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Patton confesses

Governor admits affair

by MARK R. CHELLGREN
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FRANKFORT — Gov. Paul Patton on Friday tearfully admitted to "unfaithfulness" with the woman who is suing him for sexual harassment. He denied using his influence to assist or damage the nursing home she oper-

ates, as she has alleged. Patton, his voice cracking, frequently stopped to recover his emotions. He said he wanted to "apologize to the people of Kentucky for my failure as a person." He said he already apologized to first lady Judi Patton and members of their family. Patton initially denied an affair with the

woman, Tina Conner. He said he decided to recant after a sleepless night Wednesday. "I was wrong. The denial was another mistake," Patton said. Judi Patton did not attend the brief press conference where Patton read a statement, hugged other family members and then left without taking questions. A spokeswoman said Judi Patton was at home in Pikeville



In a tearful address Friday, Gov. Paul Patton confessed to an adulterous sexual affair after three days of denials.

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CAP van in fatal crash

LEXINGTON — A single-vehicle crash left one dead and nine injured on Interstate 75 late Thursday night. About 9:35 p.m., a red Dodge van was traveling south on I-75 when it overturned just south of Exit 99. A sign on the van identified it as belonging to the Christian Appalachian Project. All of the passengers were adults, said Lexington Police Lt. Fred Lisanby. One woman was airlifted and the others were taken to local hospitals by ambulance. One person was pronounced dead at the scene, Lisanby said. That person wasn't identified Thursday night. "Preliminary indications are that a tire blew out, the vehicle crossed a couple lanes of traffic and overturned in a ditch," said Lexington police Lt. Ron Compton.

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2 DAY FORECAST

Today
Scattered storms
High: 83 • Low: 54

Tomorrow
Partly cloudy
High: 77 • Low: 51

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photos by Jarrid Deaton

Despite two weeks of heated behind-the-scenes discussion and anonymous letters to local media outlets urging employees to protest the decision to rescind health benefits for workers' families, Friday's meeting drew few observers.

Court votes to cut health benefits for workers' families

by JARRID DEATON
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A motion to amend the hospitalization coverage to employee-only coverage was passed at a meeting of the Floyd County Fiscal Court on Friday. In the past, the coverage has been extended to include family members of employees. Floyd County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson explained the reasons for the decision to the smattering of workers and the public who attended the meeting. According to Thompson, one of the major factors of the cut is the fact that



The Floyd County Fiscal Court passed a motion on Friday to amend the health insurance policy for county employees. The new policy mandates employee-only coverage for hospitalization.

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Flame dispute continues to burn

by ROGER ALFORD
ASSOCIATED PRESS

PRESTONSBURG — It's almost as if Frank Fitzpatrick was there on that brisk January afternoon in 1862 when eastern Kentucky's largest Civil War battle was fought. He never tires of telling the story of how 1,100 Union troops and 2,000 Confederates traded gunfire along a mountain valley that smelled of burned powder and echoed with the deafening booms of cannons. Fitzpatrick, head of the Middle Creek National Battlefield Foundation, has turned his passion to

building a monument to those who died here. But his mission to honor their eternal memory has run into a roadblock over an eternal flame. At issue is a gas company and the wording of a lease agreement that requires it to provide free natural gas to the monument. Columbia Natural Resources, which operates in nine states, leases rights to gas reserves beneath the battlefield and has a well not more than 250 feet from where the monument would be built. Still, the company has steadfastly refused to provide free natural gas for the flame, which would

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Plan would use juvenile center to hold inmates

by JARRID DEATON
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Floyd County Jailer Roger Webb was present at the meeting of the Floyd County Fiscal Court on Friday to discuss plans to lodge state prisoners in the former Juvenile Detention Center. Floyd County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson and Webb are scheduled to attend a meeting with Department of Corrections representative Jerry Galbraith on Tuesday to discuss the proposal.

According to Webb, the Floyd County Detention Center fared very well during a recent inspection with only one infraction. "Out of 187 items of inspection, the only one that was a problem was overcrowding," Webb said. Thompson has hopes that the plan will help the county with its financial woes. "We hope that it will offset some of the budget difficulties," Thompson said. The Floyd County Detention Center currently houses 85 county and 68 state prisoners.

Grand jury returns 41 indictments

by LORETTA BLACKBURN
STAFF WRITER

Among the 41 indictments handed down by a Floyd County grand jury this week was a superceding indictment in which Oley Hall, 60, of Beaver, was indicted on a trafficking charge that was enhanced to a class B felony due to being in possession of a firearm while selling Demoral. According to Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner, Hall was previously indicted on four counts of trafficking, two of them class D felonies and two class C, and trial was set for October. Turner said that the superceding indictment enhances one of the class C felonies to a class B because

police say that Hall sold the Demoral while in possession of a firearm. Hall faces 10 to 20 years for two counts of trafficking in Lortab, class D felonies, one count of trafficking in Demoral, a class C, and one county of trafficking in Demoral while in the possession of a firearm, a class B felony. Other indictments include: ■ Three people were charged with the class C felony of second-degree burglary. Aubert Clevenger, 19, of Salyersville, was indicted on second-degree burglary, theft by unlawful taking, a class D felony, and a class A misdemeanor of second-degree criminal mischief. (See CHARGES, page three)

Fall could be arriving sooner than you think

by JARRID DEATON
STAFF WRITER

If you are planning a first day of fall bash, you shouldn't use most calendars as a guide, according to Ray Shubinski, director of the East Kentucky Science

Center. "Most calendars say that autumn begins on September 23, but being an astronomer, I figure these things out to the minute," Shubinski said. According to his

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Odds and Ends

■ **COEUR d'ALENE, Idaho** — Community colleges had decided to pull a television commercial that poked fun at students in two-year schools.

In the ad, two students are shown chatting with a talking menu, which decides they probably don't have a lot of money and likely never will because they attend a junior college.

A Burger King spokeswoman confirmed Thursday that the spot is being pulled because of complaints from numerous junior colleges and community college officials.

Michael Burke, president of North Idaho College, said he recognized when he saw the ad Wednesday that it was supposed

to be funny, but it didn't work for him.

"It implies that community college students don't receive a quality education," he said. "Our students leave here and are very successful at university work. Those who leave our professional-technical program enter the work force making an excellent salary. It certainly doesn't reflect reality."

He shot off an e-mail to Norma Kent, vice president of communications for the American Association of Community Colleges, who wrote back that she registered the complaint with Burger King in Miami.

"They are pulling the disgusting 'junior college' spot.

Will take a couple days to get it out of the pipeline, and then it goes into the trash heap of ad history where it belongs," Kent wrote.

Burger King spokeswoman Michelle Miguez said the students didn't know they were being filmed, then were asked if they'd be willing to be in an ad and were shown the film.

"They found the ad to be funny," Miguez said. "They were not offended in the least."

The ad was also tested in focus groups, she said.

Nonetheless, "we understand some people are offended," Miguez said.

From now on, she said, the talking menu will choose its words more carefully.

■ **ST. LOUIS** — From Fredbird to jailbird.

Donny Chilton, who worked in 2000 as a backup to the feathered St. Louis Cardinals' mascot known as Fredbird, was found guilty Wednesday of first-degree burglary and misdemeanor stealing. Circuit Judge Robert Dierker Jr. revoked Chilton's bond and ordered him jailed pending sentencing Oct. 11.

Chilton, 21, and two others entered Busch Stadium in the early hours of May 9, 2000, got into a storage area near the Cardinals' clubhouse and took a player's set of golf clubs, one yellow baseball used in batting practice and a batting helmet. Court records do not identify the

player whose clubs were taken.

A team employee spotted the three leaving the ballpark, followed them across the street and questioned them - and they dropped the loot, authorities said.

Cardinals officials plucked Chilton after they matched his employee identification photo with a videotape image from a surveillance camera, assistant circuit attorney Amy Fite said. Authorities were unable to identify the two others.

Jurors recommended Chilton get a five-year prison term - the minimum - on the felony burglary charge and a fine for stealing.

A spokesman for the Cardinals did not return a phone

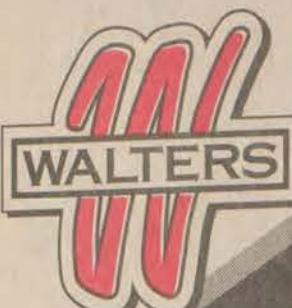
call seeking comment.

■ **FAYETTEVILLE, N.C.** — Alice Morrison was looking for a better way to seal her pickles. What she heard made her want to seal her ears.


The 71-year-old Sunday school teacher was unhappy with the canning lids on her sweet pickle jars. So she reached for her box of Kerr mason lids and called the consumer help number printed on the side.

Instead of advice for her lids, she was greeted by a recorded, raspy voice that she was about to hear "sexy introductions from callers" and that for \$1.99 a

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\$198
A MONTH

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Sec. Deposit: \$0
Down Payment: \$499
Total Due At Signing: \$697*

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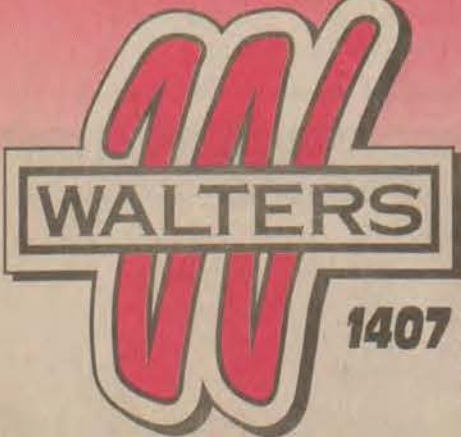
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Charges

nal mischief in the for allegedly entering the house of Rose Lovely and stealing and damaging her property.

Oscar Lee short, 21, of Wayland, was indicted on second-degree burglary and three class A misdemeanors of possession of a burglar's tools, fourth-degree assault and resisting arrest, for allegedly entering the home of Randy Manual at Wayland, assaulting him when he left, threatening officer Bobby Hackworth and being in possession of tools commonly used to commit burglaries.

Crystal Crace, 27, of Allen, was indicted on second-degree burglary and four class A misdemeanors of resisting arrest, disorderly conduct, fourth-degree

assault and terroristic threatening, for allegedly entering the home of Jessica Jervis, using physical force against officer Shawn Roop, acting disorderly, causing injury to Estill Chad Crace and threatening to assault Jessica Jervis.

Three people were indicted on charges of marijuana cultivation.

Stephan Parker, 49, of Southpoint, Ohio, was indicted on marijuana cultivation, possession of drug paraphernalia and possession or use of radio capable of sending or receiving police messages, for allegedly planting and cultivating five or more plants, possessing equipment, products and/or materials related to drugs, and having a

scanner programmed to receive police radio traffic.

Ronnie Terry, 47, of Wayland, was indicted on marijuana cultivation for allegedly planting and cultivating five or more plants.

Benny C. Martin, 49, of Garrett, was indicted on marijuana cultivation, possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of marijuana, for allegedly planting and cultivating five or more plants, possessing equipment, products and/or materials related to drugs, and possessing marijuana.

Ruth Fresh, 31, of Indianapolis, Ind., was indicted on first-degree promoting contraband for allegedly introducing contraband into Otter Creek detention center.

Two people were indicted on the class D felony of possession of first-degree of a controlled substance. Michael C. Peters, 26, of Paintsville, and Ralph Jr. Lewis, 31, of Banner, were both indicted on the charge for allegedly possessing cocaine, a Schedule I controlled substance.

Charged with first-degree wanton endangerment was Jewell Turner, 58, of David, who was also charged with first-degree fleeing or evading police, for allegedly attempting to injure officer John Dale and attempting to flee, causing further risk of injury.

Also indicted on first-degree wanton endangerment was Gary C. Combs Jr., 34, of Oil Springs, who was charged with three counts for allegedly creating a danger of death or serious physical injury to Crystal Newsome, Christopher Caudill and Amy Combs.

Steven Brian Newman, 38, of Hi Hat, was indicted on eight charges, including two counts third-degree assault in the, three counts terroristic threatening, resisting arrest and two counts of third-degree criminal mischief and disorderly conduct. Newman allegedly struck deputies Matt Johnson and Robert Caudill, threatened Caudill, Johnson and Deputy Terry Chaffins, resisted arrest,

damaged the property of Caudill and acted disorderly.

Seven people were indicted on theft by unlawful taking or failure to make required disposition, a class D felony.

Walker Ray Ratliff, 20, of Prestonsburg, was indicted on theft by unlawful taking, first-degree criminal mischief and two counts of possession of drug paraphernalia and marijuana, for allegedly stealing property from Microtel Motel, damaging property at Microtel in excess of \$1,000, and possessing equipment, products or materials related to drugs and possessing marijuana.

Jody Carroll, 24, of Prestonsburg, Kisha L. Collins, 19, of Martin, and Christopher M. Caudill, 24, of Prestonsburg, were indicted on theft by unlawful taking and first-degree criminal mischief for allegedly stealing property from Microtel and damaging property at Microtel in excess of \$1,000.

Jackie L Dalton, 28, of Inez, was indicted on theft charges for allegedly taking property from Food City.

Eddie Whitlock, 38, of Van Lear, was indicted on theft charges for allegedly taking a 1997 Ford Escort belonging to James Muncy.

Timothy Trimble, 45, of Prestonsburg, was indicted on theft charges and first-degree criminal mischief for allegedly stealing a 1999 GMC Pickup from Prestonsburg Auto Brokers and causing damage in excess of \$1,000.

There were three indicted for receiving stolen property.

Daniel Michael Smith, 30, of Lyman, S.C., was indicted on two counts of receiving stolen property for allegedly receiving, retaining and/or disposing of a truck belonging to Fannins Pre-Owned Cars and a tractor belonging to Williams Gas Pipeline.

Jackie Short, 20, of Willard, Ohio, was indicted on receiving stolen property, first-degree wanton endangerment, first-degree fleeing or evading police and three misdemeanors of disorderly conduct, theft by unlaw-

ful taking and possession of marijuana, for allegedly receiving a 1997 Ford Taurus G1 belonging to Beverly Schlarb, endangering officer Steve Little, acting disorderly, attempting to evade police and endangering Little, stealing property of Skeans Marathon and possessing marijuana.

John E. Cloud, 25, of Dwayne, was charged with receiving stolen property for allegedly purchasing an Iver Johnson .22 caliber semi-automatic pistol.

Two were indicted on the class D felony of flagrant non-support. Mark Collin, 34, of Prestonsburg and Donovan Hall, 25, of Garrett were indicted for allegedly failing to provide support.

Fred Greer, 42, of Banner, was indicted for first-degree criminal mischief and resisting arrest for allegedly damaging a 1994 Mercury in excess of \$1,000 and threatening officer William Petry.

Fourteen were indicted on charges related to driving under the influence of alcohol.

Billy J Lazar, 34, of Auxier, was indicted for driving on a DUI-suspended license, driving under the influence and second-degree wanton endangerment for allegedly transporting a passenger under 12 while under the influence with two prior convictions in the past five years, driving on revoked license, and endangering the health of a minor.

Robin Lynn Jarrell, 35, of Prestonsburg, was indicted on the class D felony of DUI with three prior convictions in the past five years, driving on a DUI-suspended license and endangering the welfare of a minor for allegedly driving under the influence on suspended license with her daughter as a passenger in the vehicle.

James Kelly Lackey, 27, of Bevinville, was indicted for operating on suspended and a class D felony of DUI with three prior convictions, for allegedly driving under the influence on a suspended license.

Green Hall, 67, of Prestonsburg, was indicted for allegedly driving on a DUI-suspended license.

Steven Potter, 43, of Elkhorn City; Green Hall, 67, Prestonsburg; Henry S. Thomsberry, 26, of Kite; Crystal D. Newsome, 25, of Prestonsburg; and Billy R. Johnson, 43, of Martin, were indicted on charges of DUI and driving on a DUI-suspended license.

Charles E. Lewis, 37, of Blue River, was indicted on charges of DUI, driving on a DUI-sus-

ended license and possession of marijuana.

Tonya Kester was indicted on charges of DUI, driving on a DUI-suspended license, fleeing or evading, two counts of first-degree possession of a controlled substance and a class A misdemeanor of possession of drug paraphernalia, for allegedly driving under the influence on suspended license, attempting to evade police and risking injury to officer Thomas Gearheart, possessing Oxycodone, cocaine and drug paraphernalia.

Londy Dennis Goff Jr., 47, of Pikeville, was indicted on charges of DUI, driving on a DUI-suspended license and a class B misdemeanor of third-degree criminal mischief, for allegedly driving under the influence on revoked license and damaging the property of Lisa Coleman.

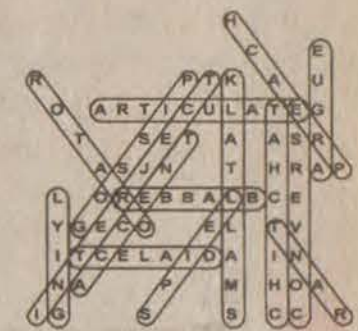
Rodney Castle, 31, Paintsville, was indicted on charges of DUI, driving on a DUI-suspended license, and a class A misdemeanor of operating on suspended license.

Roy Smith, 50, Lagrange, Ind., was indicted on charges of DUI, first-degree wanton endangerment and bribery of a public servant for allegedly driving under the influence, endangering officer Dennis Hutchinson and offering Hutchinson \$300 to let him and his passenger walk away.

Kermit Chad Martin, 19, Drift, was indicted on a class B misdemeanor of disorderly conduct.

An indictment is not an indication of guilt, but rather a determination by a grand jury that criminal charges warrant a full court hearing.

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Flame

burn little higher than a furnace pilot light.

Columbia spokesman Kelly Merritt said the lease agreement requires the company to provide free service to any dwelling on the property. But an eternal flame isn't a dwelling, he said, so "the company is not obligated."

Fitzpatrick said he's tried several times to appeal to the company's sense of civic responsibility. His latest letter, sent to company attorney Neil Pierce in June, went unanswered.

"You're talking such a minuscule amount of natural gas for this, perhaps \$60 a year," Fitzpatrick said. "I have talked to numerous company officials, and I've been turned down by some, ignored by others. This has been going on for three or four years."

Pierce declined to comment on the impasse, referring questions to his company spokesman. Merritt, in turn, recommended Fitzpatrick try another approach to getting the flame lit — pay for it himself.

Fitzpatrick said if he can't get Columbia to supply natural gas, he may opt for propane from a local distributor.

The 450-acre battlefield, declared a national landmark in 1992 by the Department of Interior, may not be as historically significant as others. But historians say the battle fought here established Union control of the Big Sandy River Valley and is credited with launching the career of James A. Garfield, who went on to become the 20th president of the United States.

Garfield was still fairly new

to his job as colonel over a regiment of Ohio volunteers when he won the decisive victory here, sending the Confederates retreating back into Virginia.

"No one can really tell you for sure how many soldiers died there," said John David Preston, a Paintsville attorney and Civil War historian. "Some say 27. Some on the scene said they counted 85 Confederate bodies."

Fitzpatrick, whose foundation is raising \$340,000 to build trails around the battlefield and install interpretive signs, set the death toll at 15 — 12 Confederate, three Union. The true number of casualties, he said, has been lost to history.

Kentucky Tourism Secretary Ann Latta said Middle Creek, once it opens to public tours, will draw visitors from across the country. She said the battlefield will be an important tourism draw in the region that already has seen rapid growth in the industry, especially among country music fans who come to visit the homes of such singers as Loretta Lynn, Dwight Yoakam, Patty Loveless, Ricky Skaggs and the Judds.

Signs already have been erected on nearby highways to point tourists to the site, one of the few areas of flat ground in the Prestonsburg area that is not covered with homes or businesses.

"This is hallowed grounds," Fitzpatrick said. "This land had been in my family for over 200 years, and we have had many, many opportunities to develop that property. There are some things that are much more important than the bottom line."

Health

certain taxes that are a source of revenue for the county are coming up short.

"The coal severance tax which was estimated at \$600,000 will be \$100,000 short based on the first check. The mineral tax which was budgeted at \$700,000 will be \$350,000 short based on the first check," Thompson said.

Thompson also explained

what he deemed to be the only options the court had in the situation.

"I could ... recommend a lot of layoffs, but I don't want to do that," Thompson said.

Thompson previously estimated that the decision would save the county \$460,000.

Friday's action prompted no comments from the audience at the meeting.

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Fall

Shubinski's calculations, autumn will begin five minutes before midnight on September 22.

"The sun rises exactly in the east and sets exactly in the west

Odds

minute she could "join the fun."
"I assure you, I wasn't looking for any hotline," Morrison said.

It isn't the first time people seeking information about canning have discovered themselves hooked up to a phone sex line.

Officials with the company that makes the lids have fielded plenty of confused and sometimes angry calls from across the country, said Judy Harrold, manager of consumer affairs for Alltrista Consumer Products Co.

Harrold said that about a year and a half ago, Alltrista decided to consolidate two canning companies, Ball and Kerr, under one helpline. Kerr's old 800 number was returned to the phone company, she said, and the phone company assigned it to a phone sex company.

"We attempted all we could to get that number back," Harrold said. "But once it was released, there was nothing we could do."

Kerr's new packaging is printed with the consolidated 800 number. Morrison wasn't sure she would try the other number.

"I might just put everything in the refrigerator and eat it now rather than messing with another number," she said.

CAP

Medical personnel at St. Joseph East were treating six patients, all in stable condition Thursday night, said Jackie Jackson, hospital house administrator.

University of Kentucky Hospital also had received at least two patients, said Jennifer Bonck, a hospital spokeswoman.

The Christian Appalachian Project is an interdenominational organization that is one of Eastern Kentucky's largest charities.

SEATTLE — It didn't take long for Barb Trenchi to spot her car after she reported it stolen: It was speeding toward her, with police in hot pursuit.

"I guess it missed me by about 4 inches," she told The Herald of Everett.

Trenchi reported the stolen car Thursday morning and then took the bus to her job in downtown Seattle.

After getting off the bus, she was crossing the street when she spotted a car barreling toward her, followed by police cars, their lights flashing.

Trenchi said she barely stepped out of the way of the speeding car when she noticed the Vanderbilt sticker in the window and recognized it as her own.

Police said the car ran a red light, swerved onto a sidewalk, hitting a woman, and then crashed into cars in a parking lot.

The injured 67-year-old woman was taken to Harborview Medical Center with a broken leg and other injuries.

Police arrested the driver and two other young men in the car.

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Our view

Disappointed, but ready to move on

Gov. Paul Patton's admission Friday that he engaged in a two-year sexual affair is as disappointing as it is shocking. In Eastern Kentucky, which took pride in sending a native son to the state's highest office, that disappointment bears particular weight.

There was great hope in the mountains for Patton's administration when he was sent to the Governor's Mansion in 1995. While his tenure in Frankfort has been far from smooth and he has made some decisions which have been greeted with scorn from home, he can boast of many accomplishments that have improved the quality of life in Appalachia.

But Patton also did not allow his birthplace to define him. Instead, he often thrust himself in the midst of issues from which a lesser politician would have shied away.

Now, Patton faces a personal crisis in his life, though indeed one of his own making. We cannot imagine what possesses men of such great power and under such public scrutiny to make such monumentally stupid decisions, but Patton joins a long list of others who have done the same.

That being said, we do not believe the damage he has caused to his credibility, his political future, his family and himself should have any bearing on his ability to serve the remainder of his term — at least not yet.

Patton has been accused of far more than marital infidelity, and it is those accusations which, if ever proved true, would be much more damning and would justify a call for his resignation.

If it can be shown that Patton abused the power of his office to advance the career of his former lover or to punish her after she broke off the relationship, such actions would demand he vacate his office. That, however, is a matter for another day.

For now, we believe it is enough for Patton to have admitted his indiscretions and to have apologized for them. While the other claims must be investigated, Kentucky has issues of far weightier concern than Patton's peccadilloes.

— The Floyd County Times



— beyond the beltway

Grief and greed

by DONALD KAUL

We've just observed the first anniversary of the bombings of the Pentagon and World Trade Towers. As I write, nothing bad has happened and we live in hopes that nothing will. A year doesn't seem like enough time for the al Qaeda bunch to gear up for another full-scale attack, but you never know.

The ceremonies have been, for the most part, touching and fitting. It is important that we honor and celebrate the courage and sacrifice of those killed, wounded or bereaved by the bombings. Eventually, however, we're going to forget them. That's the American Way and it's not altogether a bad thing.

For the most part, we're a nation that does not like to remember its great defeats. We remembered Pearl Harbor all the way through World War II and then we forgot it, which allowed us to make peace with our enemies.

Remembering defeats, fingering them like badly healed wounds, is the mark of a loser nation. When you talk to one of the warring factions in the former Yugoslavia, for example, they immediately launch into a recounting of the ills done them in 1389. I always want to say: "That was six centuries ago, for crying out loud. Get over it." And there is a kind of professional Southerner who tends to bitter memo-

ries of the Civil War like a keeper of an Eternal Flame. Losers all.

So I'm not suggesting we forget 9/11 just yet, but let's not overdo it, either. The focus should be on ensuring that it doesn't happen again. This, in our clumsy and very American way, is what we're trying to do. I look forward to a time when only old people remember that awful day.

Moving on to other things, then, I would like to comment on an issue that doesn't get mentioned enough — the almost pathological greed of so many of our captains of industry.

The public seemed jacked out of shape when the baseball players — most of whom make a paltry million or two a year — objected to giving up some of their bargaining leverage to enrich further their multi-millionaire owners.

But baseball players are stiff working for chump change compared to corporate executives who, it should be pointed out, have a long earning career compared to a player's short one. Take Jack Welch, the retired CEO of General Electric. Welch was a very good executive; he made a lot of money for the company and its stockholders and he was well paid for his trouble — more than \$16 million in 2000, the last year he worked. I still think that's a lot but you could make an argument that he was worth it. There are executives, many of them actual failures, who make upwards of \$100 million a year.

Now comes word, via divorce papers

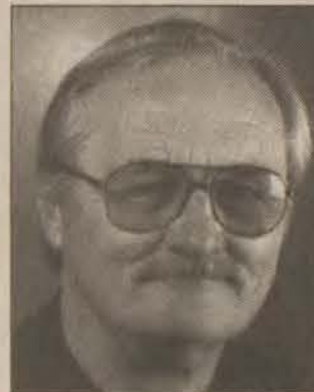
filed by his wife, that the company is paying Welch a \$9 million a year pension in retirement, and that's just for openers. He also gets: free computers for his office and five of his six (that's six, count 'em, six) homes; floor-level tickets to New York Knicks games; a box at the Metropolitan Opera; a sky-box at Fenway Park in Boston; a box behind the dugout at Yankee Stadium; VIP seating at Wimbledon, the U.S. and the French tennis opens; country club dues at the Augusta golf course (home of the Masters) as well as other exclusive clubs; satellite TV at five of his homes; use of the company jet, helicopters and limousine; a leased Mercedes and cell phones for his four other cars.

You know the one that bugs me? The satellite TV. Wouldn't you think a guy making 9 mill in retirement could afford to pay for his own television? No, he's got to gouge the shareholders for nickels and dimes. No class.

