

Isidore pays wet visit

Heavy rains are expected over most of Kentucky by the end of Thursday as Tropical Storm Isidore pushed storms into the Midwest, forecasters said.

The National Weather Service had placed most of the state in a flood watch Thursday that will last through Friday evening.

Isidore's current path could push as much as four to six inches of rainfall into the area by Friday, said Tom Priddy, a University of Kentucky agricultural meteorologist.

Priddy said effects from the storm began on Wednesday over counties in southern Kentucky. He predicted most of the rains will fall Thursday afternoon and into the evening.

"The system will likely exit quietly on Friday morning since it's completely engulfed in the westerly winds," Priddy said.

The weather service in Jackson said rains would be especially heavy along the Interstate-75 and I-64 corridors in eastern Kentucky. Up to 5 inches of rain were predicted by Friday night.

The rainstorms could be bad news for farmers, who Priddy said should rush to complete harvest activities. He also recommended moving livestock from low-lying areas.

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The bluegrass/gospel group Five Miles From Nowhere entertained the crowd at the Democratic Women's Rally for Lois Combs Weinberg at the Floyd County Courthouse on Thursday. Weinberg will be running against incumbent Mitch McConnell in the November election. The rally, originally scheduled for the Prestonsburg municipal parking lot, was moved indoors due to rain.

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Sign theft a chronic problem

by JARRID DEATON
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Floyd County 911 address signs have been the target of vandalism and theft from the moment they were placed, according to 911 Director Bill Dotson.

"Since we have been putting them up, they have been stealing them like crazy," Dotson said.

According to Dotson, the Cow Creek area of Prestonsburg has

been a problematic spot for the placement of the signs.

"We had a bunch stolen from Cow Creek, but it doesn't seem like there is any rhyme or reason to it at all," Dotson said.

Dotson said that he has received some tips on signs that were stolen in the McDowell and Harold areas.

"We try to replace them as soon as we can," Dotson said.

The signs are not always removed from the scene, accord-

ing to Dotson.

"We have found some hidden in culverts and some are just bashed in. They leave the poles in the ground though," Dotson said.

The seriousness of the stolen signs is also a point that Dotson would like to emphasize.

"It's a serious problem. If anyone has any information they should contact the Floyd County Sheriff's Department. It could save someone's life in the long run," Dotson said.

Wayland hires policeman, turns attention to sewer plant

by JARRID DEATON
STAFF WRITER

WAYLAND — The city of Wayland held an emergency meeting Wednesday to set a training date for new police officer Terry Hill, and to discuss new plans for the creation of a sewer plant for the city.

Mayor Tommy Murphy explained the class situation to Hill at the meeting.

"He can't even sit in the car until he has taken the classes," Murphy said.

Also at the meeting, Bob Meyer, with the Southern Water and Sewer District, was

present to explain the resolution to authorize the filing of an application to the Community Development Block Grant Public Facilities Program (CDBG) to be used for the Wayland Sewer Project.

"We are at another juncture. I know you are frustrated trying to get Wayland a new sewer," Meyer said.

The new plan for the sewer is actually the first plan originally formulated for the plant.

"We looked at taking the (See WAYLAND, page three)

Lillelid defendant asks for new trial

The Associated Press

Court of Criminal Appeals.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — One of the six defendants sentenced to life in prison for the roadside murders of a 6-year-old girl and her parents has taken her appeal to the state

Crystall R. Sturgill was one of six young people from Eastern Kentucky convicted of first-degree murder in the 1997 shooting deaths of Vidar

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Shelter employee tackling animal cruelty investigations

by LORETTA BLACKBURN
STAFF WRITER

WEST PRESTONSBURG — The manager of the Floyd County Animal Shelter, Kathy Mullins, has initiated her own investigations into the welfare of animals and has named herself as a witness to a charge of alleged cruelty to animals, which was filed against Gwen Dingus of Prestonsburg.

Mullins said that she investigated

allegations made by a neighbor of Dingus that claimed she was going in and out of town and leaving the dog, a mixed collie, chained with no access to food and water.

Mullins alleges that she found that the neighbor's allegations were correct and after obtaining a warrant from the county attorney's office, she took pictures of the animal.

Investigating any case brought to her attention, Mullins said she has taken up

the cause in order to protect animals in the county.

"Somebody has to speak for them," said Mullins, "they can't speak for themselves."

Mullins vows that the dog, which was placed in the shelter's care, is now doing fine but could stand to add a few more pounds.

Mullins said that the animal shelter (See CRUELTY, page three)



photo by Loretta Blackburn

This collie mix is now residing at the Floyd County Animal Shelter after being removed from the residence of Gwen Dingus pending the outcome of animal cruelty charges.



photo by Jarrid Deaton

The East Kentucky Science Center, located in Prestonsburg, is moving along in its construction as the facility plans to open in the fall of 2003.

MAC reviews finances, discusses coming events

by LORETTA BLACKBURN
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Along with some discussion geared toward debugging operational procedures at a special called meeting on Wednesday, the Mountain Arts Center Management Commission reviewed a financial report that boasted a net income of \$31,983.44 for August, while barely breaking even in July.

A year-to-date profit and loss comparison showed that the MAC had a net income of nearly \$32,000 for the month of August, while it showed a mere \$155.34 profit for July.

In the financial operations arena, a state-

ment about income not reflected by expenditures that came from savings due to having a recording studio ignited discussion about the need for a column in the report to show compensation to the recording studio for the work it does.

Another issue was geared toward developing criteria as to what programs would be charged for using the MAC and which would not.

Estill L. Carter, committee member, said that he thought programs such as PRIDE, initiated by congressman Hal Rogers, should not be charged because Rogers was instrumental in getting the MAC estab-

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Odds and Ends

■ **BETHLEHEM, Pa.** — Hardy stomachs men from around the country will scarf sheep's entrails for a chance to be named "haggis king."

The haggis eating contest Friday is part of Bethlehem's Celtic Classic Festival. The winner will be the first to finish a pound and a half of the Scottish dish, a mix of sheep's organs, oats and spices.

Tensions are high this year as two former champions prepare to go head to head. Steve Cunningham, of Bethlehem, and Peter Stefchak, of Anchorage, Alaska, have both won twice.

Stefchak said his training regimen includes starving himself for 24 hours before the contest.

Of the haggis, he said, "It sounds awful, but it actually has a

light liver taste."

Cunningham said he is confident. His son will enter with him.

Patrick, 14, finished the haggis first last year. But he didn't win overall because the rules require children to eat less. Cunningham said he has a special technique for getting it down, but hasn't told anyone except his son.

"Blood is thicker than haggis," he said.

■ **NORTH PLATTE, Neb.** — Four years after Mayor Jim Whitaker walked his dog Naked through town to raise money for the city's Paws-itive Partners animal shelter, the publicity stunt is still reaping rewards.

The North Platte mayor raised a lot of eyebrows and some criti-

cism in 1998 when he pledged to walk Naked if \$5,000 was raised for the new animal shelter.

He soon after made it known that Naked was a dog.

Remembering the publicity stunt, a retired Bethlehem, Pa., couple has willed their personal property and any insurance to the animal shelter upon their deaths, which could add up to more than \$400,000.

"We hope to still be around awhile, but when we both go they will get everything," said Marie Spivack.

She and her husband, Marvin, made a donation to the animal shelter and have made several more since. The mayor ended up getting the attention of animal lovers nationwide and raised \$9,000.

The Spivacks are not strangers to North Platte. Marvin was one of the thousands of soldiers who passed through the community on a troop train during World War II.

"We think the world of the people in North Platte," Marie Spivack said. "We also love animals so much so we thought this would be a perfect gift."

■ **LASALLE, Ill.** — Police say a suspected bank robber wanted to get away in style.

John Pope, 39, ordered a limousine to pick him up from his

hotel in Moline after he robbed a bank Tuesday in the western Illinois community, police said.

Unfortunately for Pope, his driver was a retired police officer.

The driver, Don Madsen, of Moline, tipped off police that he had a suspicious passenger when he picked Pope up from the hotel. Madsen later got a call on his cell phone from one of his old colleagues, who warned that his passenger was suspected in a bank robbery.

Madsen used cryptic language to indicate his location and state troopers found him at a LaSalle truck stop where they arrested Pope.

Pope is accused of robbing a Moline bank just before he paid Madsen \$335 in cash for a ride to Chicago. He is being held at the Rock Island County Jail on an armed robbery charge.

■ **WHITEFISH, Mont.** — A student with dreadlocks can't come back to class until she gets rid of her "outlandish" hairstyle, Whitefish High School officials say.

"It's not really my hair," said 15-year-old Kisteasha Lanegan, who hasn't been to school since the first day of class. "They're trying to mold me into a person that I'm not. My hair is totally irrelevant to education at the school."

Superintendent Jerry House said Lanegan was told she would not be able to attend classes with dreadlocks. When she showed up on the first day of school with the hairstyle, officials sent her home.

"We're not here as a fashion store or fashion occasion," he said. "If you want to dress in an outlandish way in your own time, that's your business. That's not our business."

Lanegan said the ban makes her as good as expelled.

At the end of last school year, school officials told Lanegan to get rid of the dreadlocks over the summer break. House said that gave her enough time to comply with a new policy banning dreadlocks and mohawks.

■ **NEW ORLEANS** — Workers at the Audubon Zoo had an extra chore as Tropical Storm Isidore came near: They had to chase birds.

"A hurricane is hardest on the birds," said zoo spokeswoman Sarah Burnette as Isidore swirled toward Louisiana and Mississippi on Tuesday.

"They're the most vulnerable, so we catch them and put them in buildings, kennels, bathrooms, gift shops, anything available."

Audubon has a 250-page hurricane plan, Burnette said. It goes into effect as soon as a hurricane is predicted to head toward the city.

"We learned a lot about what needs to be done from the Miami Zoo after Hurricane Andrew," Burnette said.

The animals are all in shelters and extra food is on hand, she said.

"Although one of the things we learned from Miami is that the animals don't eat for a couple of days if a hurricane hits," Burnette said.

The zoo will keep a staff on hand throughout the storm.

■ **HOUSTON** — An old Texas football tradition was rekindled Tuesday as the Governor's Cup was presented to the Houston Texans for their surprise victory earlier this month over the Dallas Cowboys.

"Regardless of what happens the rest of the season, this (victory) is going to make for a successful season," Gov. Rick Perry said as he gave the cup to Bob McNair, owner Houston's National Football League expansion team.

The Governor's Cup once was awarded to the winner of the annual preseason game between the Houston Oilers and Cowboys, but was discontinued once the Oilers left for Tennessee before the 1997 season.

Dallas last claimed the cup in 1996 by beating the Oilers 24-19 in an exhibition game played in Florida. The Cowboys owned an 18-13 edge over the Oilers in preseason games when the teams were both in Texas.

The silver-metallic trophy, on which the results of each game will be engraved, will stay with the Texans until it's next up for grabs in 2006. That's when the teams are due to meet at Texas Stadium.

In a brief ceremony at Reliant Stadium, where Houston beat Dallas 19-10 in the season opener Sept. 8, Perry also presented a set of spurs stamped with the governor's seal, to be given to coach Dom Capers.

"I'm sure he can find good use for these spurs," McNair quipped.

Perry replied: "They'll work

on some Eagles this weekend," referring to Houston's upcoming trip to Philadelphia.

■ **SIoux CITY, Iowa** — A letter stamped "Return to Sender" has arrived back in Sioux City. It only took 47 years.

The letter, postmarked June 20, 1955, landed in Janet Nejedly's business mailbox last Friday.

The envelope is addressed to Mr. Gilbert Kelly of Omaha, Neb.

The return address lists no name, only the address - 2030 S. St. Aubin, Sioux City - the same address as Nejedly's business, Ray Stallons Hearing Aids.

"I thought, 'Oh my God, 1955, where has this been hiding?'" Janet asked.

Nejedly and her 10-year-old daughter, Kayla, are on a mission to find out.

The envelope has a purple 3-cent stamp of the Statue of Liberty with the words "In God We Trust."

The only other marking is a red stamp saying "Return to Sender" and a list of options for why the letter was returned. A mail deliverer marked the box "no such street number" as the reason for the letter's return.

The letter inside is signed "Jan." and addressed "Dear Gil," with a date the same as the postmark. Whether Jan and Gil were pen pals or relatives remains a mystery.

Nejedly checked with information, but there is no Gilbert Kelly listed in Omaha.

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Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Friday, Sept. 27, the 270th day of 2002. There are 95 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On Sept. 27, 1939, Warsaw, Poland, surrendered after weeks of resistance to invading forces from Nazi Germany and the Soviet Union during World War II.

On this date:

■ In 1779, John Adams was named to negotiate the Revolutionary War's peace terms with Britain.

■ In 1854, the first great disaster involving an Atlantic Ocean liner occurred when the steamship Arctic sank with 300 people aboard.

■ In 1928, the United States said it was recognizing the Nationalist Chinese government.

■ In 1942, Glenn Miller and his Orchestra performed together for the last time, at the Central Theater in Passaic, N.J., prior to Miller's entry into the Army.

■ In 1954, "Tonight!" hosted by Steve Allen, made its debut on NBC.

■ In 1959, a typhoon battered the main Japanese island of Honshu, killing nearly 5,000 people.

■ In 1964, the Warren Commission issued a report

concluding that Lee Harvey Oswald had acted alone in assassinating President Kennedy.

■ In 1979, Congress gave final approval to forming the Department of Education, the 13th Cabinet agency in U.S. history.

■ In 1995, the government unveiled its redesigned \$100 bill, featuring a larger, off-center portrait of Benjamin Franklin.

■ In 1996, in Afghanistan, the Taliban drove the government of President Burhanuddin Rabbani out of Kabul, captured the capital and executed former leader Najibullah.

Ten years ago:

Texas billionaire Ross Perot spoke with his supporters in Dallas on the eve of a meeting with representatives of President Bush and Democrat Bill Clinton, both of whom were hoping Perot would stay on the campaign sidelines.

Five years ago:

The space shuttle Atlantis blasted off, docking hours later with the problem-plagued Russian Mir station to drop off American David Wolf and pick up Michael Foale.

One year ago:

An armed man went on a shooting rampage in the local parliament of Zug, Switzerland, killing 14 people before taking his own life. President Bush asked the nation's governors to post National Guard troops at airports as a first step toward federal control of airline security.

Today's Birthdays:

Former Illinois Senator Charles Percy is 83. Movie director Arthur Penn is 80. Actress Sada Thompson is 73. Actress Kathleen Nolan is 69. Actor Wilford Brimley is 68. Actor Claude Jarman Junior is 68. Author Barbara Howard is 68. Singer-musician Randy Bachman (Bachman-Turner Overdrive) is 59. Actress Liz Torres is 55. Actor A. Martinez is 54. Actor Cary-Hirokyu Tagawa is 52. Singer Meat Loaf is 51. Rock musician Greg Ham (Men At Work) is 49. Singer Shaun Cassidy is 44. Rock singer Stephan Jenkins (Third Eye Blind) is 38. Actor Patrick Muldoon is 34. Singer Mark Calderon is 32. Actress Amanda Detmer is 31. Actress Gwyneth Paltrow is 30. Rock singer Brad

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Conner attorney says he's in contact with feds

by MARK R. CHELLGREN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — The attorney for the woman who says Gov. Paul Patton favored her with his influence and then sicced regulators on her when she broke off their affair said he has been in contact with federal authorities who want to investigate the matter.

Also Thursday, Attorney General Ben Chandler said his office would investigate "if any laws were violated" in the "matter regarding Gov. Patton and Tina Conner."

Fred Radolovich said Thursday he met this week with U.S. Attorney Steve Pence and two of his prosecutors.

Radolovich said the prosecutors did not ask him for the proof he said he has that Patton helped Conner, a Hickman County nursing home owner, and then tried to punish her when their sexual affair ended.

"They wanted a friendly conversation and that's what we did for an hour," Radolovich said.

Radolovich said investigators, including an FBI agent from the Lexington office with whom he met separately, also want to talk to Conner, but he has been unable to reach her.

A spokesman in Pence's office declined comment and the FBI did not return calls for comment Thursday. A spokeswoman at the U.S. Attorney's office in Lexington cited policy in refusing to confirm or deny the existence of any investigation. The Lexington office could be involved because Frankfort falls under its jurisdiction.

Chandler also said his office would not comment further.

Radolovich said he also met with Patton's lawyers about a potential settlement of Conner's lawsuit but said he has been jerked around by the governor's legal team.

"At the last minute, they changed negotiators," Radolovich said.

Radolovich said he negotiated all last week with two lawyers representing Patton for a potential settlement before

Conner filed her lawsuit. He declined to identify the attorneys, but said he got a call Tuesday telling him that Sheryl Snyder and Debbie Adams, with the Cincinnati-based firm of Frost Brown Todd would be taking over.

Radolovich said Snyder and Adams wanted to examine his case, but he declined. "All of a sudden ink disappears and shredders go," Radolovich said.

Snyder did not return calls on Thursday.

Radolovich said he gave Patton's lawyers 72 hours to offer a settlement and he said Thursday more than 48 hours had passed.

"Part of the value is silence," Radolovich pointed out.

Conner has been granting interviews, many of which offer hints and tidbits of what she said was the special treatment she got as Patton's lover starting in 1997.

According to her lawsuit, Conner said Patton provided state assistance to her nursing home, Birchtree Healthcare, and to a construction company she owned as well as her personally. Conner was appointed to the Institute on Aging and the Kentucky Lottery Corp. board.

Patton has acknowledged the relationship with Conner but

said he has not misused his office in any way.

Cabinet for Health Services officials said their work investigating Birchtree was free of any political influence.

The nursing home was cited for dozens of violations and fined \$16,500. Subsequently, it lost Medicare and Medicaid funding, which meant that most of its patients went elsewhere.

The nursing home has since filed for bankruptcy protection and is being sued for foreclosure by a local bank.

Conner has said she is "not going down in flames alone."

Environmentalists worry that coal ash could pose risks

The Associated Press

LOUISVILLE — Environmental leaders are worried that growing mounds of ash from coal-fired power plants could be releasing potentially toxic heavy metals into groundwater and streams.

The nation's coal-fired power plants are producing more than 100 million tons of ash each year. A byproduct of burned coal, the ash is sometimes converted for use in products such as wallboard and cement, but 70 percent ends up in landfills, settling ponds and old strip mines.

The energy industry has long argued that the material is not harmful. But the issue of regulation is drawing increased attention as power companies propose additional coal-fired power plants. The Courier-Journal reported Thursday. There are proposals for eight such new plants in Kentucky, which would produce 6 million additional tons of ash annually. Two additional plants are proposed for Indiana.

A toxic plume of heavy metals from coal ash may have ruined the drinking-water wells of 30 families in the northern Indiana town of Pines, said Kenneth Theisen, onsite coordinator for an EPA emergency

response team sent to the town.

Theisen said power plant ash buried in a landfill and scattered around town as construction fill is the likely culprit. EPA tests at some homes near the landfill have revealed boron levels 13 times higher than the agency uses to decide whether federal money can be tapped for remediation.

High doses of boron can damage the stomach, liver, kidneys and brain, according to the U.S. Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry.

When water was tested from a ditch that flows next to the landfill, it showed considerably higher levels of pollutants than water tested upstream from the landfill, he said.

"A coincidence? I don't think so," Theisen said.

The EPA is developing new disposal standards that are scheduled to be released in early 2004. The federal agency came close to classifying ash destined for landfills, ponds or strip mines as hazardous two years ago, after it found that 86 percent of groundwater samples taken near ash landfills con-

tained arsenic levels more than 10 times the EPA's new health standard.

"There are some very legitimate concerns in certain situations, but generally there should not be concern for heavy metals (washing) out of coal ash," said Bill Caylor, executive director of the Kentucky Coal Association. "This public fear of heavy metals is blown out of proportion."

Some scientists back the industry's assertions.

"You get the impression we are drowning in the stuff," said Tom Robl, associate director of the University of Kentucky's Center for Applied Energy Research. "No, we are not, and is the material hazardous? Not really."

However, the critics are moving at least some in government to suggest that coal ash needs to be treated with more caution.

"Even though certain regulations are on the books, are they protective?" asked Bob Logan, commissioner of the Kentucky Department for Environmental Protection. "We have always had a question. Is this material what it's supposed to be?"

Cruelty

has had 42 adoptions this month and 62 last month, pointing out that there are homes for any unwanted animals.

Mullins said that she would

investigate any reports of animal mistreatment and encourages the public to contact the shelter at 886-3189 to bring awareness of any situation where cruelty is suspected.

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Coal company asks courts for permission to repair damage

The Associated Press

WHITESBURG — An Eastern Kentucky coal company has filed suit against 18 Jackhorn property owners, claiming they won't allow the company to go on their property to repair mine subsidence cracks so large that a woman on horseback fell into one of them.

Consol of Kentucky Inc., which operates an underground mine at Jackhorn, filed three suits in Letcher County Circuit Court last week.

Cracks have developed ranging from 5 inches to 5 feet wide, 50 to 100 feet long and more than 5 feet deep.

Consol claims in the lawsuits that it has been trying to comply with orders from the Kentucky Department of Surface Mine Reclamation and Enforcement to repair the cracks, but has been prevented from doing so by the property owners.

Lou Tolliver, one of the peo-

ple named in the lawsuit, said she wants the damage repaired, but she doesn't want the mountain above her home scarred by bulldozers. She said she worries that could cause flooding problems on her property.

Esther Sexton Hensley, another property owner, said she, too, wants the company to make the needed repairs on her land. She said she and her family also want restitution for the damage the company has caused. It was Hensley's sister-in-law whose horse fell into one of the cracks.

Consol said property owners could force the mining operation to shut down if they don't allow the repairs to be made. The company is asking Judge Sam Wright to declare that it has a right to enter the property and to issue temporary and permanent injunctions to prevent the surface owners from interfering with repair of the subsidence damage.

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and Delifina Lillelid and their daughter, Tabitha.

They pleaded guilty and were each sentenced in 1998 to three consecutive life sentences without the possibility of parole.

Sturgill's attorney John S. Anderson told the three-judge panel of the appeals court on Tuesday that his client's plea was flawed because she didn't understand the significance of pleading guilty at the time.

Assistant State Attorney General Mark A. Fulks argued Sturgill did know what she was doing and was only concerned about avoiding the death penalty.

The court has not yet issued a ruling.

Sturgill's first appeal before Criminal Court Judge James E. Beckner was denied in February.

The Lillelids, who were headed home to Knox County from a Jehovah's Witnesses conference in Johnson City, were taken hostage from an Interstate 81 rest area in Greene County, gunned down and left for dead. The couple's 2-year-old son, Peter, was seriously wounded but survived.

The Kentuckians were caught in the Lillelid van two days later in Arizona.

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lished. He said that from the consumer's view, clarification of rental fees and charges was necessary. Both issues were noted as needing more discussion.

The MAC, in collaboration with the Kentucky Opry, will be offering a Christmas CD, which Keith Caudill is currently working on in the Recording Studio.

The committee also discussed the promotion of "In the Mood", a 1940s musical revue, showing Oct. 31, at 8:30 p.m. There was concern that "trick or treat" night, which is held the same night in Prestonsburg, would conflict with the show.

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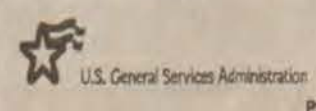
Arnold (3 Doors Down) is 24. Rapper Lil' Wayne is 20.

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sewer to the plant at Martin, but the funding is not allocated and they want to see the money spent in the near term, not the long term," Meyer said.

The original site for the plant is located in the town of Glo and will be placed on land that is probably owned by a coal company, according to the information that was provided to Meyer and the commissioners.

"CONSOL thinks that they own it, but they do not have the paperwork," Meyer said.

Murphy said he would make some calls to see what information he could gather on who owns the land so the project can begin.

Meyer estimates that the cost of the project will be around \$3 million, with the city of Wayland applying for \$1 million in the CDBG grant.

Record

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Edgal Shepherd to Third Avenue Freewill Baptist Church Inc., property located on the Right Fork of Middle Creek.

Rosalie Dotson Shepherd and Edgal Shepherd to Manford Fannin and Rosetta Fannin, property location not listed.

John Everly and Joyce Everly to Robert Harless and Ruth Harless, property located at the intersection of Warrix Drive.

Brent Clark and Karen Clark to Doug Hyden II and Suzanne K. Hyden, property located on Brandykeg Creek.

Flora Kay Gibson and Larry Hamilton Gibson and Henry Andrew Kilburn and Lisa Ann Kilburn to Solomon Kilburn and Matilda Kilburn, property located on Peter Branch of Stephens Branch of Right Beaver Creek.

Jimmy Ratliff to Charles Alan Ratliff, property location not listed.

Larry Scott Hall and Jean Layne Hall to Greg Nichols and Lita Nichols, property location

not listed.

HLT Properties, LLC to James F. Click and Anita Faye Click, property location not listed.

Stephen C. Rice and Laura Rice to William E. Roberts and Rita Roberts, property located on Rice Branch.

Regina Coleman to James Meade and Stacy Meade, property location not listed.

Lonnie Coots, Lori Coots, James C. Anderson and Allie Anderson to Stephen Slone, property located on Town Branch.

Mary E. Slone and Kelly Slone to Judy Gay Sizemore, property located in McDowell.

Bank of New York, Trustee to Barbara Lewis and Jerry Lewis, property located in the City of Wheelwright.

Thelma K. Music, executrix of the will of Edward C. Music to Board of Education of Floyd County, Kentucky, property located at the mouth of Mays Branch.

Viewpoint

Worth Repeating ...

"All that we are is the result of what we have thought. The mind is everthing. What we think, we become."

—Buddha

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Our View

Editorial roundup: Patton controversy

The Associated Press

The following are excerpts of editorials published by Kentucky newspapers or aired by Kentucky stations following Gov. Paul Patton's announcement on Friday that he had a sexual relationship with a woman who was suing him for sexual harassment.

Patton said he is seeking to regain the people's trust. But it will be difficult for him to do that unless he meets the accusations head-on in a public forum, allowing the people to judge his responses for themselves.

— The Paducah Sun

Everyone loses, nobody wins in this sordid situation and if it follows the usual path, it will drag on for months, diverting the state from important issues like getting a budget in place, taking care of important education issues and the myriad other challenges that Kentucky faces.

— Glasgow Daily Times

Patton's first step should be to clear the decks so he can concentrate on restoring whatever credibility he can. He certainly won't need any extra distractions during the remainder of his tenure. He should resign, immediately, as chairman of the National Governors Association. He should renounce, publicly, the 2004 race for U.S. Senate.

— The Courier-Journal, Louisville

While Patton is in his second and final term as governor, he had been planning to campaign for Democratic candidates this fall, as the party attempts to regain control of the Kentucky Senate. One wonders just how anxious those candidates now will be to have the governor campaign for them.

— The Daily Independent, Ashland

Fourteen months still remain in your term. And these are doomed to be 14 painful months of paralysis and ineffectiveness unless you realize that the time for lies is over ... and the time for your resignation has come.

— Bill Lamb, general manager, WDRB-TV, Louisville

There's been little to celebrate this year in Frankfort with, first, the legislative branch failing to live up to its obligations in the General Assembly and, now, this episode in the executive branch.

Let's just hope the last bombshell has fallen.

— Kentucky New Era, Hopkinsville

... (Patton) created a sordid distraction from the serious challenges facing this state. He undermined his credibility and standing to take on those challenges.

Patton did the right thing by admitting the affair (Friday), but he still hasn't put this controversy behind him.

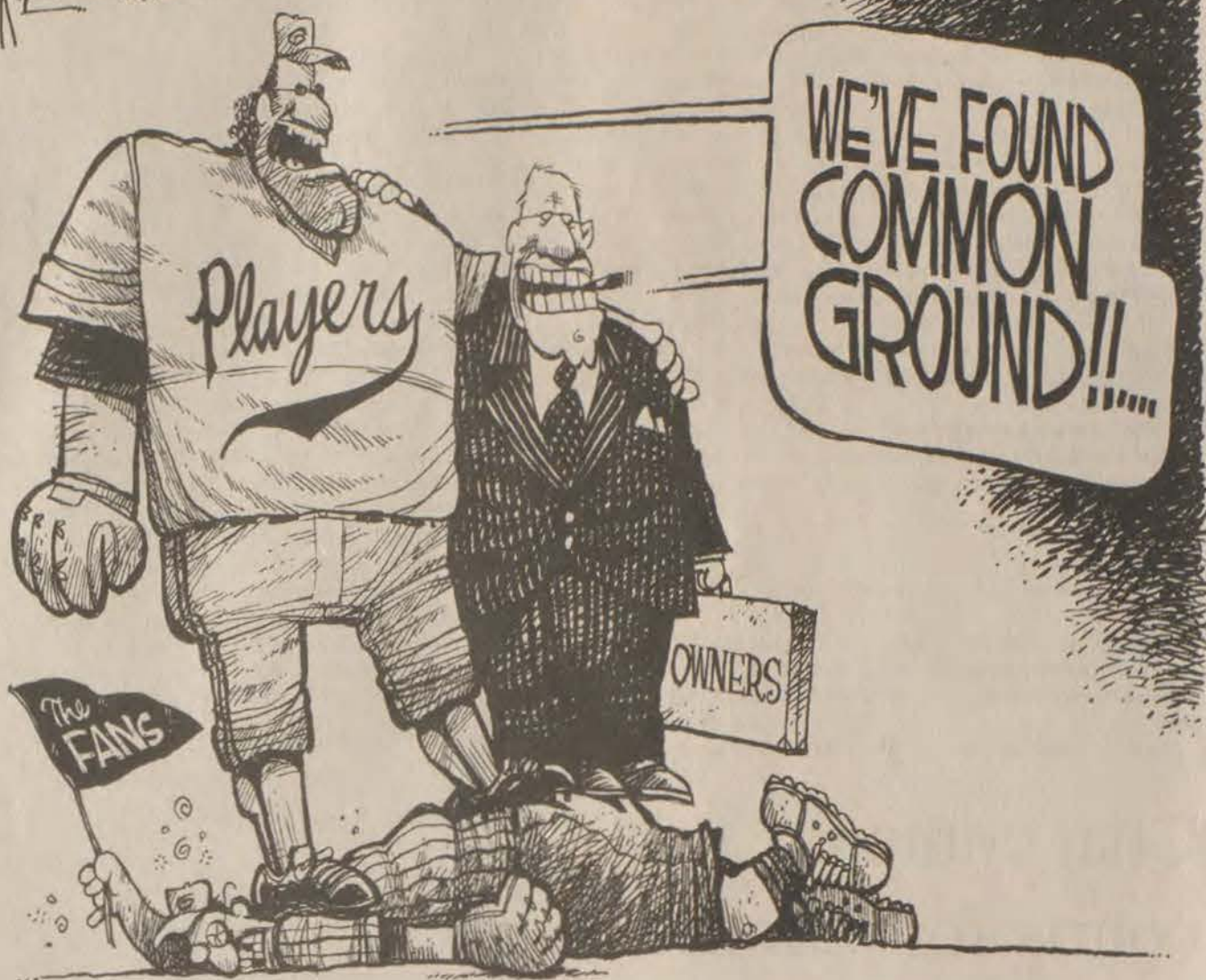
— Lexington Herald-Leader

Now is the time for (other public officials) to step forward and tell Paul Patton that he can no longer be trusted, that by lying to the public he has sabotaged his ability to lead this state. He can no longer govern effectively.

It is over.

— The News-Enterprise, Elizabethtown

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In the moment

Tomorrow is tomorrow

I picked my car up from the garage, where it was being serviced for the third time in two weeks, and the mechanic told me that I would need to get tires soon. After paying him, I drove off thinking about how to put new tires in the budget and wondering how long they would last before I would have to do that.

Having had to deal with a number of changes over the past month, it did not take long for me to start feeling agitated about the worry that I was experiencing.

I had to check my thoughts and tell myself that I was worrying about something that had not occurred yet and therefore is not currently a problem.

Sometimes I forget that all I have to be concerned with is what is going on today. It is hard to maintain balance in all the areas of your life, schedule all the things that need to be done in each of those areas, and still stay focused on what you are doing today. However, it is necessary

to leave the worry of what tomorrow may bring if you are to maintain peace and happiness while you are doing the tasks of today.

William F. Payne wrote, "Give me your hand. I may not lead you into forever, but I will lead you into now, and sometimes, if you are lucky, 'Now' is the first step, into forever." I really like that quote because it reminds me that the best way to deal with tomorrow is to give my full attention to today. If I find solutions for all of today's problems, or at least work toward them, then at least I won't have them along with tomorrow's problems.

I continued through the day slightly concerned about the fact that I may not get to all the things that are scheduled for today, but at least they are on today's list. As for tomorrow, well, tomorrow is tomorrow.



LORETTA BLACKBURN

Letter

Parties should be ashamed

Whenever a candidate comes knocking at my door, I ask them what party they belong to and then I look them in the eye and ask, "Aren't you ashamed of yourself?" Whether they be Democrat or Republican, they have plenty in my opinion to be ashamed of.

This question always seems to catch the politician off guard. They either hang their head down as many do and admit that there isn't much to brag about these days, or they stick their little chest out and get defensive and say, "Why, sure I'm proud."

Fact is in the last 50 years the U.S. has moved away from being a democracy to a corporate fascist state with a brainwashed populace. We have dropped from number one in standard of living to number nine, from number one in infant mortality to number 20.

We have destroyed our aquifers with toxic chemicals and are losing our topsoil due to the sterilization of it with the use of petrochemicals. We have put millions of family farmers out of business. We do nothing about global warming or the dependence on old, antiquated technologies like the internal combustion engine or coal-fired power plants.

We put half our tax dollars into a military and are about to unleash it on the Middle East to acquire control of a natural resource (oil) that is killing life on this planet. We send our tax dollars to Israel to buy weapons to kill and persecute the Palestinian with their

racist apartheid policy. We first say it's a good idea to have an international criminal court but not if it applies to our political leaders.

Both the Republican and Democratic parties throw obstacles up to third parties that they themselves don't have to hurdle. They both refuse to allow third-party candidates into their debates for public offices. This is fascist and there nothing else to say about it.

They removed all the governmental protections of investors put in place by Franklin Roosevelt and then act as if surprised when the fox raids the henhouse. They signed over our sovereign rights to pass and enforce our own labor and environmental laws to a World Trade Organization.

They have supported companies with our tax dollars overseas and here in the U.S. by paying for construction of pipelines or ballparks. That's illegal to use public funds for private enterprise. That's corporate welfare.

They spend our Social Security dollars to run the government and never pay it back. They vote for more bombs and tanks while grandma has to do without her pills. They borrow money to run the government and leave us with an interest to pay back and a national debt that is in the trillions.

Worst of all they operate in secrecy. The electorate's right to know is crucial. Whenever a government is afraid to make public documents of its deliberations and decisions known to the public, it undermines the right of the people to be fully informed, and without full disclosure the electorate cannot make decisions based on truth and fact.

The electorate is the most important branch of a truly democratic society.

The Joint Intelligence Committee is looking into the information that was made available to the White House to see why there was a failure to act, to take preventive measures that could of stopped the attack of 9-11. What they have discovered is that there was ample intelligence shared with both the Clinton and Bush administrations that should have led to beefing up of airline security but nothing was done.

If those same reports would of been made public I'm sure the electorate would have put pressure on Congress and whoever was in the White House to take the necessary steps to have prevented the use of commercial airliners as weapons of mass destruction.

Instead, there are these people with a fascist mindset arguing that secrecy is in the interest of national security. Seems to me secrecy is never in the interest of national security, only the interest of those who would like to manipulate circumstances to their own long-range economic goals.

In America, these two parties see nothing wrong with weapons manufacturers such as General Electric and Westinghouse owning and controlling news services. These two parties have led this country steadily downward in terms of the individual citizen welfare and the health and sustainability of the planet we live on.

If you come knocking on my back door and you belong to either of these fascist political parties, get ready for a tongue-lashing. Be ashamed of what

(See LETTERS, page six)

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At the Movies:

'Sweet Home Alabama'

by **CHRISTY LEMIRE**
AP ENTERTAINMENT WRITER

"Sweet Home Alabama" is so wildly uneven, it should have been called "Sweet and Sour Home Alabama."

For every moment that rings true, there are 10 others that clang in a broad, sitcommy way.

For every scene that allows the reliable supporting actors to spring to life, there are others in which they're relegated to serving as two-dimensional types.

And for every time the eminently likable Reese Witherspoon overcomes the sappy dialogue and predictable twists, far more often she gets mired in mediocrity.

Witherspoon proved last year in "Legally Blonde" that she could take potentially cringeworthy dialogue and make it tolerable. Here, there's no hope for hammy lines about giving away your heart a long time ago and finding your soul mate at age 10.

Although she's become America's sweetheart — and she is undeniably cute and charming — Witherspoon is

actually stronger here when she's asked to be ugly.

She may have been annoying as the interminably perky Tracy Flick in "Election," but

reviews, and gotten engaged to one of the city's biggest catches, Andrew Hennings (Patrick Dempsey), who surprised her by proposing after hours at

In New York, Melanie has presented herself as a Southern debutante who was raised on a plantation. When she returns to Pigeon Creek, Ala., we learn the truth: She grew up in a double-wide trailer, the child of blue-collar parents Earl and Pearl (Fred Ward and Mary Kay Place).

Director Andy Tennant ("Anna and the King") never misses an opportunity to depict the folks in Melanie's hometown as quaint, small-town hicks — which automatically makes them better than the people in New York, because "Sweet Home Alabama" is one of those movies, like "Doc Hollywood," in which small town equals good and big city equals bad.

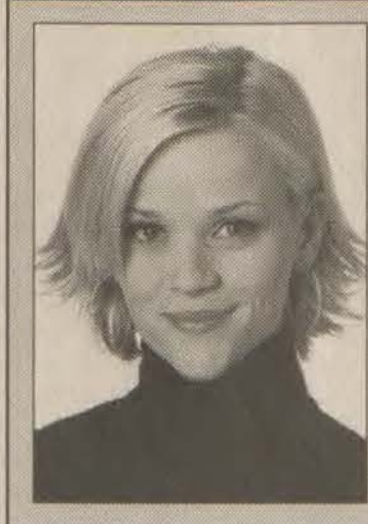
This is best exemplified by Andrew's mother, Kate (Candice Bergen), the politically ambitious New York mayor, though it's practically the same role as the conniving pageant director she played in "Miss Congeniality."

Kate never approved of Melanie as a match for her son, who was clearly modeled after JFK Jr., down to the thick wavy hair and classic, understated wardrobe. (Dempsey, not surprisingly, played a young John F. Kennedy Sr. in a 1993 miniseries.) But ever the Democrat, she insists upon learning of Melanie's past: "There's nothing wrong with poor people. I get elected by poor people."

For some reason, Jake has refused to sign the divorce papers — though why he wants to hang onto the marriage is the biggest mystery of C. Jay Cox's porous script. And that's a problem, since it's the movie's premise.

The paperwork snag keeps Melanie in town longer than she anticipated, and — guess what? — she gets her twang

(See **ALABAMA**, page six)



"Sweet Home Alabama," a Touchstone Pictures release, is rated PG-13 for some language and sexual references. Running time: 109 minutes.

Two star (out of four).

there was a vulnerability underneath.

Here, as up-and-coming New York fashion designer Melanie Carmichael, she's just flat-out selfish and materialistic.

Melanie has just staged her first runway show to rave

Tiffany's and letting her pick whichever ring her pretty little heart desired.

But before she can marry him, she must go back home to Alabama and divorce her red-neck husband, Jake (Josh Lucas), whom she abandoned for the big city seven years ago.

British newcomer Jordan Frieda gets big break as 'Prince William'

by **BETH HARRIS**
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES — Oh, to be young, blond, handsome and royal. Britain's Prince William is all that. The actor portraying him in a new made-for-TV movie has the first three traits down and is the son of British pop royalty.

Jordan Frieda gets his big acting break in "Prince William," airing Sunday on ABC at 9 p.m. EDT. He's the offspring of 1960s singing star Lulu and her ex-husband, hairstylist John Frieda.

"Having a mother in the performing arts made me think I wanted to do something else," the 25-year-old said by telephone from London. "You know how hard it is."

Although Frieda's credits were limited to a small part in the HBO World War II miniseries "Band of Brothers" and some British stage roles, he found himself caught in an uproar when the royal family and Britain's tabloid media found out about the movie.

"It was received in a funny way," he said. "The fact is no one really knows what it's about because it's not being marketed in Britain."

The movie begins with Princess Diana's death in a 1997 car crash in Paris and ends with William heading off to St. Andrews University last year.

The project upset Diana's mother, Frances Shand Kydd, who called it "insensitive" and asked for it to be shelved. Prince Charles expressed "deep concern."

"She never called and asked for a script to read it," executive producer Bonnie Raskin said. "I certainly would have been happy to send it. I heard the palace did have a copy."

Raskin remembered one headline from a British tabloid that screamed: "Prince Charles trying to sue to shut movie down."

"I had people trying to sneak on the set and take pictures," she said. "It was never sold as a behind-the-scenes, ripped-from-the-headlines story, which God knows could easily be done. We chose not to do that."

It's not all prim and proper, though. William is seen drinking and cavorting with pals Tom and Laura Parker-Bowles, the children of Charles' longtime love, Camilla. In one nightclub scene, party pal Tara Palmer-Tomkinson exposes her breasts to a surprised William.

"There are some great opportunities about being in his position," Frieda said. "There are some ridiculously hard things; it's got to be an enormous amount of pressure."

Like his late mother, William is mostly seen through photos, his

voice rarely heard. So the movie attempts to guess what the prince is really like in private. The script was based on published accounts.

"I didn't want to portray him behind closed doors as people have seen him in front of cameras," Frieda said. "One can sense a stiffness in him; a tremendous amount of training has been put into this guy when he goes out and faces the world. As to what he's like as a person, there you really have to use the imagination."

Frieda did attend Eton College at the same time as William, although he doesn't know the prince. Frieda earned a philosophy degree.

"I'm not an aristocrat and I've never moved in those circles," he

(See **FRIEDA**, page six)

Unusual bluegrass group to appear at Appalshop

WHITESBURG — Goldwing Express, a bluegrass quartet that combines comedy and music, is slated to perform for WMMT's Bluegrass Express Live, on Thursday, Oct. 3, at the Appalshop Theater in Whitesburg.

The quartet bills itself as "3 Indians and the Little White Man." Bob Baldrige — the white man — is the father of Shawn David, Steven Joseph and Paul Anthony — the three Indians, whose mother is a Native American. The sons wear traditional tribal attire for the performances.

The father is the comedian and mandolin player of Goldwing Express, with the sons singing and playing bass, fiddle, banjo and guitar.

The 7:30 p.m. performance will be broadcast live on WMMT-FM, 88.7, public community radio station.

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Letters

you did to my country. Be ashamed for allowing yourself to be brainwashed and ignorant.

It's never to late to wise up and repent. Stop hanging on to failure and stop living in denial. America is not the best example of democracy in the world, far from it. Americans are the least informed and the most manipulated. Break out of old habits and don't be afraid to seek improvements.

The Framers of our Constitution knew that it was important to always strive for perfection. They recognized that from time to time corrections and adjustments were going to be needed. We have moved toward a more perfect union but we are not there yet. We need 100 percent publicly-funded elections with 0 percent private monies involved with our elections. We must move to equal access for all candidates to get on the ballot. We must not allow these two fascist parties to continue to illegally exclude candidates from other parties from participating in public debates for a public office. It is the public's right to demand full participation and a full flushing out of all opinions before casting their votes. We must have a news service that is free of market influences, free to report without editing or censorship. We the people above all others must be made privy to all intelligence information so we the electorate can control our own destiny.

You see, folks, that's what a real democracy is all about and until we the people reach these goals, we will pay the price in loss of life and treasure to promote the personal goals of the unscrupulous individuals whose goals are not in the interest of the people at large.

Join the Green Party. Time is running out.
John Burgess
Louisa

You can go home again

Well, we closed the season at the Kentucky Opry last night. Yesireeee, sophistication has definitely come to the hills. How apropos that the lead guitarist was from Greasy Creek.

My, how things have changed since I left Weeksbury 50 years ago! My generation tried to hide the fact that we were from East Kentucky. Not now — this generation is proud of their heritage — and guess what? The whole world is trying to copy us now. Hillbilly music has become country-western, but there ain't nothing western about Hi Hat, Big Mud, Greasy Creek or Weeksbury.

"Where is Weeksbury?" you ask. Weeksbury is two miles east of Melvin, and Melvin is two miles east of Wheelwright Junction; but there ain't nothing east of Weeksbury. There, mister, is where the road ends. Weeksbury is still dang near inaccessible, but once you have slipped the surly bonds of Left Beaver Creek, the road opens up and is accessible to the whole world. But who needs the rest of the world when we have everything we enjoy right here? There's the Mountain Arts Center, the Jenny Wiley Amphitheater, lakes galore to satisfy any fisherman, and Stone Crest, a brand spanking new, great big, I mean humongous, 18 hole golf course. And greatest of all: God is still proclaimed and family unity is alive.

We took residence in the Highland Terrace at Prestonsburg on the 10th day of April 2001, never dreaming that our class would be having a reunion one year later. After all it had been 52 years and one would have to be optimistic to believe there would be enough of us left to have very many in attendance. However, we had a

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ball, there were 20 students in attendance plus spouses and some kids. Of course this bash took place at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park. I was asked to write something about us and here it is.

We had snow flurries on the 27th of Oct. 2001. Two weeks before we went to the Breaks of the Cumberland Mountains. It was breathtaking. I guess growing up here I took these hills for granted. I don't believe there is a more beautiful place in the world. Surely Daniel Boone arrived here in the autumn. It is called the Grand Canyon of the East. You can see endless ranges and rock formations — kind of like looking at history in the making with the Russell Fork of the Big Sandy River winding thousands of feet below, still cutting its inexorable trough ever deeper on its way to join up with the Levisa and Tug Forks.

The Pikeville river rerouting project is simply unbelievable, greatest eart-moving project since the Panama Canal, and the upgrading of the highways — heretofore, thought impossible — has made all these wonders of Kentucky easily accessible.

Some of the ridges seem to go forever — up to 10 miles and more. The state finally wised up and adopted a reclamation program whereby the companies that scalp the mountains for coal are compelled to reclaim them for a better use. They have built major airports and Stone Crest Golf course through this program. I sure could have used this 6,000 foot runway atop the mountain rather than the 3,000 footer I had to use down in the valley between the mountains. Didn't leave much room for error.

Yes, my fellow classmates, you can indeed go home again; that is if your home is in Eastern Kentucky.

Weeksbury, Oh Weeksbury, how blessed am I for having Known Thee.

How else would I know how the rest of the world could be?

Now with crime, perversion and lack of love so rampant,

I remember how it was, as I grew up there, from an infant.

As my body grows old and my mind grows weary,

It wanders back there, when times grow dreary.

I wonder if ever there will be such a time again,

Then I realize. — Yes! When our Lord comes to reign.

I venture to say that many of you could substitute Wheelwright, Bypro, Jacks Creek, Buckingham, Melvin, Abner or anywhere else you might have lived in 1950 and express the same sentiments as this poet wannabe has attempted above. Cheers, See ya'll at the reunion.

Glenn Fraley
Prestonsburg

Obituaries

Bill Douglas "Doug" Shepherd

Bill Douglas "Doug" Shepherd, 53, of Martin, died Monday, September 23, 2002, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

Born January 9, 1949, in Martin, he was the son of the late Bill and Phyllis Ousley Shepherd. He was a disabled diesel mechanic for National Mines.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Survivors include two sisters, Tammy Morrison of Prestonsburg; and Mary Smith of Martin; three nephews, Christopher Smith, Stephen Morrison; and David Morrison; and one niece, Andrea Smith.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday, September 26, at 1 p.m., at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin, with Gordon Fitch officiating.

Burial was in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, Ivel, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

(Paid obituary)

French W. Boyd

French W. Boyd, a native of Floyd County, died on Wednesday, September 25, 2002.

He was the son of the late Orville and Lillymae Boyd.

He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth, and his two daughters, Theresa and Lori.

(Paid obituary)

Cora Collins

Cora Collins, 81, of Melvin, died Tuesday, September 24, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital.

Born March 24, 1921, in Knott County, she was the daughter of the late Ellis and Maudie Proffitt Hall. She was a homemaker and a member of the Wheelwright Freewill Baptist Church.

She is survived by her husband, Addison Bee Collins.

Survivors include three sons, Kenneth Adrian Collins of Belleview, Ohio, Charles Edward Collins of Melvin, and Ellis Ray Collins of Taylor, Michigan; four daughters, Barbara Sue Green of Melvin, Marcella Williams of Bypro, Marlene Johnson of McDowell, and Sharon Kay Forman of Bevinville; three brothers, Gay Hall of Knott County, Vermon Hall of Bevinville, and Moses Hall of Morehead; one sister, Margie Hall Williams of Pikeville; 21 grandchildren; several great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by one daughter, Charloett Newman; five brothers, Lonis Hall, Elmer Hall, Carmel Hall, Ishmael Hall and Waylace Hall; two sisters, Carnie Smock and Gallie Slone; and one grandchild, Shawna Johnson.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday, September 26, at noon, at the Wheelwright Freewill Baptist Church, with Louis Ferrari, John Allen and Tommy Webb officiating.

Burial was in the Buckingham Cemetery at Bevinville, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Visitation was at the church.

(Paid obituary)

Bill T. Turner

Bill T. Turner, age 61, of Gratis Township, Ohio, in Preble County, passed away Wednesday, September 25, 2002, at 3 p.m., at his residence, following a brief battle with cancer.

He was born April 18, 1941, in Wayland, the son of Pauline Turner of Wayland, and the late Freddie Turner, and had lived in Ohio since 1964. He served in the U.S. Air Force. He was a roller in the Hot Strip Mill at A K Steel, retiring in 2001, after 36 years of service. He was a member of the Monroe First Church of God, and Loyal Order of The Moose #501 of Middletown.

In addition to his father, he was preceded in death by an uncle, Charles "Bubby" Turner.

In addition to his mother, he is survived by his wife of 37 years, Kathryn "Kitty" Turner; two daughters, Amy Froment, and husband, John Froment of West Alexandria, Ohio; Allison Campbell, and husband, Pastor Greg Campbell of Middletown, Ohio; six grandchildren, Clayton, Emily, Leslie, Luke, Lily and Turner; special aunt, Lottie "Sissy" Turner of Wayland; and several other aunts and uncles.

Funeral services will be Saturday, September 28, at 2 p.m., at the Monroe First Church of God, with Pastor Terry Ball officiating.

Interment will be at Fairmount Cemetery, East Elton, Ohio.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Youth Ministry at the Monroe First Church of God, P.O. Box 181, Monroe, Ohio 45050.

Arrangements by Herr-Riggs Funeral Home, 210 S. Main St., Middletown, Ohio.

Visitation will be Saturday, September 28, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the Monroe First Church of God, 100 East Ave., Monroe, Ohio. (Paid obituary)

Odds

■ **LOVELAND, Colo.** — Drug enforcement officers are getting a little help this season from Mother Nature.

Drought appears to be shriveling the clandestine pockets of marijuana growing in Colorado fields.

Each year, Larimer County Drug Task Force officers partner with the Colorado National Guard to fly over irrigated fields, looking for hidden marijuana plants. They have found far fewer than usual this year.

"The pilots are saying it's been a pretty sparse year partly because of the drought," said Sgt. Francis Gonzales of the National

Guard. Marijuana is often found amid irrigated crops, said task force detective Gary Shaklee. The growers sneak into the maze of cornfields, pull some plants and replace them with marijuana. The drug plants then benefit from irrigation and fertilizer, and the growers remove them before the field is harvested.

"This year it was a little dry," Shaklee said. "We got only 137 plants." That compares with 1,800 plants officers found in Larimer County last year.

Alabama

back, learns to appreciate the catfish festival, and finds that maybe she still has a soft spot for that beer-drinking lug after all.

Melanie and Jake have a couple of convincing fights, and a scene in which she gets drunk and tells off her old friends in a honky-tonk is believable. (Another in which she visits the grave of her dead dog, Bear, and apologizes for being absent in his final years will tug at the hearts of dog people in the audience; I'll admit, it got to me.)

But the changes of heart happen too quickly and things wrap up far too neatly for any of those real moments to matter.

"Sweet Home Alabama," a Touchstone Pictures release, is rated PG-13 for some language and sexual references. Running time: 109 minutes. Two stars out of four.

Card of Thanks

The family of Bill May would like to thank all their friends, neighbors, and family who helped in any way during the passing of our loved one. Thanks to those who sent flowers, food, and for their prayers. A special thanks to Rev. Dave Flannery, Jimmy Patton and Dana Stephens for their consoling words. Thanks to Dr. Floyd Price, pastor of Irene Cole Baptist Church, and the choir members who sang.

Thanks to the Garrett D.A.V. for their performance, the Sheriff's Department for traffic control, and Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home for their service.

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Amber Dawn Cole, 18, to Bobby Kenneth Stanley, 18, both of Betsy Layne.

Hullena Hope Boyd, 16, of Tram, to Christopher Ryan Howell, 21, of Dana.

Amanda Sue Boyd, 21, of Banner, to Danny Dale Tackett, 32, of McDowell.

Stephanie Waynette Johnson, 25, to David Lee Hall, 23, both of Allen.

Cynthia Kidd, 18, to Bruce Lee Jarrell, 20, both of Banner.

Tammy Lynn Brown, 30, to Brian Keith Hurt, 24, both of Indiana.

Michelle Lynn Collins, 20, to Danny Wayne Hall, 18, both of Hi Hat.

Civil Suits Filed

Reggie Scott vs. Loren L. Herrington and Hartford Accident and Indemnity Company; compensation for injuries in automobile accident.

Sheila Johnson vs. McDowell ARH Regional Medical Center; medical negligence.

Conseco Finance Servicing Corp. vs. Thomas Rose Jr.; debt collection.

Barbara P. Cupps vs. Albert Hudson; petition for child support and health care insurance.

Bay View Franchise Mortgage Acceptance Company vs. Coleman Oil, Gas and Go, Food Express, Commonwealth of Kentucky Revenue Cabinet and Floyd County; debt collection.

Miranda D. Hall vs. Andy R. Hall; petition for child support and health care insurance.

Geraldine Spurlock vs. Valerie M. Spurlock; petition for health care insurance.

Charles R. Daniels vs. Loretta Smith; petition for health care insurance.

Judy A. Hicks vs. Jonathan Hicks; petition for health care insurance.

Dawn M. Hall vs. Levi Hall; petition for child support and health care insurance.

Vonda K. Gayheart vs. Todd Gayheart; petition for health care insurance.

April A. Fraley vs. Nicole Caudill; compensation for injuries in automobile accident.

Vicki Hatcher vs. Bruce Hatcher; divorce.

Nationwide Mutual Insurance Co. vs. Carter J. Short; debt collection.

Cynthia Maria Tucker vs. Keith Allen Tucker; divorce.

Conseco Finance Servicing Co. vs. Douglas Castle; debt collection.

Commonwealth of Kentucky vs. Nelson Prater and Dave Prater; tax collection.

Commonwealth of Kentucky vs. Roger Paige; tax collection.

Commonwealth of Kentucky vs. Virginia Shepherd and Norma Shepherd; tax collection.

Small Claims Filings

Microtel Inn vs. Jeff A. Braden; debt collection.

Trucks and Toys Auto Sales vs. James Smith and Tony Smith; failure to complete contract.

Trucks and Toys Auto Sales vs. Ray Johnson; debt collection.

Steve Ousley vs. Ray Johnson; debt collection.

F.S. Vanhose and Co. vs. Charlie Hatfield; debt collection.

Lucy Jane Cornette vs. Jackie L. Terry; compensation for automobile damage.

Charges Filed

William Blankenship, 22, Ligon, cultivating five or more marijuana plants.

Christopher Howell, 22, Dana, unlawful transaction with a minor.

Jonathan B. Allen, 24, Garrett, theft by unlawful taking.

Ralph Newsome, 46, McDowell, second-degree stalking, harassing communications.

Kenneth E. Stewart, 41, Tram, alcohol intoxication.

Herbert Courtney, 29, Pikeville, alcohol intoxication.

Rodney Baker, 35, Lackey, alcohol intoxication.

Joseph C. Mullins, 28, East Point, alcohol intoxication.

Brian C. Sellards, 37, Prestonsburg, alcohol intoxication.

tion, fleeing/evading police, resisting arrest, disorderly conduct.

Angie Evans, 77, McDowell, harassment, criminal mischief.

Gwen Dingus, 47, Prestonsburg, second-degree cruelty to animals.

Tony Q. Swiger, 24, Ivel, first-degree criminal trespassing.

Bill D. Barnett, 22, Eastern, hunt/fish without license.

Anthony Brown, 20, Minnie, hunt/fish without license.

Amy J. Webb, 26, Belfry, hunt/fish without license.

Jason C. Spriggs, 18, Minnie, disorderly conduct, simple assault.

Kenneth C. Hoover, 19, Eastern, disorderly conduct, simple assault.

Charles D. Sexton, 44, Van Lear, alcohol intoxication, third-degree criminal trespassing.

Neil ward, 48, Martin, alcohol intoxication, resisting arrest.

Kimberly K. Allen, 35, Wayland, alcohol intoxication.

Bobby Sparks, 46, Salyersville, alcohol intoxication.

Jason M. Garrett, 25, Dwale, fourth-degree assault.

Christopher W. Thompson, 26, Stanville, cultivating fewer than five marijuana plants.

Crystal L. Sword, 19, New London, Ohio, alcohol intoxication.

Elmer Blankenship, 40, Prestonsburg, fourth-degree assault.

Janet White, 21, Prestonsburg, third-degree criminal trespassing, fourth-degree assault, fourth-degree assault.

Enoch Douglas Hannah, 34, Hi Hat, seven counts of second-degree forgery.

Charles D. Johnson, 27, Wheelwright, flagrant nonsupport.

John M. Stumbo Elementary, Grethel, regular inspection.

Violations noted: Boys' restroom urinal stalls in disrepair, girls' restroom tiles in disrepair, shades on one window missing, not all commode stalls have toilet paper.

Score: 92.

John M. Stumbo Elementary, Grethel, regular inspection.

Violations noted: No designated property identified in damage food storage area, floor tile in disrepair in several places throughout food preparation and storage area.

Score: 97.

Wheelwright Country Cafe, Wheelwright, regular inspection.

Violations noted: Conspicuous thermometer not present in all refrigerator units, wiping cloth not properly stored when not in

use, small hole in ceiling of food preparation section. Score: 97.

Harold Happy Mart, Harold, regular inspection. Violations noted: Bottled soda stored in undrained ice, counter in disrepair, no light in walk-in refrigerator unit, mops observed stored on the floor in food preparation area.

Score: Food: 93, Retail: 97.

Pappy's Mart, Teaberry, regular inspection. Violations noted: Freezer and refrigerators have no thermometers, restroom door not self-closing, walls in restroom not finished. Score: 91.

Ann's Deli, Teaberry, regular inspection. Violations noted: chest type freezer has no conspicuous thermometer, wiping cloth not properly stored, ceiling in restroom unfinished, food preparation area does not have good lighting, mop head observed stored on the floor in food preparation area. Score: 94.

Care A Lot, Martin, regular inspection. Violations noted: Unable to locate a thermometer in the freezer, restrooms do not have self-closing doors. Score: 97.

Dollar General Store, Stanville, regular inspection.

Violations noted: No violations observed during inspection. Score: 100.

Property Transfers

David B. Salyers to Tim Hall and Larry Hall, property location not listed.

Afton Martin and Phyliss Martin, Fred Martin Jr. and Gloria J. Martin, Tandy Martin and Regina Martin, Phillip Gibson, Rickie Gibson, Linda Smith and Otis B. Smith, David Woods, John Woods, Jerry Woods, Dora Mullins and Jimmy Mullins, Tina Gosnell and Roy Lee Gosnell to Michael Reynolds, property location not listed.

Interstate Natural Gas Company to Anthony and Kristin M. Shepherd, property located near the mouth of Sugar Loaf Creek.

Wendell R. Handshoe and Debra Kay Brewer and Ernest Dale Brewer to Ricky Handshoe, property location not listed.

Ronald Hatfield and Kathy Hatfield to Teddy Akers and Janice Akers, property located on Parsons Branch of Big Mud Creek.

Cynthia Schmidt to Kristy Poynter and Jerry Gilbert, property located on Little Mud Creek.

Stephen James Brown and Diane Brown to James Young,

property located on Tackett Fork, Head of Big Mud Creek.

Carl Hayes and Mary M. Hayes to Becky Duddleson, property location not listed.

Carl Hayes and Mary M. Hayes to Carla Rose, property location not listed.

Carl Hayes and Mary M. Hayes to Jodi Collins, property location not listed.

Carl Hayes and Mary M. Hayes to Whitney Hayes, property location not listed.

Elizabeth Martin to Nancy V. Martin, property located near Highway 114.

Gwen Gaie to Bennett Tibbs and Angie Tibbs, property located on Prater Creek.

John M. Hall to Sherman Hall, property location not listed.

Master Commissioners Deed of Easement: Eastern Kentucky Development Associates, Limited Partnership, an Ohio Limited Partnership to Commonwealth of Kentucky, Transportation Cabinet, Department of Highways, property location not listed.

Larry Clevinger and Sharon Clevinger to Kara Henson and Billie Huffman, property location not listed.

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H.S. BASKETBALL

Stratton steps away from football

Ladycat decides to concentrate on basketball

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

BETSY LAYNE - One area high school football player has decided to step away from the game, opting to instead concentrate on the upcoming high school basketball season.

Natasha Stratton has officially quit football, to dedicate her time to basketball. According to her mother, Renee, the standout basketball player is hoping to get a college basketball scholarship. "She wants to get a

(See **STEP**, page three)

"She hasn't been able to kick in her last two games, so that really helped with her decision, not to mention the fact that she works as well and it would be too much to do it all," said her mother.

PRESTONSBURG VS. WHITESBURG



Prestonsburg will hope to bounce back with a win tonight when it hosts Whitesburg. The Yellowjackets enter the contest with a perfect record of wins opposed to no losses.

file photo

Blackcats get first district test tonight

Whitesburg makes trip to visit Prestonsburg

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG - After opening the season against four top-notch non-district opponents, the Prestonsburg Blackcats return to action tonight when they host the Whitesburg Yellowjackets.

Prestonsburg, after beginning the season with a loss to Lawrence County, reeled off wins over Whitley County and Paintsville, each triumph coming on the road. Then, Boyle County came to town. After playing Boyle County close in the first half, the Blackcats dropped the game. Last week offered an open date for Prestonsburg.

"We took the open week and made the most of it," said Prestonsburg head coach John

(See **P'BURG**, page three)

GAMES ON TAP

East Carter	West Carter
East Ridge	Allen Central
Fairview	Jenkins
Fleming County	Russell
Fleming Neon	South Floyd
Greenup Co.	Magoffin Co.
Hazard	Breathitt County
Ironton, Ohio	Ashland Blazer
Morgan County	Lewis County
(Sorghum Bowl)	
Paintsville	Phelps
Pike Central	Betsy Layne
Pikeville	Belfry
Pineville	Thomas Walker, Va.
Prestonsburg	Whitesburg
Rowan County	Boyd County
Shelby Valley	Leslie County
Sheldon Clark	Lawrence Co.

Note: Home teams listed first

CLASS A FOOTBALL

South Floyd looks to even record against Jenkins

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

South Floyd head coach Donnie Daniels will hit the road with his team this afternoon when they travel to Jenkins to take on the Cavaliers. Jenkins is winless on the season, having dropped a 12-6 game last week at Phelps. The win was the first of the season for the Hornets.

South Floyd began the 2002 season with a pair of losses before bouncing back to score two wins. Then came Pikeville. Last week the Raiders traveled to Pike County to take on the Panthers only to come up on the losing end. The loss gave South Floyd three setbacks on the season

(See **SOUTH FLOYD**, page three)

H.S. VOLLEYBALL

Allen Central varsity unit tops Breathitt Co.

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

JACKSON - The Allen Central High School volleyball team packed its belongings and headed to Breathitt County on Monday night to do battle with the Bobcats. Allen Central teams split the two matches as the junior varsity came up short and the varsity scored a win.

The Allen Central junior varsity lost 15-6, 7-15, 15-7 in three games. The varsity squad was victorious, however, beating Breathitt County 15-5, 15-13 in straight games.

Tiffany Turner had six kills to lead the

(See **ALLEN CENTRAL**, page four)

Huge crowd of drivers, fans expected for race

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG - Thunder Ridge Raceway is set to host what promises to be one of the biggest dirt track races ever held in Eastern Kentucky. On Saturday, the Floyd

County track will be filled with dirt track cars of classes as Thunder Ridge brings one racing season to an end with final season-end races and a \$10,000-to-win Late Model event.

(See **DRIVERS**, page three)

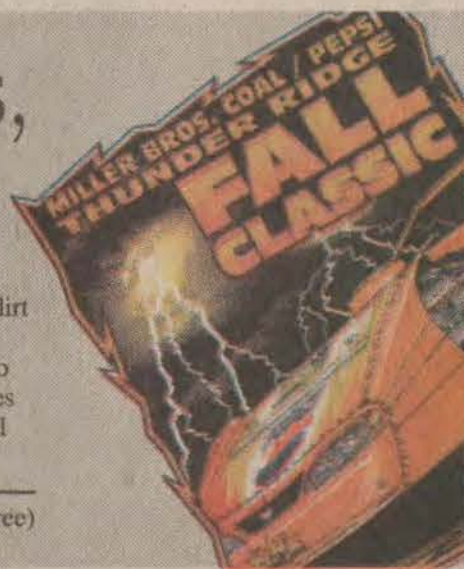
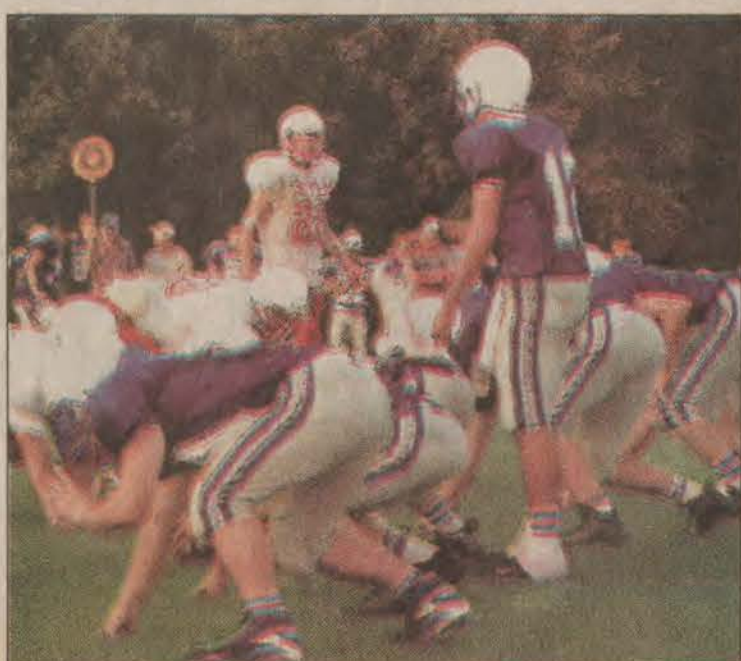


photo by Steve LeMaster

Allen Central and Paintsville each return to action tonight. Allen Central travels to East Ridge and Paintsville hosts Phelps.



COMMENTARY

Barnhart connects to Morriss

by BILLY REED
TIMES COLUMNIST

When Dr. Lee T. Todd Jr. became president of the University of Kentucky on July 1, 2001, he sounded almost like a tent evangelist as he immediately declared war on the so-called "good ol' boy" system that he believed was responsible for the athletic department's chronic problems with the NCAA.

He sounded as if he had a revolutionary new model in mind that would give him more control of

the athletics department, establish a new chain of command and accountability, and serve notice to boosters that a new sheriff

was in town. Obviously, he didn't have a clue as to what he was getting into.

Now, more than a year later, the new model still looks very much like the old model. If significant changes have been made, they are difficult to see with the naked eye. Oh, sure, new athletics director Mitch

(See **REED**, page four)

COMMENTARY

Annual rivalry resumes later today

by RICK BENTLEY
TIMES COLUMNIST

It happens once a year, always around this time, and I'm just one of the many who get excited about it.

There's this file I have. It has survived three different computers now, and somehow I've been able to keep up with it, to manage not

to lose it and those transitions from computer to computer to computer has managed not to

(See **TONIGHT**, page three)



■ Bentley

BIKING

Appalachian Biking: NOW IS THE TIME

by DON FIELDS

Now that Autumn is here, it's time to quit complaining about the hot, humid weather. Get outside and enjoy the fall weather and changing leaves. We all agree that autumn is the best time of year for outdoor activity and what better ways to enjoy the outdoors than on a mountain bike, a kayak or just a simple trail run.

Eastern Kentucky has literally thousands of miles of off road trails in the form of reclaimed strip mines, gas well roads and fire

(See **BIKING**, page four)

S P O R T S B O A R D



courtesy photo

Runners started this past Saturday's King Coal Run under wet conditions.

Watts wins King Coal Run

TIMES STAFF REPORT

WILLIAMSON, W.Va. — What rain? The King Coal Festival 4 Miler, traversing the 4 miles between Belfry, Kentucky, and Williamson, West Virginia, was plagued by rain this year, for the first time in its five-year history. But the rain didn't dampen the spirits of the 31 runners and

walkers who waded through the parking lot of the Belfry Fire Department to get to the starting line.

Despite the rain, some road construction, and more than a few inconsiderate drivers, Randall Watts, 47, arrived at the Williamson Flood Wall finish line in 24:38.32. Finishing within a few steps of one another were second-place finisher

Mike Maynard, 35, with a time of 26:06.74, and Elkhorn City's Denny Paul May, 36, with a time of 26:10:81.

Racing with an escort for the women, Katrina Blankenship finished first (fifth overall), with a time of 29:43:16. Oil Springs' Lisa Salyer finished second for

(See WATTS, page five)

UK NOTEBOOK

Football Wildcats among SEC defensive leaders

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — Defensive end Vincent "Sweet Pea" Burns and a trio of Wildcat defensive backs are among the leaders of the Southeastern Conference defensive statistics released by the league office.

Burns has 5.5 tackles for loss this season, tying Yahrek Johnson of Mississippi for the league lead in that category. Burns also has two fumble recoveries, tied for second in the SEC.

UK defensive backs Quentus Cumby, Leonard Burress, and Derrick Tatum each have four pass breakups this season. That ties them for fourth in the SEC in that department.

Short-term health improving
The team's short-term health is improving, Coach Guy Morriss said after Wednesday's practice at the Nutter Training Facility.

Morriss said that linebacker Justin Haydock, who missed the last two games with a hamstring injury, and defensive tackle John Robinson, who missed the Middle Tennessee game because of an ankle injury, would return to game action Saturday at Florida.

(See UK, page three)

Madness four days prior to Oct. 15 for UK

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — The University of Kentucky will tip off its 100th season of men's basketball with Big Blue Madness on Friday, Oct. 11 at Memorial Coliseum. Doors open at 10:30 p.m. and the team will make its first appearance at 12:01 a.m., the first official day college basketball teams may practice (Oct. 12).

Free tickets will be distributed on Oct. 5 at 10 a.m. at the front ticket windows of Memorial Coliseum. The general public may pick up four tickets per person. To encourage a boisterous student section, students may pick up two tickets per person at a dedicated window.

A select number of Madness tickets may be obtained on-line at ukathletics.com beginning at 10 a.m. on Oct. 5. All Internet orders will be assessed a service charge.

The UK volleyball team will battle Tennessee in an important Southeastern Conference match-up that night at the 7 p.m. in the Coliseum. It too is free and open to the public.

This will mark the earliest start to college basketball practice. NCAA rules allow teams to begin practicing on the Saturday closest to Oct. 15.

Camara out 4-6 weeks for injury

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON — Kentucky center Jules Camara will be out of action for the next four to six weeks because of a broken hand, according to head coach Tubby Smith.

Camara, a 6-11 senior, fractured the third metacarpal bone during individual workouts Monday afternoon. The senior has had the hand placed in a cast, Smith said in a statement Tuesday.

"We hope to get Jules back as soon as we can, hopefully by early November," Smith said. "The good news is that he'll still be able to continue his pre-season conditioning and once he returns, he'll have time to get a few practices in before we open the season in Maui."

(See CAMARA, page four)

MIDDLE SCHOOL FOOTBALL 2002

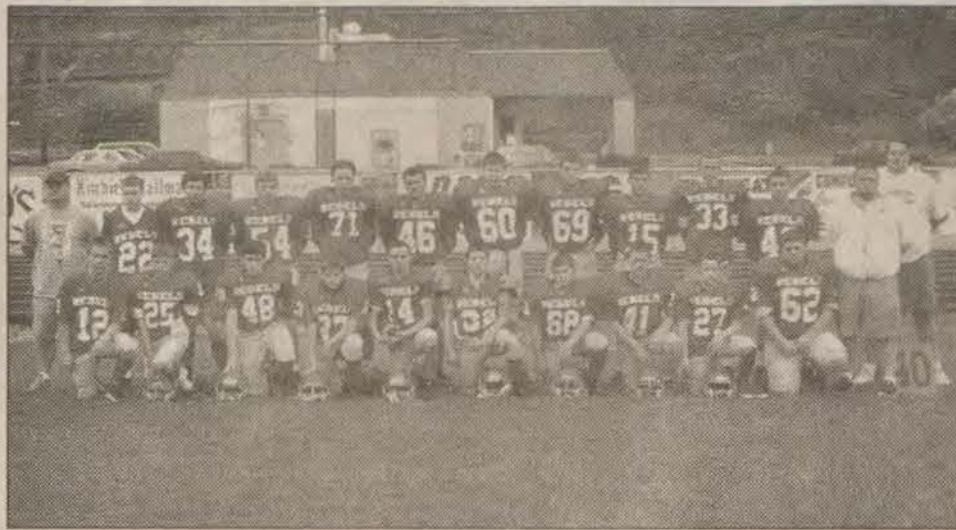


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The Allen Central Middle School Football Team.



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The Adams Middle School Varsity Football Team.



photo by Steve LeMaster

The Adams Middle Junior Varsity Football Team.



photo by Steve LeMaster

Caney Creek traveled to Prestonsburg from Knott County to take part in the Floyd County football event held on Saturday. The school's B-Team is pictured.

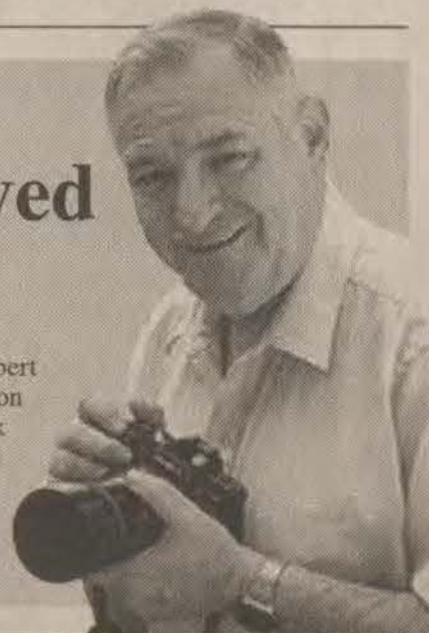
A LOOK AT SPORTS

Mayton getting involved in football at AC

How long has it been since the Allen Central football program had a winning season? Well if we recall it has to have been at least eight seasons ago and that came when Glen Reeves was still the head man of the program.

Since then, Wes Halbert headed the program one season before Kevin Spurlock took over and held the head job for three years.

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YOUTH SOCCER

Omegas get win No. 2

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PRESTONSBURG — The Omegas Soccer Club of Johnson County, a U19 level team of the Johnson County Youth Soccer Association, fielded its second win of the season with a 6-2 victory over the Job Corps Cougars of Prestonsburg.

The Saturday match was played in drizzling rain, but that didn't dampen the high-spirited play of the Omega forwards. Tim Burke scored just five minutes into

the first half off an assist by midfielder Garret Conley. Just moments later, Chris Adkins tallied a goal with a hard shot that deflected off a Cougar player into the net. Adkins connected again midway through the first half with another hard drive from the left wing, nearly 30 yards outside the goal. The Cougars had a tough time creating any serious offensive threat due to some outstanding defensive play by

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AUTO RACING

Stewart turns inward after troubles

by DICK BRINSTER ASSOCIATED PRESS

DOVER, Del. — Tony Stewart strode quickly through the garage area, hoping to reach his race car before anybody noticed him.

Suddenly, an autograph seeker appeared from behind a stack of tires, stepped from a roped-in area, walked just as rapidly toward the driver and asked, "Tony, can you ...?"

Before he finished the sentence, Stewart waved the man away and picked up his pace. It's not unusual for NASCAR drivers who are too busy at a particular moment to decline to sign, since one autograph request can quickly multiply.

But for Stewart, the issue goes deeper than inconvenience.

"I'm scared to get close to a fan in the garage area because of what's going on," he said.

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H.S. DISTRICT STANDINGS

Class A, Semi 2, Region 4, District 8		
Pikeville	3-1	2-0
Paintsville	3-2	2-0
Hazard	3-2	1-1
South Floyd	2-3	1-1
Phelps	1-3	1-1
Allen Central	2-2	1-2
Fleming-Neon	1-3	1-2
Jenkins	0-5	0-2

Class AA, Semi 2, Region 3, District 6		
Russell	3-1	1-0
Fleming County	3-2	1-0
West Carter	3-2	1-0
Mason County	4-1	0-1
East Carter	2-3	0-1
Bath County	1-3	0-0
Lewis County	1-3	0-1

Class AA, Semi 2, Region 4, District 7		
Breathitt County	4-0	0-0
Madison Southern	4-0	0-0
Leslie County	3-1	0-0
Estill County	2-3	0-0
Morgan County	1-3	0-0
Powell County	1-3	0-0

Class AA, Semi 2, Region 4, District 8		
Whitesburg	5-0	2-0
Pike County Central	4-1	1-0
Belfry	3-1	2-0
Shelby Valley	3-1	1-1
Prestonsburg	2-2	0-0
East Ridge	1-3	0-3
Betsy Layne	0-5	0-2

Class AAA, Semi 2, Region 4, Dis. 7		
Bell County	4-1	1-0
Cawood	1-3	1-1
Rockcastle County	4-1	0-0
Perry Central	3-1	0-0
Knott County Central	1-4	0-1
Knox Central	0-4	0-0

Class AAA, Semi 2, Region 4, Dis. 8		
Sheldon Clark	4-0	2-0
Boyd County	2-2	2-0
Ashland Blazer	4-1	2-1
Greenup County	3-2	1-1
Johnson Central	1-4	1-3
Lawrence County	3-1	0-1
Rowan County	1-3	0-1
Magoffin County	0-4	0-1



photo submitted

Ken 'Jeep' Alexander (right) grew up in Prestonsburg and attended Prestonsburg High School where he also played football. He is the son of the late Willard and Enid Alexander. He is the brother of Mildred Horn, Ruby Sammons and Bud Alexander. He was a member of the L.C. Boles Memorial Golf Course Senior League championship golf team.

Sports

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Now it is Robbie Mayton's turn and he was a little hesitant when he was offered the challenge of keeping the program alive.

"The principal came to me and asked me if I would take it over after Kevin left," said Coach Mayton. "I told her I was not that much into football but I would give it a try."

Mayton has guided the Allen Central program to a 2-2 season through four weeks and could have very easily been 3-1 if not for the loss to Fleming-Neon last week.

"We had them down 18-6 at one point," explained Coach Mayton. "In fact, we held a 18-

12 lead in the fourth quarter but we let them score 20 unanswered points against us."

The Rebels have one of the toughest players in the area playing for them in Dusty Hammonds. Dusty has been a hard-nosed player since his middle school days and, as a senior, still plays just as hard, according to Coach Mayton.

"Dusty always works hard. He is a workhorse out there," said the Rebel mentor. "He is a hard runner and a very good receiver."

Behind center for Allen Central is Alex Patton, who I remember as just a "little person" but who played big in

whatever he did.

"He is still on the small size but I have been very impressed with his efforts for us," said Mayton. "He is just a tough player."

Allen Central is not blessed with a lot of senior leadership and could very well be classified as a young team. But the future of Rebel football looks good in the hands of Mayton with the talent he has in the form of young players.

"We have 13 freshmen on the team this year," he said. "One starts on the offensive line for me, one on the defensive line for us and one at linebacker."

Charles Robinson is the

freshman linebacker and, according to Coach Mayton, is doing a very good job.

Derrick Kennedy and James Prater join Hammonds in the

backfield for Central with John Bailey and Randy O'Neal at tight end. "Randy has been hurt," said Coach Mayton.

Allen Central has but one

junior on the squad and eight sophomores.

"Next year we are going to be very young," Mayton said. "Right now we have nothing but sophomores and freshmen on our offensive line."

Mayton used to be an assistant coach on the school's basketball team under Coach Johnny Martin.

"But I could not oversee the football program and work with basketball, too," said Mayton. "I just go and watch and support them that way."

Coach Mayton probably never thought he would be a head football coach at a high school, but now he is just enjoying it and really "getting into it!"

"I really like what I am doing," he admitted. "I like it and just having fun right now."

The Allen Central coach said a possible winning season is not out of the question for the Rebels.

"We could finish 5-5 or maybe 6-4 on the season," he said. "A .500 season would be excellent for our program. But if we were to finish with a 6-4 record and a winning season, that would be the absolute best."

We wish the Rebels and Coach Mayton the best through the next six weeks of the season.

Until Sunday, good sports everyone and be good sports!



courtesy photo

Bill Francis (left) won his age division in last weekend's King Coal Run. Francis is set to compete in two runs this weekend, one of which is the Apple Run in Paintsville.

Tonight

destroy it.

It is overlooked for 51 weeks a year. Then, on about Tuesday or Wednesday of the 52nd Week, it is highlighted, clicked on, and suddenly, a history dating back to 1949 is opened up to me. I use it to form a 750-plus-word promo, which hopefully sheds some light as to why it's important enough that the talk of most sports-minded people turn to it for an entire week each September.

This file is called "Bel-Pik Series.doc", and it tells me more than anyone - Philip Haywood and Chris McNamee included - could ever want to know about the 40 meetings of the football programs representing the high schools of Belfry and Pikeville.

Like what? Well ...: Belfry leads 19-18, while three games have finished in ties;

One of those sister-kissings - sister-kissing: I love that - was a 0-0 tie when the teams hooked up in 1956 (by the way, I'd love to see a tape of this game if anyone has it);

Ties, which are not possible now due to overtime rules, were quite popular early in the series. In fact, the teams finished deadlocked the first time they played, and three times in the first eight meetings;

Since the powers that be decided they didn't like ties anymore, the Pirates and Panthers have gone into overtime twice. Pikeville won the 1982 meeting 23-22, while in 1996 Belfry took the win 26-20;

Belfry shut out the Panthers 21-0 last year to end a three-game win streak for Pikeville. It was the seventh shutout in the series, not counting the tie, with Belfry winning five of them;

This is my favorite string of stats of the entire series: If you add up the points Pikeville and Belfry have scored, Belfry wins the average game 16.7 to 15.4. Close.

But, if you add up the scores of the winning teams and the losing teams, taking out the ties, of course, the average score is 24.8 to 9.2. Not so close;

What does this mean? It means they've won about an equal amount of times, but they haven't always been close wins;

Meanwhile, in the last 10 years, Belfry leads the series 6-4;

Points? More of the same. Belfry has outscored Pikeville 23.3 to 17.8, a margin of 5.5, which is a little more than the overall series;

But the winning team has outscored the losing squad 29.9 to 11.2, which is approaching 3:1. Impressive;

All of this isn't to say there haven't been close games. There have. In the mid-1990s, Belfry won back-to-back games 7-6 and 26-20 in overtime. But since then, we've had these scores: 47-6, 35-19, 26-8, 31-14 and last year's 21-0 blanking;

Pikeville won three of those. The average score per team in those routs has been

Belfry 21.8, Pikeville 19.6;

The 1956 tie tells us the fewest points scored in this rivalry. But what is the most? 69 (1994, Pikeville 42, Belfry 27);

Here are a couple of odd numbers. The most points scored by a losing team was Belfry's 27 in 1994. The fewest points by a winner is seven, which has happened three times;

The most points Belfry has scored? Forty-eight in 1961. As for Pikeville, the 42 in 1994 will do it;

Belfry's Philip Haywood will lead the Bucs against the Panthers for the 19th time. He's 11-7 at Belfry, 14-13 overall;

As for Chris McNamee, he's 2-1 at Pikeville against the Pirates, 2-4 overall;

The biggest margin of victory in the series is 41 points, and the Bucs have done that twice. The most recent was the 47-6 thrashing in 1997. For the record, Pikeville's biggest advantage has been 39, when they pitched a shutout in 1955;

Four games have been decided by a single point. In those, Belfry is 3-1;

How many of these benchmarks will stand after tonight? We'll know by about 9:15. But one thing is sure: Regardless of tonight's outcome, this has to be the top rivalry in our mountains.

If you look out tonight and see red and maroon, expect a serious clash. But we didn't need numbers; anyone who knows colors could have told you that.

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P'burg

DeRossett. "It gave us a real good chance to get ready for our district schedule."

The Prestonsburg district schedule in what is now essentially the second half of the season features the likes of Whitesburg, Belfry, Pike County Central and Shelby Valley.

Whitesburg comes out of Letcher County and into Floyd County tonight facing the Blackcats with a perfect 5-0 record. And Whitesburg already has two district wins on the season. It is a perfect 2-0 in the district.

The Yellowjackets, coached by Tony Sergeant, boast wins

over Magoffin County, Betsy Layne, East Ridge, Knox Central and Harlan. It was just last week when the Yellowjackets beat the Green Dragons of Harlan.

The two coaches have a mutual respect for one another's football program.

"Coach Sergeant and his staff do a real good job at Whitesburg," added DeRossett.

Sergeant knows, as with Prestonsburg teams of previous seasons, his team is in for a tough battle.

"There's no doubt that Prestonsburg is one of the toughest and most physical

teams on our schedule each year," said Sergeant. "And they're physical again this year with the Fannin kid and a host of others. We've told our kids that this is a big test for us to go in there against the defending district and region champion."

Carrying much of the offensive load for the Yellowjackets will be running backs Trevor Buttrey and Josh Murtaugh. Winston Lee is the Whitesburg quarterback.

The weather, in particular the rain, could play a role in the key district matchup. Whitesburg has leaned on the run for most of the season, while the Blackcats, with senior quarterback Joey Willis and junior receiver Nicholas Jamerson have split up the run-pass ratio more so than in previous seasons.

Prestonsburg went on the road last season and beat Whitesburg 39-7.

This week's game against Whitesburg begins a string of district contest for Prestonsburg which continues next week on the road at Betsy Layne.

Kickoff for tonight's Whitesburg-Prestonsburg game is set for 7:30.

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Step

scholarship to a good college away from here," said Renee Stratton. "But she is not going to be too choosy on her college choice, as long as she gets a scholarship and the college has a good program."

The athlete's mother added that her daughter's inactivity in the past two Betsy Layne games made the decision to quit a somewhat easier one.

"She hasn't been able to kick in her last two games, so that really helped with her decision, not to mention the fact that she works as well and it would be too much to do it all," said her mother.

Betsy Layne is back in action tonight when it travels to Pike County Central to take on the Hawks. The Bobcats are winless on the season. Kickoff is set for 7:30 p.m.

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Drivers

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The event is being dubbed as the Miller Bros. Coal/Pepsi Thunder Ridge Fall Classic. Thunder Ridge's Dave Bokelman has had several Late Model drivers contact him this past week, and expects as many as 40 Late Models in attendance. Scott Bloomquist and Dan Schlieper are already committed to the race.

"I've had drivers from all over the Eastern United States contact me about this race," said Bokelman. "We expect many, many drivers for this final show of the season."

Thunder Ridge's harness racing season began two weeks ago. The track also hosted the A.S.S.H.B.E.A. World Celebration last weekend. A carnival was also in town for the weekend.

Fans and drivers alike will have something to look forward to this weekend at Thunder Ridge as prizes will be available for both groups.

The points battle in the Late Model division at Thunder Ridge is going down to the wire. Just five points separate first-place Eddie Carrier Jr. (55) and second-place Chuckie May (50). Veteran driver Paul Harris is also with eight points of the first-place Carrier Jr.

For more information on this weekend's race, call 886-7223 (RACE). Visit Thunder Ridge Raceway online at www.thunderderridgeraceway.com.

THUNDER RIDGE RACEWAY POINTS

Late Models

Pl. Driver	Pts.
1. Carrier Jr.	55
2. May	50
3. Harris	47
4. Boggs	42
5. Kinzer	38
6. Morris	37
7. Minix	37
8. Boggs	37
9. Madden	27
10. Thornsberry	18

Limited Late Models

1. Slone	61
2. Mason	55
3. Davis	52
4. Hall	47
5. Combs	46
6. Adams	40
7. Wells	28
8. Collins	21
9. Nichols	21
10. Maggard	19

Street Stocks

1. Hall	68
2. Fannin	51
3. Sparks	42
4. Stollings	23
5. McKenzie	20
6. Lemaster	19
7. Conley	16
8. Williams	16
9. Smith	15
10. Grigsby	15

Bombers

1. Mason	75
2. Brock	49
3. Collins	42
4. Lackey	41
5. Ritchie	35
6. Howell	22
7. Combs	22
8. Warnock	21

Four-Cylinders

1. Anderson	78
2. Anderson	76
3. Hall	67
4. McCowan	47
5. Colwell	32
6. Henson	28
7. Hall	21
8. Morris	20
9. Henson	19

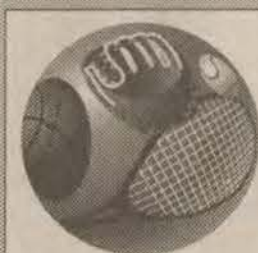
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Kinzer breaks late model track record, tops 19 other drivers

by CHRIS BELCHER
201 SPEEDWAY TRACK
WRITER

SITKA — Clouds and the threat of rain lingered in the

Eastern Kentucky area for much of Saturday morning and well up into the afternoon. As race time drew nearer, it soon became apparent that Mother Nature would let up for the final

night of dirt track action at the 18-year-old facility. The overcast conditions made for the smoothest surface on the 1/4 mile oval, which would allow a new track record to be set in the

late model division.

Late Model qualifying had the Kinzer Drilling- and Alert Oil & Gas-sponsored No. 18 2002 GRT breaking the previous late model track record of 13.36

set last season by Eddie Carrier Jr., with a blistering lap of 13.26. Kinzer was the first driver to roll onto the red clay, putting up a number to shoot for. All together, nine other late

models would break into the 13-second barrier.

Randy Boggs set fast time in Open-wheel Modified qualifying with a fast lap of 15.10 in his Harmon Motors- and Hare Hutch-sponsored Dirt works machine. Stanville's Marty Meade was just .10 of a second off the fast time with a lap of 15.11 in No. 38.

Jim Lemaster was the quickest of the Super Bombers in qualifying with a best lap of 15.47.

The first order of business Saturday night was the completion of last Saturday night's four cylinder feature. When the checkers flew, it would be the No. 52 of Jackson's Charles Thomas taking the lead with three laps to go for the win followed by the No. 32 of early race leader, Shannon Polly, Marvin Halcome's No. 95, the No. 25 of Warfield's Rick Dials and the No. 8 of Jacob Ross.

After a short intermission, Late Models were the next order

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Stewart

What's "going on" is that the fallout from Stewart's admittedly bad behavior is driving him toward reclusiveness at the track. In the last two seasons, he has knocked a tape recorder from the hands of a reporter and kicked it way, angrily confronted a NASCAR official, and punched a photographer.

On Tuesday, a grand jury in Blountville, Tenn., declined to indict Stewart on criminal assault charges stemming from an accusation by a fan that he shoved her at an August race in Bristol. NASCAR also cleared Stewart of any wrongdoing after an emergency medical technical said the driver punched him following a crash at New Hampshire International Speedway.

Stewart has been placed on probation, fined, humiliated and nearly fired. Through it all, he has performed brilliantly on the track, perhaps establishing himself as the driver to beat in the Winston Cup championship race as the circuit moves Sunday to Kansas Speedway.

All that has made him reticent when fans approach him outside the car.

"I don't know if they're coming up to say 'Good luck tomorrow.' I don't know if they're coming up to just get an autograph," Stewart said in his first in-depth interview since August. "I don't know if they're coming up to try to get me in a situation where I'm going to get in trouble again.

"In my best interest, I'm doing what I've got to do to protect myself. That's keep my head down and keep walking and stay as far away from anybody as possible."

He and other drivers sometimes are prisoners of their own success. Stewart understands that NASCAR is wildly popular because drivers are very accessible to fans at the track and in appearances on behalf of sponsors.

But Stewart thinks the open-door policy in the garage area should be reassessed, and he isn't alone. Kyle Petty speaks of autograph seekers pushing and tugging at drivers.

Petty and Jeff Burton want to establish some boundaries in the garage area — a place the drivers consider their office.

"It would be like somebody in your office just standing in front of your computer, just standing there, not doing anything," Petty said.

Burton agreed. "When we're practicing, there needs to be not a fan anywhere around," he said. "But it would be wrong to shut fans down just because we've had some incidents. We've got to find a way to make it work."

That would benefit Stewart, but his discontent is not limited to his relationship with some of the fans. As a rookie, he made himself the most accessible and quotable driver in the series; three years later, he's sour on the media.

"I don't hate the media, but I know how the game is being played," he said. "I used to go kind of stand on the edge of the fence sometimes and give good answers that the media loved and praised me for."

Reed

Barnhart has fired some leaders of the former hierarchy and replaced them with his own people.

And some goods-for-tickets deals have been changed.

But new nameplates on office doors and new titles doesn't necessarily mean that the mentality has changed at UK. Instead, it appears that Todd, whose initial remarks revealed more than a touch of naivety about big-time college athletics, has become less idealistic and more pragmatic.

One of Todd's first ventures into changing the "good ol' boy system" blew up in his face. He tried to make former athletics director C.M. Newton into a poster child for the good ol' boy system by ripping up Newton's consultant contract with UK and saying he wasn't going to pay somebody for doing nothing.

While this played well with some loose cannons in the media, it angered Newton and all his supporters who understood the contract was essentially deferred income for the huge pay cut he took when he resigned as basketball coach at Vanderbilt so he could try to help his alma mater at a time when it needed him most.

As the saying goes, no good deed ever goes unpunished.

Todd further damaged his image as a decisive leader by taking forever to hire a new A.D. to replace Newton successor Larry Ivy. At the end, UK hired

Barnhart, whose name had been on the short list of possibilities since the moment Ivy slammed his office door for the final time.

Far from being a radical choice, Barnhart, who is neither black nor female, is a career athletics administrator who learned the ropes in 12 years as an assistant to Tennessee's Doug Dickey before taking the job at Oregon State. In four years, Barnhart did the same kind of turn-around job with the Beavers that his buddy, Tom Jurich, has done at Louisville.

At UK, however, Barnhart flunked his first major test. While he endorsed UK basketball coach Tubby Smith's decision to kick Jason Parker off the team, he didn't insist on a full accounting to the ticket-buying public. So the notion lingers, stronger than ever, that there's a serious cancer inside Smith's program.

Now comes the news that Barnhart, with Todd's approval, has taken the "interim" off of football coach Guy Morriss' title by giving him a guaranteed contract that runs through 2007. The rationale is that ending the uncertainty over the coach's future should help UK convince recruits that the program is stable.

What makes this interesting is that one of the charges levied against Newton was that he kept rewarding Bill Curry and Hal Mumme, his two football hires, with new, more lucrative deals before they had proven they

could do the job.

Now it appears that Todd and Barnhart have done the same thing with Morriss.

Sure, the Cats are 4-0 heading into Saturday's game against Florida in Gainesville, but, realistically, that in itself isn't grounds enough to give Morriss a new contract. UK's victims, with their latest Sagarin national rating in parenthesis, are Louisville (48th), Texas-El Paso (138th), Indiana (75th), and Middle Tennessee (73rd).

So why not wait to see how UK fares against Florida, LSU, Georgia, and Tennessee before deciding on whether Morriss deserves a new contract?

Recruits don't sign until early next February. If UK's bubble polls during the SEC season, recruits might see Morriss' long-term contract as a negative, not a positive.

All that's certain is that U of L fans will be able to laugh out loud the next time a UK partisan says the game with the Cards doesn't mean anything to the Big Blue. It mattered enough this season to get Morriss a new contract.

This isn't to say that Morriss won't be successful at UK. In the last half of last season and so far this season, his teams have looked alert, aggressive, confident, and poised (except for that unfortunate halftime incident with Middle Tennessee).

Still, it's not difficult to look good after the debacle of the Mumme era. The only thing Mumme worried about was piling up yardage with the passing game. He paid only lip service to being interested in the defense, the running game, and the special teams. Refreshingly, Morriss believes in coaching the whole game, not just a part of it.

Given Morriss' straight-forward, old-fashioned philosophy, UK did the safe thing by giving him a new contract. He might not mesmerize the public and the media with his personality, but that won't be important if he's able to field competitive teams without cheating. If he does, the NCAA can lose UK's phone number.

But the real litmus test of the Todd-Barnhart era will be what happens with the mens' basketball program. The story behind Parker's dismissal should be revealed to the public and the media because it will enable everyone to get a better handle on whether Smith still has control of his program.

Anything less, any attempt to stonewall to "protect the player's privacy," will only add to the evidence that it's business as usual at UK, contrary to what Todd previously promised. Maybe the UK president has learned that Cash, Inc., the athletics department at any university, has grown so huge and powerful that you have to go with the flow, even if you don't necessarily like where it takes you.

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He said his words have been taken out of context and used against him.

"The job of the media is to take the words we are saying and put them accurately to the people out in the stands," he said.

So now he's choosing not to speak his mind to most. The door isn't completely shut, but Stewart insists it will never be wide open again.

"I'm just selective about who I do it with," he said. "Some people I'm more open with than others."

Stewart has one of the strongest fan bases in the sport, and says his supporters enjoy watching him compete.

"My job, when I come here this weekend, is to drive the race car," he said, relaxing in his motorhome at Dover International Speedway. "It's not to be a politician. It's not to be a media darling."

The more his career has progressed, he said, the more difficult and complex it has become. So, the things he dislikes about the sport are being cast aside.

And he's not worried how the public will perceive his silence.

"The people who like me are going to like me for how I drive that race car, not for what I say in an interview," he said.

His sponsor, The Home Depot, fined Stewart \$50,000 for punching a photographer last month after the Brickyard 400 in Indianapolis. Stewart, who enrolled in an anger management program, sees the

Camara

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Camara started 18 of 32 games last season, including the last seven games. He averaged 6.1 points, 4 rebounds and 1.3 blocks per game.

Kentucky's season starts Nov. 25 at the EA Sports Maui Invitational.

Biking

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roads. Not to mention the scenic highways that cover these hills. As a bike shop owner, I am constantly asked where to ride and I'm simply amazed when someone asks "where can you ride around here?". My answer is quick: everywhere.

No, we don't have bike paths, rail trails or bike lanes on our roads but we have unlimited places to ride a bicycle, whether on-road or off-road. I'll admit, a rail-trail would be a wonderful thing because it allow the novice and recreational rider a safe and scenic place to ride and someday soon we may have a rail-trail in this area as more railroad lines are abandoned. But until then, take advantage of what we do have and get out and explore on a bicycle.

This weekend marks the seventh annual Appalachian Bike Tour, held at Yatesville State Park Marina. This ride is put together by Mark and Tina Jackson of Louisa and the Lawrence County Democratic Woman's Club. It is a supported ride which means there are rest stops with free food and drinks as well as a "sag wagon" or a pickup truck to gather you and your bike should one of you break down. Helmets are required and the ride is open to children and adults, making it a great family activity. You can choose from 4 different distances or routes, ranging from 14 miles to 90 miles, with 30 and 50 mile options in between. The roads are marked in different colors at each intersection indicating which ride you are on and which way to go. There is a \$10 fee and t-shirts are also on sale. Road bikes and mountain bikes will participate in this ride, obviously road bikes doing the longer distances.

The benefits of doing a group ride include making new friends, having someone to talk to while riding which makes the miles go by, not to mention "strength in numbers" as well as having other people to share the pain and the joys of cycling. If your longest ride is five or six miles, do the 14-miler, or if you rou-

fine as a message that he could lose his job despite his success.

"Absolutely," he said. "If Home Depot decided they've got to do something different, I know it's not a personal thing. It's business. I've had that discussion with them."

The sponsors have been understanding and supportive, he said.

Stewart said his life changed drastically in 1999, when he became the best rookie in NASCAR history. He admits he didn't know how to deal with it and still struggles long after becoming one of the greatest talents of his era.

"Nine out of 10 people might handle it great," he said. "I was the one person out of 10 who didn't adjust."

Omegas

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Omega defenders John Ryan Robinson, David Kelley and Jonathan Boyd. Two Omegas midfielders for the first half, Mack McCalleb and Jacob Callis, made several steals from the Cougars, initiating two more goals in the first half for the Omegas.

Billy Collins, an Omega forward, charged the net and used his chest to deflect the ball into goal. Adkins tallied the assist for the Collins goal with a crossing shot from 30 yards out.

With the score at 4-0, and the Cougars goal keeper stunned by the continuous Omega attack, Adkins once again found the Cougar weakness and capitalized with a low-driving shot into the goal corner. Josh Adams, goal keeper for the U16 Wizards of Johnson County, subbed in as Omegas goal keeper for the match and denied any serious threat by the Cougars with six saves in the first half.

Omegas coach Jerry Adams

juggled the lineup for the second 45-minute period and placed Callis, Conley and McCalleb in the forward positions. Callis dribbled deep into Cougar territory and had five hard shots on goal, but the Cougars' goal keeper change proved to be a wise decision as he made saves on all shots. Conley and McCalleb also made serious threats but were also denied goals.

Burke scored the only second-half goal for the Omegas with a high-looping 30-yard shot that sailed over the outstretched hands of the backpedaling Cougar goalkeeper.

The Cougars' offensive attack gained momentum near the end of the match with two goals despite hard defensive play by Omegas' Kristin Adams and Ryan Butcher. The 90-minute match concluded with the Omegas scoring a 6-2 victory over the Cougars.

The Omegas were scheduled to host the David Falcons last night at the American Standard Field. Results were unavailable at press time.

The Omegas Soccer Club is a 16-19 age coed team of students from Johnson Central and Paintsville high schools and the Piarist School in Floyd County.

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Morriss also noted that cornerback Antoine Huffman, who sustained a broken thumb against Middle Tennessee, would be able to play with a protective cast. Wide receiver Ernest Simms, slowed by a groin strain, should be 100 percent by game day.

Kentucky Football Featured on SEC-TV Weekly, ESPN GameDay: In addition to having Saturday's game at Florida televised by CBS, UK football is getting additional national and regional attention this week.

Reporter Curry Kirkpatrick and a crew from ESPN GameDay were on campus Tuesday to do a story on quarterback Jared Lorenzen and the success of the Wildcats. Coach Guy Morriss, Lorenzen, and several Wildcats were interviewed. ESPN GameDay airs Saturday at 10:30 a.m. EDT.

Reporter Jen Hildreth also was on campus Tuesday for Fox Sports South. She did a story on some unusual aspects of Kentucky football the size of Lorenzen, the varied talents of singer/musician/offensive tackle Antonio Hall, and the physical size and strength of punter Glenn Pakulak. SEC-TV Weekly was slated to air last night.

Jared Lorenzen & Paul Harvey

Nationally syndicated radio newsmen Paul Harvey featured Jared Lorenzen on his Wednesday newscast. Said Harvey ...

"In the spotlight ... A 300-pound quarterback? ... A 300-pound quarterback ... Jared Lorenzen has led the Kentucky Wildcats through the first four games of this season undefeated."

Allen Central

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Allen Central varsity attack.

With the win, the AC varsity upped its record to 14-9 on the season. The Allen Central JV fell to 12-5.

The Rebels were back in action last night at home against the No. 1 team in Region 8, Letcher County. Results were unavailable at press time. Allen Central will return to action on Monday with a

road date at Pikeville.

The Floyd County Conference Tournament was scheduled to take place Saturday at Allen Central. However, South Floyd and Prestonsburg had to drop out of the event. At press time, matches were still scheduled for Saturday, but opponents and match-ups were not yet finalized.

South Floyd

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opposed to just two losses.

Prior to its game against Phelps last week, Jenkins was in action the week before against Allen Central, in a game the Cavs also lost.

A common opponent for the two teams, South Floyd and Jenkins, this season is Phelps. South Floyd beats Phelps 42-20 earlier in the season.

Jenkins will look to get things going with the likes of quarterback Jonah Tackett, Kelsey Brown, Nate Thompson and some other specialists.

It was in the Phelps game earlier in the season that South Floyd faithful saw senior running back Josh McCray score six touchdowns in a single contest. McCray will look to get an impressive performance

in the books again tonight.

Kickoff for tonight's game is set for 7:30.

Other Class A matchups....

Phelps at Paintsville

The Phelps Hornets travel to Paintsville for a contest which will see the Tigers play without the services of junior running back Jeremy Runyon who is out this week. Paintsville will look to score the home victory and up its record to 4-2 before heading into next week's huge rivalry game against Johnson Central.

Other area games involving Class A teams...

- Breathitt County at Hazard
- Belfry at Pikeville

of business. Kinzer, of Allen, would simply dominate the evening after Carrier's track record, then taking the final Late Model checkers of the 2002 season with the Alert Oil & Gas-Eastco Supply- and Commonwealth Chiropractic- sponsored, Earnie Elliott Ford Powered 2002 GRT Ford Taurus. Despite a good run early, Prestonsburg's Paul Harris managed to hang on to a runner-up finish, ahead of the No. 19 of Prestonsburg dentist Marty Minix, Jackson's Herbie Barnett in No. 37 and Grayson's Steve Littleton.

Olive Hill's Brian Sammons shared the front row of Saturday night's Super Bomber feature with

runner-up in the championship points. Lemaster, of Falcon, driving Claude Spence's No. 3. When all was said and done, Sammons won the final Super Bomber feature of the 2002 season. Following him to the checkers was the No. 24H of third-place finisher in the championship points, Michael Paul Howard of Falcon. Cory McKenzie made a third-place finish in No. 33 ahead of the #3 of Lemaster, Junior Hunley's #18 and the No. 74 of Lowmansville's Beadie Blackburn.

Prestonsburg's Clint Shutts, driving the No. 135, 2001 Red Light Diner, Ratliff's Body Shop, and Sexton Land & Title-sponsored

2001 lighting chassis. Shutts beat the No. 69 of Logan, W.Va.'s Tim Moore, Grayson's Randy Boggs, who recovered from the 16th lap spin to finish third, and points champion Chris "Crane" Prater.

In the Bomber feature, Buck Lemaster finished ahead of Flat Gap's Bannie Blair, Albert Butcher and the No. 44 of Mark Queen.

Walt Castle won the road hog feature ahead of runner-up in the points, West Liberty's Wes Bailey. Tom Crabtree Jr. had a season best third-place finish ahead of Bryston Guthrie.

Shannon Polly captured the final Four-Cylinder checkers of the 2002 season with his No. 32 Ford

Mustang, outrunning Marvin Halcome's No. 95, early feature winner Charles Thomas' No. 52 car and Michelle Dehart's No. 5 to the checkers.

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Lynn resigns after 10 years with Reds

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — The Cincinnati Reds' head trainer has resigned, effective Dec. 31.

Greg Lynn has been the Reds' head trainer since December 1992. Before that, he spent seven seasons as the San Francisco Giants' assistant trainer and three seasons as a trainer in the Giants' minor league system.

"I have some opportunities outside baseball I'm looking forward to, and I want to spend more time with my family," Lynn said. "I'm satisfied I helped build our sports medicine program into what it is today, one that provides outstanding care for our players, their families and Reds employees."

Lynn, 41, is a native of Euclid, Ohio. He earned a bachelor's degree, specializing in athletic training, at Ohio University.



South Floyd Middle hosted Allen Central Middle in girls' basketball action earlier this week.

VanHoose-less Herd set to begin practice

Annual Thursday Night Thunder tapped for Oct. 17

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

HUNTINGTON, W.Va. — Marshall's annual "Thursday Night Thunder" is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 17th at the Cam Henderson Center.

A three-on-three basketball tournament that is open to all Marshall students will be held prior to the event. Marshall students interested in participating in the 3-on-3 tournament must register by calling the Marshall basketball office at 304/696-6460.

Community Days in the Park scheduled

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

WEEKSBURY — The Weeksbury Community Center in conjunction with Floyd County Special Olympics will be holding the first annual Community Days in the Park October 4-5 from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. at the Weeksbury Community Center and Park.

Numerous activities are planned for both days including numerous yard sale booths, pony rides both days, an old time cake walk and a motorcycle show on Saturday. Many families from the community have already rented space to sell their wares at the yard sale. Several organizations have also rented space to provide more activities for those attending. One such organization will be selling funnel cakes. There will be a continuous supply of hot dogs and hamburgers and all the trimmings.

Any school or business organization that would like to raise money for their organization or a family or individual(s) that would like to participate in the yard sale can reserve a \$5 space by contacting Ed or Linda Senig at 452-9564 or Peggy Bradford at 452-2595. All proceeds go to benefit the Weeksbury Community Center and Floyd County Special Olympics.

Also anyone wanting to enter the motorcycle show can also call the above numbers.

According to Senig, the Community Days in the Park is really growing, and growing larger every day.

Watts

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the women, and seventh overall, crossing the line at 30:13.85. And Jill Williams finished up the women's top three with a time of 37:57.38, good enough for 21st overall.

Bill Francis finished first in the 60-64 age group on the men's side followed closely by McDowell's Kenneth Henry.

CORRECTION...

South Floyd Middle School girls' basketball player Vanessa Skeens was misidentified as Valerie Skeens in Wednesday's edition.

Marshall heads into this season minus some familiar faces including Paintsville native J.R. VanHoose. VanHoose was a huge force on the playing floor for the Herd each of the past four seasons. Tamar Slay is also absent from this year's roster.

The annual event centers around the Thundering Herd basketball team's first open

practice of the year. Events scheduled include a slam dunk contest and three-point shooting contest.

Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$2 for children with proceeds going to the MU Tip-off club. Tickets can be purchased at the Marshall Ticket Office or from MU Tip-off club board members.

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IN THIS MODERN DAY AND AGE, WE HAVE BECOME USED TO LARGER SIZES—HUGE FOOTBALL PLAYERS, TOWERING BASKETBALL STARS, ETC.—BUT WE STILL HAVE A LONG WAY TO GO IF WE WANT TO TOP WHAT THE BIBLE TERMS AS GIANT, THESE TWO SEVEN-FOOT BASKETBALL PLAYERS AND AN AVERAGE-SIZE FIVE-FOOT-TEN-HIGH COACH DALE IN COMPARISON NEXT TO THE BIBLE'S GOLIATH.

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Martin Methodist; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Roy Harlow, Minister.
Maytown United Methodist, Langley; Sunday Service, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 9:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Roy Harlow, Minister.
Salisbury United Methodist, Printer; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Bobby G. Lawson, Minister.
Wayland United Methodist, Rt. 7, Wayland; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Brad Tackett, Minister.
Wheelwright United Methodist, Wheelwright; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Bobby Isaac, Minister.
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Free Pentecostal Church of God, Rt. 1428, East Point; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m.; Buster Hayton, Minister.
Free Pentecostal Church of God, Weeksbury; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Wednesday/Saturday 7 p.m.; John Jay Patton, Minister.
Free Pentecostal Deliverance, Ed. 46 off Mt. Parkway at Camp; Worship Service, Saturday and Sunday 7 p.m.; Patricia Order, Minister.
Free Pentecostal Holiness, Rt. 122, Upper Burton; Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Louis Saniar, Minister; David Pike, Associate Minister.
Goodloe Pentecostal, Rt. 850, David; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Malcolm Stone, Minister.
Parkway First Calvary Pentecostal, Floyd and Magoffin County Line; Worship Service, 6:30 p.m.; Mike D. Caldwell, Minister; 297-6282.
Trinity Chapel Pentecostal Holiness, Main St., Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; 2nd Saturday, 7 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Elsie J. Stevens, Minister.**

PRESBYTERIAN
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Full Gospel Community, (formerly of Martin) moved to Old Allen; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Sunday evening, 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Lavonne Lafferty, Minister.
Lighthouse Temple, Main St. and Hill St.; Worship Service, 12 p.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday/Friday, 7 p.m.; Roy Cosby, Minister.
Martin House of Worship, Old Post Office St.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Saturday/Sunday.
Old Time Holiness, 2 miles up Arkansas Creek, Martin; Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; John W. Patton, Minister.
Spurlock Bible Baptist, 6227 Spurlock Creek Rd., Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Dan Heintzelman, Minister.
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The Father House, Big Branch, Abbot Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; J.J. Wright, Minister.
Youth Fellowship Center, Wheelwright Monday-Tuesday 6 p.m.; Thursday 7 p.m.
Zion Deliverance, Wayland; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday/Saturday 7 p.m.; Prayer Line, 356-2001; Ernest Manns, Pastor.

**Taylor Chapel Community Church, formerly the old Price Food Service building, located 1/4 mile above Worldwide Equipment; Rt. 1428, Sun. Bible Study, 10 a.m.; Sun. Morning Service, 11 a.m.; Sun. Evening, 6:30 p.m.; Kerry Vanderpool, Pastor.
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Through My Eyes

Human failings, Divine intervention

So, the governor committed infidelity - shame on him for falling prey to one of mankind's oldest temptations. Shame on him for succumbing to the desires of the flesh, for "humiliating" our

great state with his very humanness.

Or more aptly, shame on those who would cast the first stone.

I have no idea of the state of the governor's marriage, or of his relationship with his wife. But I do have an idea of how it feels to be attracted, whether physically, intellectually, or emotionally, to another human being. Sometimes this attraction

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This Town, that World

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

LOST ITEMS

When they drop the level of Dewey Lake by 25 feet, come November 1, they're likely to find a weird collection of plugs, reels, rods, motor props, beer cans and whiskey bottles (in dry Floyd County, yet!)—just about everything. They'll find everything but my temper, which I lost one fair afternoon, a hundred yards or so below Sowders Creek.

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UNFINISHED REPORT

Here we go on a fishing jag. If you can't fish, you can dream and yak... K. J. "Shorty" Bowles and his wife, Jeannette, visited me Monday afternoon, just to give me a relapse of the thumps. They had a string of 10 bass which weighed 24 pounds—what amounted, I believe, to the best string of fish I've seen taken there. I will charitably overlook the results of Mr. Bowles' fishing trip to the same waters, next day, with that friend of mine, who threatened to come by upon his return, and reduce me to a state of nerves with his catch.

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Bethany Osborne looks over a new computer game as Jennifer Greathouse, Dream Factory secretary, looks on. photo by Kathy J. Prater

COMPUTER 'DREAMS'

by KATHY J. PRATER
 FEATURES EDITOR

"Bethany loved that computer," Taylor said, "she loves any computer. Show her a computer and she knows right away what to do. The computer games she has learned to play have done so much for her. She's counting, recognizing words, working on her own. She was devastated when her computer crashed."



Bethany Osborne excitedly opened the new computer system and games brought to her home by The Dream Factory of Eastern Kentucky. Taylor's son, James Prater, is shown in the background.

Bethany Osborne can't do much, her disabilities are very limiting in nature, but the boundaries of those limits are now expanding, due to her interest in computers. And for a child who was once written off as "never being able to learn" by medical and educational professionals, according to Rita Taylor, the child's guardian, Bethany is proving them wrong a little more each day.

"When I first got Beth," Taylor said, "she couldn't even walk, she just scooted everywhere on her behind. She couldn't communicate, no one had really worked with her at all. People told me that she could never learn, I told them, never say never. Until you give a child a chance, you can't write them off."

Bethany was born with multiple congenital anomaly syndrome mental retardation (MCA/MR), of which a multitude of symptoms and disorders exist. Additionally, she later developed renal reflux, due to a series of

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Postscript

Another goodbye

A person dear to me died last weekend.

Perhaps, it was time, but none of us wanted to let go. My uncle, Daniel Ward Jr., suffered mightily for several months as his lungs and other organs slowly shut down. (He had smoked for most of his 78 years.)

But the death is not really important, I've concluded. His life is what mattered.

Like most of his siblings, he was a hard worker. He began work

when he was still a lad, during the Depression, after his father died. He shined shoes, set pins at the bowling alley, sold The Paintsville Herald on the streets, picked blackberries and did whatever it took to make a few bucks to help out.

Long after he retired as a custodian for Dayton Public Schools, where he was dearly loved by teachers and students, he could not stay long without finding a part-time job to keep him busy and to be out among other people.

At home, he was always tinker

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'Time Out' for parents

The "Time Out for Parents" support group is once again being provided to area parents by the McDowell Family Resource Center, the Floyd County Board of Education Title IV program, and the Community Education Department of Our Lady of the Way Hospital. The program provides parents with a valuable resource - a support group.

The group allows parents to discuss important issues and to share ideas, successes and problems that they experience in their role as parents. Topics are chosen based on a parent survey conducted by the family resource center.

All parents are welcomed, and urged, to attend these helpful meetings. All meetings at the McDowell Family Resource Center are held from

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Things to Ponder: 'Exes' need to talk

As many people in the region know, a major portion of my educational background and clinical experience pertains to children, adolescents, families, and marital relationships. Therefore, it has not been unusual for my professional services to be "court-ordered" for parents involved in the legal system, such as parents who have been legally divorced for several years, but are not divorced "psychologically." It is common for these parents to "be in court" time and time again about visita-

tions with the children, child support payments, and general conflicts in the parenting of children. These services commonly include two different types. The first being a "Child Custody Evaluation" for aiding the judge in deciding which parent would be the most appropriate person to have custody of the child. The second one is "Family Sessions" with the biological parents and the children for them to learn methods for better coping with the various aspects of "family life" and

to be monitored while they are expected to make beneficial changes. Most often, a most significant need is for the ex-spouses to learn to COMMUNICATE so that they can better meet the needs of their child/children, with the offspring's welfare being the number one priority.

The ideal is that parents in all situations discuss the children's issues together, such as a problem at school, social life, or at home. Think it through together. The parents need to

have their child's best interest at heart. If they are unable to agree about how to cope with the situation, at least both parents will know what is going on. No matter how much divorced parents love their children, it is a frequent occurrence for both parents to not be able to maintain a civil conversation with each other. For many reasons, it is so important for the ex-spouses to know how and to practice reasonable

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Mable Rowe Lineberger, Ph.D.

Happy Birthday



Katelyn is turning one year old!

Katelyn Taylor Combs will celebrate her 1st birthday on October 5, 2002. Katelyn is the daughter of Katrina and Steven Combs, of Somerset. She is the only granddaughter of Dennis and Janice DeBoard, of Prestonsburg. Her paternal grandparents are David and Mary Ann Combs, of Whitesburg. She has one living great-grandfather, Elmer Armstrong, of Florida. Sabrina DeBoard Bentley, of Charlotte, N.C., is her aunt. Her family looks forward to celebrating her upcoming special day with her.

New Arrivals

Highlands New Arrivals

September 9, 2002

A son, Gavin Isaiah Ray Slone, to Melissa and William Slone

September 9, 2002

A son, Larry Blake Marshall, to Jennifer and Larry Marshall

September 9, 2002

A daughter, Alivia Marie Slone, to Sally and Chester Slone

September 10, 2002

A daughter, Dezara Shyanne Newsome, to Wendi Marie Slone

September 12, 2002

A daughter, Elizabeth Mia Bartley, to Tonia and Joseph Bartley

September 13, 2002

A daughter, McKaitlyn Michelle Mills, to Shandra Michelle and Homer Dale Mills Jr

September 13, 2002

A son, Luke McKinley Murray, to Leah Dianne and Randy Karol Murray

September 13, 2002

A daughter, Savannah Nicole Case, to Robin Lynn and Michael Todd Case

September 14, 2002

A son, Walker Andrew Fairchild, to Stephanie Ann and Kenneth Ray Fairchild

September 14, 2002

A daughter, Alexis Leigh Ratliff, to Wanda Brown

September 15, 2002

A daughter, Kaylee Jewel Welch, to Laura Lisa and James Anthony Welch

September 15, 2002

A son, Nathan Robert DiGello, to Robert and Stacy DiGello

September 15, 2002

A son, Isaiah Miguel Holloway, to Tabitha Lee Holloway

September 15, 2002

A son, Aidan Giabriel Mills, to Melanie Minix

September 16, 2002

A daughter, Christina Marie Childers, to Shaunna Nicole Childers

September 16, 2002

A son, Andrew Braxton Robertson, to Dannelle Marie Robertson

September 17, 2002

A daughter, Alexis Pauline Goldie Thomas, to Tobie Ann and Earl Lee Thomas

September 18, 2002

A son, Jacob Rodney Butcher, to Patricia and Benny Butcher

September 18, 2002

A daughter, LeKesha Renee Hall, to Lisa Renee and Kristopher Dustin Hall

September 18, 2002

A son, Samuel Zayne Reeseman, to Bethany and Ralph Reeseman

September 19, 2002

A son, Drizzt Donovan Artemis Everwake Spradlin, to Davana and Dennis Spradlin

September 19, 2002

A daughter, Tiara Renae Adkins, to Renae Ann and Timothy David Adkins

September 20, 2002

A daughter, Rebecca Aileen Porter, to Brenda and David Porter

September 20, 2002

A son, Benjamin Avery Gibson, to Stephanie and Benjamin Gibson

September 20, 2002

A daughter, Autumn Amanda Marcum, to Jessica Kay Marcum

ADAMS MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH SERVICES CENTER

Center distributes school activity calendars and newsletters on the last day of each month to all students. Parents please be advised to be watching for these informational materials as a way of staying informed with your school's happenings.

Health Records Update: Parents who have health records to bring in to the school may bring them to the Youth Services Center any weekday between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Homework Hotline - 886-9314 - Homework information available from 4 p.m. to 7 a.m. Updated each day after 4:00 p.m.

Center is open each day from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. or later by appointment. For more information about the center or any listed activities, call 886-9812. Center coordinator, Michelle Keathley. Assistant coordinator, Sheila Allen. Center offers services to students regardless of income. Center telephone: 886-9812.

ALLEN ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE YOUTH SERVICE CENTER

Call Allen Elementary Youth Service Center at 874-0621 to schedule your child's 6th grade entry physical, Hepatitis B vaccination, immunizations, and WIC appointment.

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

BETSY LAYNE ELEMENTARY

The Family Resource Youth Service Center provides services and referral services to all families regardless of income. The center is located in the middle building of the Betsy Layne Elementary School. Office hours are Mon. - Fri., 8 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Open enrollment for After School Child Care is available through the Family Resource Center. Service hours are 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Contact the center at 478-5550. Contact persons are Brian Akers and Charlotte Rogers.

CLARK ELEMENTARY

A nurse from the Floyd County Health Dept. is in the center weekly. Please call to schedule an appointment. The center is currently scheduling Hep B immunizations and physicals for students who will enter the 6th grade in the upcoming school year, kindergarten entrance exams and TD boosters for sophomores. Also scheduling appointments for WIC services. These nursing services are available to anyone in the community.

The Clark Elementary Family Resource Center provides services for all families regardless of income. We are located in the Clark Elementary School building and can be reached by calling 886-0815.

MCDOWELL ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

Oct. 3 - FRC Advisory Council meeting, 5:30 p.m.

Parents are always invited to attend school programs and assemblies with their children.

Floyd County Health Department Nurse Joy Moore, is at the center each Monday to administer immunizations, T.B. skin tests, well-child exams, WIC, prenatal and postpartum services, and school physicals. Call 377-2678 for an appointment.

GED classes are taught each Monday and Wednesday from 8:00 - 11:00 a.m. Classes are FREE. Crissy Compton is the instructor.

MUD CREEK FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER / JOHN M. STUMBO ELEM.

The Bridges Project is in the school Monday thru Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Center is open weekdays 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Telephone: 587-2233.

PRESTONSBURG ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

MCCC services available at the center. Call for additional information.

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

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

Call 886-7088 for additional information regarding the Prestonsburg Elementary Family Resource Center or its programs.

SOUTH FLOYD YOUTH SERVICES CENTER

The center is located on the South Floyd campus in room 232. For more information call 452-9600 or 9607 and ask for Mable Hall, ext. 243, or Keith Smallwood, ext. 242, or Donna Johnson, ext. 153.

THE DAVID SCHOOL

Adult Education Class Schedule - Fall 2001:

Monday and Wednesday: McDowell Family Resource Center, 8 - 11 a.m. Call 377-2678.

Monday and Wednesday: Morehead Big Sandy Campus, 12:30 - 3:30 p.m. Call 886-2405.

Tuesday and Thursday: Betsy Layne High School Family Resource Center, 8:30 - 11:30 a.m. Call 478-3389.

Tuesday: Cliffside Housing Project Community Center, 5 - 8 p.m. Call 886-9860.

Wednesday: Floyd County Detention Center, 4:00 - 6 p.m.

Thursday: Auxier Lifetime Learning Center, 1 - 4 p.m. Call 886-0709.

Thursday: St. James Episcopal Church, 5 - 7:30 p.m. Call 886-8046.

Friday - The David School, 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. Call 886-8374.

W.D. OSBORNE RAINBOW JUNCTION FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

Anyone interested in receiving cleaning supplies for the 2002-2003 school year may visit the center and fill out an application to see if they qualify.

"Lost and Found" located in the Center. Parents need to pick up their children's items within two weeks.

Rainbow Junction Family Resource Center is located in the W.D. Osborne Elementary School. Hours of operation - 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, or later by appointment. Call 452-4553 and ask for Cissy or Karen. Parents/community members free to visit any time.

School Happenings

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WORKS ON THE YANKEES

George Alley, who has left these parts for the great Northwest, writes from Salem, Oregon, to tell me he got back from his vacation in time for the fall chinook salmon run, and to boast that, day before he wrote (September 26), he caught two, weighing in at 36 and 41 pounds. Before he left here to return to Oregon, George rigged me up a trolling outfit, which he vowed would catch bass at Dewey Lake. Now he wants to know how it worked, and I must admit I haven't yet given it a trial. "I am anxious," he writes, "to hear how it works on Rebel bass. These Yankee bass sure go for it, but I guess a Yankee will swallow most anything."

HONOR LONG OVERDUE

The naming of the new lodge at Jenny Wiley State Park in honor of the late A. J. May, of Prestonsburg, was honor long overdue. But for this man and his dogged determination in the face of criticism and opposition, there would have been no lake there, to start with. We do not intend this statement to detract from the tribute paid Jack May in the naming of the new lodge for him, but we cannot overlook the fact that the lake itself should have borne his name.

Every picture, they say, tells a story. We agree, after getting an overdose of these TV commercials. Most tell a fiction story.

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becomes so powerful that, as the song says, to give in to it simply becomes a "no thinkin' thing."

Being human myself and having experienced more than my share of human failings and flaws, I think I can find my way around forgiving our governor. Especially in light of all the good he has done for not only Eastern Kentucky, but our state overall.

Patton has been a staunch supporter of Kentucky tourism and has made great strides in influencing the growth of business. He has always made a tremendous effort to participate in events in our surrounding area and to bolster, in any way he could, the efforts of those working toward positive change in our Kentucky communities, and especially so in this region from which we hail.

To now write him off as an embarrassment would just be wrong, no matter how you look at it.

No matter your vocation, no matter your marital status, no matter your standing in the community, state, or country, everyone is entitled to a personal and private life. What they do during their private time is no one's business but their own.

This practice of unveiling each and every detail of a person's private life in order to deem them fit to serve society is not only harmful, but it's also downright damning.

And if it is we that are doing the "unveiling," and if it is we that are perpetuating what adds up to nothing more than "juicy gossip," and more so, if it is we that are first in line to cast the first stone and thereby pass our own moral judgment upon another, then perhaps it is we who must needs be concerned about our own impending damnation rather than that of another.

But then, that's something that's between "we" and God.

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urinary tract infections, some of which went untreated for long periods of time, a cardiac tumor, and hydrocephalus, which involves an accumulation of fluid surrounding the area of the brain. She also suffers from seizure disorder.

In other words, the odds have been stacked against her.

But, under the guidance and care of Taylor, who said she "just saw a child with potential" and "wanted to help," Bethany has flourished. Today, she is receiving frequent medical care and is living in a loving home. Of recent, Bethany has only had one problem - her computer, which she used frequently as a learning tool, crashed.

"Bethany loved that computer," Taylor said, "she loves any computer. Show her a computer and she knows right away what to do. The computer games she has learned to play have done so much for her. She's counting, recognizing words, working on her own. She was devastated when her computer crashed."

Enter The Dream Factory of Eastern Kentucky. "We learned about Bethany and her computer," said Jerome Greathouse, president of the organization, "and we set about to help."

Last week, Greathouse and his daughter, Jennifer, the organization's secretary, delivered a brand-new Gateway computer system to Bethany's home. Complete with non-glare screen and special adaptations, along with several new computer games and educational tools. Bethany took one look and immediately understood that this new computer was for her enjoyment.

Hopping up and down, shaking her head excitedly from side to side, Bethany (who is

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communications consistently about their children. Sometimes, this means finding a way to "write" information for the other, but making sure that there are no accusations or insults. One approach is to pretend that any writings are going to be read by the children and the judge, since this is likely to occur.

Years ago, there was a couple who seemed unable to say a respectable word to the other. They found the suggestion of a "journal" to be very helpful and to serve the children's needs. Since the children stayed a week at a time with each parent, the journal contained events that had happened and needed follow-up, such as being sure that homework was returned to school. There were also the issues of upcoming dental and medical appointments, ball games, and after-school affairs. The parents could add comments about the outcome. Although this may not be the best of circumstances, it is better than the parents constantly having a verbal "sword" episode every time they looked at each other, much less spoke. At times, the only way that parents can communicate is through lawyers, which is really sad because the two adults are acting worse than a couple of 2-year-olds fighting over the same toy, except it is a child.

Author Sally Abrams says in the "Top 10 Mistakes Moms Make with Their Exes" that it is extremely helpful to keep the ex-spouse abreast of everyday happenings and difficulties with their child, including participation in extracurricular activities. It is very likely that one parent might not want the other parent there, but the child probably needs both parents. Selfish feelings need to be put aside. Parents need to think about the

child's well-being and preferences. Most importantly, this will go a great distance toward creating a peaceful, harmonious relationship. Another help is to send copies of little things regularly to the other parent, such as report cards, drawings, and graded papers. This provides the non-custodial parent with an idea of what the child's daily life is about and can help give them something about which to talk. Another suggestion is for the parents to meet at least once a month, in a "businesslike" fashion without the children, to discuss how things are going for the children. Be sure to bring up topics of concern and try to meet each other halfway, which is the best way to resolve most conflicts.

Even though the divorced parents need to discuss disturbing issues for one or both of them, he or she also needs to be grown-up and teach the other parent how to communicate reasonably. In this manner, a good example can be set to the children. Mothers and dads need to show maturity in handling their side of the situation and show the children the proper way to cope with negative circumstance. They need to respect themselves, even if the other ex-spouse does not show respect. Additionally, when children complain about what happens at the "other house" talk to the other parent about what the children are saying. Efforts should be made to not accuse, but keep on investigating. A good way to keep children from learning to manipulate their parents or a situation is to address any complaint. This prevents the situation from expanding. Parents also need to keep in mind that it is not unusual for children to think the "other" parent wants to hear something bad, so they tell

things that might be made up or inflated.

The communication of negative messages is very important. Moms and dads should not use a child to deliver a message of any kind, especially when it is a negative one! This sets up the child for receiving the brunt of the other parent's anger. Children should not have any part of domestic problems. Youngsters are likely to only feel confused and upset, since they are prone to try to be loyal to both parents. Even more important is the need to not "bad-mouth" the other parent of the children. Also, remember that the more a person thinks something, the greater the tendency to express it. Parents should teach their children to respect each other. In time children are typically aware of the truth about their parents' marital situation. Hopefully, they will be sufficiently mature to realize that no one can control another person's behaviors. Efforts ought to be made so that a child is not put in a position of feeling he or she needs to take sides. The children should love both parents, as both parents need to love them. Children should not need to keep something secret from the other parent. It is very inappropriate for the child's development to tell him or her to keep secrets. Since children are innocent and typically tell everything they know to anyone, telling them to keep secrets makes them vulnerable to people who want to exploit them and make them feel guilty when they talk to their other parent. Again, don't use children as go-betweens. They might forget, misunderstand, and/or miscommunicate to the other adult. The parents need to communicate with each other in a reasonable way, because it is beneficial for the children involved.

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Family Medicine

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Question: Our local grocery store sells prepared salads in bags. Some of them add sodium benzoate and potassium sorbate, supposedly to preserve freshness. A newspaper sold at the cash register said these chemicals should not be eaten by humans because they are poisonous even in tiny portions. Is it safe to eat these salads or not?

Answer: There are a large number of "natural foods" advocates in my community that I'm sure would say the checkout counter tabloid is telling the truth. Despite the health food advocates' concerns and testimonials to the contrary, you can con-

sider any commercially prepared food to be safe — assuming you follow customary storage and cooking temperature precautions.

I don't want to start out on the wrong foot and alienate my "organic gardening" friends, however. I shop at my local farmer's market and buy their produce not because it is free from approved preservatives, but instead, because it is picked fresh at each product's peak of ripeness. Because of this, it just tastes better than the grocery store varieties that have been shipped across the country.

Now to the preservative issue. Without preservatives there would be substantially

Grocery tabloids big on creative writing, short on medical fact

more food lost to spoilage. That means you and I would pay more for our dinner and also have a more limited seasonal choice of menu offerings. I'm sure you are thinking about fruits and vegetables, but even that box of cereal on your shelf wouldn't stay fresh very long without preservatives.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition tests and approves food additives and preservatives. The approved list currently has more than 2000 individual items it. Interestingly, the list does not include one old standby that can be used as

both a flavor-enhancer and a preservative — sodium chloride (Na-Cl), otherwise known as table salt. The chemicals you specifically mentioned, sodium benzoate and potassium sorbate, are on the approved list.

Sodium benzoate is a naturally occurring polyunsaturated fat that inhibits the

growth of bacteria, yeast and fungi. It has been used in foods for more than 80 years. The FDA limits the concentration of this chemical in prepared foods to 0.1 percent by weight even though it can occur in somewhat higher concentrations in even organically grown cranberries and prunes. In other words, it is common and safe.

Sodium benzoate doesn't work very well unless the food being treated is kept somewhat acidic. To accomplish this it is often necessary to add another preservative. Vitamin C, also known as ascorbic acid, would work but it doesn't last very long with exposure to air and sunlight. Potassium sorbate, which is the potassium salt of sorbic acid, is a good choice for acidifying many foods. It is a polyunsaturated fat that has been safely used to inhibit the growth of mold for more than 150 years. The body readily metabolizes it into energy, water and carbon dioxide.

The availability of food is a serious

health concern, but fortunately, it is only a concern for a small percentage of the U.S. population. A far greater risk is bacterial contamination of food. That is why milk is pasteurized, meat is refrigerated, and many other foods contain preservatives. You can view the FDA approved list of preservatives at <http://vm.cfsan.fda.gov/~dms/efaus.html>.

I don't know about you, but I'm always a bit disappointed when my grocery store checkout line moves quickly. When it does, I don't get to read those tabloids. Their lack of accuracy and abundant sensationalism is what heightens their entertainment value.

"Family Medicine" is a weekly column. To submit questions, write to John C. Wolf, D.O., Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine, P.O. Box 110, Athens, Ohio 45701. Past columns are available online at www.fhradio.org/fm.

Computer

basically non-verbal) signed to Taylor to "hook it up." As her adoptive family busied themselves doing just that, Bethany busied herself with hurrying them up.

"This is what it's all about," Greathouse said, "I could cry right now, but I'm not gonna."

"This is so wonderful," said Taylor, "through the use of computers, this child who others said could never learn, has learned her

colors, shapes, numbers, puzzles and more. She has really missed her games. Now she can get back to learning because around here, we never say never."

If you know of a child who may be eligible for the granting of a dream by The Dream Factory of Eastern Kentucky, contact Jerome Greathouse at 886-0556, or write to the organization at: P.O. Box 47, Auxier, KY, 41602.

Time

1:00 to 2:30 p.m. Check with your school's center for their meeting dates and times.

The following parent support group meetings are scheduled to be held at McDowell Elementary:

■ October 15 - "Raising Drug-Free Kids";

- November 12 - "Divorce and Kids";
- December 10 - "School Violence Prevention";
- February 11 - "Disciplining Children/Parenting Skills";
- March 11 - "Shaken Baby Syndrome";
- April 14 - "Recognizing and Dealing with Family/Child Abuse";
- May 6 - "Basic First Aid."

Postscript

ing — building porches, extra rooms and garages, redoing plumbing, putting on a new roof, painting, wallpapering, building bookshelves, all kinds of handy work. Aided by Aunt Bea, he renovated and resold a series of houses.

No summer went by — until this one — that he didn't raise a garden. For several years, when he and Aunt Bea lived on a farm near Springfield, they had a truck garden where they sold vegetables to local grocery stores and at their own roadside stand.

What he also loved was preserving the food he grew. After he retired, he joined Aunt Bea in canning the homegrown produce. It turns out two of his brothers also liked to can, which greatly disturbed my Aunt Erie's

sense of the order of things. The oldest of the eight siblings, she believed canning was woman's work and could not be convinced that her brothers actually liked to put up beans, corn, sauerkraut, pickles, beets, chow-chow and other goodies, just as they'd seen their mother do. Uncle Dan just laughed at his elder sister's misgivings and went on canning.

He and my mother were perhaps the most alike and the closest of the bunch. Both were mild-mannered and quick to avoid conflict, although each despised injustice and unfairness.

Like their revered father, Mom and Uncle Dan loved to read. I've never seen anyone who could become so engrossed and so focused as those two. I'm convinced you could have marched a band around them when they were reading and they would never look up from the page.

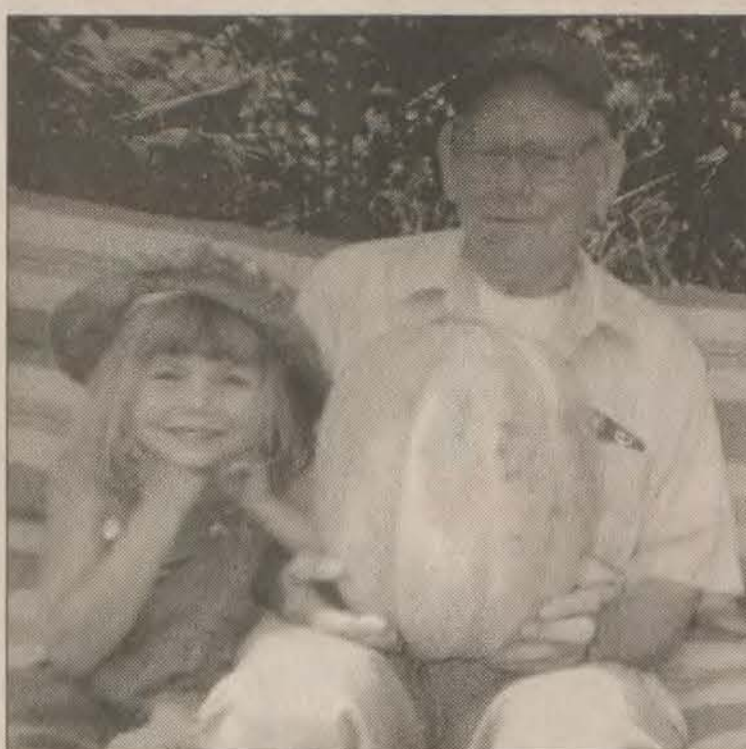
He especially liked Louis L'Amour, the writer of westerns. In the last few years, he frequented yard sales and estate sales, looking for original editions of his favorite author's books.

My mother kept letters he wrote to her during World War II. At the top of some is the simple notation, "Somewhere in Italy." He was wounded over there and for many years afterward had nightmares related to his war experience.

Aunt Bea said he called to and spoke to my mom, his "Sister Helen," many times in the weeks before he died. His wife said she would tell him that he would soon be with Helen and he would be comforted.

Uncle Dan led a long, fruitful life, and his last days were full of suffering. But none of us was ready to let go of him. Now, he's gone and we are left with strong memories and the knowledge that he made a difference in many lives.

Of course, at the funeral, the cousins hugged and chided each other. "We must stop meeting like this," we said time and time again, referring to the funeral reunions. We also vowed that we must get together during happier times. But we probably won't.



With a little help...

John Dalton, right, of Wayland, grew this "I-wanna-be-a-pumpkin" cantaloupe in his summer garden this past season. Emily Dalton, left, also of Wayland, helped her grandfather tend his garden and is happy to share with him in taking credit for the magnificent specimen. The cantaloupe weighed a whopping 15 lbs. Emily, Grandpa Dalton's "gardener in training," is 4 years old.

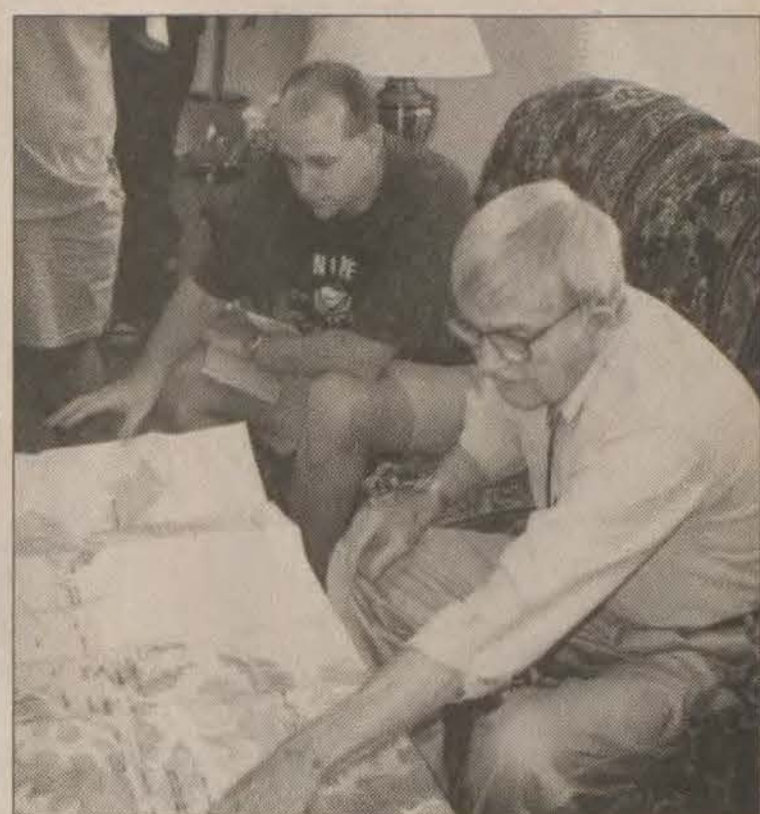


photo by Thomas Matijasic

Former miner Charlie "Speed" Rollins, foreground, met with Tom Matijasic's "Coaltown" class on Saturday, September 14, to discuss the nature of coal mining in the 1930s and 1940s. The course is being taught through Morehead State University, Prestonsburg, and met at the Senior Citizens Center in Wheelwright.

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The pros and cons of leather seats

by TOM and RAY MAGLIOZZI
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Dear Tom and Ray:

We are getting ready to have our first baby and are thinking about buying a VW Passat. We are trying to make it as cheap as possible and are cutting corners, but I am really having a hard time about the seats — I want leather! Can you give me a rundown of the pros and cons of leather vs. fabric? Seems like leather will be cleaner (we also have two dogs) and easier to wipe up and vacuum, and that fabric will be dirtier and harder to keep spills and dog hair off of. It's \$1,300 extra. Do you think it's worth it? And when the VW dealer says it's \$1,300 extra, does he really mean it, or can he cut a corner off of that? — May



TOM:

May, this will be the best \$1,300 bucks you've ever spent. We've had little kids AND dogs, and they both secrete stuff that doesn't come out of cloth seats.

RAY:

Well, here's the real problem. You can wipe dog puke, kid puke or any other kind of dreck off of a cloth seat, and it might even look clean. But cloth is porous. So, that means that by the time you get it wiped up, the liquid portion of the disgusting substance in question will have seeped down into the foam cushion itself. That's why some people have cars that always smell like baby puke, or always smell like dog. No matter how clean the seats look.

TOM:

Leather seats, on the other hand, are not porous, and they wipe right up. So baby messes and dog hair come off very easily.

(See TALK, page eight)

Bilked customer update

by GREG ZYLA
KING FEATURES SYNDICATE

Q: Hi, Greg. Regarding my letter you published about the Olds Aurora and an engine-miss condition, I just wanted to fill you in as to what I have found out.

As you suspected, the dealership had not put a new oxygen sensor on my car, and I guess my plugs and wires were made of gold, as they charged \$500 for a complete tune-up.

(See UPDATE, page seven)



2002 Volvo V70 Cross Country XC

by GREG ZYLA
KING FEATURES SYNDICATE

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This week's test drive is the resourceful 2002 Volvo V70 Cross Country XC All Wheel Drive, which combines the best of both station wagon and SUV worlds. Perhaps the best way to sum up Volvo's V70 Cross Country is comfort, safety, engineering, handling and fuel economy via a sophisticated European wagon design.

Volvo's popular Cross Country now offers more of everything that made the first-generation Cross Country a consumer favorite. There is

acceptable performance from the inline turbocharged five-cylinder 2.4-liter engine, which develops 197 horsepower and 210 foot-pounds of torque.

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(See TEST DRIVE, page eight)

1967 Cougar

by GREG ZYLA
KING FEATURES SYNDICATE

Q: Greg, in June of 1967 I purchased a brand-new two-door 1967 Cougar hard-top for \$3,563. Its color is Lime Frost Green, and the upholstery is Ivy Gold. It has 84,390 miles on it and has been repainted and reupholstered in the origi-

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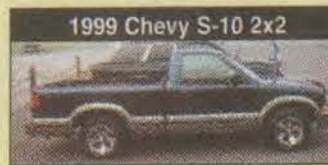


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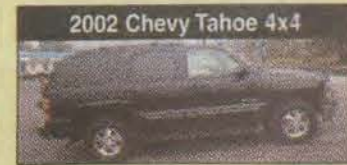
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Chrysler California Cruiser proves staying power of design

PEBBLE BEACH, Calif. — At its traditional and exclusive dinner honoring the judges and organizers of the 52nd Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance, the Chrysler brand previewed the first vehicle in its next wave of trend-setting concept cars, the Chrysler California Cruiser.

The all-new California Cruiser concept builds on the uniquely American blend of style and practicality seen in the successful Chrysler PT Cruiser.

"With PT Cruiser, we created a whole new segment and virtually redefined the blend of design and versatility in the small vehicle market," said Jim Schroer, executive vice president of Chrysler Group global sales and marketing. "That vehicle anticipated new consumer demands and expectations around the world. Now, we bring you a concept of what might be next, the Chrysler California Cruiser."

An all-around versatile vehicle with two large doors, an



The Chrysler California Cruiser Concept vehicle amplifies what owners love about their PT Cruiser. The concept has ample space for four people and their travel needs. The vehicle made its public debut Thursday at the Paris Auto Show.

photo courtesy DaimlerChrysler

innovative rear hatch and multi-functional interior, the Chrysler California Cruiser amplifies what owners love about their PT Cruiser. The concept has ample space for four people and their travel needs, yet can be trans-

formed into a hotel room for two.

The exterior of the California Cruiser concept stays true to the landmark design of PT Cruiser, while conveying a possible evolution in its styling theme.

With its "chopped top" profile and stance, Chrysler California Cruiser is a pure American design statement. Crisp fender set lines and linear elements convey precision and a modern feel that respects classic

vehicle heritage. The grille features a chrome Chrysler winged badge with chiseled satin chrome horizontal bars. There are dual projector headlamps and new fog lamps to light the way as the 2.4-litre high-output turbocharged engine transports driver and passengers down the highway.

At the push of a button, the California Cruiser's hard top transforms into an open-air cruiser. Eight panels of glass lower or pivot to create a unique driving experience. The full glass roof has a retractable sunroof in addition to a dropping door and quarter flip glass.

One accent that will turn heads is a contemporary satin silver bodyside applique that brings the latter-day Woodie theme into the future ... and on to the Next Wave. In addition, the California Cruiser has dual chrome exhaust tips, 19-inch billet aluminum machined wheels, and new, hi-tech clear tail lamps.

"This concept introduces the new face of Chrysler to the PT Cruiser," said Trevor Creed, Senior Vice President - Design. "California Cruiser's scalloped headlamps, chrome accented grille and integrated bumper reflect a direction that we started with the Chrysler Crossfire and Pacifica. The more crisp and precise styling themes of those vehicles also influenced the profile and rear design of the Chrysler California Cruiser."

The Chrysler Group presented the first concept leading up to the Chrysler PT Cruiser in the spring of 1998 at the Geneva Motor Show with the Pronto Cruiser. It was followed in 1999 by the Company's most short-lived concept car, the PT Cruiser, since the production version was rolled out within five minutes at the North American International Auto Show in Detroit. The Chrysler

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Cougar

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nal colors. It has a V-8 engine and a standard three-speed transmission. I was wondering what my Cougar is worth, as several people have offered to purchase it. Thank you for your help. — Tom H. in Kansas

A: Tom, your '67 Cougar two-door hardtop sounds to be in very nice shape. Cars from the '60s continue to escalate in price, especially pony cars like yours and the high-performance models.

Even though you don't mention whether your Cougar is the XR-7 model, the difference in price is only \$400 to \$1,000, depending on condition. Your car sounds like a well-kept original that would fetch in the neighborhood of \$5,600-\$9,800 in its present condition. That three-speed manual is rare, so what looks like a standard feature that would detract from collectability might just be one that adds to the price.

My personal opinion would be to start at the upper range of \$9,000 to \$9,500 and work from

there. A pristine, off-frame restoration of this car would put it in the \$14,000 range, so use this price as a guideline. Let me know if you sell it.

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\$499 DOWN

**\$198
A MONTH**

60 month lease
1st Payment: \$198
Sec. Deposit: \$200
Down Payment: \$499
Total Due At Signing: \$897*

\$0 DOWN

**\$207
A MONTH**

60 month lease
1st Payment: \$207
Sec. Deposit: \$200
Down Payment: \$0
Total Due At Signing: \$407



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60 month lease
1st Payment: \$231
Sec. Deposit: \$0
Down Payment: \$1,499
Total Due At Signing: \$1,730

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A MONTH**

\$999 DOWN

**\$241
A MONTH**

60 month lease
1st Payment: \$241
Sec. Deposit: \$0
Down Payment: \$999
Total Due At Signing: \$1,240

\$499 DOWN

**\$249
A MONTH**

60 month lease
1st Payment: \$249
Sec. Deposit: \$0
Down Payment: \$499
Total Due At Signing: \$748

\$0 DOWN

**\$259
A MONTH**

60 month lease
1st Payment: \$259
Sec. Deposit: \$0
Down Payment: \$0
Total Due At Signing: \$259



\$1,499 DOWN

60 month lease
1st Payment: \$179
Sec. Deposit: \$0
Down Payment: \$1,499
Total Due At Signing: \$1,678*

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A MONTH**

60 month lease
1st Payment: \$188
Sec. Deposit: \$0
Down Payment: \$999
Total Due At Signing: \$1,187*

\$499 DOWN

**\$198
A MONTH**

60 month lease
1st Payment: \$198
Sec. Deposit: \$0
Down Payment: \$499
Total Due At Signing: \$697*

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A MONTH**

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1st Payment: \$207
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Down Payment: \$0
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60 month lease
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Sec. Deposit: \$300
Down Payment: \$1,499
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A MONTH**

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Total Due At Signing: \$1,588*

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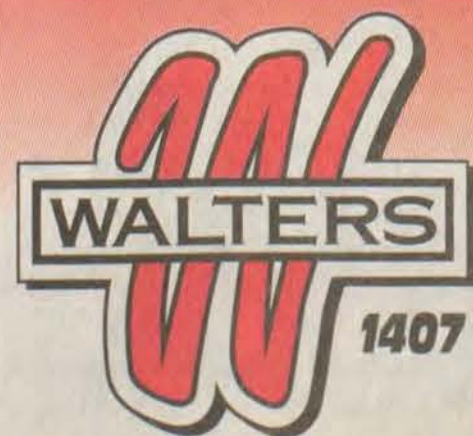
**\$299
A MONTH**

60 month lease
1st Payment: \$299
Sec. Deposit: \$300
Down Payment: \$499
Total Due At Signing: \$1,098*

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**\$308
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- Associate degree or diploma from a recognized college or university and two years of experience in public health or a community health setting.
- Copy of valid license to practice as a Registered Nurse in Kentucky, must accompany application.
- Educational transcripts must accompany application. Criminal background check will be required.

Minimum salary for this position is \$14.78 hourly.

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AUCTION Garrett Storage Rental, Unit #16, Oct. 2, 11:00 a.m. 4 Stone Coal Road. Garrett.

812-FREE

FREE PALLETS: Can be picked up behind The Floyd County Times.

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NUMBER 836-5423, AMENDMENT NO. 2

In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Frasure Creek Mining, LLC, 1051 Main Street, Suite 100, Milton, West Virginia 25541, has applied for an amendment to an existing surface and underground coal mining and reclamation operation, located approximately 3.1 miles southeast of McDowell in Floyd County. The amendment will add 47.55 acres of surface disturbance, and will underlie an additional 20.05 acres, making a total area of 3,299.19 acres within the revised permit boundary.

The proposed amendment area begins at the intersection of KY Route 1929's junction with Ned Fork County Road, and is located along Neds Fork of Frasure Creek.

The proposed amendment is located on the McDowell USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle maps. The surface area to be disturbed by the amendment is owned by The Elk Horn Coal Corporation, Helen, Green Jr., and Reford Gayheart, Michael and Aileen Collins, Juanita Page, Carl Bentley Estate, Augustine Frabutt Estate, J C and P Coal Corporation, Boone and Brenda Frasure Heirs, Levi Blankenship, Samuel Hamilton, Levisa Fork, LLC et al., Anthony Mullins, Della Vance Estate, Willie and Opal Moore, and Mary Annis Hamilton.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

This is the final advertisement of the application. All comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference, must be received within 30 days of today's date.

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

(1) In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Addington Mining Inc., 2000 Ashland Dr., Ashland KY 41101, has applied for phase III bond release on permit number 836-0279, increments Nos. 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8, and 12, which was last issued on 04/20/87.

The application covers an area of approximately 446.43 acres, located 1.0 mile east of Ivey Creek, in Floyd County, Kentucky.

(2) The permit area is approximately 0.25 mile northeast from U.S. Rt. 23 junction with Toms Creek, and located 1.0 mile east of Levisa Fork of the Big Sandy River.

(3) The bond now in effect for increment No. 1 is a surety for \$ 2 9 , 0 0 0 . 0 0 .

Approximately 100% of the original bond amount of \$29,000.00 is included in the application for release.

The bond now in effect for increment No. 2 is a surety for \$ 1 3 , 1 0 0 . 0 0 . Approximately 100% of the original bond amount \$13,100.00 is included in the application for release.

The bond now in effect for increment No. 3 is a surety for \$ 1 4 , 5 0 0 . 0 0 . Approximately 100% of the original bond amount \$14,500.00 is included in the application for release.

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The bond now in effect for increment No. 5 is a surety for \$ 2 8 , 2 0 0 . 0 0 . Approximately 100% of the original bond amount \$28,200.00 is included in the application for release.

The bond now in effect for increment No. 6 is a surety for \$ 1 3 , 7 0 0 . 0 0 . Approximately 100% of the original bond amount \$13,700.00 is included in the application for release.

The bond now in effect for increment No. 7 is a surety for \$ 4 6 , 5 0 0 . 0 0 . Approximately 100% of the original bond amount \$46,500.00 is included in the application for release.

The bond now in effect for increment No. 8 is a surety for \$ 1 0 , 0 0 0 . 0 0 . Approximately 100% of the original bond amount \$10,000.00 is included in the application for release.

The bond now in effect for increment No. 12 is a surety for \$3,100.00. Approximately 100% of the original bond amount \$3,100.00 is included in the application for release.

(4) Reclamation work performed includes: seeding and regrading was done as of the fall of 1997. No major activity for reclamation has been done since, with the establishment of the post mine land use, as per revegetation plan.

(5) This is the final advertisement of the application. Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky, 40601, by October 25, 2002.

(6) A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for 10:00 a.m., on October 28, 2002, at the Department for Surface Mining

Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Dr., Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653. The hearing will be canceled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by October 25, 2002.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NUMBER 836-6015 RENEWAL #3

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that CONSOL of Kentucky Inc., P.O. Box 130, Mousie, Kentucky 41839, has applied for a renewal of a permit for loading and crushing coal processing facility, affecting 5.0 acres located 1/4 mile northwest of Hueysville in Floyd County.

The proposed operation is approximately 0.75 mile northwest from KY Route 7's junction with KY Route 550, and located 0.40 mile east of Right Fork of Beaver Creek. The Latitude is 37° 30' 05". The Longitude is 82° 50' 32".

The proposed operation is located on the Martin U.S.G.S 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The operation will affect an area within 100 feet of a public road, KY Route 550. The operation will not involve relocation of the public road. The surface area is owned by CONSOL of Kentucky Inc., and CSXT.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653-1410. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

This is the final advertisement of the application. All comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be received within thirty (30) days of today's date.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to KRS 231.040, application for a permit to operate a place of entertainment, has been made by Larry Moore, of P.O. Box 185, McDowell, KY 41647. The name of the proposed business of entertainment is G & L Bar & Carryout. The nature of the business will be Pool Tables and Carryout. Pursuant to KRS 231.070, the

Floyd County Attorney shall investigate whether the applicant lacks good moral character, or whether the applicant will obey the laws of the Commonwealth in the operation of the business, or whether the applicant, within the last two (2) years prior to the date of filing the application has been convicted in Kentucky of maintaining a public nuisance. Pursuant to KRS 231.080 any person desiring to oppose the permits shall file with the County Clerk, no later than October 17, 2002, in writing, allegations that show cause as to why the application shall not be granted. Said written information shall be signed, dated and reflect the current address of said person providing the information.

Pursuant to KRS 231.080, a hearing has been scheduled for October 17, 2002, at the hour of 2:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as same can be heard before the Floyd County Judge/Executive at the Floyd County Justice Center, 2nd floor in Prestonsburg, Kentucky. The Floyd County Judge/Executive shall hear evidence in support of or in opposition to the granting of the permit.

HON. KEITH BARTLEY
 FLOYD COUNTY ATTORNEY

ATTACHMENT 10.2.A NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NUMBER 836-5238 AMENDMENT #2

1) In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that CONSOL of Kentucky Inc., P.O. Box 130, Mousie, Ky. 41839, has applied for an amendment to an existing surface and underground coal mining and reclamation operation, located 0.9 mile northeast of Handshoe in Knott and Floyd Counties. This amendment will add 2.73 acres of surface disturbance and will underlie an additional 1031.0 acres, making a total area of 1604.06 acres within the amended permit boundary.

2) The proposed amendment is approximately 0.2 mile west from County Road 1280's junction with Ky. Hwy. 2029, and located along Lick Fork.

3) The proposed amendment is located on the Handshoe U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The operation will use the underground method of mining with associated surface disturbance. The surface area to be disturbed by this amendment is owned by CONSOL

of Kentucky Inc. The area will underlie land owned by the Kentucky Department of Transportation, CONSOL of Kentucky Inc., Mitchell Stephens, Leslie Bradley, Floyd Co. Fiscal Court, Johnny Hoover Heirs, First Commonwealth Bank, Lindburg Hale, Tilden Shepherd Heirs, Harris Handshoe Heirs, Phoebe L. Bryan, Clayton Handshoe, Elderee Turner, Rosa Oney, Annis Bailey, Charles Howard, Green Bailey Heirs, Hershall Handshoe, Bessie Conley, Oakley Conley, Sammie Handshoe, Clotis Howard. The operation will affect an area within 100' of public road Ky. Hwy 2029. The operation will not involve relocation or closure of the public road.

4) The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg regional office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653-1410. Written comments objections or requests for a permit conference, must be filed with the Director of the Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

NOTICE OF BIDS

Branham Heights Apts. of Wheelwright, Ky is accepting bids on a 5'x15' block wall. Also, on a concrete patio. We will be accepting bids until Oct. 1, 2002. Please Contact Sharon at 452-4777. Eho, hadicap accessible.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NO. 836-5173, RENEWAL

(1) In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Buck Coal, Inc., 544 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, has applied for a RENEWAL of a permit for an underground coal mining operation located 1 1/2 mile north of Craynor, in Floyd County. The operation includes 92.45 acres of surface disturbance area (2.5 acres which overlie underground works) and underlies 845.0 acres of overlying surface area for a total permit area of 934.95 acres.

(2) The operation is located 1/2 mile west from KY Route 979's junction with KY Route 680, and located immediately south of Hamilton Branch.

(3) The operation is on the McDowell U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle maps. The surface area disturbed is owned by The Elk Horn Coal

Corporation, David Akers, Morris Newsome, Carmel & Walker Tackett, Homer Hall, Richard Hall, Barbara Hall, Shannon & Jennifer Mulkey and Timothy Ryan Akers. The mine area underlies land owned by The Elk Horn Coal Corporation, Ellis Branham, Miles Williams, Ishmael Akers, Milford Howell, Arnold Newsome, Cecil Hamilton, Anna Newsom, Gustavia Howell, Della Jones, Robert Howell, Squire Hamilton, Levi and Mary McKinney, Frank and Ivalee McKinney, Pauline Tackett, J.Lee Hall, Dorothy Blanton, James K. