Sarasota. Beginning Monday, single-game tickets will be sold at the third-base ticket window on the east side of Ed Smith Stadium.

Also beginning Monday, tickets can be purchased by phone through Tickets.com at 1-800-955-5566 or on-line at www.CincinnatiReds.com. Mail orders, including \$5 per order for postage and handling, should be sent to 1090 N. Euclid Ave., Sarasota, Fla., 34237. Tickets also can be purchased in person at Ed Smith Stadium, located at 12th Street and Tuttle Avenue, in Sarasota. For information regarding spring training tickets or Ed Smith Stadium, call 941/954-4464.

Ticket prices for Reds spring training games in 2002 remain the same as last season, \$12 for box seats, \$10 for reserved seats and \$5 for general admission. The Reds' 33-game Major League exhibition schedule opens February 27 and includes 16 games at Sarasota's Ed Smith Stadium.

Prices for new park released

CINCINNATI - Cincinnati Reds chief operating officer John Allen Friday announced ticket prices for 2003, the club's first season at new 42,000-seat Great American Ball Park.

"From the very beginning, the Reds organization made a commitment to our fans and the taxpayers that we would have a tiered pricing structure in Great

American Ball Park," Allen said. "We feel the prices announced today meet our objectives. Reds games will continue to be affordable for all fans, while at the same time generate additional revenues. The physical structure and layout of the new park will put fans closer to the action than they have ever experienced in a major league ballpark in Cincinnati."

■ The ballpark's 14 different ticket prices range from the \$5 Outer View Level seats to the \$175 Diamond seats.

■ Excluding the premium Diamond and Scout Seats, there will be approximately 19,000 seats in Great American Ball Park's lower bowl, compared to 10,200 seats currently available in the lower bowl at Cinergy Field.

■ Approximately 20,800 seats

- almost half the ballpark - will cost \$15 or less.

■ Approximately 23,500 seats - about 56 percent of the ballpark - will cost \$16 or less.

■ Terrace Infield Box seats will cost \$30, which is \$2 less than the cost of a similar seat at Cinergy Field for the upcoming season.

■ Approximately 4,300 of the \$15 tickets will be available at field level in the Terrace Outfield sections. There are no \$15 field-level tickets available at Cinergy Field.

■ In April or May, existing season ticket holders - on a seniority basis - will have the first option to reserve season tickets at Great American Ball Park. After season tickets are made available to existing season ticket holders, they will

go on sale to the general public at a date to be determined.

■ There are no seat license purchase requirements for season tickets.

Boone, Encarnacion agree to terms

CINCINNATI - Third baseman Aaron Boone and outfielder Juan Encarnacion agreed to terms of one-year contracts with the Cincinnati Reds on Friday, leaving just pitcher Scott Williamson eligible for arbitration.

Boone, 28, was limited to 103 games last season because of injuries but hit a career-high .294 with 14 home runs and 62 RBIs.

Encarnacion, 25, appeared in 120 games for Detroit. He hit .242 with 12 home runs and drove in 52 runs.

Union gives Georgetown scare

TIMES STAFF REPORT

BARBOURVILLE - Georgetown College escaped with a 102-92 Mid-South Conference victory Thursday, but not after Union College put a valiant effort.

Playing with just eight players, the Bulldogs gave Georgetown, the No. 2 team in the NAIA, all it could handle. The lead changed hands 10 times, and there were eight ties in the contest.

Georgetown (21-0 overall, 5-0 MSC) appeared to have taken control of the game after Marcus Morgan's three-point play broke a 67-67 tie with 10:33 left. The Tigers built an 82-71 cushion with 6:35 remaining and owned an 89-76 lead with 4:26 to play. However, Union stormed back. Mounting a 14-3 run, the Bulldogs trimmed the margin to 92-90 with 2:12 remaining. Blake Downing hit a pair of free throws, giving Georgetown a four-point edge, but Randy Samuel scored to make it 94-92 with 1:32 to play.

Morgan then hit a bucket, and following a Union turnover, Ashley Olinger nailed a trey to open up a 99-92 lead for the Tigers with 1:03 left. The Tigers hit three of four from the line in the closing minutes to seal the 102-92 win.

Sharp shooting is what kept Union in the game as it nailed 59-percent (36-of-61) of its shots. Georgetown made 49.3 percent (34-of-69) of its.

Five Bulldogs (5-14 overall, 0-5 MSC) scored in double figures with Stephen Purdon leading the way with 24. Troy Adams, Andrew Gosney and Samuel each added 17, while Ben O'Nan chipped in 12. O'Nan helped out with eight assists, while Adams dished out seven. Samuel and Gosney led the team in rebounding with eight and seven, respectively.

Quintin Bailey paced Georgetown with 26, while Olinger followed with 20. Morgan added 17 with Antwan Jones and Downing posting 12 and 10 points, respectively.

Union will travel to Pikeville College on Saturday for another league game against the Bears. Results from the Union-Pikeville game, which was scheduled for a 4 p.m. start, were unavailable.

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the Players Union. If there's another work stoppage in baseball, the game can kiss a lot of its fans good-bye.

JERRY TARKANIAN - This would be like giving a bank robber the keys to the vault. During much of his controversial career at UNLV, Tark the Shark was on the NCAA's Most Wanted list. The two parties finally reached a compromise, but not before each had wreaked considerable damage on the other.

GERALDO RIVERA - The intrepid war correspondent for the Fox News Network could root around in the NCAA caves and bring to justice any bean counters who have been in hiding. He would give Southern Cal the death penalty for giving O.J. Simpson a football scholarship, and he would line the NCAA coffers by finally discovering Al Capone's buried treasure. The only question is whether it will be possible to get his humongous ego into a domed stadium at the Final Four.

JESSE JACKSON - Besides giving the NCAA its first African-American president, the Rev. Jesse could counsel students on birth control and how to shake down major corporations for donations. Given his skill as an orator, his state-of-the-NCAA speech would be the highlight of every convention, especially when he's expounding on the organization's discrimination toward street agents, AAU coaches, gamblers, and cheating coaches.

NAIA

Wake Forest point guard transfers to Marshall

TIMES STAFF REPORT

HUNTINGTON, W.Va. - Marshall University men's basketball coach Greg White announced today that A.W. Hamilton, a sophomore point guard from Wake Forest University, has transferred to Marshall and is now enrolled in classes.

Hamilton, a Georgetown native, saw limited action in four games this season for the Demon Deacons. The six-foot-three, 185-pounder connected on four of six shots from the floor and recorded five assists in 30 minutes of action. The Scott County High School graduate attended Hargrave

MARTHA STEWART - The first female president would lobby for establishing

NCAA championships in baking, wallpaper-hanging, flower-growing, and needlepoint. She would ban football on the grounds that the uniforms are too tacky. Basketball coaches would be required to serve tea and cucumber sandwiches with their halftime pep talks.

GEORGE O'LEARY - The erstwhile candidate to be Notre Dame's football coach has had plenty of time to work on his resume. After winning the Heisman

Trophy at Michigan, he went into the service and won the Medal of Honor. He also was a Rhodes Scholar who earned his doctorate in physics at MIT. He and his wife, the former Madonna, contribute to a lot of charitable causes. He has forgiven Bill Gates for stealing all his computer plans, and he has no second thoughts about declining a position in President Bush's cabinet.

One more thing: I have a serious candidate. Bill Bradley was a former All-American basketball player at Princeton, a Rhodes Scholar, an NBA player with the New York Knicks, a U.S. Senator from New Jersey, and a candidate for the Democratic Presidential nomination. If he's interested in the job, I can't imagine anybody with better credentials.

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Academy where he played with Marshall's - David Anderson and for current Thundering Herd assistant coach Kevin Keatts.

"He is the best pure point guard I had in my four years at Hargrave," Keatts said. "He was like another coach on the floor. He always made sure the ball got to the right place and I expect him to bring us a great deal of leadership at the point guard spot."

Hamilton will sit out the mandatory one year and should become eligible next December, following the conclusion of the 2002 Fall semester. He will have two and a half years of eligibility remaining.

OVC

Domercant rises to second In NCAA scoring

TIMES STAFF REPORT

Eastern Illinois University junior guard Henry Domercant has moved to second in NCAA scoring with 26.4 points per game. He was chosen the OVC 'Player of the Week' for the third time this year after scoring 33 against Morehead State and 37 versus Eastern Kentucky last week. On Monday, he had 23 points against Benedictine, breaking a string of four straight games in which he had scored over 30 points.


The Lisle, Ill., native has put up over 20 points in ten straight games, and he has topped 30 points

in five of those. Domercant reached a career high with 40 against Loyola back in mid-December. In that game, he also tied a school record making 17-of-17 from the free throw line. During the past 12 games, he has averaged 30.2 points per game. He is currently eighth on EIU's all-time scorers list, and he is tied for tenth in the NCAA this season with an average of 3.5 three-pointers made per game. Domercant is 23rd in the country with an 89.9 free-throw percentage.

Austin Peay senior guard Nick Stapleton ranks eighth among national scoring leaders, averaging

22.6 points per game. Stapleton and Domercant give make the OVC the only conference to put two players among the top eight in the country in scoring. Morehead State guard/forward Ricky Minard is 27th in the nation with a 20.6 ppg average, and he ranks 22nd in steals.

Other OVC players ranking among national leaders in statistical categories include: Garrett Richardson, TSU (Steals, 12th); Damien Kinloch, TTU (FG Percentage, 11th); Jeremy Sargent, UTM (Blocked Shots, 28th); and Marquis Sykes, MOR (Assists, 25th).



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SFMS edges Allen Central Middle 57-55

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

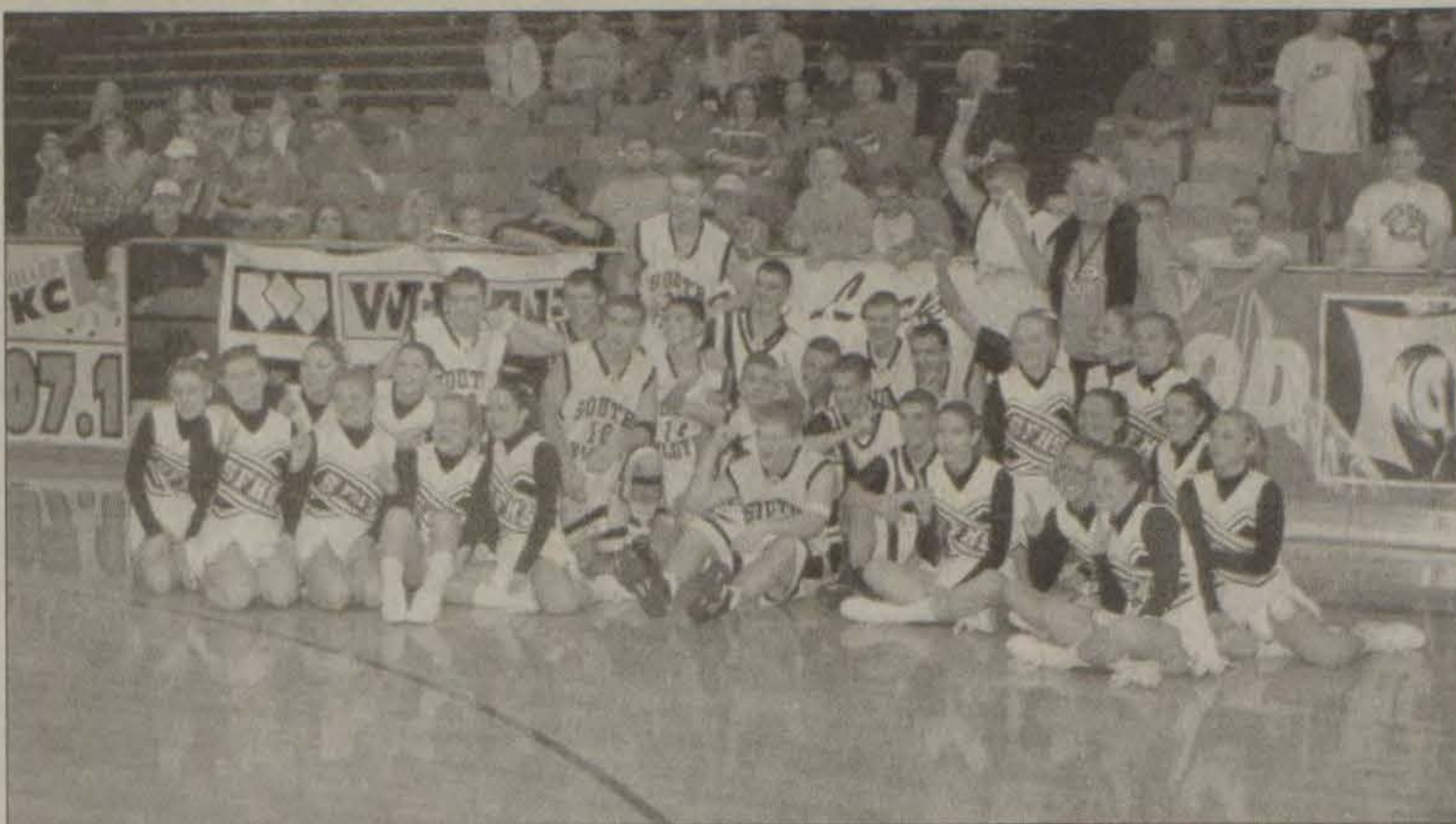
Allen Central and South Floyd high school basketball squads have engaged in some very competitive basketball games over the years. Both have also enjoyed their share of successful wins.

Allen Central Middle School and South Floyd Middle School met up again Wednesday night and the result would be a 57-55 victory for South Floyd.

South Floyd eighth-grader Josh Johnson hit the Runnin' Rebels for a game-high 30 points. He was one of only two South Floyd double-figures scorers. Ryan Little added 10 points while T.J. Hall and Ethan Johnson both finished with four.

Shane Feltner led the way for ACMS with a team-best 25 points. Nick Music scored 13 for ACMS and Justin Jacobs added seven. Tyler Turner and Daniel Howard scored four each as the Runnin' Rebels fell to the Raiders. Ryan Bailey rounded out the South Floyd scoring with two points on a second quarter field goal.

Allen Central Middle led South Floyd Middle through the first three quarters. The Runnin' Rebs led 13-10 at the end of the first quarter, 26-20 at the half and 39-33 after three quarters. The breakdown for ACMS came in the fourth quarter when South Floyd's Josh Johnson poured in 16 points. Amazingly, 28 of Josh Johnson's 30 points came in the second half.



photos by Jamie Howell

The South Floyd Raiders (above) celebrated a recent WYMT Wayne Supply Mountain Basketball Classic championship. Michael Hall (left) watched a shot go in over a Cawood defender.

Ladycats

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combine to lead the Ladycats attack on a regular basis, and Thursday night would be no different as Music and Hyden would combine for 39 of Prestonsburg's 65 points in a highly-contested 15th Region girls' basketball game.

In the opening period the Lady Blackcats had trouble hitting their shots as Shelby Valley would hold a two point lead at 17-15 after one.

Senior forward Ramanda Music would do most of Prestonsburg's damage early as she hit for nine of the Ladycats' 15 first quarter points. Prestonsburg would regroup after the first quarter as the Lady Wildcats could only manage three field goals in the second quarter. The host Lady Blackcats, under Coach Harold Tackett, would begin to find the range from the outside.

A 19-12 advantage for Prestonsburg in the second quarter would erase the Shelby Valley lead and give the Lady Blackcats a 34-29 halftime lead.

In the third quarter of play the Lady Blackcats and Lady Wildcats played on even terms

as both teams connected on seven field goals and one trey each and the Lady Blackcats held their five-point lead heading into the final period of play. In the final eight minutes the Lady Blackcats would slow down the game tempo and connect on 10-of-12 free throws in the fourth quarter to prevail by the 65-56 final.

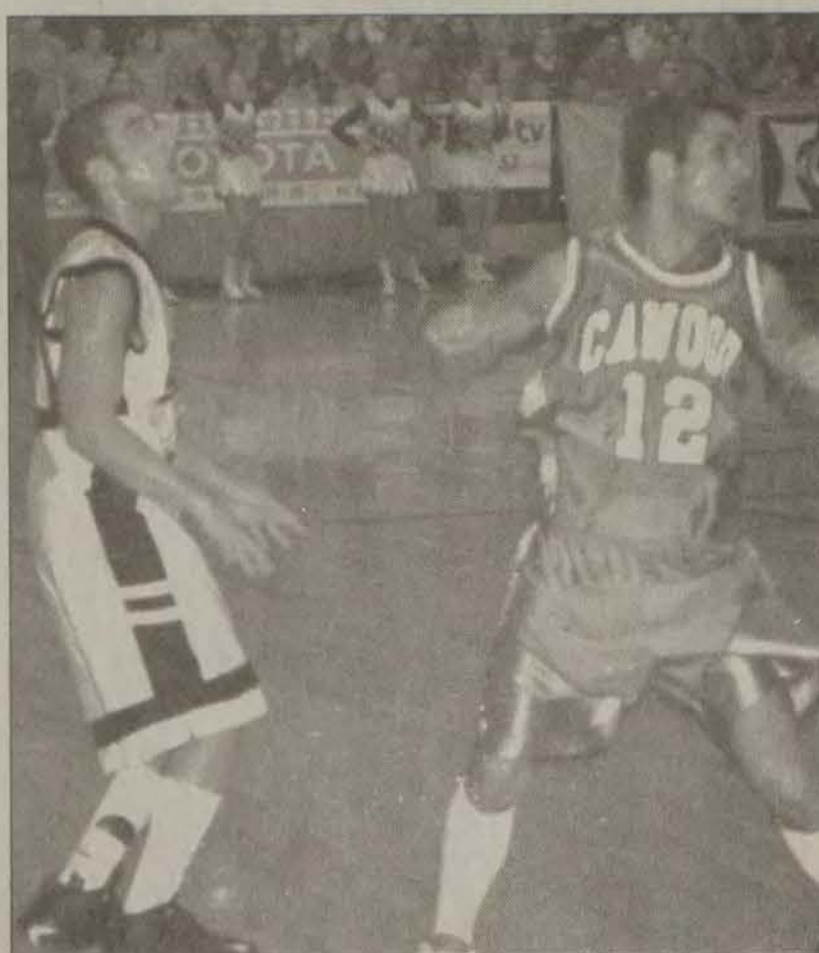
Bridget Smith led the way for visiting Shelby Valley. Smith hit for 20 points while teammates Ashley Tackett and Beth Hall finished with 13 and 14 points, respectively.

SCORING

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Regional BUSINESS

'Job Corps' new recruitment campaign

Graduates receive counseling and support services for 12 months.

Job Corps, the enhanced free job-training and education program for qualifying young people, ages 16 through 24, has launched a new recruitment campaign to attract students.

The campaign highlights the support Job Corps provides students throughout their training and education, as well as

the year of career transition services that program graduates receive. Job Corps staff work with students to develop a personalized career plan, which guides their academic and career training. Students learn valuable computer skills and applications, resume writing and interview techniques.

Job Corps counselors provide graduates with support services for 12

months after they begin their careers. These services may include helping graduates find housing, child care facilities, or transportation to and from work. In addition, Job Corps counselors maintain frequent contact with graduates to help ensure their continued success in the workplace.

"Job Corps provides seamless services that allow students to learn at

their own pace, set attainable goals and succeed in a promising career," said Lynn Intrepidi, Job Corps regional director. "As a result, students will receive better paying, more stable jobs."

Job Corps offers students a variety of training opportunities in more than 30 career areas such as carpentry, culinary arts and health occupations.

Students can also receive a GED or high school diploma. If students qualify, most centers offer advanced training at a local technical school or community college.

A primarily residential program funded by the Department of Labor, Job Corps provides room and board,

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Medicare

AND YOU



Q What is a Medicare deductible?

A A deductible is the amount you must pay each year before Medicare begins paying its portion of your medical bill. There are deductibles for both the Part A (Hospital Insurance) and Part B (doctor and other outpatient services) portions of Medicare. The Medicare Part A deductible for 2002 is \$812.00 per benefit period. The Medicare Part B deductible for 2002 is \$100.

Q Is the Medicare Part A deductible an annual deductible, meaning do I only have to pay it once during 2002?

A The Medicare Part A deductible works in conjunction with your benefit periods. You are responsible for the \$812 for each new benefit period if you are an inpatient at the hospital.

Q What is a benefit period?

A A benefit period is the way Medicare measures your use of days in the hospital. A benefit period begins with your first day of admission to the facility and ends after you have been discharged from the hospital or skilled nursing facility for a period of 60 consecutive days. There is no limit to the number of benefit periods you may have.

Q How will I know how much I owe on my hospital bill?

A Medicare will send you a Medicare Summary Notice (MSN) after your claim from the hospital is processed. The notice explains what was billed to Medicare and the amount you may be billed. If you have questions about your notice, call the Medicare contractor that processed your claim. The contractor's phone number will be on the MSN. It is possible that your supplement insurance or a state assistance program like Qualified Medicare Beneficiary will pay all or part of your Medicare deductibles.

Have questions about Medicare?

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(toll free for the hearing impaired), or visit
www.medicare.gov on the internet.



The Bistro Grille offers a wide selection of food including a 30-day aged beef known worldwide for its quality, tenderness and flavor.

Bistro Grille offers fine dining to the the Big Sandy

by LORETTA BLACKBURN
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The Bistro Grille is Prestonsburg's newest restaurant, offering a change of pace from the usual fast food fare.

The new Bistro Grille is located at 334 North Lake Drive in the old Lee's Recipe building and is locally owned by J.D. and Madonna Rice, who also own the Lake Marina Water Front Grille in Paintsville.

"We would like to say thank you to Floyd County," said J.D. Rice. "We have had a very warm welcome."

Rice said that he has brought the Bistro Grille to Prestonsburg to better serve his customers.



The Bistro Grille bar offers fine wines from world premier vineyards as well as a wide variety of imported and domestic beers. The bar also offers a "Big Blue Happy Hour" one hour before every televised University of Kentucky game.

"For the past nine years, most of my customers at the Lake Marina have come from the Floyd and Pike County area. I wanted to give them a central location that is open for all seasons."

Rice said that he wanted to bring something different to Floyd County.

"I have traveled extensively and have visited 10 of the nation's top 20 steak houses," said Rice. "I want to present a casual place with higher quality food that is served nowhere else in the region."

The Bistro Grille offers a wide selection of food including a 30-day aged beef known worldwide for its quality, tenderness and flavor.

But like any new business, sometimes problems occur. Rice said that he would like to apologize to his customers served on Saturday, Jan. 12.

"Due to the typical problems of a new business, we ran out of beef and had to get it from an alternate source," said Rice. "I was disappointed in the quality."

The spirits selection includes fine wines from world premier vineyards as well as a wide variety of imported and domestic beers. Rice boasted that he had an excellent wine selection.

"If we don't have your favorite, let us know and we will get it," said Rice.

Business hours are 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Friday and Saturday, with happy hour from 4 to 6 p.m. every day.

The Bistro Grille offers specials on beer and appetizers during "Big Blue Happy Hour" which occurs one hour before every televised UK game.

The opening of the Bistro Grille offers employment for people in the area.

"We are looking for ambitious people who would like to work in the hippest new restaurant," said Rice. If interested call the Bistro Grille at 886-0555.

Getting away with something

by JOYCE M. ROSENBERG
AP BUSINESS WRITER

NEW YORK — The accounting practices that brought down Enron Corp. and also cast doubt on the credibility and future of auditor Arthur Andersen have come as a great shock to the energy trader's employees and shareholders and plenty of other people who have watched Enron unravel.

Lately, much of the shock has come in response to news that Andersen executives ordered Enron documents shredded after the papers were requested by the Securities and Exchange Commission. Yet in one regard, that shock itself is surprising — while the behavior of those involved is understandably being seen as lacking in ethics to an extreme, it probably has its roots in an integral part of human nature:

Getting away with something.

When it comes to the accountants and lawyers who work for the companies we invest in, Americans expect integrity and accountability. These are the people who are supposed to keep executives honest, who are supposed to ensure that the financial figures we base our investments on are accurate and truthful.

But as Enron's story reveals, executives can sometimes have a different objective, one that involves hiding debt and inflating profits, and they can sometimes look to the professionals to help achieve that. And sometimes those professionals collude with the company managers.

They're trying to get away with something. While that idea unnerves many people, others are likely to nod knowingly — finagling, juggling, shading and creative interpretations are a part of doing business, and hiding and obfuscation can be too.

Almost all of us have done something less than above boards at some point in our lives. Even those of us who don't run a business.

We try to get away with something.

As you complete your income tax return, do you gently inflate the value of the clothing and furniture you donated to a charity? Or take a couple of receipts from dinner with friends and designate them as "business entertainment"?

Nobody's going to get hurt, you might think.

Only the government, and consequently, a lot of other people like yourself.

As you filled out your customs declaration after your trip abroad, did you massage the numbers a little or lose a receipt or two to bring the total of what you spent below the threshold where you'd have to pay duty?

Everybody does it, you might think.

It's all a matter of degree. At some point, someone crosses a line and ethics are disregarded and maybe rules and laws are broken. Peccadilloes turn into crimes. And, sometimes more crimes are committed when someone

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Housing construction dips in December but total for year posts solid gain

by MARTIN CRUTSINGER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Construction of new homes and apartments fell 3.4 percent in December but the total housing activity for the year managed a solid 2.2 percent increase, a remarkable achievement for an industry that normally is one of the hardest hit during a recession.

The Commerce Department said Thursday that construction was started on 1.57 million single-family homes and apartments last month at a seasonally

adjusted annual rate. That was 3.4 percent below the November level, which had risen a sharp 7 percent.

The stock market was recovering some of Wednesday's losses. By late morning the Dow Jones industrial average was up 75 points and the Nasdaq index was up 10 points.

Even with the December decline, housing construction for all of 2001 rose by a solid 2.2 percent to 1.60 million units, the third-highest performance in the last 15 years.

"Considering everything that happened

last year, the performance of the housing sector was nothing short of phenomenal," said David Seiders, chief economist for the National Association of Home Builders.

He predicted 2002 would also be a good year for housing, if the economy comes out of recession as expected in the early part of the year. He said he expected total construction would remain around the 1.6 million units of 2000.

The Labor Department said Thursday that the number of Americans filing first-time claims for unemployment benefits fell by 14,000 last week to a seasonally adjust-

ed total of 384,000. It was the second consecutive weekly decline, but it stemmed from the government's method of adjusting for normal seasonal variations.

Without the seasonal adjustments, claims would have increased by the largest amount in a single week since the 1990-91 recession. Analysts blamed much of that increase on a surge in claims in California, where unemployed workers had delayed filing for benefits in previous weeks to take

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BITAC helping small business start-ups

HAZARD — The Business and Industry Technical Assistance Center (BITAC) of Hazard Community College continues to serve those wanting to start a business, as well as those who open the doors to a new establishment.

During the last six months of 2001, an array of services has been offered, including individual and group consulting, business plan development, research,

bank application, tax form assistance and word processing assistance. Clients from Perry, Knott, Leslie, Letcher and Breathitt counties have been served.

"The word about BITAC and the services it offers is really spreading," noted Jennifer Chester of the BITAC Staff. "Most clients are referred by either the Small Business Administration in Hazard or local banks."

The types of businesses served in 2001 have included

both new and expanding businesses in a variety of industries. Examples include restaurants, auto salvage and repair, trucking, health care, rental property and storage units, retail, greenhouses, crafts, electronics and radio stations.

The staff members on the Hazard Campus are Jennifer Chester and Keila Young, where 62 clients were served, 24 business plans were created, five loans were obtained for clients and three new businesses were

started.

At the Knott County Branch of HCC is Larry Parke, where 12 clients were served, five business plans were created, two loans were obtained for clients and four new businesses were started.

On the Lees College Campus is Beth Miller where four clients

were served, two business plans were created, one loan for a client was obtained and four new businesses were started.

"Our mission is to continue to provide excellent service to the small business man or woman," noted Julia B. Mitchell, district vice president/dean of resource and community development.

"Our services are provided for free and our staff continues to learn the latest ways to offer assistance. We're committed to economic development and a look at our work during the last year proves that."

Those wishing small business assistance can call 800-246-7521, ext. 8063.

Mining deaths drop to new low in 2001

ARLINGTON, Va. — Fatal injuries at mines in the United States declined last year to a historic new low, according to preliminary data released today by the Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA). The data indicate that 72 miners died in on-the-job accidents nationwide in 2001, the lowest figure on record and 13 fewer mine deaths than in calendar 2000.

"A good year would be zero fatalities, because even one death is unacceptable," said Dave D. Lauriski, assistant secretary of labor for mine safety and health. "We must keep working together to reduce mine accidents in 2002."

Lauriski last year challenged the mining industry to reduce fatal accidents by 15 percent each year.

"Preliminary numbers indicate that the mining industry met that challenge in 2001," Lauriski said.

The nation's metal and non-metal mining sector set a historic low record with 30 fatalities during 2001, compared with 47 in 2000. The previous metal and nonmetal low fatality record was 40, in 1994. The metal and non-metal mining sector produces metals such as copper and gold, and nonmetallic minerals such as salt, stone, sand and gravel.

Lauriski said, "The metal and nonmetal mining industry has shown what can be done, with its

safest year on record."

In the coal sector, mine fatalities increased by four to 42 in 2001. Thirteen miners died in an explosion last September at the Jim Walter Resources No. 5 mine in Brookwood, Ala. The accident remains under investigation.

"The Brookwood accident was heartbreaking because miners lost their lives in a heroic attempt to save the lives of others," Lauriski said. "We will determine the cause and share the information with everyone in the mining industry to help prevent future tragedies."

For more details on mine fatalities in 2001, see MSHA's website at www.msha.gov.

Wall Street miffed that companies still can't say business is improving

by **AMY BALDWIN**
AP BUSINESS WRITER

NEW YORK — It didn't matter that Intel, Microsoft and IBM beat earnings expectations this past week. Stocks still dropped, because the high-tech bellwethers couldn't give Wall Street what it really wants — word that the long-awaited business turnaround is on the fast track.

"It has cast a doubt on the speed of the recovery. ... Investors were calling for a quick recovery. And, when something puts that in doubt, the market is going to come back down," said Richard A. Dickson, a technical analyst for Hilliard Lyons in Louisville, Ky.

The murky forecasts from the biggest names in the tech business were particularly disheartening for investors who snapped up stocks late last year amid growing optimism about

an economic recovery during the first half of 2002.

Now, with companies saying business won't pick up that fast, "Boom! Investors take profits," Dickson said.

The selloff was so strong that the tech-focused Nasdaq composite index fell 4.6 percent, suffering its worst weekly decline since Sept. 21-28, when it plunged 16 percent following the terror attacks.

Analysts predict choppy trading for the rest of January, and that individual earnings reports and projections could move the market in either direction on any given day.

"The market is shifting more to a stock-by-stock emphasis, rather than focusing on macro events," said Brian Belski, fundamental market strategist for US Bancorp Piper Jaffray.

Belski continued: "Individual stocks are going to have a bigger effect going forward, because the last two or

three weeks have been dominated by macro things like this economic report or that economic report."

Proof of a single stock's power on Wall Street was apparent Wednesday when Intel released a hazy forecast, saying it wouldn't be able to judge demand for another four or five weeks. The chip maker helped push the Dow Jones industrial average down 211.88, or 2.1 percent, to 9,712.27, its lowest close in 1 1/2 months.

While investors are eager to hear good news in company reports, they're also growing skeptical of them — due to the Enron debacle — and that has also pressured the market, analysts said.

"What worries Wall Street a great deal is whether earnings reports can be trusted, and whether or not anyone really knows when the economy will turn around," said Alan Ackerman, executive vice pres-

ident of Fahnstock & Co.

This past week, Enron and its auditor Arthur Andersen tried to blame each other for allowing questionable accounting practices to continue and push Enron into bankruptcy.

The Securities and Exchange Commission said the Enron situation has hurt investor confidence, because it is just the latest in a series of accounting failures at big companies. SEC Chairman Harvey Pitt on Thursday called for a new private sector agency to regulate the accounting profession.

"The need for change cannot be ignored any longer," Pitt said. "Restoring the public's confidence in the accounting profession" is the primary goal.

But even as it appeared that investors had plenty of reasons to unload stocks this past week, some analysts warned against reading too much into the decline. They said the market still had room for some give-back, having risen substantially from the Sept. 21 lows that followed the terror attacks.

"If things are bottoming out in the economy, and I believe they are, it goes back to valuations being high. Investors have discounted a pretty good near-term recovery," said Larry Rice, chief investment officer at Josephthal & Co.

Rice said investors remain confident that a turnaround will soon take place. But when faced with a stream of bad news this past week, they were compelled to take some profits.

"There's still a lot of optimism out there," Rice said.

It was a difficult week for all the market's major indicators.

The Dow ended the week down 215.68, or 2.2 percent, after falling 78.19 to 9,771.85 Friday.

The Nasdaq fell 55.48 Friday to 1,930.34, for a weekly loss of 92.12, or 4.6 percent. The Standard & Poor's 500 index fell 18.02, or 1.6 percent for the week, having fallen 11.30 Friday to 1,127.58.

The Russell 2000 index suffered a weekly loss of 15.57 or 3.2 percent. It closed at 474.37 after losing 8.02 Friday.

The Wilshire Associates Equity Index, which represents the combined market value of all New York Stock Exchange, American Stock Exchange and Nasdaq issues, ended the week at \$10.509 trillion, off \$188 billion from the previous week. A year ago the index was \$12.383 trillion.

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advantage of a law taking effect Jan. 6 that increased maximum benefits.

Economists have been surprised by the strength in housing in 2001, a year in which the country dipped into a recession in March, the first downturn in a decade.

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meals and medical care at no cost to students. Students enrolled in the program receive a biweekly living allowance. A portion of the biweekly living allowance up to \$15 can be set aside for dependent support. The amount selected will be matched five times by the Department of Labor.

Job Corps Region II, headquartered in Philadelphia, administers 19 training centers and oversees outreach and career development activities for students in Delaware, the District of Columbia, Kentucky, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and West Virginia. Depending on career interest, Job Corps applicants usually enroll in a center closest to their homes.

For more information about joining Job Corps, call (800) 733-JOBS or visit the Job Corps Region II web site at www.job-corpsregion2.com.

Normally, housing is one of the hardest hit industries during an economic downturn as rising job losses force consumers to cut back on big-ticket purchases such as new homes.

This recession has followed a different pattern, with a huge drop-off in business investment rather than a falloff in consumer spending seen as the key cause for the downturn.

Housing was also helped in 2001 by an aggressive credit easing by the Federal Reserve, which last year slashed interest rates 11 times, driving a key short-term

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tries to cover up the wrongdoing.

A "transaction, otherwise within an exception of the tax law, does not lose its immunity because it is actuated by a desire to avoid, or, if one choose, to evade, taxation. Anyone may so arrange his affairs that his taxes shall be as low as possible; he is not bound to choose that pattern which will best pay the Treasury; there is not even a patriotic duty to increase one's taxes."

Of course, Hand was not advocating breaking the law. He was speaking about working within the law to achieve one's goals.

rate down to 1.75 percent, its lowest level in four decades.

Long-term mortgage rates also tumbled for most of the year, hitting a 30-year low of 6.45 percent in early November, as the economy, already in a recession, was sent reeling by the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

Many economists predict housing will remain at reasonably strong levels in 2002 with mortgage rates holding at affordable levels. Last week, Freddie Mac, the mortgage company, reported that rates on 30-year mortgages dipped to 7.06 percent, up from the November low but still at a levels considered highly attractive by home buyers.

The 3.4 percent overall decline in housing construction in December stemmed from a huge 22.6 percent plunge in apartment construction. Single-family homes actually posted a 3.6 percent increase last month.

The biggest drop in activity occurred in the Northeast, a decline of 15.8 percent to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 144,000 units. Activity in the Midwest fell by 10.9 percent to a rate of 335,000 units and was off 2.5 percent in the South to a rate of 687,000 units. The West was the only region of the country showing an increase in building activity last month, an 8.3 percent jump that pushed housing starts to an annual rate of 404,000 units.

Strategic plan for the new economy

FRANKFORT — Kentucky Innovation: A Strategic Plan for the New Economy received final approval today from the Kentucky Innovation Commission in a meeting at the Kentucky History Center in Frankfort. Highlights of the plan include identification of priority research focus areas, special New Economy opportunities for Kentucky and a legislative agenda.

The plan is the result of a statewide collaboration that involved over 300 people in all regions. No part of the Commonwealth is left out and each area of the state has an identified special opportunity. Individual plans were also developed for the six regional areas identified by the Office for the New Economy: Eastern, Western, South Central, Northern Kentucky, Lexington, and Louisville (North Central region).

Special opportunity areas that are identified in the plan include: safety and security technology; an investment and recruitment partnership between the state and the

private sector entitled Kentucky First; a Kentucky center for natural products; a center for cardiac assist devices; a rural business building initiative; a state-of-the-art visualization center for new products; and an energy and environmental consortium.

Dr. Bill Brundage, Commissioner of the Office for the New Economy, also outlined the legislative package that will be proposed during the meeting of the 2002 General Assembly. "We will primarily be proposing some incentive programs and packages that are designed to encourage New Economy businesses to

locate in the state," said Dr. Brundage.

Complete copies of the final draft plan are available from the Office for the New Economy and the final version is expected to be published in February at which time it will be posted on the New Economy web site www.one-ky.com.

An audio news clip from the meeting is available on the Governor's Office Newsliner at 800-633-1019. Raw video footage from the meeting is also available by contacting the Governor's Communication Office at 502-564-2611.

Former museum director convicted of stealing Civil War uniform

by **MARYCLAIRE DALE**
ASSOCIATED PRESS

PHILADELPHIA — A former museum director was convicted Friday of stealing a Civil War uniform from a historic house owned by his distant cousin.

Russell Pritchard Jr., 61, the longtime director of the Civil War Library and Museum in Philadelphia, was found guilty of stealing the uniform worth \$35,000 to \$45,000.

He faces about 20 to 30 months in prison under federal guidelines when he is sentenced May 22, a prosecutor said.

His son and business partner, Russell Pritchard III, 38, admitted last month to 21 counts, including charges that he made \$800,000 to \$1.5 million through fraudulent trading in Civil War collectables, including the staged appraisal of two swords on the PBS show "Antiques Roadshow." He faces up to 135 years in prison and more than \$5.2 million in fines.

The father was charged only in the theft of the uniform.

Pritchard Jr. said he was guilty only of not being a mindful parent and business partner to his son, and doubts they'll ever reconcile. "I think any parent hopes to, but I don't foresee it," he said.

A third business partner,

George Juno, has pleaded guilty to four related counts.

The probe began after a descendant of Confederate Gen. George Pickett filed a civil lawsuit against Pritchard III, claiming he bought military antiques for \$87,000 from the Pritchards, who sold them to the National Civil War Museum in Harrisburg for \$870,000.

The lawsuit was settled, Pritchard III said.

The father's case involved the theft of a gold-trimmed, blue-gray frock coat and matching trousers worn by Confederate Lt. Col. William Richardson Hunt, commander of the arsenal where Confederate weapons were made.

Hunt descendant William Day contacted the Pritchards after he inherited the Hunt-Phelan Home in Memphis, Tenn., in 1992 to help him sort through the estate.

Day said that Pritchard Jr. took two uniforms to be appraised, but later told him they were worthless and had been given away. The uniforms were sold to a collector and then bought by the Tennessee State Museum for nearly \$70,000.

Pritchard Jr.'s lawyer, Thomas Bergstrom, said he might appeal on grounds that the Hunt-Phelan Home does not qualify as a museum under federal statute.

Chamber Notes

by **REGINA BECKNELI**
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, FLOYD COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The Commerce Connection Newsletter for February will soon be coming to print. If you have not sponsored now is the time. 2002 has begun and planning ahead with specials and information can start by helping sponsor the Commerce Connection Newsletter. The Chamber is pleased to mail to its members, and the community, 200 newsletters each month — and the list continues to grow. We use our newsletter to educate new businesses and citizens about our businesses in Floyd County.

Sponsorship of the Commerce Connection Newsletter allows you a full, front and back, 8 1/2 x 11 flier insert. Sponsorship is only \$50. If you have black and white, copies can be made at the Chamber, but color copies will need to be provided (200 copies). For the February issue, flier information needs to be received by Jan. 28th.

Remember the Commerce Connection is your newsletter, suggestions or articles need to be e-mailed or sent to the Chamber. The Chamber appreciates all the support and time our members give to making Floyd County better for all business.

CHAMBER CALENDAR:

■ **JANUARY 17** - Board Meeting, 11 a.m., Jenny Wiley Lodge (Lunch will be provided.)

■ **JANUARY 28** - East KY Corp Meeting, 12 noon at Holiday Inn (Governor Patton in attendance.)

■ **FEBRUARY 4** - Membership Meeting, 12 noon, Jenny Wiley Lodge. Guest speaker: Sheila Kuczko, Executive Director of the Southern & Eastern Kentucky Tourism Development Association.

■ **FEBRUARY 26** - Big Sandy Women's Business Symposium, Jenny Wiley Convention Center.

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KCTCS alumni express satisfaction with education

By Michael B. McCall
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COLLEGE SYSTEM

Recent news articles addressing alumni satisfaction with postsecondary education primarily have focused on the Commonwealth's esteemed universities. Virtually overlooked in the discussion is a remarkable endorsement expressed by graduates of Kentucky community and technical colleges. A survey commissioned by the Council on Postsecondary Education revealed the

Following facts:

- 69 percent of graduates of the Kentucky Community and Technical College System (KCTCS) would recommend their college to someone else - a rate that exceeded that of any university.

- 74 percent said their education prepared them for work, a higher percentage than at all public postsecondary institutions except one.

- 86 percent of KCTCS grads were satisfied with the quality of their teachers - a higher rate than at any public postsecondary institution.

- 74 percent expressed satisfaction with student services - again, a figure higher than that of any public postsecondary institution.

It's not just alumni who say that KCTCS colleges changed their lives - current students endorse the education they are receiving as well. A survey conducted last year showed that KCTCS students are significantly more satisfied with their educational experience than are students who attend two-year colleges across the nation.

While KCTCS and its colleges are responding to the needs of students, students are responding by enrolling in record numbers. Our enrollment this fall exceeded 63,000, which represents an increase of more than one-third since 1999.

Here's how are colleges are expanding options and opportunities to promote the success of students:

KCTCS provides ready access across the Commonwealth to postsecondary education and workforce training. With 50 campuses, we are within easy reach of any Kentuckian and thousands of people who live in surrounding states. Our partnership with the Kentucky

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Todd Wright Jazz Ensemble to perform Wednesday

PIKEVILLE — Whether it's a timeless jazz standard or an award-winning original, the Todd Wright Jazz Ensemble is sure to dazzle its audience with a spectacular performance.

The January 24 performance is part of the Pikeville Concert Association's 2001-2002 concert series and will be held in Pikeville College's Booth Auditorium at 7:30 p.m.

From the sophistication of a New York City beat, to an earthy New Orleans street groove, the group delivers with vivacious brilliance. This creative ensemble has gained a reputation of superb mastery of texture, color and flowing smoothness. The artists have performed together since 1986, crafting both a unique sound and style for festival and concert settings. The group also breathes new life into classic Ellington repertoire, as well as other song styles and original compositions by Todd Wright.

Wright is a 1982 alumnus of Pikeville College and currently serves

as the director of jazz studies at Appalachian State University in North Carolina. He has been recognized as one of the finest jazz performers in the Southeast, and was a winner of Downbeat Magazine's Gold Award at

Herb Ellis, James Williams, Billy Taylor, Nick Brignola, Donald Brown, Allen Vizzutti, Eddie Daniels, Duffy Jackson, Marvin Stamm, and others.

Wright is in demand as a saxophonist and often serves as a clinician leading workshops of jazz improvisation. As both a performer and educator, he was chosen for the Outstanding Teacher Award in the School of Music for 1996-1997. As a studio musician, Wright can be heard on numerous recordings, including his own debut recording, "Begonia," released in 1995, and "Christmas Time Is Here" which followed in 1998. "Reflections," a duo collaboration with New York recording artist Frank Kimbrough at the piano, was released in 2001. He also performs on a regular basis with the Rick Simerly Quintet, and recently took on his first acting project in the lead role in a jazz-related short movie titled "The Good Life," filmed in association with the North Carolina School for the Arts.

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Tickets for the January 24 performance will be available at the door. For more information, call the Pikeville Concert Association at 432-5407 or 437-7878.

Music Fest in 1987.

He has also performed at Spoleto Festival in Charleston, S.C., and has performed with jazz greats Jon Faddis, Clark Terry, Richie Cole, Louis Bellson, Bill Watrous, Buddy Baker, Peter Erskine, Benny Golson,

View From the Hill

by TERRY L. SPEARS

I consider myself fortunate to have been born to parents who stressed the importance of education. My mother, Nell Ruth Spears, was a schoolteacher. My father, Bobby E. Spears, loves to read and learn new information. All four of my siblings and my mother attended Pikeville College. So there was never any question if I would go to college; the only question was where.

After careful consideration, I chose Pikeville College to be close to my family and friends. It is a decision I have never regretted.

It's very exciting once again to be back at Pikeville College and working as the vice president for development. After graduating in 1984, I worked about six months in the development and public relations office, and, since 1985, have worked in the newspaper business, government and economic development. All of these have been exciting, rewarding opportunities and I have met some wonderful people throughout the region and state.

I was employed with the Kentucky Department for Coal County Development and thoroughly enjoying

my work when President Hal Smith approached me about the possibility of coming home to the college last fall. One of the main reasons I decided to



come back to work here is the fact that there are so many great things happening.

The College has changed so much,

for the better, over the last 10-15 years. It is truly amazing what the Board of Trustees, President Smith, faculty, staff and students have been able to accomplish. I wanted very much to be part of that excitement. I've been on the job since Jan. 2 and am still learning my role. The warm welcome and cooperation from all my colleagues has certainly made me feel at home.

We have some exciting things going on in the Development Office. Currently, we're busy planning the 2002 Phonathon. It will be held March 4-14, in the Sturgill Board Room, on the third floor of the Record Memorial Building. Not only is the Phonathon a fund raising event, but it also gives us an opportunity to touch base with old friends and share the important mission of Pikeville College.

We need volunteers to assist with the Phonathon. If you're interested, you may call the Development office at (606) 218-5276 to sign up as a volunteer for this very important and exciting event.

In my first few days, I've been spending a great deal of time with

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UK lands federal funding to improve state's health education

by STEVE BAILEY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — An \$800,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture will help fund a University of Kentucky program to increase the scope and impact of public health education in Kentucky.

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Pikeville College to honor Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

PIKEVILLE — Eleanor Roosevelt once said, "The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams."

For civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr., his dream of freedom continues to shape the future. The community is being invited to join Pikeville College for a special two-day celebration on Monday, Jan. 21, and Tuesday, Jan. 22, to honor the life and works of Dr. King.

Bishop Nathaniel Collins Sr., of Wando, S.C., and Bears' head football coach Zak Willis will be the featured speakers on Monday, Pikeville College students Autumn Fleming, and "The Arisings," a quartet featuring Antwan

Brown, Leonard Moore, Paul Jones and Michael Williams, will provide music for the ceremony. The program will be

FYI

For more information on events or the exhibit, call the Office of Public Affairs at 218-5271.

held in Booth Auditorium and begins at 2 p.m.

Bishop Collins will also speak on

Tuesday, during the college's weekly chapel service, which is scheduled for 11 a.m. in Booth Auditorium. The College Choir will provide special music during the service.

Pikeville College, in conjunction with the Kentucky Historical Society, will be hosting a traveling exhibit that examines the events and personalities of the civil rights movement from 1955 to Dr. King's assassination in 1968. The exhibit includes dozens of photographs and quotes from King's most important speeches and will be on display on the first floor of the Allara Library through February and is free and open to the public.

MSU has three options when snow falls

MOREHEAD — As the winter months generally bring unpredictable weather patterns, Morehead State University has established a policy for announcing delays and cancellations.

The university will select from one of three options when dealing with inclement weather that may affect the daily schedule of faculty, staff and students or visitors to the main campus. Those plans include:

- Plan A. MSU is closed. All administrative offices will be closed and classes will not meet.

- Plan B. MSU will operate on a two-hour delay. Offices will open at 10 a.m. Students will begin the day with the 10:20 a.m. class.

- Plan C. MSU classes are on a two-hour delay. Offices will open at 8 a.m., as usual. Students will begin the day with the 10:20 a.m. class.

Essential service personnel will continue to report when Plans A and B are in operation. All questions and/or concerns should be directed to the employee's immediate supervisor.

Evening classes at off-campus sites will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.

When the normal hours of operation are interrupted, a bulletin broadcast

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Laws protect privacy of students

by ARLENE LEVINSON
ASSOCIATED PRESS

After failed law student Peter Odighizuwa allegedly stormed the Appalachian School of Law and killed the dean, a professor and a student, acquaintances said they knew all along he was troubled.

Screening college applicants for instability and removing students with serious mental health problems can be difficult, experts say.

Federal laws bar admissions officers from asking about mental illness, and clamp a shield of privacy over information about students once they're enrolled. Add the communal setting and the culture of openness on college campuses and they are as vulnerable as any community.

"The whole range of behaviors and problems you have in small towns, you have in universities," said Debra Stewart, president of the Council of Graduate Schools. "They're small towns."

Unlike small towns, however, there are some extra rules.

The Americans with Disabilities Act prevents schools from asking about any mental illness in admissions, and requires the school to accommodate afflicted students — which they gladly do, said Barmak Nassirian, policy analyst for the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers.

"Regrettably, there isn't a whole lot of institutions are allowed to do prior to the commission of a nefarious act," Nassirian said. A "hunch" is not enough to keep someone out of the classroom, he said, "just because somebody is very passionate — shall we say — in their discourse."

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act generally prevents schools from revealing student records to anyone outside the school.

This became controversial after the Sept. 11 attacks. A survey of registrars found 220 schools had been contacted by at least one agency seeking student information — 50 schools by more than one agency from a group that included the FBI, the Immigration and Naturalization Service and state and local police.

Most of the time, campuses are generally peaceful havens.

"There's no national pattern of violence on college campuses," said Sheldon Steinbach, general counsel for

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Following the Purpose Road Graduation nears for ALC Senior



By David C. Maynard
PRESTONSBURG, KENTUCKY

On June 12, 1998, I graduated from Pike Central High School with honors and prepared to leave for college the following August. Now it's time for graduation again, but from a nationally renown institution that will propel my peers and me into a very competitive job

market - Alice Lloyd College.

I had heard much about several different colleges throughout the area. With all of the information colleges send high school seniors, I sat in the floor one Saturday morning in the middle of neat stacks of paper. I had applied and been accepted to Alice Lloyd College. Having a desire to live in the will of God, I called out to Him to

show me where to go. In July 1998, I attended Freshman Orientation on the campus of ALC and instantly knew this was the college God wanted me to attend.

Looking back, I can clearly see that by allowing God to make our important decisions, we will be much happier and better off in the end. On May 4, 2002, I will receive a well-

respected degree that will send me to seminary with an impeccable education. Not only have I received a great education, but also have made friends for life in both my fellow students and the faculty and staff. ALC has top notch faculty and staff who live on campus with us. My friends and I have visited with our professors and their families in their campus homes and are

on a first name basis with many of them. I feel ALC is my home away from home.

As I prepare for another graduation, I am confident in my education and my abilities as I take that final step into the world. Whatever job I apply for, or whatever graduate program I apply to, I know I am at an advantage because I graduated from Alice Lloyd College.



The Alice Lloyd College 2002 Spring Semester officially opened Tuesday, Jan. 8, with faculty and staff orientation held in the Ralph Edwards Auditorium. Even with the wintry campus scene, students began arriving on Sunday afternoon. New and returning students registered for spring term classes on Wednesday. Classes resumed at 8 a.m. on Thursday, Jan. 10.

Bettinazzi hired as facilities coordinator at HCC

HAZARD — If you have a community event coming up and need a place to hold it, Sherry Bettinazzi is the person who can help you with all the planning at the First Federal Center, an \$11 million beautiful facility at Hazard Community College.

Bettinazzi loves to host parties and has had many herself so she knows about the planning involved. In her new position at HCC, Bettinazzi works to coordinate events with the wonderful food service staff headed by Gary King and cooks Ann Cornett and Clea Williams. It takes lots of folks working together to pull off an event, such as making sure chairs and tables

are in the appropriate places, so she works with the HCC Maintenance and Operations



staff headed up by Jim Smith as supervisor and assisted by Tommy Caudill.

"When someone has a wedding reception, for instance, I know they want that once-in-a-lifetime event to be perfect and I work with the customer to make sure they are satisfied," Bettinazzi said.

Julia B. Mitchell, district vice, president/dean of resource and community development, said she was especially pleased that Bettinazzi accepted the job at the First Federal Center.

"Besides having wonderful ideas, Sherry has very strong organizational skills and all of that works together well for those utilizing our center — whether it be for a one-day conference or weeks of regular meetings," Mitchell said.

"Everyone's skills were put to the test in December when we had 176 events and I'm extremely pleased on how well everyone involved worked so well together to meet the needs of the public," noted Mitchell, adding that Bettinazzi has caught on quickly to her new job.

Bettinazzi's position includes valuable assistance provided by Cora Hamilton, who provides assistance to the facilities office.

"My on-the-job experience as administrator for the St. Clairsville Area Chamber of Commerce in St. Clairsville, Ohio, has helped prepare me for this job," noted Bettinazzi. "Chamber work has enhanced my communication and professional skills, customer service skills, and creativity. In addition to this, from my current Sykes position, I have first hand experience at payroll, accounts payable, staff training, recruiting and the interviewing and hiring process," noted Bettinazzi, who had worked for Sykes since November 1999.

Besides her HCC job, Bettinazzi is Hazard Women's Club public relations secretary and teaches ballroom dancing at HCC. She and husband Bill Bettinazzi, who works for American Electric Power, live in Hazard.

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President Smith learning about his and the board's vision for the future of this great institution. Pikeville College has elevated itself to a new level of excellence in recent years and we are ready to move to an even higher plane in the next few years.

I want to thank President Smith and the Board of Trustees again for offering me the opportunity to be part of the outstanding team at Pikeville College. And I want to express my appreciation to the faculty, staff and students for the excellent work they do every day.

Successful development requires a team effort. Thanks to the community and our alumni and friends, people throughout the region, state and nation are very much aware of the great things happening here on the hill.

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review message will be placed on the University's voice messaging system, as well as the (606) 783-INFO (4636) number. In the event of a weather emergency, an alert button will be activated on the University's homepage at www.moreheadstate.edu. Information also will be provided to WMKY 90.3 FM, the University's public

radio station, and other radio and television stations in the area.

Decisions on schedule changes will be available for listeners/viewers by approximately 6 a.m. whenever possible.

Additional information on the weather plan is available from MSU's Office of Public Safety at (606) 783-2035.

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The program, called Health Education through Extension Leadership (HEEL), will be a collaboration between the College of Medicine's Kentucky School of Public Health and the College of Agriculture's Cooperative Extension Service, which provides staff in all 120 Kentucky counties.

Most extension offices throughout Kentucky already offer education and information on many subjects in the areas of agriculture and health services.

The new program should enhance extension agents' abilities to deliver new health and wellness information statewide, University of Kentucky President Lee Todd said.

"We want to provide a link that's been missing between the research and academics of the university and the health issues of the people of the commonwealth," Todd said at a news conference Friday.

"It does no good to do research in the field of health and wellness just for publication sake. That information has to get to the people, and the extension agents we already have in place are some of the best ambassadors this university has to make that information available."

Statistics have long shown Kentucky has abnormally high incidences of death related to cancers, heart disease, diabetes and respiratory disease.

The aim of the new program will be to spread information about new advances in the prevention and treatment of these illnesses in order for the state's mortality numbers, which are much higher than the national averages,

to go down.

"We're all about the promotion of healthy lifestyles," said Betty Overly, family consumer science agent for the Bourbon County Extension Office.

"We do things every month in Bourbon County to educate people that these illnesses are a major problem in our state. The more we alert people about the incidence of the problems and risk involved, the more likely they might be to quit smoking, get a blood test or mammogram or start exercising more — in effect, living a lifestyle more conducive to better health."

The program will function through health education specialists at the university who will work with extension agents, county health departments, school systems and other local organizations to take basic health education to the public.

The specialists and extension agents will work together to apply and introduce the latest science-based strategies, technology and programs that have shown effectiveness in producing health behavior changes.

U.S. Sen. Mitch McConnell, senior member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, secured the federal money for the program and expressed his support for the effort during the news conference.

"I believe that all Kentuckians, whether they live in a small town or a big city, should have access to basic health information," McConnell said. "I am excited that UK students and researchers will be leading the fight to improve the quality of health care of all Kentuckians."

Concert

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Virtual University gives KCTCS a 51st location - in cyberspace. KCTCS focuses on quality in the classroom. Our community colleges and technical colleges regularly go through an accreditation process that ensures excellence. KCTCS also continually assesses academic and technical programs to stay relevant to society and the workplace. The colleges in our System take pride in the personal attention that faculty members provide to students.

KCTCS is the best value in postsecondary education in Kentucky. While students receive a quality education at our colleges, they don't pay a premium price. And our statewide network of campuses allows students to take advantage of courses offered in many locations. KCTCS is responsive to the needs of students. Over the last three

years, our colleges have established more than 450 new programs that culminate in certificates, diplomas or associate degrees. Some of the most popular programs offered by KCTCS colleges include nursing, office and computer skills, electronics and automotive technology.

KCTCS programs are relevant to the workplace. Our colleges assist students in preparing for every one of the hottest jobs in America (as defined by Money magazine) - exciting careers in fields such as health care, computers and business.

KCTCS is education that pays. Two-thirds of the jobs created in Kentucky over the next five years are projected to require the type of postsecondary education and training that our colleges provide. The credential that our colleges typically confer upon gradu-

ates - the associate degree - pays off decade after decade. On average, an employee with an associate degree will earn in excess of a half-million dollars more over a lifetime than will a high school dropout. KCTCS is creating seamless partnerships across the Commonwealth. Our single most popular program is liberal arts studies, through which students earn associate degrees and transfer with full credit to four-year universities. We are establishing relationships as well that allow secondary students to earn college credits before they finish high school.

By promoting student success, Kentucky's system of two-year colleges is working together to change lives, and the future of the commonwealth, for the better.

KCTCS comprises 50 campuses that operate in 16 seamless districts. KCTCS colleges change lives by providing accessible and affordable education and training through academic and technical associate degrees; diploma and certificate programs in occupational fields; pre-baccalaureate education; adult, continuing and developmental education; customized training for business and industry; and distance learning. For more information, visit www.kctcs.net

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the American Council on Education, which represents higher education groups. "You're dealing with isolated instances that are basically idiosyncratic and very difficult to prevent."

Privacy protections need not be a barrier to safer campuses, said Scott Doner, public safety director at Valdosta State University in Georgia.

Odd or scary behavior should be reported to campus police, who can check it out, he said.

That's a lesson learned from the high school shootings in recent years: the shooters often talked about their plans.

"A lot of people do not want to get involved," said Doner, president-elect of the International Association of Campus Law Enforcement Officers. "But I think because of what happened on Sept. 11, and going all the way back to Columbine, people are beginning to realize they can make a difference."

Health Professions Job Fair slated at MSU

Nearly 30 employers are registered to participate in the Health Professions Job Fair at Morehead State University on Tuesday, Feb. 5.

Representatives from private and public health care facilities in Kentucky and surrounding states will be available to talk with current students and college graduates from 1 to 4 p.m. in the Crager Room of the Adron Doran University Center.

Additional employers are being added to the list each week, according to Dr. Mike Hopper, career services director and coordinator of the event. "Those looking for a position are encouraged to bring copies of their resume and come prepared for an initial interview," he said.

Appointments are not necessary to meet with the employers. A complete list of registered employers is available on the Web at moreheadstate.edu/health_jobfair.

Details on the job fair are available from the Office of

Career Services by calling (606) 783-2233.

Dance classes back in session

Pikeville College's Community Education dance classes are back in session. Registration has been extended to Monday, Jan. 28. Ballet, jazz and tap classes are offered at the beginning, intermediate, and advanced levels. All classes are held on Level 2 of the Record Memorial Building on the Pikeville College campus.

For more information, please call 437-4846 or 218-5751.

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Donna's Day

Creative family fun

by Donna Erickson

Share the World With One Another

2001 ... a year that has changed our lives forever. As the busy holiday schedule ends and I have a few extra moments to myself, the vivid recollections of the passing year flood my mind. Whether these recent events were local or global, they often came into our living rooms as uninvited guests. Children have become politically savvy in an age when television news sound bites lure us to find out more.



DAVID LAROCHELLE

And so, I wonder how well I fared as a parent in 2001, when the daily news was part of our breakfast and dinnertime menus. During our conversations, did I listen? Did I answer my kids' questions with integrity, honesty and at a level appropriate to their understanding? Do they know what I believe about the pressing issues of the day?

This year of 2002 will, no doubt, bring a new script of unexpected headlines. Consider it a privilege as parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles and teachers to be able to share with young, growing, impressionable minds the wonders, beauty, challenges, sorrows and the excitement of the world we live in.

Even if we don't know all the answers to issues large or small, we can stop, look and listen to seek solutions together, remembering that even children can teach adults, too. Take special note how the youngest discover and learn about the world. To them it's an endless stream of enchanting, magical new things: Snowflakes! Ice cream cones! Dust bunnies under the couch! And they want to share each and every one of these finds with the people who matter most to them — us.

When we stop and celebrate every ordinary miracle with them, we say: "Yes! You're right to be amazed. The world is truly a marvelous place." And the more we say it, the more we'll remember that it's true.

Donna's newly released book, "Donna Erickson's Fabulous Funstuff for Families," is now available in bookstores nationwide.

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Pasta comes in all shapes and sizes

More and more, the Italian word "pasta" has become a part of our lexicon in referring to macaroni, noodles and spaghetti. What's more, it's a reliable, quick-cook ingredient at home, and a frequent choice when dining out.

If pasta is on your table more than once a week, you'll want to vary the shape — and there are more than 300 forms, so you'll never run out of variety. It's not just spaghetti and meatballs, or noodles and goulash anymore. Pasta lends itself to elegant cuisine as well as down-home cookery.

Prosciutto di Parma gives an otherwise plain pasta dish company airs. (Just be sure to buy the genuine imported Italian product from the region that is strictly controlled, supervised and protected by the Consortium.)

In the first recipe that follows, prosciutto adds its own unique flavor to a quick sauce that's tossed into "farfalle," a pasta shaped like bowties or butterflies, with fluted edges.

The second recipe combines the slightly tangy taste of arugula (or spinach, if you prefer it) with the silky texture of prosciutto, pine nuts and shaved Parmigiano Reggiano cheese tossed with a balsamic dressing, for an impressive salad.

PASTA WITH PROSCIUTTO DI PARMA AND CHICORY

8 ounces (4 cups) bowtie pasta, uncooked
2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
1 cup chopped onion
2 ounces thinly sliced Prosciutto di Parma cut in strips

(about 1/2 cup)

1 (14-1/2 ounce) can Italian-style stewed tomatoes
1 cup frozen baby peas
4 cups torn chicory or curly endive



Cook pasta according to package directions; drain; transfer to large serving bowl and set aside. Meanwhile, in large skillet over medium heat, heat olive oil; add onion. Cook, stirring occasionally, until onion is soft, about 5 minutes. Add tomatoes and peas; cook, stirring occasionally, until hot, 3 to 4 minutes. Add chicory and Prosciutto di Parma; cook until chicory is wilted, about 2 minutes. Pour over reserved pasta; toss to mix and coat. Serve hot or at room temperature, makes 4 servings (7 cups).

ARUGULA AND PROSCIUTTO DI PARMA SALAD

1 large bunch arugula or spinach leaves, stems trimmed (about 4 cups)
4 thin slices Prosciutto di Parma (about 2 ounces), cut in 1/2-inch wide strips
1/2 cup shaved or coarsely grated Parmigiano Reggiano cheese
2 tablespoons toasted pine nuts
1/4 cup prepared balsamic salad dressing

In large bowl, combine arugula, Prosciutto di Parma, cheese and pine nuts. Toss gently with salad dressing to coat completely. Serve immediately. Makes about 4 cups.

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RANCHERO SHEPHERD'S PIE

8 ounces extra-lean ground turkey or beef
1/2 cup chunky salsa
1 cup (one 8-ounce can) tomato sauce
Brown sugar substitute to equal 1 tablespoon brown sugar
2 cups (one 16-ounce can) French-cut green beans, rinsed and drained
3/4 cup shredded reduced-fat Cheddar cheese
2 cups water

2 cups instant potato flakes
1/3 cup nonfat dry milk powder
3/4 cup plain fat-free yogurt
1 teaspoon dried parsley flakes
1 teaspoon chili seasoning
1/4 teaspoon black pepper

1. Preheat oven to 375 F. Spray an 8-by-8-inch baking dish with olive-oil flavored cooking spray.
2. In a large skillet sprayed with

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by JoAnna M. Lund

Dear Diane...

Achy-breaky secretary

DEAR DIANE:

This year I have decided to finally lose weight. I have been a fat woman all my life. I'm 29 and my biological clock is ticking like a time bomb! If I don't lose weight, I'll never find a man and have children. I don't want to spend my life all alone and fat and miserable.

Here's my problem: Last week, I started to exercise and while I was in the middle of doing sit-ups, something "tore" in my stomach. I was in pain for hours. Since then, I've been afraid of doing any more exercises. What am I going to do?

— BIG GIRL IN BALTIMORE

DEAR BALTIMORE:

You need to see a doctor immediately, dear. It sounds to me like you've suffered a hernia, but don't take my word for it. Get checked out by a physician. Pronto.

If a hernia becomes strangulated, you could suffer a life-threatening infection.

While you're getting examined by the doctor, have him or her set up a nutrition and exercise plan so that you can lose weight safely.

DEAR DIANE:

Almost everyday at work, at some point, I get some stupid song stuck in my head. It drives me crazy!! Why is it that only the dumb tunes find their way into my brain and not songs I like?

Is there anything I can do about this?
— ACHY-BREAKY SECRETARY

DEAR ACHY:

There is only one cure for getting rid of a stupid song that's stuck in your craw, and that's to replace it with another stupid song.

Just be thankful it isn't "It's A Small World After All." There's no way to get that song out of your noggin — short of a lobotomy.

Good Luck.

There's No Quick Cure for Athlete's Foot

DEAR DR. DONOHUE:

Please write something about tinea pedis. I have it. The doctor prescribed Mentax. So far — one week — it has done nothing. I am worried. — Anon.

ANSWER:

Few people pass through life without having at least one encounter with tinea pedis, the Latin for athlete's foot.

It is a fungal infection. Fungi like to live in dark, dank, warm places, so the feet are fungal paradise. Expose your feet to air as much as possible. Wear sandals in the house and outside, if you live in a warm spot. Change socks every day. Rotate shoes so that the same pair is not worn on successive days.

The number of medicines that triumph over tinea pedis is large. Desenex, Lotrimin,

Tinactin, Lamisil and Nizoral are but a few. Your Mentax cream is as effective as any athlete's foot medicine.

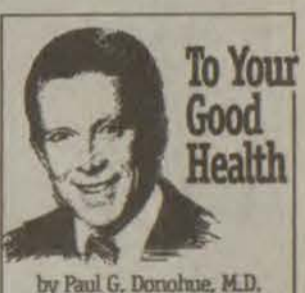
Apply the cream 1 inch beyond the boundary of visibly infected skin.

That will kill fungi lying on the surface of healthy skin. They are ready to dig in at a moment's notice.

One week is too short a time to eradicate tinea pedis. Four weeks ought to bring victory. If it doesn't, then it's back to the doctor for a confirmation of the diagnosis or for a change in medicines.

Apply whatever cream you use for one week after all signs of infection have gone. That prevents relapse.

Relief and Care of the Feet is a report that does not deal specifically with athlete's foot,



by Paul G. Donohue, M.D.

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RUDY'S ANGEL

Wilma Hankins Hlawiczka
(FROM "CHICKEN SOUP FOR THE SINGLE'S SOUL")

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I walked into the grocery store, not particularly interested in buying groceries. I wasn't hungry. The pain of losing my husband of 37 years was still too raw. And this grocery store held so many sweet memories.

Rudy often came with me, and most every time, he'd pretend to go off and look for something special. I knew what he was up to. I'd always spot him walking down the aisle with three yellow roses in his hands. Rudy knew I loved yellow roses.

With a heart filled with grief, I only



wanted to buy my few items and leave, but even grocery shopping for one took time, a little more thought than it had for two.

Standing by the meat, I searched for the perfect small steak and remembered how Rudy had loved his steak. Suddenly

a woman came up beside me. She was blond, slim and lovely in a soft-green pantsuit. I watched as she picked up a large pack of T-bones, dropped them in her shopping cart, hesitated and then put them back. She turned to go and once again reached for the pack of steaks. She saw me watching her, and she smiled.

"My husband loves T-bones, but honestly, at these prices, I don't know."

I swallowed the emotion down my throat and met her pale blue eyes. "My husband passed away eight days ago," I told her. Glancing at the package in her hands, I fought to control the tremble in my voice. "Buy him the steaks. And cherish every moment you have together."

She shook her head, and I saw the emotion in her eyes as she placed the package in her basket and wheeled away. I turned and pushed my cart across the

store to the dairy products. There I stood, trying to decide which size milk I should buy. A quart, I finally decided, and moved on to the ice-cream section near the front of the store. If nothing else, I could always fix myself an ice-cream cone.

I placed the ice cream in my cart and looked down the aisle toward the front. I saw first the green suit, then I recognized the pretty young lady coming toward me. In her arms she carried a package. On her face was the brightest smile I had ever seen. I would swear a soft halo encircled her blond hair as she kept walking toward me, her eyes holding mine.

As she came closer, I saw what she held, and tears began misting in my eyes.

"These are for you," she said, and placed three beautiful long-stemmed yellow roses in my arms. "When you go through the line, they will know these are

paid for." She leaned over and placed a gentle kiss on my cheek.

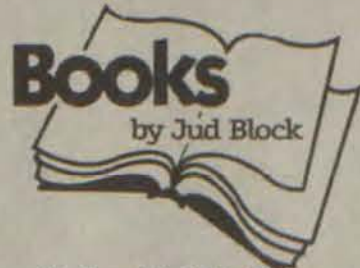
I wanted to tell her what she'd done, what the roses meant, but still unable to speak, I watched her walk away as tears clouded my vision. I looked down at the beautiful roses nestled in the green tissue wrapping and found it almost unreal. How did she know?

Suddenly the answer seemed so clear. I wasn't alone. "Oh, Rudy, you haven't forgotten me, have you?" I whispered, with tears in my eyes. He was still with me, and she was his angel.

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"A Beautiful Mind"



"A Beautiful Mind"
by Silvia Nasar
(Touchstone Books, Trade Paperback, \$16)
Reviewed by DNA Smith

The root causes of paranoid schizophrenia are still a mystery. For a man to plunge into the depths of this crushing malady and emerge decades later totally cured is nothing short of miraculous.

John Nash was one such miracle.

Nash has been called one of the greatest minds of the last half of the 20th century. In 1948, he was accepted to Princeton's graduate school, mingling with such giants as Albert Einstein and John Von Neumann.

Nash was aloof and arrogant, with the body of an Adonis and

a massive ego. In a setting filled with great minds, clashing egos and eccentrics, Nash was considered even by his peers to be a bit odd. He rarely attended class and could be found ambling the hallways whistling Bach. One of his peers noted that no matter where you found Nash he was thinking, always thinking.

At the age of 21, Nash solved a 100-year-old problem in economics, invented an ingenious board game and wrote a 27-page Ph.D. thesis entitled "Non-Cooperative Games" that would win him the Nobel Prize in 1994.

Then in 1959, 10 years after writing his groundbreaking thesis, Nash began his descent into paranoid schizophrenia. He believed that alien beings were sending him coded messages that would help him save the world. He believed he was some kind of cosmic messiah. His delusions would consume him for 30 years.

Standing beside him throughout his 30-year battle with schizophrenia and an affair that would result in an illegitimate child, was his wife, Alicia.

"A Beautiful Mind" is at once a brilliant history of mod-

ern theoretical science, a gripping love story and compelling insight into the world of madness. Silvia Nasar deftly weaves all these seemingly disparate elements to create an extraordinary tale of the human spirit.

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Eight Weeks to Optimum Health

As a health professional, I am by nature skeptical of fitness and self-help books. But after being asked to participate in a reading group at a local bookstore, I finally came across one that I truly believe can be of help to everyone.

"Dr. Weil's Eight Weeks to Optimum Health" (Fawcett Book Group, \$13.95) is a week-by-week program that takes you step-by-step to improving your overall health and habits.

Dr. Weil is a well-known author on health topics; his previous books include "Spontaneous Healing" and "Eating Well for Optimum Health." With his moderate approach, Dr. Weil comes across as very easy to understand. One of the reasons he has been so successful with "Eight Weeks to Optimum Health" is that there are no gimmicks in this book.

Weil covers a different topic for each week of the program, examining health factors such as food, exercise, breathing techniques and being in touch with the natural world. Throughout the book, he offers positive steps that you can take on your way to optimum health.

This is a good book to read in a group. You can get a couple of friends together and discuss your progress on a weekly basis, or you may be able to do what we did. Talk to your local bookstore that carries the book and see if it will host a group that meets once a week. This also promotes sales for the store.

In your weekly meeting you can talk about what the plan is for the first week. When you meet again, reflect on the past week and discuss plans for the next week. There may be people in the group that have a bit more knowledge in some areas who may be able to discuss it further. For instance,



someone may have been to a local park that they like and can share information with others in the group.

One of the best things about this book is that just about everyone, including folks who have been working out for a while, can benefit. And when you've finished the book, start it again. Each time you go through it you will pick up more healthy habits.

Kelly Griffin, B.S., C.S.C.S., is a personal trainer and the owner of Power Break Fitness. If you have a fitness or training question, e-mail Kelly at letters.kfws@hearstsc.com or write her in care of King Features Weekly Service, P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475.

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Feeling like a failure

DEAR SAM AND DAVE:

We're barely into the new year, and I've already blown all of my resolutions. I planned to quit eating chocolate, work out three times a week, stop biting my nails and keep my apartment clean. I know that seems like a lot, but I haven't even kept (SET ITAL)one(END ITAL) of them. I promised myself that this was the year I'd get my life together, but it looks like it's just another bust. Why is it always so hopeless to make changes in my life?

— FEELING LIKE A FAILURE

DAVE SAYS:

First, calm down. Second, remember that it took a lifetime to develop the habits you want to break, and you're not going to magically overcome them in

a few weeks. Change takes time.

The next thing you need to do is set small goals for yourself. In other words, effect the changes you want by taking baby steps. Instead of saying, "I'm going to have a spotless apartment," try saying, "By Saturday, I'm going to have my bedroom closet organized." Taking a week to organize your closet is a reasonable goal. And when you can see for yourself that you can accomplish a goal, then move on to another small step, like cleaning the bathroom. Eventually, your apartment will be spotless, and it will only require simple upkeep instead of the overhaul you suggest it needs.

And by the way: Don't give up chocolate. What are you, nuts?

SAM SAYS:

I hate New Year's resolutions. People take stock of their lives and decide to change (SET ITAL)everything(END ITAL) they're unhappy about — there's no way anyone can live up to the expectations. When you make so many resolutions, you're setting yourself up for failure. If even one of them gets broken, you get upset about it, and that makes it harder to keep the others.

Try making birthday resolutions instead of New Year's resolutions. A birthday is a personal milestone, so it's a good time for self-evaluation ([SET ITAL]not[END ITAL] self-recrimination). And no one else will be making resolutions at the same time, so you won't be tempted to compare yourself with how well others are keep-

Sam & Dave explain it all to you

by Samantha Weaver and Dave Smith

ing theirs.

Keep in mind, too, that a resolution is not like a china dish that, once broken, can't be put back together again. So you had a piece of chocolate one day. So what? Write it off as a moment of weakness — we all have them — and try to do better next time. We are all works in progress; that's what life is all about.

Dashing Through the Snow

The Eskimos are said to have more than 250 words in their vocabulary to describe snow. They have separate words for snow that comes in flurries, snow that is wet or slushy and snow that is light, heavy, thick or thin.

In Maine, where the average January snowfall is about 20 inches, you'll find a town called Houlton, which has one very specific word to describe snow — fun. And the town celebrates its snowy season at the Moosestompers Weekend, held on Feb. 1-3, at which you can participate in activities ranging from a Poker Run to Human Curling.

There are many events taking place, starting off on Friday with — of all things — a \$4 spaghetti

dinner with the local snowmobile clubs. This, of course, is only to make sure everyone has the energy to participate in the 7:30 p.m. Moosestompin' Snowmobiles on Parade. The clubs decorate the snowmobiles and sleds, and ride them through town to the huge bonfire at Community Park, where you can warm up and make some friends.

Then, on Saturday, you have the Gut-Bustin' Buffet Breakfast, some youth hockey games and a Snowball Tournament. (Get together a team of 10 to participate.) And that is just before the 9 a.m. Poker Run. At 11 a.m. the Giant Hill opens for sledding, and the kid — or kid at heart — games begin. There's a Half-Dollar Scramble (more than \$100

worth is hidden in a big pile of snow), horse-drawn sleigh rides, a radar run for the snowmobilers (courtesy of the official police radar gun — no tickets!), human dog-sled races (oh, what fun it is), human curling and more.

Afterward, trek back over to Community Park for another bonfire at 6 p.m., followed by a great fireworks display at 8 p.m., then head on over to the Moosestompers Dance at the Lounge Downunder.

Wake up Sunday to do it all over again. If you don't have your own snowmobile, get a free ride on one at noon in Community Park. Or get a free sleigh ride in a one-horse open sleigh. Or both.

In any case, you can't help but



have winter fun at this fabulous festival. For more information and a complete schedule, log on to www.moosestompersweekend.com or call 1-888-642-9284.

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A museum dedicated entirely to dirt

■ Beggars, drunkards and outcasts have a patron saint, too — St. Martin.

■ The movie "Jaws" instilled in most people a terror of sharks — great white sharks, anyway. But could you imagine being afraid of a gummy shark? Or a banjo shark? Or a sleeper shark? Those are real sharks, too.

■ Coca-Cola is one of the most famous brands in the world — it has name recognition in virtually every country. For all that success, though, the man who invented it died penniless.



■ In Greece 200 years before the birth of Christ, calculations were performed to determine the circumference of the Earth — and the result was only off by 4 percent.

■ There are 1 billion stars in the galaxy, and the most distant constellation is 87,000 million million miles away.

■ Gardner's Law states,

"Eighty-seven percent of all people in all professions are incompetent."

■ When movie idol Leonardo DiCaprio was 2, he was in an audition for the TV show "Romper Room." He wasn't selected — he was cut for being too hyperactive.

■ How familiar are you with large-denomination bills? Do you know whose face is on the front of the \$500 bill? It's William McKinley. The \$1,000 bill? Grover Cleveland. The \$5,000 bill? James Madison. The \$10,000 bill? Salmon B. Chase.

■ In Boston, there is a museum dedicated entirely to dirt. There are shelves with rows of jars containing dirt from famous people's yards, interesting locales and exotic destinations around the world.

Thought for the Day:

"It took me 20 years of studied self-restraint, aided by the natural decay of my faculties, to make myself dull enough to be accepted as a serious person by the British public." — George Bernard Shaw

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Neo-Luddites Make Exceptions for Web

One of the more curious Web sites you'll find out there is at www.primitivism.com, an "exploration into primitivism and related viewpoints from anthropology, luddism, anarchy and the ongoing critique of civilization."

As of yet, you won't find the word "luddism" in most dictionaries. But the one at www.yourdictionary.com defines "Luddite" as "one of a group of early 19th-century English workmen destroying laborsaving machinery as a protest; broadly: one who is opposed to change, especially technological change." Webster's unabridged adds that it is "said to be named after Ned Lud, an imbecile who broke two stocking frames."

It's noteworthy that Webster's defines "imbecile" as "a mentally deficient person with an I.Q. from 25 to 50; a person mentally equal to a child between three and eight



years old."

Modern-day embodiments of Ned Lud are known as neo-Luddites, whose criticism of civilization is usually aimed at modern technology as a whole. But if you're trying to find just what today's neo-Luddites think of the Internet from a site like primitivism.com, you'll be hard-pressed to find one. Logically, the repudiation of machines would include the Internet, as it could be argued that the Internet is the biggest machine ever.

But, well aware that the Internet has gone a long way in getting the message out — a message that is largely unpopular in the Western world — the social critics at primitivism.com realize they can't go beyond an

implicit condemnation of the World Wide Web.

Instead of damning the Internet wholesale, they attack its more extreme manifestations, namely, "technophilia," or the love of technology, and "technocracy," or the notion of a society almost completely shaped by the demands of technology.

How else could a group of neo-Luddites, who have apparently deemed the Internet an effective means of advancing their unpopular agenda, criticize technology and not be called hypocrites? Make an exception.

Observe the glaring irony of a Web site promoting neo-Luddism. In the simple act of setting up a Web site and getting attention from yours truly, the folks at primitivism.com have unwittingly undermined their own position.

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olive-oil flavored cooking spray, brown meat. Stir in salsa, tomato sauce and brown sugar substitute. Add green beans and half of Cheddar cheese. Mix well to combine. Spread mixture evenly into prepared baking dish.

3. In a medium saucepan, bring water to a boil. Remove from heat. Stir in potato flakes and dry milk powder. Add yogurt, parsley flakes, chili seasoning, black pepper and remaining Cheddar cheese. Mix gently to combine. Spread potato mixture evenly over

meat mixture.

4. Bake for 25 to 30 minutes. Place baking dish on a wire rack and let set for 5 minutes. Divide into 6 servings.

■ Each serving equals: 209 Calories, 5 g Fat, 16 g Protein, 25 g Carb., 358 mg Sodium, 2 g Fiber; Diabetic Exchanges: 2 Meat, 1 1/2 Vegetable, 1 Starch.

Visit JoAnna's Web site at www.healthyexchanges.com

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The observation deck

With time and patience the mulberry leaf becomes a silk gown.

Chinese proverb

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Health

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but it does give good advice for many common foot problems. Readers can order a copy by writing: Dr. Donohue — No. 11W, Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-4675. Enclose a self-addressed, stamped (57 cents), No. 10 envelope and a check or money order for \$3. Please allow four weeks for delivery.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: Does exercising when one has a cold make the cold worse or last longer? — J.A.

ANSWER: If a person has an uncomplicated head cold, one or two days of rest are all that's needed.

"Uncomplicated" means a cold without cough or fever.

A rule to follow is the neck rule. If cold symptoms are limited to structures above the neck — scratchy throat, runny

or stuffed nose — those symptoms do not demand a long, enforced rest.

If symptoms are below the neck — fever, cough, sore muscles — those symptoms are signals to curtail physical activity. Exhausting exercise can sap the immune system's strength and make a cold worse or prolong the time it lasts.

Dr. Donohue regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters, but he will incorporate them in his column whenever possible. Readers may write him or request an order form of available health newsletters at P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475.

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January

To the relief of many county residents, Floyd County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson announced that efforts on the Left Beaver Cleanup project would soon continue after a short halt due to a disagreement between the Division of Water and the Floyd County Fiscal Court, who complained of alleged violations which may have occurred during brush removal efforts.

A state audit of the the Floyd County Clerk's Office was released with some recommendations for the office, as well as a statement that former officeholder, Carla Robinson Boyd was owed \$10,000, but owed a much larger sum of \$195,000.

Rep. Greg Stumbo prefiled a garbage bill which would have required five- and 10-cent deposits on beverage containers in an effort to reduce roadside litter and was virtually identical to a measure which was defeated during the 2000 General Assembly.

Family Court Judge Julie Paxton's duties grew significantly in March when she became the first judge in the state to preside over a family courtroom in two separate judicial districts after the creation of a 36th judicial district which included both Knott and Magoffin Counties.

South Floyd Middle School received a report from a team of auditors picked by the state Department of Education which commended the school's use of hands-on techniques, but said the level of high expectations among teachers, parents and students still needed attention.

Thirteen of Prestonsburg's city police officers completed the first phase of fire training necessary for them to receive in order to become certified public safety officers.

In his State of the Commonwealth speech to legislators Gov. Patton highlighted a plan for statewide garbage collection, as well future efforts to gain a comprehensive tax reform as one of his main goals before leaving office. Other issues given time during his speech included crime, education, worker's compensation and new job development.

An investigation by Floyd County Sheriff John K. Blackburn and Sergeant Shawn Roop into the passing of counterfeit \$100 bills resulted in the arrest of Steven Todd Harris, 30, of Corn Fork. Harris, who initially denied any involvement in the scheme, later confessed and lead Blackburn and Roop to his home where the officers uncovered \$8,800 in fake bills.

House Majority Floor Leader Greg Stumbo came forward in sponsorship of Gov. Patton's House Bill 132, which comprised Patton's efforts to revamp the state's black lung program.

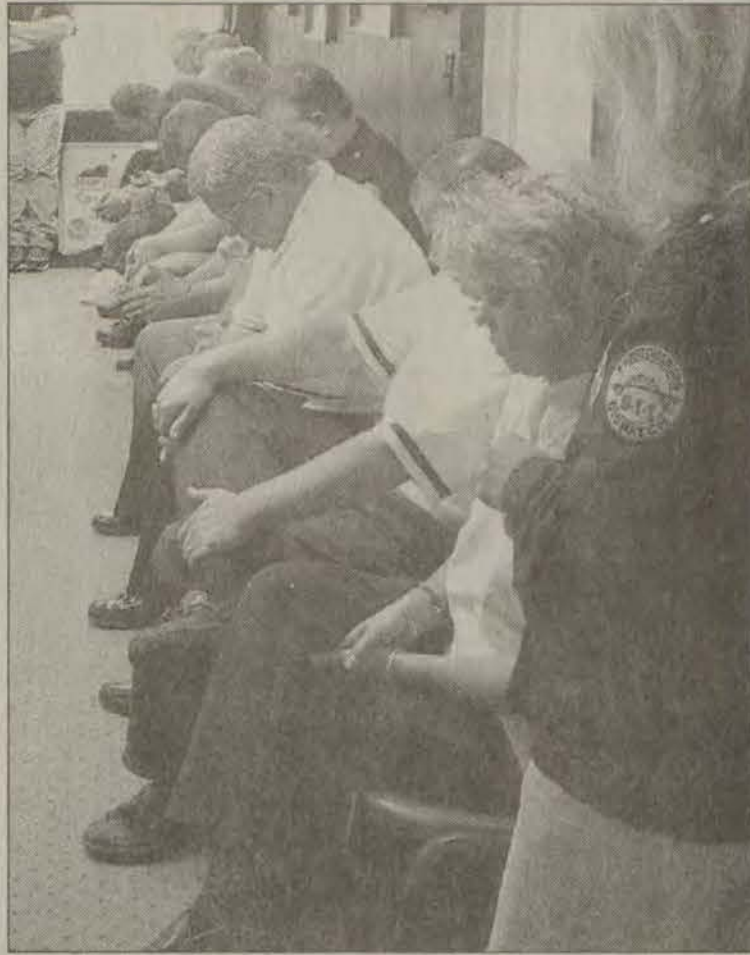
An early morning fire at the old William's Motor Court motel killed two occupants before being brought under control by the Prestonsburg Fire Department. Motel resident, Roger Cartmell, and owner, Clyde "Freddie" Williams, died as a result of the fire. Cartmell's remains were found inside his room, while Williams was transported to Highlands Regional Medical Center and died shortly afterwards.

Wheelwright city council

members met and discussed an ordinance pertaining to merit systems for city employees based on a state merit system implemented in 1960. Commissioners Bruce Johnson and Don "Booty" Hall voted to

Parker.

As part of his Unclaimed Property Fund, Kentucky Treasurer Jonathan Miller, presented a check for \$95,000 and a list of several hundred Floyd County residents who were in



A crowd of nearly 100 gathered outside of the Floyd County Courthouse at noon Sept. 14 to hold a prayer circle around the flagpole.

photo by Ralph B. Davis

abolish the old ordinance and bring in a new and more just system, but were held off in this attempt after being advised to seek the help of the attorney general by city attorney Tim

positions to make rightful claim to portions of the money to Floyd County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson.

State population expert, Ron Crouch, spoke to the Floyd

County Chamber of Commerce about how the local economy could be adversely affected if older workers are not either retained or retrained. Crouch supplemented this information by telling chamber members that the population of young people in Kentucky had declined by more than 30 percent, while the older population had increased by 60 percent.

During a meeting of the Prestonsburg Tourism Commission, executive director, Fred James, urged members to finalize a proposal concerning projects to attract tourists into the Prestonsburg area, by reminding them of \$4.9 million which would soon be coming into a 40-county region of Southern and Eastern Kentucky.

State Treasurer Jonathan Miller, while in the county to present money from the Unclaimed Property Fund, took the time to tout his plans to launch his new prepaid college tuition plan KAPT (Kentucky's Affordable Prepaid Tuition). The plan was set to go into effect at the beginning of the 2001 school year.

Work was anticipated to begin again on the Left Beaver Cleanup Project with only weather standing in the way, said Floyd County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson, who said that at that time, work on the project was between one-quarter and one-third complete.

A Prestonsburg Fire Department employee, Stephen A. Parker, 33, was arrested after allegedly shoplifting at the Prestonsburg Wal-Mart. Wal-Mart manager Greg Sayler said at that time the items taken appeared to have been "two or three CD's".

Richard Vance, 28, of Teaberry was put in a "compromising position" by Floyd Jailer Roger Webb after Webb and deputy jailers received word that Vance had possibly been smuggling contraband into the jail during court scheduled weekend visits to serve time on his sentence. Webb and others forced Vance, who had swallowed a balloon containing a \$20 bag of marijuana and several prescription drugs, to "have a seat" in a nearby toilet until the contraband could be retrieved.

An audit of Allen Central

Middle School conducted by the Kentucky Board of Education during school audits said that the school's site based council may not be fulfilling its leadership role, but praised the school for the use of multiple techniques to assess student work as well the variety of technology which was being put to use.

A Floyd County jury ruled that Prestonsburg Utilities owed Janet Salisbury, of David, \$18,000 for damages caused after a sewer line backed up into her house last year.

The city of Prestonsburg was named as a defendant in a lawsuit filed by former assistant Floyd County Attorney Lance A. Daniels on behalf of two former Prestonsburg Police Officers, Darrell Preston and Charles "Little Shag" Branham. The two men alleged in the suit that they were wrongfully denied health care and retirement benefits as well as normally afforded leave time for sickness and vacation that is regularly granted to full-time employees.

80-year-old Willard Stanley, the Melvin man who served as commissioner of the Kentucky Department of Mines and Minerals under three governors died of chronic heart failure at St. Joseph Hospital in Lexington.

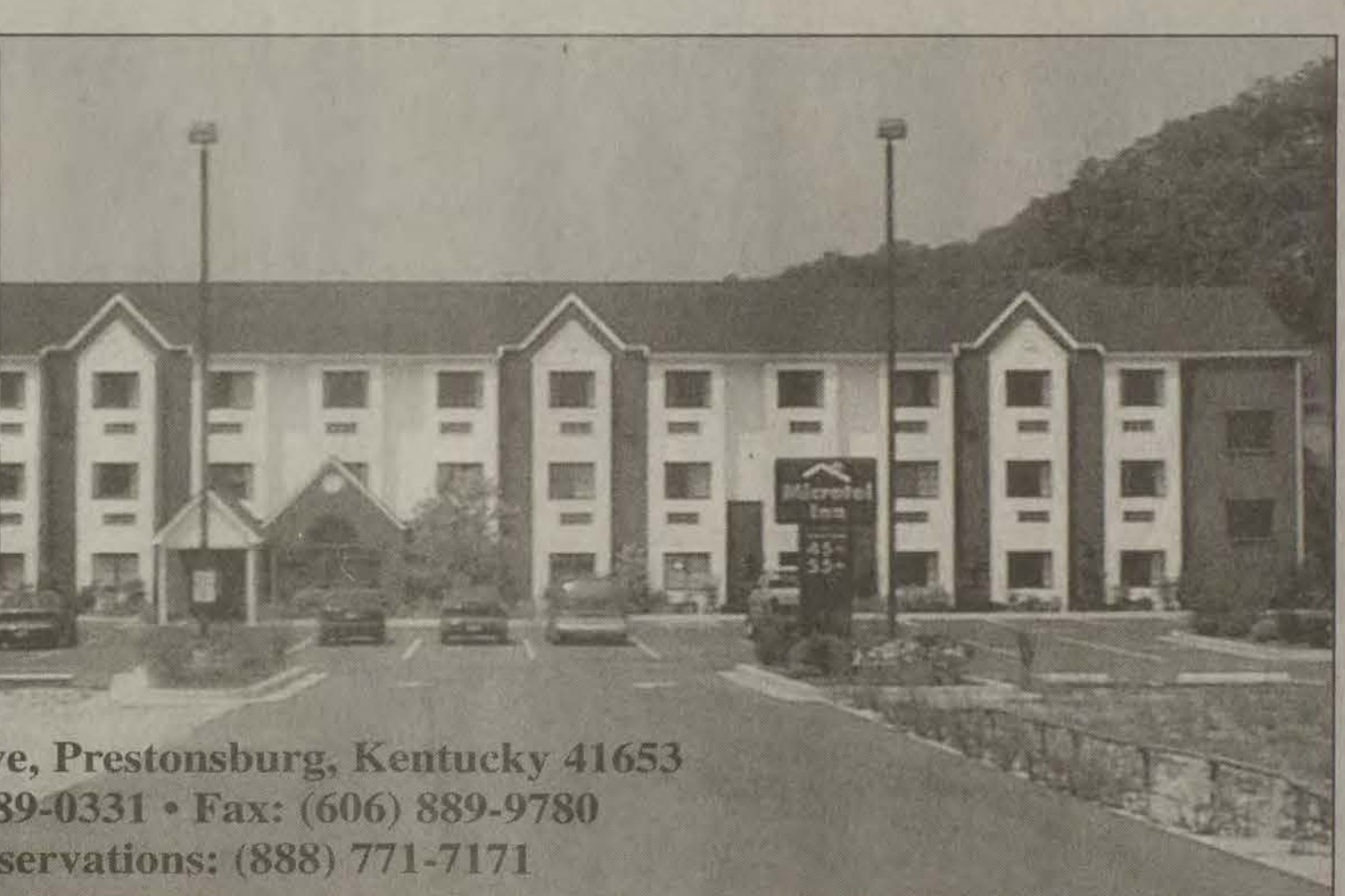
An ambulance from the Left Beaver Rescue Squad was struck by an unknown driver near Minnie during the transport of an "advanced life support patient" from McDowell Regional Hospital to the ARH in Hazard. The collision caused slight body damage to the ambulance but did not result in any major injuries.

At a Wheelwright City Council meeting, city resident David Hall, expressed a desire to purchase the old city hall building, but was thwarted in his efforts after a great deal of discussion led mayor Marlee Sammons to decide that the matter should, most likely, be settled in court, considering the amount of conflicting views on the subject.

The Floyd County Ethics Committee introduced a proposed recommendation among committee members for a statewide ethics policy to be introduced to legislators. The



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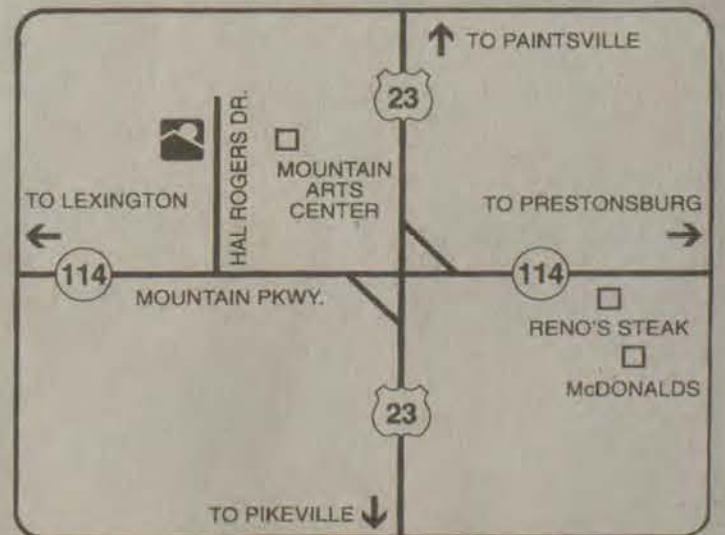
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recommendation would be apply in all governments across the commonwealth.

Long-time local businessman, Paul Ward Thompson, father of Floyd County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson, died at the age of 90. Jeremy Paul Smith, 21, a man wanted on a theft charge in Grand Fork County, N.D., was arrested in Floyd County at a residence along the Mountain Parkway.

Following incriminating statements made against him by his sister, Irene Rose, his nephew, Tom Tackett and his uncle, Edgar Tackett, 37-year-old Tony Tackett, of Teaberry was arrested and charged with third-degree arson for having allegedly burned down Edgar Tackett's barn on Toler's Creek.

Water services were returned to a group of residents at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park after work crews rerouted a waterline which had been broken by a roadslide slip the day before.

Wayland City Council member, Michael W. Gibson, 45, reached a plea agreement with Floyd County Attorney Keith Bartley in connection to three charges against him after a traffic stop in Wayland. Gibson agreed to plea guilty to alcohol intoxication on the condition that the charges of disorderly conduct and terroristic threatening against Wayland police officer Aaron Kidd be dismissed.

After being presented with the option of accepting continued state management or facing a hearing in Frankfort on the matter, Floyd County Board of Education members accepted continued state management after agreeing on the terms in closed session.

At a regular meeting of the Floyd County Board of Education held at South Floyd High School, school board chairman Terry Dotson announced his resignation. Dotson resigned just before the board was to approach the election of officers for the upcoming year, saying: "I don't want to run away . . . but it's time to let

move forward on work to begin on the city of Martin's nonstructural flood control project.

Paula Michelle Stanley, 18, of Price was killed in a weekend traffic accident after the car she was a passenger in left the roadway and struck a hillside before overturning and coming to rest in the road.

Gov. Patton unveiled a comprehensive \$30 million plan to clean up Kentucky and urged legislators to take the first step toward enacting it by approving a statewide garbage collection in the upcoming session.

A fire burned the four-bedroom house of Kimberly Sparks and her four children in the Pageant Hills apartment complex in Martin. None of the five family members were injured in the fire.

The Twin Bridge replacement project got underway and was met with mixed emotions by residents. Citizens complained that the town was, in effect, divided in half as a result and Mayor Thomasine Robinson said the possibility of temporary light to relieve traffic congestion along nearby Route 80 looked likely.

A former volunteer deputy of the Floyd County Sheriff's Department, James Brandon Spencer, 25, of Calf Creek, was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol.

February

The Wheelwright City Council listened to complaints about a recent dismissal of a utilities commissioner, Burnette Little, and also listened as Denver Lee Pigman, of the state Division of Water, explained that sewer problems could cost \$25,000 a day in violation costs if something wasn't done.

A scheduled meeting of the Wayland City Council was called off when council member Curt Tuft failed to show up. Mayor Tom Murphy later said the meeting would have been illegal to begin with because Tuft didn't receive a notice of the meeting. Coy Sammons stepped down

the latest battleground in the ongoing dispute between city officials and the union representing the community's firefighters.

A former South Floyd Middle School special education teacher, John Hicks, of Hueysville, filed suit against his former employer charging that he was the victim of sexual discrimination.

A water line break, serving approximately 35 homes in the Lake View Village and surrounding areas, caused the residents of Auxier and Lake View Village to be without water. The break was the second in as many months.

The Kentucky Board of Education voted to continue state management of the Floyd County school district for another three years.

Five Floyd Countians — Eddie Blair, Phillip Sword, Tammy Johnson, Patsy Griffith and Dwayne Pack — were arrested in what was billed as the largest drug sweep in state history, dubbed "Operation Oxyfest 2001" in reference to prescription medication oxycodone.

Prestonsburg Tourism Director Fred James, pitched his idea for an arcade of attractions for Prestonsburg that would function as an interactive tourism information center.

The Wheelwright Utility Commission met for nearly three hours in closed session to discuss litigation in respect to the city's former meter reader, Paul Preston, and his wife, Ruby Preston. The panel agreed to enter into settlement negotiations which the Prestons had been seeking for improper dismissal from duties.

Larry Crawley, the former security guard during the The Kentucky West Virginia Gas Co. strike during December of 2000, stressed his dissatisfaction with the decision to dismiss all cases involving the strike which he said involved his being put at gunpoint during one situation.

A motion on behalf of the city of Prestonsburg to dismiss

changes were made for political reasons and not with safety in mind.

Selena Goff, a Prestonsburg woman, brought what she felt was needed attention to the heroic efforts of Lacy Hughes, 16, also of Prestonsburg. Hughes, who lost her grandfather, James Howell, in a house fire, played a key role, according to Goff, in getting her family to safety during the ordeal.

Travelers were shocked to see that efforts to repopulate the tree growth along construction

sites along the Route 114 Mountain Parkway extension had been destroyed. Several newly planted trees were uprooted by vandals with one tree actually taken from the scene.

During a Floyd County Board of Education meeting at Betsy Layne Elementary a crowd of about 50 people, including parents, teachers and community members met with state Highway Department officials to discuss the feasibility of installing a traffic signal on U.S.

23 at the school's entrance. Residents at the Riverview Manor Nursing Home spent the better part of a week gathering donations for their annual "Hug Campaign". The residents offered hugs for a 10-cent donation to a charitable cause of their choice.

For a third time, a water line break at the construction site for work on the entrance to Dewey Lake left Lake View Village and surrounding areas frustrated and without water.

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someone else do it."

Newly sworn in Prestonsburg City Councilman Roy Compton chose his first offer to the table to be a concern for the sewer smell within the city during a meeting of the council. Mayor Jerry Fannin detailed to Compton that the utilities commission had been studying the problem at that, at that time, it would be estimated to cost \$6 million to correct the problem.

Kristen Springer, director of pupil personnel for the Floyd County Board of Education, found herself busy in Floyd District Court on cases involving truancy in the Floyd County school system.

More than a year after initial charges of sexual abuse were brought against local attorney Sheridan Martin, he entered a guilty plea to an amended charge of third degree sexual abuse.

A Prestonsburg man, Scott D. Clevenger, 39, classified as a fugitive from the state of Georgia, was arrested in Floyd County on charged stemming from an alcohol related traffic accident.

The Floyd County Fiscal Court approved a resolution to

as Prestonsburg High School principal to take a position as a director of the "GEAR UP Project", leaving the school to search for a replacement.

Some changes occurred at the Floyd County Times as longtime features and senior editor Pam Shingler left the paper to take a job with the Eastern Kentucky Science Center. Kathy J. Prater replaced Shingler as features editor and Sheldon Compton took the place of Staff Writer in the wake of Prater's move.

The Army Corps of Engineers met with residents of Lakeview Village, the area nearest to the blasting site for the spillway at Dewey Lake to hear complaints about the blasting and the effects on their homes and surrounding property.

Jacob Ellis Carroll, 19, of Dana, who was the driver of a pickup which crashed into a tree along Route 680 in Grethel on June 10, 1998, found the case against him sent into juvenile court, considering he was 17 when the accident occurred.

The ashes of a fatal house fire in Prestonsburg, which killed South Highland Avenue resident James Howell, became

the ongoing lawsuit 12 current and former Prestonsburg firefighters filed last year against the city was submitted in U.S. District Court in Pikeville, claiming the city was given immunity from any of the claims made in the lawsuit.

23-year-old Sandy Castle and 24-year-old Joey Grim died in a house fire in Johnson County along Lively Lane in the community of Thelma.

A Floyd County man, Mark D. Shepherd, was sentenced by U.S. District Court Judge Joseph M. Hood to serve 37 months, with supervised release for four years for his role in a marijuana ring. He was charged with distributing marijuana and possession of firearms in drug trafficking.

The city of Prestonsburg responded to allegations from George Burke, assistant to the president of the International Association of Firefighters, following the city's second fatal fire in a month. Burke criticized the merger of the city's police and fire department, as well as the layoff of three firefighters, closure of the city's ambulance service and a change in firefighter's schedules, saying the

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Council met and discussed a letter given to them by an unnamed member of the Utility Commission. The contents of the letter, which dealt with a discussion the commissioner had with a member of the city's ethics board, were not disclosed at the meeting, but forced several council members to give the situation close attention.

The Floyd County Board of Education met with several of their directors to discuss the allocation of funds for the upcoming school year.

Dr. Chandra Varia and Dr. Mahendra Varia were injured in a head-on collision while visiting their family in India. Mr. Varia suffered a broken hip and a broken arm and Mrs. Varia fractured her ankle.

The fiscal court spent time discussing a new acquisition, as Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson expressed an eagerness to mention plans to move ahead for the Floyd County (Martin) Community Center. The court explained they had been granted approval of the purchase of the RND Manufacturing Building to place a geographically centered center to spotlight drug prevention to area youth.

The Wayland City Council deadlocked on a number of votes in the absence of Mayor Tom Murphy. Councilman Carl Martin was voted in a mayor pro tem in Murphy's absence, but the panel still could not agree on voting a new member in to replace resigned council member Betty Mulkey, as well as voting in a tie for the head of the public safety department. The vote tied between Martin and council member Curt Tufts. Both men had previous run-ins with the law, making them questionable for the position.

Reggie G. Cook, 49, of Topmost, was arrested by deputy Bobby Hackworth Jr. along Route 7 after he was allegedly found with alcohol, marijuana, cocaine, narcotics and drug-related paraphernalia in his possession.

Responding to a domestic violence call, deputy Gary Tackett and Delmas Johnson, arrested Robert Bishop, 42, and his girlfriend, Anita May. Although both denied any altercation as having occurred, Bishop was arrested on a bench warrant from March of 1999 which resulted in probation violations, while May was arrested on two bench warrants which were later recalled after her release.

A lawsuit was filed by former Transportation Cabinet employee Dan Hall against chief district engineer, Linda Wagner-Justice. Hall complained that Justice put him on sick leave on Feb. 18, 2000 because he had reported certain practices by Justice that were in violation.

Lois Combs Weinberg, of Hindman, daughter of former Gov. Bert T. Combs, announced her Democratic candidacy for the U.S. Senate seat currently held by Republican Mitch McConnell.

Three businesses — Nelson Frazier Funeral Home, Floyd Funeral Home and Mountain Comprehensive Care's greenhouse in Prestonsburg — were burglarized during a spree throughout the county.

Freezing rain and snow disabled highways resulting in a car accident in Millard which left Joe D. Stone, 32, of Pikeville, dead and two others injured.

Stumbo unexpectedly called for a vote on his own environmental bill — which would provide money to counties for education and roadside cleanup, as well as interest-free loans to close old landfills. However, his bill failed on the floor in a 41-56 vote.

Dwayne Bishop, who was set to go to trial in four months at the time, requested his bond of \$250,000 to be lowered. The request was taken into consideration during court proceedings by Circuit Judge John David Caudill, but no decision was made at that time.

Three stores — The Watergap Cardinal Mart,

ances related to poor working relationships among board members, pushed the meeting, which was intended to end at approximately 9 p.m., much further. The meeting adjourned at just after midnight.

March

A party given for County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson to help him raise money to pay off a debt left over from his days as sheriff was the topic of discussion during a meeting of the Floyd County Ethics Board.

The same day Paintsville physician Frederick Cohn's records and files were confiscat-

assault drugs spurned by the Oxyfest crackdown a month before with two arrests — Ronnie Johnson, 34, of Melvin, and Carl Goble Jr., of Hippo — in two separate county raids.

After placing second in the 15th Region tournament held at Allen Central, the Betsy Layne academic team prepared to battle other regional winners in the 2001 Governor's Cup in Louisville.

Prompted by the Columbine High School shootings, local club owner and country music singer Marlow Tackett shot a video atorton Elementary or his song written about the tragedy.

for \$320,000 toward work on a senior citizens center after councilman Estill Carter stopped a motion to accept the bid with discussion concerning information that the company had reportedly worked on a Johnson County school which was later the site of an accident where a wall fell on a group of children.

Residents of Emma and surrounding communities expressed anger and frustrations about floodway restrictions standing in the way of dreams of building and remodeling their homes.

The academic team of Betsy Layne High School returned home from the Governor's Cup state competition with a third-place win in the quick recall category.

The Wheelwright city council returned from closed session to announce that contracts had been signed to secure Charles Johnson as the city's police officer, with plans to send Johnson on for additional training for the position.

The hesitant approach toward accepting Johnson Commercial Builders' bid for work on a senior citizens center for the city came to an end as the council met and agreed to accept the Finance and Revenue Committee's recommendation.

The results of last year's census conducted by the federal government provided Floyd County with one of the most accurate population counts in years. The census proves important as the county, which voted to return to a magisterial form of government last year, will have these pivotal numbers to more accurately redraw magisterial boundaries.

Local police arrested three out-of-state fugitives from Florida, Texas and Ohio within a four-day period. The arrests were made by the Kentucky State Police, the Floyd County Sheriff's Department and the Prestonsburg Police Department.

County residents prepared to take part in a statewide tornado drill on March 27 in an effort to raise awareness within the community about the dangers of severe storms.

Issues about Wayland police officer Aaron Kidd's scheduling and prospects of all incoming members of council being required criminal background checks heated Wayland's city council meeting, as well as discussion about sewer problems within the city.

The Kentucky School Boards Association proposed strategic planning sessions for the Floyd County School Board during a school board special-called meeting. The board also received a lecture of one of its teachers, Debbie Walker, about the treatment of county teachers since state takeover.

Anna Booth, of Wheelwright, turned herself over to county police after allegedly firing one close range shot from a .380 semi-automatic pistol at another Wheelwright woman, Barbara Keathley. Upon turning herself over, police said Booth told them that she has "just shot somebody" and wanted to "turn (her)self in".

Prestonsburg citizens were confronted with wildlife as a deer, running from a pack of dogs, rolled through the city, speeding along city streets and crashing into a nearby establishment cracking the window, before escaping back into the woods.

The latest census reports revealed that Floyd County had decreased in population, however did reflect that Wheelwright's population had been given a boost due to the Otter Creek Correctional Center's inclusion and Prestonsburg's citizen count grew by 54.

Moses Pete Moore, 61, of Price, was killed at Price while working on the Left Beaver Creek cleanup effort. Witnesses said Moore saved the life of a co-worker when he pushed him aside as a tree fell during work at McCree Branch. Moore was struck by the falling tree and was transported to McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital where he later died.

The drug prevention group, Mountain Coalition for Prevention, met at the May Lodge in Prestonsburg to continue their quest for prevention of substance abuse through an awareness they hoped would spread infectionally into surrounding counties.

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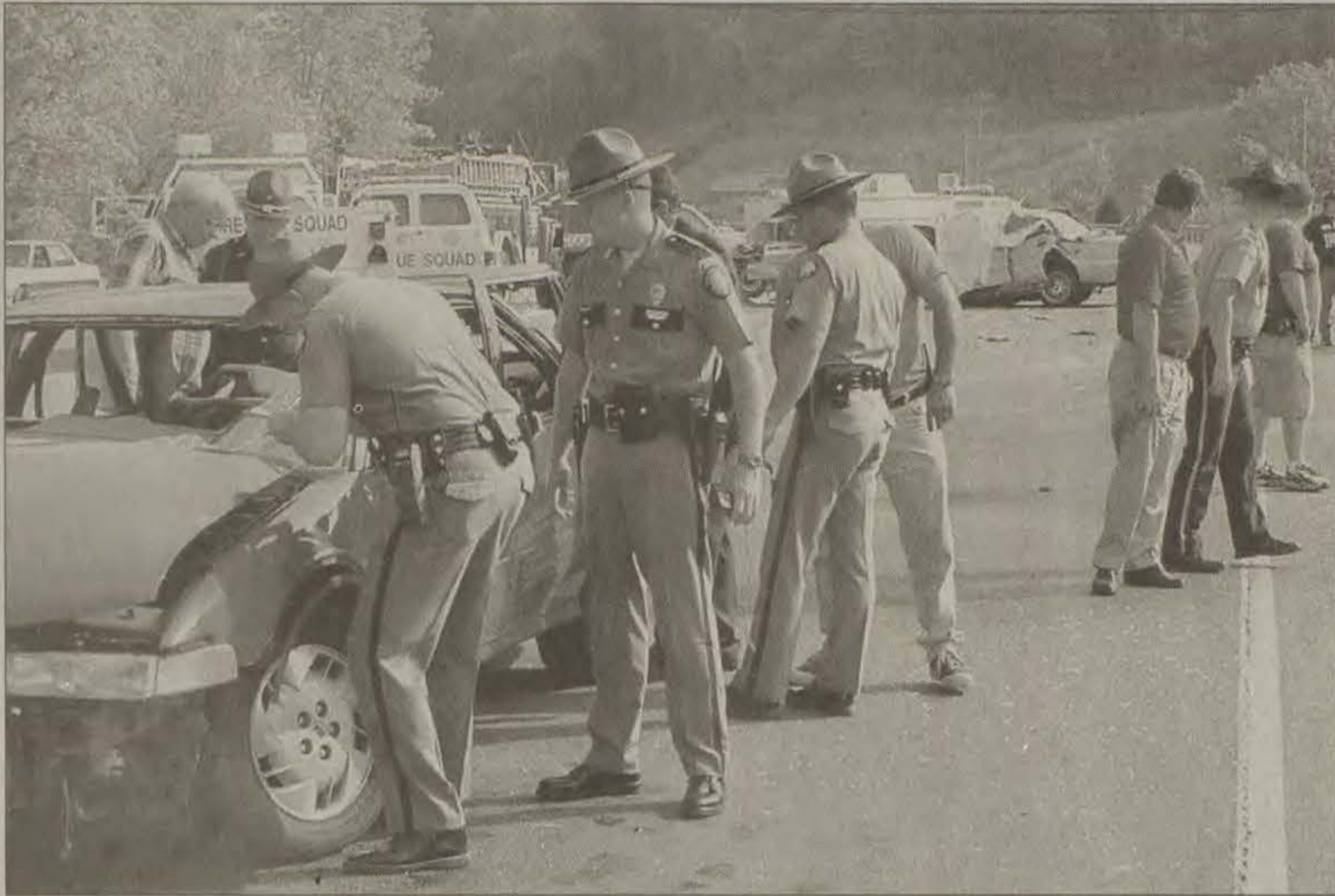


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Law enforcement officers from Kentucky State Police, the Floyd County Sheriff's Office and Prestonsburg Police had their hands full trying to determine the cause of a May 5 accident along Route 80. Sterling Smith Jr. was killed in the wreck, while two more people were hospitalized.

The Floyd County Board of Education was addressed by its architect, Joe Jones, as he recommended that authorization be given to begin advertising for bids in Kentucky news services in regard to the South Floyd High School athletic project.

Floyd Circuit Judge John David Caudill sentenced James Mitchell Howell to 40 years in prison for raping his 6-year-old daughter on June 16 and 17, 1999.

Members of the Combs Airport Board held a special-called meeting to discuss leasing one of their hangars to Henry Setser, owner and operator of East Kentucky Metal on South Lake Drive in Prestonsburg.

Encouraged by a victory for the governor's garbage plan, House Floor Leader Greg

Meade's BP Gas Station at Auxier and the BP Stop and Go in Johnson County — were robbed in a single day in a series of crimes that police said may have been linked.

StoneCrest golf pro, Larry Ward, briefed the Prestonsburg City Council on the rate of progress for the upcoming StoneCrest Golf Course, telling the council that, at that time, the course had 151 members.

County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson shrugged away criticism of a fundraiser, reportedly organized by House Majority Floor Leader Greg Stumbo, to help him pay off debts left during his years as sheriff of Floyd County.

During a regular session of the Floyd County Board of Education, the airing of griev-

ed by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Kentucky state Police and the Johnson County Sheriff's Department, three of his patients — Beatrice Caldwell, 35, Lonnie Grey, 46, and Billy Gray — were arrested on drug-related charges.

Prestonsburg Wal-Mart employees were given a three-hour long lunch as management and cleanup crews worked to repair damage caused by a fire that occurred in the building, which authorities suspected may have not been merely an accident.

Many residents were prepared for an Internet speed boost as BellSouth announced their upcoming offering of digital subscriber lines (DSL) Internet access to communities across Kentucky.

County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson proclaimed March 1, 2001 as "Ed Taylor Day" in Floyd County. Thompson made the declaration on the occasion of Taylor's retirement from The Times after serving as sports editor for 13 years.

A Wal-Mart fire investigation came to an end with the arrest of 42-year-old Ben Meade. Meade was charged with first degree arson after authorities spotted him on the store's videotape setting fire to a toy with a set of matches.

Seven months after being destroyed by fire, the Cow Creek Freewill Baptist Church opened its doors again. Members had been having services in the cramped annex building adjacent to the church.

James Kelly Lackey, 25, and his friend, Bill Hall, were leaving a friend's home when Lackey lost control of his vehicle and hit a parked school bus at W.D. Osborne Elementary School and then proceeded on to run his vehicle through the brick structure of the school itself.

Prestonsburg resident Stephen Hampton was arrested in Wayland connection to the stabbing of fellow Prestonsburg resident Christopher Hall which allegedly occurred at the Goble Roberts Apartment Complex.

Lillian Baldridge, 65, was found guilty of jury tampering a second time after Deputy Sheriff Billy Jarvis found Baldridge making illegal contact with members of the jury to hear another case against her son, Phillip, who was scheduled to appear in court to answer to a DUI charge.

Sheriff John K. Blackburn and members of the Floyd County Sheriff's Department took steps toward continuing the

State Attorney General Ben Chandler appointed Floyd County Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner as special prosecutor in a case involving Pike County Judge-Executive Karen Gibson, who had claims against her of making executive decisions without the fiscal court's approval.

A labor contract covering more than 2,700 hospital employees in nine Eastern Kentucky communities, including those at the McDowell ARH, was rejected in Lexington by the United Steelworkers of America by just 21 votes.

An investigation by the Prestonsburg Police Department into an alleged arson attempt got underway at Prestonsburg Community College. Police said at the time that a mentally-handicapped student allegedly set fire to paper towels she had placed in the sanitary napkin dispenser in a restroom.

An ongoing dispute over who should head the drug prevention facility, The Floyd County (Martin) Community Center, once it was up and running looked as if it could be resolved if suggestions from County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson were considered. Thompson suggested John Mayo for the director position and Teresa Allen for the position of prevention specialist.

With the South Floyd Raiders and the Allen Central Runnin' Rebels competing in the boy's 15th Region basketball championship, Floyd County was a sure shot to see a county team head to the state basketball tournament.

Martin Shepherd Jr., a Floyd County man who was a former helicopter gunman during Vietnam, was found guilty of distributing marijuana and sentenced to serve 21 months for the charge in U.S. District Court in Pikeville.

The South Floyd Raiders boy's basketball team defeated the Allen Central Runnin' Rebels in the 15th Region championship game and secured a place in the state tournament.

Representative from the National Weather Service met with Lon May, Floyd County Disaster and Emergency Services coordinator, and Marcia Salyers, of the Division of Emergency Management, to determine whether Floyd County qualified for storm readiness status.

The Prestonsburg City Council closely examined a comparatively low bid from Johnson Commercial Builders

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county ethics policies, the Floyd County Ethic Commission, met again to discuss County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson's "ThunderRidge" "birthday party" fundraiser. The commission, after finding no explicit violation Thompson could have made acting in his official capacity, closed the book on the matter, reserving the right to deal with any matter related to the fundraiser that may materialize later.

Seven Floyd County schools — Prestonsburg High School and Elementary, Osborne, McDowell, May Valley, Duff and Clark Elementary Schools — were set to share in over \$200,000 in reward money based on their performance on statewide testing.

The Floyd County Sheriff's Department raided the home of Arnold Mosely Jr. on Ford Gap of Auxier and recovered one suspected drug dealer, with the arrest of Mosely, and a virtual miniature pharmacy in the form of a large quantity of prescription medications.

The Floyd County Fiscal Court appointed Eula Hall, Hubert Halbert, Palmer Frasure Paula Johnson and Bert Layne to the Southern Water and Sewer Board of Commissioners.

With his trial only a couple of months away, accused murderer Dwayne Bishop lost a motion to deny the Floyd Commonwealth's Attorney's Office with blood samples. Bishop's counsel argued that the commonwealth only wanted Bishop's blood to compare with his wife's blood, which some believed could have a chance of being found on clothing involved with the case.

The Floyd County Board of Education convened at 6:30 p.m. and adjourned at 10:45 p.m., but not without addressing the need for setting time limits for meetings. The board agreed with a motion by member Carol Stumbo to set a 2 1/2 hour time limit for future meetings.

Contracts agreements were finalized between Appalachian Regional Healthcare and the United Steelworkers after some debate about specific details during negotiation, but left some employees of McDowell ARH, who collectively voted down the contract, with a "cheated" feeling after losing out to the majority vote. The vote covered over 2,900 ARH employees in both Kentucky and West Virginia.

After a vote to purchase a street sweeper for the city fell dead, Prestonsburg city council members engaged in discussion about the powers of city government. Headed by long-time councilman Billy Ray Collins and seconded by new councilman Roy Compton, several questions about the exact limitations of the council's power were cleared up in an attempt to appease complaints of lack of communication between group members.

Prescription medication abuse continued to be a clear problem within the county as five of seven people indicted by the grand jury were related to the abuse of the prescription medications OxyContin, Lorcet, as well as charges of obtaining blank prescriptions and withholding information to Reese a controlled substance. The two remaining indictments were marijuana related.

Tarah McCann, the Florida native who was jailed after being included in an alleged robbery attempt in Prestonsburg with her boyfriend four months earlier, reached a plea agreement with the Commonwealth's Attorney's Office following a suicide attempt after a court hearing.

Larry G. Jacobs, 41, of Raven, was arrested after allegedly shooting at two nurses who stopped to help him after an automobile accident along Route 7 in Wayland.

A presentation was held in the Fiscal Courtroom as Floyd County was recognized as "Storm Ready". Floyd County became one of only 78 destinations nationwide to Reese such qualification.

April

Seven years after the death of Knott County resident Hubert Draughn, his family and a private investigator raised new questions in the case which had been ruled a suicide.

Prestonsburg police officers were called to Prestonsburg High School to "observe" a drug search initiated after principal Ron Hampton gained information regarding the possession of

drugs on a school bus.

Lawyers took sides in a shocking murder case where Betty Ann Fopma, 36, allegedly killed Cheryl Napier Baker, 38, in a violent assault at a Main Street bar in Hazard.

Home Inc. expanded into Floyd and Knott counties after years of working primarily in Letcher County.

Counties which adopted mandatory trash pickup ordinances — most of which were in Eastern Kentucky — became eligible to compete for \$4 million in grant money to pay for cleaning up illegal dumps.

A 16-year-old Johnson County girl, Danielle Nicole Ward, of Offut, was killed in a car accident in Williamsport when her vehicle collided with a truck driven by Donald E. Allen, of Paintsville.

ator and then, on the heels of that decision, a motion to suspend longtime utilities superintendent Gary McCoy. No clear reasons were given for McCoy's two week suspension.

Employees who were laid off or fired from their positions at R & S Truck Body Company returned to work following a decision handed down by the National Labor Relations Board.

Reports indicated that deaths related to oxycodone products shot up an alarming 93 percent one year after the new oxycodone product, OxyContin, went on the market.

Lisa Russell, 33, of Hazard, was found dead of an apparent drug overdose. She was found slumped over the steering wheel of her car at the entrance to the Coalfields Industrial Park near

with. Gov. Paul Patton introduced the eight members of the newly reorganized Mining Board and also announced that Tony Opegard would begin approximately a week later as the general counsel to the Department of Mines and Minerals.

The Wheelwright Post Office caught fire and burned into little more than a shell of block filled with flames and black smoke. It could not be conclusively determined what caused the fire at the time. Residents expressed concerns at the time of whether they would get a new post office in place of the long-standing two-story building.

Debbie Collins, one of the two adults traveling with 50 Prestonsburg High School students on a spring break trip from Florida, contacted The Times

Patricia Julian's attempt to regain employment. Julian was fired after dropping off two students, ages 6 and 8, at a home where they no longer lived after school was canceled in February.

A bag of medical waste consisting of bloody needles and medical syringes containing what appeared to be human blood was discovered along Crawford Mountain in Hazard during a Wooten Elementary 5th- and 6th-grade cleanup project. The adults present gathered the waste and bagged it before handing it over to the Hazard Police Department for biochemical testing.

The body of a missing woman, Tamara Jent Beverly, was recovered on an old strip mine road several miles up in Allock, a hollow at Vicco in

receiving a notice of lease negotiation from the building owner, Scott Perry. In addition to owning the building, Perry was also the former publisher and editor of the newspaper. He was dismissed from those positions in January.

Wheelwright citizens and business owners, stressing their desire to keep and established post office in the city, placed petitions throughout local businesses to garner signatures to replace their old post office, which burned earlier in the month, with another building. The option was to continue having their mail rerouted to Melvin Post Office.

As part of a fundraising effort, the United Way invited people to sponsor and decorate Hinkle rocking chairs. The chairs would be displayed by the sponsor at summer events and then later sold to the public at an auction the in the fall.

Mother Nature played a prank on Eastern Kentucky dumping a cold wet snow following a week of sweltering 90-degree temperatures.

Roof repairs at John M. Stumbo Elementary continued after spring break gave way to classes, causing some parents concern. The concerns began when one parent kept her child out of school because of a high amount of dust accumulating and stirring from work being done on the school's roof. There were complaints about asbestos being a factor, but officials calmed parents by agreeing to have workers wait until times when children would be gone from the building.

The two adult Prestonsburg High School spring break bus trip "fellow travelers", who were also mothers of two of the 50 students along for the trip, were not to be charged in connection to the incident in Wise, W.Va., according to a press release from Wise police. Police said the investigation into possible charges against the two women had concluded with no offenses found.

A lawsuit was filed against the Floyd County Board of Education by Amberus Brown, who filed on behalf of his daughter, Leigh Ann Brown, who was allegedly injured during a school bus accident on John Branch Road.

Prestonsburg Community College students took part in an exercise set up as part of PCC professor Mike Dixon's law enforcement class. The exercise included a scene in which a mock argument between clashing families and two estranged lovers turned into a shooting. Students were asked to respond to the exercise in characters ranging from victims to police officers and medical workers.

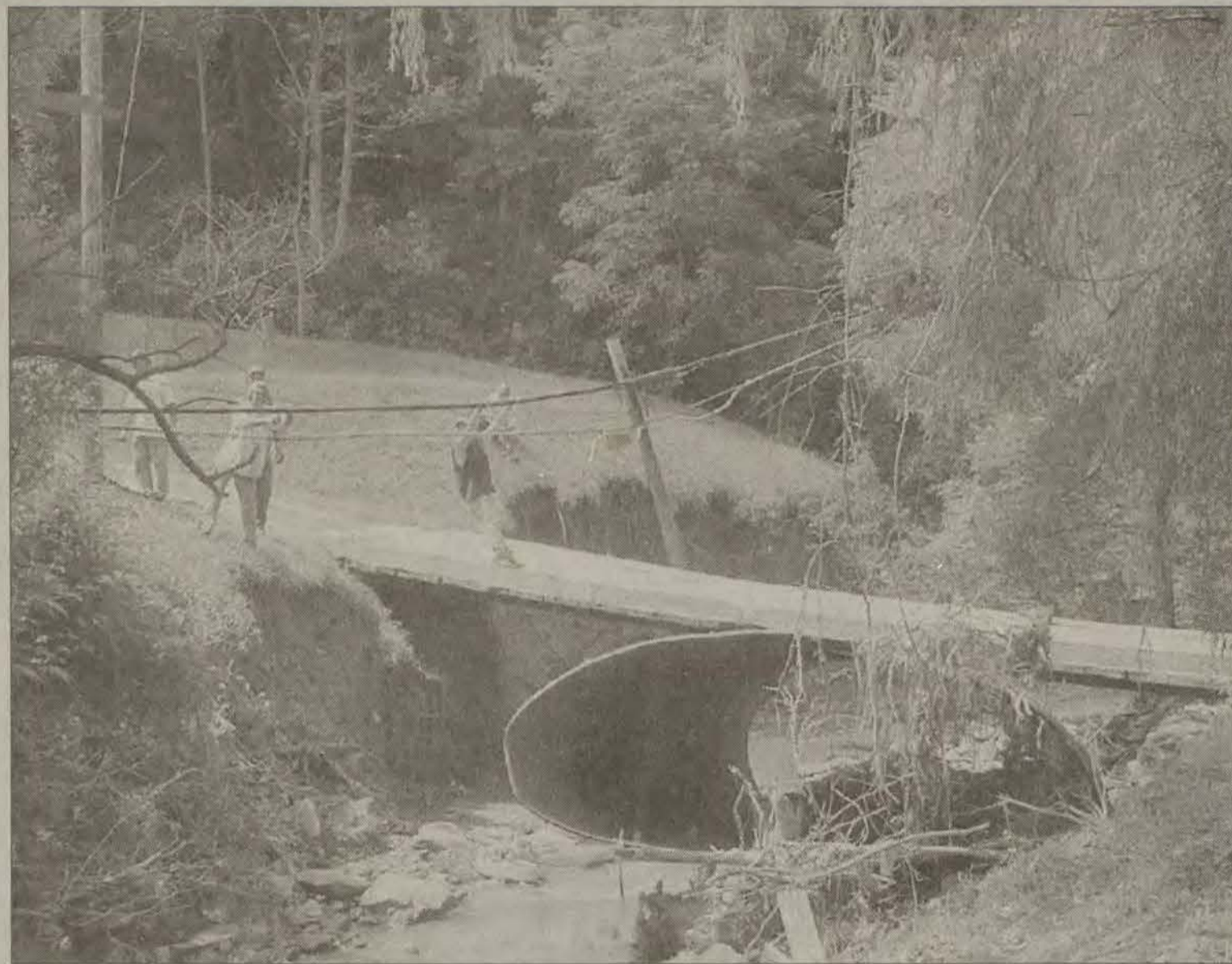
The Christian Appalachian Project set the stage to prepare the move of their headquarters just off the Johnson-Floyd county line and adjacent to offices the organization already maintained at Hager Hill in Johnson County. The decision to relocate their headquarters brought the anticipation of new jobs to the area as well as the promise from CAP officials of other benefits.

County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson, announced his plans to have countywide mandatory garbage collection as of July 1. The charge for the collection would either be included with county resident's water bill or a separate bill.

Entering into the second year of his five-year plan to extend water lines to 95 percent of Floyd County homes, County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson asked the fiscal court's approval of a \$2 million bond issue. The bond was necessary, according to Thompson, in order to help pay for over \$7.2 million worth of water lines extensions within the next fiscal year.

Tracy Compton, 44, of Bevinville, was reported missing after not being seen or heard from for nearly two weeks. Compton was arrested for alcohol intoxication and admitted, due to a court order, at Highlands Regional Medical Center for medical examination. Compton walked out of the facility the following day and was had not been seen since.

Secretary of National Resources and Environmental Protection, Gen. James Bickford made a special appearance at Allen Central Middle School where he spoke to students about the importance of promoting and maintaining pride in



A large culvert swept up in a torrent August 2 and 3 lay warped and wedged beneath a small bridge on Tinker Fork of Mud Creek while efforts were made to raise a fallen utility pole nearby.

photo by Sheldon Compton

A candlelight march was organized by People Against Drugs (PAD) to take back Main Street in Hazard from drug dealers.

Floyd County Property Valuation Administrator Connie Hancock rallied fellow state workers to donate personal days to fellow worker, Donna Seeberger, of Frankfort. Seegerber's husband had recently suffered medical problems which forced Seeberger to remain home to assist him.

The Federal Bureau of Prisons were set to hold a pair of workshops to assist those with hopes of working for or doing business with a new high-security prison being built near the Floyd, Martin and Johnson county lines.

Jerome Greathouse announced the Dream Factory was once again "up and running at full strength" in it efforts to make dreams come true for critically ill children throughout Eastern Kentucky.

The Town Branch Bridge, which has stood in Prestonsburg for 68 years, was tentatively slated to be torn down in May, with plans of a new bridge to go up in replacement of the landmark structure.

Morrow, Ohio, native Jason Brewer was charged with second-degree cruelty to animals in connection with a July incident where he allegedly beat the racing horse, Dark Skies, which later died.

Residents of Lake View Village showed up at Terry's Boat Dock at Dewey Lake ready for explanations from construction workers near their homes. Several residents were on-hand to witness a 1 p.m. sample blast conducted by the Army Corps of Engineers as frustrations were revealed about the effects the work has had on the residences in the area.

Seventh-grade students at Betsy Layne Elementary were greeted by members of the East Kentucky Regional "Gear Up" Project to learn about the importance of setting higher educational goals.

Disputes ensued at a Wheelwright Utility Commission meeting after the hiring of Michael Sparkman as the city's new sewer plant oper-

Ten Mile Creek. Stephen J. Risner, of Salyersville, was held at the Big Sandy Regional Detention Center following an alleged armed robbery at Rice's Truck Stop in Salyersville.

Another collision on U.S. 23 at the intersection of U.S. 119 at Buckley's Creek in Pike County left one man injured and 25-year-old Sonya C. Dotson, of Kimper, facing 11 criminal and traffic charges, including two drug-related offenses.

Six individuals arrested — among them two husband-and-wife couples — were found guilty of prescription drug violations in U.S. District Court in Pikeville as a result of the continuing court proceedings in connection to efforts stemming from "Operation Oxyfest".

DJ/NYPRO, the world's 10th-largest plastic injection molding company, celebrated the opening of its second plant in Hazard with rumored plans of a possible third plant to be opened somewhere in the area.

An unsanctioned Prestonsburg High School spring break group consisting of 50 students, two adults and an abundance of alcohol drugs ended before it began as eight students 18 or older and six minors were arrested after a stopover in Wise, Va. Area residents who called authorities complaining of out-of-control students in a shopping complex described the scene as a "state of total anarchy".

A verdict was handed down in Floyd Circuit Court which found Floyd County Schools State Manager Arnold "Woody" Carter liable for comments made in 1998 about the termination of W.D. Osborne Elementary principal Paul David Tackett. Tackett was terminated from his position after taking a doctor advised sick leave. Carter had made comments that the matter was "illegal but not criminal".

During a regular scheduled meeting of the Floyd County Board of Education, board members discussed an audit of Allen Central Middle School and hearing that needs of increased space and certified teaching staff had been noted and were currently being dealt

from Florida to clear up their positions in relation to the students in their company. Collins explained that she and fellow adult traveler Susan Hicks were not chaperones on the trip and that the bus trip was "unsupervised".

Diana L. Sparks, 47, of Martin, and Kimberely Sparks, 26, also of Martin, were arrested and charged in connection to an alleged transaction with a minor involving prescription medication and marijuana. A complaint

Perry County.

In its annual report for 2001, American Rivers, an environmental group based in Washington D.C., included the Big Sandy River on its list of endangered rivers. The Big Sandy currently rests at the number seven spot on the list, following the Mississippi River, which also runs through a tiny portion of Kentucky.

The first ever United States White House Fellowship visit came to Floyd County.



Mother Nature played a prank on Eastern Kentucky on April 17, dumping a cold wet snow following a week of sweltering 90-degree temperatures. Spring's false start and winter's return combined to produce bizarre scenes of plant life budding through a thin layer of powder.

photo by Kathy Prater

filed by Rhonda Cole against the two women, claim that the Sparks gave her 16-year-old son pills and marijuana.

The Floyd County Board of Education filed suit Tuesday seeking to vacate an award proposed by a United Steelworker's Union arbitrator, concerning former school bus driver

Representatives of the federal government toured the county to learn "what makes people here click", according to Prestonsburg Tourism Director Fred James.

The Paintsville Herald moved from its longtime location on West Third Street to an office on Main Street after

keeping their county and state safe and clean.

93rd District Rep. W. Keith Hall "served" the people during Hillbilly Days festivities in Pikeville from a booth on Main Street. Hall gathered approximately 300 signatures a day before in his campaign against Blue Flame Energy's plans to drill gas wells in Potter Flats of the Breaks Interstate Park.

PRIDE volunteers, working with state and county officials, organized a cleanup effort for the Buckhorn Lake area that left the area the cleanest it had been in years, according to park director Susan Thomas.

Two Betsy Layne burglaries, one at Sam and Tonio's restaurant and another at P & B Liquor, shared more than just timing, as safes, were taken in both cases. The burglaries raised concerns in Betsy Layne business owners and forced those who had been struck to reconsider security systems. Police had no leads as to who might have been responsible.

After prompting from local businessman Paul Hughes of the Prestonsburg Industrial Corporation, the Prestonsburg City Council agreed to the development of roughly 20 acres of Cliffside property as a commercial or industrial site.

A house project undertaken by Habitat for Humanity along a sprawling piece of land on Frasure Creek Road in East McDowell became the organization's first home built in Floyd County. Habitat for Humanity had built 35 homes in Pike County since 1993. The home was for James and Angel Stephens and their two children.

Addressing the Floyd County Board of Education as a parent speaker, Sydney Jane Bailey stressed her idea of transforming the Allen Central High School swimming pool into a community resource. Bailey said that upgrading and some additions could turn the pool into a revenue collecting entity that would serve both Right and Left Beaver citizens as well as providing a spot for physical therapy patients.

The 14th annual East Kentucky Leadership Conference was set to begin at the Holiday Inn, the Mountain Arts Center and Prestonsburg Community College. The conference promised to be a weekend event and include topics ranging from voting practices to environmental disasters, such as the Martin County waste impoundment.

The Prestonsburg Properties Corporation met to discuss slight changes to plans on building numerous recreational facilities as part of a recreational complex plan included in the mountaintop project which included StoneCrest golf court and several pieces of residential plots of land. Members agreed to rearrange the locations of three little league fields, among other adjustments.

Students from Betsy Layne and Allen Central High Schools planned to take seats with Gov. Paul Patton during the annual Derby Breakfast. The students were sent personal invitations from Patton and first lady, Judi Patton, to recognize them for participating in the year's Derby Day Horses Program. Students decorated 18-inch by 24-inch wooden horses with various themes in the program.

Brenda Akers, 56, pleaded guilty to selling counterfeit clothing after roughly 1,000 items were seized by the state Attorney General's Office. Her plea resulted in District Judge James R. Allen's guilty verdict as well as a signed order from Allen that the items be disposed of through charitable organizations. Floyd County Attorney Keith Bartley, who lobbied for the decision with the Attorney General's Office, saw that the items were given to the Mud Creek Food and Clothing Pantry and the Town Branch Hope Center in Prestonsburg.

A panel to discuss "vote-hauling" as part of the East Kentucky Leadership Conference, approached the subject as a part of the Eastern Kentucky political system. The panel made reference to reports done during investigative articles written by the Kentucky Gazette into the practice of buying votes. One study uncovered that of 13 counties looked at, 5,268 campaign workers, otherwise known as "vote-haulers" were hired during political campaigning.

Water quality, a subject that grew in importance for Eastern Kentucky families following the

Martin County waste impoundment incident, was highlighted during the East Kentucky Leadership Conference.

According to panel discussions during the meeting, it was revealed that water quality seemed to be improving in recent years for the area.

Robert Perry, a man who was awaiting trial in Perry County for sexually molesting children, dropped out of sight after neighbors in the community in which he was making a residence picketed and forced him to move. Kentucky State Police filed charges against Perry in 1998 for first-, second- and

wood. Accounts later from family members led police to believe there may have been foul play in the man's death, but nothing substantial could be revealed.

Sheridan Martin, the Prestonsburg lawyer who pleaded guilty to an amended charge of third-degree sexual abuse on January 24 and received a 90-day probated sentence, was faced with the revocation of that sentence as a result of new allegations from a nurse's aide's claims that he made unwanted sexual advances to her while she was tending to his ailing mother who had been admitted to

meeting.

An outbreak of southern pine beetles toppled thousands of trees across Floyd County, destroying 13 trees in Jenny Wiley State Resort alone. The Army Corps of Engineers planned massive removal and restoration projects for infested trees in the area.

The Dream Factor accompanied Ashley Nicole Blackburn on a \$1,000 shopping spree at the Paintsville Kmart. Blackburn, who was successful in her application to the organization, was born with Down syndrome and a multitude of health problems.

clerk's office, all with the same complaining witness, Linda Rice, director of attendance at the Floyd County Board of Education, and all claiming the injustice — parent failure to send child to school. The development, although alarming, was not unusual as a similar amount of the same charges were filed in January concerning the same problem. Floyd County Schools Supt. Dr. Paul Fanning told The Times that legal steps had now been taken in hopes of curbing the growing attendance problems.

Hindman looked to provide artists of every type, from crafters to musicians, with a gallery and marketing center designed to promote and preserve the cultural heritage of Eastern Kentucky. The center, known as the Artisan Marketing Center, was one of many projects in Hindman funded by the state Community Development Initiative.

The victims of a fatal crash along Route 80 at the Watergap overpass were identified after preliminary investigations brought to light some of the circumstances which resulted in the death of one man, and left his wife and another man injured. Reports from Kentucky State Police revealed that Donnie Stevens of Prestonsburg was traveling east on Route 80 when he lost control of his vehicle. Stevens' Oldsmobile Cutlass then struck a Mercury Grand Marquis driven by 55-year-old Sterling Smith Jr., of Ivel. Smith was killed as a result of the collision and his wife, Juanita Smith and Stevens were both hospitalized with injuries.

An indictment was handed down against Anna Booth, the 42-year-old Wheelwright woman who turned herself over to authorities after allegedly firing a single shot from a .380 semi-automatic pistol at Barbara Keathley at Keathley's home in Wheelwright.

Prestonsburg called a meeting of the city's Ordinance Committee and voted down a request from StoneCrest restaurant owner Tammy Whitaker to sell alcohol on Sunday. Whitaker's request was accompanied with the reasoning that Saturday and Sunday had proven to be the course's busiest days, but members would not bend, collectively feeling that at least one day of the week should be excluded from alcohol sales in the city.

Following a suicide attempt and plea agreement with the Commonwealth's Attorney's Office, Tarah McCann, held to her promise during plea negotiations and supplied the commonwealth with information related to her attempted drug overdose. The commonwealth had suspected that McCann had been given the drugs by a fellow inmate at the detention center and were proved right as McCann provided them with information which led to charges of first-degree promoting contraband filed against Dana Judd, 24, for introducing McCann to controlled substances while being detained at the Floyd County Detention Center.

Prestonsburg city council members met to discuss possible action against firefighter Katie Gulick for mis-negotiating a turn near the fire station and running the fire truck into a concrete light fixture. The council took no action after meeting in closed session for approximately half an hour, during which time city officials were informed that another incident had occurred. No information could be obtained as to the nature of the incident which occurred while council discussed Gulick in closed session.

A Harold man won the Kentucky Lottery's \$250,000 cash prize and then disappeared, prompting his wife to seek a divorce as a result. Gary Lee Duncan, 62, took the winning ticket with intentions of cashing it for \$170,000 cash, after taxes, according to a sworn statement from his wife Dotty Duncan, 62, who also filed divorce papers in reaction to her husband's disappearance, stating further that half of the ticket's winnings should be considered as marital property.

Ongoing complaints from Wayland residents about open sewer drains spilling into to streets near their homes left Wayland officials in a "standstill" because the property in question was officially state owned. However, the city was hopeful about fixing the prob-

lem as County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson agreed to have county workers fix the broken culvert, saying it would "irresponsible" to do otherwise.

This list of out-of-state fugitives captured by the Floyd County Sheriff's Department continued to grow with another fugitive arrest. Sheriff John K. Blackburn and several assisting deputies descended on North Carolina fugitive Randall Wayne Wallace, arresting him near Galveston in a road block.

Investigations into the whereabouts of Tracy Compton, a Bevensville man who walked out of Highlands Regional Medical Center on April 13 and was not heard from again, showed little hope as family members relentlessly continued their search. Compton's sister Rosalee Stanley, who said that not hearing from him since April 13 was unusual as he usually kept in touch, said she spoke with him the morning he disappeared from the hospital and that he seemed "confused" and appeared to be "delusional". KSP informed The Times there were no leads as to where Compton could be and that the situation was at a "standstill". Compton had been arrested on alcohol related charges and was undergoing court ordered medical treatment at Highlands when he disappeared.

Construction of Billy and Mary Collins' new home was nearly complete when someone broke in and stole over \$1,000 worth of furniture, appliances, tools and other household items. Police had no solid leads as to who might have been responsible.

Ten house fires during a six-month period in Breathitt County led authorities to suspect that arson may have been the reason for the rash, considering 90 percent of the fires occurred in out-of-the-way areas which were not included in the fire department's jurisdiction.

Community Development Commissioner for the state Economic Development Cabinet J.R. Wilhite told people attending the Kentucky Appalachian Commission in a report that in the last biennium, Appalachian counties used an influx of coal severance taxes to make a significant impact on economic development. Wilhite stressed the importance of coal tax severance in the development of business parks for the area.

Gov. Paul Patton said coal severance tax would be the most important issue for Eastern Kentucky in the next gubernatorial election, saying the candidate he agrees to support must be willing to invest 50 percent of the coal severance taxes in Eastern Kentucky.

EnviroPower, an Addington company, announced that it had received permission from the state to proceed with construction of a power plant in Ary, along the Knott-Perry County border. The construction was allowed after the company obtained an air quality permit from the Kentucky Department of Environmental Protection.

While Kentucky enjoyed healthy boosts in tourism revenue from 1999 to 2000, tourism growth in a 12 county area of central Eastern Kentucky was only half as strong, with three counties suffering losses in expenditures.

The Dewey Fish and Game Club was set to be recognized by the Kentucky Wildlife Federation Foundation as the Conservative Organization of the Year. The award is given annually by the federation.

Perry County residents expressed concern about the future of new Perry County newspapers, The Perry County News and the Kentucky River News. The owner and publisher of both papers, Bruce Williams had not publicly stated his intentions about the publications of the newspapers, but had told former employees that he was considering shutting both establishments down. Williams had resided in Florida for nearly two decades.

During a meeting of the Floyd Board of Education, the Kentucky Department of Education presented members of the board with the results of a scholastic review for which they received a grade of "D" in assessing leadership support for students and employees.

An old west shootout near a railroad crossing in Martin left one man — Marty Tackett, 43, shot several times and hospitalized. The alleged shooter, Thomas Bartram, 47, also of



photo by Ralph B. Davis

A crowd of nearly 100 gathered outside of the Floyd County Courthouse at noon Sept. 14 to hold a prayer circle around the flagpole.

third-degree rape, first-degree sex abuse, second- and third-degree sodomy, incest and unlawful transaction with a minor.

Michala Michele Walters, 18, of Prestonsburg, was arrested by Prestonsburg police and city fire marshal Larry Adams. Walters was charged with two counts of first-degree arson in connection to allegedly starting fires in both the Johnson and Pike Buildings on the Prestonsburg Community College campus in March.

May

Somewhat unusual circumstances and conflicting stories left the Kentucky State Police and the Floyd County Sheriff's Department questioning the death of James David Childers, 52, of Wayland who was found shot to death. Sheriff John K. Blackburn said when he arrived at Highlands Regional Medical Center, where Childers' brother had brought him after his body was discovered having suffered multiple gunshot wounds, Childers' body was in the back of his brother's truck, covered with a sheet and a piece of

McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital.

Rebecca A. Hunter of Lackey received \$228,000 three years after a vehicle accident which left her unable to work. Hunter had been on her way to work as a certified nurse's aide when Edward Keens crossed the center line and struck her vehicle head on, leaving her with myofascial pain syndrome, a permanent injury to her muscles which prevented her from continuing her job.

The city of Wheelwright, after suspending longtime utilities superintendent Gary McCoy, backtracked and offered to reinstate him in his old position, but were met with a surprising twist. McCoy turned down the offer and, instead, asked to be given the job of city water plant operator.

A crowd of participants and instructors, roughly 70 total ranging from eight counties, along with many hopeful and newly ambitious students, gathered to form an attentive crowd at the Stumbo-Wilkinson Convention Center for a "Ready-to-Work" workshop. It was the group's 11th annual

The Floyd County Fiscal Court met to pay various bills and appoint another member to the Floyd County Ethics Commission. The court appointed Daniel Branson to a four-year term that expires May 3, 2005.

Continued investigations into the apparent murder of James David Childers, the Wayland man found shot to death by his family in April, took another direction as new evidence revealed Childers actually died in Lawrence County, rather than in Wayland, as first suspected.

A fatal wreck occurred at the Watergap overpass on Route 80 when two cars collided along the stretch of road. The accident left one man dead and his wife and the driver of the other vehicle injured and scattered metal and glass 50 yards across the highway.

Roy G. Eversole Middle School in Hazard announced plans to raise funds to help Derrick Comette, a 13-year-old seventh-grader who was hospitalized after suffering acute respiratory distress.

Filed and dated on April 24, a total of 45 charges invaded the

Martin, became the lead suspect as officials initiated a search for his arrest.

Gary and Doty Duncan, the estranged couple who become the Kentucky Lottery's most recent \$250,000 winners, decided not to follow through with their original plans to divorce after Gary Duncan went missing with the winning ticket. Doty Duncan initially filed for divorce and asked for half of the \$170,000 that would have been available after taxes.

A lawsuit demanding child support payments from Floor Majority Leader Greg Stumbo was filed by self-employed Travis A. Fritsch, 49, of Frankfort. Fritsch claimed that Stumbo was the father of her 12-year-old son and asked for past child support in the amount of \$42,443, as well as medical expenses and other financial stipulations.

One-time Floyd County Deputy Sheriff Wesley Sanford Fannin's name was added to the Kentucky Peace Officers Memorial on Richmond's Eastern Kentucky University campus. The memorial bears the names of all the state's fallen officers since 1854 and is the only memorial in the entire state which does so.

Lowell Jones stepped down as president and CEO of Our Lady of the Way Hospital in Martin. Jones was appointed by Catholic Health Initiatives as vice-president for government relations for the national system's five market-based organizations in Kentucky.

A revocation hearing scheduled for Prestonsburg attorney Sheridan Martin, which was set to take place in Catlettsburg and hear by special judge C. David Hagerman, was called off after an order was signed and placed in the mail by Hagerman earlier in the week. The nature of the order was not known at the time, but, according to Assistant Attorney General Luke Morgan, would, once revealed, "explain everything".

With construction of the new Town Branch Bridge to begin soon, the state filed condemnation proceedings against nearby landowners Clayton and Carol B. Holland. The Hollands had rented the home to Raymond Gibson and had failed to recommend a satisfactory compensatory amount for the property, according to claims made by the Transportation Cabinet and the Kentucky Department of Highways.

Appalachian Regional Healthcare representative met at the Jenny Wiley State Resort Park to discuss the future of health care in the region. ARH representatives stressed the theories as to the reason for the local mindset of mountain families to travel great distances to for medical treatment, something the group feels has been handed down from generation to generation.

The Floyd County Sheriff's Department held its 11th annual Drug Abuse Resistance Education Day at Dewey Dam.

Family members of James David Childers, who was pronounced dead at Highlands Regional Medical Center in April, having suffered several gunshot wounds. It was first believed that Childers had been killed at Wayland, but was later uncovered that he was, in fact, killed at his son John Childers' Yatesville home in Lawrence County. Authorities found an indoor marijuana growing operation at the home after a search, during which 113 plants were recovered and 23 growlights. Many thought the mystery of Childers' death would soon be revealed after evidence found during this search.

Matthew McQuillen, 15, of Hazard, was set to stand trial for allegedly pulling a gun on another classmate. The eighth-grader allegedly confirmed the allegations that he had pulled a gun on a 14-year-old student at Roy G. Eversole Elementary. Some accounts said that the gun was a toy, and McQuillen was first charged with only a single charge of terroristic threatening. Later accounts led authorities to believe McQuillen did, in fact, hold a pistol to the throat of the fellow student and weapon and endangerment charges were added.

Just as U.S. Attorneys had filed a Notice of Intent to File Information, a move that would have almost certainly been followed with a Criminal Information file, Keithley Napier of Perry County entered a guilty plea to withholding

criminal information in federal court. According to his indictment, Napier knowingly passed 12 counterfeit \$50 bills in Perry County on June 24, 2000.

During a meeting of the "Eastern Kentucky Region Kickoff", a group to promote bringing technology to Eastern Kentucky, Commissioner Dr. Bill Brundage presented a draft of plans in which he described specific strategies for preparing Eastern Kentucky for a knowledge-based economy.

Prestonsburg fire marshal, Larry Adams, visited teens at Hazard High School to talk

StoneCrest Golf Course, Floyd County's first 18-hole professional course, was opened to the public with a host of intricate role players present. On hand for the festivities were Congressman Hal Rogers, Majority Floor Leader Greg Stumbo, County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson and Rep. Johnny Ray Turner, an avid golfer as well as politician and a host of others. In addition to the political presence, golf course officials also invited PGA professional Robert Damron and PGA golfer Russ Cochran, who helped design the

to assist in giving away 1,000 counterfeit items — much of which consisted of clothing. The items were recently seized after the arrest of Brenda Akers, who plea bargained and gave over the items she had been selling at the Bull Creek Trade Center as part of the deal.

A North Carolina man, James Marcus Mullins, 21, was arrested in Hi Hat after KSP detective Mike Goble concluding in his investigation that Mullins had raped his 16-year-old female cousin.

A lawsuit was filed by the Transportation Cabinet, con-

pieces in his energy plans for the nation.

The Kentucky River Area Development District (KRADD) applied to Kentucky Fund 2020 to build 14 projects, which will reach 4,662 customers in under-served areas of Eastern Kentucky.

When investigators from the Kentucky State Police Post 9 in Pikeville attempted to serve an arrest warrant to Daniel K. Maynard of Zebulon, following a collision earlier in the month, they expected to find him at the home of his sister. What police didn't expect to find was an

26, and 21-year-old Sarah Brown were arrested and charged with theft by unlawful taking over \$300 in connection to a stolen dachshund taken from Penelope's Pet's in Prestonsburg.

Seventeen Floyd County students were chosen as Governor's Scholars — Josh Allen, Marcus Allen, Amanda Arnett, Megan Barber, Morgan Caldwell, Jeremy Clark, Stephanie Davis, Heather Evans, Breanne Harmon, Sarah Hicks, Monica Hobson, Andrew Howell, Bill Jones, Bethany Joseph, Christopher Kyle, Sarah Noble and Thomas Westfall.

June

Roby Neil Chaffins, 32, of Lackey, was arrested by the Kentucky State Police after allegedly sexually assaulting a 19-year-old female in Wayland. The arrest warrant was issued while Chaffins was being held at the Floyd County Detention Center where he was being held on similar charges from 1992. Chaffins allegedly raped the girl while she was sleeping and later was supposed to have attempted to set fire to the home by setting fire to a roll of tissue paper.

The Prestonsburg City Council approved a first reading of a \$10.6 million city budget. An estimated \$4,421,570 was expected to go to the Prestonsburg City Utilities.

In attempts to further expand on city official's one-time practice of going into the community and asking questions concerning improvements, council members drafted questionnaires which were placed in local business establishments and asked a series of questions about what could be done to improve the city. Included in the questions were some questions about whether or not a particular citizen enjoyed golfing, as well as many others.

Environmental awareness became more evident with stacks of cardboard boxes throughout Prestonsburg, as city residents displayed a concern for recycling that was included as one point of concern on mayor Jerry Fannin's part during his last election bid.

St. Jude's Children Research Hospital held its fourth annual Bike-A-Thon in memory of Justin Martin, son of Danny and Debbie Martin of Teaberry.

According to Sara Sanders, forest health specialist, the southern beetle infestation may have run its course, as the tiny bugs spread across Eastern Kentucky destroying countless trees.

James and Joseph Lee Miller, a Perry County father and son, were arraigned in a Lexington federal courthouse before U.S. District Chief Judge Karl S. Forester. Both pleaded guilty to several drug-related charges.

During the Memorial Day weekend there were at least two burglaries that took place in Breathitt County. Over the holiday weekend, the Whiz Restaurant and the Christ Way Pawn Shop were burglarized.

A Breathitt county man, Gary Wayne Stidham, allegedly attempted to take from the Family Pharmacy in Breathitt County an unnamed controlled substance with an estimated replacement value of not less than \$500. Records claim that Stidham brandished a rifle during the robbery.

The Homeplace Community Center in Ary of Perry County, received two new directors, Eva and Donnie Miller, both originally from Perry County. The Millers returned from Michigan where they had worked as missionaries.

The heirs of Alamandar Martin, a one-time prominent citizen of Knott County and former Revolutionary War soldier, combined their efforts and formed a corporate entity — the A. Martin Gamble Company — to regain control of land nearly lost through a lack of estate management in past generations. The family fought against the Kentucky May coal company, who had been mining the land, by being successfully granted a restraining order against the miners.

The Prestonsburg city council agreed during a special-called meeting to approve an \$11 million dollar budget, but were met with one councilman's opposition. Veteran council member, Billy Ray Collins, stood alone in opposing the vote for a budget approval saying "things were already done before he got (there)". Collins said he wanted the former



photo by Ralph B. Davis

Law enforcement officers from Kentucky State Police, the Floyd County Sheriff's Office and Prestonsburg Police had their hands full trying to determine the cause of a May 5 accident along Route 80. Sterling Smith Jr. was killed in the wreck, while two more people were hospitalized.

about the importance in the decision to not drink and drive. Adams instructed the students through facts and data, but also through stories of wrecks that he had been called to and had to work which were the result of drinking and driving.

A reward for Tracy Compton, who had now been missing for over a month, was offered in the amount of \$500. Compton was last seen walking from Highlands Regional Medical Center where he was undergoing court ordered medical treatment after an alcohol related arrest. Family members who spoke with Compton the morn-

course.

Sheridan Martin entered himself an out-of-state treatment facility for an uncertain amount of time, but the decision was somewhat untimely. District Judge James R. Allen, issued a bench warrant for Martin's arrest in connection to new charges brought against him in an unrelated sex abuse case. Martin was currently undergoing treatment and free on a probation sentence on another sex abuse charge.

Lt. Gov. Steve Henry visited Mud Creek Clinic, but not to talk solely about political issues. Henry, who is by trade an ortho-

cerned with widening University Drive in Prestonsburg and involved several area businesses such as Hardee's and Skee's Marathon, had business owners concerned about plans to alter the drive. The alteration would include easement purchases to correct culverts along the roadway which frequently overflowed during hard rains.

A pretrial conference scheduled for Ohio native, Jason Brewer, was canceled after Brewer's attorney in the case, Rep. Greg Stumbo, filed a motion for continuance stating he would be out of town on

indoor marijuana growing operation harboring approximately 152 plants. Maynard's sister was arrested and charged with cultivating more than five plants of marijuana, possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Mike Dixon, director of Hazard Technical College, spoke about the demands of the booming coal industry and the demands of those companies taking part in the rebirth of coal for certified miners. Dixon explained that enrollment for mining classes had doubled in six months and classes had been added to accommodate the onslaught of potential coal miners.

The Floyd County Fiscal Court approved a \$20 million budget, which included appropriations from the general fund of \$8.6 million with \$1.8 million of that to go toward the county road fund and another \$1.8 million to go to the county jail fund. A total of \$3.4 million was appropriated toward coal severance tax projects.

Jennifer Grace Crum, 33, of Martin, was killed while boating with her family on Dewey Lake. According to reports at the time, Crum was killed when her boat struck on embankment along the lake, throwing her onto the bank.

Thomas Bartrum, the man who was being sought after for the shooting of fellow Martin resident Marty Tackett, was arrested and formally charged in connection to the incident which left Tackett shot several times and hospitalized. KSP detective Greg Roberts accused Bartrum within his reports of committing first-degree assault when he allegedly shot Tackett after the two met at a railroad tracks near Martin to "settle their differences".

Longtime Martin physician and avid education patriot Dr. Chandra Varia was appointed as the newest member of the Floyd County Board of Education. Varia said part of her decision to join the board was that she wanted to a comprehensive sex education program implemented in the school system.

Again addressing the possibility of academic coaches in the school system receiving higher pay, the Floyd County Board of Education took reports from board finance director Matt Wireman and decided to have him adjust the budget to raise the pay scale from \$1,500 to \$4,500 for football and basketball coaches.

Edward Eugene Hamilton,



photo by Sheldon Compton

A Blackhawk helicopter hovered just above the waters of the Levisa Fork of the Big Sandy River Nov. 6 dipping a "Bambi bucket" before continuing across smoke-hazed mountain ranges for water drops. The Kentucky National Guard provided three Blackhawk and two scout helicopters along with 200 soldiers to assist in fighting the forest fires which had scorched Eastern Kentucky since early October.

ing he disappeared said he seemed "confused" and "delusional".

During StoneCrest Golf Course's grand opening Prestonsburg Mayor Jerry Fannin's comments about Toyota visiting the site just below the course for possible industrial purposes stirred the crowd and began much talk of a new plant possibly going up in the city. However, it was later determined that the group coming to see the industrial site was actually a number of Toyota suppliers who were visiting as part of Gov. Patton's invitation to businesses to view some of Eastern Kentucky's potential for economic growth.

pedic physician, took patients at the clinic and voiced his concern that medical treatment may not be as stressed in Eastern Kentucky as it should be, adding that Kentucky had not had a governor who was also a doctor in over 100 years.

After announcing Lowell Jones had been promoted and taken from his position as head of Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Catholic Health Initiatives named Kathy Stumbo as the new CEO. Stumbo was previously an associate administrator and vice-president of operations for Catholic Health Initiatives.

Attorney General Ben Chandler came to Floyd County

business.

Hundreds of people gathered at the Prestonsburg Community College to take part in a 12-hour overnight events such as tricycle races and "womanless" beauty contests to raise funds for the American Cancer Society and the continued search for a cure of the disease.

A shift in power for the U.S. Senate, following Sen. James Jeffords defection from the Republican Party which gave Democrats a 50-49 edge in the Senate, Senators Mitch McConnell and Jim Bunning spoke of the Vermont politicians decision in terms of how it could impact President Bush's plan to place coal and oil as center-

method of the mayor and council talking to discuss the budget before approval was voted on and wanted to add that he wasn't leading a "revolt" but felt he wasn't included in the decision.

A protest group on behalf of local military veterans picketed outside the VA Clinic in Prestonsburg. Protesters sited the dismissal of Hershel Joseph, a volunteer at the clinic who had worked to help fellow-veterans receive benefits for two years and the potential for losing their American doctors at the clinic as reasons for picketing.

During a wedding ceremony in Prestonsburg, thieves decided to take advantage of the situation and enter the basement of the church of take cash and per-

sonal belongings from several guests at the wedding. The incident caused disgust and concern for other area churches from pastor Steve Williams, who wanted to warn others that whoever had been responsible may be targeting other churches or weddings in the area.

Construction plans that had been in the playbooks for nearly three years for the proposed South Floyd High School football field got underway at Hi Hat. Topsoil preparations along the stretch of land just below the hilltop school gave students and faculty a look at the first steps in a long wait or a new facility to replace the old Wheelwright football field.

Wayland police officer Aaron

Kidd quit as the city's only law enforcement representative prompting a number of accusations. Kidd had been the city police since taking the position in 1996 and was thought of by some of the residents as the best police officer the town had ever had. However, Wayland city commissioners Mike Gibson and Carl "Rady" Martin were the target of some speculation from town citizens. Some believed Kidd's decision to leave was based on the "hassle" he was receiving from the two commissioners. Kidd had arrested Gibson on alcohol-related charges shortly before.

The Commonwealth's Attorney's Office presented a motion for a continuance for the murder trial of Dwayne Bishop as the prosecutors awaited results from DNA analysis ordered by the court earlier. Bishop's attorney, Vicki Ridgeway, asked that the DNA evidence be excluded because the commonwealth had not provided the results of the analysis in the time allotted them by the court. Judge John David Caudill allowed the DNA as evidence and also granted the continuance, setting trial for September 10.

Mid-week heavy rains resulted in some flooding of culverts and creeks across Floyd County. The bulk of the flooding occurred in the lower Prestonsburg area where an esti-

mated two inches of rain fell in little over an hour bring creeks into yards and close to bridges in the low level area.

continuing. Investigators took their case a step further after receiving reports that one of the two parents — Belinda Perkins,

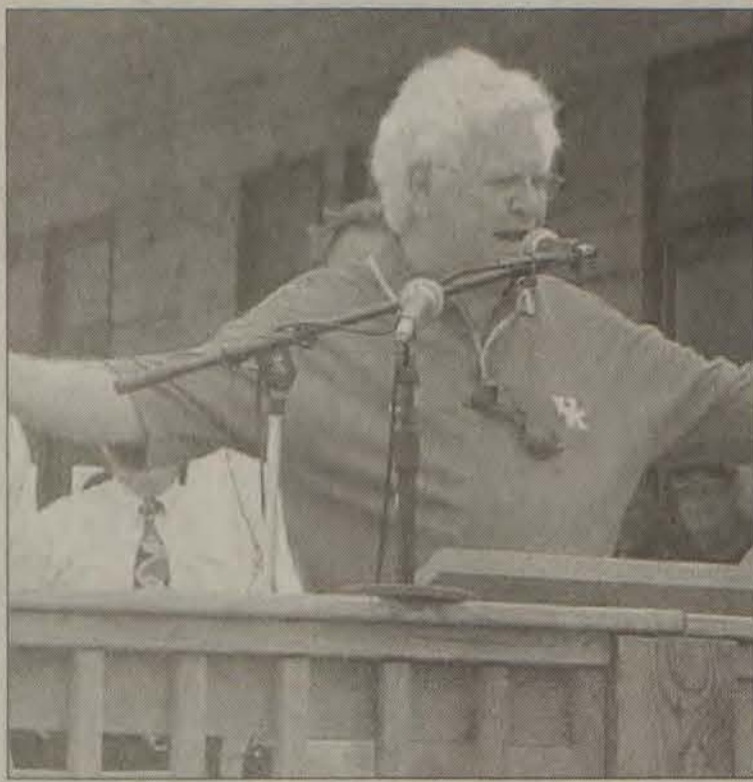


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"Look at us now!" Congressman Hal Rogers proclaimed May 21 as he took to the podium at StoneCrest's grand opening ceremonies, arms raised in a sign of sure victory. "You're looking at the newest golf course in the state of Kentucky," Rogers said just before taking his spot in the ribbon cutting ceremonies as he joined state Rep. Greg Stumbo, Prestonsburg Mayor Jerry Fannin and others as they made StoneCrest's opening official along hole 10 just out from the clubhouse.

Allen Central and Betsy Layne High Schools named their top ten graduating seniors. Allen Central's top ten students were: Tabitha Bays, Angie Boyd, Kristopher Fultz, Tyler Green, Tara Howard, Larry Mullins, Kyra Osborne, Chad Samons, Shannon Sizemore and John Slone. Betsy Layne's top students were: Loria Akers, Amber Biliter, BreAnna Harris, David Johnson, Kelli Johnson, Kelly Lewis, Rebecca Lykens, Alexis Maldonado, Daphne McCoy, Billy Newsome, Jada Newsome, Jenny Parsons and Amanda Tackett.

Floyd County residents gathered at the McDowell Senior Citizens Center to discuss the growing drug problem in the area. Several county officials were in attendance to hear suggestions, ideas and some complaints. Among them were County Attorney Keith Bartley and Sheriff John K. Blackburn who listened to citizens concerns and offered some of their own. The meeting was the second for the up and coming drug prevention group, Floyd Countians Against Drugs (FCAD).

Twenty residents from Perry, Letcher and Johnson counties were arraigned in U.S. District Court in two separate drug cases. One of the cases consisted of a drug ring spearheaded by an inmate at the Big Sandy Detention Center, William David Pennington, with help from several of his family members, all of whom were arraigned in federal court along with him.

Reports from a domestic dispute in Johnson County alleged that 22-year old Jody Kestner and Verlin Vinson pulled into an apartment complex and assaulted two other individuals — 19-year-old Jennifer Click and Stanley Ratliff, whose age was not known. The incident came after a previous altercation which involved an "undisclosed female" who was "somehow related" to one or both of the perpetrators.

Twelve projects were announced as being underway in Hazard. The majority of the projects revolved around developing motels, restaurants and tourism in the area.

Police investigations into the death of 7-week-old infant, Christopher Bessler Jr. were

22, of Dingess, W.Va. and an unnamed minor father of the child — may have rolled over on the baby during the night, smothering the infant to death. Police expected autopsy reports, which were due back shortly, to bring the case near conclusion.

Jackson Times editor, Stephen Bowling, 29, got a look from the producers of a series from the History Channel based on the historical Breathitt County feuds Bowling highlighted in his unpublished book, Passion for Blood.

A June 11 collision on Route 80 at Eastern stifled traffic for several hours as four vehicles were involved in an accident that left one state trooper injured and his cruiser in a mangled heap of metal and glass. Investigators said if the impact taken on trooper Jason Eversole's cruiser had been two or three more inches closer the crash could have been fatal.

Archer Park director Ralph Little opposed the prospect of placing Little League baseball fields as part of the recreational complex project on Maggie Mountain near StoneCrest, saying the location could make for hazardous traveling along the winding mountain road to the fields. Little also expressed concern that moving the fields from their former locations at Archer Park would promote decreased participation in the events.

Members of the Floyd County Board of Education continued to wrestle with moving toward a viable solution to the county's previously reported poor scholastic review. The board has been sited during reviews for poor leadership and given a grade of "D" during a review of the central office.

Prestonsburg High School named their top students — Janet Austin, Ashley Brown, Denise Caudill, Courtney Collins, Bethany Crisp, Amy Martin, Tara Ortega, Iris Stumbo, Amy Tackett and J. Thornsby — South Floyd High School named their top students as well — Matt Caldwell, Danielle Caudill, Jennifer Cole, Maggie Cook, Brandi Damron, Jared Elswick, Misty Hall, Danielle Hartschuh, Shanna McKinney and Ashley Tackett.

Two Floyd County women — Tammy Woods, 30, of David, and Patricia Shepherd, 30, of Auxier — were charged with first-degree promoting prostitution by Constable Homer Neeley. The women were arrested and charged in connection to an incident which allegedly occurred in March for supposedly "compelling" an unnamed victim "by force or intimidation to engage in prostitution". Shepherd allegedly threatening the victim with bodily harm if she did not agree to have sex in return for money.

A rash of thefts in the Prestonsburg area had led to no arrests, according to reports from the Prestonsburg Police Department. The most recent in an alarming series had been a break-in at Prestonsburg Community College. The string of thefts began with the burglary of Jerry's restaurant which sits just across the road from the college.

Prestonsburg High School senior Ramanda Music saw a 12-year-perfect attendance record shattered after a decision to withhold the achievement from the basketball standout when she was counted as six minutes late for class by a PHS substitute teacher. The decision caused debate about absenteeism and tardiness, an issue that had already been a hot topic for most the school year.

Appalachian Service Week volunteers helped residents in the Middle Creek area with damage that had occurred to their homes during recent flooding. Although the flash floods were minimal, one family lost their home and were helped by ASW volunteers who repaired the home the family had been forced to evacuate.

The case of Matthew Quillen, 15, of Hazard, who allegedly held a gun to another student at Roy G. Eversole Elementary in Perry County in May, looked likely to be remanded to district court. Public defender Bill Clemons, who was appointed as Quillen's attorney in the case, filed a motion to have the case remanded saying the teen did not meet the requirements of an "automatic transfer", which allows certain juvenile cases to be taken up in circuit court.

The body of Joyce Watts Hardyman, 54, of Jackson, was found in her home, having apparently been dead for over two weeks. Her body was found by a neighbor along a couch in her home. Hardy was an associate professor of English at Lee's College Campus of Hazard Community College.

Jake Toler launched his experimental air boat behind city hall in Hazard over 40 years from the date that Hazard Mayor Bill Gorman and his friends launched the Mary Suzanne in a trip to Frankfort to promote Buckhorn Lake.

After five months of interviewing and discussion, the Breathitt County Board of Education hired Larry K. Woods, 47, of Lancaster, as the county's new superintendent of schools.

State and local officials dedicated the new Paintsville Lake campground during a ribbon cutting ceremony. The \$2.2 million dollar campground was called a "great asset" by Tourism Secretary Ann Latta during the festivities.

Through a partnership with various health organizations and social service agencies, the Floyd County Fiscal Court completed its goal to bring the much-needed services of SWISH (Special Wheelwright Initiative for Social Health Services) to the southern portion of Floyd County. A large group participated in a ribbon cutting ceremony at the old Wheelwright Gymnasium to officially open new health care center to help southern Floyd Countians with a more convenient place to visit for health care needs.

After more Prestonsburg break-ins in the span of a single weekend, Prestonsburg police made a decision to return to the old-style of policing. Chief Daryl Conley said that his units would begin making door to door inspections of area business. No solid leads had yet been established in connection to the seven break-ins of area businesses.

CSX Railroad and workers from the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet gathered to take up a railroad crossing near Garrett. A new, more stable foundation was set to be added and promote a better, more smooth crossing for travelers. Studies from the University of Kentucky had founded the basis for the corrections.

Election barbs got an early start between incumbent Prestonsburg Mayor Jerry Fannin and councilman Thomas Hereford after Fannin commented that he felt the progress of some of the city's business had been interrupted by members. Fannin cited Hereford's intentions to run for mayor in the upcoming election as one of the factors that could have attributed to this lull in progress.

Three West Prestonsburg residents — Mark McKenzie, Bill Delong and William Thomas Wolfe — were injured after being shot while riding an all-terrain vehicle on a road adjacent to Sally Stevens Branch. The three were allegedly shot by West Prestonsburg resident Micky Lee Keller, 38, who was arrested and charged with three counts of first-degree assault and held under a \$25,000 cash

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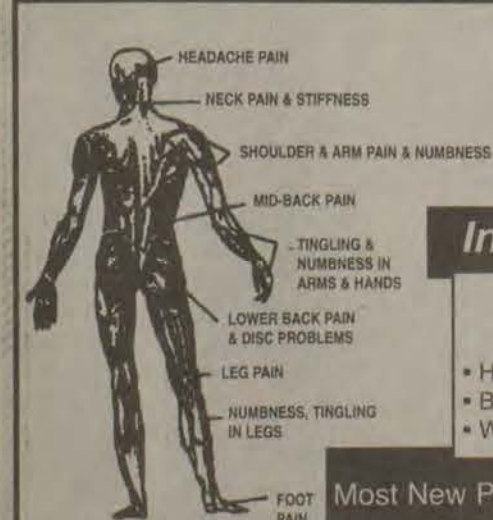
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bond at the Floyd County Detention Center.

The Prestonsburg city council met to consider a proposal that would serve to increase phone charges to customers for its 911 service. The rate would, under the proposal, raise from 89 cents per month to 99 cents per month for residential customers and include a rate for \$1.99 a phone line, up to 25 lines for businesses.

Another meeting of the drug prevention group Floyd Countians Against Drugs (FCAD) again brought county officials together at McDowell to discuss centering their efforts on the Left Beaver area. FCAD spokesman Terry Thornsberry told members that an effort to "divide and conquer" the problem was in order, and that concentration on the Left Beaver area would, hopefully, encourage other areas in the county to do the same.

Prestonsburg council member Estill Carter resigned his position, citing time constraints and divisiveness as key problems. In his letter of resignation, Carter told mayor Jerry Fannin that, although it was a pleasure to work on projects to improve the city, he had "lost (his) appetite for meetings" adding "especially when they seem downright divisive at times".

Prestonsburg city council members Thomas Hereford and Jimmy Joe Derossett attended a meeting of the Prestonsburg Utilities Commission to represent the city's complaints about an increasing bothersome sewer smell throughout the city. The two were told that steps were being taken to address the problem, which began with the old and outdated type of storm and sewer drainage system that currently ran beneath the city.

McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital laid off 11 employees in what ARH vice-president of marketing and planning, Nancy M. Layne, said was a move to prevent the hospital from "closing the doors". Layne said that the McDowell ARH had suffered financial loss as a result of phased cuts imposed by amendments to Medicare and Medicaid.

A Perry County jury deliberated for about two hours before returning a guilty verdict against Raymond Williams for "doctor shopping". Williams had been accused of obtaining large prescriptions of OxyContin by going to different doctors in 1999 and 2000 to get the same prescription. He was charged with 12 counts of obtaining a controlled substance by fraud.

Drug charges against Martin Coots, who had served 82 days in jail, were dismissed after a gap in communications between doctors and prosecutors was discovered. Coots had been arrested as part the "Operation Oxyfest" drug raids earlier in the year.

Harry Bobby Gene Walker's plea of guilty to four felony sexual offenses which occurred between 1989 and 1995 when the victims were children, brought into the play a state statute called Megan's Law, which were enacted in 1999. One of the issues brought out in that statute was the argument as to whether or not pedophiles could be successfully treated.

With the onset of summer and the upcoming Fourth of July holiday, health care professionals throughout Eastern Kentucky were concerned about

"uncomfortably low" levels of blood supplies on hand.

The search for a Prestonsburg city council mem-

ordinance that would raise city 911 rates by 10 cents for residents and charge a rate of \$1.99 for each phone, up to 25 lines,

ing prostitution for allegedly forcing an unnamed victim into having sex for money.

In a sad and strange turn of events, A Printer couple died after the husband, Dwayne Carroll, 48, had been clearing a plot of land above his home for he and his wife's future gravesite, when he collapsed from apparent heart failure. His wife, Carolyn Sue Carroll, 49, upon hearing of the news died shortly after. Both had histories of heart problems.

Ricky Hall was indicted for allegedly stabbing Billy Lee Ray of Bevinsville after an argument Hall had become involved in with his sister. According to reports, Hall had charged upstairs and stabbed Ray after an argument with his own sister, saying if he couldn't stab her then he would stab Ray instead.

A lawsuit against the city of Prestonsburg was handed over to U.S. District Court Judge Joseph M. Hood. Hood was set to consider whether or not to accept a motion by the city to dismiss the suit which involved 12 members of the city's fire department and complaints stemming from the city's termination of some employees and decision to combine the police and fire departments into a public safety department.

July

The city of Wheelwright fired its only police officer, Ricky Newsome, who had been employed since April.

The intersection of North Lake Drive and Branham Street in Prestonsburg, long the site of frequent wrecks and fender-benders, was thrust into the spotlight after two crashes occurred at the site in one day. Following the incidents, Mayor Jerry Fannin said he would ask the Transportation Cabinet to look at the need for a traffic light or other safety measures at the location.

Several people kept up a fight against a proposed 159-acre coal slurry pond at Dunraven in Perry County, citing concerns following the collapse of a similar pond in Martin County. The Department of Surface Mining was scheduled to review an application for a permit to build the impoundment.



Firefighter Darrell Sparks, left, worked alongside Sgt. William Burke of the Prestonsburg Fire Department on Sept. 14, fixing the flag pole above the Department for Employment Services building. DES had requested that the fire department repair the pole in order to fly Old Glory in response to recent terrorist attacks in New York and Washington D.C.

photo by Mary Music

ber to fill the vacancy left from Estill Carter's resignation ended with a decision to put Robert Allen in Carter's place. Allen, whose nomination would later be accepted by council, had served on the council previously from 1994 until 2000.

A Martin County resident, Timothy Allen Sizemore, was set to be sentenced on September 10 in federal court after pleading guilty to violating federal law by having a gun his possession after having been convicted before on felony charges.

Bonnie Asher, a quilt maker from Whitesburg, donated several of her quilts to be put on display in downtown Whitesburg, some of which were hung at the Harry M. Caudill Memorial Library during the annual Seedtime at the Cumberland Festival.

Former Johnson County educator, Dr. Zella Wells, was appointed to the position of State Manager at the Floyd County Board of Education. As part of the state takeover agreement, the board would be required to have a state manager to oversee operations. Wells replaced Arnold "Woody" Carter who took an out-of-county position.

Prestonsburg city council formally accepted Estill Carter's resignation from the council and also issued a first reading of an

for businesses. A Floyd County teen, Brandon Gene Hall, 14, was killed in a drowning accident in Boyle County. Authorities said Hall and a friend were swimming in a nearby pond when he yelled for help and went under about 50 feet from the shore.

Rumors of foreign miners cropping up in the area in connection to a coal boom and a shortage of certified miners were found to be just that, as no evidence revealed the presence of foreign miners in the county. However, the Department of Mines and Minerals said their had been some discussion about the possibility, but no action had yet been taken.

Floyd County Judge James R. Allen sentenced John Pratt, an inmate who was found to be in possession of contraband just after being returned to the detention center from a court hearing in March, to 12 months in jail in connection to the incident.

A series of indictments handed down by a grand jury reflected what some officials called an alleged "sex scheme" involving several individuals who allegedly used the of "sex or the promise thereof" to burglarized residents throughout Floyd County. Tammy Woods and Patricia Shepherd, two individuals named in the indictments, had been arrested earlier in the year and charged with promot-

The battle against the illegal use of the prescription painkiller OxyContin moved to the courtroom, as families of people who had died while abusing the drug filed suit against the pills maker, Purdue Pharma. That trend later expanded, with the family of a Magoffin County man who died from OxyContin use filing suit against the Medicine Cabinet Pharmacy, the drugstore which allegedly sold him the pills. Representatives of the pharmacy maintained they had only filled a legal prescription.

Rape and arson charges against Robie Chaffins, 32, of Lackey, were dismissed July 3, after prosecutors made several unsuccessful attempts to subpoena police and the complaining witness.

Universal door-to-door garbage collection began in Floyd County, following a proposal by County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson and approval by the fiscal court to begin billing all county homes for the service.

Several Floyd County volun-

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teer fire departments expressed outrage with what their members viewed as a threat to their funding. Letters were sent to each department stating that in order for the departments to receive funding, they would need to send representatives to at least eight of 12 monthly meetings of the 911 Advisory Council.

Prestonsburg firefighter and Respond Ambulance employee Kenny Crisp was praised for donating bone marrow to a 4-year-old leukemia patient he had never met. Crisp was among several Prestonsburg firefighters who volunteered to be tested for bone marrow matches earlier in the year.

Prestonsburg's Fourth of July fireworks display was canceled because of a rainy holiday, but were rescheduled for July 6.

The family of a girl killed in an automobile accident filed suit against the driver of the car in which she was killed. The family of South Floyd High School student Paula Stanley sued Shanna J. McKinney and State Farm Insurance to collect reparations following the wreck which killed their daughter, citing negligence on behalf of McKinney. The two girls were involved in a one-vehicle wreck Jan. 6.

While the midweek Fourth of July holiday may have been a party pooper for those seeking an extended weekend, local police agencies were given a break because of a sharp decline in wrecks and alcohol-related offenses.

A former Pike County resident walked into a Hollywood, Fla., police department to confess to murdering his wife somewhere in Eastern Kentucky. Mark Phillips told police that he and his wife were traveling through the area when they began arguing, ultimately escalating to violence which resulted in the death of his wife. He told police that he then dumped her body somewhere in Eastern Kentucky. Despite the confession, no charges were filed immediately because no body could be found, although the woman, Patricia Phillips, was missing.

Residents of Wheelwright were left on edge after a riot at Otter Creek Correctional Center. What began with the discipline of one inmate quickly escalated into a full-scale revolt by prisoners, with residents of the private prison destroying prison and personal property. The anarchy was brought back under control with no escapes and only minor injuries. However, the incident

would not pass without ramifications, as William Wolford, warden at Otter Creek, was dismissed from his position. Randall Stovall was appointed in his place.

The mother of Tracy Compton, a 44-year-old Bevinville man who had been missing since walking away from Highlands Regional Medical Center April 12, told The Floyd County Times that in telephone conversations with her son in the days leading up to his disappearance he told her that he believed someone would try to kill him.

Rodger Bingham, better known as "Kentucky Joe" on the television reality show Survivor: The Australian Outback, appeared in Pikeville July 9 to speak during the Pike County Chamber of Commerce's annual dinner and awards ceremony.

Following the resignation of Prestonsburg city councilman Estill Lee Carter, another former councilman was appointed to serve in his place. Robert Allen stepped in to fill the vacancy after approval from the council July 9.

The Prestonsburg city council gave final approval to a hike in that city 911 telephone tax. The charge increased from 89 cents per phone line to 99 cents for residential numbers and \$1.99 for business lines.

A forum at the Big Sandy Area Development District focused on the need for Kentucky to not only show growth, but to work toward "smart growth."

A convenience store clerk was killed during the commission of a robbery at the Cardinal Country Store in Watergap. Bonnie Jean Fraley Hall, 36, a mother of three, was shot and allegedly raped during the incident July 11. Later that day, police arrested James Austin Gunnells, a Dwale resident and ex-convict who had been released from prison a month earlier, and charged him with murder and robbery. A rape charge was later added, making the likelihood that prosecutors would seek the death penalty stronger.

As part of her court-ordered punishment for a contempt of court citing, Tonya Farmer, 26, was required to stand in public places in Wheelwright holding a sign reading, "I am a trouble maker. Everyone should stay away from me."

The Floyd County Board of Education began what would prove to be a long debate over minimum academic standards for athletes by adopting a policy requiring those participating in school sports to maintain a grade-point average of 2.5.

Members of the Appalachian Industrial Authority, a multi-county board involving Floyd, Pike, Letcher and Knott coun-

ties, continued to plan the development of the Gateway Business Park amid hopes that new tenants would be located soon.

The Wayland City Commission showed rare agreement by voting unanimously to hire Keith Frasure as that town's police officer.

The Floyd County Fiscal Court received recommendations for redrawing its districts to reflect census changes and a decision by voters to return the court to four magistrates instead of three commissioners. The

Thunder Ridge Raceway, leading to that horse's death.

Keniss and Patricia Tackett of Keathley's Branch of Toler Creek were stunned and frightened after discovering that what they had believed to be a backfire the night of July 14 actually turned out to be someone shooting at their home.

Members of the Floyd County Board of Education began the process of healing divisions among them by recruiting Tim Holt of the Kentucky School Boards Association to help them find

fight another girl was given 10 years in jail as his punishment. A jury convicted Robert Darrell Bryant for first-degree unlawful imprisonment, third-degree unlawful transaction with a minor and terroristic threatening.

Karen Allen, former principal of Betsy Layne Elementary, was chosen by the state along with 46 others to take part in the state Highly Skilled Educators Program.

A committee was formed to oversee the South Floyd High School aquaponics greenhouse

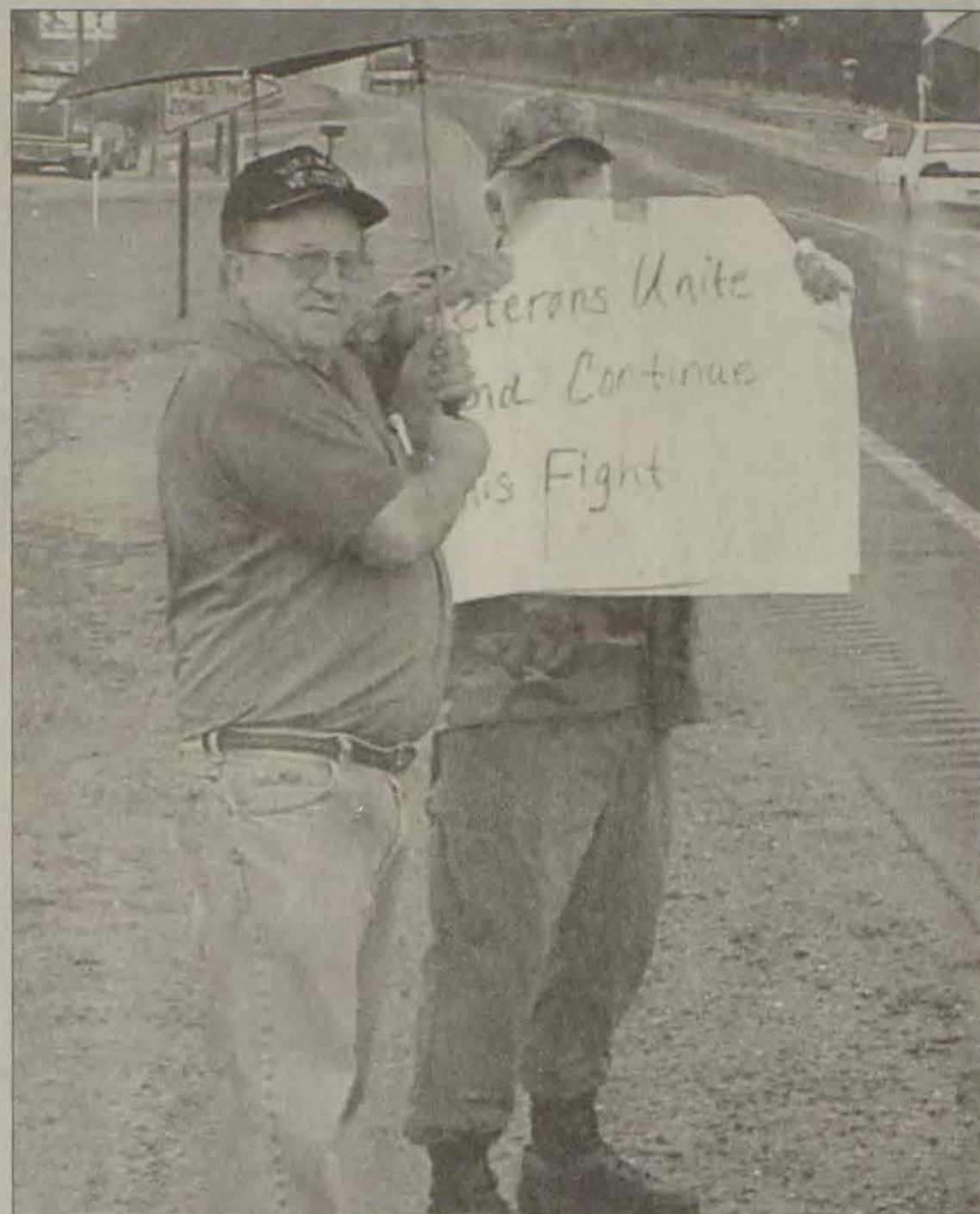


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These veterans, not put off by wet and rainy conditions, displayed their concerns June 4 during a picket. Hershel Joseph's dismissal from his position as benefits officer at the Prestonsburg Veterans Administration outpatient clinic has many worried about the treatment of veterans in the Eastern Kentucky and now willing to make those worries known through formal protests and persistent requests that explanations be offered.

new districts included one encompassing northern Floyd County and three others roughly following Right Beaver, Left Beaver and Mud Creek.

People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals lobbied County Attorney Keith Bartley to push for the maximum punishment against Jason Brewer, a jockey and horse trainer accused of "excessively abusive training" of the horse Dark Skies at

ways to work better together and more effectively.

Social service agencies prepared to help welfare recipients facing lifetime cutoffs as a result of the 1996 Welfare Reform Act find ways to meet financial security.

County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson issued a plea to residents of Floyd County take advantage of water service. Thompson was moved to issue the plea as the county faced losing a \$450,000 water-line extension grant for a lack of sufficient numbers of customers.

Members of the Allen Central High School site-based council agreed to ask principal Patricia Maynard to request that state transportation officials improve traffic around the school, following a series of nearby accidents.

The Pine Mountain/Letcher County Crafts Co-op announced intentions to expand, adding more crafts and woodworking to its facility at Ermine.

The opening of Prestonsburg Community College's fall semester was delayed due to renovations taking place at the campus.

Dennis J. Meredith, 41, of Prestonsburg, was charged with first-degree sodomy and first-degree sexual abuse for alleged acts involving a 10-year-old girl.

What began as a dispute between neighbors over a gate blocking a road or driveway in Dwale quickly swept up several county officials after one of the parties, Jeff Goble, took his complaints against Sam Nelson to a meeting of the fiscal court.

Newly-appointed state manager Zella Wells told members of the Floyd County Board of Education that it was her intention to take a less active role in the board's day-to-day affairs in an effort to give the board an opportunity to exert more local control. As a gesture of the change in relationship, Wells gave up the state manager's traditional seat at the board table during meetings to sit in the audience.

A Weeksbury man who helped his teenage daughter

and began their first meeting seeking operational advice from others experienced in the field.

Nearly 100 volunteers, including several county officials, turned out to take part in cleanup along Mud Creek.

The state Division of Waste Management, upon determining that the Floyd County Fiscal Court was dragging its feet in the cleanup of the Garth landfill, placed plans to construct a homeless shelter in the old Wheelwright gymnasium in jeopardy by blocking a grant which would have funded the project.

Wal-Mart officials were keeping mum, but property owners contacted by the shopping behemoth told The Floyd County Times that they had been approached to see if they would sell land near Abbott Creek, prompting speculation that the retailer would move from its Prestonsburg Village location to construct a larger store and perhaps a Wal-Mart Super Center.

Dwayne Bishop, facing murder charges in the death of his wife, whose body was found at a remote abandoned strip mine, made public his dissatisfaction with his legal representation. Bishop claimed that his public defender was conspiring with Floyd County officials to frame him for the crime.

Kentucky First Lady Judi Patton visited her hometown of Pikeville for the opening of the Big Sandy Area Child Advocacy Center.

Unspecified problems between members of the Floyd County Bar Association and Circuit Clerk Doug Hall erupted to the foreground when the bar held a meeting to discuss the dispute. The two sides agreed to try to work toward a common solution.

August

Officials at the Floyd County Detention Center joined the family of Michala Walters in saying that the mentally-ill woman should not be incarcerated. Walters was being held on charges of arson for allegedly setting fire to trash cans at

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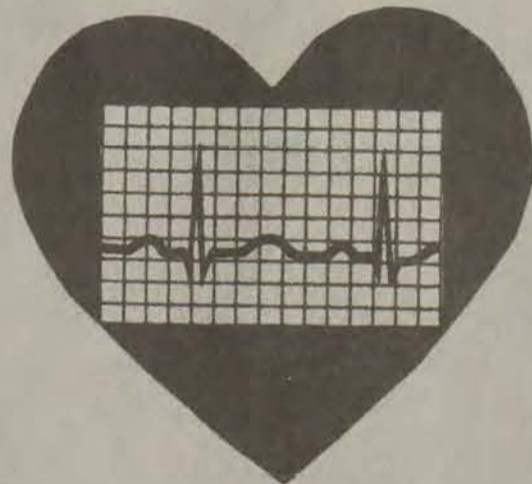
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Prestonsburg Community College. But both Walters' family and jail officials said that she needed help rather than incarceration, and that being in jail was detrimental to her. Later in the month, as The Floyd County Times was preparing a follow-up story about the case, District Judge Eric Hall slapped the newspaper and all parties involved in the case with a gag order, which prevented the newspaper from publishing any information about Walters or the case. Hall later rescinded the order, which The Times called an unconstitutional infringement of freedom of the press.

Once again, a prisoner ran away from a deputy while being escorted from the Floyd County Justice Center to the Floyd County Regional Detention Center. While being transported through the Justice Center's basement garage, Shawn Flannery, 20, of Prestonsburg, ran through the garage door as soon as it opened. He was recaptured a short time later.

Prestonsburg attorney Sheridan Martin turned himself in to Constable Homer Neeley to face charges of third-degree sexual abuse and second-degree unlawful imprisonment.

The mother of a W.D. Osborne Elementary student sued the Floyd County Board of Education, alleging that a faulty slide caused a playground accident involving her daughter in May 2000.

After more than three months with no arrests, police said they were waiting to present evidence to a grand jury before naming any suspects in the murder of James David Childers, 52, of Wayland.

Paintsville doctors Frederick Cohn and Yakov Drabobisky were arrested and charged with conspiracy after police raided their office August 2. The two faced charges due to allegations that they improperly wrote prescriptions for a wide variety of painkillers and other pills.

The Floyd County Fiscal Court hired Wayland city commissioner Carl "Rady" Martin to help seek grants for solid waste projects.

The fiscal court also approved disbursing \$49,500 to continue operations of the Floyd County Community Center at Martin.

The Dream Factory of Eastern Kentucky made another dream come true by taking Christy Hamilton on a Wal-Mart shopping spree. Hamilton had been scheduled to undergo "a very complicated and dangerous surgery."

Hundreds of homes, primarily in the Mud Creek area, were damaged, many destroyed, as the result of flash flooding August 3 and 4. The damages would ultimately total in the millions and bring representatives of the Federal Emergency Management Agency and other government and private relief organizations into Floyd County for an extended stay. The flooding would also result in disaster declarations by Floyd County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson, Gov. Paul Patton and President George W. Bush. But not everyone was willing to help. The state Revenue Cabinet turned down a request by Floyd County Property Valuation Administrator Connie Hancock to provide relief for victims of the August floods. Hancock had asked the state to give flood families a break by taking into account flood damages on 2001 taxes.

Prestonsburg High School student and football player Josh Francis, 16, was killed August 4 in a one-vehicle accident on U.S. 23 at East Point. Hundreds of fellow students, teammates, teachers and friends crowded the Prestonsburg football field for his funeral August 6.

Wheelwright clerk Audrey Yates came out on top of a disciplinary hearing against her after requesting that the hearing be conducted in the open, rather than in a closed session of the Wheelwright Utilities Commission.

Attorneys representing both sides of the murder case against Dwayne Bishop debated the inclusion of certain types of evidence during a hearing in Floyd Circuit Court.

The Prestonsburg Utilities Commission agreed to purchase a piece of property adjacent to Fire Station No. 2 for \$85,000. The land would serve as the location of a new home for the fire station, and convert the existing station into a storage facility for the utility company.

Travis Spurlock, administrator for the estate of Vernon Spurlock of Hazard, filed suit against Harley-Davidson Motorcycles and Prestonsburg Harley-Davidson, alleging that negligent manufacturing and marketing played a role in a wreck which killed Vernon Spurlock.

Jeff Spears, who served as Prestonsburg High School class president for the class of 2000,

main concern.

Educators, parents and concerned citizens from Floyd and Pike counties converged on Millard High School for the first meeting of a new group seeking to prevent drug abuse among children and teens. One of the group's primary goals is the establishment of a residential drug treatment facility in Eastern Kentucky.

A grand jury formally indicted

anyone seeking services from the city to agree to be annexed into city limits.

The county's new universal garbage pickup policy hit a snag when 1,157 of 3,332 bills mailed out were returned as having bad addresses.

Prestonsburg High School officials scrambled to make last-minute repairs to bleachers at the school's new football field in order to gain approval from

anyone seeking services from the city to agree to be annexed into city limits.

September

The Floyd Fiscal Court gave approval to an ordinance to establish the county's district boundaries which will add a new seat to the court when the current three commissioners are replaced with four magistrates, representing four

Along with the murder charges against James Austin Gunnels, the grand jury added rape charges which increased the likelihood that the death penalty would be pursued. Gunnels later sends death threats to Commonwealth Attorney Brent Turner.

The release of 2000 census data appears to cause changes to occur in the way state legislative districts are drawn.

The Floyd Fiscal Court grants the sheriff's department a general budget of \$10,000 for a requested canine unit.

The factory grants Curtis Lee Jarvis, age 4, of Cow Creek a dream.

Dr. Chandra Varia lectures the Floyd County Board of Education members about priorities.

The process of returning life to normal for many flood victims continued as several visited FEMA representatives at Mud Creek Clinic where a mobile office was set up. FEMA provided \$1.3 Million for flood damages that occurred in August throughout 20 Kentucky counties.

Sheriff John K. Blackburn turns guns over to the state police that were confiscated during a countywide drug raid in August.

Kentucky State Police haul in guns, pot and three suspects from the Viper area of Perry County and solved a burglary investigation involving missing guns.

The federal government granted Breathitt County Fiscal Court \$500,000 to renovate the Historic Jefferson Hotel in Breathitt County on Main Street.

U.S. Senator Mitch McConnell announced that the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) had approved a \$4,333,919 grant to the Southern Water and Sewer District which will be used to install approximately seven miles of new water lines in the county.

On September 11, two American Airline passenger jets were hijacked and flown into the twin World Trade Center towers in New York City, resulting in the eventual collapse of both of those buildings and ending the lives of an unknown number of



Crime scene tape surrounded the Watergap Cardinal Country Store front entrance July 11 as Floyd County Coroner Roger Nelson examined the store office within. Just hours earlier, Bonnie Jean Fraley Hall's body was found in the office, shot twice in the back. Hall was an employee of the store and was working the third shift alone when a truck driver, employed by the store, stopped at the location for fuel and found her locked in the back office before contacting police saying he had found an "unconscious" woman. James Austin Gunnels was later charged with murder, robbery and rape as a result of the incident.

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organized an effort to raise money to add the names of Josh Francis and other students killed to a granite memorial on the school's grounds.

Animal lovers and others were shocked by the discovery of a litter of live kittens tossed out with the trash in Prestonsburg. The kittens were discovered by a garbage man who was about to place the trash in a garbage truck. Despite efforts to find the person responsible, no charges were filed.

Perry Distributors, an Aneuser-Busch distributor with locations in Hazard and Allen, donated 2,100 cases of canned drinking water to victims of flash flooding.

Members of the Big Sandy Highway Safety Committee unveiled the results of their study of roads in the Big Sandy region. In doing so, the group pinpointed areas with higher rates of fatal crashes.

Breathitt County native Jeffery Reddick, who gained fame for helping write the script for the movie Final Destination, saw his latest work, Return to Cabin by the Lake, air on the USA Network.

Inauguration ceremonies were held for Dr. George Edwards, the new president of Prestonsburg Community College.

A warrant was issued for the arrest of Anna Booth after her husband asked that the money he posted for her bond be returned to him. Booth was facing charges of first-degree criminal mischief and wanton endangerment after she allegedly pointed a gun at another woman and pulled the trigger, missing the intended victim.

Officers with Kentucky State Police and the Floyd County Sheriff's Office rounded up a long list of drug suspects, including 23 Floyd Countians, following a seven-month investigation conducted by KSP.

Corrections Corporation of America, the private firm which manages Otter Creek Correctional Center in Wheelwright, released the results of its investigation in to a July riot at the prison. In the report, CCA said about 30 inmates were identified as the primary aggressors and that those inmates would be transferred to other facilities.

The release of test scores from the Comprehensive Test of Basic Skills showed that Floyd County students continued to lag behind their counterparts statewide. Only third-graders test above the national average. Upon viewing the results, Floyd County school administrators said that math scores were the

ed James Austin Gunnels on charges of murder and robbery stemming from the killing of convenience store clerk Bonnie Jean Fraley Hall. No rape charge was returned initially, but prosecutors were later able to present evidence and obtain an indictment on that charge as well.

The U.S. Justice Department authorized funding for establishing a drug court in Floyd County. The court would provide special attention to the special needs surrounding drug cases and could be in operation by 2003.

Prestonsburg Wal-Mart named May Valley Elementary teacher Greta L. Thornsberry its Floyd County teacher of the year.

Paintsville resident Frank Delzer was chosen by Gov. Paul Patton to head the state Department of Mines and Minerals.

Magoffin County kicked off festival season in the Big Sandy region with the 23rd installment of Founders Day. The 2001 festival celebrated the Vanderpool family.

The greater May Valley Elementary community was shocked and saddened by vandalism at the school in late August. Over the weekend of August 25, vandals cut down 20 trees on the school grounds and tore down letters on the school's sign.

Teachers appeared at a meeting of the Floyd County Board of Education to voice their displeasure with a decision to extend the school day by 15 minutes. At the same meeting, the board listened to a request to name the new Prestonsburg football field in honor of Josh Francis, the PHS student and football player killed in a wreck shortly before the beginning of the school year. Board members took no immediate action on the request, asking that students be given a chance to vote on the name.

Superintendent Paul Fanning canceled a school assembly to be conducted by evangelist Rick Gage, citing separation of church and state. Representatives of Gage's organization labeled the decision a "missed opportunity."

A Grethel resident was charged with 12 counts, including seven felonies, after leading police on a high-speed chase with his 11-year-old son in the car. David A. Adkins, 37, faced charges of wanton endangerment, DUI, fleeing or evading police, driving on a DUI-suspended license, failure to wear a seatbelt, refusal to submit to a drug and/or alcohol test, failure to register transfer of vehicle, no

inspectors.

The Martin City Council was given a welcome surprise when city attorney Stacy Marshall presented the panel with a check for \$8,611. The money included principal and interest from a bond which the city had purchased and then forgot about.

The Martin City Council also adopted a resolution requiring

separate districts, in the next term in 2003.

Sports broadcaster Richard Blount, the Big Dipper, died August 26, at the age of 56.

The town of Wayland hires a police officer after being without one for three months.

A seven year old boy recovers from a shot in the head from a hunting accident.

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people who had begun arriving at work. An hour later a third hijacked plane crashed into the Pentagon in the nation's capital. Governor Patton announces that there appeared to be no immediate danger for Kentucky since the attacks seemed to be coordinated and aimed at large national landmarks that would garner a lot of media attention. Floyd County felt the effects of the attacks yesterday as well as blood centers became active and opened their doors to donors accepting all blood types. Citizens across the county gave their thoughts following the terrorist attacks expressing emotions ranging from confusion to fear.

The Dairy Cheer in Prestonsburg is temporarily shut down due to fire.

Local lawyer, Sheridan Martin, who was awaiting answers following a probation revocation hearing Sept. 13, was disappointed when the motion was overruled. Martin had previously pleaded guilty to a third degree sexual abuse charge.

Local Muslims condemn Sept. 11, attack and plan a prayer service after the Bush Administration confirmed that Saudi Arabia native Osama bin Laden and his al-Qaeda organization are prime suspects in the attack. Floyd County mourns and remembers by gathering outside the Floyd County Courthouse at noon Sept. 13 to hold a prayer circle around the flag pole while Prestonsburg firefighters, police officers and city officials held a prayer luncheon that afternoon. The Floyd County Times showed its support by adding a banner above the office's entrance and Citizens gather in the Pike Auditorium at Prestonsburg Community College for an "Inter-faith" response to the tragic events. Floyd Countians gathered at the Prestonsburg High School football field on Sept. 20 from 7 to 8 p.m. to mourn the tragedies.

Businessman and civic leader William Arrowood died at the age of 89.

Wreck evokes a proposal to narrow North Lake Drive in which the city denied due to insufficient traffic flow.

The Pikeville Army

Recruiting Station sees not change in the number of enlisting volunteers despite the recent attacks on the nation.

John Deskins of Pikeville, along with many other fathers, voiced complaints about the status of a father's rights.

Danny R. Harris, 32, of Branham's Creek received a 10 year sentence for drug related

stepped in to help the August flood victims who could not be helped by FEMA.

Kentucky State Police hosted a motorcycle Poker Run on Sept. 22, to benefit "Trooper Island" a camp for underprivileged boys and girls.

The trial of a man charged with 17 sex offenses, F.B. Kidd, 58 of Louisa, was postponed to

rain vehicle pulled out in front of a pickup truck.

The Floyd County Board of Education voted a tax hike that will have property owners paying an extra \$13 a year and voted on the new name for the Prestonsburg athletic complex. It was decided the name would be Prestonsburg Blackcat Athletic Complex.



Rodger Bingham, who has come to be known by many of his fans as "Kentucky Joe" since his popularity as one of the final contestants on the CBS show *Survivor II* propelled him into the nation's living room, was on hand for the Pike County Chamber of Commerce awards banquet July 9. Bingham signed hundreds of autographs and posed good-naturedly for just as many photographs after giving his keynote speech to a crowded Pikeville College gymnasium.

photo by Sheldon Compton

charges after the jury waives trafficking charge.

Prestonsburg native, Audrey Hudson, recounts her experience in Washington on Sept. 11.

EK-CORE (Eastern Kentucky Churches Organized to Respond to Emergencies)

a later date.

Judge John David Caudill rules against a motion to lower the bond of Tammy Woods, a David resident, who is alleged to be part in a "sex scheme."

Jeremy Shepherd, 18, was killed in Viper when his all-ter-

Ruby Cook, 28, of Topmost, was killed Sept. 20 in an accident on Route 7.

Floyd and Knott counties team up in an effort to make water services available to individuals living in both counties.

The Sept. 11, attacks impact the Prestonsburg finance and revenue Committee's consolidation plan for the city.

Two former PHS football players, Mark Branham and Lee Sparks, will be reunited in Brightstar, Egypt as U.S. Army privates.

Dr. Ira Potter and his wife Patricia were vacationing in Central Europe when the Sept. 11 attacks occurred.

Police's call to PHS due to rumors of alleged "gang" activity is dispelled after investigation.

Lt. Governor Steve Henry helps clean up Mud Creek Clinic after flood.

Parents and students at May Valley Elementary School work to repair the damages after vandals pulled up trees and used them to block the road. Estimated damages were \$8,000.

Southern pine beetles destroyed entire stands of southern pines in Eastern Kentucky and infested half of the state.

The Perry County Domestic Violence Prevention Council forms in Hazard.

The Prestonsburg City Council increased tangible property tax and decreased real estate tax.

The Floyd County Times and The Hazard Herald participated in "intensive" two-day training seminars.

October

Floyd County students showed improvement in state testing but still ranked near the bottom compared to the other school districts.

Duff Elementary had the highest score followed by Osborne, Prestonsburg and May Valley.

Paintsville physician Fredrick Cohn and his former associate, Dr. Yakov Drabovskiy, appeared in Pikeville's U. S. District Court for arraignment in connection to their August 2 arrests. Both men were charged with conspiracy to distribute controlled substances and conspiracy to launder money.

The Floyd County Sheriff's Department nabbed nine residents on drug trafficking charges in a countywide drug sweep. Judge James R. Allen referred seven of them to a grand jury for consideration.

The Prestonsburg City Council adopted a tax proposal that will find city residents paying real estate tax at 21.2 cents for every \$100 of assessed value, a drop from the previous year's 21.7 cents.

The Nimda virus, one of the to five most noted computer viruses, continued to disrupt progress in Prestonsburg.

lending institutions to consolidate its loans. Doing so, members said, would allow the city to pay its debts within five years.

At a time of a nationwide anthrax scare, a suspicious package was discovered at May Valley Elementary. Testing of the package later revealed it to be safe, but not before the school was closed for a couple of days. On the rash of that scare, others appeared but were each time proved to be hoaxes. County Attorney Keith Bartley said that his office would aggressively pursue anyone charged in relation to the threats, if any were found.

Floyd County schools financial director Matt Wireman urged board members to keep an eye on spending, saying the state was warning local school districts to tighten their budgets.

The Floyd County Board of Education accepted a proposal to dismiss classes 45 minutes early on Wednesdays, to be used "solely at the discretion" of teachers for planning.

A portion of Route 7 running through downtown Wayland was renamed the "King' Kelly Coleman Highway," during a ceremony attended by the high school basketball legend of the 1950s.

Christopher "Jamie" Maynard, 17, of Melvin, was killed after he lost control of his car and crashed into a tree. Wet roads were cited as partly to blame for the wreck which killed the South Floyd High School student.

The Kentucky and West Virginia nurses associations began negotiating with Appalachian Regional Healthcare to find ways to relieve pressure placed on nurses.

The nurses cited a study which said that 70 percent of nurses find that overworking contributes to high stress, causing many to ultimately leave the profession.

House Majority Floor Leader Greg Stumbo filed suit against a Lexington woman who claimed the Prestonsburg Democrat was the father of her 12-year-old child. Stumbo said the woman, Travis A. Fritsch, had intentionally tried to embarrass him.

After fire code violations forced him to shut down his Christian youth center in Pikeville, Don Payton expressed interest in opening a similar facility in Prestonsburg.

The Floyd County Board of Education voted to tell the privately-operated Betsy Layne High School Parent Athletic Bingo parlor in Stanville to remove the reference to the school from its name or face a lawsuit. Parlor operator Lloyd Hamilton grudgingly agreed to the request, but said he would continue to donate proceeds from his operation to local schools.

Giving in to pressure for parents of athletes, the Floyd County Board of Education agreed to revise its 2.5 minimum grade-point average necessary to participate in school sports to make exceptions in cases where a documented learning disability exists.

Mickey (Jerry) and Cindy Hatfield turned their longing to offer help in the wake of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks into a horse show to raise money to donate to relief organizations. The "Ride with Pride Horse Show" was held at Archer Park.

An investigation commissioned by Highlands Regional Medical Center uncovered theft, drug misuse and other misconduct and led to the firing of eight employees. Results of the investigation were then being prepared to turn over to prosecutors for possible criminal charges.

Mountain Christian Academy asked the Martin City Council to reconsider its annexation of the school into city limits. The council, however, refused to change its mind.

Marcus Phillips, who made a July confession to Hollywood, Fla., police that he had killed his wife but who had not been charged because police could not find her body, was finally charged with murder three months later. The body had still not been found, but police decided to go ahead and charge him because he was about to be released from jail for a flagrant non-support charge and they did not want to risk losing him.

State Treasurer Jonathan Miller came to Floyd County as part of a statewide swing to promote his prepaid tuition program.

They didn't buy any tickets,

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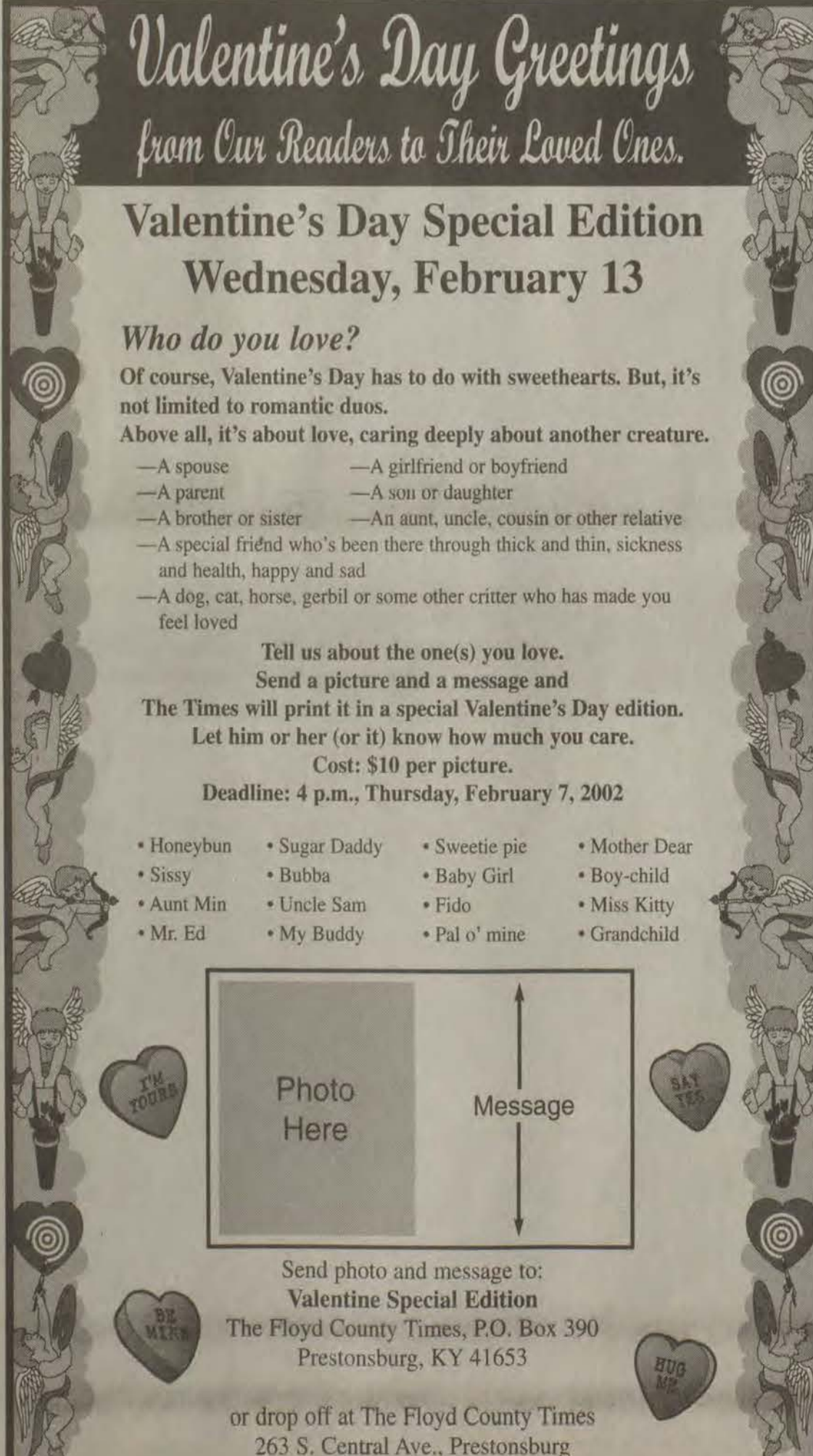
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but Mountain Comprehensive Care Center in Paintsville still received more than \$70,000 in lottery winnings to be used to replace the homes of three disabled families in Pike County. The money came from a fund of uncollected lottery winnings.

Probation officers who showed up at the home of Rick Estep in search of a potential weapons violation and came away having discovered a cooler containing a "sizable" amount of processed marijuana. They also found two handguns, a rifle and a shotgun, which Estep had been barred from having because of a previous wanton endangerment conviction.

Danny Ray Harris fired his attorney shortly before he was scheduled to be sentenced in Floyd Circuit Court, delaying the sentencing hearing. Harris' attorney, Steve Owen, had helped Harris beat a marijuana trafficking charge, even though prosecutors were able to produce \$16,000 worth of processed marijuana allegedly seized from Harris. Harris was found guilty of possession of cocaine and possession of drug paraphernalia, and pleaded guilty to being a persistent felony offender.

Forest fires continued in Floyd County throughout the fall, and were blamed largely on arsonists.

November

Christian Appalachian Project approached the holidays with uncertainty hanging over the organization, as the charity announced that the diversion of donations to Sept. 11-related organizations had cut into its own funding. Cutbacks and layoffs of 20 percent were planned in response.

Vercie Johnson Hall was killed in a one-vehicle accident when the 1990 Ford Tempo she and her husband, William Hall Jr., were traveling in veered off Route 1498 and struck a utility pole.

A groundbreaking was held for three new buildings at Prestonsburg Community College.

Charges against a Floyd County woman who "booby-trapped" her property, much to the chagrin of a Prestonsburg Police Officer who drove over the traps, flattening his tires, were dropped.

Forest fires which broke out around Floyd County and Eastern Kentucky were blamed for an increase in problems associated with respiratory illnesses and allergies. The fires grew so bad that National Guard troops were called in to help extinguish them.

A 16-year-old Knott County teenager was arrested and charged with terroristic threatening for allegedly making an anthrax threat at Knott Central High School.

Representatives from 13 states descended on the Mountain Arts Center in Prestonsburg for a conference hosted by the Appalachian Regional Commission.

A legal quest begun in 1993 by three former Floyd County school administrators appeared to be nearing an end. Special Judge Stephen "Nick" Frazier ruled that the three employees Wayne Ratliff, Tommy Thompson and Pete Grigsby had been improperly dismissed and set a hearing to determine what, if any, compensation they were entitled to.

Joyl Rose Middleton, 26, of Grethel, was charged with first- and second-degree assault allegedly ran over her child and an adult friend by accident while she was driving under the influence. The friend was treated and released from McDowell ARH Hospital with multiple bruises, but the child had to be transferred to the University of Kentucky Chandler Medical Center in Lexington with serious injuries.

The 2002 election season began with the filing period for candidates opening Nov. 7. By the end of the year, 38 people would file for city and county races.

Approximately 200 property tax bills labeled with the wrong addresses were returned to the Floyd County Courthouse. Property Valuation Administrator Connie Hancock and her staff then spent under took the effort of tracking down the correct addresses.

Former Floyd County Superintendent Ray Brackett died Nov. 6.

A poll conducted by an Eastern Kentucky University

student and faculty research team found the effects of the 2000 Martin County coal slurry spill still lingering in public opinion. The survey revealed higher levels of distrust for

The Sept. 11 terror attacks had a negative impact on another good cause, as the city of Wayland warned that lower donations would affect its annual Christmas giveaway.

for allegedly breaking in to a Martin pharmacy on Thanksgiving. The burglary resulted in 4,860 pills being stolen.

The Prestonsburg Police

donating a tractor-trailer full of food to five charities, including Hope Inc. of Pikeville, Mountain Outreach of Jenkins, Salvation Army of Hazard, Cedar Ridge Ministries of

in July apparently led to a solution which would serve an even greater good. The fiscal court approved purchasing land from CSX which would allow the construction of a new county road through Dwale.

The Betsy Layne Disabled American Veterans Chapter 169 opened the doors to its home, which came as the result of generosity of several in the community. The land on which the new office rests was sold to the DAV for \$1, and Hylton Homes donated a mobile office trailer to the group. Several other local residents and county officials also chipped in to help open the center.

Appalachian Wireless opened a new temporary headquarters in the site of the former Heilig-Meyers furniture store in the Prestonsburg Village Shopping Center. The company said it had plans to construct a permanent office in Eastern Kentucky, most likely in Floyd County.

The case of 26-year-old Matthew Perkins, who was accused of burglarizing the Down Town Drug Store in Martin, was sent to the grand jury to consider for indictment.

A routine parole visit led to the arrest of George Adkins, 53, of Grethel, after parole officers found cocaine and marijuana seeds during a search of his home.

The Auxier Lifetime Learning Center donated 28 computers to students who completed a 10-week computer training class.

Leadership East Kentucky met at the campus of Pikeville College to discuss the direction of Appalachia. Futurist Bob Treadway and others encouraged the group to look ahead to determine what type of future is in store of Eastern Kentucky.

The announcement of \$70 million in state funds to improve water systems included millions for Eastern Kentucky. In Floyd County, \$394,102 was allocated to Prestonsburg Utilities and the Martin Water Department.

The continuing drug investigation being conducted by Kentucky State Police made its way to Knott County, where three people were picked up in a drug sweep.

Richard Collins, 18, of Hollybush, Natasha Sammons, 18, of Pippa Passes, and Tommy Thornsberry, 21, of Garrett, were arrested after a crime spree in Knott and Floyd counties.

The Floyd County Schools District Support Team made its recommendations to improve security in schools, including a proposal to require all school employees to carry identification cards.

Lawyers, politicians, friends and family members turned out to Ramada Inn in Paintsville to honor John Rosenberg, who had announced his retirement from the Appalachian Research and Defense Fund of Eastern Kentucky after 31 years.

The StoneCrest Golf Course Advisory Committee met for an off-season review of the operation following its first year and approved a measure to rates fees at the course.

Abbott Creek residents Benjamin and Patricia Spurlock were found guilty of second-degree criminal abuse of a child under 12. The couple had been accused of abusing Patricia Spurlock's 6-year-old daughter and 5-year-old son.

The Southern Water District completed the merger of the Beaver-Elkhorn and Mud Creek water districts by approving a single rate structure for the entire district. Previously, customers had been paying the same rates they had paid to the former districts.

Two fugitives from Indiana were captured in separate instances.

For the second year, Floyd County Attorney Keith Bartley, accepted food donations to be distributed to local relief agencies.

After several months of attempting to give the Floyd County Board of Education more independence, State Education Commissioner Gene Wilhoit sent letters blasting the board for continuing bickering between members and Superintendent Paul Fanning for not showing aggressive leadership. As a consequence, Wilhoit ordered an end to the local district's new responsibilities and, in a move symbolic of a return to past state management, ordered state manage-



The Appalachian Regional Commission's "New Appalachia" conference at the Mountain Arts Center in November was well-attended, with over 800 people in attendance.

photos by Sheldon Compton

coal companies, the government and the media, but also showed higher negatives in areas closer to the spill.

Lois Combs Weinberg, daughter of former Gov. Bert T. Combs, got her own political career underway by opening an office for her U.S. Senate bid against Sen. Mitch McConnell in Prestonsburg.

A request from an out-of-town businessman concerning the city of Prestonsburg's regulations governing adult entertainment clubs sent city councils in Prestonsburg and Martin into high gear to rapidly pass bans against nude entertainment in non-alcohol clubs. That appeared only to anger Giovanni Maynard, the businessman in question, who then announced he would open an all-nude, alcohol-free "gentleman's club" within a week. But Maynard soon gave up his quest, only to try again in Kermit, W.Va., where he was also thwarted.

Three months after a flash flood devastated hundreds of homes in Floyd County, volunteer church groups remained in the area to help homeowners repair damages and get back on their feet.

Jeffery Martin King, 18, of Wheelwright, was arrested for trafficking cocaine after a traffic stop revealed seven bags of the drug.

Martin Police Officer Steve Toy wrecked his cruiser while avoiding a car which in front of him on Route 80. Toy was kept at Our Lady of the Way Hospital overnight, but was reported in stable condition soon after the accident.

James and Mark Stanley of David were acquitted of robbery charges in Johnson County. They had been accused of aiding another man, 19-year-old Travis Hall, in robbing the home of Arnold Mollette.

The murder trial of George Andrew Jarrell, 37, of Garrett, was postponed in order to hold a hearing to determine whether he was competent to stand trial. Jarrell was accused of killing his cousin, Bill Jarrell, after the two argued while working on renovating a home. A new trial date was later set for April 8.

Deputy Sheriff Bobby Hackworth and a Dayton, Ohio, police officer, Terry Meadows, were indicted by a federal grand jury in Ashland and charged with civil rights violations. Meadows was accused of beating Amos Darwin Blackburn during a traffic stop, while Hackworth was alleged to let the abuse take place.

The Kentuckians for Quality of Life Coalition met at Prestonsburg's Mountain Arts Center to hold a forum to gather public opinion regarding the quality of life of the state's elderly and disabled population.

The city said it had enough food and candy to give to an expected 350 children, but was not sure if there would be enough toys to go around.

Christina Barnett, 23, of West Prestonsburg, slipped out of her handcuffs while she was being led to the Floyd County Detention Center and made a getaway. The incident was the latest in a string of such escapes and prompted the Floyd County Sheriff's Office to change the way it transports prisoners between the Floyd County Justice Center and the jail.

The city of Wheelwright filed a theft complaint against former police officer Charles Johnson, accusing him of not returning police equipment after leaving the city's employ.

The trial for a Louisa man accused of committing 17 sexual offenses was set for Dec. 11. F.B. Kidd, 58, was charged with abusing an underage female in the 1960s and 1970s.

After telling Circuit Judge John David Caudill that he had showed up for court after having taken painkillers, Ronnie Hall pleaded guilty to complicity

Department received a Law Enforcement Technology grant to install computer equipment.

Prestonsburg High School's football team found its way back to the big game by winning a date in the Class 2A state championship in Louisville against Bardstown High School. The postseason success brought out a show of school spirit throughout Prestonsburg, with PHS decorations adorning shops and a community pep rally sending the team on its way. In the final game, the Blackcats fell behind early, then kept pace, but ultimately lost to the Tigers.

The Martin City Council agreed to expand its boundaries a bit by agreeing to annex property containing the Moore's Express Lube establishment.

December

A report issued by Kentucky Youth Advocates showed little difference in the cost of living among Eastern Kentucky counties. In the Big Sandy region, Martin and Magoffin counties showed the lowest cost of living, where a single person

Williamsburg and Knox Creek Food Pantry of Hurley, Va.

An art exhibit which began Dec. 3 at Prestonsburg Community College highlighted participating students' search for self, according to art professor Tom J. Whitaker. The exhibit ran until Jan. 15.

The results of a hospital probe into alleged wrongdoing by a handful of employees at Highlands Regional Medical Center were sent to Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner after first being reviewed by Tom Smith, a Prestonsburg attorney hired by Confidential Business Resources, the private firm hired by the hospital to conduct the investigation. Smith said any charges against most of the eight terminated employees would likely be misdemeanors, although he said one could be charged with a felony. Turner had no comment about the case, pending his own review of the evidence.

Cheryl Lynn Shepherd, 33, of Hueysville, a postal carrier for the Hager Hill Post Office in Johnson County, was killed when a car driven by a North



In May, maintenance workers at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park began removal of trees at the campground area that have been killed by an invasion of the southern pine beetle. "This has really hurt us here at the campground," said Roy Compton, maintenance supervisor. "Even though we're replacing the trees, it will take years for them grow to the size these are now."

photo by Mary Music

ity to commit drug trafficking.

The owner and employees of Small Town Tattoos sought to change the perception of those people sporting tattoos and body piercings by organizing a toy drive for Christmas.

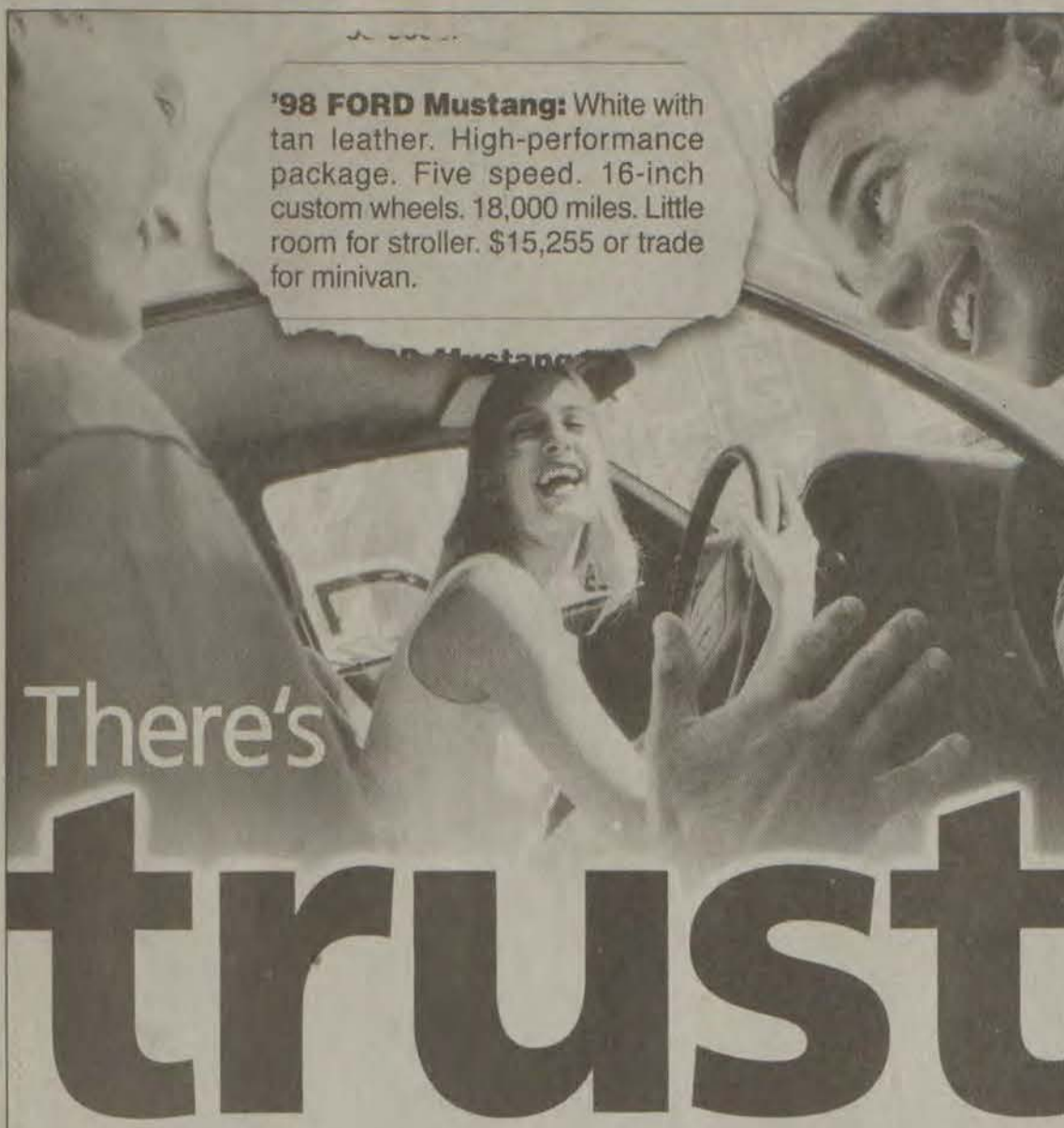
Matt Perkins, 26, of Martin, was charged with criminal mischief and third-degree burglary

would require \$6.04 an hour to meet basic needs. Floyd, Pike, Lawrence, Breathitt, Leslie and Letcher showed the highest cost of living in the immediate area. A single person in those counties would need \$6.30 an hour to cover basic needs.

Employees of TECO Coal Company in Hazard showed a truckload of generosity by

Carolina man slammed into her vehicle while she was on her route. Jay McKenzie, 31, of Asheville, N.C., was charged with murder after police determined he had allegedly been intoxicated at the time of the accident.

A road dispute between two Dwale neighbors which began



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er Zella Wells to once again begin sitting at the board table during meetings. Board members responded during their next meeting by complaining about news coverage of the letters.

Two men arrested in a drug roundup in August entered guilty pleas to charges against them as the result of plea agreements. Jason Branham, 22, pleaded guilty to four counts of trafficking controlled substances and Daniel E. Hunt, 19, pleaded guilty to first-degree trafficking of a controlled substance.

Employees of Sykes Enterprises in Pikeville once again got into the Christmas spirit by donating food, toys and clothing to needy families.

Drug trafficking charges against Larry Edward Greer, 58, a former bus driver for Mountain Christian Academy, were dropped after Martin police admitted they could not find the evidence they had against him. The case could be renewed if the evidence is ever found. Despite the mistake, Martin Mayor Thomasine Robinson said she continued to stand behind the officers of the police department.

Hounded by complaints of sewer gas smells throughout the city, Prestonsburg Utilities, Mayor Jerry Fannin and the city council announced they would begin seeking funding to correct the problem. The city is seeking \$3.1 million in grants and loans to tackle the problem.

The Wheelwright City Council voted 2-1 to dismiss two utility commissioners, but that vote was brought into question after Mayor Marlee Sammons collared another city council member who happened by later in the meeting and called for a another vote, deadlocking the measure at 2-2. The council agreed to turn the matter over to the city attorney for clarification. One of the commissioners, Arlene Hall, ultimately resigned, but not before filing a complaint.

The city of Wayland was one recipient of \$13.8 million in PRIDE grants. Wayland will receive just over \$1 million to install sewer treatment lines serving 820 homes.

James Austin Gunnels, the

man accused of robbing, raping and murdering convenience store clerk Bonnie Jean Fraley Hall in July, took a brazen step by writing to The Floyd County Times to confess to the killing and to gloat about doing it. In his letter, Gunnels also threatened to kill Times reporter Sheldon Compton, who he referred to as "Stacy Compton."

Sheridan Martin pleaded guilty to third-degree sexual abuse and second-degree unlawful imprisonment in exchange for a sentencing recommendation which would require no jail time. In an interview following his plea, Martin maintained his innocence and said he pleaded guilty only to end the case.

The Prestonsburg legislator whose name has become synonymous statewide with bottle bill legislation announced he would take a different approach in the 2002 General Assembly. House Majority Floor Leader Greg Stumbo held a press conference to announce he would instead file a bill requiring a half-cent tax on most beverage containers, rather than a 5- or 10-cent refundable deposit.

The Floyd County Board of Education reached a settlement with Harold and Georgia Newman to buy the final piece of land needed to construct a new football stadium for South Floyd High School. Under the settlement, which ended months of litigation between the two parties, the Newmans received \$180,000 — just slightly more than half of the \$350,000 they had originally sought.

Dennis James Meredith rejected the offer of a plea agreement which would have required him to serve more than 20 years in prison for sex abuse and sodomy charges related to allegations he had abused a 10-year-old female. As a result, the case will move forward to trial.

Two Martin men involved in a May shootout reminiscent of the old West were indicted by a grand jury. Thomas Howard Bartrum, 47, was charged with first-degree assault, while Marty Glenn Tackett, 43, who was shot but was not successful in shooting Bartrum, was charged with first-degree wan-

ton endangerment.

Prestonsburg police officers and dispatchers once again took part in the "Shop with a Cop" program, taking 18 underprivileged children Christmas shopping at Wal-Mart.

Mud Creek Clinic held its annual food, clothing and toy drive at John M. Stumbo Elementary, providing holiday food and presents to more than 1,000 Floyd County families.

Citing the need to bolster arts and humanities, Adams Middle School in Prestonsburg held a fine arts fair featuring music, song and drama.


A Louisville car dealer who set up shop in the Prestonsburg Village Shopping Center temporarily for a sale ruffled some feathers and caused the Prestonsburg City Council to take a look at how it regulates such activities.

Circuit Judge John David Caudill ordered that accused killer Dwayne Bishop be given a mental evaluation to determine whether he is competent to stand trial.

Beaver residents Dwayne Hall, 31, and Stevie Hall, 29, reached plea agreements in cases resulting from an August drug roundup. Dwayne Hall pleaded guilty to two counts of trafficking in controlled substances, while Stevie Hall one count of trafficking and one count of complicity to commit trafficking.

David Allen Adkins, who faced numerous charges after leading police on a chase while driving with his 11-year-old son in the car, was sent back to jail to serve the remainder of a 12-month sentence from which he was granted shock probation earlier in the year.


Michael Woods, who was indicted along with four others for charges related to an alleged sex scam which diverted victims' attention with the promise of sex while other participants robbed them, was allowed to go home after pleading guilty to receiving stolen property and receiving a suspended sentence for 191 days served. Meanwhile, another suspect in the case, Patricia Shepherd, was sent back to jail because her bond was revoked after she was arrested on a DUI charge.



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Your Television and Entertainment Guide

Singer-actor Jon BonJovi branches out from music and movies with an extended guest role on *Ally McBeal*, airing Mondays on Fox. His band, Bon Jovi, is hard at work on its next album.

joins Fox's *Ally McBeal* for one wild ride

by **MONIQUE C. SKOTNICKI**
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If fans of rock star Jon Bon Jovi are expecting him to sing during his multiple-episode stint on Fox's *Ally McBeal*, they will be sorely disappointed.

In the role of construction worker Victor Morrison, a potential love interest for Ally (Calista Flockhart), his performing a number at the bar is more than unlikely, he says. "It's a fact."

The photogenic frontman of a band that has sold 80 million albums in nearly 20 years, Bon Jovi wants to keep music and acting separate.

Since his acting debut in 1995's *Moonlight and Valentino*, he has made nine more films, including *Pay It Forward* and *U-571* in 2000.

He is not surprised to hear that many people are

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unaware that there have been that many, because a few have gone straight to video.

"Yeah!" he says, with a laugh. "But that's the big difference between music and movies. You are just a part of the machine instead of running the machine."

With movies and music taking up so much of his time, Bon Jovi says TV wasn't anything he'd wanted prior to Ally. In fact, it was creator David E. Kelley who pursued him for about six months. "It was incredibly flattering," he says. "You know, I had no desire to do television, but if you're going to do television, you work for David Kelley."

While concert-goers easily are seduced by his sexy voice and skintight leather pants, Bon Jovi reports that the relationship between Victor and Ally stays platonic for the first few episodes in which he appears. "No love yet," he says. "It probably won't come to fruition for a while, and so, when the audience is going to get frustrated, let them know that the actors have been frustrated with it as well. ... David is keeping us all on the edge of our seats."

Bon Jovi admits he didn't watch Ally prior to being hired. Now that he has seen several episodes, he says, while his music is not as quirky as the show, "I guess the basic values that it holds are similar to the optimism that I've tried to

write in my music."

Love, in particular, figures prominently in both. "I've Got the Girl," from Crush, the band's latest album, is about his daughter, 8-year-old Stephanie Rose.

"I think you realize what (love) is when you have kids," he says.

"You learn patience. ... Those same values in the show and the music have to pertain to your personal life. And doing so, that's what makes, breaks, tests and rewards what love is. I've been very fortunate to have not only the band, but my family and that close-knit unit around me that have been there for all these years. You know, you learn about love every day."

And he says working on Ally each day has helped him grow as an actor. The Emmy-winning series would seem to be the perfect stepping stone to a romantic movie, which is something Bon Jovi would like to do. "But that's not necessarily the kind of movie I'm looking for next," he says. "I'd just as soon do 'Ocean's Eleven' or 'Vanilla Sky' or 'Behind Enemy Lines' as I would a Serendipity, so any of those kinds of things if the script is smart."

So why would someone who already has one of the most coveted jobs on the planet want to get into acting in the first

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Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring

"Lord of the Rings" is without a doubt one of the best movies of 2001. It is also one of the greatest adventure films ever made. It will leave you breathless. When the closing credits roll, you'll be left glued to your seat wanting more.

The film, based on the epic saga written by J.R.R. Tolkien, takes place

in the mythical land of Middle-earth, which is both a place and a period in earth's time between the era of Magic and magical beings (like elves and wizards and dragons), and the era of Man (where we all live now).

The story revolves around the adventure of a young hobbit named Frodo (Elijah Wood) who is unwittingly thrown into a dangerous quest to destroy a powerful Ring of Power that, if it were to fall into the hands of the evil Sauron, would bring destruction to all Middle-earth.

Aiding Frodo on his journey are a wizard, Gandalf (Ian McKellen), two humans, (Viggo Mortensen as Aragorn, Sean Bean as Boromir), Legolas the elf (Orlando Bloom), a dwarf named Gimli (John

Rhys-Davies) and Frodo's three friends, Sam, Merry and Pippin (Sean Astin, Dominic Monaghan, Billy Boyd, respectively).



This intrepid group, known as The Fellowship of the Ring, must take the Ring to Mount Doom, where it can be destroyed in the hellfire from which it was forged. To say any

more about the plot would spoil the thrill of this film.

The actors' performances are spectacular. And while some of the characters may not look exactly as you may have imagined them from reading the book, all the characters definitely embody the spirit of their print counterparts.

Grant Major's production design is breathtaking in scope and organic in execution. Every location blends beautifully with the surrounding landscape, giving the impression that the places actually exist — and HAVE existed for centuries. His sets pull you into the reality of the film, and you never once see a set or effect that looks unrealistic.

Director Peter Jackson should win an Oscar. Not only did he have to deal with generations of Tolkien fans chomping at the bit to find something "wrong" with his adaptation, he also had to film all three chapters of this saga at the same time with a budget a fraction of what George Lucas had for "The Phantom Menace."

Jackson has out-Lucased Lucas and made an epic film for the ages. He has also triumphed with a movie that is as faithful to the novel as it possibly could have been. It is filled with more heart than "Harry Potter," better effects than "Star Wars" and more thrills than "Raiders of the Lost Ark."

Believe the hype. See this film.

Grade: A+

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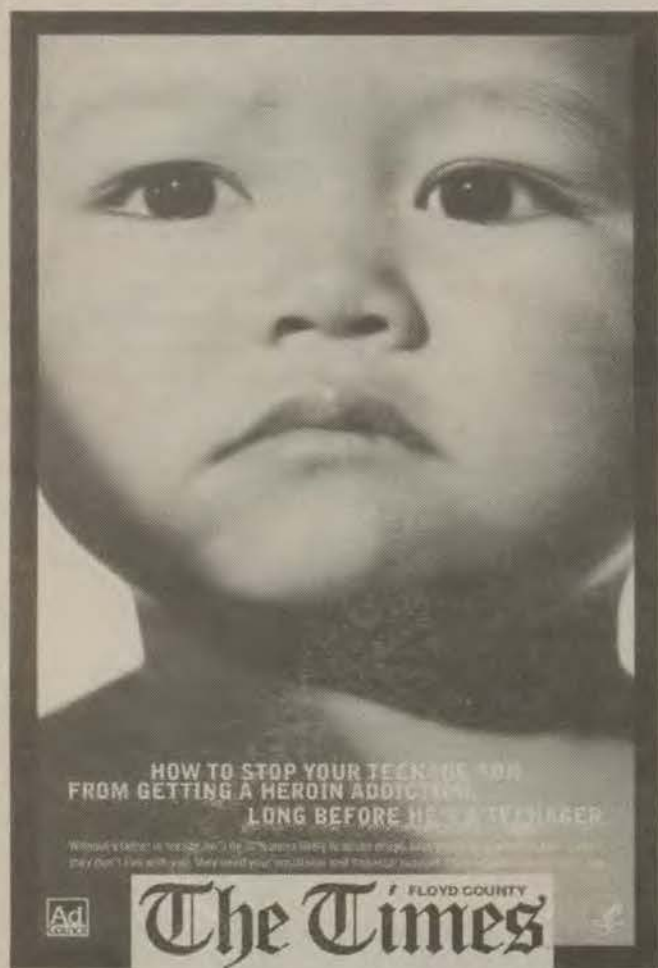
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SUNDAY MORNING/AFTERNOON												JANUARY 20, 2002											
TV Data																							
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24	38	TBS	(8:00) *** "Forever Young" (1992, Fantasy) Mel Gibson.	**** "Ordinary People" (1980, Drama) Donald Sutherland, Mary Tyler Moore.				****½ "Coal Miner's Daughter" (1980, Biography) (PA) Sissy Spacek, Tommy Lee Jones.				*** "As Good as It Gets" (1997, Comedy-Drama) Jack Nicholson, Helen Hunt.											
3	3	NBC	Paid Program	Impe Presents	Kenneth Copeland	Breakthrough	Meet the Press	Paid Program	Paid Program	Ed "Two Days of Freedom" (N) (In Stereo) [E]	Fabulous Fifties	Paid Program	V.I.P. "Saving Private Irons" (N) (In Stereo) [E]	Figure Skating: Michelle Kwan in China.									
4	5	PBS	Barney & Friends	Teletubbies (In Stereo) (E)	Dragon Tales (In Stereo) (E)	Clifford the Big Red Dog	Sagwa-Siamese Cat	Arthur (In Stereo) (E) [E]	Mixed Media	Comment on Kentucky [E]	Taking the Lead	Taking the Lead	Ask the Pharmacist	Tony Brown's To the Contrary (N)	MotorWeek (In Stereo) [E]	Kentucky Affleck							
5	8	ABC	Paid Program	Paid Program	In Touch [E]	This Week [E]	College Basketball: Virginia Tech at Boston College. (Live)			Figure Skating: U.S. Championships. [E]			PGA Golf: Bob Hope Chrysler Classic - Final Round. (Live) [E]										
40	9	WGN	Abbott & Costello	Clueless (In Stereo) [E]	Full House [E]	Full House [E]	Fresh Prince of Bel-Air [E]	Fresh Prince of Bel-Air [E]	Beastmaster "Dispossessed" (N) (In Stereo) [E]	** "Straight Talk" (1992, Comedy) Dolly Parton, James Woods. (In Stereo) [E]			*** "9 to 5" (1980, Comedy) Jane Fonda, Dolly Parton. (In Stereo) [E]										
6	10	CBS	Time of Praise		Baptist Church	Century 21 Home Tour	Gateway Gospel		NFL Today (Live) [E]	NFL Football Playoffs: AFC Divisional Game - Baltimore Ravens at Pittsburgh Steelers. (Live) [E]						To Be Announced							
11	11	FOX	Fox News Sunday (N) (In Stereo) [E]		Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	West Virginia Works	Paid Program	*** "The Love Bug" (1969, Comedy) Dean Jones, Michele Lee.			To Be Announced		Fox NFL Sunday (N) [E]	NFL Football Playoffs: Packers at Rams							
13	13	CBS	CBS News Sunday Morning (In Stereo) [E]		Face Nation	Franklin [E]	Bob-Bldr	NFL Today [E]	NFL Football Playoffs: AFC Divisional Game - Baltimore Ravens at Pittsburgh Steelers. (Live) [E]						To Be Announced								
44	46	ESPN	Sportscenter	Outside Lines	Reporters	Sportscenter [E]	NFL Countdown (N) [E]		PBA Bowling: ABC Masters. (Live) [E]			Tennis: Australian Open - Early Rounds. [E]											
23	30	DSC	Storm Warning!		Storm Warning!		Prosecutors: Pursuit-Justice		Inside the Kill Box: Fighting the Gulf War			Weapons of the New War		Stealth Secrets		American Commandos							
15	31	TNT	(6:00) "Wyatt Earp" (1994) [E]		*** "Analyze This" (1999, Comedy) (PA) Robert De Niro. [E]			*** "The Buddy Holly Story" (1978, Biography) Gary Busey, Don Stroud.			*** "Selena" (1997, Biography) (PA) Jennifer Lopez. [E]												
31	32	A&E	Breakfast With the Arts		Competition [E]		House Beautiful [E]		Incurable Collector [E]		Behind Closed Doors [E]		*** "The Magnificent Ambersons" (2002, Drama) Madeline Stowe, Bruce Greenwood. [E]										
27	33	TNN	Hot Rodding	Horsepower	Car	Crank	Outdoors	North-Alaska	Grigsby	Hank Parker	In-Fisherman	Bill Dance	Baywatch "Kicks" (In Stereo)	Baywatch "Buried" (In Stereo)	Baywatch "Heal the Bay" [E]								
20	34	NICK	Rugrats [E]	Rugrats [E]	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	Hey Arnold!	Hey Arnold!	Ugly Martians	Action	Invader Zim	Ren & Stimpy	GAS (In Stereo)	All That		Amanda							
47	35	USA	Attack! In Pursuit of Africa's Man-Eaters: Sharks		½ "Shark Attack II" (2000, Action) Nikita Ager, Thorsten Kaye. (In Stereo) [E]			The Stand (In Stereo) [E]															
23	2	FAM	Braceface [E]	Totally Spies	Pretenders	Braceface [E]	S Club 7	So Little Time	Big Wolf	Da Mob [E]	Two of a Kind	So Little Time	**½ "Rent-a-Kid" (1995, Comedy) Leslie Nielsen. [E]		"Dunston Checks In" (1996)								
22	43	LIFE	Paid Program		Designing	Designing	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	** "The Other Mother: A Moment of Truth Movie" (1995) [E]		"Playing to Win, A Moment of Truth Movie" (1998, Drama)		I Know My Name										
45	45	ESPN2	Outdoors	Spanish Fly	Sportsman's	Fishing	Sportsman's	Fishing	Timbersport	Outside Lines	Women's College Basketball: Virginia at Duke. (Live) [E]	Women's College Basketball: Vanderbilt at Georgia. (Live) [E]											
29	49	AMC	Three Stooges [E]	Behind the Screen	**½ "Doctor Dolittle" (1967, Fantasy) Rex Harrison, Samantha Egger.			**** "Gandhi" (1982, Biography) Ben Kingsley, Candice Bergen. Premiere.						***½ "True Grit" (1969, Western) John Wayne									
410	50	HGTV	Dream	New Spaces	Ground	Designer's	Landscape	Garden-Yard	This Old Hse.	This Old Hse.	Dream	Weekend	Marthas	Martha	Garden Arch.	Gardens	Journal	Gardeners					
35	51	SCIFI	Fantasy Island "Handymen"		Now and Again "Over Easy"		"Assault on Dome 4" (1997, Science Fiction) Joseph Culp. [E]		"Escape Velocity" (1999, Science Fiction) Patrick Bergin. [E]		"Babylon 5: The Gathering" (1993) Michael O'Hare. [E]												
32	52	HIST	Veterans	Historys	Historycenter	Hardcover	This Week in History [E]		**½ "The Eagle Has Landed" (1977, Adventure) Michael Caine, Donald Sutherland.			Vietnam: On the Frontlines											
37	55	TOC	Call of Wild	Hunting	Sportsman	Fishing	Hunting With	Heartland	Prospecting	Hunting With	Fishin' Mag.	Paid Program	Hunting	Paid Program	Sportsmans	Gone Hunting	Advent. North	Paid Program					
294	14	HBO	(8:00) "X-Men" (2000) PG [E]	**½ "Newsies" (1991, Musical) Christian Bale, David Moscow. (In Stereo)			** "Big Bully" (1996, Comedy) Rick Moranis, Tom Arnold. (In Stereo) PG [E]			** "The Book of Stars" (1999, Drama) Mary Stuart Masterson. (In Stereo) NR [E]			**½ "The Wedding Planner" (2001, Comedy) Jennifer Lopez, Matthew McConaughey. (In Stereo) PG-13 [E]		** "Club Paradise" [E]								
210	15	HBO2	Playing the Field: Sports		*** "Gladiator" (2000, Action) Russell Crowe. (In Stereo) R [E]			**½ "Paradise Road" (1997, Drama) Glenn Close. (In Stereo) R [E]			"Scattering Dad" (1998) Olympia Dukakis.		Good Advice										
211	16	HBO3	*** "Almost Famous" (2000, Comedy-Drama) Billy Crudup, Frances McDormand. (In Stereo) R [E]		*** "Walking and Talking" (1996, Comedy) Catherine Keener. (In Stereo) R [E]			** "The Scarlet Letter" (1995, Drama) Demi Moore, Gary Oldman. (In Stereo) R [E]															
281	17	MAX	½ "Anna and the King" (1999, Drama) Jodie Foster, Chow Yun-Fat. (In Stereo) PG-13 [E]		** "Auggie Rose" (2000, Drama) Jeff Goldblum, Anne Heche. (In Stereo) R [E]			* "Picking Up the Pieces" (2000, Comedy) Woody Allen. (In Stereo) R [E]			*** "Dead Bang" (1989, Suspense) Don Johnson. (In Stereo) R [E]		"Fortress" (1993) R [E]										
30	29	DISN	Rolie Polie Olie [E]	Rolie Polie Olie [E]	Stanley [E]	Stanley [E]	Doug (In Stereo) [E]	Pepper Ann	Honey, I Shrunk the Kids "Honey, I'm Streakin'" [E]	Proud Family	Lizzie McGuire [E]	"Motocrossed" (2001, Adventure) Aliana Austin, Mary-Margaret Humes. [E]	Pepper Ann	So Weird "Fall" [E]	Famous Jett Jackson [E]								
306	22	SHOW	Barney's Adventure		**½ "The Field" (1990, Drama) Richard Harris, Tom Berenger. (In Stereo)			½ "Boltneck" (1998, Comedy) Matthew Lawrence, Ryan Reynolds. (In Stereo) [E]		** "End of the Line" (1988, Drama) Wilford Brimley, Levon Helm. (In Stereo)			** "The Sports Pages" (2001, Comedy) Bob Nawhat, Kelsey Grammer. (In Stereo) [E]		"Passion of Mind" (2000)								
312	25	TMC	Better Living Through		**½ "Renaissance Man" (1994, Comedy) Danny DeVito, Gregory Hines. (In Stereo) [E]			** "Big Top Pee-wee" (1986, Comedy) Pee-wee Herman, Kris Kristofferson. (In Stereo)		**½ "The Limey" (1989, Drama) Terence Stamp, Peter Fonda. (In Stereo) [E]		**½ "Mr. Mom" (1983, Comedy) Michael Keaton, Teri Garr.		"Renaissance Man" (1994)									

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HOW TO STOP YOUR TEENAGE SON FROM GETTING A HEROIN ADDICTION... LONG BEFORE HE'S A TV JERKER



As a fan of "The Sopranos," I'd like to ask why Tony Soprano (James Gandolfini) didn't avenge the rape of his therapist, Dr. Melfi? — Fran H.

A "The Sopranos'" brilliance lies in its unpredictability. Just when we expect mob justice to splatter the screen with blood and gore, it doesn't happen. And when we least expect Tony to do some killing, he does. In any event, there's an old saying that vengeance is a dish best served cold. So, maybe Dr. Melfi will be avenged some time down the line.

Q Has Tom Green commented on why he's divorcing Drew Barrymore after only a few months of marriage? — Melanie L.

A Green has said only that despite his love for Barrymore, there were problems that the two couldn't work out. He was not more specific.

Q What has Angie Harmon done since she left "Law & Order"? — Lorraine B.

A For one thing, last June, she married New York Giants defensive back Jason Sehorn, who proposed to her on the "Tonight Show with Jay Leno" in March of 2000.

For another, she stars on the upcoming Lifetime Network film, "Video Voyeur: The Susan Wilson Story," airing Jan. 21. She also co-stars with Charlie Sheen ("Spin City") in the independent flick, "Good Advice."

Q What are Eriq LaSalle's (ex-Dr. Peter Benton) plans since leaving "ER"? — Jason H.

A Besides accepting the many acting offers that have come his way, LaSalle is expected to devote a good deal of time to writing and directing films.

Q Did Jon Stewart, who hosts "The Daily Show" on Comedy Central, attend Princeton University? I have a bet that he did. — Jerrilyn C.

A Sorry. Stewart is a graduate of William & Mary.

Have a question for Evelyn? E-mail her at letters.kfws@hearstsc.com, or write to her in care of King Features Weekly Service, P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475.

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SUNDAY EVENING		JANUARY 20, 2002																	
		5:00	5:30	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	12:00	12:30		
20	38	TBS	(3:00) *** "As Good as It Gets" (1997) Jack Nicholson.	** 1/2 "Most Wanted" (1997, Suspense) (PA) Keenen Ivory Wayans, Jon Voight.				** "Marked for Death" (1990, Drama) (PA) Steven Seagal, Basil Wallace.				** 1/2 "Above the Law" (1988, Drama) (PA) Steven Seagal, Henry Silva.			** 1/2 "Over the Top" (1987, Drama) Sylvester Stallone.				
3	3	NBC	Paid Program	Inside Edition Weekend	News	NBC Nightly News	Golden Globes Arrival (In Stereo Live)	Golden Globe Awards (In Stereo Live)			News		Practice "Search and Seizure"	Electronics Showcase					
4	5	PBS	This Old House	New Yankee Workshop	Victory Garden	Handyma'am (In Stereo)	Antiques Roadshow UK (N) (In Stereo)	Nature "Cheetahs in a Hot Spot" (In Stereo)	American Experience "Mount Rushmore" (N) (In Stereo)		Beyond the Border		This Is America (N)		(Off Air)				
8	8	ABC	PGA Golf: Bob Hope Chrysler Classic -- Final Round. (Live)	News	ABC World News-Sunday	** 1/2 "101 Dalmatians" (1996, Adventure) Glenn Close, Jeff Daniels. (In Stereo)	Andromeda "The Prince" (N) (In Stereo)		Earth: Final Conflict "Legacy" (N) (In Stereo)		Practice "Liar's Poker" (In Stereo)		News		Entertainment Tonight (N) (In Stereo)	Buffy Vampire			
40	9	WGN	*** "A Fish Called Wanda" (1988, Comedy) John Cleese, Jamie Lee Curtis. (In Stereo)	Mutant X "Dark Star Rising" (N)		Andromeda "The Prince" (N) (In Stereo)		Earth: Final Conflict "Legacy" (N) (In Stereo)		News (In Stereo)		Instant Replay	In the Heat of the Night "A Correct Settling" (In Stereo)		Matlock "The Assault" (In Stereo)				
6	10	CBS	(4:00) To Be Announced	News	CBS Evening News	60 Minutes (In Stereo)	Education of Max Bickford "The Cost of Living" (N)		"The President's Man: A Line in the Sand" (2002, Drama) Chuck Norris, Robert Urich. Premiere. (In Stereo)		News		Coach Tubby Smith	Practice "Search and Seizure" (In Stereo)					
11	11	FOX	(4:00) NFL Football Playoffs: NFC Divisional Game -- Green Bay Packers at St. Louis Rams. (In Stereo Live)	Futurama (In Stereo)	King of the Hill (In Stereo)	Simpsons (N) (In Stereo)	Malcolm in the Middle	The Chamber (In Stereo)		News		Seinfeld "The Shower Head"	Seinfeld "The Doll"	Cheaters (In Stereo)					
13	13	CBS	(4:00) To Be Announced	News	CBS News	60 Minutes (In Stereo)	Education of Max Bickford		"The President's Man: A Line in the Sand" (2002, Drama)		News		Extra (In Stereo)	Hollywood					
14	46	ESPN	World Cup Skiing	World Cup Skiing	Sportscenter NFL	Life in the D League		Interruption Life (N)		Season (N) (Part 1 of 2)		Sportscenter		NFL		NFL Films			
15	30	DSC	Navy SEALs Training	Navy SEALs Training	Navy SEALs Training	Mysteries of the Pyramids		Hidden History of Egypt (N)		History-Roman Empire		FBI Files "Unlawful Flight"		Mysteries of the Pyramids					
16	31	TNT	Selena (1997)	*** "Grease" (1978, Musical) John Travolta, Olivia Newton-John.	*** 1/2 "Cocktail" (1988, Drama) (PA) Tom Cruise.		*** "Analyze This" (1999, Comedy) (PA) Robert De Niro.		National Lamp.										
31	32	A&E	*** 1/2 "To Catch a Thief" (1955, Mystery) Cary Grant.	100 Centre Street		Gossip: Tabloid Tales (N)		City Confidential "Huntsville: Twins on Trial"		Gossip: Tabloid Tales									
27	33	TNN	Baywatch "Bon Voyage"	Baywatch (N)	Baywatch (N)	Fame for 15 (In Stereo)	Conspire	Ultimate	Gaither Gospel Hour (N)		Rodeo (In Stereo)	Gaither Gospel Hour							
20	34	NICK	Taina	Nick Cannon	Kenan & Kel	Deeds-Eddie	Caitlin's Way	Ginger	Garcia	Nick News	Brady Bunch	Brady Bunch	Brady Bunch	Brady Bunch	Brady Bunch	Brady Bunch	Brady Bunch	Brady Bunch	
17	35	USA	The Stand (In Stereo)	*** 1/2 "The Waterboy" (1998, Comedy) Adam Sandler, Kathy Bates. (In Stereo)		Combat Missions (In Stereo)		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Protection"		Combat Missions (In Stereo)									
23	2	FAM	(4:00) "Dunston Checks In"	*** "The Borrowers" (1998, Adventure) John Goodman.		*** "The Borrowers" (1998, Adventure) John Goodman.		*** 1/2 "Robin Hood: Men in Tights" (1993) Cary Elwes.		Lake Church		Feed Children							
22	43	LIFE	(4:00) *** "I Know My First Name Is Steven" (1989, Drama) Cindy Pickett, John Ashton.	Strong Medicine		Division		Any Day Now		Women Docs "Close Call"		"Murderous Intent" (1995)							
15	45	ESPN2	Billiards	Reporters	Hoops	NHL Hockey: Ottawa Senators at Detroit Red Wings. (Live)		Tennis: Australian Open -- Early Rounds. (Live)		RPM 2Night									
29	49	AMC	(3:50) *** 1/2 "True Grit" (1969, Western) John Wayne.	*** "Heaven Can Wait" (1978, Fantasy) Warren Beatty, Julie Christie.		*** 1/2 "Dreamscape" (1984, Science Fiction) Dennis Quaid, Max von Sydow.		Behind the Screen		*** "Rio Bravo" (1959, Western) John Wayne, Dean Martin.									
40	50	HGTV	Spectacular Pools	Old Homes	Renovations	Restore	This Old Hse.	BeforeAtr	Extreme Hms	Lighthouses	If Walls Could	Modern	BeforeAtr	Extreme Hms	Lighthouses				
15	51	SCIFI	"Babylon 5: The Legend of the Rangers" (2002) Dylan Neal	** "Photographing Fairies" (1997, Drama) Toby Stephens.		** "What Dreams May Come" (1998, Fantasy) Robin Williams.		Crossing		Exposure (In Stereo)									
62	52	HIST	Vietnam: On the Frontlines	Vietnam: On the Frontlines		Secrets of World War II		Color of War (N)		Battle Stations (N)		History Undercover		Clash of Warriors (N)		Color of War			
67	55	TOC	Jim Baugh	Outdoors	Hunters	Outdoor Adv.	Turkey Call	Traditions	Fishing	Hunt-America	Outdoor Adv.	Hunting	Outdoors	Southern	New Gold Fever	Outdoor	Goblin'		
204	14	HBO	(4:30) ** "Club Paradise" (1986) Robin Williams. PG-13	*** "X-Men" (2000, Science Fiction) Hugh Jackman, Patrick Stewart. (In Stereo) PG-13		Sopranos "From Where to Eternity" (In Stereo)		Sex and the City (N)		Project Greenlight		Oz "Dream a Little Dream of Me" (N) (In Stereo)		** "The Wedding Planner" (2001, Comedy) Jennifer Lopez, Matthew McConaughey. (In Stereo) PG-13					
200	15	HBO2	(4:30) "Good Advice" (2001)	** 1/2 "The Whole Nine Yards" (2000) Bruce Willis. R		Dwarfs: Not a Fairy Tale		*** "Gladiator" (2000, Action) Russell Crowe. (In Stereo) R		*** "American Psycho" (2000, Satire) R									
211	16	HBO3	** 1/2 "Chances Are" (1989, Comedy) Cybill Shepherd, Robert Downey Jr., (In Stereo) PG	*** 1/2 "Little Women" (1994, Drama) Winona Ryder, Gabriel Byrne. (In Stereo) PG		** "Framed" (1990, Comedy) Jeff Goldblum, Kristin Scott Thomas. (In Stereo) PG-13		*** "Almost Famous" (2000, Comedy-Drama) Billy Crudup, Frances McDormand. (In Stereo) R		"The Tao of Steve" (2000)									
206	17	MAX	(4:45) ** 1/2 "Fortress" (1993, Science Fiction) Christopher Lambert. (In Stereo) R	*** "Blood and Wine" (1996, Drama) Jack Nicholson, Stephen Dorff. (In Stereo) R		*** 1/2 "The Three Musketeers" (1993, Adventure) Charlie Sheen, Kiefer Sutherland. Premiere. (In Stereo) PG		*** "Meet the Parents" (2000, Comedy) Robert De Niro, Ben Stiller. PG-13		"Sexual Intrigue" (2000, Adult) Eric Acsell, Kira Reed. (In Stereo) R									
24	29	DISN	Boy Meets World	Even Stevens "Ren-Gate"	Boy Meets World	Boy Meets World	Proud Family "The Party"	Lizzie McGuire	"Double Teamed" (2002, Drama) Annie McElwain, Poppi Monroe.	"Motocrossed" (2001, Adventure) Alana Austin, Mary-Margaret Humes.		Bug Juice 3!		So Weird		In a Heartbeat			
209	22	SHOW	(4:30) ** 1/2 "Passion of Mind" (2000, Drama) Demi Moore. (TV) (In Stereo)	** 1/2 "Superstar" (1999, Comedy) Molly Shannon, Will Ferrell. (TV) (In Stereo)		*** "Scary Movie" (2000, Comedy) Shawn Wayans, Marion Wayans. (TV) (In Stereo)		Boxing-Millennium		Queer as Folk (N)		Chris Isaak "Chris Isaak Day" (TV) (N)		Soul Food "A Taste of Justice" (TV) (In Stereo)		** 1/2 "Shaft" (2000)			
217	25	TMC	(4:30) ** 1/2 "Renaissance Man" (1994, Comedy) Danny DeVito. (In Stereo)	*** "Mission: Impossible 2" (2000, Action) Tom Cruise, Dougray Scott. (In Stereo)		*** 1/2 "The Green Mile" (1999, Drama) Tom Hanks, David Morse. (In Stereo)		** 1/2 "The Limey" (1999, Drama) Terence Stamp.											

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"First Monday," the CBS series about the Supreme Court, debuts in a special time period on Tuesday, Jan., 15, and then moves to its regular time slot on Friday, Jan., 18. The series stars James Garner as the Chief Justice, and Camille Saviola, Lyman Ward, Charles Durning, James Karen, James McEachin, Stephan Markle and Gail Strickland as the Court's associate justices.

Strickland, whose numerous credits include "Dr. Quinn, Medicine Woman," "Melrose Place" and "The American President," says the series "opens up the Court in a way that has never been done before. We see the nine justices as people who make their decisions as

human beings, not as gods sitting on Mount Olympus. We also get a new sense of how important the Court is to us in our daily lives. Our Constitution guarantees us certain rights that have made our country an example of freedom throughout the world. And it's the Court that is often called on to protect those rights."

DIAL TONES: On Jan. 16, "Glory Days," a new mystery drama series, debuts on the WB, starring Poppy Montgomery ("Blonde"), Frances Fisher ("Titanic"), Eddie Cahill ("Felicity") and Amy Stewart ("ER"). ... Long before there was a Madonna or a Marilyn, there was Marlene — blonde, brilliant and beautiful. On Jan. 17, TCM pays tribute to Marlene Dietrich with an original documentary,

"Marlene Dietrich: Her Own Song," directed and produced by her grandson, David Riva. TCM will also feature the Oscar-nominated documentary, "Marlene," that she did with her friend Maximilian Schell in 1984. Among Marlene's films shown on TCM this month are: "Desire" (Jan. 17), "A Foreign Affair" (Jan. 24) and "Witness for the Prosecution" (Jan. 31). ...

On Jan. 18, Starz Encore airs "The Art of Action: Martial Arts in the Movies," highlighting the history of martial arts flicks from their start in Hong Kong to their present-day phenomenal worldwide popularity. The special features interviews with a number of martial arts mavens including Steven Seagal, David Carradine and John Woo.

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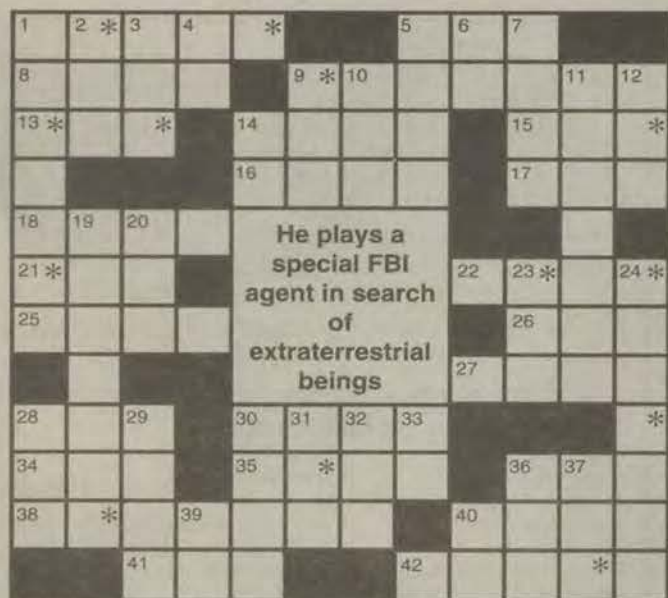
TUESDAY EVENING

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23	38	TBS	Full House (In Stereo) [S]	Full House (In Stereo) [S]	Roseanne "Home-Ec" [S]	Roseanne (In Stereo) [S]	Friends (In Stereo) [S]	Fresh Prince of Bel-Air [S]	NBA Basketball: Philadelphia 76ers at Washington Wizards. (Live)				NBA Basketball: Sacramento Kings at Portland Trail Blazers. (Live)					
3	3	NBC	News [S]	News [S]	News [S]	NBC Nightly News [S]	Wheel of Fortune (N) [S]	Jeopardy! (N) [S]	In Style Magazine: Celebrity Weddings II (N) (In Stereo) [S]	Frasier "Juvenilia" [S]	Scrubs: My Drug Buddy [S]	Dateline (In Stereo) [S]	News [S]	Tonight Show (N) (In Stereo) [S]	Late Night (N) (In Stereo) [S]			
4	5	PBS	Clifford the Big Red Dog	Dragon Tales (In Stereo) [S]	GED Connection	Business Rpt.	Governor's Budget Address	Nova "Neanderthals on Trial" (N) (In Stereo) [S]	Secret Life of the Brain (N) (In Stereo) [S]				Ky. General Assembly	BBC World News [S]	[Off Air]			
8	8	ABC	Judge Judy (In Stereo) [S]	Judge Judy (In Stereo) [S]	News	ABC World News Tonight	Weakest Link (In Stereo) [S]	Entertainment Tonight	The Chair (N) (In Stereo) [S]	NYPD Blue "Johnny Got His Gold" (In Stereo) (PA) [S]		Philly "Blown Away" (In Stereo) (PA) [S]	News	Nightline [S]	Paid Program	Paid Program		
40	9	WGN	7th Heaven "There Goes the Bride" (In Stereo) (Part 2 of 2)	Full House [S]	Family Matters [S]	Fresh Prince of Bel-Air [S]	Fresh Prince of Bel-Air [S]	*** "The Love Bug" (1969, Comedy) Dean Jones, Michele Lee.		News (In Stereo) [S]		In the Heat of the Night "Hatton's Turn" (In Stereo) (Part 2 of 2) [S]		Matlock "The Heist" (In Stereo) (Part 2 of 2) [S]				
6	10	CBS	News	News	News	CBS Evening News	Amen (In Stereo) [S]	Divorce Court (In Stereo) [S]	JAG "Odd Man Out" (N) (In Stereo) [S]	Guardian "Privilege" (N) (In Stereo) [S]	Judging Amy "The Extinction of the Dinosaurs" (In Stereo) [S]	News	Late Show (In Stereo) [S]	Late Late Show [S]				
11	11	FOX	Jerry Springer (N) (In Stereo) [S]	King of the Hill (In Stereo) [S]	Seinfeld "The Wig Master" [S]	Friends (In Stereo) [S]	Everybody-Raymond [S]	That '70s Show (N) [S]	Undeclared (In Stereo) [S]	24 "8:00AM - 9:00AM" (N) (In Stereo) [S]		News	Everybody-Raymond	Drew Carey (In Stereo) [S]	Simpsons (In Stereo) [S]	Paid Program		
13	13	CBS	News [S]	News [S]	News [S]	CBS News	Extra (N) [S]	Frasier [S]	JAG "Odd Man Out" (N) [S]	Guardian "Privilege" (N) [S]	Judging Amy (In Stereo) [S]	News [S]	Late Show (In Stereo) [S]	Late Late				
14	46	ESPN	Unscripted [S]	Interruption	Sportscenter [S]	College Basketball: Michigan State at Iowa. (Live) [S]				College Basketball: Kentucky at Auburn. (Live) [S]				Sportscenter [S]	Life in the D League			
33	30	DSC	Great Chefs	Great Chefs	Hotel Iguana	Stings, Fangs and Spines	New Detectives	New Detectives	FBI Files "Deadly Mission" [S]	Justice Files		New Detectives						
16	31	TNT	Psi Factor: Chronicles	NYPD Blue (In Stereo) [S]	Pretender "Road Trip" [S]	Law & Order "Scrambled" [S]	Law & Order "Disciple" [S]	Charmed (In Stereo) [S]	*** "Witchblade" (2000, Science Fiction) Yancy Butler. [S]		Biography [S]							
31	32	A&E	Magnum, P.I. [S]	Night Court	Newsradio [S]	Law & Order "Self-Defense" [S]	Biography (N) [S]	Law & Order "Homesick" [S]	100 Centre Street "Babies" [S]		Law & Order "Entrapment" [S]	Biography [S]						
27	33	TNN	Baywatch "Leap of Faith" [S]	Real TV (N) [S]	Real TV (N) [S]	Mad TV [S]	Mad TV [S]	Star Trek: Next Gener.	*** "The Doors" (1991, Drama) Val Kilmer, Meg Ryan. Premiere. (In Stereo) [S]		Mad TV [S]							
20	34	NICK	Spongebob	Spongebob	Rocket Power	Thornberrys	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats [S]	Spongebob	Ginger	Kids Say	Kids Say	Cheers [S]	Cheers [S]	All in Family	All in Family	Cheers [S]	Cheers [S]
17	35	USA	Walker, Texas Ranger "Suspicious Minds" (In Stereo) [S]	Walker, Texas Ranger "Fight or Die" (In Stereo) [S]	JAG "JAG TV" (In Stereo) [S]	** "The Thin Red Line" (1998, Drama) (Part 1 of 2) Sean Penn, Adrien Brody. Premiere. (In Stereo) [S]		Combat Missions (In Stereo) [S]		Living Single (In Stereo) [S]	Martin (In Stereo) [S]	Smush (In Stereo) [S]	John Larroquette					
28	2	FAM	Big Wolf	So Little Time	Step by Step	Wonder Yrs.	Funniest Home Videos	** 1/2 "Prelude to a Kiss" (1992, Fantasy) Alec Baldwin. [S]		Whose Line? Whose Line? [S]		700 Club (N) [S]	Wonder Yrs.	Who's Boss?				
22	43	LIFE	Designing	Designing	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Intimate Portrait	Unsolved Mysteries		* 1/2 "Sleeping With the Devil" (1997) Sharnen Doherty. [S]		Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Designing	Designing			
15	45	ESPN2	Super Bowl II	Motoworld	NFL Films	NFL 2Night [S]	Interruption	College Basketball: Virginia at Georgia Tech. (Live) [S]		College Basketball: Cincinnati at St. Louis. (Live) [S]		Tennis: Australian Open - Quarterfinals						
29	49	AMC	Backstory "Die Hard"	Hollywood Lives and Legends "James Bond Story" [S]	Little Rascals [S]	Three Stooges [S]	**** "The Searchers" (1956, Western) John Wayne, Jeffrey Hunter.		*** "The Blue Max" (1966, Drama) George Peppard, James Mason. Premiere.									
41	50	HGTV	Bed & Bath	If Walls Could Dream	Old Homes	This Old Hse.	Curb Appeal	Place to Call	Gardener	Room	Decor.-Cents	Open House	Home Front	Place to Call	Gardener	Room	Decor.-Cents	
35	51	SCIFI	Babylon 5 (In Stereo) [S]	Star Trek "Balance of Terror"	Earth: Final Conflict [S]	Outer Limits "Skin Deep" [S]	W.E.I.R.D. World" (1995, Science Fiction) Dana Ashbrook. [S]	Crossing	Crossing	Crypt Tales	Crypt Tales							
32	52	HIST	In Search	In Search	Black Sheep Squadron [S]	Aqueducts: Man Made	End of the World [S]	Wrath of God [S]	Stories From the HOF		Ghost Ships [S]	End of the World [S]						
37	55	TOC	Outdoors	Outdoors	New Gold Fever	Gold	Outdoors	Adv. Bound	Primos' Truth	Hunting	Spirit of Wild	Hunting	Hunting	Outdoor	Hunting With	Penn-Wds	Bass Fishing	
204	14	HBO	(4:15) *** "Cast Away" (2000, Drama) Tom Hanks, Helen Hunt. (In Stereo) PG-13 [S]	** "Big Bully" (1996, Comedy) Rick Moranis, Tom Arnold. (In Stereo) PG [S]	** 1/2 "Pay It Forward" (2000, Drama) Kevin Spacey, Helen Hunt. (In Stereo) PG-13 [S]	Collateral-First	Sex and the City [S]	Project Greenlight [S]	Oz "Dream a Little Dream of Me" (In Stereo) [S]									
210	15	HBO2	**** "Patton" (1970, Biography) George C. Scott, Karl Malden. (In Stereo) PG [S]	** "The Art of War" (2000, Action) Wesley Snipes. 'R' [S]		*** "A Bright Shining Lie" (1998, Drama) Bill Paxton. 'R' [S]		Picture Perfect: Sports										
211	16	HBO3	*** "Two Family House" (2000, Drama) Michael Rispoli, Kelly Macdonald. (In Stereo) 'R' [S]	** 1/2 "Jane Eyre" (1996, Drama) William Hurt, Charlotte Gainsbourg. (In Stereo) PG [S]	** "The Wedding Planner" (2001, Comedy) Jennifer Lopez. PG-13 [S]	* 1/2 "Four Rooms" (1995, Comedy) Tim Roth, Valeria Golino. (In Stereo) 'R' [S]	*** "Sirens" (1994) 'R' [S]											
205	17	MAX	(4:30) ** "Under Suspicion" (2000, Mystery) Morgan Freeman. (In Stereo) 'R' [S]	** "Malone" (1987, Drama) Burt Reynolds, Cliff Robertson. (In Stereo) 'R' [S]	** 1/2 "The Replacements" (2000, Comedy) Keanu Reeves, Gene Hackman. (In Stereo) PG-13 [S]	* 1/2 "Dude, Where's My Car?" (2000, Comedy) Ashton Kutcher. PG-13 [S]	Real Sex 15 (In Stereo) [S]	** "Death Machine" 'R' [S]										
34	29	DISN	Boy Meets World [S]	Even Stevens	Smart Guy [S]	Boy Meets World [S]	"Horse Sense" (1999, Drama) Andrew Lawrence	Joey Lawrence. ** 1/2 "Flash" (1997, Adventure) Lucas Black, Ellen Burstyn.	"Legend of Pirate's Point" (1998, Adventure) Asher Melchik, Sam Gifaldi. 'G' [S]		So Weird "Memory" [S]	Famous Jett Jackson [S]						
206	22	SHOW	(4:15) ** 1/2 "Where the River Runs Black" (1986, Drama)	*** "Inherit the Wind" (1999, Drama) Jack Lemmon, George C. Scott. (In Stereo) [S]	* 1/2 "Lucky Numbers" (2000, Comedy) John Travolta, Lisa Kudrow. (In Stereo) [S]	Chris Isaak "Chris Isaak Day" (iTV)	Queer as Folk (iTV) (In Stereo) [S]	*** "Double Jeopardy" (1999) Tommy Lee Jones. [S]										
213	25	TMC	** Meeting Daddy (1998)	*** "Bad Manners" (1997, Comedy) David Strathairn, Bonnie Bedelia. (In Stereo) [S]	** "Mad About Mambo" (2000, Comedy) William Ash, Keri Russell. (In Stereo) [S]	** "Runaway Bride" (1999, Comedy) Julia Roberts, Richard Gere. (In Stereo) [S]	* "National Lampoon's Movie Madness" (1981, Comedy) Peter Fiegert, Diane Lane.	* "H.O.T.S." (1979)										

Crossword...



ACROSS

- 1. Role on *Dharma & Greg*
- 5. *The ___ and I*; '47 Fred MacMurray film
- 8. *The In-___*; '79 Peter Falk movie
- 9. FBI agent on *The X-Files*
- 13. Candy bar name
- 14. ___ Delany
- 15. Serling
- 16. Actress Barbara
- 17. Letters
- 18. Ryan and others
- 21. Irving or Madigan
- 22. Fighting knife
- 25. Fictional captain
- 26. Prefix for form or sex
- 27. NBA or AMA
- 28. ___ *About You*

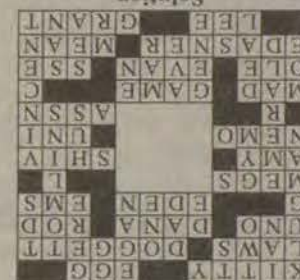
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- 30. *The Dating ___*
- 34. Vaudevillian Olsen
- 35. Jaime Gomez's role on *Nash Bridges*
- 36. Traveler's direction; abbr.
- 38. '78 Best Actor in a Drama Series Emmy winner (2)
- 40. *Very ___ Men*; 2000 Martin Landau film
- 41. Bruce or Brenda
- 42. Role for 38 Across

- 5. Actor Richard
- 6. Garbo's insigne
- 7. Star of the '79 film *Yanks*
- 9. Raising ___
- 10. ___ on *One*
- 11. Lily's family
- 12. Saints' goals, for short
- 14. ABC followers
- 19. ___ *Point, N.A.S.* ('83-'84)
- 20. School building
- 23. Kelly and others
- 24. Role on *Judging Amy*
- 28. Mr. Howard
- 29. *Shannon's ___* ('90-'91)
- 30. Wilder
- 31. Start of a beloved prayer
- 32. Ruin

- 32. Ruin
- 33. Prefix for large or liven
- 36. Jacques Cousteau's realm
- 37. *The ___ Pedro Beach Bums*; '77 sitcom
- 39. Eggar's insigne
- 40. ___ *President* ('87-'88)

Solution
David Duchovny



The identity of the featured celebrity is found within the answers in the puzzle. In order to take the TV Challenge, unscramble the letters noted with asterisks within the puzzle.

SATURDAY MORNING/AFTERNOON JANUARY 26, 2002

TV	Time	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	12:00	12:30	1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30	
24	38	TBS	Family Matters	Family Matters	Ripley's Believe It or Not!	Fresh Prince of Bel-Air	Cosby Show "Autumn Gifts"	"When Secrets Kill" (1997, Drama) Gregory Harrison, Roxanne Hart.					*** "Dead Calm" (1988, Suspense) (PA) Sam Neill, Nicole Kidman.	** "Heaven's Prisoners" (1996, Drama) Alec Baldwin.				
3	3	NBC	City Guys (In Stereo) (E)	All About Us (In Stereo) (E)	Just Deal (In Stereo) (E)	City Guys (In Stereo) (E)	Skate "The Map" (E)	NBA Inside Stuff (N)	Coach Tubby Smith	Coach Greg White	Hawthorne	Paid Program	Freezer Burn (In Stereo) (E)	NBA on NBC (N)	NBA Basketball: New York Knicks at Milwaukee Bucks. (In Stereo Live) (E)			
4	5	PBS	(8:00) Bookworm Bunch (N) (In Stereo) (E)	Anne of Green Gables	Zoom (In Stereo) (E)	Sewing With Nancy (E)	Martha's Sewing Room	Inside Ky. Schl	Bookclub at KET (E)	Literary Visions (E)	Literary Visions (E)	Voices in Democracy (E)	Voices in Democracy (E)	Marketing	Marketing	GED Connection	GED Connection	
8	8	ABC	Recess (In Stereo) (E)	Recess (In Stereo) (E)	Lizzie McGuire (E)	Even Stevens (In Stereo) (E)	House of Mouse (E)	Mountaineer Jammin'	College Basketball: Seton Hall at Notre Dame. (Live)				College Basketball: Regional Coverage				Golf: Senior Skins Game -- Front Nine. (Live) (E)	
40	9	WGN	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Soul Train (In Stereo)	*** "The Rocketeer" (1991, Adventure) Bill Campbell, Jennifer Connelly. (In Stereo) (E)				Lost World "Brothers in Arms" (N) (In Stereo) (E)		Earth: Final Conflict "Legacy" (N) (In Stereo) (E)			
6	10	CBS	(8:30) Saturday Early Show (E)	Little Bill (In Stereo) (E)	Franklin (In Stereo) (E)	Oswald (In Stereo) (E)	White Mobile Homes	Phil Simms All-Iron Team (N)	College Basketball: South Carolina at Mississippi. (Live)				College Basketball: Georgia at Vanderbilt. (Live)					
11	11	FOX	Digimon-Digital	Medabots (In Stereo) (E)	Ripping Friends (E)	Digimon-Digital	Mon Colle Knights (E)	Alienators: Evolution	NFL Under the Helmet (E)	Pretender "Risqué Business" (In Stereo) (E)	Mutant X "Whiter Shade of Pale" (N) (E)	Cheers (In Stereo) (E)	College Basketball: Georgia at Vanderbilt. (Live)					
13	13	CBS	(8:00) Saturday Early Show	Auto Class.	Blue's Clues	Little Bill (E)	Paid Program	Phil Simms All-Iron Team (E)	College Basketball: Conn. at Ariz., Fla. at Ark. or Ill. at Ind				PGA Golf: Phoenix Open -- Third Round. (Live) (E)					
14	46	ESPN	Sportscenter (E)	Super Bowl	Sportscenter (E)	College Basketball: Temple at North Carolina State. (Live) (E)												College Football: Gridiron Classic. (Live) (E)
33	30	DSC	Wild Discovery: Forest	Jamu-Orphan Leopard	Meet the Weasels	Billion Dollar Disasters		Disasters: Hurricane Floyd		To Be Announced		Supervolcanoes		Hidden History of Egypt				
15	31	TNT	Escape AI	"Monday Night Mayhem" (2002, Drama) John Turturro. (E)	*** "Cliffhanger" (1993, Adventure) Sylvester Stallone. (E)		*** "The Replacement Killers" (1998) Chow Yun-Fat. (E)		** "Witchblade" (2000) Yancy Butler. (E)									
31	32	A&E	America's Castles (E)	House Beautiful (E)	Incurable Collector (E)	Travels With	Travels With	Murder, She Wrote (E)	** 1/2 "Columbo: Sex and the Married Detective" (1989) (E)				Investigative Reports (E)					
27	33	TNN	Saltwater	North-Alaska	Outdoors	Outdoors	Turkey Call	Grigsby	Bill Dance	In-Fisherman	Trucks! (N)	Horsepower	Hot Rodding	Car	Monster Jam (In Stereo)	*** "The Birdcage" (1996)		
20	34	NICK	Rugrats (E)	Rugrats (E)	Spongebob	Spongebob	Hey Arnold!	Hey Arnold!	Oddparents	Oddparents	Thornberrys	Catdog	Rugrats (E)	Ginger	Spongebob	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats (E)	Oddparents
17	35	USA	Paid Program	Paid Program	** 1/2 "Undercover Blues" (1993, Comedy) Kathleen Turner, Dennis Quaid. (E)				** 1/2 "Bird on a Wire" (1990, Adventure) Mel Gibson, Goldie Hawn. (In Stereo) (E)				** 1/2 "Six Days, Seven Nights" (1998, Adventure) Harrison Ford, Anne Heche. (In Stereo) (E)					
23	2	FAM	Braceface (E)	Totally Spies	Pretenders	Braceface (E)	S Club 7 (E)	So Little Time	Go for It!	Da Mob (E)	Two of a Kind	** 1/2 "Police Academy 4: Citizens on Patrol" (1987, Comedy)		*** "Bronco Billy" (1980) Clint Eastwood.				
22	43	LIFE	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Lifetime Now	Women	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	** "Murder in New Hampshire: The Pamela Smart Story"		"Final Justice" (1998, Drama) Annette O'Toole. (E)					
15	45	ESPN2	Sportsman's	Fly Fishing	Walker's Cay	Bassmasters (N)	Timbersport	Motorcycle Racing	Motorcycle Racing	College Basketball: Dayton at Xavier. (Live) (E)		NHL Hockey (Live) (E)						
29	49	AMC	Three Stooges (E)	Boom: Hollywood's Greatest Disaster Movies	*** 1/2 "Guess Who's Coming to Dinner" (1967, Comedy) Spencer Tracy, Katharine Hepburn.				*** "Silver Streak" (1976, Comedy) Gene Wilder, Jill Clayburgh.				**** "Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid" (1969, Western) Paul Newman, Robert Redford.					
40	50	HGTV	Dream	New Spaces	Ground	Designer's	Landscape	Garden-Yard	This Old Hse.	This Old Hse.	Dream	Curb Appeal	Carol Duvall	Carol Duvall	Inside Dirt	Winter	Journal	Gardeners
35	51	SCIFI	Mystery Science Theater 3000				** "Homewrecker" (1992, Science Fiction) Robby Benson.				* "Dark Planet" (1997, Science Fiction) Paul Mercurio. (E)		"W.E.I.R.D. World" (1995, Science Fiction) Dana Ashbrook. (E)					
32	52	HIST	Secrets of World War II		Black Sheep Squadron (E)		China Beach "Twilight" (E)		History vs. Hollywood		Making a Buck (E)		Great Ships		Battle Stations (E)			
37	55	TOC	Raceline	Snowmobiler	Outdoor	New Gold Fever	NW Hunter	Outside	Boat World	Mid-Atl. Bite	Paid Program	Outdoors	Houston Adv.	Fishing	Paid Program	Closing Dist.	Fishing	
24	14	HBO	The Wedding Planner (E)	** "Police Academy 2: Their First Assignment" (1985) Steve Guttenberg. (E)			Inside the NFL (In Stereo) (E)		*** "Talent for the Game" (1991, Drama) Edward James Olmos. (In Stereo) PG (E)		** "Medicine Man" (1992, Drama) Sean Connery, Lorraine Bracco. (In Stereo) PG-13 (E)		Reverb (In Stereo) (E)		The Wedding Planner (E)			
210	15	HBO2	Pee-wee	** "Bootmen" (2000) Adam Garcia. (R) (E)		** 1/2 "Woman on Top" (2000, Comedy) (R)		** 1/2 "For Keeps" (1988, Drama) Molly Ringwald. PG-13 (E)		* 1/2 "What Planet Are You From?" (2000) (R)		"Welcome Home" (1989) (R)						
211	16	HBO3	(8:00) *** 1/2 "Little Women" (1994) Winona Ryder. PG (E)	*** "Men of Honor" (2000, Drama) Robert De Niro, Cuba Gooding Jr.. (In Stereo) (R) (E)			Making of Men of Honor		*** "The Lesser Evil" (1998, Drama) Colm Faore, Tony Goldwyn. (In Stereo) (R) (E)		*** "Goya in Bordeaux" (1999, Drama) Francisco Rabal, Jose Coronado. (In Stereo) (R)		Almost Famous (1996) (R) (E)					
305	17	MAX	(8:30) "To Face Her Past" (1996, Drama) Patty Duke.	* 1/2 "Dude, Where's My Car?" (2000, Comedy) Ashton Kutcher. PG-13 (E)		"Beautiful Joe" (2000, Comedy-Drama) Billy Connolly, Sharon Stone. (In Stereo) (R) (E)		* 1/2 "The Three Musketeers" (1993, Adventure) Charlie Sheen, Kiefer Sutherland. (In Stereo) PG (E)		** 1/2 "Switch" (1991, Comedy) Ellen Barkin, Jimmy Smits. (In Stereo) (R) (E)		"Proximity" (2000) (R) (E)						
34	29	DISN	Rolie Polie Olie (E)	Rolie Polie Olie (E)	Stanley (E)	Stanley (E)	Doug "Doug's in Debt!" (E)	Pepper Ann	Honey, I Shrunk the Kids "Honey, Meet the Barbarians"	Proud Family "Strike" (E)	Lizzie McGuire (E)	"Zenon: Girl of the 21st Century" (1999, Science Fiction) Kirsten Storms, Raven-Symone. (E)		So Weird "Avatar" (E)		Famous Jett Jackson (E)		
206	22	SHOW	Once Upon a Crime (1992)	** "Paternity" (1981, Comedy) Burt Reynolds, Beverly D'Angelo. (TV)			** "The Baby-Sitters Club" (1995, Drama) Schuyler Fisk, Bre Blair. (TV). (In Stereo) (E)		** "Snow Day" (2000, Comedy) Chris Elliott, Mark Webber. (TV). (In Stereo) (E)		* 1/2 "Molly" (1999, Drama) Elisabeth Shue, Aaron Eckhart. (TV). (In Stereo) (E)		* "Boys and Girls" (2000, Comedy) Freddie Prinze Jr.. (E)					
210	25	TMC	(8:00) *** 1/2 "The Right Stuff" (1983, Drama) Sam Shepard, Scott Glenn. (In Stereo) (E)	** "Morons From Outer Space" (1985, Comedy) Mel Smith, Griff Rhys Jones.			*** "Sir of Echoes" (1999, Horror) Kevin Bacon, Kathryn Erbe. (In Stereo) (E)		*** "Ruthless People" (1986, Comedy) Danny DeVito, Bette Midler. (In Stereo) (E)		*** 1/2 "The Right Stuff" (1983, Drama) Sam Shepard.							

Critter

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if it seems safe for your pup's size and age, and then try to decide if its texture is going to cause confusion with any household items. For instance, fabric and wood can be dangerous if chewed up and swallowed, and they also resemble furniture items.

Plastic, rubber and hard nylon items are usually good choices and many toys of this nature are available. There are new chew toys now made of cornstarch and other digestible materials. Lots of pups love the fake fleece toys, and these are not necessarily off limits, because the texture is pretty unique, and they absorb the puppy's own scent well, labeling them as his property. It's also a good idea not to overload the pup

with choices. Two or three well-chosen toys makes it easier for him to discriminate which items belong to him. You don't have to feel like Scrooge, either. It's perfectly OK to buy puppy new toys, but only leave two or three out at a time. Every few days, rotate some of them, so there is always something novel and interesting to play with.

None of this relieves you of the responsibility for puppy-proofing your home-things like houseplants and electrical cords need to be put out of reach, and the puppy must be supervised. When you catch puppy in the act, tell him "No" or use a noise maker, such as a soda can with a few pebbles inside, to distract him away

from what he's doing. Immediately give him one of his toys and praise him when he begins to mouth it. Repellant sprays may be necessary in some cases. I once had a terrier pup who was becoming obsessed with electrical cords. This became obvious when he munched the phone cord in two while I was talking to someone. I painted all the cords within reach with a product intended to be used on a child's thumb to prevent his sucking on it. I don't even know if they still make the stuff, but Linus hated the taste, and gave up his dangerous habit within a few days. (Of course, he then turned to systematically removing the stuffing from the underside of the sofa,

which was a whole different ballgame. Blocking his access until he got too big to crawl underneath solved this one.)

Physical punishment is not very effective in the long run, because it sends the wrong signal to the pup, that you object to the chewing itself, which is something he HAS to do. The message you want to get across is that he is free to chew all he wants as long as the item is acceptable.

Puppies are frustrating, no doubt about it, but time invested in channeling their habits properly as babies will yield long-term benefits in well-behaved adult dogs. In the future we'll take on some of those other annoying puppy habits.



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SATURDAY MORNING/AFTERNOON																TVDATA		JANUARY 26, 2002	
CH	CC	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	12:00	12:30	1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30		
24	38	TBS	Family Matters	Family Matters	Ripley's Believe It or Not!	Fresh Prince of Bel-Air	Cosby Show "Autumn Gifts"	"When Secrets Kill" (1997, Drama) Gregory Harrison, Roxanne Hart.				*** "Dead Calm" (1988, Suspense) (PA) Sam Neill, Nicole Kidman.		** "Heaven's Prisoners" (1996, Drama) Alec Baldwin.					
3	3	NBC	City Guys (In Stereo) (E) (S)	All About Us (In Stereo) (E) (S)	Just Deal (In Stereo) (E) (S)	City Guys (In Stereo) (E) (S)	Skate "The Map" (E) (S)	NBA Inside Stuff (N) (S)	Coach Tubby Smith	Coach Greg White	Hawthorne	Paid Program	Freezer Burn (In Stereo) (S)	NBA on NBC (N) (S)	NBA Basketball: New York Knicks at Milwaukee Bucks. (In Stereo Live) (S)				
4	5	PBS	(8:00) Bookworm Bunch (N) (In Stereo) (E) (S)	Anne of Green Gables	Zoom (In Stereo) (E) (S)	Sewing With Nancy	Martha's Sewing Room	Inside Ky. Schl	Bookclub at KET	Literary Visions	Literary Visions	Voices in Democracy	Voices in Democracy	Marketing	Marketing	GED Connection	GED Connection		
8	8	ABC	Recess (In Stereo) (E) (S)	Recess (In Stereo) (E) (S)	Lizzie McGuire	Even Stevens (In Stereo) (E) (S)	House of Mouse	College Basketball: Seton Hall at Notre Dame. (Live)				College Basketball: Regional Coverage		Golf: Senior Skins Game - Front Nine. (Live) (S)					
40	9	WGN	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Soul Train (In Stereo)	*** "The Rocketeer" (1991, Adventure) Bill Campbell, Jennifer Connelly. (In Stereo) (S)			Lost World "Brothers in Arms" (N) (In Stereo) (S)		Earth: Final Conflict "Legacy" (N) (In Stereo) (S)					
6	10	CBS	(8:30) Saturday Early Show (S)	Little Bill (In Stereo) (E) (S)	Franklin (In Stereo) (E) (S)	Oswald (In Stereo) (E) (S)	White Mobile Homes	Phil Simms All-Iron Team (N)	College Basketball: South Carolina at Mississippi. (Live)			College Basketball: Georgia at Vanderbilt. (Live)							
11	11	FOX	Digimon-Digital	Medabots (In Stereo) (S)	Ripping Friends	Digimon-Digital	Mon Colle Knights	Alienators: Evolution	NFL Under the Helmet	Pretender "Risque Business" (In Stereo) (S)	Mutant X "Whiter Shade of Pale" (N) (S)	Cheers (In Stereo) (S)	College Basketball: Georgia at Vanderbilt. (Live)						
13	13	CBS	(8:00) Saturday Early Show	Auto Class.	Blue's Clues	Little Bill	Paid Program	Phil Simms All-Iron Team	College Basketball: Conn. at Ariz., Fla. at Ark. or Ill. at Ind.			PGA Golf: Phoenix Open - Third Round. (Live) (S)							
14	46	ESPN	Sportscenter	Super Bowl	Sportscenter	College Basketball: Temple at North Carolina State. (Live) (S)			College Football: Gridiron Classic. (Live) (S)										
33	30	DSC	Wild Discovery: Forest	Jamu-Orphan Leopard	Meet the Weasels	Billion Dollar Disasters			Disasters: Hurricane Floyd			To Be Announced		Supervolcanoes		Hidden History of Egypt			
16	31	TNT	Escape AI	"Monday Night Mayhem" (2002, Drama) John Turturro. (S)			*** "Cliffhanger" (1993, Adventure) Sylvester Stallone. (S)			** "The Replacement Killers" (1998) Chow Yun-Fat. (S)			** "Witchblade" (2000) Yancy Butler. (S)						
31	32	A&E	America's Castles	House Beautiful	Incurable Collector	Travels With	Travels With	Murder, She Wrote	** 1/2 "Columbo: Sex and the Married Detective" (1989) (S)			Investigative Reports							
27	33	TNN	Saltwater	North-Alaska	Outdoors	Outdoors	Turkey Call	Grigsby	Bill Dance	In-Fisherman	Trucks! (N)	Horsepower	Hot Rodding	Car	Monster Jam (In Stereo)	*** "The Birdcage" (1996)			
20	34	NICK	Rugrats	Rugrats	Spongeb	Spongeb	Hey Arnold!	Hey Arnold!	Oddparents	Oddparents	Thornberrys	Catdog	Rugrats	Ginger	Spongeb	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	Oddparents	
17	35	USA	Paid Program	Paid Program	** 1/2 "Undercover Blues" (1993, Comedy) Kathleen Turner, Dennis Quaid. Premiere. (S)			** 1/2 "Bird on a Wire" (1990, Adventure) Mel Gibson, Goldie Hawn. (In Stereo) (S)			** 1/2 "Six Days, Seven Nights" (1998, Adventure) Harrison Ford, Anna Heche. (In Stereo) (S)								
28	2	FAM	Braceface	Totally Spies	Pretenders	Braceface	S Club 7	So Little Time	Go for It!	Da Mob	Two of a Kind	1/2 "Police Academy 4: Citizens on Patrol" (1987, Comedy) *** "Bronco Billy" (1980) Clint Eastwood.							
22	43	LIFE	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Lifetime Now	Women	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	** "Murder in New Hampshire: The Pamela Smart Story" "Final Justice" (1998, Drama) Annette O'Toole. (S)								
15	45	ESPN2	Sportsman's	Fly Fishing	Walker's Cay	Bassmasters (N)	Timbersport	Motorcycle Racing	Motorcycle Racing	Motorcycle Racing	College Basketball: Dayton at Xavier. (Live) (S)			NHL Hockey (Live) (S)					
23	49	AMC	Three Stooges	Boom: Hollywood's Greatest Disaster Movies	*** 1/2 "Guess Who's Coming to Dinner" (1967, Comedy) Spencer Tracy, Katharine Hepburn.			*** "Silver Streak" (1976, Comedy) Gene Wilder, Jill Clayburgh.			*** "Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid" (1969, Western) Paul Newman, Robert Redford.								
10	50	HGTV	Dream	New Spaces	Ground	Designer's	Landscape	Garden-Yard	This Old Hse.	This Old Hse.	Dream	Curb Appeal	Carol Duvall	Carol Duvall	Inside Dirt	Winter	Journal	Gardeners	
35	51	SCIFI	Mystery Science Theater 3000	** "Homewrecker" (1992, Science Fiction) Robby Benson.			* "Dark Planet" (1997, Science Fiction) Paul Mercurio. (S)			"W.E.I.R.D. World" (1995, Science Fiction) Dana Ashbrook. (S)									
32	52	HIST	Secrets of World War II	Black Sheep Squadron	China Beach	"Twilight" (S)	History vs. Hollywood			Making a Buck			Great Ships			Battle Stations			
37	55	TOC	Raceline	Snowmobiler	Outdoor	New Gold Fever	NW Hunter	Outside	Boat World	Mild-Ati. Bite	Paid Program	Outdoors	Houston Adv.	Fishing	Paid Program	Closing Dist.	Fishing		
204	14	HBO	The Wedding Planner	** "Police Academy 2: Their First Assignment" (1985) Steve Guttenberg. (S)			Inside the NFL (In Stereo) (S)			*** "Talent for the Game" (1991, Drama) Edward James Olmos. (In Stereo) 'PG' (S)			** "Medicine Man" (1992, Drama) Sean Connery, Lorraine Bracco. (In Stereo) 'PG-13' (S)			Reverb (In Stereo) (S)			The Wedding Planner
210	15	HBO2	Pee-wee	** "Bootmen" (2000) Adam Garcia. 'R' (S)			** 1/2 "Woman on Top" (2000, Comedy) 'R' (S)			** 1/2 "For Keeps" (1988, Drama) Molly Ringwald. 'PG-13' (S)			1/2 "What Planet Are You From?" (2000) 'R' (S)			"Welcome Home" (1989) 'R' (S)			
211	16	HBO3	(8:00) *** 1/2 "Little Women" (1994) Winona Ryder. 'PG' (S)	*** "Men of Honor" (2000, Drama) Robert De Niro, Cuba Gooding Jr.. (In Stereo) 'R' (S)			Making of Men of Honor			*** "The Lesser Evil" (1998, Drama) Colm Feore, Tony Goldwyn. (In Stereo) 'R' (S)			*** "Goya in Bordeaux" (1999, Drama) Francisco Rabal, Jose Coronado. (In Stereo) 'R' (S)			Almost Famous (1996) 'R' (S)			
209	17	MAX	(8:30) "To Face Her Past" (1996, Drama) Patty Duke.	1/2 "Dude, Where's My Car?" (2000, Comedy) Ashton Kutcher. 'PG-13' (S)			"Beautiful Joe" (2000, Comedy-Drama) Billy Connolly, Sharon Stone. (In Stereo) 'R' (S)			** 1/2 "The Three Musketeers" (1993, Adventure) Charlie Sheen, Kiefer Sutherland. (In Stereo) 'PG' (S)			** 1/2 "Switch" (1991, Comedy) Ellen Barkin, Jimmy Smits. (In Stereo) 'R' (S)			"Proximity" (2000) 'R' (S)			
30	29	DISN	Rolie Polie Olie	Rolie Polie Olie	Stanley	Stanley	Doug "Doug's in Debt!"	Pepper Ann	Honey, I Shrank the Kids "Honey, Meet the Barbarians"	Proud Family "Strike" (S)	Lizzie McGuire	"Zenon: Girl of the 21st Century" (1999, Science Fiction) Kirsten Storms, Raven-Symone. (S)			So Weird "Avatar" (S)			Famous Jett Jackson	
206	22	SHOW	Once Upon a Crime (1992)	** "Paternity" (1981, Comedy) Burt Reynolds, Beverly D'Angelo. iTV.			** "The Baby-Sitters Club" (1995, Drama) Schuyler Fisk, Bre Blair. iTV. (In Stereo) (S)			** "Snow Day" (2000, Comedy) Chris Elliott, Mark Webber. iTV. (In Stereo) (S)			1/2 "Molly" (1999, Drama) Elisabeth Shue, Aaron Eckhart. iTV. (In Stereo) (S)			* "Boys and Girls" (2000, Comedy) Freddie Prinze Jr.. (S)			
215	25	TMC	(8:00) *** 1/2 "The Right Stuff" (1983, Drama) Sam Shepard, Scott Glenn. (In Stereo) (S)	** "Morons From Outer Space" (1985, Comedy) Mel Smith, Griff Rhys Jones.			*** "Stir of Echoes" (1999, Horror) Kevin Bacon, Kathryn Erbe. (In Stereo) (S)			*** "Ruthless People" (1986, Comedy) Danny DeVito, Bette Midler. (In Stereo) (S)			*** 1/2 "The Right Stuff" (1983, Drama) Sam Shepard.						

10 p.m. NBC

Crossing Jordan

The mysterious death of a homeless man, whose body seems to display stigmata -- or the wounds of Christ, gives Jordan (Jill Hennessy) an especially puzzling mystery in "Miracles & Wonders." Matters get more complicated when the corpse vanishes. Max (Ken Howard) is shaken by a possible health crisis. An alleged Elvis Presley sighting worries others.

TUESDAY JANUARY 22, 2002

8 p.m. A&E

Biography

Laugh Out Loud: TV's 15 Greatest Comedians compiles a list of the top comedy stars in television history. It shouldn't be too hard to guess at a couple of the candidates, such as Lucille Ball and Jackie Gleason, but some of the others may come as surprises. The selections span comics from the golden age of the medium right up to the present day.

8 p.m. NBC

In Style Magazine: Celebrity Weddings II

In a new special coordinated with the publication's content, more recent marriages of famous people are showcased, including Christina Applegate, Toni Braxton, Kelly Rutherford, Eddie Cibrian and Pierce Brosnan. While the program provides certain tips on how others may want to stage their own nuptials, it bears mentioning that some of them get special perks the general public might not. That said, the featured ceremonies are quite nice to observe.

8 p.m. UPN

Buffy the Vampire Slayer

She definitely died in last season's finale, so how does the fighter (Sarah Michelle Gellar) of the undead return to life? That question is answered in the repeat of this season's two-hour premiere, "Bargaining." While struggling to fight off demons without her help, Willow is determined to bring Buffy back. Ultimately, the slayer is revived, but it's no easy task.

8 p.m. WB

Gilmore Girls

Though her home is breaking down, thanks to termites, Lorelai (Lauren Graham) doesn't feel she's in a position to commission any repair work in "Secrets and Loans." However, Rory (Alexis Bledel) feels that something needs to be done -- and soon -- so she approaches her grandmother (Kelly Bishop), which only provokes another argument between her grandmother and mom.

9 p.m. NBC

Frasier

Frasier (Kelsey Grammer) doesn't anticipate having much of a problem when he agrees to be a guest on a radio program featuring teens in "Juvenilia." However, the youths prove to be more than a match for him, forcing him to take desperate measures to salvage his reputation. Niles (David Hyde Pierce) strives to become more spontaneous.

9 p.m. check local listings PBS

Secret Life of the Brain

This new, five-part miniseries explores a variety of factors in regard to the matter known as gray matter. Narrated by actress Blair Brown, Part 1 details how early in the life process the development of brain cells

begins in "The Baby's Brain: Wider Than the Sky/The Child's Brain: Syllable From Sound." The first year of a human's existence shapes it through external input. Learning disorders such as dyslexia are also examined in this special.

9:30 p.m. NBC

Scrubs

In "My Drug Buddy," J.D.'s (Zach Braff) new relationship with a former patient (Elizabeth Bogush) is moving right along. He thinks Elliot (Sarah Chalke) is



Chyler Leigh, Glenn Howerton, Tinsley Grimes, Margaret Smith, Brittany Daniel and Eddie Chin (clockwise from left) star in That '80s Show premiering Wednesday on Fox.

merely displaying jealousy when she warns him against continuing the romance. Turk (Donald Faison) finds he has a rival for Carla's (Judy Reyes) affections in Dr. Cox (John C. McGinley).

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 23, 2002

8 p.m. ABC

My Wife and Kids

One of the running jokes in the movie Four Weddings and a Funeral was the Hugh Grant character's tardiness at virtually every social event he attended. That same syndrome affects Michael (Damon Wayans) in "Get Out," as he tries to ensure his family will be on time for a wedding. As might be expected, intention doesn't necessarily become reality.

8 p.m. FOX

That '80s Show

Given the title, it should come as little surprise that this new comedy is from the producers of That '70s Show. In "Pilot," viewers find the subsequent decade represented primarily by a group of San Diego friends in their 20s. Glenn Howerton and Tinsley Grimes play siblings. Brittany Daniel (Dawson's Creek) and Chyler Leigh (Not Another Teen Movie) also star.

8 p.m. check local listings PBS

American Family

Created and produced by filmmaker Gregory Nava (Selena), this new drama series premieres with "Pilot." It charts the joys and setbacks of a contemporary Mexican-American family in East Los Angeles. Edward James Olmos plays the conservative patriarch, who is

often at odds with his feminist daughter (Constance Marie). Sonia Braga, Esai Morales, Rachel Ticotin and Raquel Welch also star.

8 p.m. TCM

Movie: Citizen Kane

One of the motion-picture industry's true milestones, Orson Welles' 1941 tour de force charts the rise and fall of powerful publisher Charles Foster Kane. Actual newspaper magnate William Randolph Hearst was so incensed by the film, he tried to have it pulled from distribution. Nevertheless, the saga holds the top position on the American Film Institute's list of 100 greatest movies.

8 p.m. TNT

NBA Basketball

The Toronto Raptors may have ultimately done the New York Knicks a favor. When they meet tonight in Toronto, Latrell Sprewell and the Knicks will surely think back to last season's playoffs when the Raptors, led by Vince Carter, eliminated them in the first round. Turmoil has seemed to follow the Knicks since -- coach Jeff Van Gundy's in-season resignation; losing, lackluster play -- all of which should prompt Knicks' management to finally undertake the rebuilding project that is desperately needed.

8:30 p.m. FOX

Grounded for Life

It's all relative for the Finnertys when a plumbing crisis affects their home in "We Are Family." Though Claudia's (Megyn Price) uncle (Vincent Pastore, Sopranos) is an expert at solving such problems, Sean (Donal Logue) fears the fellow is a mobster. Lily (Lynsey Bartilson) is happy about a boost she gets at school, until she learns the reason for it.

10 p.m. NBC

Law & Order

The drama repeats this season's premiere episode, "Who Let the Dogs Out," which introduced Elisabeth Rohm as the latest assistant district attorney to work with Jack McCoy (Sam Waterston). Their first tandem case involves the fatal mauling of a jogger by a dog whose owner has a rather surprising identity: He's an Attica inmate (David Warshofky) who is serving two life sentences.

THURSDAY JANUARY 24, 2002

4 p.m. USA

PGA Golf

USA Network's early-round coverage of the PGA Tour begins this afternoon at the Phoenix Open. A strong field is set to tee off at the Tournament Players Club in Scottsdale, including former champions Mark Calcavecchia (1989, 1992 and 2001), Tom Lehman (2000), Jesper Parnevik (1998) and Phil Mickelson (1996). Cal-cavecchia ate up this course last year, shooting 28-under-par to break a 46-year-old record for lowest 72-hole score. He also set a record for most birdies, making 32 of them over four days. USA continues its coverage Friday and CBS takes over on the weekend.

8 p.m. AMC

Movie: Gandhi

This Academy Award-winning 1982 film garnered eight Oscars, and may be one of the most respected films of all time. Richard Attenborough, who took home the Oscar for best director, weaves the incredible story of Mahatma Gandhi, the lawyer and pacifist who led

India to independence. A true 20th-century hero, Gandhi overcame tremendous obstacles in his quest to gain India's freedom from imperialist Great Britain. Candice Bergen, Edward Fox, John Gielgud and Martin Sheen star alongside Ben Kingsley, whose powerful performance in the title role won him the Oscar for best actor.

8 p.m. SHOWTIME

Movie: Nurse Betty

Renee Zellweger won a Golden Globe Award as the star of director Neil LaBute's (In the Company of Men) offbeat 2000 comedy. The title character is a woman who witnesses her husband's murder, mentally sending her into a fantasy world where she thinks she resides in her favorite soap opera. Morgan Freeman and Chris Rock portray the killers, and Greg Kinnear is also featured.

8 p.m. WB

Angel

The search for Cordelia (Charisma Carpenter) in an alternate dimension may have deadly results for her comrades in the repeat "Through the Looking Glass." Worse still, she may be the one who orders that outcome, since Angel, Gunn and the Host (Davidoreanaz, J. August Richards, Andy Hallett) find that she has become the ruler of that world. But she isn't destined to keep that position for long.

9 p.m. check local listings PBS

Frontline

The rise and fall of many Internet companies is traced in the new installment "Dot Con." People invested enthusiastically in start-up firms through IPOs (initial public offerings), only to suffer financially when profits failed to materialize and stock prices plunged. Reasons for that, which have found authorities probing some investment banks, are detailed in the hourlong program.

9 p.m. USA

JAG

This rare showing of the adventure series "Pilot" recalls how viewers first got to know Lt. Harmon Rabb (David James Elliott), an aviator-turned-lawyer. A judge advocate general for the U.S. Navy, he probes a murder on an aircraft carrier here. Don't look for current co-star Catherine Bell, since Tracey Needham was the female lead when the show began.

10 p.m. CBS

The Agency

There's more to the abduction of an ambassador's daughter (Dahlia Salem) than it first seems in "The Enemy Within." As Matt and Jackson (Gil Bellows, Will Patton) work to retrieve her, they discover she's been secretly working for the CIA. They fear her captors may know that after a supposedly successful rescue attempt only yields a look-alike of the victim.

10 p.m. NBC

ER

Mary McDonnell (Dances With Wolves) and Michael Gross (Family Ties) begin recurring roles as Dr. Carter's (Noah Wyle) parents, who are reunited at the funeral of a relative. Dr. Greene (Anthony Edwards) is confronted with his actions at the end of last season while treating an injured talk show guest (Jessica Townsend) in the encore of "Four Corners."

FRIDAY JANUARY 25, 2002

ARIES

(March 21 to April 19)

Your batteries should be fully recharged by now, making you more than eager to get back into the swing of things full time. Try to stay focused so that you don't dissipate your energies.

TAURUS

(April 20 to May 20)

You're eager to charge straight ahead into your new responsibilities. But you'll have to paw the ground a little longer, until a surprise complication is worked out.

GEMINI

(May 21 to June 20)

Rival factions are pressuring you to take a stand favoring one side or the other. But this isn't the time to play judge. Bow out as gracefully as possible, without committing yourself to any position.

CANCER

(June 21 to July 22)

Reassure a longtime, trusted confidante that you appreciate his or her words of advice. But at this time, you need to act on what you perceive to be your own sense of self-interest.

LEO

(July 23 to August 22)

You need to let your warm Leonine heart



fire up that new relationship if you hope to see it move from the "just friends" level to one that will be as romantic as you could hope for.

VIRGO

(August 23 to September 22)

There's still time to repair a misunderstanding with an honest explanation and a heartfelt apology. The sooner you do, the sooner you can get on with other matters.

LIBRA

(September 23 to October 22)

Expect a temporary setback as you progress toward your goal. Use this time to re-examine your plans and see where you might need to make some significant changes.

SCORPIO

(October 23 to November 21)

Some missteps are revealed as the cause of current problems in a personal or professional partnership. Make the necessary adjustments and then move on.

SAGITTARIUS

(November 22 to December 21)

Jupiter's influence helps you work through a pesky problem, allowing your naturally jovial attitude to re-emerge stronger than ever. Enjoy your success.

CAPRICORN

(December 22 to January 19)

Set aside your usual reluctance to change, and consider reassessing your financial situation so that you can build on its strengths and minimize its weaknesses.

AQUARIUS

(January 20 to February 18)

Some recently acquired information helps open up a dark part of the past. Resolve to put what you've learned to good use. Travel plans continue to be favored.

PISCES

(February 19 to March 20)

Act on your own keen instincts. Your strong Piscean backbone will support you as someone attempts to pressure you into a decision you're not ready to make.

YOU BORN THIS WEEK: You embody a love for traditional values combined with an appreciation of what's new and challenging.

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Kristoff St. John is "Neil" on "The Young and the Restless"

Soap updates

All the latest on your favorite daytime dramas

ALL MY CHILDREN

On the stand, Erica admitted to killing Frankie in self-defense. Erica later slapped Kendall in the face in front of reporters. After Bianca defended Erica, Kendall reminded her half-sister that the two of them will always be outsiders. Laura told Vanessa she'll give Leo a divorce and a hefty settlement if Vanessa helps her get rid of Greenlee. Later Jake saved Greenlee from the locked steam room and then helped Leo, who had been beaten by Larry. Wait to See: Erica reacts to Kendall's damaging testimony.

AS THE WORLD TURNS

Abigail revisited the scene of the crime. Meanwhile, an increasingly agitated Bonnie and Isaac hit another roadblock. Barbara felt the walls closing in on her. Rose was delighted to see Carly and Emily, but it would prove to be a short-lived joyful experience. Wait to see: Adam and Abigail skip town. Rose and Emily join forces.

THE BOLD AND THE BEAUTIFUL

Amber, Deacon and Bridget agreed to support Rick against Ridge's moves as CEO of Forrester. Later, at the Board meeting, Rick arrived to announce he would represent Brooke. Meanwhile, Massimo got Yves to be his eyes and ears at Forrester. Brooke discussed her conflicted feelings about Deacon with Dr. Isabel. Kristen and Tony returned from Africa with Zende, who was immediately welcomed into the family. Brooke was startled to see Deacon come to the spa. Wait to See: Rick becomes obsessed with "righting" the wrong done to Brooke.

DAYS OF OUR LIVES

Hope insisted that JT was her real son. Nicole had to take action in response to Philip's behavior. Later, Nicole showed Fay taped evidence of Paul's heinous actions. Shawn reached out to Jan. John told a stunned Belle he fathered Hope's child. Wait to See: Hope and Shawn take JT for a DNA test. Will tells Sami he wants to visit Lucas at the rehabilitation center.

GENERAL HOSPITAL

Laura continued to avoid giving Luke an answer to his proposal, prompting him to board a train to an unknown destination, while Laura prepared to follow him. Jax forced Edward to drop the charges against Skye. Later, after Lila rebuked Edward for his behavior, he stormed off into the night, despite suddenly experiencing heart pain. Lucky asked Elizabeth to tell him how she feels about him. Rosco told Carly to consider him her new best friend. Wait to See: Alan starts his own investigation.

(See SOAPS, page fifteen)

TOP TEN



Top 10 Pop Singles

1. Nickelback No. 1 "How You Remind Me" (Roadrunner)
2. Usher No. 2 "U Got It Bad" (Arista)
3. Mary J. Blige No. 3 "Family Affair" (MCA)
4. Pink No. 5 "Get the Party Started" (Arista)
5. Enrique Iglesias No. 4 "Hero" (Interscope)
6. Shakira No. 7 "Whenever, Wherever" (Sony)
7. Ja Rule feat. Ashanti No. 9 "Always On Time" (Murder Inc./Def Jam)
8. Ginuwine No. 6 "Differences" (Epic)
9. Creed No. 11 "My Sacrifice" (Wind-Up)
10. Ja Rule feat. Case No. 8 "Livin' It Up" (Murder Inc./Def Jam)

Top 10 Albums

1. Creed No. 1 "Weathered" (Wind-Up)
2. Various Artists No. 2 "Now 8" (EMI/Universal/Sony/Zomba)
3. Britney Spears No. 4 "Britney" (Jive)
4. Garth Brooks No. 6 "Scarecrow" (Capitol-Nashville)
5. Mannheim Steamroller No. 5 "Christmas Extraordinaire" (American Gramophone)
6. Various Artists No. 3 "Now That's What I Call Christmas" (EMI/Zomba/Sony)
7. Nickelback No. 9 "Silver Side Up" (Roadrunner)
8. Enya No. 7 "A Day Without Rain" (Warner Bros.)
9. No Doubt new entry "Rock Steady" (Interscope)

10. Linkin No. 11 "Hybrid Theory" (Warner Brothers)

Top 10 Hot Country Singles

1. Alan Jackson No. 2 "Where Were You (When the World Stopped Turning)" (Arista Nashville)
2. Toby Keith No. 1 "I Wanna Talk About Me" (DreamWorks)
3. George Strait No. 3 "Run" (MCA Nashville)
4. Aaron Tippin No. 4 "Where the Stars and Stripes and the Eagles Fly" (Lyric Street)
5. Steve Holy No. 7 "Good Morning Beautiful" (Curb)
6. Trace Adkins No. 6 "I'm Tryin'" (Capitol)
7. David Ball No. 5 "Riding With Private Malone" (Dualtone)
8. Garth Brooks No. 8 "Wrapped Up in You" (Capitol)
9. Brad Paisley No. 9 "Wrapped Around" (Arista Nashville)
10. Jo Dee Messina with Tim McGraw No. 11 "Bring on the Rain" (Curb)

Top 10 Movies

1. The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring (PG-13) Elijah Wood, Bill Boyd
2. Ocean's Eleven (PG-13) George Clooney, Brad Pitt
3. Jimmy Neutron: Boy Genius (G) Debi Derryberry, Patrick Stewart
4. Vanilla Sky (R) Tom Cruise, Penelope Cruz
5. How High (R) Method Man, Redman
6. Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone (PG) Daniel Radcliffe, Emma Watson
7. Not Another Teen Movie (R) Chris Evans, Chyler Leigh
8. The Majestic (PG) Jim Carrey, Martin Landou
9. Joe Somebody (PG) Tim Allen, Julie Bowen
10. Monsters, Inc. (G) Billy Crystal, John Goodman

Top 10 Video Rentals

1. Pearl Harbor (PG-13) Ben Affleck (Touchstone Home Video)
2. How the Grinch Stole Christmas (PG) Jim Carrey (Universal Studios Home Video)
3. Planet of the Apes (PG-13) Mark Wahlberg (FoxVideo)
4. America's Sweethearts (PG-13) John Cusack (Columbia TriStar Home Video)
5. Ghosts of Mars (R) Natasha Henstridge (Columbia TriStar Home Video)
6. Swordfish (R) John Travolta (Warner Home Video)
7. Legally Blonde (PG-13) Reese Witherspoon (MGM Home Entertainment)
8. Lara Croft: Tomb Raider (PG-13) Angelina Jolie (Paramount Home Video)
9. Shrek (PG) animated (DreamWorks Home Entertainment)
10. The Animal (PG-13) Rob Schneider (Columbia TriStar Home Video)

Top 10 DVD Sales

1. Pearl Harbor: 60th Anniversary Commemorative Edition (PG-13) (Touchstone Home Video)
2. Shrek — Special Edition (PG) (DreamWorks Home Entertainment)
3. Planet of the Apes (PG-13) (FoxVideo)
4. How the Grinch Stole Christmas — Full Frame (PG) (Universal Studios Home Video)
5. How the Grinch Stole Christmas — Widescreen (PG) (Universal Studios Home Video)
6. Lara Croft: Tomb Raider (PG-13) (Paramount Home Video)
7. Star Wars: Episode 1 — The Phantom Menace (PG) (FoxVideo)
8. The Godfather DVD Collection (R) (Paramount Home Video)
9. Legally Blonde (PG-13) (MGM Home Entertainment)
10. Swordfish (R) (Warner Home Video)

Soaps

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GUIDING LIGHT

Josh informed Reva that he had a "proposal" for her. Cassie was determined to get the truth about the intrigue going on around her. Lorelei's past threatened "Beth's" future. Tony caught Marah in a compromising position. Harley continued to be drawn toward Gus. Wait to See: Edmund tries to cope with his jealousy. Gus creates a problem for Blake.

ONE LIFE TO LIVE

In Mexico, Paloma confessed all to a priest, and announced she was going to Llanview to tell the truth to Blair about Todd and the baby. Cristian overheard Jen tell Rae she can't let him know she's pregnant. Nora failed to dissuade Troy from going ahead with his plans against Lindsay. Viki warned Seth not to hurt Natalie or Jessica. Starr felt increasingly jealous over the attention given to baby Jack. Keri shocked Antonio with the news that she's R.J.'s daughter. Wait to See: Paloma arrives. Lindsay reacts to Troy's truth serum.

PASSIONS

Sheridan felt she'd been at the Crane mansion before as she and Antonio arrived there for Ivy's New Year's party. Meanwhile, Antonio saw the person who forced him to leave Harmony. Tabitha conjured up the ghost of T.C.'s father, who told him Julian caused his (T.C.'s) accident. Ivy told the tabloid reporter, who then told Ethan, that

Theresa was pregnant, and Theresa told Ethan that Julian is the father. Now that he's a real boy, Timmy celebrated New Year's at a teen center. Later, Timmy decided to save the real Charity from the block of ice. Wait to See: Rebecca gets shocking news about her marriage.

PORT CHARLES

Lucy and Paige bonded. Later, Paige persuaded Kevin to paint her picture in oils. Amy noticed the tension between Eve and Ian as Eve's duties as Chief Resident monopolized her time. Alison demanded Rafe stop acting like an angel, and the two wound up in a kiss. Meanwhile, Valerie told Jamal she wants them to have another baby. Casey disappeared after escaping from jail with Ricky. Wait to See: Lucy gets some stunning news.

THE YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS

Sharon told Nikki that Nick was the baby's father, and she blamed him for causing the infant's death. Traci agreed to let Colleen stay with John and not go to boarding school. Phyllis assured Jack she didn't need to see a doctor. Lauren realized Paul didn't know the truth when he said he had reminded Michael of his responsibilities as the father of Isabella's child. Brock was startled to see Amanda. Neil was drunk when he tried to negotiate a deal with a disgusted customer. Wait to See: Victor makes a decision about Neil.

••• This is a Hammer •••

More Faucet Fixes

Last week, we dealt with repairing a leaking, cartridge-type kitchen faucet. Today, I'd like to expand on that column by describing repairs to three other types of faucets in your house: ball, disc and compression faucets.

Like cartridge-type faucets, ball and disc faucets — all with a single handle that controls hot and cold water — have no washers and fewer parts to deal with, making them easier to repair than two-handled compression faucets.

Figuring out whether a single-handled faucet is a ball or disc type can be difficult, since the handles of both types swivel atop a rounded cap. Most, but not all, ball types have a rounded cap with a knurled edge (which allows you to use pliers without scratching the finish). However, if you don't know and don't have the manufacturer's instructions around, you'll have to take apart the faucet and look at the working parts.

Ball types are easy to identify once inside; there's a hollow metal or plastic ball in the center of the cylinder. Leaks can be fixed rapidly: If the faucet leaks from the spout, try tightening the rounded cap first to see if that stops it. If the leak doesn't stop, or if the faucet leaks from the base, disassemble the unit and inspect the ball, washers, springs and O-rings. Replace the ball only if

it's damaged or scratched. If the washers, valves or springs look worn, buy a faucet repair kit (ideally, one that replaces all the parts except the ball) and replace these components.

Disc faucets are some of the most durable hardware items out there. Inside the faucet casing are two ceramic discs, which are quite difficult to damage. They do spring leaks occasionally; however, these are usually due to gunked-up seals or cylinder openings. Clean these by lifting out the cylinder containing the discs; carefully remove the seals from the cylinder openings, using a screwdriver. Wash the seals and the cylinder openings and clean away mineral deposits with an abrasive pad. Don't use sharp tools like a screwdriver or wire to clean the cylinder openings; you could scratch the cylinders. Replace the seals and reassemble the faucet; unless the cylinders themselves are scratched or cracked, the leak should be gone. If not — replace the cylinder.

Compression faucets are a bit more complicated, but not by much. Next week, I'll tell you how to replace parts and seals on this item.

HOME TIP

Remember: Always shut off the water at the closest valve, or at the main cutoff, before starting repairs. When finished, turn the water on slowly.



Edgar Argo

"I want a welcome mat that says 'Go Away.'"

Jovi

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place? "I'm an artist, ultimately, and I love the challenge," he says. Certainly, joining an established series mid season is a gutsy move for someone who had never done television and who hadn't acted since March (in *Vampire Los Muertos*). And while the band comes first, Bon Jovi says he loves both music and acting equally.

"I am simultaneously recording (for an album due in the fall) while I'm doing *Ally*," he says. "I couldn't choose between the two. ... Fortunately, I'm in a position where I can do both."

And though he confirms, chuckling, that the only song off the band's albums he won't sing in concert is the one he didn't write or co-write ("*She Don't Know Me*"), he says it hasn't been hard for him to work with someone else's script.

"I find it very enlightening," he says. "Because I am a songwriter, people take it for granted that I can do this. I've had to work with collaborators on the screenplays, two that I can't wait to start taking around town."

He won't reveal any details, but "I haven't wasted a year and a few months," he promises. "I think they're worthy of being made and being made soon."

In the meantime, might he appear on his favorite TV show, *The Sopranos*, which is set (and partly shot) in his home state of New Jersey?

"(Writer) David Chase once told me, before the second season, and he has stuck to this, to his credit," he says, "I'm too famous for the Sopranos to know. And anyone from Jersey is going to know that Jon is playing (a character)."

That undoubtedly is true for someone New Jerseyites reportedly consider one of the holy four, along with the Sopranos, Springsteen and Sinatra. "That's wonderful. That's really cool," he says upon hearing this. "Ha! The holy four. Wow. That's

pretty neat. Thank him."

Bon Jovi still lives in New Jersey, with wife Dorothea, Stephanie Rose and 6-year-old Jesse James, so the events of Sept. 11 have an added poignancy. Over the past few months, he has performed at numerous benefits for the victims. The owner of a Superman tattoo and a Golden Globe for the song "Blaze of Glory," about a cowboy's final stand, puts firefighters at the top of his list of heroes these days.

"I have to honestly say that they're the sort of things you took for granted," he says. "... I appreciated what they did, but I never took the time to think about what heroes they really were."

Bon Jovi has served as an ambassador of rock before. As part of the first American band to play the Soviet Union, he saw how entertainment can help people from different cultures find common ground. "If it's there to soothe somebody, then wonderful," he says.

"If it's there to educate others, great. You know, there's good and bad in every style of music and movie, TV show. But hopefully, people will pick up the good and shy away from the bad."

Looking back over a year in which it seemed he was everywhere — the America: A Tribute to Heroes special; touring with the band; the My VH-1 Music Awards — Bon Jovi says, "Every year, I could sit there at the end of it and say 'This is the most amazing year. Take a picture. Who knows what next year is going to bring?' And then the other side of me pops up and says, 'Just wait till you see what we've got for next year.'"

"I love the excitement. I love that challenge. I'm not ready to just sit around my house and be a gardener yet ... I've realized, as I hit 40 this year — the thrill of the chase has always been more exciting — an crossing the finish line."

Best Bets...

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8 p.m. CBS

The King of Queens

Series star Kevin James co-wrote "No Retreat," which originally aired in October. In it, Doug (James) isn't thrilled about joining Carrie (Leah Remini) on her business retreat. It takes place at a mountain resort where there's no television available, making Doug even more irritable. Meanwhile, back at home, Arthur (Jerry Stiller) makes a shambles of things when left by himself.

8 p.m. FOX

The Chamber

Just when prime-time game shows seemed to be on the wane, along comes this one. It lets contestants vie to enter the title chamber, an enclosed area where players are subjected to a variety of physical and environmental tests. They have the chance to win \$500,000, but the challenges they face ensure that it won't be easy.

9 p.m. FOX

24

Kimberly and Teri (Elisha Cuthbert, Leslie Hope) find themselves in the same boat in "8:00AM - 9:00AM." They're both prisoners at the compound, with Jack (Kiefer Sutherland) their only hope of being rescued. However, he has fresh problems of his own: He's now considered the main suspect in the assassination plot against Sen. Palmer (Dennis Haysbert).

9 p.m. HBO

Movie: Cast Away

Tom Hanks earned another Oscar nomination by reteaming with Forrest Gump director Robert Zemeckis on this 2000 drama. The actor holds the screen by himself -- or, more precisely, in tandem with a volleyball -- for the bulk of the film, as he plays a Federal Express worker stranded by a plane crash on an island where



Farrah Fawcett takes on the dramatic role of a woman accused of murdering her children in *Small Sacrifices*, airing Saturday on Life-time.

he spends four years. Helen Hunt plays his girlfriend back home.

9 p.m. TNT

Movie: The Mummy

The classic horror tale gets an update with this special-effects-laden 1999 version. Brendan Fraser stars as an adventurer enlisted by endangered siblings (Rachel Weisz, John Hannah) to lead them to a legendary Egyptian tomb that contains more than the treasure they seek. Raiders of the Lost Ark-style perils get in the way of their quest.

9:30 p.m. ESPN

Tennis

It all started here last year for Jennifer Capriati at the Australian Open. Seemingly out of no-where, the 12th-seeded Florida native defeated past champions Monica Seles, Lindsay Davenport and Martina Hingis enroute to her first Grand Slam title. Might tonight's women's championship from Melbourne, provide another underdog a chance at stardom? Capriati went on to win two other tournaments in 2001, including the French Open. She also reached the No. 1 position in the rankings and was named the AP Female Athlete of the Year.

10 p.m. check local listings PBS

Senior Year

The students of Fairfax High School must deal with

atragic loss in "Angels Protect My Heart," as one of their own dies after being hit by a car. The victim's friends struggle to cope with the tragedy in different ways. Kendra doesn't like the way she's treated by the cameraman shooting senior portraits, and gay students attend a Models of Pride rally.

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7 p.m. LIFETIME

Movie: Small Sacrifices

Farrah Fawcett was nominated for an Emmy and a Golden Globe for her performance in this 1989 drama, which is a cut above the usual based-on-a-true-crime TV movie. She plays D-ane Downs, an Oregon mother of three who blames the shootings of herself and her three children on a mysterious stranger. A persistent detective (Gordon Clapp) uncovers the terrible truth: Mom was trying to get the kids out of the way to lure back a lover. Ryan O'Neal also stars.

7:30 p.m. USA

Movie: The Siege

Manhattan becomes a virtual prison because of foreign terrorists' actions in director Edward Zwick's 1998 drama. Denzel Washington plays a federal agent who clashes with a gung-ho military general (Bruce Willis) in determining the best course for public safety. Annette Bening appears as an expert on the villains who create havoc via bombings. Tony Shalhoub also stars.

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