These are the kind of people that President Bush wants to keep lowering taxes for.

Welch's estranged wife, by the way, is getting \$35,000 a month and she's suing for a bigger chunk of the loot. I wish her well.

Donald Kaul recently retired as Washington columnist for the "Des Moines Register." He has covered the foolishness in our nation's capital for 29 years, winning a number of modestly coveted awards along the way. For more information, email: donaldkaul@aol.com.



— Jim Davidson

The fallacy of liberal thinking

In the political arena of life, which is to say policies, issues and programs that affect every American citizen, we often hear some politicians referred to as liberals.

Have you ever stopped to think about what the word "liberal" really means when it's used in this context? Over the past 200 years of our nation's history, we have had a varied and rich history in relation to a good number of different political parties. Today the names have changed. We still have several different political parties around but the two major parties that more or less control our nation's policies are the Democratic and Republican parties.

In theory at least, each party represents a different political philosophy about how the government should go about serving its citizens. Within this context, we have given labels to people such as conservative, liberal and moderate. Each of these labels represents an attitude or philosophy a particular person holds in terms of how much govern-

ment should do for its people.

In the larger scheme of things, from a philosophical viewpoint we identify liberals as people who want to do more and give more to the people they serve. Contrast this with the attitude of those identified as moderate or conservative who say our government has gone far beyond what it should be doing and it should conserve or cut back on the services it is now providing.

Which view would you take — liberal or conservative? Do you think our government should do more for its citizens or less? You might say more, which would certainly place you with the majority.

Without prejudging, let's look further for a moment. Today in the United States Congress there are a number of so-called liberals who say we should not balance our nation's budget on the backs of the poor and we should not cut programs or services for the needy. On the surface, that's a pretty good argument and it's true, if you don't take this line of thinking any further.

What the poor unfortunately do not know or understand is that they are exchanging their pride, self-respect and financial security when they vote for a liberal congressman or congresswoman

who can vote for his own pay raise or tax exemption. When you increase taxes to pay for more services, it's not a good deal, except maybe for the additional revenue that enables our congressmen and women to give themselves a pay raise!

Personally, I resent the extravagance in lifestyle and travel that has become a regular regimen for many officials who are feeding at the public trough. You see, a liberal is someone who is loose and free with money he or she did not earn and this has led to excessive taxes, which kills the incentive for hard working and honest people.

To say it very simply, it's easy to be liberal with someone else's money and this includes "corporate welfare" which is, in reality, the 'good ol' boy' system at the highest levels of our nation's government.

As citizens, taxpayers and voters we just need to understand where public money is coming from and to hold our public officials accountable for how they are spending it. If you will think back a few years I believe you will agree that we had our finest hour when most people understood the principle of



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Oklahoma Gov. Keating plans a vigorous campaign to cleanse the church he loves

by RICHARD N. OSTLING
AP RELIGION WRITER

OKLAHOMA CITY — Led by Oklahoma Gov. Frank Keating, the lay board monitoring how Roman Catholic bishops comply with their new sex abuse policy showed critics and doubters this week it plans to be much more than a token group.

The National Review Board met for just the second time but was already in a hurry to perform its duties.

It decided, for instance, that in a matter of weeks it will release the names of any U.S. bishops who aren't in compliance with the cleanup policy the nation's hierarchy passed in June. The board wasn't required to do that for another year or more.

It also asked victims' organizations for their input on which bishops aren't living up to the abuse policy, which calls for any priest who molests minors to be removed from church work.

It dispatched an urgent request that leaders of men's religious orders change course and follow the bishops' plan.

And the board assigned battle-tested Washington attorney Robert Bennett, one of its members, to run the investigation authorized by the bishops that will examine how the current abuse crisis began.

"Time is of the essence here," Keating, the board chairman, said in an interview with The

Associated Press. His position is that the church has been badly damaged by the waves of scandals and the board's repair work needs to begin immediately.

Keating said the other board members have taken a similar attitude and won't be deterred by critics, including a few bishops, who have questioned whether the governor and some

accused him of telling Catholics "to commit a mortal sin" on the Mass issue. But Keating stuck to his opinions this week.

On a personal level, Keating said he has been stunned and infuriated by the scandal. He immediately said yes when, to his surprise, the president of the U.S. bishops' conference asked him to head the National

plan to his liking.

Now Keating and the board are in the unprecedented position for lay Catholics of being able to judge the performance of bishops in an official capacity.

"The board members don't view themselves as co-prelates or super-Catholics," Keating said. "We want to do our business and go home."

Still, the job will take years and Keating may emerge as one of the two most important lay Catholics among the more than 60 million American members of the church. The other could be the as-yet-unnamed director of the new Office for Child and Youth Protection on the bishops' national staff.

On Monday, the review board sent two lay Catholic nominees for director to the general secretary of the bishops' conference, who is expected to make the appointment within two weeks. The two names weren't revealed but one has a law enforcement background and the other is an expert on child abuse.

Keating and the director will work in tandem - especially when the term-limited governor leaves office in January and becomes president of the American Council of Life Insurers in Washington, D.C., where the bishops' staff is located.

The importance of their job hit Keating in August on a trip to Ireland, where he met the two people leading the abuse investigations there. They told him the church is losing a generation of young people as a result of the scandals. The governor believes he and his colleagues can help restore the church's credibility.

"That is the reason why this lay role is so important," he said, "and that it must succeed."

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of his colleagues are right for the job. The board, Keating said, "became more determined and more steered by the assault on its integrity."

The archdiocesan newspaper of Boston's Cardinal Bernard Law, who triggered the abuse crisis with his reassignment of a serial molester, was among those attacking Keating.

The paper chastised the governor after he said Catholics who lose confidence in their local bishop should attend Mass elsewhere and withhold contributions. Keating's own archbishop, Eusebius Beltran, also

Review Board.

"I said, 'I love the church, and the devil's gotten in the door,'" Keating said.

But the plain-speaking former federal prosecutor also had one condition. He told Bishop Wilton Gregory, the conference president, that he wouldn't serve unless the prelates agreed to remove all past abusers from the active priesthood as well as applying that strict policy in the future.

Keating said he didn't fly to the Dallas meeting where the bishops approved the sex abuse policy until they had passed a

Controversial new book theorizes Brigham Young pioneer massacre

by C.G. WALLACE
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SALT LAKE CITY — Nearly a century and a half after California-bound pioneers were slaughtered by Mormon settlers and their Indian allies, a new book blaming the massacre on church leader Brigham Young is causing a sensation in the Mormon community.

Church historians vehement-

ly disagree with the premise of "Blood of the Prophets: Brigham Young and the Massacre at Mountain Meadows." But author Will Bagley says circumstantial evidence points to Young's involvement.

"Claiming that Brigham Young had nothing to do with Mountain Meadows is akin to arguing that Abraham Lincoln had nothing to do with the Civil War," Bagley writes. "His own words reveal that both before and after the massacre, Brigham Young recognized the likely results of his acts."

On the shelves since late August, Bagley's book is a best seller in Salt Lake City, headquarters of the Mormon church. Sam Weller's Books, which specializes in Western and Mormon history, has sold more than 400 copies, said store manager Dennis Evans.

"I have not seen anything quite like it in terms of (Mormon) history," Evans said.

On the heels of Bagley's work, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints now is planning to publish its own book on the killings. This comes after years of church leaders

insisting that the Sept. 11, 1857, massacre should be a closed chapter in Utah history.

Author Richard Turley, the church's chief historian, said his book will make clear that Young did not plan the murders.

The victims of the Mountain Meadows massacre were a group of men, women and children on their way from Arkansas to California.

Young at the time was the church's prophet and president, its second, and the man who brought the faith's headquarters to the West in 1847 after founder Joseph Smith was murdered in Illinois. Under Young's leadership, the territory that would become Utah operated as a "theo-democracy."

Ten years after the Mormons arrived in the Salt Lake Valley, however, the U.S. Army was preparing to squelch Utah's resistance to federal control and its practice of polygamy, Bagley writes. As troops drew closer, Utah trained its own military and stockpiled guns, ammunition and food.

In the midst of growing war hysteria, wagon trains continued to move through the territory on the way to California, including the pioneers from northwest Arkansas.

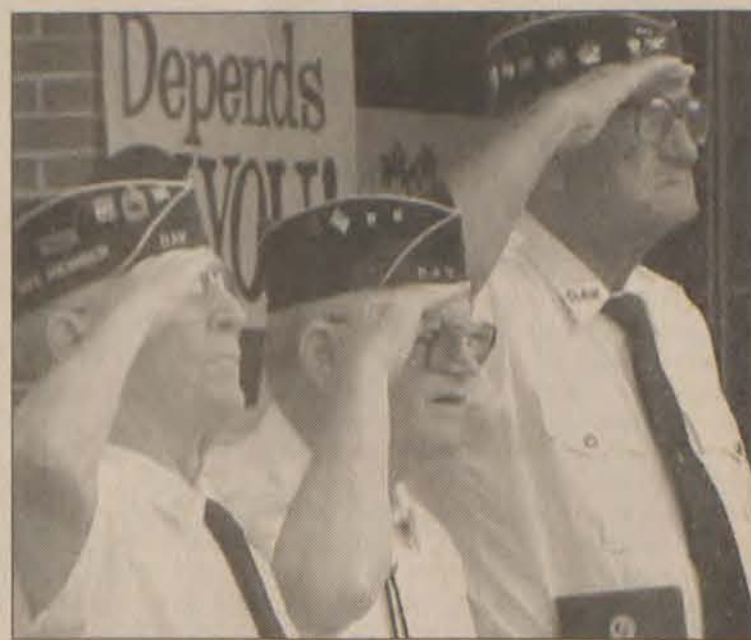
About the same time, tales also began to spread about the death of a Mormon leader, Parley Pratt, in Arkansas. Rumors made their way around Utah that members of the Arkansas wagon train were involved.

Bagley, who writes a state history column for The Salt Lake Tribune, said this coincidence helped seal the pioneers' fates.

"Brigham Young considered this a righteous act of vengeance," said Bagley. But he said Young also wanted to send a message to the United States that he controlled the road to California.

Bagley said the massacre was planned and organized before the Arkansas group - traveling through Utah from north to south - reached the southern part of the territory. The Mormon settlers and Indians ambushed the wagon train of 40 men, 30 women and 70 children. The pioneers circled their wagons

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Betsy Layne Elementary brought generations together for a flag ceremony at the school in observance of Sept. 11. Students and members of the Disabled American Veterans gathered around the flagpole Wednesday to mark the occasion.

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"an honest day's work for an honest day's pay." When we look to the government to provide for our individual needs, we are losing the very foundation that gave us our collective freedoms.

I hope the next time you vote you will consider what I've said: A liberal is a public official who wants to be loose and free with money he or she did not earn. That is the fallacy of liberalism.

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State schedules summit to discuss ways to stop wildfires

The Associated Press

PRESTONSBURG — The Kentucky Division of Forestry will hold a two-day summit in Prestonsburg in October to try to develop ways to stop arsonists from burning forests across the state.

Diana Olszowy, spokeswoman for the Division of Forestry, said the goal of the summit is to seek a commitment from the public and politicians to stop the fires that cost millions of dollars each year to fight.

"It's pretty much epidemic at this point," Olszowy said. "Last year alone, 55 percent of the fires we had were arson. There

are times of the year when it's more than that."

Aside from damage to forest land, Olszowy said smoke from the fires reduces visibility in the mountain region and causes traffic accidents. She said the smoke also causes respiratory problems that send a flood of patients to doctors offices and hospitals each year.

"We'll get out there and try to put the fires out," Olszowy said. "But the overall power in stopping this lies with the communities."

The summit will be held Oct. 9-10 at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park. To register, call the Division of Forestry at 1-800-866-0555.

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with her sisters. Conner said she had a two-year affair with Patton and that the governor turned state inspectors loose on her western Kentucky nursing home after she ended the relationship.

Patton denied it. "Under no circumstances have I or anyone under my direct control tried to punish Mrs. Conner," he said. "I hope she will go forward with her life as I am going to try to go forward with mine."

Patton said he would fully cooperate with the Executive Branch Ethics Commission, which he predicted, "will conclude that I have done nothing wrong in my capacity as governor."

Cabinet Secretary Crit Luallen said the governor has given no thought to resignation. His term expires in December 2003 and he cannot seek a third consecutive term. Patton, a Democrat, is openly planning a challenge to Republican U.S. Sen. Jim Bunning in 2004.

Patton, 65, chairman of the National Governors Association, called political associates and supporters earlier Friday to alert them to his intentions.

Patton called his pastor Friday afternoon to admit the improper relationship.

"He has asked the church for forgiveness and he has asked God for forgiveness," said the Rev. Scott Weist, pastor of First Presbyterian Church in Pikeville, where Patton attends services. "He sure seemed to demonstrate a genuine remorse."

Weist said he prayed with the governor over the phone.

"I prayed that Paul would receive peace," he said. "I asked him had he dealt with this with God. He said he had."

Conner has alleged she met Patton for sex numerous times in 1997 through 1999. She said Patton continued to call her and said she broke off the relationship in October 2001 and found state regulators at her nursing home in Clinton two months later.

Early in the week, Patton told WHAS-TV of Louisville that he did not have sexual relations with Conner.

"Realizing the impact this would have on Judi and the rest of my family and friends, my first response was to deny my unfaithfulness to Judi," Patton said.

State records made public this week showed hundreds of calls had been made from the governor's office to Conner's telephones at her home and businesses.

On Wednesday, Patton was slapped with a lawsuit by Conner, alleging that he provided extraordinary state assistance to her and her business because of the sexual relationship they were having. The suit also alleged that when Conner broke off the relationship, Patton turned state regulators loose on her nursing home.

Patton acknowledged knowing Conner and her former husband, Seth Conner, during a news conference this week, but denied any improper conduct.

Conner's lawsuit alleges she had a relationship with Patton beginning in the fall of 1997 and ending two years later. During that time, Conner alleged Patton made "lewd" calls to her and that he made harassing calls after she ended the relationship.

The telephone records do not show who at the governor's office made the calls.

Birchtree Healthcare has filed for bankruptcy and is the subject of a foreclosure suit. Medicare and Medicaid stopped payments to the nursing home in July.

Conner, 40, has said Patton's retribution has ruined her personally and financially. She is a Patton appointee to the state lottery board.

"Well of course I feel deeply saddened that so many people have been hurt and I'm glad that the governor has finally had the courage to admit what I've said

all along to be true," Conner told WHAS-TV after Patton's admission. "But I feel this does not in any way justify the harm that he's caused to me, my family and my business, and especially to the residents and employees and their families at Birchtree."

Conner could not be reached for comment independently.

Patton's attorney, Sheryl Snyder, said his associates have been in contact with Conner's

lawyer. Snyder refused to say negotiations are underway for a settlement, but said, "Getting the lawsuit resolved is the best way to put it behind him, personally and politically."

Patton called cabinet members to tell them Friday of his decision to make his affair public. Members of Patton's office staff were also told in a closed meeting with Luallen just before Patton's press conference, which was televised live across most of

the state.

Personnel Secretary Carol Palmore, who has served in five administrations, said he hoped the indiscretion would not become Patton's legacy. "He's done so many things," Palmore said.

Palmore said her opinion of Patton was in some ways buttressed. "I thought it took more courage than anybody else I know to stand up and do what he did today," Palmore said.

Casting agents coming to Appalachia in search of 'The Real Beverly Hillbillies'

by ROGER ALFORD
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PIKEVILLE — WANTED: Extended family from deep in the Appalachian backwoods, unfamiliar with big-city life. Must be willing to load up the truck and move to Beverly Hills, that is. Swimming pools. Movie stars.

Casting agents from the CBS reality series "The Real Beverly Hillbillies" plan to hold open auditions in Eastern Kentucky

next month as part of an effort across the rural South to find some real-life Jeds, Grannies, Ellie Maes and Jethros.

"We're looking for people who have country smarts, but maybe not so much sophistication," said casting agent Ken Billings, who has put Pikeville, Hazard and Harlan among the possible audition locales.

But don't expect a Clampett-like welcome, even in a region comfortable enough with its heritage to stage an annual Hillbilly

Days Festival.

Pure, bubblin' crude is what some locals already think of the show's premise, which takes simple mountain folk, drops them into a luxurious mansion and lets the cameras roll.

"They're just going to be relying on a tired, old, worn-out stereotype about life in the rural South," said Ewell Balltrip, head of the Kentucky Appalachian Commission. "The result will be to perpetuate this myth of the 'Beverly Hillbillies' image, which is not representative at all today."

E-mail petitions seeking to block the show are circulating and teachers at some schools in the mountain region are having their students write protest letters to CBS.

"Don't represent us as stupid," pleaded Susie Davis, president of the Kentucky Black Lung Association, which helps coal miners apply for government benefits. "The mountain people are very smart people. They're proud people. They're good neighbors. Don't make us

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and dug in, surrendering days later when the Mormon settlers promised them safety if they disarmed.

Instead, the Mormon militia and Indians killed them. Seventeen children under the age of 7 were spared and adopted into the community.

It wasn't until two decades after the murders that anyone was held accountable for the slaughter: John D. Lee, whom Bagley and many others believe was the Mormon church's scapegoat. Moments before a firing squad executed Lee, the condemned man sat on the edge of his coffin and denounced Young. "I studied to make this man's will my pleasure for 30 years. See, now, what I have come to this day! I have been sacrificed in a cowardly, dastardly manner," Bagley quotes Lee as saying.

Turley announced in May he was writing his own chronicle of the massacre. Turley's book, to be titled "Tragedy at Mountain Meadows," is tentatively set for publication in 2003 by the Oxford University Press.

Turley maintains Young had no part in the massacre, calling it an independent plan by an isolated group of settlers.

Those in southwest Utah had heard stories about the bad behavior of the approaching wagon train. The community, however, was divided about what to do with the travelers, and decided to send a message to Salt Lake City and ask Brigham Young for guidance, Turley said. But before the messenger could leave, the emigrants were ambushed.

When current church President Gordon B. Hinckley dedicated a new monument at the site of the massacre in 1999, he made clear that he did not believe his early predecessor had a hand in the violence.

"I sit in the same chair that Brigham Young occupied as the president of the church at the time of the tragedy," Hinckley said. "There is no question in my mind that he was opposed to what happened. Had there been a faster means of communication, it never would have happened and history would have been different."

He added: "Let the book of the past be closed."

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Polle Ann Hunter Akers, 83, of Dana, died Friday, September 13, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Monday, September 16, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Pearl Nadine Bartley, 56, of Hi Hat, died Thursday, September 12, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, September 15, under the direction of Newman Cemetery.

Lee "Bob" Bevins, 69, of Harold, died Tuesday, September 17, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, September 19, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Barbara Carter, 85, of Lexington, died Sunday, September 1, at Tanbark Health Care Center. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, September 4, under the direction of Kerr Brothers Funeral Home.

Sarah M. Lafferty DeRossett, 76, of Surprise, Arizona, formerly of Prestonsburg, died Tuesday, September 17, at Sun City West Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Friday, September 20, under the direction of Sunland Mortuary.

Daryl D. Hall, 51, of Pierceton, Indiana, formerly of Teaberry, died Thursday, September 12, at Parkview Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Monday, September 16, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Debra Mullins Hill, 47, of Martin, died Friday, September 13, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, September 18, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Beatrice Martin Honshell, 92, of Wayland, died Wednesday, September 18, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, September 21, under the direction of Warren F. Toler Funeral Home.

Russell Patrick Laven, 88, of Prestonsburg, died Wednesday, September 18, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, September 21, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Bill May, 79, of David, died Saturday, September 14, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, September 17, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Robert "Rob" Meade, 83, of Harold, died Saturday, September 14, at the Hazard Appalachian Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were

conducted Wednesday, September 18, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Rosie B. Mullins, 78, of Hi Hat, died Sunday, September 15, at Appalachian Regional Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, September 18, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Ronnie "Pedro" Dayton Neeley, 63, of Hueysville, died Thursday, September 19, at his home. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, September 21, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Judith Woods Wright, 60, of Lancaster, S.C., died Monday, September 16, at Piedmont Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Friday, September 20. Graveside services will be conducted today, Sunday, September 22, at 2 p.m., at Richmond Memorial Cemetery. Arrangements under the care of Carter Funeral Home.

Pike County

Catherine Thacker Stone, 58, of Raccoon, died Monday, September 16, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, September 18, under the direction of Community Funeral Home.

Hursel Lambert Jr, 55, of McCarr, died Tuesday, September 17, at his home. Funeral services were conducted Friday, September 20, under the direction of Rogers Funeral Home.

Brenda Joyce Fuller, 54, of Upper Johns Creek, died Friday, September 13, at Central Baptist Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, September 17, under the direction of Justice Funeral Home.

Edith Ratliff, 94, of Plymouth, Mass., formerly of Pikeville, died Monday, September 2, in Plymouth. Memorial services were held at Lakeview Memorial Cemetery, Greensboro, N.C.

Mary Jo Moore, 64, of Shelby Gap, died Tuesday, September 17, at Jenkins Community Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Friday, September 20, under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

Cosimo DiPasquale, 68, of Worthington, Ohio, died Monday, September 16, at his home. Funeral services were conducted Friday, September 20, under the direction of Rutherford-Corbin Funeral Home.

Janet Sue Casey Dotson, 49, of Kimber, died Monday, September 16, at her home. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, September 19, under the direction of R.S. Jones & Son

Funeral Home.

Florence Louvon Lowe, 67, of Turkey Creek, died Monday, September 16, at the South Williamson Appalachian Regional Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, September 19, under the direction of Rogers Funeral Home.

Roger D. Musick, 73, of Shelbiana, died Tuesday, September 17, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, September 19, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

Lluelyn Smith, 69, of Pinsonfork, died Monday, September 16, at Pikeville Health Care Center. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, September 19, under the direction of Rogers Funeral Home.

Juanita May, 74, of Pikeville, died Thursday, September 12, at St. Joseph Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, September 14, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

Constance Yvonne Blackburn, 56, of Keyser Heights, died Monday, September 16, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, September 19, under the direction of Thacker Memorial Funeral Home.

Donald Ray Hurley, 56, of Elkhorn City, died Tuesday, September 17, at his home. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, September 19, under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

Larry Wilson Rowe, 59, of Pikeville, died Thursday, September 19, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. Funeral services will be conducted today, Sunday, September 22, under the direction of Lucas & Hall Funeral Home.

Billy Ratliff, 74, of Maryville, Tenn., formerly of Pikeville, died Thursday, September 19. Funeral arrangements were under the direction of Lucas & Hall Funeral Home.

Paul Edward "Doodle" Hall, 56, of Pikeville, died Wednesday, September 18, at Pikeville

Methodist Hospital. Funeral services will be conducted today, Sunday, September 22, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

Harvey May Jr, 73, of Fords Branch, died Wednesday, September 18, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, September 21, under the direction of Lucas & Hall Funeral Home.

Mary Lou Cable, 59, of Talbotton, Ga., formerly of Shelby Gap, died Saturday, September 14, in Columbus, Ga. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, September 18.

Phyllis Stamper, 58, of Miamisburg, Ohio, died Tuesday, September 17, at Hospice of Dayton, Dayton, Ohio. Funeral services were conducted Friday, September 20, under the direction of Gebhart-Schmidt-Parramore Funeral Home.

Gertrude Rowe, 79, of Beaver Bottom, died Wednesday, September 18, at Mountain View Health Care Center. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, September 21, under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

Johnson County

Timothy Charles Cantrell, 34, died Sunday, September 8, in Louisa. Funeral services were

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Politicians react to Patton's confession

by BRUCE SCHREINER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — Rep. Kathy Stein was conflicted — angry, yet sympathetic — as she watched the emotion-choked confession by Gov. Paul Patton, the man she stood by through political thick and thin.

Stein, D-Lexington, said her "heart went out to" the Democratic governor as she watched him acknowledge Friday to having an "inappropriate personal relationship" with a woman from western Kentucky. "He's profoundly upset with himself and what he has done to his family, there's no mistaking that," she said.

But she was angry at the possible political consequences for her political ally and the causes they both hold dear. "How dare he jeopardize what he is trying to do for the commonwealth and what the rest of us are trying to do by making such a stupid mistake," Stein said.

The controversy erupted Tuesday when Tina Conner told a Louisville television station that she had a sexual relationship with Patton for two years that she broke off in 1999. At first Patton denied the relationship.

Conner has filed a lawsuit against Patton, claiming he made harassing calls after she broke off the relationship and then unleashed state regulators on her western Kentucky nursing home. The facility lost Medicare and Medicaid funding and has filed for bankruptcy.

Politicians and academics tried to assess whether Patton's tearful confession would reverberate into the November elec-

tions, in which Democrats hold onto a hope of reclaiming the state Senate, and in 2004 if Patton challenges Republican Sen. Jim Bunning.

Paul Blanchard, a political scientist at Eastern Kentucky University, said he questioned how much effect a personal scandal would have on the elections. Governors generally have only modest coattails in legislative races, Blanchard noted.

Republicans hold a 20-18 majority in the state Senate, with incumbents in both parties facing serious challenges.

"I think because of this he's much more likely to stay out of races and not be very visible," Blanchard said.

Kentucky's Republican U.S. senators, Bunning and Mitch McConnell, did not comment on Patton's confession. Dan Kelly, Republican floor leader of the state Senate, declined comment when reached at home.

One Republican state senator, Tom Buford of Nicholasville, said Patton did the right thing with his confession.

"He's a good person, a good man and he's trying to rectify an error in judgment," Buford said.

Blanchard said Republicans will have to tread carefully "because a lot of them have skeletons in their closets, too."

House Majority Leader Greg Stumbo, D-Prestonsburg, said Patton had made a "personal mistake," but the public is more concerned about job performance.

"I don't think that people are as concerned about what public officials do in their private lives as some people think," Stumbo said. "Everybody's family, just about, has been touched by

some sort of personal conflict in their private lives."

Lt. Gov. Steve Henry said he has developed a friendship with the Pattons, and he called the governor's confession a sad day.

"I think all of us in Kentucky are very sad that this has taken place," Henry said. "And I think the governor, you can hear it, he feels like he has let the state down."

Others worried about the personal damage to the Pattons.

Rev. Scott Weist, the Pattons' pastor at First Presbyterian Church in Pikeville, said the governor "is a faithful man of God who loves the Lord. I will be here as his pastor to love him."

One of Patton's closest political associates, Marshall County Judge-Executive Mike Miller, said his heart ached for his friend.

"The governor and I and the first lady and my wife have been personal friends for a number of years — not just political friends but very personal friends," Miller said.

"This is a no-win situation for everybody," he said. "I'm not pointing fingers or casting stones. It's a terrible thing. But we have to go on."

Blanchard predicted Patton "will have a chance to recover politically because I think a lot of people will forgive the personal ... things as long as they don't affect his performance as governor."

Patton's emotions would affect how people react to his affair, Blanchard said.

"It's a lot harder to joke about it after we saw how it affected him," he said. "I think we all sort of feel for the governor right now."

Judith Woods Wright



dren's short stories, and a member of the Lancaster Garden Club.

She is survived by a daughter, Angela Wright Wallace, and husband, James, of Charlotte, North Carolina, and a sister, Susan Wackerle, of Bridgewater, Nova Scotia, Canada.

Funeral services will be conducted today, Friday, September 20, at 11 a.m., at the First Baptist Church, Lancaster, South Carolina. Rev. Rob O'Neal and Rev. Roy Barnes will officiate.

Graveside services will be conducted on Sunday, September 22, at 2 p.m., at the Richmond Memorial Cemetery. Rev. Bill Campbell will officiate.

Burial at Richmond Cemetery Sept. 22 at 2:00, ceremony officiated by Rev. Bill Campbell.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to The Humane Society, or to First Baptist Church, Lancaster.

The Carter Funeral Home, Prestonsburg, is serving the Wright family.

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Text of statement by Gov. Paul Patton

The Associated Press

Here is the prepared statement of Gov. Paul Patton admitting he had a sexual relationship with Tina Conner, a western Kentucky nursing home owner who has sued Patton, accusing him of sexual harassment:

I apologize to the people of Kentucky for my failure as a person. I have already apolo-

gized to Judi and my family. I'm also sorry that I initially denied mistakes I made in my private life.

Sunday night I was informed that an inappropriate personal relationship of mine was revealed to the press as a part of a lawsuit that was going to be filed.

Realizing the impact this would have on Judi and the rest

of my family and friends, my first response was to deny my unfaithfulness to Judi. I was wrong. The denial was another mistake.

I didn't sleep at all Wednesday night as I prayed for forgiveness from God and for guidance and strength. I finished my scheduled activities in Washington Wednesday and Thursday but I already knew what I had to do. I spent Thursday evening with Judi and our children and apologized to them and asked their forgiveness. I now apologize to the people of Kentucky and ask your forgiveness. I do believe that I am now on the right path.

It is not easy for me to discuss private failures in a public forum, but I do so because I want to be honest with the people of Kentucky and try to earn their trust and respect again. My mistakes are mine alone. I take full responsibility for them; I publicly as I have privately apologize to Judi and my family. I also ask the people of Kentucky to forgive my personal failure as I begin the process of sorting through and reconciling the problems I have brought upon my family. These personal failures on my part will be the focus of my private life going forward. Relying on my faith in God, I ask for your forgiveness and for your prayers.

I have talked with the leadership of the General Assembly and apologized to them and assured them that I have not let my personal weakness affect my administration of government. I want to give that same assurance to the people of Kentucky.

Under no circumstances have I or anyone under my direct control tried to punish Mrs. Conner. I hope that she will go forward

with her life as I am going to try to go forward with mine.

I expect the Executive Branch Ethics Commission to make a full and complete review of these allegations and I'm confident they will conclude that I have done nothing wrong in my capacity as Governor. I pledge to cooperate fully with the commission.

I came to Frankfort as governor seven years ago to try to make Kentucky a better place for our people. Now, more than ever, that fight is alive in me and I am committed to fulfilling the mission I started on your behalf. I promise to all of you that I will do my job as Governor.

Understandably some of you may have less trust in me today than you did a week ago. I will work hard to restore that trust. With dedication to duty, honest answers, and the humility of a man who has been shamed in public by his private failures, I face the future as a man who has much work to do, for my family and the citizens of the Commonwealth.



photo by Renee Snowden

Susan Pugh reads to members of the toddler group begun at Breathitt County Public Library.

Library begins group for toddlers

by RENEE M. SNOWDEN
BREATHITT COUNTY BUREAU

JACKSON — The Breathitt County Public Library has recently started a toddler group.

The toddler group is open to all children who are between the ages of 0 to 5 years of age. Susan Pugh is over the group.

"I think that the younger chil-

dren also need something to do," said Pugh.

The group meets every Friday at 1 p.m. in the Breathitt County Public Library. The group begins with a story that is read by Pugh. The group then gets to play a game, then they get to enjoy making crafts. After the crafts they enjoy a treat and a short cartoon.

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Casting

out to be something we're not."

But Billings, among the casting agents scouring the hills of Arkansas, West Virginia, North Carolina, Tennessee and Kentucky, said the reality series could be an effective way to dispel old stereotypes.

"We want to find families that are interesting, and also smart," he said. "We're not looking for the Hollywood stereotype of a hillbilly. We don't want people who are barefoot and toothless. We're just looking for a family that loves each other, and that America will fall in love with."

Hazard Mayor Bill Gorman, for one, isn't buying it. He has a feeling he knows what the show really wants. "What they're looking for is somebody who is uniquely dumb."

The original "Beverly Hillbillies," about a poor mountaineer who became rich when he struck oil on his mountain property, ran from 1962 until 1971. At one time, it was television's No. 1 program, attracting up to 60 million viewers weekly.

Balltrip said "The Beverly Hillbillies," "Green Acres," and other such sitcoms did nothing but make a mockery of life in the rural

South and Appalachia.

"I know that there will be people who will think we are especially sensitive," he said. "The type of images I feel will be portrayed will not do anything to attract industry to this region. People simply do not invest in the economies of backwoods places."

Some said producers of the show may be disappointed to find out that people in the hills of Appalachia like to go to malls, surf the Internet and play video games just like everyone else.

"I don't think anybody from Appalachia would have any trouble living in California," said Pikeville city manager Kenny Blackburn. "I'm sure there are plenty of people from Eastern Kentucky living out there now."

Obituaries

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conducted Wednesday, September 11, under the direction of Wilson Funeral Home.

Howard Shepler Jr, 62, died Wednesday, September 11, at Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Friday, September 13, under the direction of Preston Funeral Home.

Knott County

Charles Johnson, 58, of Rogersville, Tennessee, formerly of Knott County, died Wednesday, September 18, at his residence. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, September 21, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Allie Hall Gibson, 82, of Kite, died Tuesday, September 10, at St. Joseph Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Friday, September 13, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Albro Hall, 83, of Waddy, died Saturday, September 14, at Baptist East Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, September 17, under the direction of Shannon Funeral Home.

Beriel C. Ritchie, 65, of Burnside, died Monday, September 9, at his home. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, September 11, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services Chapel.

May Jacobs Shepherd, 79, of Hindman, died Saturday, September 14, at Appalachian Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Monday, September 16, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services Chapel.

Kenneth Ray Smith, 31, of Leburn, died Saturday, September 14, at his home. Funeral services were conducted on Wednesday, September 18, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services Chapel.

William Haddix, 73, of Sassafras, died Monday, September 9, at Appalachian Regional Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, September 12, under the direction of Engle-Walker Funeral

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Regulations break tradition of deer tagging

by STEVE VANTRESE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

PADUCAH — State-issued deer tags have been a traditional official accoutrement of Kentucky deer hunting — until now.

Through the years, Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife

Resources deer tags have taken multiple forms, varying from simple tie-on paper labels to adhesive-backed, wrap-and-stick tags to stamped, locking metal bands.

They hail from the times early in the state's deer population re-establishment program when harvest limits were minimal and the taking of any whitetail was

significant and tightly regulated almost to an extreme.

So ingrained into the lore of the pursuit were the carcass-marking attachments that unsuccessful hunters jokingly were said to have to settle for "deer tag soup" when venison wasn't procured.

Kentucky's annual archery season

for both deer and wild turkeys opened Saturday. And bowhunters are the first to confront the state's new tagging process for whitetails and turkey.

Gone are the deer and turkey tags issued with hunting permits.

Nowadays, the hunter who downs a whitetail or turkey may not even need a tag. Instead, beginning this year his

requirement is to fill out a hunter log, either the one printed on the back of his paper license or one he provides.

The new requirement of entering data into a log while at the kill site makes a writing instrument an indispensable part of the hunter's gear. An

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COMMENTS

Wild cards, wild endings

by RICK BENTLEY
TIMES COLUMNIST

It's been several years now since it became a reality, but I'm still not sure I like this wild card stuff in baseball.

For all its faults, baseball has always been a classic, pure sport. While sports like basketball and

hockey were making a mockery of the regular season by letting as many as 16 teams in — for a while in the NHL, only five or six teams (ital) didn't (ital) make the cut — baseball had only four teams in the post-season.

Another thing about baseball was you had to win to get in. If you weren't the division champion, you weren't allowed to play. Period. I like that.

But among the things Bud Selig tried to do to fix baseball instead of doing what really needed to be done to fix it was to realign the divisions from two to three in each league and

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UK ATHLETICS

Slam rates Cats No. 7 in preseason hoops poll

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

LEXINGTON — The University of Kentucky Wildcats, which will open their 100th season of basketball in November, have been picked as the nation's seventh-ranked team by Slam Magazine, it announced Thursday.

UK finished the 2002 season with a 22-10 record after being eliminated by eventual NCAA Champion Maryland in the Sweet 16. Smith will look to replace All-American forward Tayshaun Prince, who was a first-round draft pick by the Detroit Pistons in the June NBA Draft. But Smith will counter with his most veteran squad in his six seasons in the Bluegrass. Three seniors and five juniors lead a UK

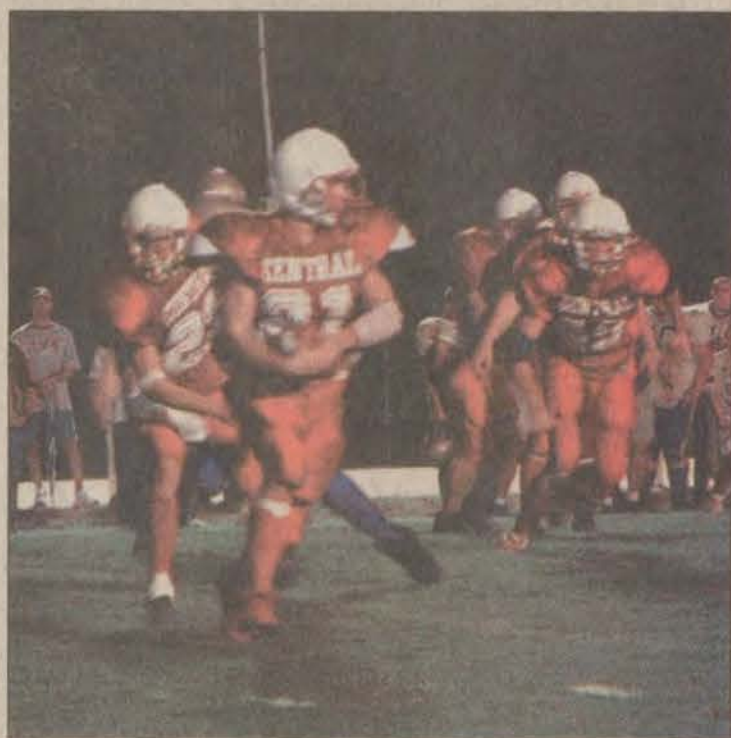
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CLASS A DISTRICT EIGHT SHOWDOWN



James Prater (21) looked for running room against a tough Fleming-Neon defense on Friday night. Neon, after going up against a much-improved Allen Central defense, pulled away with a 26-18 win over the host Runnin' Rebels. Allen Central came into the contest following a huge win last week over the Jenkins High Cavaliers. For Fleming-Neon, it was the first win of the season. The game was Allen Central's first home contest of the season. A story on the game, will full details and stats will appear in the Wednesday, Sept. 25 edition of The Times.

Photos by Jamie Howell



H.S. FOOTBALL

Jamerson among state's best receivers

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG — The 2002 high school football season is four games old for the Prestonsburg High School football team and with a 2-2

mark the Blackcats have a receiver ranked among the state's best.



■ Jamerson

Junior Nicholas Jamerson, through his first three games, had caught 11 passes for 336

yards and three touchdowns. Jamerson, also a very capable defensive back, is emerging as not only one of the state's pass-catchers, but

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Final Tee Time in Ky. of year prints this week

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

The state's foremost golf publication, Tee Time In Kentucky, will print its final issue of the year this week. Tee Time is a collaboration of CNHI (Community Newspaper Holdings, Inc.) employees in cities such as Prestonsburg, Richmond, Glasgow, Somerset, London, Corbin, Middlesboro, Harlan and Morehead. The final issue of the year promises to be jam-packed. Tee Time in Kentucky will return in spring

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Harness racing at Thunder Ridge Raceway in Prestonsburg enters its second week this weekend.

photo by Jamie Howell

THUNDER RIDGE

Events, attractions continue

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG — Thunder Ridge Raceway is a busy place these. Several events and attractions happen at the Floyd County racing and entertainment complex this weekend.

Today is Hat Day at the track with the first 100 fans receiving a free Thunder Ridge hat. A total of 16 live live harness races will also

be held today, beginning at 1 p.m. This is the second week for harness races at the track. One week ago today, Thunder Ridge opened its harness racing season. Several local harness enthusiasts and many more from abroad were in Prestonsburg for the season-opener.

One week from today, on Sunday, Sept. 29, 16 more live races will take place.

Starting the first week of October, racing

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SOUTH FLOYD FOOTBALL

Panthers sink Raiders

Pikeville offense too much for South Floyd

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PIKEVILLE — Pikeville High School football is rich in tradition. On Friday night, Coach Chris McNamee's 2002 edition of the Pikeville High grid team looked as

dominating as some of the better Pikeville teams of the past. Taking on the Donnie Daniels-coached South Floyd Raiders, Pikeville went up by three scores in the first quarter en route to a very convincing 54-16 victory in Class A, District Eight play.

Friday was Parents Night at W.C. Hambley, and the Pikeville High grid players didn't disappoint family

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Pro-Fitness competitor Jesse Rudd finished the Tsali run with an impressive time.

MULTI-SPORTS

Pro-Fitness athletes compete, fare well

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG — On August 24, Don Fields won the Goose Gap Time Trial in Pigeon Forge, Tenn. with an average speed of 30 mph and placed 12th in the road race in category 3/4 combined.

Jesse Rudd placed 25th out of over 50 masters competitors in the Tsali

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S P O R T S B O A R D

AUTO RACING

Mayfield still looking to meet expectations

by JENNA FRYER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

This was supposed to be the season Jeremy Mayfield finally lived up to his promise. In a fancy new ride fielded by Ray Evernham, Mayfield was expected to make his mark on the track.

Instead, he's made his name off of it thanks to a tongue-in-cheek Dodge commercial that has all of NASCAR saying, "Heyyy, Jer-ah-may."

The ad, which depicts a NASCAR-obsessed woman preparing for a date with Mayfield by splashing herself with gasoline and various other automotive products, has dogged the driver all season.

Every where he goes at the race track, fans mimic the way the woman greets Mayfield as she slides through the window of his Dodge Intrepid. Even Chase Elliott, the 6-year-old son of Mayfield's teammate, Bill Elliott, has the greeting down pat.

"I think (the commercial) has been one of the biggest things of my career," Mayfield said. "I think it's helped get our name out there and build our image ... and it's cool, funny and everybody watches it."

But everyone was supposed to be watching him during the races this sea-

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MLB

Cinergy Field at end of its 32-year history

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — Some called it homely, or at least criticized its bowl design for not allowing views of Cincinnati and the neighboring Ohio River.

But its supporters say Cinergy Field, considered to be state of the art for ballparks when it opened in 1970, ensured the identification of professional sports with downtown Cincinnati and helped focus long-term development attention on the riverfront.

Cinergy Field hosts its final baseball series this weekend when the Cincinnati Reds play their last home game this season against the Philadelphia Phillies. The stadium, originally named Riverfront Stadium, is to be demolished in late December to make room for the Reds' new ballpark next door.

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My memories of Cinergy

by ED TAYLOR
SPORTS WRITER

This weekend will mark the end of an era of new ballparks and begin a new of "new ball parks!"

Today, the Cincinnati Reds will host the Philadelphia Phillies in what will be the final baseball game to be played at the 32-year-old ball park. After the final out,

the crowd disperses, the doors will be shut for the final time and the turnstiles will turn no more of a major league baseball game.

I have attended several games at Cinergy (Riverfront) and was just trying to think of some of the special moments I enjoyed at the grounds. It is easy to remember the biggest moment at old, old Crosley Field (still my favorite park). My fondest moment then was when a young rookie by the name of Pete Rose went to second base in the sixth inning to replace Don Blasingame and he became a fixture

there for several seasons. Also, that I remember another trip to the old park when a Cuban stepped to the plate as a pinch hitter, also his first game as a Red — Tony Perez.

But at Cinergy, it had to be the twilight doubleheaders I enjoyed more than anything. I could single out a tremendous home run that Johnny Bench clubbed into the Red seats. Or the one George Foster parked way up in the upper level.

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NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Falcons, Bengals try to break 0-fers

by PAUL NEWBERRY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ATLANTA — The Not Ready For Prime Time Players will finally get a chance to impress a national audience.

Now the question is: Will anybody be watching?

The Atlanta Falcons are still winless. So are the Cincinnati Bengals. The Dirty Birds have managed only one winning season, albeit capturing the NFC championship, since 1995. The Bungles haven't had won more than they've lost since 1990, a mind-boggling display of ineptitude consid-

ering the parity of today's NFL.

On Sunday night, these two woe-begone franchises are paired for a rare prime-time appearance on national television, which might prompt even the most diehard football fan to do a little channel surfing.

Those who stick with ESPN will

get a chance to see one of the game's most exciting young players (Atlanta quarterback Michael Vick) and place a friendly wager on how long the Bengals stick with their quarterback, the embattled Gus Frerotte.

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On Saturday, Sept. 14, the Jenny Wiley Shrine Club of Prestonsburg held its annual golf tournament at Stumbo Park in Allen. First-place winners were Rusty Laferty, Frankie Francis, Jim Boggs, James Blanton and Chester Fields. Second-place finishers were Rudy Griffin, Mickey McKinney, John McDavid, Jerry Blevins and Kipp Parker. Money and longest drive belonged to Griffin. Fields was closest to the pin.



OUTDOORS

Youth Hunt and Jakes Day held

TIMES STAFF REPORT

The third annual Youth Hunt and the first Annual Jakes Day on August 16 and 17 was a huge success with 49 young boys and girls age 6-17 participating.

This outdoor event was hosted by the Floyd County Hunter Education Organization, Dewey Lake Fish and Game Club, the Kentucky Dept. of Fish and

Wildlife, The Floyd County Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation, and the German Bridge Campground. Friday evening began with registration and a cookout for every one.

This was followed by a seminar about the conservation and preservation of the wild turkey. Next was a demonstration by the Kentucky Dept. of Fish and

Wildlife Officers and K9 Unit catching a spotlighting poacher. This was followed by a comic presentation of an outlaw hunter named Jake Johnson who hunted night and day every day for wild turkeys. He was captured by fish and wildlife officers and taken to jail in a mock demonstration. The point being stressed was that

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A LOOK AT SPORTS

FOOTBALL

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Miami	2	0	0	1.000	70	34
New England	2	0	0	1.000	74	21
Buffalo	1	1	0	.500	76	76
N.Y. Jets	1	1	0	.500	44	75

South

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Houston	1	1	0	.500	22	34
Indianapolis	1	1	0	.500	41	46
Jacksonville	1	1	0	.500	48	44
Tennessee	1	1	0	.500	40	45

North

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Cleveland	1	1	0	.500	59	47
Baltimore	0	2	0	.000	7	35
Cincinnati	0	2	0	.000	13	54
Pittsburgh	0	2	0	.000	31	60

West

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Denver	2	0	0	1.000	47	30
Oakland	2	0	0	1.000	61	34
San Diego	2	0	0	1.000	58	9
Kansas City	1	1	0	.500	56	62

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Dallas	1	1	0	.500	31	32
N.Y. Giants	1	1	0	.500	39	37
Philadelphia	1	1	0	.500	61	34
Washington	1	1	0	.500	38	60

South

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Carolina	2	0	0	1.000	41	14
New Orleans	2	0	0	1.000	61	40
Tampa Bay	1	1	0	.500	45	26
Atlanta	0	2	0	.000	47	51

North

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Chicago	2	0	0	1.000	41	36
Green Bay	1	1	0	.500	57	69
Detroit	0	2	0	.000	28	80
Minnesota	0	2	0	.000	62	72

West

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Arizona	1	1	0	.500	47	44
San Francisco	1	1	0	.500	30	37
Seattle	0	2	0	.000	30	55
St. Louis	0	2	0	.000	37	49

Sunday's Games

- Chicago 14, Atlanta 13
- Miami 21, Indianapolis 13
- Dallas 21, Tennessee 13
- Carolina 31, Detroit 7
- New England 44, N.Y. Jets 7
- New Orleans 35, Green Bay 20
- Cleveland 20, Cincinnati 7
- Jacksonville 23, Kansas City 16
- Tampa Bay 25, Baltimore 0
- Arizona 24, Seattle 13
- N.Y. Giants 26, St. Louis 21
- San Diego 24, Houston 3
- Buffalo 45, Minnesota 39, OT
- Denver 24, San Francisco 14
- Oakland 30, Pittsburgh 17

Monday's Game

- Philadelphia 37, Washington 7

Sunday, Sept. 22

- N.Y. Jets at Miami, 1 p.m.
- Cleveland at Tennessee, 1 p.m.
- New Orleans at Chicago, 1 p.m.
- Dallas at Philadelphia, 1 p.m.
- Indianapolis at Houston, 1 p.m.
- Kansas City at New England, 1 p.m.
- Carolina at Minnesota, 1 p.m.
- Buffalo at Denver, 4:05 p.m.
- San Diego at Arizona, 4:05 p.m.
- Green Bay at Detroit, 4:15 p.m.
- Seattle at N.Y. Giants, 4:15 p.m.

LONESOME PINE RACEWAY

LPR prepares for Bailey's Autumn Classic 300

TIMES STAFF REPORT

COEBURN, Va. — Lonesome Pine International Raceway and Bailey's Cigarettes have announced the running of the Bailey's Autumn Classic 300 this October 4, 5 and 6th. The 200-lap NASCAR Late Model Stock car show is expected to draw race teams from all over the area.

"This race is a great way to introduce race fans, teams and the entire tri-cities area to Lonesome Pine Raceway," said Lisa Voit, Director of Public Relations and Marketing at LPIR.

Lonesome Pine Raceway has just completed its first season of NASCAR Weekly Racing Series presented by Dodge since under new ownership. The

Bailey's Autumn Classic will close out the 2002 year with a full weekend of racing and an impressive purse of over \$35,650.

The winner of the 200-lap race will take home \$10,000. The fastest car in qualifying will receive a \$750 Pole Award presented by Mike Rose and Hobart Sales and Service. The leader of the race at lap 100 will receive a \$1,000

Halfway Leader Award, also presented by Mike Rose and Hobart Sales and Service. Pepsi will be presenting a \$250 Hard Charger Award and a \$250 Hard Luck Award after the Bailey's 300.

Racing action begins on Friday, Oct. 4 with an optional practice and inspection day. Saturday, Oct. 5 is qualifying and heat races. Qualifying begins at 6

p.m. with heat races afterwards. The top ten qualifying speeds will lock in the first ten positions for Sunday's race.

Four heat races will then be ran Saturday evening. The top four finishers in each 25-lap heat race will earn a starting position in the main event. A 25-lap last chance race will be ran at

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photo submitted

Don Fields crossed the finish line in the Subaru Time Trial.

Bengals

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The Falcons (0-2) have gone nearly two years since their last prime-time game. Cincinnati (0-2) has endured a more serious case of TV withdrawal, last appearing at night in 1998.

"We need to know the seriousness of it," Bengals receiver Michael Westbrook said. "Everybody is going to be watching. I don't know how often this team has had a game under the lights, but this is huge."

Warrick Dunn, in his first year as a Falcons running back, also realizes this is a special occasion for his team.

"I don't think they've had a lot of national games," he said. "We definitely want to show people what we can do."

While both teams have gotten off to disappointing starts, the mood is certainly a lot better in Atlanta, where Vick's potential and new owner Arthur Blank's enthusiasm have at least provided signs of a pulse.

The Falcons could easily be 2-0. They opened with an overtime

loss at Green Bay, then had a chance to beat Chicago until Jay Feely missed a 45-yard field goal in the final minute.

The Bengals, on the other hand, haven't come close to winning. They were outscored 54-13 in losses to San Diego and Cleveland, doing little to improve their fans' fatalistic outlook.

"It's just a little strange that we're two games into the season and everybody thinks we're at a funeral," Frerotte said. "Everybody thinks that it's over."

The Falcons were a solid 7-point favorite, meaning they actually have to guard against — get this — overconfidence. Coach Dan Reeves doesn't want his team thinking it will have an easier time in Week 3 after opening with a pair of 2001 playoff teams.

"We feel like we're better than 0-2," he said. "But to say we're a better 0-2 team than Cincinnati, that's ridiculous."

Both teams are lugging around the weight of their pitiful

legacies. The Falcons haven't had consecutive winning seasons in their 37-year history, while the Bengals are well on their way to missing the playoffs for the 12th year in a row.

"You try to dwell on the future," said Reeves, who's only responsible for the last five seasons. "You don't worry about the past. The past doesn't cost you football games. It's what you're doing in the present."

Frerotte only came to the Bengals this year, but it's difficult to escape the negative feelings surrounding the franchise.

"It's happened so long here that that seems like what you know and it's easy to be that way," he said. "We really want to try to change that. We really want to say it's not the end of the world."

Frerotte could be nearing the end of his tenure as the starting quarterback if he doesn't get the offense moving. Coach Dick LeBeau hinted at a change after last week's 20-7 loss to the Browns, but decided to stick with Frerotte — for now.

"I was really just trying to send the message that six points in one game and seven points in the other games is not enough," LeBeau said.

Frerotte has thrown four interceptions, including an especially glaring gaffe in Cleveland. He tried to throw the ball away with his left hand to avoid a sack, but the pass floated to Kenard Lang, whose 71-yard interception return set up the clinching touchdown.

The Bengals defense, meanwhile, hasn't forced a fumble or interception in the first two games.

Cincinnati doesn't have any promising options at quarterback. Backup Jon Kitna was the lowest-rated passer in the league a year ago. Third-stringer Akili Smith held that dubious distinction in 2000.

Vick is solidly entrenched for the Falcons, leading the team in rushing (128 yards) and completing nearly 63 percent of his passes for 375 yards.

He's playing with a target on his chest, which was evident last week when the Bears were penalized three times for roughing the quarterback. Vick claimed he heard a Chicago coach scream "take his knees out."

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will run on Friday and Saturday with a 7 p.m. post-time and on Sunday with a 6 p.m. post-time.

Harness racing isn't the only thing going on this weekend at the Prestonsburg track. The A.S.S.H.B.E.A. World Celebration Horse Show was held over the past couple of days. Nolan Amusements is also in town with carnival rides, amusements and attractions.

Saturday, the track will resume dirt track racing with the highly-anticipated Miller Brother Coal/Pepsi Thunder Ridge Fall Classic \$10,000-to-win Late Model race. Some of the world's top dirt track racers, including Scott Bloomquist and Dan Schlieper, are scheduled to appear.

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roster that will open the season in Hawaii at the Maui Invitational. Keith Bogans is the leading returner for Kentucky.

Kansas is rated No. 1 in the poll and UK is the highest of four Southeastern Conference teams to earn mention in the top-20 poll. Florida is ranked No. 8 followed by Alabama at No. 10 and 14th-ranked Mississippi State. Other teams on the 2002-03 UK schedule include Michigan State at No. 9 and Virginia at No. 19, which the Cats could face in the second round of the Maui Invitational.

Mayfield

son, not during the commercial breaks.

That's not how it has worked out as Mayfield and his No. 19 team have struggled to get things going under the ultra-successful Evernham. While teammate Elliott has won twice this season and sits seventh in the standings headed into Dover International Speedway this weekend, Mayfield is stuck back in 27th with just three Top 10 finishes all year and hasn't come close to winning a race.

Evernham shook things up midway through the season, moving crew chief Sammy Johns off the car and allowing a committee of employees to run the show.

It sometimes forces Evernham, who won three Winston Cup titles as Jeff Gordon's crew chief before becoming an owner, to put his briefcase down and climb under the hood of a car again.

"There's been times I walked away because I felt like I was screwing them up, there's time when I've got to stop," Evernham said. "I won a lot of races and championships as a crew chief and it wouldn't be the brightest thing in the world to stand by and not use what might help my guys."

"But that's a fine line, because sometimes by trying to help you can screw them up."

But Evernham is trying to walk that line, even though he thought those days were long behind him. It's all in the effort to figure out why Mayfield is struggling.

He burst onto the Winston Cup scene with Penske Racing, finishing seventh in the points in 1998. But the union was never strong — Mayfield and Penske teammate Rusty Wallace never really got along all that well — and Mayfield left the team in September of last season.

Then he dropped out of sight, staying away from the race track while Evernham worked out a way to hire him for his second team.

Making it work wasn't easy — Casey Atwood was already driving the car and Evernham had to buy part of Ultra Motorsports and move Atwood into that ride — but when it was official, Mayfield was supposed

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How about a five-for-five game for third sacker Ray Knight or maybe it was the one-hitter hurled by Tom Seaver. Boy there are just too many to remember. But I still hold the special moments for me were the day-night doubleheaders that I enjoyed more than anything.

On "Poster Night," I took my son Greg and a friend of his and they had made a gigantic poster of Pete Rose (picture and all) and was part of the parade around then Riverfront Stadium. That was a big night of baseball against the Atlanta Braves.

I recall another doubleheader with the Braves that I saw at Riverfront. My brother-in-law, James Justice, his family along with Nancy and myself went to the game in his nice conversion van. We sat through almost the second game but the Reds were getting clobbered by the Braves so we decided to leave to beat some of the traffic.

Once in the parking lot the van was nowhere to be found. Come to find out someone had seen it drive in, coveted it and stole it. We left the Cincinnati police station about 2 a.m. that morning in a police car taking us to Florence to our motel and where my car was. I think they finally found the van in a supermarket parking lot in Savannah.

Deer

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archery hunter may need a ball point pen as much as he needs an arrow.

Before the animal can be moved in the field, the hunter should mark in his log: the species — deer or turkey, the sex of the animal, the date and the county in which it was taken.

The animal must be checked by the automated call-in telecheck system (1-877-245-4263) on the same day it was taken, and during the checking process, a confirmation number will be provided. That number then must be recorded on the

to come back with a vengeance.

He hasn't, but Mayfield chalks it up to first-year hiccups.

"I think a lot of it was getting used to the team, and as far as I'm concerned as a driver, figuring out how things are done there and the way Ray's process is set up as far as the way he runs his race team," Mayfield said. "It's like a building block. You get a foundation done and keep adding steps to that."

Evernham agrees, pointing out that it took him most of last season to get things clicking with Elliott. A first-year team last season, Elliott had just one win — and it didn't come until November.

"With Jeremy, in fairness to both of us, we're just now getting to know one another and we both expected to come into this

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Best

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one of its leading defensive backs.

"Nicholas has been an offensive and defensive standout for us this year," said Prestonsburg head coach John DeRossett. "We feel like if we can get the ball up in the air to him he'll catch it."

As a sophomore during the 2001 season, a campaign which saw Prestonsburg play in the Class 2A State Finals in Louisville, Jamerson started in the defensive secondary as a second-year member of the varsity team.

"I feel like he'll be a big-time player for us again next year as a senior," added DeRossett. "We expect him to get a lot of attention from college recruiters."

Jamerson's play also gets the attention of opposing players, real quick. Following Prestonsburg's recent game against Boyle County, Jacob Tammé, one of the state's top players on both sides of the ball, paid Jamerson a great compliment, telling the Blackcat he covered him better than any other defender he's faced in his four years of high school football.

Football runs through Jamerson's blood. His grandfather Shorty Jamerson was a top performer at the University of Kentucky in the 50s. His father, Dewey Jamerson, an assistant coach on the Prestonsburg High staff, was a standout athlete in football at Wheelwright High School in the 70s, while also competing in some other sports.

Where Jamerson will finish the season on the state's list of top pass-catchers is unknown. But, he has a phenomenal start.

Marion County receiver Patrick Mullins, through three games, led the state with 13 receptions for 398 yards and seven touchdowns. Chad Stewart of Waggener and Adrian Allen of Christian County, ranked third and fourth, respectively. Pike County Central receiver Bobby Mullins also ranked in the top-10.

Prestonsburg senior quarterback Joey Willis, the player throwing the balls Jamerson's way, ranks among the state's most efficient passers. Both are also members of the P'burg boys' basketball team. In the spring, Willis plays baseball and Jamerson competes in track and field.

Top 10 Receiving Leaders

(ranked by yards per game)

Player, School	G	Rec	Yds	P-Game	TD
Patrick Campbell, Marion Co.	3	13	398	132.7	7
Chad Stewart, Waggener	3	14	381	127.0	6
Adrian Allen, Christian County	3	15	376	125.3	6
Nicholas Jamerson, Prestonsburg	3	11	336	112.0	3
Miles Brewer, Oldham County	3	13	328	109.3	3
Bobby Mullins, Pike Co. Central	3	13	326	108.7	3
Travis Roark, Raceland	3	20	322	107.3	5
James Brock, Everts	3	15	312	104.0	5
Prince Northington, Trigg County	3	17	297	99.0	4
Stephen Taylor, Williamsburg	3	18	297	99.0	4

Georgia. I will never forget that night.

I will always remember the "big ball park by the river" and the great players who played there over the past 32 seasons. I don't know if I will ever step foot in the new park (but I hope too) and I am sure it will become distinct some day and there will be special memories there as well like, Adam Dunn

breaking the Aaron's homerun record after besting Bobby Bond's the year before. How about Austin Kearns leads the league in hitting three straight seasons. Well, it could happen! Anyway, I will never forget old Crosley Field and the special memories of Riverfront.

Until Wednesday, good sports everyone and be good sports!

MU announces dates for second annual youth hitting league

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

HUNTINGTON, W.Va. — Thundering Herd head baseball coach Dave Piepenbrink has announced the dates for the second annual Marshall University Baseball Hitting League, sponsored by BWP Bats.

The hitting instructional sessions are scheduled for each Sunday from October 27 through December 8 and are for players ages 8-12 and 13-18. Each session will last approximately one hour with four dif-

ferent times available for scheduling each Sunday. These times are 4:30 p.m., 5:30 p.m., 6:30 p.m., and 7:30 p.m.

Instruction will be given by the Marshall baseball coaches in the auxiliary gym at the Cam Henderson Center. The cost is \$100, and includes an awards ceremony with pizza and the opportunity to meet this season's Herd baseball team.

Registration form requests and any questions should be directed to assistant coach Chad Miller at 304/696-7146.

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let someone into the playoffs who didn't win a title.

This has created some interesting wild card races these last several years, so why am I complaining? There has been a clamor about the fourth spot because there's no need to get all up in the air about the first three.

Take, for example, the two remaining pennant races in baseball. Both Western Divisions are tight, far from decided, but more attention is being paid to the National League race where only one will get in as opposed to the American League side where one will win the division while the other will make it as the wild card.

Truly, the top story this September run should be the Anaheim Angels. The longtime doormat has pulled it together this year and is having a tremendous run. They have tremendous talent, much of it good young pitching. They have players like Tim Salmon, who has played more than a decade now - all of it with the Angels - without being in one single postseason game. And they have a fine young manager in former Dodger catcher Mike Scioscia.

And they're playing the Oakland A's, another team most people expected a step back from this season. The Athletics lost the franchises top player in Jason Giambi to the Bronx, and with it went most people's faith in the other city by the bay.

There is another sad thing about this race - these are their market's "other" teams. Except during the early 1970s when they won three straight World Series crowns, Oakland has always played second fiddle to San Francisco. But it's been nothing compared to the teams that share a market in southern California.

Because they were the "California" Angels for so long, a good number of people didn't realize they even played in Anaheim, only a stone's throw from Los Angeles. Talk about the ugly step-sister; the only team to get less attention in the SoCal sports spectrum is the Clippers.

So now, when the world should be noticing the outstanding young pitching staff of the Athletics - the Glavine, Maddux and Smoltz of the new millennium, some say - and the remarkable rebound of Anaheim, instead, they're still taking a backseat to Big Brother in both ends of the state.

Why? Because in the National League West the aforementioned Dodgers and Giants are battling it out, too, but not for the division - these teams are

fighting for the Wild Card, which means one will make the postseason whilst the other will start vacation a little early.

And because one race (the NL) is terminal and the other (AL) is only semantics, headlines every night are written about the Dodgers and Giants, while the Angels and A's are relegated to below the fold or page two material.

Perhaps the absolute worst thing about this is the attention being given - that would be none - to the fine season being had by the Arizona Diamondbacks, who clinched this division around the All-Star break it seems. (Alert: They still haven't actually clinched!)

The D-Backs are the first team in baseball history to have two pitchers with both 20 wins and 300 strikeouts in the same season in Curt Schilling and Randy Johnson. Meanwhile, as of Thursday morning they were cruising along 6-1/2 games above the wild card race, but they may as well have been playing another sport with the way they're being snubbed.

The same could be said for teams like Atlanta and New York, who seem to be mere formalities these days. Atlanta literally clinched the NL East the first week of September and therefore has a month to tread water.

I suppose I should be happy to have two pennant races to watch, and trust me, I am. I love baseball and even though it's cost me some sleep this week, it's been fun keeping up with the goings on in the sport on the left coast.

In the end, I think San Francisco will win the wild card, which would put Barry Bonds on suicide alert when he realizes the good news/bad news here: Yes, he gets to play in the postseason again with the opportunity to exhume all those ghosts that have haunted him since his days in Pittsburgh. But he gets to do that against the Braves, the same team that traumatized him more than a decade ago.

And I think the A's are the hottest team in baseball and will hold off Anaheim, meaning they get Minnesota while the Angels get rewarded by playing the Yankees.

Still, I'm not sold on this wild card thing. And the thing that scares me most is not having one team in that didn't win its division, it's that it will lead to having a couple of more and so on until baseball is being played until Christmas to get four rounds of postseason in.

Regardless, we have two weeks left to decide all this, so let's sit back, take in a lot of caffeine and get ready for some seriously late nights.

Davis remains silent on starter

by TOM WITHERS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CLEVELAND — Butch Davis has found a unique way of picking his starting quarterback for Sunday's game at Tennessee.

Davis has yet to announce whether Tim Couch, sidelined the past two weeks with a sore elbow, will return to the lineup, or if Kelly

Holcomb will start his third straight game.

So who will it be?

"I think what we'll probably do is wait for the winner of the Middle Tennessee State-Kentucky game," joked Davis, referring to his quarterbacks' alma maters who'll play on Saturday in Lexington. "And the winner of that game, the other guy gets to start."

Couch was upgraded on the injury report from questionable to probable on Thursday and is expected to make his first start of the season against the Titans.

Davis, though, seems to want to keep Tennessee guessing as long as he can. He also closed practice to the media this week, so no one is sure which quarterback is working with the starting offense.

Meanwhile, Cleveland's offensive line is in shambles.

Right tackle Ryan Tucker, who has a partially torn knee ligament, did not practice Thursday. Center Dave Wohlbaugh will likely sit out with a broken right hand. And Roger Chanoine, who is filling in for Tucker, has a strained right knee.

Couch tore scar tissue near his

elbow during an Aug. 26 exhibition game against Green Bay. He was unable to throw deep passes until this week, and worked some with the first unit on Wednesday, Davis said.

Holcomb played superbly in Couch's place, completing 44 of 69 passes for 524 yards, five touchdowns and no interceptions. Holcomb would love to go

back to his home state to start in front of family and friends.

"I'd like to go back down there and play, but my job is the backup quarterback," Holcomb said. "I think Tim will start."

Meanwhile, the two QBs and friends have been playing up another quarterback controversy: The Wildcats vs. The Blue Raiders.

"That's the big question," Couch said. "We're definitely going to have something riding on it. Maybe a dinner at Morton's. I guess I'm going to have to give him some points. It's our homecoming and we may be overlooking them a little bit."

Holcomb may be a backup, but he's not backing down.

"He's talked a lot of trash the past couple weeks," he said. "It'll be taken care of on the field."

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Hunt

every one should be an ethical, responsible, law abiding, and safe outdoorsman.

Saturday morning began with breakfast at 5:30 a.m. for the young squirrel hunters. The excitement was high. The numerous rain showers got the hunters all wet but didn't dampen their spirits. Even though every hunter didn't get a squirrel they were all happy and ready for lunch at 11 a.m.

After lunch every participant went for a canoe ride, pattered a

shotgun, shot a bow, and used a turkey call. All received a free turkey call.

While the evening meal of elk, deer, musk-ox, and squirrel from the morning hunt were being prepared, everyone participated in a turkey calling contest with six winners receiving a new Jakes Day 2002 box call as prizes. Some of these young callers would be the envy of the best.

Every youngster received a door prize, anything from a

pocketknife to a new pair of hunting boots. Three single-shot shotguns were given away just as everyone was getting ready to enjoy one of the best cookouts many ever had the opportunity to eat.

It was hard to tell who was having more fun, the youngsters or their parents.

These sponsors who care about our young people and the conservation of the environment made this great outdoor event possible follow.

Ace Hardware Farm Supply of Willard Ohio, Big Lots, B & B Distributors, Cardinal Country Store, Coca Cola Co., Conley General Store, Dairy Cheer, Family Dollar store, First Guaranty Bank, Flowers Thrift Store, Food City, General Dollar Store, Harvest Calls, Hock Shop, Kentuckiana-Joe Bolton, Kentucky Crystal Water, Lafferty's Taxidermy, Mert's Gun and Ammo, Messer's Dept. Store, McDonalds, Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Pepsi Cola East Ky. Beverage Co.,

Prestonsburg City Utilities, T & N Concrete, Tom Bormes, US Bank, Wal-Mart, and Wright Lumber Co.

NOTES:

At The Floyd County Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation September 5 meeting, a date was set for next year's superfund banquet for May 31, 2003 at the Jenny Willy State Park Convention Center.

The next regular meeting will be at the City Hall in Martin in October.

Pro-Fitness

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Triathlon in Bryson City, N.C. Harry Ryan finished ninth in the event. Ryan lives in Frankfort but is originally from Williamson. He races for Pro-Fitness quite frequently.

Fields also placed fifth overall in a combined Cat 3/4 race

on Saturday, Sept. 14 in Lexington. It was a photo finish between the third-, fourth- and fifth-place finishers. The average speed for the event was almost 25 mph for 48 miles. Rudd and Doug Hyden also finished the race as well.

January 1 of this year marked the 20th anniversary of Pro-Fitness Multi-Sports. This weekend, Pro-Fitness Multi-Sports athletes were scheduled to travel to Boone, N.C. for an event. The event was to begin on Saturday and conclude today. A

Golf

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2003.

As high school golfers across Eastern Kentucky enter the end of September, their seasons are nearing an end. This past week, Paintsville played some of the better golf in the area, defeating three teams.

The Paintsville High golf team defeated Johnson Central and Hazard Monday evening at the Paintsville Country Club. Paintsville shot a 145 to win the match.

Johnson Central shot a 161 and Hazard shot a 170 to round out the scoring.

Paintsville's Robert Chafin shot a 33 and teammate Michael Haney shot a 34 to lead the Tigers. Johnson Central's Clint Adams also turned in a score of 34 in the contest.

Tyler Adkins and Corey Young shot 39s, and Casey Young and Tyler Vanhoose turned in a 41 and a 43, respectively, to round out the Tigers' scoring. Keith Patrick and Jarrod Keaton also competed in the match for the Tigers.

Tyler Whitaker shot a 39, Derrick Jones shot a 44, Jeremy Vanhoose turned in a 44, and

James Barrett and Jo Adkins both turned in a score of 47 to round out the Golden Eagles' scoring.

The Paintsville Tigers golf team also won a match on Tuesday when it shot a 141 to defeat Prestonsburg's 151 and Johnson Central's 156 score.

Johnson Central's Adams and Paintsville's Adkins turned in the best scores of the day with a round of 34.

Haney and Chafin each shot a 35, and Corey Young turned in a score of 37. Casey Young shot a 39 and Vanhoose shot a 44 to round out the Tigers' scoring.

John Mark Tackett led Prestonsburg with a 36. Wesley Jenkins and Brooks Herrick each shot a 38. Zach Collins shot a 39 and Sean Leslie turned in a 41 for the Blackcats.

Tyler Whitaker turned in a 39, Barrett shot a 41, Adkins shot a 42, and Jeremy Vanhoose and Derrick Jones shot a 45 and 46, respectively, for the Golden Eagles.

The first-ever Paintsville Invitational Tournament was scheduled for this weekend.



photo submitted

Pro-Fitness athletes Jesse Rudd and Harry Ryan looked over things during a recent kayak event.

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"Any postcard I've ever seen of downtown Cincinnati in the last 30 years has focused people's attention on Riverfront in the foreground and downtown in the background," said John Schneider, who helped lead a recent reconstruction of highways that run past the stadium. "It was identified with our city and our region. It had a tremendous effect on bringing people's attention back on downtown."

The stadium was built to bring pro football to Cincinnati — Paul Brown's Cincinnati Bengals. A poor, blighted riverfront neighborhood of tenements and warehouses was razed to make way for it.

It served for 30 years as home of both the Reds and the Bengals. In 2000, the Bengals moved to the new Paul Brown

Stadium two blocks away. The Reds are to begin play in April 2003 in Great American Ball Park.

The Reds' current home was built for \$44 million. It was joined in 1975 by the adjacent Riverfront Coliseum, now known as U.S. Bank Arena.

The stadium was an immediate boost for the Reds, who drew barely 1.1 million fans a year in their former home, Crosley Field. In 1971, the Reds' first full year in Riverfront Stadium, 1.5 million came to see them play. From 1973 to 1980, attendance never fell below 2 million.

At the urging of former Gov. James Rhodes, Cincinnati built the stadium to house the Reds and the new pro football team. Officials considered several suburban sites before settling on the

downtown location.

Cincinnati was better off razing the blighted neighborhood and decaying buildings that the stadium replaced, said Eugene Ruehlmann, a retired lawmaker who was a Cincinnati councilman and mayor when the stadium was built and opened.

"It was a terrible place," Ruehlmann said of the old neighborhood. "It was dragging the whole city down with it. It had to go."

Restaurants thrived on the northern Kentucky shore of the river, as they offered close-up views of the stadium and Cincinnati's skyline. But the stadium failed to prompt entertainment development around it in Cincinnati, Schneider said.

"You went there, and you left," he said.

"It's a very isolated area, and there are no facilities around it. It's like living in a traffic island," said Michael Romanos, a professor of economic development at the University of Cincinnati.

The stadium's construction displaced poor black residents, many of whom had moved into the city from other areas in search of jobs, said Zane Miller, a retired history professor at the university. But the stadium was a boost for the city's image and its skyline, he said.

"If you're asking did it do any good for health, education, welfare, poor people — the answer's no," Miller said. "It did a little bit of good for downtown business. It did a lot of good for the reputation of the city, the status of the city."

Mayfield

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deal and go win races right off the bat," Everham said. "When I look back to last year, it really took six to eight months to understand Bill.

"But I think Jeremy and I have gotten to that link now and I probably put a little too much pressure on him at the beginning of the season."

Now they are focusing on the future, buoyed by small signs that the team is turning the corner.

He was 10th two weeks ago at Richmond, and followed it by qualifying ninth for Sunday's race in New Hampshire. And even though he dropped back

and finished 24th, one spot behind Elliott, the communication lines are strong and there's hope for a better year in 2003.

Mayfield is so certain he can eventually be a championship contender under Everham, he already talks as if it's the last team he'll ever drive for.

"This team I'm with now, this is where I've always wanted to be," he said. "I've always had my sights set on a top-level team and I feel like this is the one. I want to do everything I can to make this team work on my part, and I feel like Ray has done the same thing. I hope I can retire where I'm at."

Raiders

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members who were in attendance.

South Floyd won the coin toss and elected to receive the football. Things from the get-go would not go the way of the visiting Raiders. Pikeville stopped South Floyd on its opening drive and went right to work. Senior fullback Jarrod Frasure took the first Pikeville score in from two yards out and the Panthers went ahead 6-0. A Pikeville PAT put the Panthers ahead 7-0, early. Paul Sullivan put Pikeville's second score of the game in the books on a 76-yard punt return for a touchdown at the 6:38 mark of the opening period. Pikeville's second point-after kick was blocked by the South Floyd defense.

Pikeville led 20-0 after the first period. Trailing by three scores, South Floyd got its first touchdown of the game when workhorse running back Josh McCray found the end zone from one yard out. A two-point conversion run by Brandon Little after the McCray score would pull the Raiders to within 12 points at 20-8. Unfortunately for the South Floyd High faithful who had made the trip to Pike County, the Raider grid team would get no closer. McCray's first and only score of the game came at

6:46 mark.

South Floyd, which went into the game against Pikeville fresh off a 42-20 win over the Phelps Hornets, another Class A Pike County high school team. Pikeville was coming off an exhilarating win over the Hazard Bulldogs.

Pikeville went into the half with a commanding 33-8 lead on its home field.

Things rolled Pikeville's way throughout the contest as the Panthers had two special teams scores to go along with some potent offense. The other Pikeville special teams score came on a punt blocked returned for a touchdown by lineman Tim Justice.

The Panthers led South Floyd 47-8 after three quarters and were well on their way to a second district win of the season. South Floyd scored its second and final touchdown of the game in the fourth and final quarter. Raider quarterback Landon Hall found receiver Justin Hall for a score with 16 seconds remaining in the game. A Little conversion run upped the Raiders point total to 16.

Pikeville (3-1) returns to action next week at home against top county rival Belfry. South Floyd will travel to Fleming-Neon.

Classic

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12:30 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 6. The top four finishers in the last chance race earn a starting spot in the 200-lap event. The Bailey's Autumn Classic main 200-lap event will begin at 2 p.m.

Grandstand gates open at 12 p.m. daily. Grandstand admission for Friday is free. Children 11 and under are admitted free. Adult tickets are

\$10 for Saturday, \$15 for Sunday, or a 2-Day Combo ticket for \$20. Seniors and students are \$8 for Saturday, \$12 for Sunday, or \$15 for the 2-Day Combo. For youth ages 12-15 tickets are free on Saturday and \$6 on Sunday.

For more information call 276-395-5001 or visit www.lone-somepinraceway.com

Briefs...

BASEBALL

CHICAGO — Kansas City first-base coach Tom Gamboa was ambushed on the field by a bare-chested father and his son in the ninth inning, prompting players from both teams to rush to his rescue.

Gamboa had several cuts and a large bruise on his forehead. He walked off the field to a standing ovation from the crowd at Comiskey Park, where the Royals beat the Chicago White Sox 2-1.

A folded-up pocket knife was found at the scene. White Sox outfielder Aaron Rowand said he saw it fall out of one of the fan's pockets, and Royals closer Roberto Hernandez said he saw security guards place it in an evidence bag.

Gamboa said he had no idea why he was attacked.

The father and son were led off the field in handcuffs. White Sox spokesman Scott Reifert said their names will not be released until they are charged.

SEATTLE — Alex Rodriguez and Rafael Palmeiro of Texas tied a major league record by homering in the same game for the 15th time this season.

Rodriguez and Palmeiro equaled the mark set by Barry Bonds and Rich Aurilia for San Francisco last season.

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL SCOREBOARD

Thursday's game

Green County 37Taylor County 7

Friday's games

Adair County 36	Cavema 0
Belfry 58	Belsy Layne 0
Bell County 50	Corbin 15
Boone County 49	Holmes 12
Bourbon County 36	Franklin Co. 0
Boyd County 68	Magoffin County 8
Bullitt East 18	Fairdale 0
Calloway County 25	Lone Oak 0
Daniels 39	Bellevue 8
Doss 7	Valley Traditional 0
Eastern 55	Jeffersonstown 0
Elizabethtown 21	Moore 20
Fleming-Neon 26	Allen Central 18
Fort Knox 20	McLean County 6
Frankfort 22	Grant County 6
Greenup County 43	JCHS 22
Harrison Co. 35	Montgomery Co. 0
Hopkinsville 19	Graves County 9
Ironton, Ohio 28	Campbell County 0
Lafayette 21	Bryan Station 7
Larue County 42	Washington Co. 0
Lex. Catholic 24	Pulaski SW 14
Lloyd Memorial 28	Mercer Co. 14
Madison Central 49	South Laurel 0
Male 62	Atherton 0
Metcalfe County 30	Hart County 18
Monroe County 20	Barren County 8
Murray 35	Russellville 21
Ohio Co. 27	Grayson County 14
Owen County 48	Eminence 0
Paintsville 27	Beraa 12
Perry County Central 38	Hazard 6
(Black Gold Bowl)	
Pike Co. Central 38	Shelby Valley 20
Pikeville 54	South Floyd 16
Pleasure Ridge Park 19	Central Hardin
Powell County 51	Bath County 34
Russell 12	Mason County 7
Scott County 41	Henry Clay 26
Sheldon Clark 28	Ashland Blazer 26
Simon Kenton 31	Dayton 12
St. Xavier 10	DuPont Manual 6
Trinity (Louisville) 26	Ballard 7
Whitesburg 27	Harlan 0
Williamsburg 31	Lynn Camp 22
Woodford County 24	Paul Dunbar 17

EVENTS

Law for quick disclosure of campus incidents

by CHARLES WOLFE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — A law requiring prompt, public disclosure of fires and crimes on campus has been fairly smoothly implemented, the University of Kentucky's police chief said Monday.

"Overall, it's not been overly problematic, as some of us expected it would be," Capt. Rebecca Langston told the General Assembly's interim Education Committee.

A woman who lobbied for the law after her son died in a dorm fire said Langston's statement represented a significant turnabout by UK officials.

"Their attitude is one of the best," Gail Minger told reporters outside the meeting. "They were fighting this bill hard when it first came up" two years ago. "They thought it was going to be a lot harder than it was."

The law, named the

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Kudzu seeking submissions by Nov. 15

Kudzu, an annual literary publication of Hazard Community College, is now soliciting submissions from the general public as well as students and HCC employees for its 2003 issue.

A November 15, 2002 deadline has been set for submissions of poems, pen and ink art work, short stories and personal essays. The short stories and personal essays should not exceed 4,000 words.

With the submissions, please include a few biographical facts, town or county of residence, occupation and/or interests. Please provide a return address, telephone number, and email address (if available).

Those wanting their work returned should send a self-addressed stamped envelope to Donna S. Sparkman, Hazard Community College, Knott County Branch, One Community College Drive, Hazard, KY 41701.

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CAMPUS CONNECTION



'The Blue Crew,' from top left going across, Shawn Howard, Dickie Johnson, Don Montgomery, Ken Shephard, Glen Powers, Dean Franklin, Wayne Harless, James Powers, Martha Morrison, Randy LeMaster, Shannon Howard, Blake Campbell, Delores Thornsberry, Bill Fitzwater and Robin Campbell.

'THE BLUE CREW'

by RACHELLE BURCHETT

Have you ever visited the Prestonsburg Campus and noticed the beauty it holds? The Campus doesn't just look like that on special occasions but everyday.

As you enter the campus in the early morning you will hear the buzz of a weed eater clearing off an embankment,

the smell of fresh-cut grass will surround you, as lawnmowers are moving about the campus, and you will see flower gardens being weeded by faithful hands. During the day you can hear the jingle of keys coming down the hall as trash cans are being emptied and bathrooms are being cleaned.

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STUDENT NEWS

ALC Student Organization Active

by AMANDA PRUITT

Affiliated with the Kentucky Education Association and the National Education Association, members say that the Kentucky Education Association-Student Program's purpose is "to foster development, commitment, and service in the education profession." KEA-SP, a professional organization for education majors at Alice Lloyd College, elected the following officers August 29, 2002: serving as acting President is Jennifer Burns, of Surgoinville, TN; James Burns,

of Surgoinville, TN, will work as the President-Elect; serving as Secretary is Jaynie Stumbo, of McDowell; Candi Good, of Phyllis, will perform her duties as Treasurer; and Will Watts, of Mallie, is the newly elected Historian.

Alice Lloyd College's KEA Chapter has a long history of success. This past April more than 170 students from several Kentucky universities and colleges attended the annual Delegate Assembly for KEA-SP held in Louisville. One of the first matters of business was electing new state officers for the 2002-2003

school year. Four students from ALC were elected to state officer positions: Jennifer Burns will serve as the Secretary/Historian. Greta Ann Callahan, of Wallingford, will act as KEA Director. James Burns is a newly elected member of the KEA Visibility Committee. Also, KEA Government Relations Committee member is Candi Good. Alice Lloyd's students in the KEA-Student Program have well repre-

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TUITION

Tuition costs rising slightly more than Ky. incomes

by MARK R. CHELLGREN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — In the three years since Kentucky colleges and universities have been setting their own tuition, costs have gone up a little faster.

When the Council on Postsecondary Education was setting rates for all Kentucky institutions, per capita personal income was used as a guide to determine the cost of college, often falling around 10 percent of that standard.

Rates have inched up since the 2001 school year by that standard, though Kentucky tuition is still a bargain compared with surrounding states and benchmark schools, council acting president Sue Moore told a legislative subcommittee Monday.

"Kentucky's tuition rates remain relatively low," Moore said.

But the rates also vary among institutions now. The council used to set one tuition schedule for doctoral universities - University of Kentucky and University of Louisville - and a lower rate for the other six universities and a third for community colleges.

Eastern Kentucky University's tuition of \$1,010 was 10.3 percent of per capita income in 2000, for example. Tuition of \$1,168 in 2002

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AWARDS

KCTCS awarded national grant to seek solutions to poverty

FRANKFORT - A prestigious national grant awarded to the Kentucky Community and Technical College System (KCTCS) will foster dialogue on solutions that may contribute to breaking the cycle of poverty.

The Ford Foundation has awarded KCTCS a \$75,000 grant that will support two initiatives:

- The Governor's Summit on Quality of Life in the Commonwealth, which is scheduled for October 17 at the Kentucky History Center in Frankfort. The summit - sponsored by Gov. Paul E. Patton, KCTCS, the Kentucky Cabinet for Families and Children (CFC) and the National Governors Association (NGA) — is intended to produce long-term collaboration aimed at achieving Patton's goal of raising Kentuckians' standard of living at least to the national average by 2020.

- An asset-mapping process that will assess what resources are available and what gaps need to be bridged to combat poverty in the Commonwealth. Only six college systems or organizations nationwide received the Ford Foundation "Bridges to Opportunity" grants. The goal of the Ford initiative is to enhance educational and economic opportunities for disadvantaged adults. The grants support projects that enhance integration of academic programs, workforce training and developmental programs in community colleges; and improve access to education and success rates of disadvantaged adult learners.

"Our receipt of this grant signals that KCTCS is becoming a recognized national leader in community and technical college education," said Michael B. McCall, KCTCS president. "We are pleased to be able to use the Bridges to Opportunity grant to support the 2020 vision to raise Kentuckians' standard of living."

Viola Miller, secretary of the

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HCC welcomes new faculty



Two new faculty members have joined the Human Services/Social Work program offered by Eastern Kentucky University and Hazard Community College on the Hazard campus. Students can obtain a bachelor's degree in Hazard from ECU. Shown above, from left, are: Dr. Pat Peacock, ECU faculty; Cindy Plummer, HCC human services program coordinator; Joan Enochs, HCC human services faculty and ECU adjunct faculty; and Jim Gibson, ECU faculty. Enochs and Gibson began teaching full-time this fall semester. Those interested in enrolling for the spring semester can contact Dr. Peacock at 436-5721, ext. 8020 or Plummer at ext. 8018 now. Students are encouraged to apply for ECU classes by Oct. 31.

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FCC approves BellSouth long-distance entry in five states

by GREG GIUFFRIDA
ASSOCIATED PRESS

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — The Federal Communications Commission has approved a petition from BellSouth seeking entry into long distance telephone service in five Southern states.

Over the objections of AT&T

and others, a multistate petition for Alabama, North Carolina, Mississippi, Kentucky and South Carolina was approved unanimously Wednesday by the FCC's four commissioners.

The FCC approved BellSouth's entry into Louisiana and Georgia markets on May 15. Another petition for Florida and Tennessee will be submitted

soon, company officials said.

"These five states represent about a \$4 billion market that we will be able to compete for," said BellSouth Chairman and CEO Duane Ackerman. "Added to current markets, it's somewhere between \$7 and \$8 billion dollars."

The Atlanta-based BellSouth is required by the 1996

Telecommunications Act to allow competitors access to local markets and its network before it can offer long-distance itself.

To be approved by the FCC, BellSouth had to convince officials that it would ensure access by other companies to its phone hardware - poles, ducts, conduits and rights of way - as well

as guarantee white page listings and access to 911, directory assistance and operator assistance.

Officials with AT&T have opposed all of the petitions, saying that BellSouth has not met requirements in Georgia and Louisiana to foster local service competition among other providers.

The main issue is BellSouth's wholesale prices for other long-distance and local phone providers to use its network, said AT&T spokesman Gene Regan.

Competitive local exchange carriers, or CLECs, pay for use of a telephone infrastructure

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Medicare
AND YOU

Donna R. Morton
Medicare Beneficiary
Outreach Coordinator
AdminaStar Federal

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reports that more than 20,000 people die from complications of the flu each year. Most are over 65 years old.

Q Who should get a flu shot?

People at risk for getting a serious case of the flu or flu complications, and people in close contact with them (including all household members) should get the shot. An annual flu shot is recommended for these groups:

- Everyone 50 years of age or older.
- Residents of long term care facilities housing persons with chronic medical conditions
- Anyone who has a serious long term health problem with heart disease, kidney disease, lung disease, metabolic disease, such as diabetes, asthma, or anemia and other blood disorders
- Anyone whose immune system is weakened because of HIV/AIDS or other diseases that affect the immune system, receiving long-term treatment with drugs such as steroids or cancer treatment with x-rays or drugs

Q Can I get the flu even if I get the flu vaccine this year?

Yes, flu viruses change often, and the shot might not always cover them. But, vaccinated people who do get the flu often have a milder case than those who did not get the shot. Also, many people call any illness with fever and cold symptoms "the flu," and they may expect a flu shot to prevent these illnesses. But the flu shot is effective only against illnesses caused by influenza viruses, and not against other illnesses.

Q Why do I need to get a flu shot every year?

Flu viruses change often. Therefore, the flu shot is updated each year to make sure it is as effective as possible. Protection develops about 2 weeks after getting the shot and may last up to a year.

Q Does Medicare pay for the flu shot?

Yes. Medicare Part B pays 100 percent of the approved amount for the flu shot. The flu shot is not

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photo by Loretta Blackburn

Small Town Tattoos and Piercing took second- and third-place honors at the Easyrider Chillicothe Bike Rodeo this year and will be mentioned in the January 2003 issue of Easyrider.

Small Town lands 2 out of 3 in CHILICOTHE

by LORETTA BLACKBURN
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Small Town Tattoos and Piercing, in Prestonsburg, won second- and third-place honors this year in the Easyrider Chillicothe Bike Rodeo.

The awards mark the third consecutive year the shop has placed in the top three of the national event.

Small Town entered two tattoos this year in Chillicothe and both placed in the top three. A chest piece on Ray "Ghost Rider" Adams, inked by Chris Walker,

owner and artist, and Mark Vance, artist, took second place, while a shoulder piece on Chris "Buttons" Minix, inked by Vance, won third place.

The awards will be mentioned in the January 2003 edition of Easyrider magazine.

Small Town will also be sponsoring "Toys for Tats" for a second year and will be accepting toy donations for underprivileged kids. In exchange, donors or their friends will receive a 30 percent discount on a tattoo, piercing or jewelry.

The toys must be new and be

worth \$5 or more. They will be given out on Dec. 15 to less fortunate children in the Floyd County area. The shop will also accept clothing donations if the clothes are clean and in good condition.

Last year's toy drive resulted in hundreds of dollars worth of toys and clothes, and the staff at Small Town hopes to double that amount this year.

Small Town proposes that not a lot of places allow you to donate toys and get something back in addition to the good feeling you get from giving.

LAW SUIT FILING

Paper files suit to collect from taxpayers

The Associated Press

PIKEVILLE — An Eastern Kentucky newspaper will ask a judge to force a local politician to pay for publishing nearly 100 pages filled with names of delinquent taxpayers.

The Appalachian News-Express filed suit on Wednesday against Karen Gibson, the top elected official in Pike County, to force her to turn over checks totaling \$108,000.

Publisher Marty Backus said Gibson has a vendetta against the newspaper because it has been critical of her administration.

"It's regrettable that we're being forced to take this action, but the News-Express has exhausted all other options

in trying to get our money," Backus said. "We have done nothing wrong, we have followed the law."

Gibson said the impasse was the result of the newspaper charging more than necessary to publish the names. She wanted the names printed in a tabloid and inserted into the newspaper for distribution, which could have been done at a cost of about \$25,000.

"The bill keeps getting larger," she said. "I didn't know of anything else to do except not pay the bill. If you could save the taxpayers \$75,000 a year, you're talking about some very significant savings over years."

Magistrates have approved payment to the newspaper, but Gibson has refused to sign the checks.

County governments are required by state law to advertise the names of delinquent property taxpayers, and the amounts they owe, in local newspapers. The News-Express printed more than 8,000 names in the May 31, June 7 and June 14 editions.

The county can recoup its expenses by charging the delinquent taxpayers \$3 for each time their names appear in the paper.

Gibson, whose term expires at the end of the year, did not seek re-election as judge-executive but instead entered the race for property valuation administrator.

David Thompson, head of the Kentucky Press Association, said every state in the nation publishes names of

delinquent taxpayers to get them to pay up.

"It is a way to tell the public here are your fellow county residents who are not paying their fair share," he said. "There have been politicians, upstanding citizens in counties who have had their names appear. They go and pay their taxes so their names don't appear again."

Thompson said state law requires counties to publish. He said the law establishes payment based on column inches filled. He said the law doesn't allow for counties to print the names and have them inserted into newspapers.

"The law definitely needs to be changed," Gibson said. "Look at the potential savings, not just for us, but for every county in the state."

STATE NEWS

'Take a Loved One to the Doctor Day' launched

Big Sandy Health Care Inc. recognizes that a serious health gap exists between racial and ethnic populations and the general public. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, along with ABC Radio Urban Advantage Network, have launched a national campaign aimed at encouraging individuals to take a loved one to the doctor, and to get a check-up themselves.

Why? Because it is much easier and less costly to prevent an illness than treat it. It is also much easier to stay healthy than to be sick.

Sept. 24 has been declared "Take a Loved One to the Doctor Day" by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. While this day is specifically targeted towards African Americans who suffer from greatest from the health gap, the campaign will urge all Americans to take their health more seriously, beginning by going to a

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Ashland names O'Brien as new CEO

The Associated Press

COVINGTON — Ashland Inc. elected president James J. O'Brien as its new chief executive officer, the company announced Thursday.

O'Brien, who also serves as chief operating officer, will become Ashland's new CEO on Oct. 1. He will take over as chairman of the board on Nov. 15, when current chairman Paul W. Chellgren retires.

"I am gratified by the board's confidence in me and excited by the prospect of getting started," O'Brien said. "Our team is already at work making plans."

Ashland named O'Brien as its new president and chief operating officer on Aug. 13, as the company continued to try to rebound from a stock price tumble.

The former senior vice president and

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Bankruptcies

The following is a list of bankruptcy cases filed with the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky in Lexington from Sept. 13 to 20.

Pikeville Division

Chapter 7
Under Chapter 7 bankruptcy, a court-appointed trustee sells assets and the debtor is discharged of debts.

Rondal K. Thomas and Patricia L. Thomas, of Pippa Passes.

Russell Collins and Syvilla F. Collins, of Whitesburg.

Winfield Ollie McGinnis, of Deborn.

David Allen Slone and Kimberly Ann Slone, of Wittensville.

Craig D. Howard and Rebecca S. Howard, of Flatwoods.

Aero Energy Inc., of Toler; United Central Industrial Supply Company, of Bristol, Va.; Drill Steel Services Inc., of Whitesburg; and Smith Services Inc., of Princeton, W.Va.

Garrett Mining Inc., of Toler; United Central Industrial Supply Company, of Bristol, Va.; Drill Steel Service Inc., of Whitesburg; and Joy Technologies Inc., of Houston, Pa.

Walter Ray Tucker, of Pikeville.

Tennessee Meade, of Pikeville.

Bryan K. Jude and Karen Denise Jude, of Warfield.

Lois Johnson, of Virgie.

A. Rocky Madden Sr., of Isom.

Raquel Stone, of Pikeville.

Ronnie Dale Sanson, of Phelps.

Stephanie D. Wright, of Thornton.

Chapter 13

Under Chapter 13 bankruptcy, the debtor arranges to repay debt.

Relon Hampton and Adeline Hampton, of Premium.

Alva Napier and June Napier, of Whitesburg.

Donald Ray Marcum and Gwendolyn B. Marcum, of Inez.

Nancy Louise Bowens, of Sitka.

Michael E. Watts and Deborah R. Watts, of Fisty.

Blue

These things don't take place all on their own, a very special group of people are involved. It is sometimes those behind the scene that make great things happen and that is exactly what the "Blue Crew" does at the Prestonsburg Campus.

Under the supervision of Don Montgomery, the maintenance and operations department works hard to make the Campus a place to be proud of. The maintenance men and women make a great team and they say that working at Prestonsburg

FCC

that was originally constructed during the time that "Ma Bell" was a government-sanctioned monopoly. But the breakup of AT&T in 1984 forced the spin-off of regional "baby bell" telephone companies, including what became BellSouth, now the nation's third-largest local phone company behind Verizon Inc. and SBC Communications Inc.

AT&T officials and other smaller phone companies have complained that BellSouth's prices still remain too high for them to legitimately compete locally.

"We're pretty much prohibited by market realities from entering local service," said AT&T spokesman Gene

Regan. "Competition is not going to happen unless the wholesale price is reduced."

AT&T officials cite BellSouth's practices in Florida, where the state's regulatory agency recently stepped in to further reduce BellSouth's wholesale prices for CLECs.

Georgia's Public Service Commission met earlier this summer to consider BellSouth's wholesale prices. A decision is expected in October.

Ackerman said the federal commission would not have ruled unanimously if it felt that BellSouth was not meeting requirements.

He said BellSouth now competes with about 350

CLECs in its region, and that it has lost 4.5 million of its phone lines, or 14 percent, to those competitors.

"It's clear that we have our network open," Ackerman said.

FCC Commissioner Michael J. Copps said BellSouth barely met requirements for its petitions in Louisiana and Georgia, but showed improvement with this latest petition.

"Our expectation is that BellSouth's performance will continue to improve and that it will work cooperatively with other carriers through business-to-business relationships to resolve any issues that develop," Copps said in a statement released Wednesday.

Doctor

health care professional for a check-up.

Research has demonstrated that despite the gains made in life expectancy in the United States over the past century, gaps in health comes persistent among ethnic groups. For example:

- African American women are 25 percent more likely to die of heart disease and 86 percent more likely to die of a stroke than White women;
- African Americans are 10 times more likely to be infected with HIV;
- Infant mortality rates for African Americans are more than twice as high for Whites;
- In 1999, African Americans were 40 percent more likely to die of a stroke than Whites;
- African Americans had a death rate due to diabetes that was more than twice that for Whites;
- Cardiovascular disease

death rates for Black men age 45-54 are four times their White counterparts.

Take a Loved One to the Doctor Day is part of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services "Closing the Health Gap." Over the next year, a series of health specific, targeted radio spots focusing on diabetes, cancer, immunizations, HIV/AIDS, substance abuse, and other health issues disproportionately affecting African Americans will air on 240 ABC Radio stations across the United States. Listeners will be urged to call 1-800-444-6472 for information about specific diseases and to find health centers in their hometown. More information about the Closing the Health Gap Campaign and Take a Loved One to the Doctor Day is available on the Office on Minority Health Resource Center Web site: www.healthgap.omhrc.gov

Kudzu

The work and biographical information should be submitted to Donna S. Sparkman at the above address anytime before November 15, 2002. For more information, call Donna S. Sparkman at (606) 785-4114 or email her at DonnaS.Sparkman@kctcs.edu.

Big Sandy Health Care urges all readers to take advantage of Take a Loved One to the Doctor Day. Show someone you care and make that appointment for someone you love, be they your mom, dad, brother, sister, good friend or neighbor. Then on Take a Loved One to the Doctor Day, go with them to the doctor. If you don't know where to go for an appointment, call Big Sandy Health Care at (606) 886-8546 for information about local providers.

Tuition

was 10.8 percent of income. Tuition at Eastern this year is \$1,279. Income figures are not available for this year.

Rates now range from a high of \$2,041 at UofL to a low of \$760 at the Kentucky Community and Technical College System. The figures are somewhat misleading because Louisville, KCTCS and Western Kentucky University now roll their mandatory fees into the tuition figure. UK's cost would be \$1,987.25 if required fees were rolled in. The figures are for full-time undergraduate in-state students.

Tuition at UK and UofL was \$1,480 in 2000, the last year set by the council.

The costs have apparently not dissuaded students. Although official enrollment figures for this semester are not expected until next week, many Kentucky universities have their largest classes ever.

The cost of a private college has similarly gone up. In 2000, the average tuition and fees at Kentucky's independent colleges

and universities was \$9,561 and is \$11,620 this year.

Gary Cox, director of the Association of Independent Kentucky Colleges and Universities, said most students do not pay that amount. Between scholarships, grants and various other forms of financial aid. And Kentucky's independent schools are also a bargain, costing about two-thirds of the national average and 80 percent of the Southern average, Cox said.

Cox, especially, made a plug for expanding the already plentiful programs Kentucky has to help pay for higher education. The state now has need-based grants, grants earned for high school academic performance, and tax-free tuition savings programs.

"Unfortunately, in Kentucky we have way too many students with way too much financial need," Cox said.

Many of the programs are available to students who attend public or private schools.

"It's a very, very good investment," Cox said.

Incidents

Michael Minger Act, in essence requires Kentucky's public and private colleges and universities to let the public know about campus crimes and all fires, whether accidental or intentionally set.

That includes maintaining a daily, public log of crimes. A fire on campus is to be immediately reported to the state fire marshal. A fire scene on campus cannot be cleared or cleaned up without the fire marshal's permission.

Michael Minger, 19, of Niceville, Fla., died in an alleged arson fire in a dormitory at Murray State University on Sept. 19, 1998. His family alleged that an arson fire in the same dormitory less than a week earlier was contained and hushed up by the university. Had he known about it, Minger would have moved out, his mother said.

Gail Minger lobbied for a disclosure law, and the General

Community College is more than just a job to them it's being a part of a family. Their pride and dedication for the campus shows year round as does the smile on their faces as you pass them by.

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So the next time you visit the Prestonsburg Campus admire the beauty you see and value those who make it that way.

O'Brien

group operating officer replaces Chellgren, who accepted early retirement after getting involved in a prohibited office romance.

The board moved up the date of O'Brien's succession to allow the new team to be in place by the beginning of the fiscal year, Chellgren said.

Medi-Care

subject to the Medicare Part B \$100 deductible. If your provider accepts assignment on the flu shot, you will not have any out of pocket expense for the flu shot. Medical providers that have questions about Medicare vaccine reimbursement amounts for the 2002-2003 flu season should contact the Medicare contractor.

You should always talk with your doctor first about your need for a flu shot.

Have questions about Medicare? Call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227), TTY/TDD 1-877-486-2048 (toll free for the hearing impaired), or visit www.medicare.gov on the internet.

Assembly enacted it in 2000. The law was amended this year to add some fine details, such as defining "immediately" to mean that the fire marshal must be notified, at the latest, within two hours of a fire or threat of fire being discovered.

The amendments, made at the behest of at least two schools she would not identify, rankled Gail Minger.

"I've come to understand you cannot legislate attitude," she told the Education Committee.

Another result of the Murray State fire was the launching of an effort to get student housing up to modern fire-safety standards statewide, including installation of sprinklers. The last of the projects — the Cooperstown and Shawneetown complexes for married students at UK — are scheduled for completion in 2004, according to the Council on Postsecondary Education.

KCTCS

Cabinet for Families and Children, called education and job training powerful weapons in the fight against poverty.

"We consistently see better outcomes for our clients when education becomes the centerpiece of their effort to make their families more secure and their lives more fulfilling," she said.

"If we were to fly a banner over this summit, the message 'Education Pays' should be writ large on it."

Through the Governor's Summit on Quality of Life, KCTCS will use the Ford Foundation grant to engage education entities, state and local agencies, and business and industry in a process that will create a unified plan to provide low-income adults and families with more opportunities to access life-long learning and end the cycle of poverty.

At the summit, Margaret Greene, president of regulatory and external affairs for the BellSouth Corp., will deliver the keynote speech. In the mid-1990s, she served as secretary of Patton's Executive Cabinet. Other speakers at the summit will include Governor Patton; President McCall; and Secretary Miller.

In work sessions, summit participants will discuss ways to bridge gaps among the state's existing assets in education, human services, workforce development and economic development. After the summit, regional work groups will develop summit participants' recommendations into regional plans. A report detailing the strategies developed by the summit and regional groups is due by March 2003.

The asset-mapping process will identify the broad array of policy issues and barriers at the state level that impact the Commonwealth's low-income adults and families. The map will

Technology program teeming with opportunities



Prestonsburg Community College's Information Technology Program is booming with opportunities. Whether a student's interest lies in computer programming, network administration, electronic commerce, or information systems support, PRECC can accommodate them with training, practical experience, and certification testing.

The College offers an Associate in Applied Science Degree with options in computer programming, network administration, electronic commerce, or information systems support. Those who do not wish to pursue the AAS Degree, may choose to complete one of eight

certificates: A+, Computer Programming, Novell Networking, Microsoft Networking Enhanced, Electronic Commerce, Information Systems Support, IT Fundamentals, or Cisco Networking Enhanced.

Practical experience is important in the IT field. Through the IT Internship Program, students are placed in the work environment, where they volunteer their time while gaining college credit and valuable work experience. Currently the College has students placed at Sykes Enterprises, Floyd County School System, US Department of Labor in Pikeville, BellSouth, and Highlands Regional - Consolidated Health Systems.

Once a student has completed their coursework, they may desire to obtain industry certification. As a member of the CompTIA Jobs+ Program®, students can sit for the A+, Network+, Server+, and iNet+ certification exams at half the regular cost. Rather than driving long distances to sit for exams, students can test at the VUE Testing Center on the Prestonsburg Campus.

For more information about PRECC's IT Program, contact Patricia Goodman, IT Program Coordinator, at 606-886-3863 ext. 287, or Patricia.Goodman@kctcs.edu.

KCTCS includes more than 50 campuses that operate in 16 seamless districts. KCTCS colleges change lives by providing accessible and affordable education and training through academic and technical associate degrees; diploma and certificate programs in occupational fields; pre-baccalaureate education; adult, continuing and developmental education; customized training for business and industry; and distance learning. For more information, visit www.kctcs.edu

Matijasic reappointed to Kentucky Heritage Council



Governor Paul Patton has reappointed Prestonsburg Community College History Professor Thomas D. Matijasic to a third term on the Kentucky Heritage Council. Dr. Matijasic first joined the faculty of PCC in January, 1983.

The Kentucky Heritage Council is charged with identifying, preserving, and protecting the cultural resources of Kentucky. The Council also maintains continually updated inventories of historic struc-

tures and archaeological sites and nominates properties to the National Register of Historic Places. By working with other state and federal agencies, local communities, and interested citizens, the Council seeks to build a greater awareness of Kentucky's past and to encourage the long-term preservation of Kentucky's significant cultural resources. Through its various programs the council strives to show how historic resources contribute to the heritage, economy, and quality of life for all Kentuckians.

Since its creation in 1966, the Kentucky Heritage Council has been challenged with the task of preserving a myriad of historic and prehistoric sites. The sixteen members of the Council are appointed by the Governor. Council programs are implemented by a staff of professional historians, architectural historians, historic architects, archaeologists, and planners.

Council offices are located in Frankfort, KY.

Dr. Thomas Matijasic resides in Paintsville with his wife and three daughters.

Active

sented their school and will work with the program to help build stronger ties with the local community. Congratulations!



Members of Alice Lloyd College's Kentucky Education Association-Student Program pause for a photo during the recent Annual Delegate Conference, held in Louisville.

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Donna's Day

Creative family fun

by Donna Erickson

A penny for your thoughts

When my younger brother arrives at family gatherings, everyone knows he'll have a trick up his sleeve. No wonder the kids always want to sit next to him at the dinner table.

At our recent reunion, he pulled a treasured Indian-head penny out of his jacket pocket. With a grin, he then challenged the delighted niece and nephews to think of the U.S. presidents throughout the past 100 years who might have held that very penny in their hands.



DAVID LAROUELLE

Then he chuckled, "Penny for your thoughts!" And so began a game of mental ping-pong, guessing all the places the coin had been until it eventually landed in his pocket in Colorado. Maybe it fell in the ocean near Boston to be lost forever, then was found along the shore. Did it travel down the Mississippi on a riverboat? Was it once stuck under the driver's seat of a Model T? What fun they had imagining.

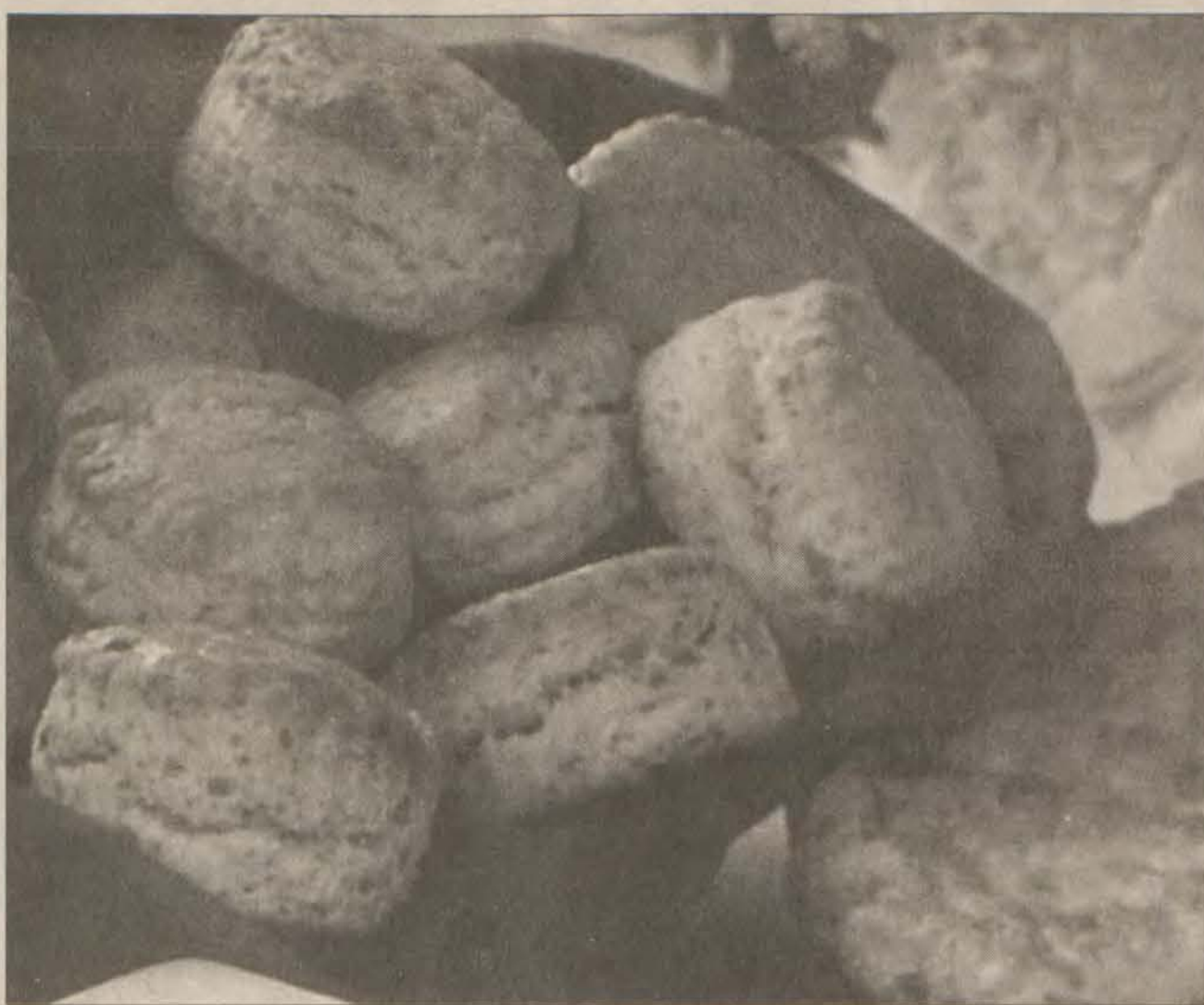
Just one penny can provide a lot of entertainment. Try something new!

Take a penny walk in your neighborhood! Start out in any direction you choose, then when you reach a corner, flip the coin. If it lands on heads, turn left; on tails, turn right. Before you begin, guess where you might end up on your adventure in 30 minutes or an hour.

Start a "penny for your birthday" tradition. Each year on a friend's birthday, give him a new penny with the current year on it. Keep a lookout for missing years in your pocket change, or visit a coin shop if you wish to bring an older child's collection up to date.

Make dingy pennies sparkle. Stir together 2 1/2 tablespoons salt and 1/4 cup vinegar in a small mixing bowl. Drop pennies into the bowl and stir with a wooden spoon. Almost instantly they will begin to brighten. Eventually remove them and set on a paper towel to dry.

Start saving pennies in a big jar or piggy bank. Periodically count them up together and give the money away to a charity or fund-raiser at your school.



Say goodbye to boring biscuits

Today we have a fairly simple biscuit with a big, important taste that's bound to tickle the taste buds. Richly flavored with Parmesan cheese and spiced with crushed black peppercorns, the aroma, as the biscuits bake, is most alluring.

They hold their own served as a snack, or make an accompaniment for a salad, a bowl of soup or any entrée. Or, they may be split to hold a filling such as our Brie and Roasted Pepper biscuit sandwich, which follows. Almost any cheese filling would be compatible with the Parmesan flavor. White or yellow American, mozzarella or Brick, for example, topped with a thin slice of tomato, would be fine. But try our version.

PARMESAN PEPPER BISCUITS WITH BRIE & ROASTED PEPPERS

2 cups all-purpose flour
1 tablespoon baking powder
1/2 teaspoon salt
4 tablespoons unsalted butter, cut in small cubes
4 tablespoons vegetable shortening, cut in small cubes
1/2 cup freshly grated Parmesan cheese
1 teaspoon black peppercorns, crushed*
3/4 cup fat-free milk
1 egg, beaten

3 roasted red bell peppers
3 ounces brie cheese

1. Combine flour, baking powder and salt in large mixing bowl. Lightly work in butter and shortening with fingers or pastry blender until mixture resembles coarse meal with largest pieces the size of peas. Stir in Parmesan cheese and black pepper. Add milk and stir just to combine. Turn dough onto floured surface; knead two or three times to bring dough together. Pat into flat disk, wrap in wax paper or plastic wrap and refrigerate about 1 hour.

2. Preheat oven to 425 F. Remove dough from refrigerator and roll to 3/4-inch thickness. With biscuit cutter, cut into 2-inch rounds. Transfer to baking sheet, brush with beaten egg; bake until golden, about 20 minutes.

To assemble sandwiches: Cut roasted pepper into 2 1/2-inch triangles or squares. Slice brie into 2-inch pieces. With serrated knife, cut biscuits in half crosswise. Top bottom half with roasted pepper pieces, allowing corners to hang over sides. Add slice of brie and replace biscuit tops. Makes 16 sandwiches (recipe can be doubled).

NOTE: To roast peppers, place whole peppers on grill or under oven broiler. Rotate peppers until entire skin is



by Philomena Corradeno

Packing lunch with punch

It doesn't matter if you're packing a lunch for yourself, for your spouse or for your kids. Sooner or later, you face the "lunchbox blues" because everything starts to look and taste like the same old thing. After one bite of this tummy-filling recipe, you're almost guaranteed your gang will be "singing your praise!"

CHICKEN SALAD TACO WRAPS

1/2 cup chunky salsa
1/4 cup fat-free sour cream
1 teaspoon taco seasoning
1 full cup diced cooked chicken breast
1 1/2 cups finely shredded lettuce

(See FOODS, page five)

Comfort foods

Made fast and healthy



by JoAnna M. Lund

Dear Diane... Parent grapevine

DEAR DIANE:

I am a single mom with a beautiful daughter, "Sophie," age 7. She is very smart and usually very friendly, but I recently heard through the "parent grapevine" that she has been being mean to some of the other kids. She doesn't hit them or do anything physical, but she says things like "You're stupid" and "I don't want to play with you."

This distresses me, because I have tried to teach her to be kind and respectful of other people's feelings. I know I need to talk to Sophie about this. How do I approach the subject so that she will understand how important it is?

— UPSET IN GEORGIA

DEAR GEORGIA:

"Parent grapevine"? Oh, you mean gossips. So, what you are saying is a group of gossips are calling your daughter a snob.

OK, let's assume these parents are telling the truth: Sophie calls some of the kids stupid and prefers to spend time with children she likes rather than children she doesn't like.

I don't understand why we force our children into rules of social behavior that we adults would never abide by.

Do you force yourself to socialize with people you find obnoxious, boring, ill-mannered, smelly or rude? Do you seek out and then silently endure the comments of morons? If not, then why do you want to force your daughter to do so? Are you trying to raise Sophie to be a responsible, mature woman or the Messiah?

You can mention to Sophie that it is impolite and hurtful to call people names; but you should also inform the "parent grapevine" the next time they voice a complaint about your daughter that maybe Sophie just doesn't feel like wasting her time with their kids.

Send letters to Diane c/o King Features Weekly Service, P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. Or e-mail her at dianeadvice@aol.com.

Some blood pressure medications can trigger cough

DEAR DR. DONOHUE:

I have been fighting high blood pressure for many years. No medicine could bring it down to where it should be. The only kind that worked for me is an ACE inhibitor. I have used several, and they cause me to cough. I am on a new one and coughing a lot. Is there an ACE inhibitor that does not cause coughing or at least minimizes it? — A.K.

ANSWER:

The condensed version of the ACE (angiotensin-converting enzyme)

inhibitor story goes like this.

Kidneys produce renin, a substance that ACE transforms into angiotensin, a potent blood pressure booster. ACE inhibitors do what their name says. They block the transformation of renin to angiotensin and thereby lower blood pressure.

The brand names of some ACE inhibitors are: Vasotec, Monopril, Prinivil, Accupril, Altace and Mavik.

ACE inhibitors are a major breakthrough in high blood pressure treatment. For some people, however, these medicines provoke an annoying dry cough.

By switching brands, you might find an ACE inhibitor that does not make you cough. There are many of them, and it could take you



by Paul G. Donohue, M.D.

(See HEALTH, page five)

Chicken Soup for the Soul: Lemon love

Darcie Hossack

(FROM "CHICKEN SOUP FOR THE GRANDPARENT'S SOUL")

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My grandfather gave me the world when he gave me his love.

I never had to guess if the wonderfully weathered old man, whose eyes smiled brighter than his mouth, loved me. Unlike many of his generation, he believed in saying so. It was high praise since I was the 24th of 27 to be delivered into his happy embrace.

Grandpa would have done anything for me, but since love is all about the little things, he was always willing to

busy himself with some project meant for my happiness. There was the double-benched swing, crafted in his farm workshop, upon which I spent endless afternoons inhaling the scent of spring wildflowers, while prairie clouds morphed from tempestuous oceans to families of waddling ducks to snow-crested mountain peaks only as far away as my imagination made them.

In the house where my grandmother tended an oven that never went cold, I carried baskets full of romping kittens each spring, played tuneless melodies

on an antique pump organ and felt safer than I ever have since.

Summer months meant that I could spend more time away from the confinements of city life. Only a 20-minute drive from home, my mother often made the trip with me, past fields of golden wheat and into the company of my grandfather.

On one visit that was meant to be short, I soon forgot myself in the midst of childish bliss. On a tireless red wagon, I pulled all the ingredients of a lemonade stand to the edge of my grandparents' property, where a county road intersected a

sprinkling of homes, and where other children walked the dusty path to visit friends and family.

Excitedly, I peddled my refreshments to the few people who passed by, counting the meager change that was far from the point of my endeavor.

My enthusiasm withered, however, when the approaching form of my mother reminded me of an appointment I knew I would not be permitted to miss. "But who will sit at my lemonade stand?" I wanted to know, imparting it all the importance unlost innocence always does.

"I guess you'll have to pack it away until another day," she replied with regret. Mournfully, I began to obey, slowly replacing my handmade

sign, cups and pitchers into the wagon before loading on the table and chair.

From the house, where I had been visible through the window, Grandpa came stepping across the expanse of grass with a stiffness reminding me my best friend was not my own age.

Without a word, he gently touched my cheek with a rough finger and bent to undo the work I had reluctantly done. He seated himself in the chair and unfolded a newspaper. "It is a nice day for lemonade," he said. "Hurry back, and we'll share some."

When we returned later, Grandpa was still at my post, the newspaper abandoned in favor of a needle and

(See SOUL, page five)



Books: "The Feline Mystique"

"The Feline Mystique: On the Mysterious Connections Between Women and Cats"

By Clea Simon
(St. Martin's Press, \$22.95)
Reviewed by E.B. Waddell

From the cat-headed goddesses of ancient Egypt to medieval witches and their familiars, the feminine and the feline have always had an almost mystical connection. Even in today's secular world, the bond between

women and their felines has reached the point of social cliché: the unmarried old woman with 567 cats, anyone?

In "The Feline Mystique," Clea Simon tackles this phenomenon, but doesn't really try to explain it as much as explore it. She touches on historical and social precedents, but also enjoys investigating contemporary anecdotes that illustrate different aspects of the idea: the powerful, sensual cat-women of TV and comic books; childless women who view (or don't view) their

cats as children; the popularity of pet psychics; volunteers who devote their lives and homes to rescuing strays; and many more.

However, she doesn't stick to the dry, scholarly path. This book is a love letter to feline companionship, and in particular to a certain furry gray cat named Cyrus, who shared the most intimate secrets of Simon's life, through her post-graduate single-woman days (another cliché) into her marriage to an equally cat-loving man.

Accordingly, there are plenty

of disclaimers throughout the text of the "of course, men like them too" variety, and in some ways her interpretation of the appeal of the cat could apply just as much to a man as a woman. But, given the perspective, the reader will probably enjoy this book most if she is a female cat-owner. Being both, I found it a charming read with plenty of put-down-the-book-and-go-hug-my-kitty moments. Hey, I can't help it — it just might be in my genes.

Books reviewed in this column are available at your local bookstore.

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Sam & Dave

explain it all to you

by Samantha Weaver and Dave Smith

DEAR SAM & DAVE:

I have been dating my boyfriend, "Rex," for two years now. We are both in our mid-20s. Everything is peachy between us except for the fact that Rex is a colossal movie snob. There are a lot of movies that I want to go see, but Rex won't go with me because he thinks certain movies are beneath him. I always go to the movies that Rex wants to see — even the boring foreign ones where I have to read the dialogue. I think that if I'm willing to endure his artsy-fartsy films, then he should have the stomach to sit through the J. Lo movies I like. What can I do?

Keep an open mind

— POPCORN LOVER IN ST. PAUL

DAVE SAYS:

Get a dumber boyfriend. Barring that, you could find a girlfriend to see your chick flicks with. That way, you can see the movies you want to see and enjoy them in the company of someone who likes the same movies you do.

I don't think you should pressure Rex into seeing films he knows he's going to hate. By the same token, I don't think you should have to suffer through subtitles (that's what those words on the movie screen are called) or types of movies you know you're going to hate, if you don't want to go.

The two of you don't need to be joined at the hip every time you leave the house. You CAN have separate social lives from

time to time. And I'm sure there are movies that the two of you can agree — and HAVE agreed — on seeing together and enjoying together.

So, the next time Rex wants to see some six-hour Danish cheese documentary at your local art-house cinema, tell him you'll take a rain check, call your friends and hit the local Googleplex for a dose of Freddie Prinze Jr.

SAM SAYS:

My advice is to Rex, not you: Get a smarter girlfriend.

Yeah, I hate when I have to read things ... it's so boring and stuff. Look, popcorn lover: There's an entire world beyond our borders. In most of it, if you're a typical "If-English-was-good-enough-for-Jesus-it's-good-enough-for-me" American, you have to put out a

little effort to understand it. And guess what? It's worth it. And not just because you might learn something (heaven forbid!), but because there are entire countries full of funny, entertaining, interesting people and stories — and you probably won't find out about them in English.

Get over J. Lo and take the plunge — with an open mind. You might just find something you like. And maybe Rex won't remember that you were once a shallow, bubble-gum-minded girl.

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by Samantha Weaver & Amy Anderson

For millions of children and adults alike, the name Laura Ingalls Wilder means peaceful days on the prairie and lessons learned at the feet of Ma and Pa. Her books, in particular "The Little House on the Prairie," brought to life what seemed to be a simpler time, and the TV show of that same name warmed our hearts and made stars of Michael Landon, who played Pa, and Melissa Gilbert, who played little Laura.

The beauty of Wilder's writing is that she lived it. It is her story, written from the heart with a simple message. That message is still relevant today. In her words, "It is still best to be honest and truthful; to make

The "Little House" Celebrated

the most of what we have; to be happy with the simple pleasures; and to be cheerful and have courage when things go wrong." To celebrate her life and books, which touched so many, you can visit the house where she wrote them all, in Mansfield, Mo.

Rocky Ridge Farm was built by Laura and her husband, Almanzo Wilder, in 1913. It was here that she chronicled her adventures growing up in Pepin, Wis., in "Little House in the Big Woods," and later in Independence, Kan., in "Little House on the Prairie." You can explore the farmhouse and its cottage — a gift from her daughter — known as the Rock House. These buildings have been preserved so that Wilder's fans may have a glimpse into her life.

You will also find the Laura Ingalls Wilder Museum, which contains exhibits and artifacts from the pioneering period of

the books, from the 1870s to 1890s. The museum also includes exhibits from the life of Laura's daughter, Rose Wilder Lane, a celebrated journalist and writer. You may also visit the graves of Laura, Almanzo and Rose in the Mansfield Cemetery.

For a special treat, visit Mansfield during the Laura Ingalls Wilder Festival, to be held Sept. 21. There will be family activities, contests and food and games, plus an outdoor pageant by the Ozark Mountain Players in City Park.

For more information, contact the museum at (877) 924-7126 or log on to www.lauraingallswilderhome.com.

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Who was the first president to drive a car?

■ One of the first computers, known as "ENIAC," had more than 17,000 vacuum tubes, covered 1,800 square feet and weighed 30 tons.

■ Spiders smell with their feet.

■ Serial killer Ted Bundy, a former law student, represented himself in court. At one point, he called his girlfriend to the stand — and proposed to her in front of the jury. And she accepted!

■ Studies show that black cats are six times more likely to cause allergy problems than light-colored cats.

■ It's well known that the Chinese written language is based on pictograms, and they usually have a logic to them. For instance, "eye" and "water" together make "teardrop." Of course, two women together means "trouble;" three women together



means "gossip."

■ When actor Mel Gibson was young, he went to Catholic school, and he set the record for the student to get the most strappings in one week: 27.

■ Theodore Roosevelt once said he had ridden in an automobile twice in his life, and that was enough. However, he was the first president to own a car, and the first to drive one.

■ Ed McMahon was a Marine Corps

test pilot before reaching fame as Johnny Carson's sidekick.

■ Ever wonder how long the fabled "blink of the eye" is? It's actually been measured. It takes a tenth of a second, or about the same time it takes for a hummingbird to beat its wings seven times. Seem pretty quick? How about a picosecond? That's a thousandth of a billionth of a second. That's still not as short as you can get — scientists clock their most fleeting events in attoseconds. That's a billionth of a billionth of a second.

Thought for the Day:

"When you watch television, you never see people watching television. We love television because it brings us a world in which television does not exist." — Barbara Ehrenreich

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The only thing we have to fear...

"A mouse can be just as dangerous as a bullet or a bomb." That's the favorite tagline of Lamar Smith, the Republican congressman from the 21st district of Texas.

In light of the 9/11 terrorist attacks, Smith introduced legislation to beef up the security of the nation's digital infrastructure. The bill, titled the "Cyber Security Enhancement Act of 2001," passed in the House of Representatives almost unanimously, 385-3.

"Until we secure our cyber infrastructure," Smith says, "a few keystrokes and an Internet connection is all one needs to disable the economy and endan-

ger lives." Now, things are supposed to be bigger in the state of Texas, right? So does that include the exaggerations, too? The downright ease of the passage of the bill and subsequent fear-mongering on the part of opportunistic legislators like Smith have prompted many Web experts to question the inevitability of a cyberterrorist attack.

Experts carefully include that a threat may exist, but add that, if past experience is any indication, it's unlikely that anyone will get seriously hurt. Corporate security pros maintain it's far easier to blow up a nuclear power plant from the outside than to hack its control systems and

cause a meltdown.

Keep in mind that the 9/11 terrorists didn't hack a flight control tower. They did it the old-fashioned way, crude knives and an open cockpit door.

The fact is, no one has ever been killed by a so-called cyberterrorist attack. Not one. In '97, an air control tower in Massachusetts lost communication services for six hours. Last year, a hacker caused up to 1 million gallons of sewage to seep into and pollute the river and coastal waters of Queensland, Australia. And who can forget the infamous "denial of service" attacks against Yahoo!, eBay, CNN and ZDNet in 2000?

In the case of the air control tower, planes were able to get information they needed from radio and other area airports. Scared and thoroughly inconvenienced? Sure. Was anyone killed or hurt? A few fish, maybe.

Why would a terrorist learn how to hack? Our neurotic policy-makers are quaking over what may be, at best, an exaggerated threat.

That's what Osama bin Laden would call "effective."

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Overtraining

Many of us go at our exercise program with great motivation and an ambitious quest for results. But sometimes during that quest, overtraining can occur.

Yes, you can actually exercise too much.

Overtraining occurs when your body does not have enough time for recovery between intense workouts. The stress that results from this can actually reverse your fitness goals. Signs of overtraining may include one or more of the following:

- Excessive tiredness
- Loss of strength, speed or flexibility
- Muscle pains or soreness
- Regression or plateau in striving toward fitness goals
- Change in appetite and sleep pattern
- Occurrence of overuse injuries, such as tendinitis
- Change in resting heart rate
- Sudden weight changes
- Feelings of depression or irritability

If you can identify with any of these signs, taking the appropriate steps can get you back on track in no time.

1. REST, REST, REST. Take several days to a week off (in some cases 1-2 weeks) from your intense workouts. This will allow your body to recover and give you the energy and strength needed to begin again.

2. After resting from your intense workout routine, you can resume being active. Try a new activity or work out at a moderate pace and listen to your body.



3. After recovery you can cautiously begin a harder workout routine, but be aware of how your body responds.

The best approach is to prevent overtraining from ever happening. Review your fitness program with a fitness professional or physician. Train at the appropriate fitness level for YOU, not anyone else. Know your body's limits (forget the saying, "No Pain, No Gain"). Your body will let you know when you are about to cross the line into overtraining. Listen to your body and continue to work hard toward your fitness goals.

(Please note: Several of the signs of overtraining can also indicate the presence of other issues. If you have ruled out overtraining and still have these signs, please see your physician.)

Andrea Renee Wyatt, M.S.S., C.S.C.S., is a personal trainer with an extensive background in strength and conditioning as well as therapeutic recreation. If you have a fitness or training question, e-mail Andrea at letters.kfws@hearstsc.com or write her in care of King Features Weekly Service, P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475.

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1/3 cup shredded reduced-fat Cheddar cheese
4 (6-inch) flour tortillas

In a medium bowl, combine salsa, sour cream and taco seasoning. Add chicken and lettuce. Mix well to combine. Stir in Cheddar cheese. Spoon about 3/4 cup chicken mixture in center of each tortilla. Roll up and serve at once, or cover and refrigerate

until ready to serve. Makes 4 servings.

■ Each serving equals: 197 calories, 5 g fat, 19 g carb., 408 mg sodium, 1 g fiber; Diabetic Exchanges: 2 Meat, 1 Starch, 1 Vegetable.

Visit JoAnna's Web site at www.healthyexchanges.com.

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Soul

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thread and some clothes in need of mending. In the small box where I had begun to deposit my earnings was more change than could be accounted for had the entire village showed up for a drink.

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In the folds where it bath lain,
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Deeply folded in my brain,
Will not leave me: all things leave me:
You remain.

— Arthur Symons, 1865-1945

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Health

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some time before you find one best suited for you.

Or, your doctor might have you try a class of medicines that are close relatives of ACE inhibitors. They work in a similar fashion. They're called angiotensin-receptor blockers, and commonly prescribed brand names are: Cozaar, Diovan, Avapro, Micardis and Teveten.

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- 15 Comic book hero?
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- 21 Locale
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- 33 Pangolin's morsel
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- 36 Worked in Vegas
- 37 Kreskin's letters
- 39 Carrere or Mowry
- 40 Scottish storyteller
- 41 Blood component
- 42 "Invaders from —" ('53 film)
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- 44 Malaga quaff
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- 50 Kill material
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- 53 Pass into law
- 55 Couple
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- 61 Libra's symbol
- 64 Lumberjack's cry
- 69 Peanut butter or jelly
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- 87 Sissy of "In the Bedroom"
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- 92 007's school
- 93 Be a farrier
- 99 Bull's beloved
- 101 "Quiet!"
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- 107 Colleague of Shelley
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Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

Accent Chitchat Interject Rant
Argue Converse Lying Small talk
Articulate Dialect Orator Spiel
Blabber Gossip Preach

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

Getting in Shape?

Calcium is Key for Optimal Summer Fitness

by Dr. Michele Cyr

In the cold months, when extra pounds are hidden beneath layers of clothing, people often put their dietary and exercise goals on the back burner. But as sweaters give way to bathing suits, many women look for a diet more suited to their vision of summer fitness. Fortunately, a few simple changes can transform your diet into one that promotes low body fat and provides the nutritional requirements for a more active lifestyle. The key can be summed up in one word: calcium.

Osteopenia and Osteoporosis

A silent danger for women is low bone mass. In fact, a recent study in the *Journal of the American Medical Association* shows that the prevalence of osteopenia, a preliminary form of osteoporosis, is much higher than previously believed, affecting nearly 40% of post-menopausal women.

Osteopenia and osteoporosis are defined by decreasing bone mass. Bones are made primarily of calcium, a mineral that is found in many of the foods we eat. In our early years, when bones are growing, we need to consume high levels of calcium to build bone mass. This need levels off in middle years, but increases again after 40 when our bones begin to lose calcium more quickly.

More Calcium, Lower Body Fat

A number of studies have demonstrated that people who consume a high calcium diet have a lower body fat index than those who don't. Although it is unclear why this happens, it is another reason that a high calcium diet is ideal for a diet and exercise regimen.

Food First

My best advice for boosting calcium is not to rely on dietary supplements, but to start with healthy foods such as fresh fruits and vegetables, whole grain breads and lowfat yogurt. The recommended dietary allowance of calcium for most adults is 1,000 milligrams (mg) per day and 1,200 mg per day for post-menopausal women. Unfortunately, studies have shown that the average American woman consumes only 600 mg per day. By adding a few servings of high calcium foods, most people can reach and even surpass these goals.

The Power of Yogurt

Perhaps the best source of calcium is lowfat yogurt. Not only does a single cup of yogurt offer 40% of the recommended daily allowance of calcium, but it is also a good source of protein, a nutrient that is vital in maintaining good health. In addition, yogurt also contains live and active cultures, beneficial organisms that aid in digestion and may even help strengthen the immune system.

One of the best features of yogurt is the versatility and ease with which it can be incorporated into your diet. Be it by the cup or as a central ingredient for a number of delicious dishes, yogurt can help you increase your calcium intake and achieve your fitness goals.

Women's Health Expert

Dr. Michele Cyr is Associate Professor of Medicine at Brown University School of Medicine.

Summer Fruit and Yogurt Parfait

Serves 4

- 1 ripe mango
- 3 tablespoons sugar
- 1 1/4 cups water
- 1 pint strawberries
- 1 pint raspberries
- 1 pint blackberries
- 1 pint blueberries
- 2 cups vanilla or plain yogurt
- 4 sprigs mint

Peel and dice mango; place in small saucepan with sugar and water. Simmer over medium-low heat until soft, about fifteen minutes. Cool thoroughly. Puree cooked mango in blender until very smooth.

Lightly rinse berries and allow to dry. To assemble, alternate layers of cold mango sauce, fresh berries and yogurt in four parfait glasses. Garnish each with fresh sprig of mint and serve.

Nutrition per Serving (19 ounces): calories 308; protein 8g; saturated fat 1g; calcium 269mg

Chilled Cucumber and Yogurt Soup

Serves 4

- 4 cucumbers
- 2 cups plain yogurt
- 1 cup no-fat chicken broth or water
- 1 small clove garlic
- 1 tablespoon white wine vinegar
- 1 tablespoon honey
- Salt and pepper
- 1 scallion, green top only
- 2 tablespoons fresh dill, chopped (or 1 teaspoon dried dill)
- 1 ripe tomato, seeded
- 1/2 ripe avocado, peeled
- 3 radishes
- Dill sprigs for garnish

Peel, seed and slice cucumbers. Place slices in blender with yogurt, chicken broth or water, garlic, white wine vinegar, honey and a little salt and pepper. Puree until very smooth. Pour contents into a soup terrine. Thinly slice green top of the scallion. Stir sliced scallion top and chopped dill into soup. Salt and pepper to taste. Chill in refrigerator until service.

Cut tomato, avocado and radishes into very fine dice. Lightly mix the three vegetables. To serve, pour a generous ladle of soup into each bowl and garnish with vegetable mixture and dill sprigs.

Nutrition per Serving (16 ounces): calories 176; protein 10g; saturated fat 2g; calcium 267mg



Chilled Cucumber and Yogurt Soup



Summer Fruit and Yogurt Parfait

Grilled Chicken With Orange Yogurt Sauce



Grilled Chicken With Orange Yogurt Sauce

Serves 4

- 4 boneless, skinless chicken breasts
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 2 cloves garlic, finely minced
- Salt and pepper
- 1 1/2 cups orange juice
- 1 teaspoon (or more to taste) minced jalapeño pepper
- 1 teaspoon dry mustard
- 2 teaspoons ground ginger
- 1 cup plain yogurt
- 2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice
- Salt and pepper
- 6 orange sections
- 1 scallion

Place chicken breasts in baking dish. Coat on both sides with olive oil and garlic. Marinate at least one hour or up to twenty-four hours before grilling.

Pour orange juice into saucepan and, over low heat, reduce to one-third of the original volume (1/2 cup should remain). While juice is still hot, stir in minced jalapeño, dry mustard and ginger. Cool to room temperature and stir in yogurt and lemon juice; season to taste with salt and pepper.

To grill, season both sides of chicken breasts with salt and pepper and cook thoroughly, about 8 minutes on each side. To serve, place chicken on a platter and spoon a few ounces of sauce over chicken. Garnish with cut orange segments and sliced scallion.

Nutrition per Serving (9 ounces): calories 294; protein 31g; saturated fat 2g; calcium 141mg

Tzaziki Yogurt Dip

Serves 4 to 6

- 4 cloves garlic, unpeeled
- 2 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil, divided
- 1 cucumber
- 1 1/2 cups plain yogurt
- 1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice
- 1 tablespoon fresh chopped or 2 teaspoons dried parsley
- 1 pinch cayenne pepper
- Salt and pepper

Preheat oven to 325°F. Place unpeeled garlic cloves in ovenproof dish and drizzle with 1 tablespoon olive oil. Roast garlic for 1/2 hour or until soft. Allow to cool, reserving any oil that remains.

Peel, seed and grate cucumber with food processor or hand grater. In medium bowl, place grated cucumber, remaining olive oil and all remaining ingredients except roasted garlic. Press garlic and mash until smooth with side of large knife. Add to yogurt mixture. Stir well and season with salt and pepper to taste. To allow all flavors to combine, prepare dip at least two hours before serving.

Serve with fresh vegetables and toasted pita bread triangles.

Nutrition per Serving (4 ounces): calories 86; protein 4g; saturated fat 1g; calcium 121mg

For more information about yogurt go to www.aboutyogurt.com

College Calendar



First-year medical student Bradley Gray is "coated" by second-year students Heidi Anderson and Ben Adams during Pikeville College School of Osteopathic Medicine's White Coat Ceremony Aug. 30. Gray is one of 65 students in the medical school's class of 2006. White coat ceremonies are rites of passage for beginning medical students. The ritual encourages a psychological contract that emphasizes professionalism and empathy in the practice of medicine and focuses on the importance of both scientific excellence and compassionate care for the patient. William G. Anderson, D.O., F.A.C.O.S., delivered the keynote address for the evening. Dr. Anderson is the associate dean of the Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine and past president of the American Osteopathic Association (AOA) where he served as a member of the board of directors for 20 years.

WOOD CARVING
The Prestonsburg Community College Community & Economic Development Office has announced a Wood Carving class for beginners as well as experienced carvers beginning Thursday, September 26th. The class will be from 6 to 8 p.m. and will last for six weeks. This class will be taught by Sister Judy Yunker, who holds a Masters of Arts degree from Indiana State University. Sister Judy has been awarded a Kentucky Arts Council artist's development grant and is a member of the National Wood Carvers Association. You must register in advance by calling Karen at 886-

3863 or 888-641-4132, extension 258.
FOOD FOR THOUGHT
The Prestonsburg Community College Department of Community and Economic Development is pleased to announce a series of lunch workshops for the fall semester. Join us from 12 to 1 p.m. each Wednesday on the Prestonsburg Community College campus and enjoy lunch while participating in an informative mini-workshop. The following topics are scheduled:
■ Sept. 25, Time Management
■ Oct. 2, Relieving Stress,

Anxiety, & Other Ailments Using Acupressure
■ Oct. 9, Knowledge Management
■ Oct. 16, Team Building Exercise
■ Oct. 23, Computer Assisted Publications
■ Oct. 30, Information Technology — Train, Certify, & Employ
Seating is limited and lunch must be planned in advance, so please call Karen at 886-3863 or 888-641-4132, extension 258 to register.
MAYO CLASSES
Mayo Technical College has announced the following classes:

24 Hour Surface Mine Safety Training which will begin on September 23, 2002, at 5 p.m. in Building A, Introductory to Computers beginning on September 24, 2002, at 6 p.m. on the second floor in building F, and Microsoft Office 2000, beginning on September 25, 2002, at 6 p.m. on the second floor in Building F.
For more information, call 789-5321 ext. 225 or 221.

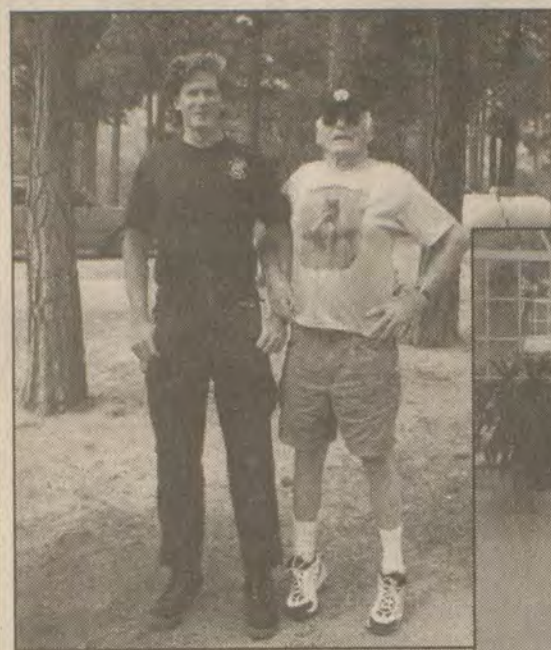
MINE ELECTRICAL TRAINING

The Technical Campus of Hazard Community College is offering eight hours in Mine Electrical Retraining on Saturday, Oct. 19 at 8 a.m. A second class will be held on Saturday, Nov. 2 at 8 a.m. Class size is limited. For pre-registration please call Christina (606) 436-5721 ext. 8347 or call toll free 1-800-246-7521.

JOB FAIR AT LEES

Looking for a job? Seeking a career? If the answer is yes, then come to the Lees College Campus of Hazard Community College Job Fair/Career Day/Transfer Day on Wednesday, Oct. 16 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Van Meter Gymnasium. The Job Fair is open to anyone from the area. Attendees can bring their resumes and portfolios to show to potential employers. Employers will have an area where those at the Job Fair can access information, turn in resumes, complete applications, and speak to company representatives. Other colleges will have representatives available to those considering transferring to another university. Sponsoring this event are the Kentucky Department of Employment Services, the Breathitt County Extension Service, and Family Support Services (part of the Cabinet for Families and Children.) For more information, contact 666-7521 or 800-246-7521, ext. 667 for Marilyn Brown.

Wildland fires destroy more than trees



Last year, California firefighter Krs Evans (left) nearly lost his life fighting a fire in Clay County, Kentucky. Because of an arsonist, Evans may spend the rest of his life confined to a wheelchair. Pictured with Krs is his father.

Battling hot, raging forest fires is a dangerous job. Firefighters put their lives on the line to protect property and lives of others. Most wildland fires in Kentucky are caused by arsonists. Take action against wildland arson. Attend the

Governor's Summit on Wildland Fire and Arson—Putting our Communities at Risk

At the summit, you will learn about the seriousness of this crime and ways to protect your home and to stop wildland arson. Free public reception Oct. 9 from 6-8 p.m. Full conference registration is \$25.

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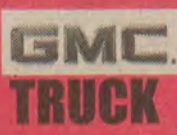
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**"Keep on asking and it will be given to you;
Keep on seeking and you will find;**

— Mathew 7:7



Kim's Korner

By Kim Little Frosure

Several years now we have been dealing with teenagers.

Isn't it funny how the teen years only last for seven years in reality, yet they can seem so much longer?

Mulling that thought over the years and reflecting back to a time when our Pastor had our youth up front participating in one of his unique analogies, it hit! Ah hah!

Teenagers are like M & M's! Oh, don't turn the page now; it will become clear very soon.

You see, Paul had handed each of the children in the youth group a couple of M & M's. He asked them to take a look at them, (Remember, they melt in your mouth, not in your hand!) and tell him what was alike and what was different about those pieces of candy.

It was one of the cutest things to watch! You could see mouths watering to get a bite of that candy.

Anyway, arms stretched high, "Pick me!" "Pick me!" like Arnold in Welcome Back Kotter. Once Paul would choose a child to share his/her thoughts, the scenario was becoming clearer.

One child said, "One is red, and one is yellow." Paul said, "That's right! The M & M's are different on the outside, aren't they?" All heads shook, "YES!"

Then he asks, "What about what's on the inside?"

Arms again stretch and wave like crazy!

Another child says, "They're all chocolate on the inside."

"YES!" shouts Pastor Paul with excitement. "You're right! All the M & M's are different colors on the outside, while all are exactly the same on the inside, just like God made us!" he told the children.

Umm! Pretty good analysis

there!

Makes you think, doesn't it? Well, sure made this mind begin to think, especially where our own daughters were concerned. One has reached the ripe old age of 21 now, while the other still has one "teenage" year left. Boy, having two teenagers in one household, both females, can really teach one some of life's valuable lessons.

Those were some good ole' days! And those days put what gray hairs that creep out every now and then in this head.

However, having two teens at once made for a household full of teens on several occasions.

There were those who left major memories in our minds. When the time for dating approached, oh what turmoil could evolve!

Especially when their choices were not the choices their Dad or I would have made for them.

That's where the "different on the outside" came into play.

Now, as Christians we know that we are NOT to judge. Right?

Okay, having that said, wait until your teenage daughter pulls into your driveway in a lime green sports car, souped up, pumped up, and revved up, and gets out with her "NEW" beau of the week, who has purple, green, & yellow hair, earrings in places one could only imagine, and adorned in tattoo's!

M & M's, Kim, M & M's!

Yeah, right!

If only that would stick when needed. Did it, no not until the child not so graciously reminded me, "You are judging so & so by his looks; he's a really good guy." OUCH!

What about, "Yes, but you're known by the company you keep?"

"Well, same thing Mother" would ring in the ears.

My dad told me that whatever I did, I wasn't to bring a "Republican" into his house.

I did, and then I married him, had his children, and even worse, registered "Republican".

Talk about rebellion!

Can't imagine what ole' Alvin would have done had I pulled in the driveway with a purple haired, tattooed, earring sporting dude! Left Beaver would have been deleted off the map!

How things change over the years!

Yet, still the same things are so

very important. Most important of all is Love, and then acceptance (especially when you're a teen). They need acceptance from their peers, to be loved by them, to be loved by their parents, and what all teens want, for the parents to accept them for "Who" they are! Every parent wants to raise a well rounded, loving child. And when these children are behaving in a manner in which we feel is "acceptable", then they are just the most precious little darlings on the planet!

Then adolescence creeps in, behavior patterns begin to stretch out in area's some of us aren't accustomed, and BAM! CRASH! They have head on collision with the old folks!

Peer pressure in this opinion is at an all time high, and it's so very different than twenty years ago! I'll even go so far as to say it is even different from four years ago.

It has to be the most frustrating, struggling thing any teen could endure!

What seemed to be the "cool thing to do" four years ago is so lame today, it's pathetic. Being a "Miss Goody Two-Shoes" is about as popular as poison ivy. And no-body wants poison ivy!

As parents we blame peer pressure, TV, Music, and anyone or anything more influential than us, and our belief in God, for this tumultuous time of life.

And all of those things deserve the blame too!

Also, it seems the more we would harp, "Go to Church!" the faster ours would run to the mall, or wherever just so they wouldn't be with us, or so it felt/feels.

Oh, they went along for a few years until they got that, "I need to be making my own decisions here,!" (Which, by the way, we as parents try to teach them to do.) Then they begin a life of their own routes.

Not saying in the least that we have horrible, rebelling daughters, no Mother would want their son involved with; but that "our" choice would be that they be in a pew beside us, going to church, and living for God.

Living for God as a teenager, in this day and age, is as about as popular as the poison ivy. I for one believe that it's because we adults haven't taught or shown our children that living for God is



FUN!

After all, "FUN" is what being a teen is all about!

The majority of teens believe that once someone becomes a Christian and gives their life to Christ, life, as they know it, is over!

And you know what, they are RIGHT!

It is "out with the old; in with the new"!

But, it isn't a life that has to keep you in doom and gloom, sad, and joyless.

It's the total opposite!

Living for God, is joyful! Being a Christian and knowing that "Through Christ, All Things Are Possible" is awesome! I don't have to carry my burdens any longer! Jesus will carry them for me!

He is not only my All, but he can be your All as well.

He can be your Healer, your Deliverer, your Joy, your Peace, your Wisdom, your Direction, your Strength, and the list goes on.

How I wish I had known this as a teenager!

How I wish I could have shared this with my girls when they were but tots!

But I didn't. Now I do, and now I not only can share Him with them, but you as well.

I can't make my girls or anyone else love God.

That is between God and the individual.

But I can give my girls unconditional love; the love that means no matter what they wear, what they pierce, or what struggles they endure, I still love them! I can PRAY, and I can PRAY hard. I know without a shadow of doubt that God is in Control. He is over their outcome in this life.

And I pray He is in control of yours as well.

Teenagers are like M & M's, but then, aren't we all?

God, grant us the wisdom, the grace, and the power to love, accept, and pray! Amen!



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Joyce Ann Carroll

"I pray that God just guides my hands daily."

Being a hair stylist, Joyce Ann Carroll, owner of Headliner's Beauty Salon located at 244 South Cardinal Drive in Lancer, is given the opportunity to witness and testify to her many customers daily. "Many of my customers are Christians, but there are a few that haven't given their lives to Christ yet," she explained. "I try my best to get God into as many conversations as possible." Joyce began her career as a stylist in 1979. "I made plenty of wrong decisions in my life. Bud and I even divorced once for a year and a half. We remarried of

course, but only after we found the Lord. After asking for His forgiveness, it was six weeks later that we were remarried," she



told. "I'm just so very thankful our Lord wipes our slates clean," she continued. "For it's only then we can truly start to live." Joyce shared before giving

her life to Christ, she had gotten to that "straw that broke the camels back" syndrome. It was a time that seemed like nothing was going right, nothing could be done right, or nothing was said right. The tension began to mount to the point she didn't want to go on like that any longer. She told of the several customers she had then that were holding her up in prayer for her salvation, and she didn't even have a clue!

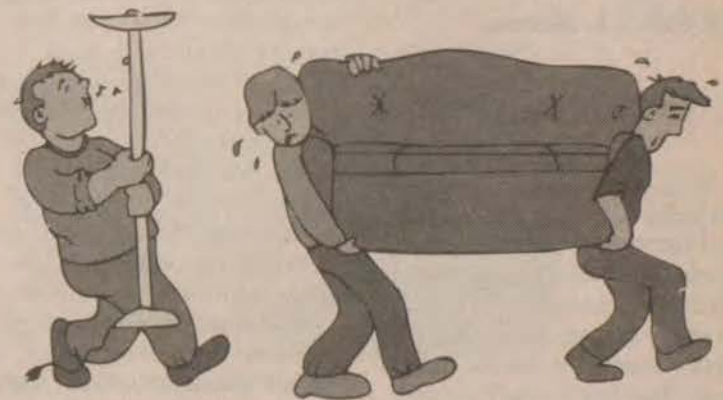
"I'll never forget Jewel Tussey," said Joyce. She's one of my long-time customers. Jewel was always testifying to me every time she came into the shop. She'd say, "Joyce, you're too good of a person to go to hell." Those aren't words easily forgotten. Joyce remembered wanting Jewel to be the first to know she had given her life to Christ.

"I tried to call her, but she had gone on vacation at the time". "I don't remember now who actually reached her for me, but someone got her the message that I had given my life to Christ." I could only imagine hearing the, "Praise the Lord!" no matter how many miles we were apart."

Joyce Ann Carroll has been a Christian now for seven years.

"I just pray daily for God to guide my hands so that my work may be pleasing to my customers," Joyce said. "Life with Christ is just so much better, you truly receive the Peace that His Word says surpasses all understanding Your marriage is better! Your profession is better! Your relationships with family

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and friends are better. If I could tell others anything at all, it would be, Please do not wait! Don't put off knowing the Lord!" she said.

Joyce Ann Carrol, Thank you for Sharing God's Blessings with us. May He continue to Bless you!



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Susan Says

By: Susan L. Mozena

A Time To Rest

Well, my family and friends and I just got back from a week-long vacation at Garden City Beach, SC! It was a great trip, filled with waves, sand, miniature golf courses, a trip to Krispy Kreme for donuts, trips to Super Wal-Mart (where would we be without that place?!?), the occasional snooze, laughing with my family and friends, reading and having fun with my two little nieces (including the fun of diaper changes! Ugh!). Even though it was a busy week, it was relaxing in its own way. I guess where I'm going with this is that it is important to take periods of rest in our lives. We all need to step away from our work once in a while and take time to relax and rejuvenate ourselves. This rest may be in the form of physical, mental and/or spiritual rest.

The first type of rest is when we have physically reached the end of our endurance. Our bodies come to a point when it needs times to recuperate from our labors. When God created

the heavens and the earth and everything therein, we find an interesting pattern in His process. Genesis 2:1-3 (NIV) says, "Thus the heavens and the earth were completed in all their vast array. By the seventh day God had finished the work he had been doing; so on the seventh day he rested from all his work. And God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it he rested from all the work of creating that he had done." In a very simplified form, He worked and then He rested.

We need to follow this example. After we work, we need to rest. We are shown that resting is a good thing. It is a renewing process for us both mentally and physically. God made our bodies to require a certain amount of activity and a certain amount of rest/sleep.

Then there are times when we become weary in our minds and thoughts. The world, as well as our enemy, can throw a lot of garbage at us. We can become mentally fatigued, defeated, discouraged, cynical, depressed and have an overall negative outlook if we're not careful to renew ourselves. It is during these times that we need to refresh ourselves mentally. We need to renew our thought life. In Romans 12:2, we are reminded to "not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of [our] mind." The easiest ways to do this are to spend time in the Word of God or in prayer. We know that by reading or hearing the Word, we

are changed. By spending time with God in prayer, we are changed. I know when I do these things, I feel a sense of renewal, of being refreshed. It is like coming out of a good shower, feeling fresh and rejuvenated. A person sees things in a different, better light when in the presence of God. We can also spend time with others who will help to refresh us. We all are to be edifiers and encouragers, but there will also be times when we need to be bolstered by this same edification and encouragement. Finally, we need to attune our thoughts to things that will not drag us down. "Whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable---if anything is excellent or praiseworthy---think about such things...And the God of peace will be with you." (Philippians 4:8, NIV)

Lastly, we need times of refreshment spiritually. This usually seems to come when we have gotten out of touch with our Father. Oswald Chambers stated, "There is no such thing as weariness in God's work. If you are in tune with the joy of God, the more you spend out in God's service, the more the recuperation goes on, and when once the warning note of weariness is given, it is a sign that something has gone wrong. If only we would heed the warning, we would find it is God's wonderfully gentle way of saying---'Not that way; that must be left alone; this must be given



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up! Spiritual fatigue comes from the unconscious frittering away of God's time. When you feel weary or are exhausted, don't ask for hot milk, but get back to God." So when we hope in the Lord, He will renew our strength. It will be like soaring on wings like eagles; running and not growing weary, and walking and

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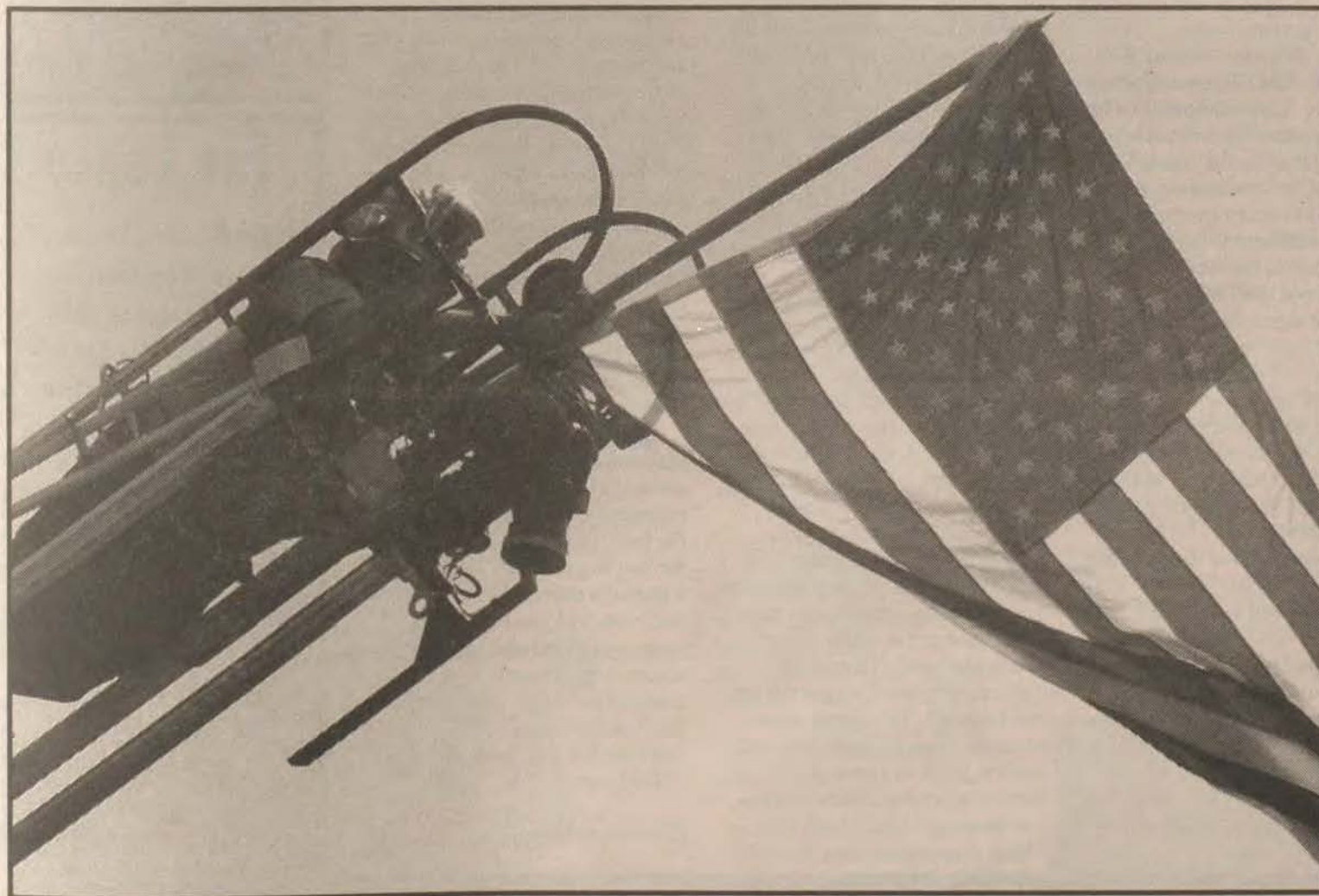
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The Floyd County Ministerial Association sends message of faith



The Prestonsburg High School football field bleachers were filled on Wednesday, September 11 as people came together to commemorate the events of last year's tragic events and listen as the Floyd County Ministerial Association attempted to bring "comfort and confidence" in the wake of the events that touched America.

The crowd was welcomed by Pastor Charlie Heater who voiced the purpose of the gathering, proposing that not only were they "there to look backward but forward and not only to look outward but inward."

Those in public service were recognized for their efforts by being asked to carry the American flag onto the

field. The field contained members of the

Prestonsburg Fire and Police Departments, the Floyd County Sheriff's Department, the Kentucky State Police, the volunteer fire departments of Auxier, Middle Creek, and Left Beaver, as well as the Allen Central ROTC.

The Ministerial Association attempted to show how the younger generation was affected by the events by asking two Prestonsburg High School students to share their thoughts and feelings concerning the events. Like others that spoke that night, the students remembered what they were doing when they became aware of the

attacks on New York and Washington. Their stories were touching, inspirational, and filled with faith.

Trevor Compton shared that he wanted to be with his family when he learned of the events of 9/11. He disclosed to the crowd that he had been struggling with the concept of God in his life since an accident in August 2001 took the life of his classmate, Josh Francis. He shared that the events of 9/11 made him more aware of the need for Christ in his life and the need to be close to his family and show compassion for those he loved. The crowd applauded as he voiced that the result was that the conflict was resolved in him.

"I accepted the Lord into my heart," said Compton. Compton expressed the helplessness of America in a poem that he had written in Tim Blankenship's class last year. He wrote, "Under the rubble bodies lay, and all we could do is pray."

Gerri Vance shared that she was stunned when she learned of the events and she was awakened to the gift of freedom and how easy it could be taken away from her. She proposed the nations motto, "In God we trust" and expressed her own act of faith by asking the crowd to recite Psalms 23 with her.

Pastor Steve Pescosolido shared his views concerning the events and proposed that he once served in the United States Army but now he wore "a different uniform that was not visible from the outside." He requested that the crowd join him in a new version of "Jesus Loves Me" set to the beat of Queen's "We will rock you".

Faith was the theme once again the theme as Pescosolido shared the story of a recording of Todd Beamer, passenger on flight 93 that went down in Pennsylvania. "I don't think were gonna get out of this thing, I'll have to go out on faith."

The Ministry of Music followed the sermon by singing "God is in Control" which sent the message the association seemed to be sending.

Pastor George Love brought the commemoration to an end with associating the rising of Jesus and the fact that "the world would never be the same again" with the events of 9/11 and sent the crowd forth-burning candles in hand-with the message, "Take this light with you and draw confidence from it."



Evangelistic View

By:
Evangelist Gary Williamson

Who Is Supposed To Do The Preaching? (Part One)

This writing has been in preparation by the Holy Spirit for five years. There are many that feel the five-fold ministry in Ephesians 4:11,12 are the only ones called to be preachers and that it is only their responsibility to talk about salvation to sinners. Yes, they are called to teach and preach salvation, but they are not the only ones ordained by God to do it. Anyone who has confessed Jesus as their Lord and Savior is

called to preach. The intent of this writing is to show by the scriptures that the saints of God have an awesome responsibility to the Father God to preach and teach salvation. Of course, there are other things that we can preach about besides salvation, but I believe soul-winning is the number one priority for preaching. Webster's Dictionary gives a very brief definition of a preacher: a person who preaches. We now need to look at what the Lord Jesus said about preaching. These scriptures will also be our text for this writing.

"And he said unto them, 'Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. And these signs shall follow them that believe; in my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; they shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.'" (Mark 16:15-18) Yes, I know verse 14 was the only one that used the word "preach", but we are supposed to be doing the other three verses also. We, the church, need to stand up and take our place on the front line of God's army in these last days.

We must look at one verse in the Great Commission given by Jesus in Matthew 28:19, which says, "Go ye therefore, and teach

all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." This verse is very similar to Mark 16:15 where Jesus used the word "preach" instead of "teach". Matthew 28:19 is a beautiful illustration of the main purpose of the church and that is to make disciples of all kinds of people. It is important that we look at what the disciples did after Jesus ascended into heaven.

"So then after the Lord had spoken unto them, he was received up into heaven and sat on the right hand of God. And they went forth, and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following." (Mark 16:19,20) Are we preaching like they did? Are signs following our preaching? Or are we following signs? I am not preaching enough. I want to be obedient to what Jesus told us to do. Do we have to have two men in white apparel appear to us to get us moving?

These two scriptures were written for our inspiration in today's times. "And while they looked steadfastly toward heaven as he went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel, which also said, 'Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven.'" (Acts 1:10,11) These men were telling them to

get to work. The Lord Jesus is still sitting at the right hand of the Father and His words in Mark 16:15 should be reverberating in the spirit man of every born-again saint.

We talked earlier about the five-fold ministry in Ephesians 4:11,12. We need to look at these scriptures in writing: "And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; for the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ." Maybe you have just been born again and you don't feel prepared to preach salvation to a lost soul. Or maybe you have been saved for years and have always felt insecure about witnessing to an unsaved person. As you read Ephesians 4:12 again, you will see that is why the five-fold ministry was ordained by God.

Here is part of their many functions: [1] Perfecting of the saints; [2] For the work of the ministry; [3] For the edifying of the body of Christ. I am praying for you to get a holy boldness to witness to others about Jesus until you feel you have been properly trained and anointed for witnessing. You can invite an unsaved person to your sanctuary this Sunday and let the Holy Spirit do the rest through the Son of God, Jesus!

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The Pastor's Wife

By: Ramona Aiken

"I WILL MAKE YOU FISHERS OF MEN!"

Hi everyone! As I was sitting here revising articles for The Messenger, my mind began to travel to what I want to write about this issue. I have two very special little people in my life, and I must share a story about them.

house to fish for the very first time! They had their little fishing vests on with their little fishing hats, and they had their Mickey and Minnie fishing poles. They were so cute!

When Paul saw their fishing poles he said, "Now you all, those fishing poles will not hold the fish that we have in this pond! We need to get you some heavy-duty fishing poles. Okay?"

Paul rounded up two fishing poles, and John and Sarah began their first lessons on how to fish.

Paul first of all taught them how to bait their hooks, and then he taught them how to cast their lines. Sarah and John took right off with no problem! As they cast their line, Paul coached them on how to slowly reel their lines in, and right off the bat, Sarah began hauling the fish into shore! She was catching blue gill one right after the other!

Within the first 15 minutes or so, Sarah caught several fish! She

grabbed the back of his vest. Paul said, "John, start reeling in your line slowly. I'll help you hold the pole, and you just concentrate on getting the fish to shore."

John did exactly what Paul told him to do, and he slowly began to reel in the "whopper" on the other end of his line! It took him a few minutes to get the fish into shallow water to where we could all see what kind of fish it was. On the end of John's line was a "HUGE" catfish! As Paul bent down to grab the fish, John threw his pole into the water and ran in the other direction! He was shaking his head and wringing his hands as he was running!

Donna and I were standing on the deck watching the entire fiasco! As Paul hauled the big catfish out of the water, John was nowhere near the bank of the pond! He looked at his mom and said, "Mom, I didn't know that Jesus made such ugly fishes!"

It was so funny! There was John way over in the yard, Sarah had backed away from the water and was just shaking her head and holding her ears! Paul was holding the big catfish when we thought, "Where's Jim?" He had run over to the deck and was nowhere near the water, either!

Jim said, "That's one ugly fish!" We all lost it, then! Donna and I laughed so hard that tears were streaming down our faces!

We had a wonderful time that day with Sarah and John fishing in our pond. We felt so blessed to be able to share in that exhilarating time of John and Sarah learning how to fish.

You know, God wants us to share his love the same way. He tells us in Matthew 4:18 & 19, "And Jesus, walking by the sea of Galilee, saw two brethren, Simon called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea: for they were fishers. And he saith unto them, Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men."

Are you fishers' of men? Do you share the good news of Jesus Christ? He tells us to witness of His love, His mercy, and His

grace. He tells us to be fishers' of men and to produce other Christians.

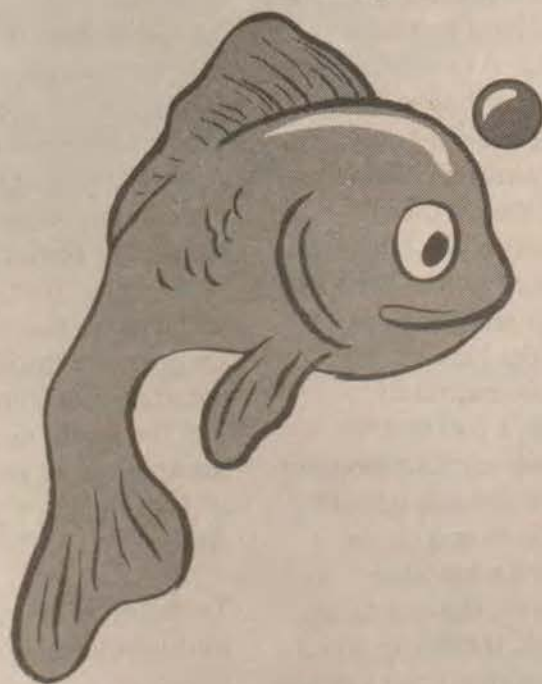
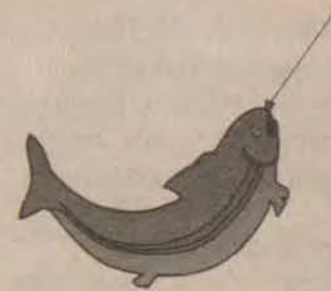
I'm afraid that most of the time we share discord instead of the goodness that God has in store for us. We need to remember what God's word says in Galatians 6:7 & 8, "Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap. For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting."

Let's help to reap others for the Kingdom of God! Allow the Holy Spirit to use you to lead others to Christ!

Please pray with me, "Father, I come to you in the precious name of Jesus Christ praising you and giving you glory. You are my King; You are my Lord! I thank You for Your mercy and Your grace. I thank You for keeping me in Your care! Father, I ask You to make me a better witness. Help me to share the good news of Jesus Christ to people that I come into contact with. Help me to let them see Your love through

me. Keep me from sowing discord among my brothers and my sisters. Help me to learn to listen to the Holy Spirit and win others for Christ. I love you, Lord Jesus. I ask all these things in the name of Jesus, the Name above all Names, Amen!

Until next time, I send love and prayers your way!



The two special little people are John and Sarah Vanover. They are twins, and their mom and dad are Jim and Donna Vanover of Abbott. A couple of years ago, we asked Donna and Jim to bring the twins over to fish in our pond.

Donna said, "Oh, John and Sarah have never been fishing, and that would be so much fun!"

We set a date, and that Saturday John and Sarah came to our

would put her little hands on her hips, look at John with a smile, and go, "Ha! Ha! Ha!" She was really proud of her newly acquired fishing abilities! Since John had not caught one fish, you could tell that he was beginning to feel a little left out; but Paul kept telling him to hang in there!

All of a sudden, John's fishing pole began to bend. As he held on to the pole, his feet began to slide toward the water, so Paul



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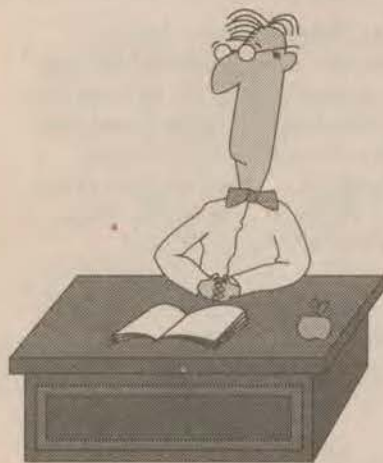
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Kingdom Keys

By: Richard D. Hackworth

Matthew 9:35-38 *Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. [36] When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. [37] Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; [38] therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."*

They were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. That is a very powerful line of scripture that sticks out like a sore thumb to me. The enormity of the unsaved world even astonished Jesus during his walk on earth two thousand years ago. I know he was astonished because he had compassion. I do not know about you but when I feel compassion is when I see circumstances around me that I want to but cannot control. I know that work has to be done, but sometimes I do not know where to start there is so much to do. I believe Jesus

felt this way when he was walking about the cities and villages, teaching the good news. He wanted to touch and to heal everyone, but he knew he had not the time left to do so.

Therefore, Jesus asked his disciples to pray and ask for more laborers to help reap the harvest of souls. Since Jesus' time, the Earth's population has swelled to near six billion. Approximately one billion of those are professing Christians. That leaves five billion helpless and harassed individuals at the mercy of Satan. Think about it: over one billion in China, an atheistic communist country; over one billion in India, primarily Hindu and Muslim; stretching from mid-east to south-central and southeastern Asia is much of the world's population with varying types of religions-sparingly Christian; not to mention the continent of Africa which has many voodoo type religions with people in bondage. Now I ask you, "Do you feel any compassion for these people?" The hunger, the sickness, the oppression of these third world countries is enormous. These people need the Gospel of Jesus Christ in their lives.

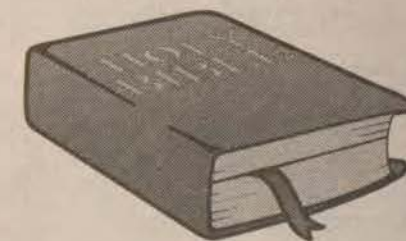
What can we do? First, we can pray as Jesus commanded us to do. While we all cannot become missionaries, we can support missionaries monetarily. The missionaries are some of the laborers that Jesus was speaking of. I honestly believe that each Christian needs to be giving an

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offering into some type of missionary fund, either personally or collectively as a church or denomination on a regular basis. No, we all cannot be missionaries; but we sure can help and support those who are, both with our prayers and our finances.

What about here on our home turf? Last time I checked, a vast amount of American citizens neither attend church nor have any type of faith. What about your neighbor or fellow co-worker who never attend church? Are you waiting on a missionary from overseas to come to witness to them? There is much work to be done right here in our own country. We must have compassion as Jesus did on his fellow neighbors and citizens. Compassion for the unsaved, the sick and the oppressed has to be another key to the Kingdom of Heaven. With compassion for others, I know God will show compassion and mercy for each of us.

Introduce your neighbor, co-worker or family member to the Shepherd their souls are longing for; the Shepherd that has promised to never leave nor forsake them, who will always be just a prayer away waiting to bless them beyond their wildest dreams with His Kingdom. Introduce them to the King of Kings and the Lord of Lords. Yes indeed! The harvest is enormous; however, I feel that we have quite enough laborers only if we would get off our behinds and do the work of the kingdom; witnessing, sharing God's blessings, testifying about God's goodness to each and everyone we meet. That is the work God has called all of us to do. If each Christian would at one time witness to one unsaved person and convert him, then the harvest would have decreased by a vast margin. Think about that! We are the laborers, so let's start laboring.

Father we thank you for our salvation. We thank you for leading us and protecting us like a good Shepherd would his sheep. Now, Lord, give each of us the opportunity to witness to someone about you. Help us to share your goodness with others, so that they will be as blessed and happy as we. Help us to have compassion as Jesus did for the sick and helpless, so that we can carry on the things that he commanded us to do. Go into the world and make disciples of all the nations. In Jesus' name I pray, Amen.

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Youthfully Speaking

By: Travis R. Risner

Where Is Your Heart?

Where is your heart? I look at this question, and it seems I can think of so many places my heart could be. I can also think of many places where other people have put their hearts.

I look and it really brings sadness to my heart. I see the person over there that has their heart in drugs, and I see a burned out wreck willing to kill to fulfill their heart's desire.

Let's take it closer to home; look at the church. Look and see the Christian who, for the love of money, robs God with their tithes. Take another look and see the Christian who plays church. They just go through the motions with the best of them, yet they live however they want Monday through Saturday.

Let me ask you the question, "Where is your heart? Or should I say, "Where is your treasure? After all, did not Jesus say, "Wherever a man's heart is,

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there you will find his treasures?"

What do you treasure most? Do you treasure God? If you answered, "Yes!" good for you. You are probably one out of a very few. You see, many people can fake the whole God thing, but when it comes down to it, their fruits show otherwise.

What is it really that you treasure the most? What is the one thing that you would fight to your death for? In Revelations it says, "We have lost our first love..." and for many, that is the case.

For many, you once loved God, but then something got in your way. Something happened that made you regress. Something caused your relationship with God to fall. This happens to many people, and it seems that when it does, they fall away from God. When the little storms come your way, you run the other way. You run away from God.

I heard a story about a pastor who saw a man in church who hadn't been there for a while. When asked why, the man gave a list of reasons. It just seemed like the man was a wreck, and he ended his conversation with, "When I get over these hard times, I will be back."

Why do we do that? Why do we let bad times take our heart away from God? After all, shouldn't that draw us closer to God? Shouldn't the trials of life bring us to a deeper relationship with God? I mean, really think about it for a second. After all, isn't God an ever help and present in the time of need? Did God not promise to love us? Of course he did, but it seems we forget that!

It also seems that we forget something else. We forget the fact that, when hard times come, we try to fix things on our own. When we mess things up, whom do we have to depend on? Think about that one, now!

Not everyone who turns his or her heart from God does this. Some people see no real reason to be sold out to God. Others just want to slide on through. You just want to go through the motions without the full commitment. You want to just play Christian, and I would give a word to you today. You may be faking out the pastor, the

youth pastor, or the church, but when it comes down to it, you can't fool God! When it comes down to it, you may be able to slide through church, but you won't slide through Heaven! God requires all!

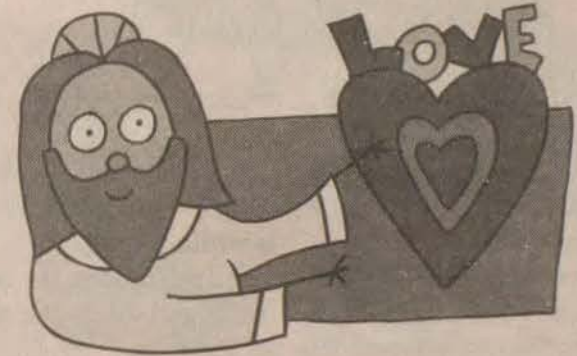
Here is what I propose for everyone today. Can we all not take a look at our Christian walk? You may have changed your focus on God for other reasons than I mentioned. I could probably write a book on reasons why people lose their focus on God. Whatever caused your change, look it over and ask, "Is it really worth it? Is it really worth it to have your heart on something other than God? I think all of us need to take a heart check. I think at times we all need to just stop for a second

and ask, "Where is my heart?"

Maybe some of you have never had your heart ever on God. That's no problem! All you need to do is just call out to God, and he will save you. The Bible says, "Whoever calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved." Isn't that amazing? You know, no matter how bad you have been or how bad you are,

you can still set your heart on God. The thing that amazes me is the fact that Jesus gave his life just so our hearts can be changed!

As we go on with life and as we go through our busy routines of life, let's take the time to get down with God and ask the question, "Where is my heart?"



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might as well make the most of it. After her last operation, she was released from the hospital. While crossing the street on her way home, she was killed by an ambulance. Arriving in front of God, she demanded, "I thought you said I had another 40 years? Why didn't you pull me from out of the path of the ambulance?"

God replied, "I didn't recognize you."



"YOU CAN'T TELL THE KIDS IN Sunday school; they are way too smart..."

"If I sold my house and my car, had a big garage sale, and gave all my money to the church, would I get into heaven?"

I asked the children in

my Sunday school class.

"NO!" all the children answered.

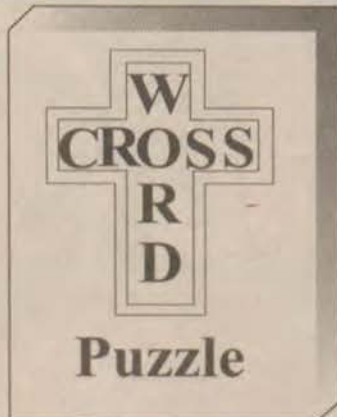
"If I cleaned the church every day, mowed the yard, and kept everything neat and tidy, would I get into heaven?"

Again the answer was, "NO!"

"Well," I continued, "th how can I get to heaven?"

A five-year-old boy shouted, "You gotta be dead!"

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- 21 "Could ye not watch with me hour?" (Matthew 26:40)
- 22 South - southeast (abbr.)
- 23 Minor quarrels
- 26 "_____ thereof cover" (2 words, Exodus 25:29)
- 30 "They shall be _____ unto you" (2 words, Leviticus 11:10)
- 32 "A man that _____ a _____" (2 words, Acts 22:25)
- 33 "Dwell in the _____ of Shem" (Genesis 9:27)
- 34 "He shall pluck my feet out of the _____" (Psalm 25:15)
- 35 Saul's uncle (1 Samuel 14:50)
- 36 "She _____ on her lovers" (Ezekiel 23:5)
- 39 "Planks of _____" (1 Kings 6:15)
- 40 Cameroon tribe
- 43 "Stamp with thy foot and say _____" (Ezekiel 6:11)
- 44 "_____ the lilies" (Matthew 6:28)
- 46 "The lot is cast into the _____" (Proverbs 16:33)
- 47 Shoe
- 48 "Casting all your _____ on him" (1 Peter 5:7)
- 49 East-northeast (abbr.)
- 50 Son of Adam (Genesis 5:3)
- 51 Son of Shuthelah (Numbers 26:36)
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- 1 "Greet ye one another with a

- holy _____" (1 Corinthians 16:20)
- 2 Hosea (Romans 9:25)
- 3 "The harvest _____" (Joel 3:13)
- 4 Wage-price agency
- 5 Semi-precious stone (Exodus 28:19)
- 6 Dried fruit
- 7 "_____ Maria"
- 8 "Thou, Lord, has made _____ glad" (Psalms 92:4)
- 9 Hebrew month (Exodus 13:4)
- 10 Philistine city (Judges 16:1)
- 11 First garden (Genesis 2:15)
- 16 Redeemed (Jeremiah 31:11)
- 17 Refuge (Psalms 61:3)
- 20 "_____ which run continually" (2 words, Psalms 58:7)
- 21 He saw a valley full _____" (2 words Ezekiel 37:1)
- 22 "Truly this was the _____ of God" (Matthew 27:54)
- 23 Indo-Chinese native
- 24 Insurance (abbr.)
- 25 Distant (Proverbs 27:10)
- 26 Box
- 27 Wickedness (Psalms 32:1)
- 28 Small child
- 29 Cricket, field parts
- 31 Rug
- 35 "Darkness...unto the _____ hour" (Matthew 27:45)
- 36 Valley (Genesis 14:17)
- 37 Pearl Buck heroine

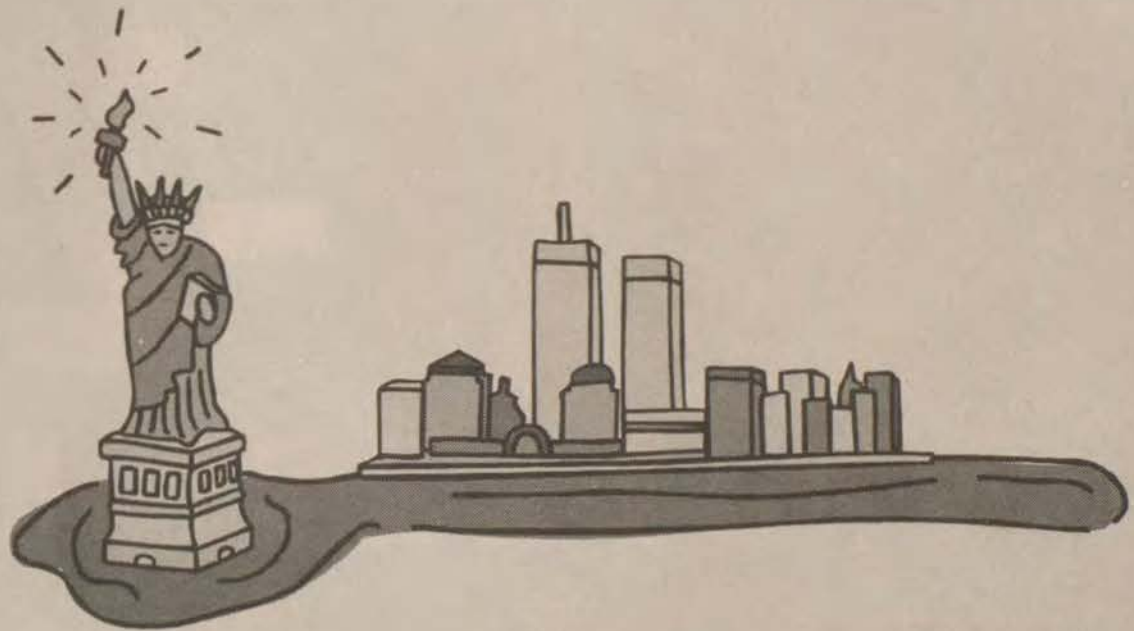
- 38 Measure
- 39 "From the sole of his _____" (2 Samuel 14:25)
- 40 Twelfth month (Esther 3:7)
- 41 King of Sodom (Genesis 14:2)
- 42 Brother of Ozem (1 Chronicles 2:25)

- 44 College in Iowa
- 45 Frost and _____ (Job 38:29)
- 47 College degree

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- 1 Shallum's father (1 Chronicle 9:19)
- 5 First man (Genesis 2:19)
- 9 "He is of _____ ask him" (John 9:23)
- 12 Egyptian goddess
- 13 Adam _____ names to the animals (Genesis 2:20)
- 14 "Whether it be good or _____" (Leviticus 27:12)
- 15 "Come out...be ye _____" (2 Corinthians 6:17)
- 17 "The curtains were all of one _____" (Exodus 36:9)
- 18 "O taste and _____ that the Lord is good" (Psalms 34:8)
- 19 John took the book and _____ it (Revelation 10:10)
- 20 Abigail's son (1 Chronicles 2:29)



Looking, Hearing, & Seeing

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I see God in all creation.
In the flowers and the trees,
the birds and the bees.

The sun that shines the rain
that falls,
I even hear God,
In the whippoorwills calls.

I see Jesus through the eyes
of a child,
When he or she looks up
with that great big smile.

I see Jesus in the dew on
the grass,
The rabbits and deer in the
field as they pass.

I see Jesus in the creek that
flows,
It keeps on flowing, where
it ends no one knows.

I see Jesus in the hills and
rocks
The animals that roam, the
bear and the fox.

I see Jesus in everything
that grows

Also in towns and cities,
Where houses are built in
rows.

I see Jesus in people who
attend church,
Dressed in their best, where
they come to find
sweet peace and rest.

I see Jesus everywhere I
look.
And I find Him when I seek
Him,
Praying, reading the Bible,
it's all there in His good
Book.

People, God has given us
so much to enjoy. He has
given **Everything** unto us,
my prayer is if you don't
know Jesus, seek after Him
and you will find Him for
He is the greatest gift God
has ever given to all man
kind. His Son, Jesus Christ!
Amen.



A Powerful Poem

It was late one Tuesday
evening,
Before a mother could sit
down,
To tell her only child about
The terror that hit downtown.

She looked into the eyes of
her son
God, she loved him so,
She felt her heart begin to
break
And the hurt begin to show.

She gathered all her strength
and courage,
as her story she began to tell.
"Baby don't cry, but I'm afraid
daddy
Might be under a building
that fell."

The boy looked back at his
mother,
His eyes made not one blink.
And the mother's tears began
to fall.
What would her baby think?

You see, his dad is a
firefighter,
And his hero from the day of
his birth.
He loved his dad more than
anything else
That could ever inherit this
earth.

The mother's head began to
drop,
Her forehead resting on
palm.
She thought her son would

be upset.
Instead, he was very calm.

The boy leaned over towards
his Mom,
And put his hand upon her
head.
In her ear he began to
whisper,
And this is what he said

"Mommy please don't cry,
I knew daddy wasn't coming
home.
I talked to him just a while
ago,
But it wasn't on the phone.

He told me that he loved me,
And he promised we'd meet
again.
He told of his new home,
And the job he was to begin."

"God is building an army,
And there are many angels
needed.
That, is where daddy and the
others went.
They weren't all defeated."

It was then, the mother lifted
her head.

The tears streamed down her
face.
And she could feel her
husband's presence,
As it filled her heart with
grace.

It was then she knew her son
was right.
He was in God's great army
now.
She also knew her son was
safe,
That he'd be kept from harm
somehow.

So, evildoers of the world
beware.
An army is on the way.
Bolstered by new angels,
Who left the towers that day..

Their commander has never
been beaten.
His power has never been
matched,
And if evil thinks He was
almighty before.....
Well, the surface has just
been scratched!

GOD BLESS AMERICA !!!!!



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