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briefs

Search yields nothing after report of body at lake

A call to the Floyd County Sheriff's Department Tuesday night resulted in the Floyd County Rescue Squad searching for a body at the spillway at Dewey Dam.

According to Captain Richie Schoolcraft of the Floyd County Rescue Squad, a lady called the sheriff's department Tuesday evening and reported that she saw an arm in the water at the spillway at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park.

Sheriff's department personnel called the rescue squad out to search the water. Schoolcraft said that several men searched the banks of the creek below the spillway for an hour and a half but found no sign of a body.

Schoolcraft said the squad decided not to put a boat in the water because, due to the fact that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is releasing water from the lake five-and-a-half feet at a time, the water was moving too rapidly to do that safely.

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Today

Mostly cloudy

High: 66 • Low: 45

Tomorrow

Showers

High: 69 • Low: 45

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700 request dealer be released

by LORETTA BLACKBURN
STAFF WRITER

A motion for shock probation from a man who was sentenced to five years in prison on January 18 for drug trafficking charges resulting from "Operation Oxyfest" has elicited a response of astonishment from Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner.

James C. Johnson, 44, of Melvin pleaded guilty to three counts of trafficking in a controlled substance and was formally sentenced on February 18 by Judge Danny P. Caudill to serve five years on each count to be served concurrently.

What has amazed Turner is not the fact that Johnson has filed a motion for shock probation, but that attached to his motion was a petition

containing 704 signatures requesting Johnson receive a second chance.

Turner said that because most of the complaints he heard during his campaign were in reference to the drug problem in the county, he is surprised to see such a large number of people asking that a convicted drug dealer be set free.

"It is obvious that we have a drug problem in our county and our office

has put special emphasis on prosecuting drug dealers and getting them off the streets," said Turner. "It is disheartening to see over 700 people asking the court to put a convicted drug dealer back on the street after we have worked so hard to put him away."

According to Turner, Johnson

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James Johnson



Members of the Prestonsburg Public Properties Committee look over the designs for a multi-purpose facility scheduled to be constructed at the new recreational area near Stone Crest golf course.

photo by Jarrid Deaton

Further development of mountaintop discussed

by JARRID DEATON
STAFF WRITER

A meeting of the Public Properties Committee in the Prestonsburg municipal building on Thursday centered on the new recreational area scheduled for development near the Stone Crest golf course.

The first order of business was

the discussion of bids to recommend to the city council for lighting of the park.

The low bid for lighting was made by JMK, using American Electric Lighting.

The committee recommended that the city should select the low bidder for the project and the motion was made and passed.

The committee also reviewed

plans for a multi-purpose building that would serve among other things, as a concession stand, a press box and possibly locker rooms for the teams playing on the various fields to use.

A discussion was also held on the preliminary designs for a fishing pond to be located in the area.

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Martin council pleased with developments

by LORETTA BLACKBURN
STAFF WRITER



Kevin Potter, superintendent of waste and water, Regina Fraley, utilities clerk, and Mike Robinson, council member, enjoyed the good news for Martin after the council meeting on April 23.

photo by Loretta Blackburn

The city of Martin's income is down compared to last year's; otherwise the regularly scheduled city council meeting on Tuesday was abounding with good news for the city.

The income for the July 2002 to June 2003 year is lower for the budget than it was last year, but so are the expenses. The only expense that increased for the city was the sewer expense, which is a result of recent problems including rain and flood damage.

Kevin Potter, superintendent of waste and water, questioned the city's current insurance policy, pointing out that the carrier had failed to pay for any of the damage.

Joe Howard, council member, made a motion to have Marshall review the policy and request a reason as to why the flood pumps were

(See MARTIN, page six)

Missing child report results in charges against dad

by JARRID DEATON
STAFF WRITER

A Floyd County man faces numerous charges after reporting his child missing Monday.

According to police reports, Michael A. Jones, 44, of Martin, called 911 and falsely reported that his 2-year-old child was missing.

After the false emergency call was made, two state troopers, two fire trucks, and about 10 firemen responded to the scene, blocking the road and knocking on neighbors' doors.

Jones was charged with the abandonment of his three minor children along with falsely reporting an incident to police.

Jones was also charged with operating a motor vehicle under the influence of drugs when he stated that he had driven from Martin to Henry's Branch to look for his child.

Jones told police after failing various sobriety tests that he had taken Percocet and Valium.

He was also charged with having no car insurance, failure to register vehicle transfer of a vehicle and having no registration receipt.



South Floyd Middle School eighth-graders Tyler Martin and Megan Castle placed first in the battery buggy competition at the State Science Olympiad competition in Bowling Green April 20. Martin is the son of Mickey and Carolyn Martin of Drift, and Castle is the daughter of Tommy Castle of Weeksbury and Virginia Jones of Martin.

Bust turns up 100s of pills

by JARRID DEATON
STAFF WRITER

A three-month undercover investigation involving the Pikeville Special Operations Unit of the Kentucky State Police resulted in the arrest of a Magoffin County man.

According to a police report, Joe Randall Minix, 45, was arrested on Tuesday after the execution of a search warrant

turned up hundreds of various prescription narcotics and some other items that would be of prosecutorial value.

Minix was taken to the Big Sandy Regional Detention Center in Staffordsville on charges of trafficking in a controlled substance with additional charges pending a federal grand jury.

The case is still under investigation by KSP.

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For the Record

MARRIAGES

Rhonda Ann Hinkle, 30, of McDowell, to Kermit Stephen Smith, 34, of Virgie.
 Angie Lynn Stanley, 37, to Michael Crider, 33, both of Prestonsburg.
 April Danielle Boyd, 18, to Alex Russell Adkins, 21, both of Prestonsburg.
 Libby Little, 46, of Melvin, to René De Kesel, 43, of Belgium.
 Melonie Colkins, 34, to Levi Blankenship, 64, both of Grethel.

LAWSUITS

Firstar Bank vs. Hobert Spurlock; complaint.

Phyllis Ann Jarrell vs. Russell W. Jarrell; divorce.
 Joseph W. Slone vs. Cindy M. Issac; petition for permanent custody.
 Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc. vs. Wade Morgan Boyd; complaint.
 Highlands Hospital Corporation vs. Brendan McKenna, M.D.; complaint.
 C.P.M. Associates, L.P. vs. James Douglas Rice; complaint.
 Greenpoint Credit vs. Tommy Osborne, Bernice Caudill, and Edna Osborne; complaint.
 Jerry S. Fannin vs. Mary Magilene Fannin; divorce.
 Troy Bentley vs. Mark Newsome; complaint.

Conseco Finance Servicing Corp. vs. Bishop Newsome and Misty Harris; complaint.
 Rhonda Thacker vs. Sheridan Martin; complaint.
 O.S.I. Funding vs. Joyce Shepherd; complaint.
 Loretta Berger vs. Sheldon Berger; divorce.
 John G. Moore vs. Birdie Foley; petition for health care insurance.

CHARGES FILED

Christopher Whitworth, 24, Paintsville, alcohol intoxication
 Steven Chad Castle, 19, Banner, fourth-degree assault.
 Jeffrey Shannon Jacobs, 27,

Prestonsburg, alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct.
 Theresa A. Hagans, 30, Langley, public intoxication, possession of controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia.
 Kenneth Conley, 25, Hueysville, fourth-degree assault.
 Charlie J. Duncan, 26, Hueysville, public intoxication.
 Rita J. Yates, 41, Prestonsburg, theft by deception.
 Bill D. Barnett, 24, Eastern, alcohol intoxication.
 Ellen Hall, 34, Prestonsburg, criminal trespassing.
 Joni Ward, 35, Meally, theft by unlawful taking.
 Robert A. Fortner, 65, East Point, theft by unlawful taking.
 Delmar Barnett, 44, Eastern, simple assault.
 Mary Elizabeth Barnett, 43, Eastern, simple assault.
 Jennifer Carroll, 27, Harold, harassment.
 Rickey Jones, 42, Clearfield, alcohol intoxication, possession of open alcoholic beverage.
 Jerry Hall, 43, Auxier, fourth-degree assault.
 Robert Gibson, 31, Betsy Layne, terroristic threatening, fourth-degree assault.
 Wade Martin, 35, Drift, fourth-degree assault.
 Charles Hamilton, 35, Galveston, alcohol intoxication.
 Christopher J. Ratliff, 22, Hueysville, alcohol intoxication.

Alfred L. King, 32, Harold, fugitive.
 Orville Ramey, 38, Hueysville, fugitive.
 Shannon Hall, 35, Weeksbury, theft by deception.
 Bobbie J. Setser, 24, Blue River, burglary.
 Robert Matthew Thacker, 24, Pikeville, theft by unlawful taking.

INSPECTIONS

Wheelwright Senior Citizens, Wheelwright, regular inspection. Violations noted: One can of home-canned corn stored with commercial foods, some canned food items are dented and stored with other canned items, refrigerator door gasket is torn, basket grooves are slightly soiled on cooler. Score: 93
 Osborne Elementary, Bevensville, regular inspection. Violations noted: Some floor

tiles missing in dishwashing area, ceiling in the storage room has small hole in it, some lights in the kitchen area are out. Score: 95

PROPERTY TRANSFERS

Randy Edward Blankenship and Nadine Blankenship, Larry Joe Blankenship and Gloria Blankenship to Marvin Williamson, property location not listed.
 Alma Jackson to Richard K. Slone and Zena M. Slone, property located on Right Beaver Creek.
 Lloyd Thacker and Sandra Sue Thacker to Sandra Sue Thacker, property location not listed.
 Billie Jo Wireman and Sarah

(See RECORD, page eight)

McCloud resigns for using state equipment for political reasons

by BRUCE SCHREINER
 ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Public Protection Secretary Ron McCloud resigned Wednesday amid revelations he used state equipment to produce campaign letters promoting two Democrats, including his boss, Gov. Paul Patton.

McCloud admitted he printed the letters on state equipment, Patton said.

In one letter, McCloud promoted Patton's 1999 re-election campaign, the governor said. The other touted Sen. Walter Blevins' re-election in 2000.

Patton said he didn't find out about the letters until Tuesday. "We don't know that that's illegal, but it is inappropriate for a secretary of our cabinet to do that," Patton said. "We discussed it with him and we mutually agreed that he should resign."

McCloud sent the pro-Patton letter to about 150 friends in October 1999, a month before Patton won re-election, the governor said. Patton said he had not seen the list of recipients.

A letter soliciting contributions for Blevins' campaign went to people on the same list, the governor said. Patton said he didn't think McCloud sought campaign contributions for his 1999 campaign.

McCloud is a longtime Patton friend and a former chairman of the Kentucky Democratic Party. McCloud also has sought elective office himself, losing a bid for a seat in the Kentucky House.

Blevins said Wednesday that McCloud didn't have an official role in his 2000 campaign. Blevins said he didn't know anything about the letter.

"I'm just surprised he would make that kind of mistake," said Blevins, a Democrat from West Liberty.

McCloud was appointed to Patton's cabinet in March 1999.

He was responsible for 12 regulatory agencies and more than 1,200 employees. The industries Public Protection oversees include coal, racing, alcoholic beverages and utilities.

In his resignation letter, McCloud did not refer to the campaign letters or another controversy that recently drew attention.

The Courier-Journal reported

that McCloud is under investigation by state ethics officials for soliciting hundreds of dollars last year from people representing businesses overseen by the cabinet. The money was for a charity golf tournament McCloud organized as a fund raiser for Eastern Kentucky University.

The resignation was effective Wednesday.

Republicans keep hammering at public campaign financing

by CHARLES WOLFE
 ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Senate Republicans, looking ahead to the 2003 governor's race, Wednesday kept hammering at the state's system of partial public campaign financing.

Throughout a hearing by the Senate budget committee, Republicans pressed two arguments. They said the system's spending limit is too low for a candidate who needs name recognition. Yet, its overall cost is theoretically unlimited because the cap comes off if someone running a self-financed campaign goes beyond the limit.

"It is foreseeable that somebody will pull the trigger and all bets are off ... and we have this unlimited potential raid on the treasury," Sen. Dan Kelly, the chamber's majority leader, said during the hearing.

On the Senate floor, Kelly mounted a third line of attack, reading a stack of messages from

callers who expressed surprise, even outrage, at learning that tax dollars are offered as matching funds to candidate slates that agree to abide by spending limits. The U.S. Supreme Court has ruled that spending limits are otherwise unconstitutional.

"They probably think it's the voluntary checkoff that goes to campaigns," Kelly said, referring to an option on income tax returns.

The General Assembly ended its annual session last week without enacting a budget after Senate Republicans would not agree to appropriate \$9 million for campaign financing, as Gov. Paul Patton proposed and the House approved. Patton summoned lawmakers back to Frankfort on Monday to give the budget another try.

Public campaign financing, enacted in 1992, actually has been used but once — the 1995 governor's race in which Patton defeated Republican Larry Forgy. Patton had no mainstream Republican opposition for re-election in 1999.

A candidate slate for governor and lieutenant governor that raises a prescribed amount of money will be given \$2 in public funds for every \$1 raised.

The threshold is adjusted for inflation. The minimum to qualify is expected to be \$355,000 next year, with the maximum at \$710,000, Sarah Jackson, executive director of the Kentucky Registry of Election Finance, told the Appropriations and Revenue Committee. With matching money, the slate would have a treasury of \$1.06 million to \$2.13 million.

But it gets more complicated.

The match applies in each election — primary and general. At least two slates must qualify, or no one gets matching money. In the event of a primary runoff, each slate would get a flat \$354,000.

But if a well-financed candidate rejects matching funds and goes beyond the spending limits that apply to everyone else, "all bets are off" and slates can resume fund raising, Jackson said. The state then would be obligated to match the additional money, however much or little.

"We call this the trigger provision," Jackson said. Kelly, R-Springfield, said public financing conceivably could cost double the \$9 million Patton wanted in the budget. He said he based that on the possibility of five viable slates in each major party, which with maximum fund raising would qualify for about \$14 million; a runoff primary in each primary, adding \$1.4 million more, and \$2.8 million for two slates in the fall election.

"That's \$18 million if no one pulls the trigger," Kelly said.

Jackson said no one knows how much the 2003 race will cost.

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Guest View

Editorial roundup

The Post-Standard, Syracuse, N.Y., on volunteerism:

Volunteerism lifts the community in ways that pay major dividends in people's lives day after day, year after year.

So National Volunteer Week, which began Monday, provides the opportunity to acknowledge volunteers as well as to encourage more people to do the same.

The United Way of Central New York is doing its part by celebrating a pilot campaign involving seven major employers who will ask their workers to pledge volunteer hours in the same way they pledge money to the annual United Way campaign.

It's a great idea.

Spending time volunteering can be as rewarding as donating money for the volunteer. And it's just as valuable to the recipients. Money certainly does matter, especially with the challenges following the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, which leave local charities scrambling for donations.

But person-to-person assistance and direct project involvement puts people in closer touch with the needs of their communities. The United Way campaign seeks to match people with work opportunities that fit their schedules, job expertise or personal interests.

When the campaign is complete, each employer will receive a breakdown of the current volunteering and new hours pledged among their work forces. The recording of employee hours also helps companies pick up on trends, such as to which causes employees already dedicate a significant amount of volunteer time. It can help encourage volunteers to help in areas of greater need. ...

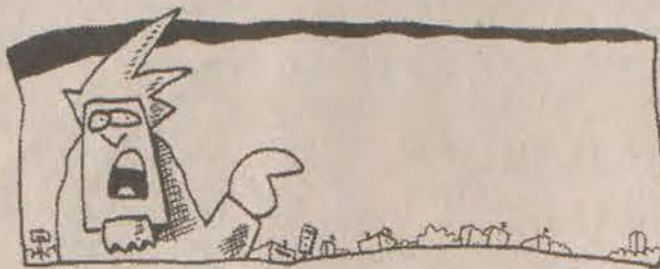
North County Times, Escondido, Calif.: Israel's "withdrawal" from West Bank

President George W. Bush is facing the possibility that his presidency may be undone not by an enemy — foreign or domestic — but by an ally. Bush's repeated calls for Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon to stop the carnage in Palestinian towns and withdraw from the West Bank have been met by a shrug from Sharon. The world still is waiting to learn the extent of the destruction at the Jenin refugee camp, and Sharon has offered Bush no more than lip service while his army's incursions continue.

On Tuesday last week, Sharon said that Israel's invasion was winding down. The next day the Israeli army occupied five more villages. That repeated the pattern Sharon has followed ever since Bush broke his silence in late March and called for peace. ... And though Bush has tried to be even-handed in addressing the war in Israel, calling for restraint from both sides, both sides have interpreted his remarks as a green light for Sharon.

The stakes for the world are the stability of the Mideast and its oil supply, the West's relationship with more than 1 billion Muslims and Arabs, and the possibility that Israel might use its nuclear weapons if attacked by another state — Iraq, for instance — with chemical, biological or even con

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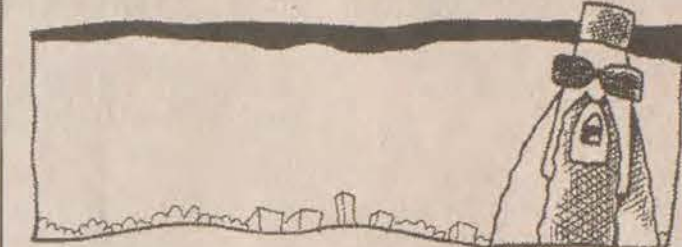
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In the moment

When the road forks

I have met many people from many places as I have traveled on my road in life. Some I met at a crossroad and they passed by quickly, some have been on the same interstate and have traveled along beside me for a while, and then there are those who seemed to have the same destination and have traveled the road of life with me for years.

Although it is always hard when someone we know decides to go in another direction, those that are most painful for me are those who have been a long term traveling companion. When it is time for one of us to wander off onto a

new path, instead of just waving goodbye, I have to stop awhile.

I stand there at the place where the road forks and I watch them make the turn that I know will eventually remove them from my environment and I feel the sadness that is inevitable when we let go of something that has been a part of us.

I sometimes question my own direction and wonder if I should change and follow them. And yet, there are times when I try to persuade them to stick with me and I argue that my road is a better one, sometimes persuading them to go with me and sometimes to no avail.

Of all the ways that people pass in and out of each other's life, it is inevitable that everyone I meet will eventually be standing at the fork ready to go in a different direction than I. Whether it be a choice to change directions in life

or it be that we have no choice and we are leaving the world.

It never ceases to cause me pain when I end up there with someone. I get attached and I want them to stay, but I can't decide for them which way they should go. I am only in control of what direction I am going and I can't allow myself to go in a direction that is not appropriate for me just because I don't want to part with someone that I love.

If I go with someone down a road that was not meant for me, I will lose my way, run out of energy, and spiritually die on the path. I know that I must be true to me and the destination that is mine. And sometimes sticking to the path on the journey is painful.

So, sadly I stand at the forks of two roads while I watch someone I love going in a different direction. I watch as that person fades out of sight and then I walk on my way trying to console myself with the companions that are still with me.



LORETTA BLACKBURN

Letters

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The parents and students of South Floyd Middle School would like to thank the following businesses for all of their support during the Science Olympiad state competition:

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- Michael McKinney.
- Marco Tires.
- Carol Martin, SFMS Honor Club.
- Elkhorn Pocahontas.
- Jaymes Staggs.
- Stephanie Little
Science Olympiad coach
South Floyd Middle School

Signs cause trouble

I feel that someone needs to point out some dangers to our friends that are running for office in this upcoming election.

In posting their signs and pictures, most just nail them

onto an electric pole. Some will even use large nails to first nail on a sturdy board to place their signs on. They don't realize that in case of a power failure, the service people have to maneuver themselves around the billboard, which could cause them to be injured.

Signs are just as likely to be seen stuck on a stick by the

side of the road. Some will post their signs on poles on church grounds or even on private driveways. I wonder, when this election is over, just how many will gather up and dispose of these placards properly?

I guess time will tell.
Willard Ousley
Prestonsburg



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Star Wars merchandise arrives in stores

by ANTHONY BREZNICAN
AP ENTERTAINMENT WRITER

LOS ANGELES — New merchandise for "Star Wars: Episode II — Attack of the Clones" arrived in stores Tuesday as fans lined up for midnight sales of the latest bric-a-brac from a galaxy far, far away.

After a large surplus of merchandise languished on store shelves following 1999's "The Phantom Menace," products for the new film are being kept much simpler.

"We've scaled it back a lot," said Lucasfilm licensing executive Howard Roffman. "We're going to stick to the basics — toys, video games ... the things our fans prefer, rather than some of the fringe items."

There are still loads of action figures and shiny space vehicles. But you won't see Queen Amidala's face on your Pepsi can or be able to relax in an Anakin Skywalker inflatable chair, and you won't have any Obi-Wan Kenobi clip-on braids to add to your hair.

Merchandising executives at Lucasfilm Ltd. dramatically reduced their movie tie-ins for "Attack of the Clones," cutting the number of products by about half and reducing licensees from about 85 to less than 50.

"Last time, they just shipped too much," said Dave Gerardi, senior editor of the toy trade magazine Playthings. "After a few months, retailers had to put

a deep discount on them and still couldn't move them."

A lot of the surplus toys — many of which featured the much-maligned Jar Jar Binks character — hung in store aisles so long they earned the dubious title of "peg warmers."

The "Star Wars" merchandise line was still wildly successful, earning about \$2 billion worldwide.

The previous "Star Wars" film, "Return of the Jedi," had come out 16 years before "The Phantom Menace," and Lucasfilm and toy manufacturer Hasbro Inc. acknowledged overestimating the market.

"When you have a large breadth of characters and products like that, you're not going to hit on every single one,"

Hasbro marketing executive Martin Pidel said.

About 20 different "Attack of the Clones" action figures, priced at about \$6, were released Tuesday, with the number increasing to about 50 by year's end.

At a Toys R Us in Los Angeles, about 100 fans were lined up by midnight to grab their "Star Wars" products first thing Tuesday.

Carla DellaGatta, 26, was a little alarmed to be one of the few people in costume for the event — especially since it was 57 degrees and she was wearing a custom-made Princess Leia "slave girl" bikini from "Return of the Jedi." Luckily, she had a black topcoat.

Ivan Munguia, 30, was first

in line, waiting with his mother-in-law, brother-in-law, his mother and his wife — who was sleeping in the car.

"Last time, the store limited buyers to two of each action figure, so I had to bring a lot of people," Munguia said.

Highlights of the new toy line include bounty hunter Jango Fett and his horn-shaped spacecraft Slave I, and Jedi warriors Obi-Wan Kenobi and Anakin Skywalker, molded with magnets in their hands so they can use "the Force" to draw weapons into their grasps.

For about \$100, there's an 18-inch R2-D2 droid that is moved around by voice command. "You can even say, 'Hey, Artoo, it's Darth Vader and he'll get real scared, his electric eye will glow red, and he'll back up and squeal,'" Pidel said.

Meanwhile, "Attack of the

Clones" promotions through Frito-Lay chips and General Mills cereal are expected to be low-key compared to 1999, when about 8 billion "Phantom Menace" Pepsi cans were produced and Pizza Hut and Taco Bell "Star Wars" commercials were ubiquitous on television.

There are no soft drink or fast-food deals this time.

"Last time, we really went for promotional tonnage," Roffman said. "But I think that just contributed to the sense that you couldn't turn around without seeing 'Star Wars' in your face."

New Kenny Chesney album reflects on relationships

by JIM PATTERSON
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — At age 34, Kenny Chesney is finally starting to feel like an adult. Heartbreak and other life lessons have made the singer more reflective, and he grapples

with such weighty issues on his new album, "No Shoes, No Shirt, No Problems."

"It's hard for a guy to grow up," Chesney said. "It's even harder to know what you want. ... When you're 30-something, you realize you're not 21 anymore."

But even though his songs might be a little more serious now, don't expect Chesney to stop crowing his hit "She Thinks My Tractor's Sexy" at arenas across the country.

"Look, 'Tractor' isn't going to save the world. But does it get people to the show? Do they have a great time when they listen to it? Not every song has to change the world. I look at music as medicine for whatever ails you."

The song — a silly, sexy and wildly popular concert staple — set Chesney's image in cement. He was viewed as a country pinup, and critics called him a lightweight talent.

"I'm probably the best definition of the gap between industry and fans," admitted Chesney.

Chesney grew up in the East Tennessee town of Luttrell. He made money during his college years at East Tennessee State University playing guitar at parties and bars.

He steadily built his career in the 1990s with hits such as "Me and You," "She's Got It All" and "That's Why I'm Here." Things heated up in 1999 with the breezy "How Forever Feels," which spent six weeks at No. 1, and "She Thinks My Tractor's Sexy" on the "Everywhere We Go" album.

Chesney knows his fans can be rowdy.

"Let me tell you a story," he begins. "The other night we sold out an arena in Jacksonville, Fla. After the show, I looked out the window from the back of the bus, and I saw this group of young guys and girls in the back of a pickup truck.

"They had one bottle of wine and two paper cups, they had the music cranked as loud as they could get it out of that truck. They were yelling and screaming.

"That's who my audience is. That's who's coming to see us, and there's a lot of them coming. That's where my focus is, and where my heart and soul goes."

Chesney is trying to lead those fans somewhere new. Many of the songs on "No Shoes, No Shirt, No Problems" are about men feeling their youth slip away ("Young," "Never Gonna Feel Like That Again"), or struggling with relationships ("I Can't Go There" and Bruce Springsteen's "One Step Up").

(See CHESNEY, page eight)

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Grant turns 9

Grant Blair, son of Angie Greene of Prestonsburg, and Robert Blair also of Prestonsburg, celebrated his 9th birthday on April 20th, at the Archer Park Skating rink. He would like to thank all his friends who helped in celebrating his birthday.

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Petition

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sold MS Contin — similar to OxyContin — to an undercover informant on three occasions. Each count of trafficking in a substance of this nature is a class C felony and carries a sentence of 5-to-10 years.

"If this is an indication of what people want, its a very sad statement about our county," said Turner.

Turner said he still believes a majority of the people in the county want to see drug dealers like Johnson prosecuted and locked behind bars.

Turner said he is encourag-

ing people who don't feel the same way the 704 people who signed the petition do, and want to see drug dealers prosecuted, to let their voices be heard. He said that he would like for people to let his office know that they support what the commonwealth does and to let the police know that they appreciate the fact they are risking their lives every day while trying to get dealers off the streets.

A hearing on Johnson's request to be set free will be held May 17.

'Rural Voices' CD features East Ky. talent

MOREHEAD — Students and teachers from 11 Kentucky counties have been chosen to participate in a national recording project, co-sponsored by Morehead State University's Morehead Writing Project.

The upcoming "Rural Voices Radio, Volume III" CD series, funded by the National Writing Project, will focus on the unique characters and stories of rural characters and small communities across the country. Students of all ages throughout eastern Kentucky will read poems and essays about their lives and families for the recording.

Award-winning public radio producer Deborah Bege, known

Search

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Schoolcraft said that since they had not received a report of a missing person nor were there any signs that anyone had been on the banks, he felt that until something else turns up, it was a good idea to suspend the search.

for her work on the National Public Radio programs "Selected Shorts"

"This project has produced some amazing Kentucky poetry and powerful personal essays about family, tobacco farming, coal, four-wheeling and even Ale-8," said Liz Mandrell, MSU's Morehead Writing Project site coordinator.

and "Fresh Air," will begin a week-long visit to Kentucky classrooms on Monday, April 29. Students invited to take part are from Bracken, Boyd, Carter, Elliott, Fleming, Greenup, Johnson, Letcher, Pike, Robertson and Rowan counties.

Participating teachers and students also will read selections from the project to the public at 11 a.m.

on Friday, May 3, in Baird Music Hall on campus. Admission is free to everyone.

"This project has produced some amazing Kentucky poetry and powerful personal essays about family, tobacco farming, coal, four-wheeling and even Ale-8," said Liz Mandrell, MSU's Morehead Writing Project site coordinator.

Mandrell and Jane Dixon, site coordinator for the Mountain Writing Project, collected 350 original compositions and songs to consider for "Rural Voices."

Plans

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The pond would have an estimated area of 1.7 acres and would include picnic shelters and fishing piers.

Committee members admitted that they would have to take care of the other parts of the recreational area before they

could finalize the plans for the pond.

The members of the committee also said they would not be able to move forward significantly until the state passes a budget plan, which has yet to be accomplished.

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Wrongful death suit filed in inmate's alleged beating death

The Associated Press

CHARLESTON, W.Va. — The family of a Charleston man who was allegedly beaten by guards while in custody at the Boyd County Detention Center in Kentucky filed a wrongful death lawsuit Thursday.

Chad Ray Boggess, 27, died April 12 at King's Daughters Medical Center in Ashland, Ky., where he had been in a coma since the alleged beating on March 16.

Boggess was jailed in Boyd County after his March 12 arrest by Ashland police on a fugitive from justice warrant from West Virginia. He was accused of a Charleston burglary.

The lawsuit was filed in U.S. District Court in Charleston on behalf of Boggess' estate.

It names as defendants: Deputies Bob Price, Matt Daniels and Douglas Raybourn; Jailer Bob Stevens, the Boyd

County Detention Center and Boyd County. It also names several John Does.

Price, Daniels and Raybourn have been placed on paid administrative leave pending the outcome of an investigation.

The defendants are accused of unreasonable seizure, excessive and deadly force and cruel and unusual punishment.

The lawsuit alleges the beating started at the jail and "continued en route to, and at King's Daughters Medical Center."

"A man went into custody

and ended up dead without benefit of a jury trial or due process," said the family's lawyer, John Einreinhofer of Charleston. "It's our intention to get to the bottom of the matter."

The lawsuit seeks unspecified compensatory damages, punitive damages, reasonable attorneys' fees and other court costs, and all other relief permitted by law.

Calls to the jail were referred to Boyd County Attorney Phil Hedrick, who was not immediately available for comment.

Martin

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not covered.

Mayor Thomasine Robinson said that with the help of U.S. Rep. Hal Rogers, state Rep. Greg Stumbo and County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson, the city has secured a check from the state for \$102,000 to start the second year of an effort to raise the city out of the floodplain. The project is estimated to take between eight and 10 years and cost \$90 million.

The mayor said that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers had completed drilling and that the first project to be addressed would be setting up a temporary fire department.

The mayor announced that the city will be having a Fourth

of July celebration which will include a parade to be led by a 34-year volunteer firefighter Jim Rudder, who will serve as grand marshal.

The city is also anticipating the opening of a second new bridge by May 1, which would reestablish the Twin Bridges. The city has been divided by work to replace the spans, which began in January 2001.

With the anticipated opening of the Floyd County Community Center, the completion of the bridges, and the continuance of the flood project, it appears that Martin will have a lot to celebrate this Fourth of July.

"Martin needs a big facelift, and we are finally getting it," said Mayor Robinson.

Correction

The bank located next to Dingus Street in Prestonsburg was mistakenly identified in an article on Wednesday as First Commonwealth Bank.

The bank is actually First Guaranty Bank, as identified beside the photograph of the street.

Democrats cut off debate, pass budget bill without amendments

by CHARLES WOLFE ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Democrats who control the Kentucky House steamrolled a budget bill to passage without amendments Thursday.

In the process, they took the extraordinary step of cutting off debate and blocking 46 proposed floor amendments, some of which dealt with politically risky or wrenching issues — human cloning, the death penalty and whether to allow the use of public money in gubernatorial campaigns.

The Republican minority, which especially wanted to force a vote on campaign finance, was incensed. "What we're doing here today is the most arrogant abuse of power I've ever witnessed," thundered Minority Leader Jeff Hoover of Jamestown.

The executive branch budget bill now goes to the Senate, which can substitute its own version. House and Senate conferees will likely have to try to negotiate a compromise. The House's version would appropriate more than \$14 billion from the state's General Fund in the next two years.

The money were hardly mentioned in the House, however. Nearly all the rhetoric was about the Democrats' gambit, which had been arranged in advance in a closed-door caucus.

A motion to cut off debate takes at least 51 votes.

Democrats, who hold 66 of the House's 100 seats, prevailed 62-35. The caucus held all but two of its members who were present Thursday — Reps. Tom Kerr of Taylor Mill and Tom Riner of Louisville, who voted with 33 Republicans.

Cutting off debate was only half of the maneuver. Majority Leader Greg Stumbo, who decides which bills get a vote, called up the budget bill introduced in the House on Monday, not the "substitute" bill amended and approved by the House Appropriations and Revenue Committee on Tuesday.

"We have never done what we're doing here today," said Republican Rep. Danny Ford, a 20-year House veteran from Mount Vernon. "We're setting a terrible precedent."

Other Republicans weighed in.

Rep. Russ Mobley of Campbellsville called it "a slap in the face of representative government." Rep. Stan Lee of Lexington said Democrats were "sticking it to the taxpayers."

Rep. Bob Heleringer of Louisville said the Democrats' maneuver meant that the 71 House members who are not on Appropriations and Revenue had no voice in making the budget.

"I hope we never again hear any speeches on the House floor about the sanctity of the committee system," Heleringer said — an allusion to Stumbo. "This is the antithesis of the committee system."

The vote to pass the budget was 70-9. Eighteen who were present, all Republicans, did not vote.

Enacting a budget is the only task the Kentucky Constitution requires of the General Assembly. The legislature's annual session ended last week without a budget because of a partisan impasse over campaign finance — the partial public financing of gubernatorial campaigns. Gov. Paul Patton called the legislature into special session on Monday to try again.

Public financing has been used but once, in the 1995 governor's race, but Republicans sense that it is unpopular. They have hammered on it all week, especially in the Senate, which has a 20-18 Republican majority.

Senate Republicans themselves strong-armed a budget bill during the annual session, refusing to allow Democrats to file floor amendments. The Senate's version stripped all of Patton's proposed \$9 million funding of campaign finance.

Patton said Thursday he would "not accept a budget that does not protect the integrity of campaign finance." Asked if he would veto a budget that did not include money to partially finance gubernatorial elections, Patton said: "I don't know how I could do anything different than that."

Also Thursday, the House passed a \$414 million judicial branch budget bill, 94-0.

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Actor announces Republican gubernatorial bid

The Associated Press

GREENUP — Sonny Landham, an actor who has played supporting roles in action movies like "Predator" and "48 Hours," said Thursday he will run for governor as a Republican.

A statement from Landham said his platform included overhauling child-support and other family law statutes. He also advocated defeat this year of a proposed constitutional amendment to approve a new system of family courts.

Landham planned to make a public announcement Thursday

night at the Greenup Public Library.

Landham, 61, has been in a bitter custody fight with his former wife. He settled in Ashland after a court-ordered release from federal prison last year. A federal appeals court overturned his conviction for allegedly making threatening and obscene phone calls to his former wife.

Previously announced Republican candidates are Jefferson County Judge-Executive Rebecca Jackson, state Rep. Steve Nunn of Glasgow and state Sen. Virgil Moore of Leitchfield.

Roundup

ventional arms. The stakes for Bush are his credibility — which could mean his political life.

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Sharon has showed every day for weeks recently that the president of the United States has little to no influence with him. He has made Bush appear weak and ineffectual. That's the worst message the United States can afford to send the world today.

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Chesney

That's how he feels these days. He's still getting over the breakup with his fiancée two years ago.

Chesney had wanted to record Springsteen's sober "One Step Up" years ago but feared he wouldn't be taken seriously.

"I'm so glad I didn't do it on one of the earlier albums, because there's a lot of lessons in that, relationship-wise," he said. "And I've learned those lessons firsthand in my own life the past three years."

"I felt like I was finally mature enough ... to sell it, my own way."

Two years ago, the maturity of Chesney and friend Tim McGraw was questioned after a backstage escapade near Buffalo, N.Y. There was confusion over whether Chesney had permission to ride a police horse, and a scuffle ensued.

The result was a lot of snickering, and criminal charges against both singers. Fearing that an out-of-court settlement would be seen as an admission of guilt, they went to trial.

"Tim and I obviously wish it never happened," said Chesney, who was cleared of disorderly conduct. "We didn't set out to break the law, and the jury up there decided that we didn't break the law."

Chesney cautiously moved up to headlining status this year, after co-headlining with McGraw last year. He's waiting until his deeper new material on "No Shoes, No Shirt, No Problems" gets radio airplay before working much of it into his show.

"Sure I'd like some respect from the critics," he said. "I think we may get some of it with this album. But I don't know if they're ever going to love what I do."

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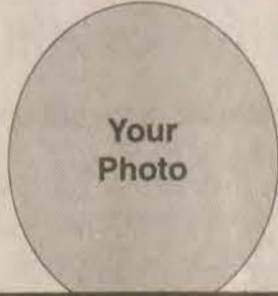
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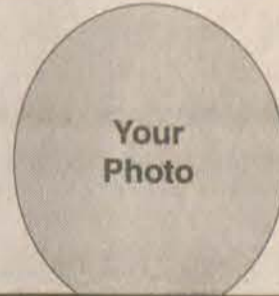


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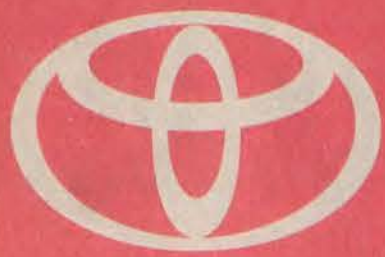
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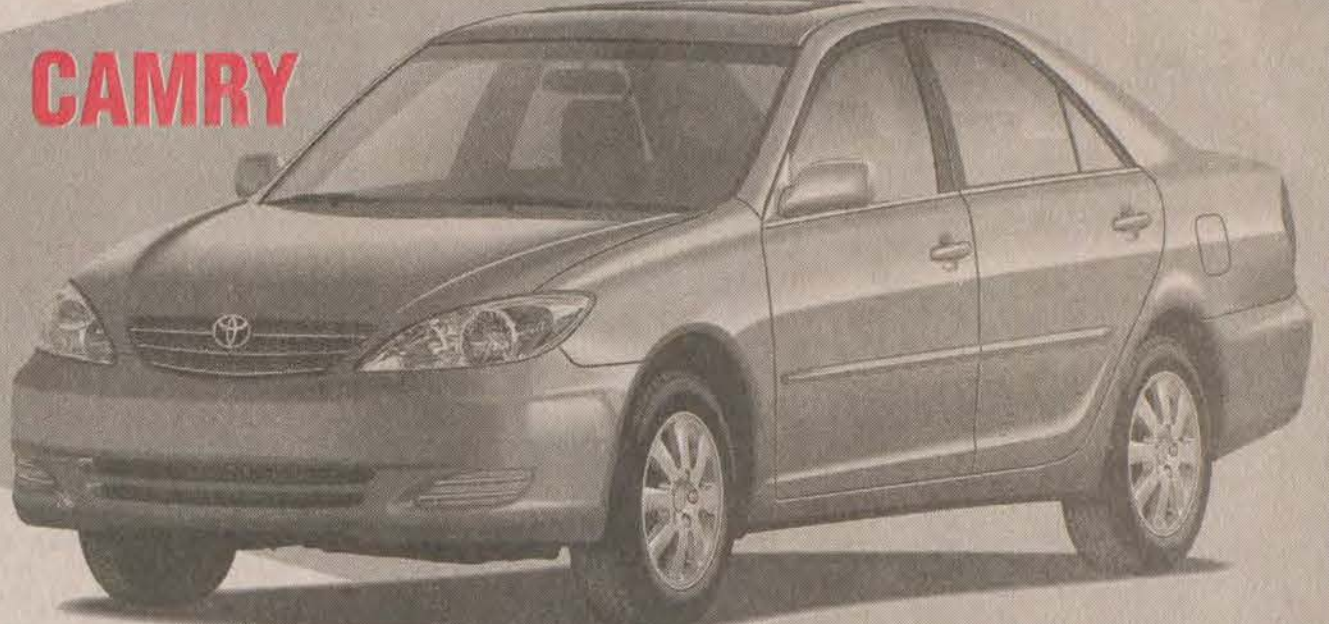
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Derby Memories

by **BILLY REED**
TIMES COLUMNIST

LOUISVILLE – As the days between now and the 128th Kentucky Derby dwindle to a precious few, Sue McPeck is smiling and savoring every moment.

Here she is now, feeding one of her husband's horses at Barn 10 on the Churchill Downs backstretch. And there she is moments later, playing with daughter Jenna, who she calls "The Princess."

But mostly she tries to be a soothing influence for husband Kenny, who trains Harlan's Holiday, the likely Derby favorite. Her job

became more complicated when Kenny broke a bone in his right foot playing basketball at the Owl Creek Lodge in eastern

Jefferson County.

He gets around the track on crutches or in a golf cart provided by Churchill Downs. But already Sue is worrying how her husband will handle the Derby Day mob. Where will he sit? Does he want 15-month-old Jenna with them?

And if Harlan's Holiday is fortunate enough to win, how will they fight their way through the crowd to reach the Derby winner's circle in the infield?

But these are minor worries compared with fighting cancer, as Sue was forced to do about a year and a half ago when she was pregnant with Jenna.

Once you undergo something so frightening and stressful, you change the way you look at life and horse racing.

"I couldn't be happier at this point in my life," said Sue in the diary she is doing with Jennie Rees of the Courier-Journal. "I couldn't feel stronger about who I am or what I have. Whether these horses win or lose, it's like

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Bentley's Comments

Ah, the good old NFL draft

by **RICK BENTLEY**
TIMES COLUMNIST

Mel Kiper, Draft Expert, projected this week's notes as late first- to early second-round picks.

I'm telling you, every time news comes from the coaching offices at our state university it becomes more and more difficult to remain a fan.

The latest example came in the aftermath of last weekend's NFL draft. Popular tight end Derek Smith made himself eligible for the nation's most popular league but went undrafted and immediately became a free agent.

He eventually signed with the Indianapolis Colts, so the all's well that ends well faction should be satisfied. Of course, the Colts have two things working against the Fort Thomas native – new head coach Tony Dungy is incredibly defensive minded,

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Soccer

Pikeville team opens season 3-0

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE – The Pikeville Junkyard Dogs, a U-14 team, has a perfect 3-0 record to start the Spring East Kentucky Youth Soccer Association season. The team has played in the rain the last two weekends and the

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Pikeville squad takes Tuesday track meet

P'burg, Johnson Central teams put together quality finishes

by **STEVE LeMASTER**
SPORTS EDITOR

PIKEVILLE – Both the Pikeville High School boys' and girls' track teams came away winners Tuesday night in a meet

held at Bob Amos Park. The Pikeville High boys won ahead of Jenkins, 153-124. The Prestonsburg boys finished third with 115 total points followed by Pike County Central (85.80) and Sheldon Clark (79.50) to round

out the top-five.

The Pikeville girls finished first in their competition with a score of 122 points. A squad of females from Johnson Central just missed the top spot, finishing the competition with 120 tallies.

Prestonsburg senior Austin Clark, a state runner-up last season, won the 400-meter dash ahead of Pikeville's Dave Cecil. Clark turned in a time of 52.85, finishing three second ahead of the second-place Cecil. Clark was also part of a first-place 4x200 relay team along with teammates

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■ Austin Clark

Girls' AAU Basketball



courtesy photo

Prestonsburg youth basketball teams have fared well this season on the AAU circuit. The team pictured above finished second in a tournament held over the weekend in Huntington, W.Va.

Prestonsburg 12-13 AAU girls finish runners-up

by **JAMIE HOWELL**
SPORTS WRITER

The 12-13-year-old AAU girls from Prestonsburg traveled to Huntington, West Virginia last weekend to take part in the Mountain State Pepsi Classic. The team had an excellent tournament and came home with a second place finish for its hard work. Eight teams from Kentucky, West Virginia, and Ohio competed in the tournament which was played in pool play and then changed to a single elimination tournament to decide a winner. Prestonsburg finished the tournament with a 4-2 mark losing both times to eventual champion Dayton. In the first game of the tournament in pool play,

the Lady Blackcats took on the squad from Team Ohio and came away with an impressive 25-11 victory. The

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Prestonsburg defense proved too much for Team Ohio as the Lady Blackcats held them to only 11 points the entire game. Leading the P'burg effort was the

duo of Darcey Hicks and Meaghan Slone as the two combined for 16 of the Ladycats 25 points. Pam Slone also pitched in four points in the contest. Team Ohio could manage only four first half points as Prestonsburg moved on to face a powerhouse in Dayton in game number two. The Lady Blackcats took on the Dayton Lady Hoopsters in Game No. 2 and ran into a buzzsaw as the cats dropped the contest by a final of 55-20. Dayton put 30 points on the board in the first half on their way to the big win. Meaghan Slone led P'burg with 10 points, while Darcey Hicks added four in the loss.

Game No. 3 pitted the Lady Blackcats

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AC baseball team looking to turn things around

by **STEVE LeMASTER**
SPORTS EDITOR

For the Allen Central Runnin' Rebels, the season couldn't have started out much better. For Allen Central, it was two games at home and two wins at home. It can't get much better than that in two outings.

The Rebels began the season with a 6-4 win over the Fleming-Neon Pirates. The Pirates were one of several teams looking to take control of the 14th Region when before season began.

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Burke earns MSC's top honor

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE – The Mid-South Conference has presented its most prestigious honor to a Pikeville College two-sport athlete. The league's committee of Faculty



■ Burke

Athletics Representatives (FARs) has selected Charity Spring Burke as the Female Scholar Athlete of the Year.

Burke, who played four years of basketball and is finishing her second season of softball, has completed seven

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■ Josh Cook

Cook signs with Alice Lloyd College

Versatile June Buchanan School player could contribute early on

by **STEVE LeMASTER**
SPORTS EDITOR

PIPPA PASSES – Coach Gary Gibson has another signee to add to his recruiting

class this season. Josh Cook, (5-10, 155) point guard for The June Buchanan School Crusaders signed a letter-of-intent on Tuesday morning to continue his basketball career

at Alice Lloyd College. By becoming a member of the Eagles team, Cook will be reunited with Coach Gary Gibson, his high school coach for three years at JBS. Last season was Gibson's first campaign at the helm of the ALC men's program.

Cook ended his JBS career as the Crusaders' all-time

leader in points (1,803), assists (603), and games played (120). He was tied for ninth in the state in scoring this year with an average of 25.9 points per game. He was named Honorable Mention All-State by the Lexington-Herald and Courier-Journal.

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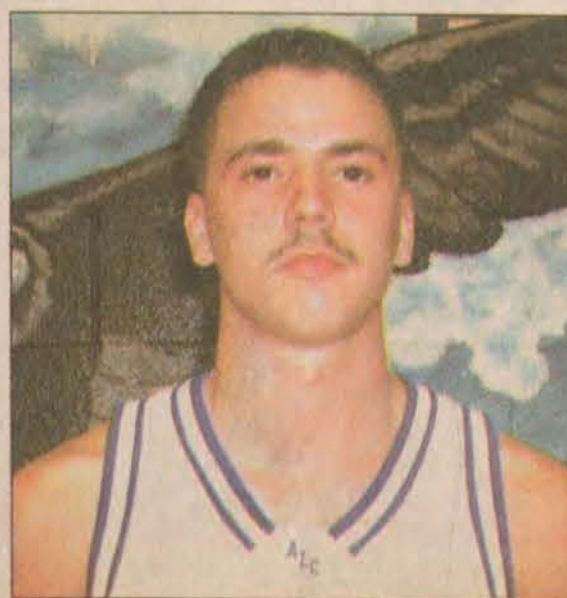
Lady Raiders wallop Johnson Central

by **JAMIE HOWELL**
SPORTS WRITER

PAINTSVILLE – The South Floyd Lady Raiders traveled to Johnson Central on Wednesday evening to tangle with the Lady Eagles in girls softball action, and after the dust had settled the Lady Raiders came away with an impres-

sive 18-5 win over the host Eagles. South Floyd scored eleven runs over the first two innings and cruised to the easy win. Brandi Anderson led the winners with an excellent night at the plate, collecting four hits in four at bats with one walk. The Lady Raiders

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courtesy photo

Allen Central High School graduate Nick Samons was honored for his defensive play this past season at Alice Lloyd's men's athletics banquet on April 22.

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the icing on the cake."

The McPeeks seem perfect for each other.

Kenny has been interested in racing almost as long as he can remember, due to his father, Ron, who owned a few horses. At Tates Creek High in Lexington, Kenny spent almost as much time reading the Blood-Horse and the

Thoroughbred Times as he did playing football for Coach Roy Walton.

He then attended the University of Kentucky with a business degree.

However, when he went to New York, it wasn't to find a job on Wall Street, but to work for trainer Shug McGaughey, another Lexington native. He took out his own training license in 1985. At that point, there was no turning back.

When he met Sue, she also had a racing background. At one time or another, she had worked as a groom, a shedrow foreman, a handler at the sales, and an equine photographer. Now she's "Kenny's relief valve," and an advisor whose opinion McPeek values.

They were delighted when Sue, now 42, became pregnant with their first child. But 26 weeks into the pregnancy, she learned that a bump on the roof of her mouth was a rare form of cancer. Their daughter was delivered six months early by Caesarian section so Sue could undergo surgery and begin aggressive chemotherapy treatment.

Between Jenna's birth and Sue's 3 1/2 hour operation, Kenny won the Alcibiades Stakes at Keeneland with She's A Devil Due. With three outstanding 2-year-olds in his barn — the colts Harlan's Holiday and Repent, along with the filly Take Charge Lady — the McPeeks were finally realizing the potential that Kenny showed when he finished second in the 1995 Derby with

Tejano Run.

But Sue didn't like to think about the future because she wasn't sure she would be around to be a part of it.

"The focus of my life," she told the C-J's Rees, "was that 'I'm not gonna be here a year from now.' That was the way I felt at the beginning of my treatment. When I was diagnosed, then you start really appreciating things in life, and there's a clarity in the day-to-day joys."

Happily, however, Sue's treatment was successful. The McPeeks will never get a bigger victory, even if Harlan's Holiday wins the Kentucky Derby.

"Sue's illness puts perspective on the situation," Kenny

says. "Winning a horse, even a great horse race, just isn't that important."

Now McPeek has a shot to be the first trainer to win the Kentucky Oaks and Derby in the same year since Calumet Farm's Ben Jones did it in 1952 with Real Delight in the Oaks and Hill Gail in the Derby. Take Charge Lady, winner of the Ashland at Keeneland, will be one of the favorites in the Oaks.

Although Repent will miss the Triple Crown races because of an injury suffered in the Florida Derby, and although Kenny's broken foot may eventually require surgery, the McPeeks have enjoyed a wonderful spring with their daughter and their horses.

Harlan's Holiday, considered as no more than McPeek's "other horse" at the start of the year, moved to the top of the contenders' list with dominating victories in the Florida Derby at Gulfstream Park and the Blue Grass Stakes at Keeneland.

Every step of the way, Sue and Jenna have been at Kenny's side.

Like most moms, Sue loves to tell stories about the baby's activities.

But if she relishes them more than most moms, it's because the cancer has remained in remission. Sometimes she feels so excited about the horses, or so worried, that she has trouble sleeping. But there's also some-

thing positive to occupy her mind, such as looking forward to a long life with Kenny and Jenna.

In what be the most poignant pre-Derby quote of all, Sue said, "I no longer think about death as much as I did when I

was first diagnosed."

Instead, she's squeezing every last bit of excitement out of every Derby experience, and hoping for the best on the first Saturday in May.

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BASEBALL

Griffey feels Bonds' pain

by JOE KAY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — Ken Griffey Jr. winces when he sees Barry Bonds hobble across home plate or slide over in the outfield to compensate for his sore hamstring.

Been there, done that.

The Cincinnati Reds center fielder also understands why the single-season home run champion resists coming out of San Francisco's lineup unless he absolutely must.

Done that, too.

"It's hard to take certain players out of a lineup," Griffey said Wednesday. "It's hard for certain guys to be out of a lineup. I fit in both categories. I can't watch baseball when I'm not playing."

Griffey showed up at Cinergy Field to take batting practice Wednesday, keeping his swing in sync while he recovers from a torn patella tendon in his right

knee. Griffey injured it during a rundown on April 7 and went on the disabled list.

He's doing several hours of

"When you watch him run, you're like, 'Oh,'" Griffey said. "I know what it feels like to go out there and not be able to move some days, having to cheat more in the outfield. Sometimes you feel so far out of position."

therapy each day to strengthen muscles around the knee. Many of the exercises are the same ones he did last season while he

recovered from a torn left hamstring that limited him to 92 starts.

He rides an exercise cycle, but hasn't been given permission to try to run. There's no target date for his return and he won't speculate on when he might be ready.

Bonds and the Giants are due in town for a three-game series this weekend. While he rehabilitates his knee, Griffey has paid enough attention to baseball to know what Bonds is going through.

The left fielder hurt his hamstring in spring training and aggravated the injury on April 14, forcing him out of a game. It hasn't kept him out of the lineup, though.

Griffey can empathize. He did the same thing after he tore his hamstring in spring training last year, making 16 pinch-hit appearances before going on the disabled list in late April.

He sees Bonds making the same effort to mask the injury.

"When you watch him run, you're like, 'Oh,'" Griffey said. "I know what it feels like to go out there and not be able to move some days, having to cheat more in the outfield. Sometimes you feel so far out of position."

Griffey's hamstring improved enough for him to return last June, but he had to be careful until it got back to full strength as the season wound down.

He figures Bonds is going to have to do the same.

"He's going to try to do everything he can to be out there," Griffey said. "You just make sure it's warm when he

(See GRIFFEY, page five)

FISHING

\$7 Million Wal-Mart Bass Fishing League to visit Cumberland Lake

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

SOMERSET — The \$7 million Wal-Mart Bass Fishing League for weekend anglers will visit Cumberland Lake April 27 for the third of five Mountain Division events.

Up to 400 of the region's best anglers will be vying for top awards of up to \$5,000 cash in the Boater Division and up to \$2,500 cash in the Co-angler Division at the tournament weigh-in, which will be held at Burnside Island State Park

beginning at 3 p.m.

Cherokee Lake will host the Mountain Division's fourth tournament June 1.

The Mountain Super Tournament will be held Sept. 14-15 on Cherokee Lake.

Following the end of regular season competition, the top 30 Mountain Division boaters and co-anglers will advance to regional competition on Kerr Lake near Henderson, N.C., Oct. 15-19, where they will go up against top competitors from the Buckeye, Northeast and

Savannah River Divisions.

Boaters will compete for a new Chevy truck and a Ranger boat powered by Evinrude or Yamaha, while co-anglers fish for a new Ranger boat powered by Evinrude or Yamaha. Anglers who enter all five regular season Mountain Division tournaments but do not advance to the regional can fish the Chevy Trucks Wild Card Regional Nov. 5-9 for a shot at the 2003 Wal-Mart BFL

All-American championship. With \$100,000 cash going to the winning boater and \$50,000 cash going to the winning co-angler, the All-American ranks as one of the most lucrative championship tournaments in competitive angling.

Six boaters and six co-anglers from each of the BFL's six regional tournaments will advance to the All-American along with six boaters and six co-anglers from the Chevy Wild Card. Three boaters and three co-anglers from the Western Regional will also advance to the All-American, boosting the total field to 45 boaters and 45 co-anglers.

The 2002 All-American on Cross Lake near Shreveport, La., June 5-8 will be televised live on PAX TV as part of the FLW Outdoors television series airing Saturdays at 3 p.m. EST.

Nationwide, the BFL is divided into 26 divisions — each featuring four one-day qualifying tournaments and a two-day Super Tournament. Each Super Tournament will award up to \$9,600 to the winning boater and up to \$4,800 to the winning co-angler.

Under the BFL's boater and co-angler format, boaters supply the boats, fish from the front deck, and control boat movement throughout the competition.

Co-anglers fish from the back deck and are competing against other co-anglers. Two hundred points are awarded to tournament winners, 199 points are presented for second and so on. These points determine angler standings throughout the season.

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BASKETBALL

Magic Johnson leads list of nominees for Basketball Hall of Fame

by TRUDY TYNAN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. — Earvin "Magic" Johnson, who led the Los Angeles Lakers to five NBA championships, was among 14 players and coaches and one team nominated Wednesday for induction into the Basketball Hall of Fame.

Johnson, vice president of the Lakers, was nominated in his first year of eligibility. There are so few doubts about the outcome of the vote that, in a break with tradition, the Hall of Fame is announcing its inductees in June in Los Angeles, where Johnson spent his entire 13-year pro career.

In his rookie season with the Lakers, Johnson seized control of Game 6 of the 1980 NBA Finals against the Philadelphia 76ers.

Starting at center for the injured Kareem Abdul-Jabbar and playing all five positions during the game, Johnson had 42 points, 15 rebounds and seven assists, leading the Lakers to the first of five NBA titles during the decade.

At 21, Johnson became the first rookie to be named MVP of

the Finals.

The Lakers went on to win the NBA title 1982, 85, 87, and 88. Johnson was a three-time league MVP (1987, 89, 90), and MVP of the Finals in 1990 and '92.

In 1979, Johnson led Michigan State to the NCAA championship game over Indiana State and Larry Bird in the first of their legendary duels. They squared off three more times in the NBA Finals in a rivalry that ignited fan interest and transformed pro basketball during the 1980s.

Johnson left the NBA after the 1990-91 season following a stunning announcement that he had HIV. He returned to basketball to help the United States win Olympic gold in 1992 and returned to the NBA in the 1994-95 season, surpassing the 10,000 career-assist plateau.

Johnson hoped to enter the Hall of Fame with Bird, who was inducted in 1998. He even asked the Hall to waive its rule requiring players be retired five years before induction.

Also nominated as players

AUTO RACING

Battle of the Bluegrass gearing up for season-opener

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

GLASGOW — Barren County Speedway will host the first-ever Battle of the Bluegrass Late Model Series race on Saturday, May 3 when the first-year racing series opens its season with a 40-lap event.

The Barren County Speedway race will pay \$3,000 to some crafty driver. The Glasgow race, as all other Battle of the Bluegrass Series races will pay every driver who starts the race a cool \$250.

Just one day after visiting Glasgow BoB will head to Somerset and Lake Cumberland Speedway for a \$3,000-to-win race.

Richmond Raceway will host a race on May 11 before the series visits Thunder Mountain

Speedway in Grayson on the 18th.

A stop at 201 Speedway is also in line for the promising Kentucky driver's series. The tour will be in Magoffin County for a pair of races August 30-31 at Half Mountain Speedway, which is slated to open on May 11. Stops in Junction City, Bardstown and Morgantown are also in line for the first-year series.

Athletes of the Week



Austin Clark, P'burg High, track and field



Chanel Music, P'burg High, track and field



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EACH FRIDAY, THE FLOYD COUNTY TIMES DEVOTES A PAGE TO AUTO RACING. THE TIMES WILL FEATURE NEWS AND NOTES FROM AREA DIRT TRACKS AS WELL AS THE LATEST FROM NASCAR. THE TIMES ALSO FEATURES PROFILES ON LOCAL RACERS.

RACING

WINSTON CUP THIS WEEK

CALIFORNIA SPEEDWAY

NAPA Auto Parts 500, Fontana, Calif. Sunday, April 28, 2 p.m.

Fifteen ARCA RE/MAX Series teams test Kentucky Speedway

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

SPARTA – Fifteen ARCA RE/MAX Series teams turned wrenches and adjusted stock car set-ups during an open test at Kentucky Speedway today in preparation for the inaugural "Channel 5-155" on Saturday, May 11. Two dozen Greater Cincinnati and Kentucky media also were on hand for "Channel 5-155" Media Day, which

featured comments by current series points leader Chad Blount, 2001 series Rookie-of-Year Jason Jarrett and ARCA President Ron Drager. Jarrett said his team is experiencing inconsistency as it begins its 2002 campaign, but he expects to challenge defending champion Frank Kimmel for both the ARCA RE/MAX Series and "Channel 5-155" title. Kimmel swept two ARCA RE/MAX Series

events at Kentucky Speedway in 2001 and went on to win his third series championship in four years. "I'm looking forward coming to Kentucky because it marks the beginning of the bulk of our season where we don't have weeks off," Jarrett said. "It's also one of the biggest races for the series. We need to add some consistency to our program and Kentucky Speedway would be a great place to

do that in 'The Channel 5-155.' "Right now, we're just looking to try to win a championship. It's a handful to try to take it away from Frank. He has the same equipment we have, so somehow, we have to try to get a jump and that's why we test as much as possible." Another driver seeking to make a positive impression during "The Channel 5-155" is series veteran and

Cincinnati resident Jeep Pflum. Pflum will drive for Cincinnati-based Rite Track Racing and pilot the No. 5 Channel 5 Monte Carlo for the event's title sponsor. "We'll run the same car we had here last year, but it's reworked," he said. "We ran eighth last year and are really hoping for a top-five finish this

(See ARCA, page six)

Fortunes of racing teams blowin' in the wind

by KEITH PARSONS ASSOCIATED PRESS

MARIETTA, Ga. – NASCAR team owner Eddie Wood peered into the wind tunnel as air passed over and around one of his Ford Taurus at 160 mph. He tapped crewman Mike Smith on the shoulder, whispered to him, and they both smiled and continued watching.

And watching. And watching. Watching what, exactly? "Well, you can't really see anything from here," Wood said, smiling.

He was right. The windows of the control room vibrated and the roaring wind made conversations difficult, but it was impossible to see anything. All the data is measured by electronic sensors.

Still, Wood wouldn't have been anywhere else. "I'd come here 24 hours a day if they let me. I love it," Wood said. "If I had to send my mama here with a car for two hours of time, I'd do that. That's how important it is."

As NASCAR has gotten more technical in the past 20 years, the Wood Brothers and nearly every other team relies on information from wind tunnels, like the one at Lockheed Martin in suburban Atlanta. Sensors on the car send data back to a computer in the control room, where an aerodynamic expert such as Ford's Bernie Marcus looks at the numbers.

Lockheed Martin engineer Gerald Pounds said about half of the wind tunnel time there is used for race teams, who spend about \$2,000 per hour.

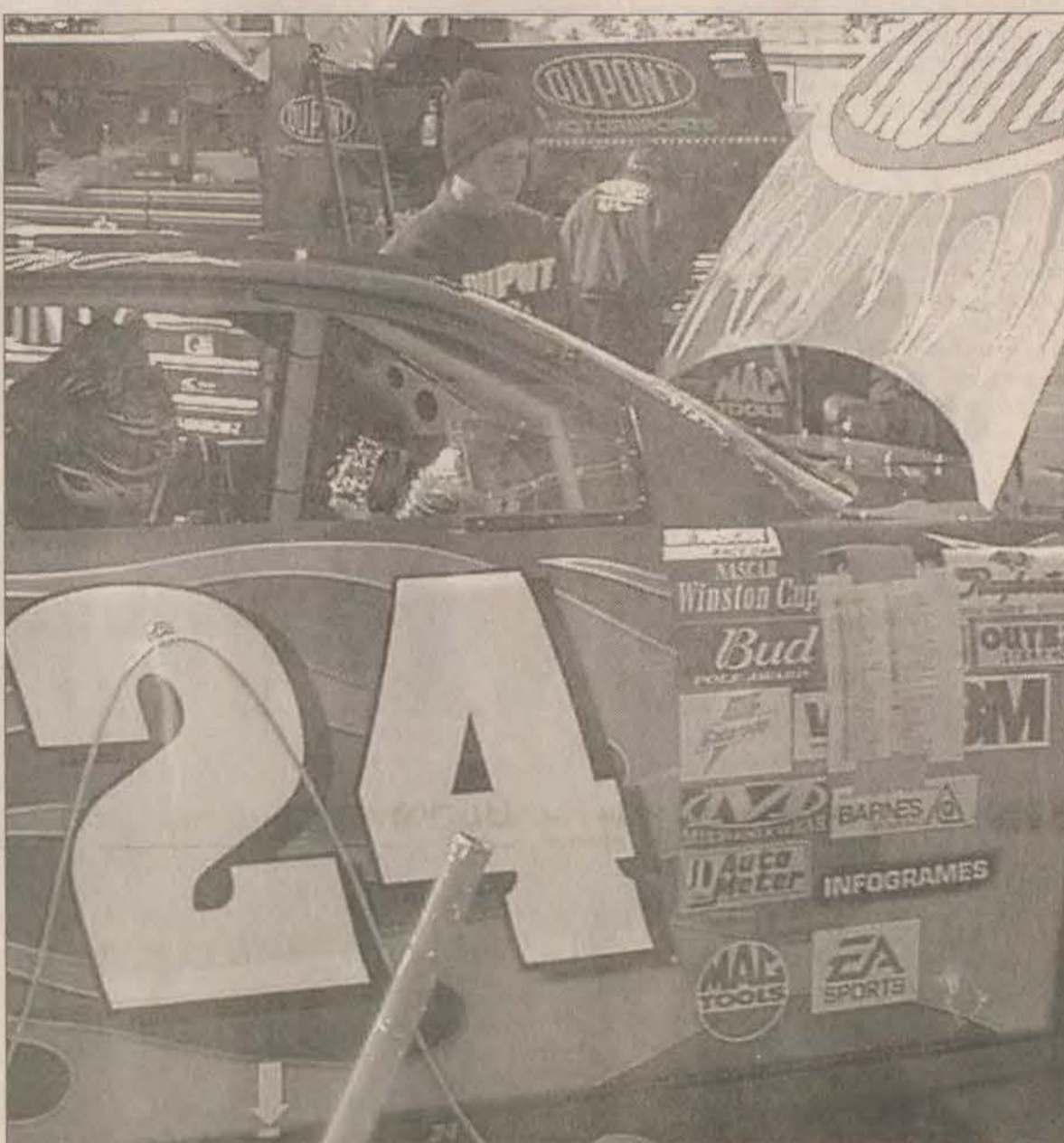
"It's gotten to be more and more each year," he said.

The tunnel mostly measures downforce and drag — a hot topic this year in the Winston Cup Series, with controversy swirling over which car has the most of each. Often, NASCAR will bring one car from each of the four manufacturers to determine if there are advantages.

These sessions sometimes lead to rule changes, such as when Ford got two separate reductions in the height of its rear

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RAINBOW WARRIOR



NASCAR Winston Cup driver Jeff Gordon will once again look to get back on the winning track this weekend in California. photo by Steve LeMaster

Is there a changing of the guard in the IRL?

by DICK BRINSTER ASSOCIATED PRESS

Each time Sam Hornish Jr. hoists another glimmering trophy in the winner's circle, the old guard of the IRL looks as if it's lost a little more of its luster.

And, with the rise of Roger Penske's powerful team, IRL mainstays Buddy Lazier, Eddie Cheever and Scott Sharp have taken on the appearance of underdogs despite entering this season as the biggest winners in the series.

But they don't seem worried. "It's cyclical thing," said Lazier, the IRL champion in 2000. "You can't be on every day, every week, every month."

No one in IRL history was on more than Lazier in the middle of last season, when he won four times in five races. In the end, however, Hornish ran away with the title, becoming at 22 the youngest champion in the history of big-time open-wheel racing.

And Hornish is showing no signs of a letdown, winning two of the first four races this season and

leading the points as he tries to become the first repeat champion in the IRL's seven-year history. Cheever wouldn't be surprised if Hornish won again, but he sees no reason to concede anything to him — or Penske aces Gil de Ferran and Helio Castroneves.

"Hornish is a thoroughbred. And Roger Penske? Nobody has to explain him," said Cheever, like Lazier a former winner of the Indianapolis 500.

But Cheever, who began his

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photos by Steve LeMaster

The XX Modified, driver by Jake 'The Snake' Miller, had graphics put on it last week by the employees of C&S Signs in Prestonsburg.

'Mad Max' weekend for Wallace at Fontana

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

FONTANA, Calif. – Rusty Wallace is sticking with Mad Max in his bid to win the NAPA Auto Parts 500 for the second straight year on car owner Roger Penske's California Speedway.

"We're bringing the same car, a super little hot rod that we call Mad Max," said Wallace, third in the Winston Cup standings — 157 points behind leader Sterling Marlin.

Wallace also drove the Team Penske Ford to victo-

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Parking does little to change Harvick

by JENNA FRYER ASSOCIATED PRESS

TALLADEGA, Ala. – The camera shot started at his feet and slowly panned up to show Kevin Harvick lounging on a golf cart during pre-race activities. With a sly smile, he leaned in close and sent a message to the national audience.

"I'm back," he announced in a mocking tone.

Yes, NASCAR's newest bad boy has returned after being parked for one race, and little has changed.

"I don't really think that NASCAR wants an apology for anything," said Harvick, who was forbidden by the sanctioning body to drive at Martinsville Speedway two weeks ago for a series of incidents.

He was cleared to race last week at Talladega and returned to the track humble, but he refused to say he was sorry for his actions.

Harvick, first put on probation for scuffling with Greg Biffle after a Busch race at Bristol last month, was penalized for bumping and banging with Coy Gibbs during a truck race at Martinsville. When the sanctioning body had seen enough, he was called off the track, and he pulled his truck up to the NASCAR hauler to discuss it.

At some point during that meeting, NASCAR decided Harvick needed to be taught a lesson.

So they told him to go home and not to bother showing up for the Winston Cup race. It was the first time in the sport's 54-year history a driver was punished for rough driving.

Harvick got the message loud and clear. But the brash, 26-year-old driver who inherited Dale Earnhardt's ride following his death last year has vowed not to change his aggressive style.

"I like to race the race car. I don't care if it's a late model, I don't care if it's a street stock, I'm going to go out and race the car as hard as I can," he said. "I just want to win the race, and a lot of times that doesn't work anymore."

"But I did learn that we can win races, we can do a lot of things, but unless I can walk up into that trailer, sit down in that office and have a normal, decent conversation with them, then I'm not going to get anywhere."

There's a lot more to it than that. When Harvick burst onto the Winston Cup scene last year in a competitive car, it didn't take him long to make enemies.

When he showed he could bump with the best of them, the veterans took exception. When his aggressiveness crept too close to the unwritten code of conduct, he picked up the nickname "The Instigator," a play on Earnhardt's nickname "The Intimidator."

Now he's on probation for the year as punishment for his actions at Bristol and Martinsville, and it will be open season on him for retaliation.

There's little Harvick can do about it — the slightest slip could get him sent home again, and every driver knows it.

"They're going to try to use him as a pingpong ball," his crew chief, Kevin Hamlin, said. "Wouldn't you?"

Four-time Winston Cup champion

(See HARVICK, page six)

Still journeying

by KATHY J. PRATER
FEATURES EDITOR

I've been thinking a lot about changes this week. Change is always happening and sometimes I find myself just wishing I could slow some things down just a bit. Things like my children growing taller and more independent each day, which are good changes I know, but, like any mother, I sometimes find myself thinking back to their younger years when they were so much more innocent and the thought of their growing up and flying away from my nest was so very, very far away.

Now I have yet to be the parent of a high school student, but my eldest daughter will be one this coming fall and like the first day of kindergarten, I am dreading her first day of high school more than just a tad. Dreading it, in part, because I can vividly remember just how fast those important four

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POSTSCRIPT

A flawed hero

by PAM SHINGLER
COLUMNIST

A professional conference last week gave me the opportunity to see something I'd always wanted to see. My coworkers and I attended an annual convention of community broadcasters in Charlottesville, Virginia, just a few miles beyond the Blue Ridge, which I learned is an actual mountain ridge, not just a region.

On my mental list of things I've wanted to do since I was a youngster was visit Monticello, the home of one of our Founding Fathers and third president, Thomas Jefferson.

The extraordinary man could be the subject of life-long study and still be an enigma. He was a statesman, who was there, with advice, as our government was being formed. He was a scientist and inventor, with special interests in design, weather and time. He was a farmer,

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Ashley Darby, the daughter of Huey and Earleen Darby, participated in the "Baby, think it over" program at Allen Elementary. Ashley is shown here "changing" her baby's diaper. Watching are Audrea Ousley, the daughter of John and Loretta Ousley, and Savannah Boyd, the daughter of Randi Jarrell and James Boyd.



BABY think it over

by KATHY J. PRATER
FEATURES EDITOR

Playing with dolls is a generations old activity that most little girls enjoy very much. In fact, psychologists have claimed in recent years that playing with dolls is a positive activity for even young boys to become engaged in, in that it serves to make them more nurturing fathers in the years ahead. That aside, playing with dolls has gone beyond preschool in Floyd County schools through the use of patented "RealCare" baby dolls that are provided to Floyd County students through enrollment in the "Baby, Think it Over" program that operates in conjunction with Our Lady of the Way Hospital's "Respect" program. The Respect program was developed by Our Lady of the Way



Whitney Slone enjoys that "fresh baby" scent that "mothers" everywhere relish. Whitney is the daughter of Melissa Hamilton and Todd Keathley.

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This Town That World

Editor's Note: For years, Floyd County Times founder and former publisher Norman Allen wrote a weekly column that looked at Floyd County through his eyes. His columns are being reprinted due to request. The following column was written in 1961.

We asked for hotter weather, and we got it. Now keep on griping, and you'll get cold weather—if you live long enough.

Spring jumps into summer so quickly, these days, that I escape the spring fever that in other years beset me. Or is it because I'm so dead, spring or summer, that I can't feel the difference?

ON PRESS-DAY, TOO

Well. Just about everything has happened in this office since we began fighting the wolf at the door 35 years ago. And now a common, ordinary housecat has taken up abode here and had herself a passel of kittens. This happened on press-day, the day when most such events take place in newspaper families.

A THING OF BEAUTY

Those of us who have long envied other sections of the Commonwealth and their beautiful state parks still have difficulty believing what we see at Jenny Wiley State Park, Kentucky Village on Kentucky Lake and Chandler Island on Cumberland

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Joe Diffie is coming to the MAC

SATURDAY, JUNE 1 - 8 PM!

In an era when only a few years of commercial success have come to be considered a major achievement, Joe Diffie, with the release of his eighth and newest album, "In Another World," is indeed living in a rarefied world that's earned and experienced by only a handful of country music's truly great artists. Since his debut single - 1990's No. 1 smash, "Home," - Diffie has shone as a formidable new star in the country firmament. He has filled the ensuing decade with an amazing 13 top ten charts hits, five of which went all the way to No. 1.

So what does one do for an encore to a gold and platinum track record like that? One listen to Joe's maiden voyage on Sony/Nashville's Monument Records, "In Another World," not only gives more than an ample answer to that question, but also marks with crystalline clarity the difference between a bright-but-fleeting star and an enduring, lifetime talent!

In the last ten-years-plus, Joe has shown a master's hand at everything from heart-tugging, classic ballads to sidesplitting and

(See DIFFIE, page three)

Domestic Violence: Please daddy stop!

Again we are ending a month's attention on the preventing child abuse. So many times the impact of domestic violence on women is discussed, but the recognition of the child's needs after witnessing domestic violence has lagged behind. Along with the harm the child experiences directly to her body, if she has been abused, there has been more research that demonstrates that exposure to domestic violence has a venomous impact on the child's social, emotional, and cognitive development. It has been further suggested that witnessing domestic violence has long-term consequences for the child's well being, ultimately

As with the identification of children who have witnessed violence in the home, the assessment and treatment by mental health professionals will also depend upon the children's age and stage of development, the nature and duration of the children's symptoms and the impact on their functioning, the children's perceptions of and experiences with the violence, the children's ability to speak about the violence, the amount of safety the children have in their environment, the adults present who can be supportive and protective of children, and the influence of the children's culture on defining the domestic violence and seeking help.

affecting her adult functioning. Children's responses to witnessing domestic violence vary greatly, from showing a wide range of adjustment problems and emotional problems to apparently escaping without an obvious scratch. Possible contributing factors to the children's responses

are: (1) their proximity to the violence, such as what they actually saw or heard; (2) the children's temperament; (3) their ages at the time of witnessing the event(s); (4) the severity and long-term endurance of the violence; and (5) whether or not adults are available who can emotionally protect or

sustain the children. Various symptoms have been identified, as characteristics of children who witness domestic violence, such as aggressive behavior, problems socializing, depression, fears, anxiety, sleep disturbances, and learning problems. Underneath all of these are

the children's emotional responses to the violence—intense terror, fear of death, and fear of loss of a parent. Besides, children might harbor rage, guilt, and a sense of responsibility for the violence. Other research suggests that children, who are witnessing traumatic events—episodes of domestic violence, are likely to feel helpless and see the world as unpredictable, hostile, and threatening. As expected, children who live in households with domestic violence may suffer extensively and are likely to develop a host of short- and long-term problems.



by Mable Rowe Lineberger, Ph.D.

(See PONDER, page two)

Mountain Christian Academy excels in Governor's Cup academic competition



The District Governor's Cup Competition was held on March 2, at Prestonsburg Elementary. Students from Mountain Christian Academy won several awards.

Members of the Mountain Christian Academy Quick Recall Team are: Taylor Allen, Harneet Bhagrath, Staci Carriere, Elizabeth Davis (team captain), Andreea Gabor, Kendra Hall, Liz Kilburn, Katy Petry, Rebecca Rose, Shikha Sachdeva, and Warren Vierheller.

Members of the Mountain Christian Academy Future

Problem Solving team are: Taylor Allen, Staci Carriere, Kendra Hall, Liz Kilburn, and Rebecca Rose.

Both the Quick Recall and Future Problem Solving teams won first place awards.

Additionally, Mountain Christian Academy placed first in Overall Competition.

Winners in the individual events were as follows:

■ Social Studies - Elizabeth Davis, first place; Rebecca Rose, second place; and, Andreea Gabor, third place.

■ Language Arts - Elizabeth Davis, first place; and, Katy Petry, third place.

■ Mathematics - Kendra Hall, first place; Warren Vierheller, fourth place; and, Katy Petry, fifth place.

■ Science - Liz Kilburn, first place; Shikha Sachdeva, second place; and, Warren Vierheller, fifth place.

■ General Knowledge - Shikha Sachdeva, second place.

■ English Composition - Taylor Allen, second place; Harneet Bhagrath, third place.

Mountain Christian Academy places in regional Governor's Cup competition



The Regional Governor's Cup Competition was held at Duff Elementary on March 23. Students from Mountain Christian Academy competed and came away with several awards, including first place in Quick Recall and second place in Future Problem Solving and Overall Competition.

Winners in the individual

events are as follows:

■ Social studies - Elizabeth Davis, first place.

■ Language Arts - Elizabeth Davis, first place.

■ Science - Liz Kilburn, second place; Warren Vierheller, fourth place, and, Shikha Sachdeva, fifth place.

■ Mathematics - Warren Vierheller, fourth place.



Chris Slone, left, NRCS District Conservationist presents Denzil Allen with the Cooperator of the Year award at the Floyd County Conservation District's annual awards banquet. Also receiving the same award was Philip Goble, not pictured.



Jordan Tackett, left, was third place county art winner. Jordan attends Betsy Layne Elementary. Anchal Saraf, right, was second place county art winner. Anchal attends Mountain Christian Academy. Not pictured was Shane Poynter, first place county art winner. Shane is a student at Prestonsburg Elementary.



Tara Burchett, left, was second place county winner. Tara attends Betsy Layne Elementary. Joshua Ousley, right, was first place county winner. Joshua attends Mountain Christian Academy. Not pictured is Eddie Hamilton, third place county winner, writing contest. Eddie attends Betsy Layne High School.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND SCHOOL

Checkout Wednesday & Friday LIFESTYLES for weekly school updates and schedules.



2002 Floyd County Conservation District Annual Awards Banquet

Article and photos submitted by: Michelle Goble, education coordinator, FCCD

The 2002 Annual Awards Banquet was held on Friday evening, March 15, at the Jenny Wiley State Park Wilkinson/Stumbo Convention Center. Approximately 200 guests attended, among them members of the Floyd County Board of Education and teaching staff, representatives from the Floyd County Fiscal Court, and representatives from several other area agencies. Nearly 2000 Floyd County

students participated in the 2001 Conservation Art & Writing Contest. Awards were presented to all the contest winners. Awards and special recognition's were also given to the following: Clark Allison, Big Sandy RC&D and Randolph Crisp, WMDJ, both of whom received special recognition awards for their years of continued assistance to the Floyd County Conservation District. Denzil Allen and Philip Goble, who were both presented with Cooperator of the Year awards for their outstanding cooperation with the District in their work of conserving Floyd

County's natural resources. And, Virginia Artrip was given an award for crafting a quilt piece that will be sewn into the KACD Auxiliary Quilt which will be raffled in July - proceeds from this quilt will go to the KACD Auxiliary Scholarship Fund.

Attendees were treated to a buffet dinner and Tom Vierheller, Associate Professor of Biology, Prestonsburg Community College, and vice-president of the Kentucky Waterways Alliance presented a very informative program on water quality in Eastern Kentucky.



Yesteryear "girl power"

This photograph is of the Martin High School girl's basketball team, year unknown. It was submitted by Ora M. Allen, of Martin, who served as coach of the team. The picture was taken in front of the old Martin Grade School building by Bud and Sis Slade. The players were, from left to right, first row: Glynafay Dingus, (first name unknown) Conn, Irene Castle, Ellen Davis, Naomi Childers, Flova Collins, Med Baldrige, Mary Childers, and Wanda Davis. Second row, left to right: Dorothy Pratt, Louise Frazier, Ora M. Allen, (first name unknown) Halbert, Ruth Pratt, Goldia Pratt, unknown. Cheerleaders were Litcha Coleman and Martha Wilson. The player shown kneeling in center holding ball is Mildred McGlotten.

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 911 Advisory Council meets the 1st Monday of each month, at 7 p.m., at the Jenny Wiley Lodge.
 EMS Oversight Committee meets the 4th Thursday of each month, at 10 a.m., in the council room at Prestonsburg City Hall.
 Floyd County 911 Executive Board 361 N. Lake Dr. P.O. Box 1441 Prestonsburg, Ky 41653
 886-0926, or 1-800-279-3191

Pursuant to KRS 231.040, application for a permit to operate a place of entertainment, has been made by Clarence Wade of 127 Porter Lane, Lot #18, Pikeville, KY 41501. The name of the proposed business of entertainment is Final Frontier. The nature of the business will be beer, Carry Out, Pool Tables and Juke Box. Pursuant to KRS 231.070, the Floyd County Attorney shall investigate whether the applicant lacks good moral character, or whether the applicant will obey the laws of the Commonwealth in the operation of the business, or whether the applicant, within the last two (2) years prior to the date of filing the application has been convicted in Kentucky of maintaining a public nuisance. Pursuant to KRS 231.080 any person desiring to

oppose the permits shall file with the County Clerk no later than May 16, 2002 in writing, allegations that show cause as to why the application shall not be granted. Said written information shall be signed, dated and reflect the current address of said person providing the information.
 Pursuant to KRS 231.080, a hearing has been scheduled for May 16, 2002, at the hour of 2:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as same can be heard before the Floyd County Judge/Executive at the Floyd County Justice Center, 2nd Floor in Prestonsburg, Kentucky. The Floyd County Judge/Executive shall hear evidence in support of or in opposition to the granting of the permit.
 HON. KEITH BARTLEY FLOYD COUNTY ATTORNEY

operation located 0.5 miles south of Hunter in Floyd County. The operation disturbs 36.84 surface acres, and will overlie 414.14 acres underground workings for a total area within the permit boundary will be 450.98 acres.
 The proposed operation is located on the McDowell, Harold, Martin, and Wayland USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area disturbed is owned by The Elk Horn Coal Corporation. The mineral is owned by The Elk Horn Coal Corporation. The operation will underlie land owned by The Elk Horn Coal Corporation, Laura Fitzpatrick, Wm. Richard Salisbury, Alta Moore, Floyd C. Taylor, Luna Halbert, Ellis Moore, Alex Steverns, Ellen Halbert, Davis May, Bee Halbert, John A. Bruce, and Gena Salisbury, and Tandy Martin. The operation will affect an area within 100 feet of County Road 5310. The operation will not involve relocation of the public road.
 The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining

Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written comments, objections, or request for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, # 2 Hudson Hollow, US 127 South, Frankfort, KY 41654.
ATTENTION
 The Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) for the Martin Water Works will be published in the Floyd County times, and will not be mailed to the customers unless requested. Copies of the CCR are also available at the Martin Water Works office, located at City Hall in Martin, during the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

most current CABO One and Two Family Dwelling Code, Model Energy Code and National Electric Code. When there is a conflict between the plans and the written specifications, the written specifications will always supersede. The contractor is responsible for all permits and inspection fees.
 The approved septic installer's bid should also include the cost for all permits and inspection fees.
 Copies may be obtained at the office of the Low Income Housing Coalition of East Kentucky, Inc., 116 N. Front Ave., Prestonsburg, KY 41653, between 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Monday - Friday.
 All bids should be submitted to Jeremiah Stamm, Low Income Housing Coalition of East Kentucky, Inc., 116 N. Front Ave., Prestonsburg, KY 41653, and clearly marked on the outside of the bid "Webb Bid." No bidder may withdraw his/her bid within 60 days of the actual bid opening thereof.
 The owner reserves the right to waive any informalities or to reject any or all bids.
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contract. Section 3 Segregated Facility, Section 109 and E.O. 12246 and Title VI. Minority and Women owned businesses are encouraged to bid. Successful bidders will be required to submit evidence of workers compensation, Builders Risk and General Liability Insurance coverage at the time of contract signing.
 Low Income Housing Coalition of East Kentucky, Inc., Jeremiah Stamm, Director, Equal Housing Opportunity.

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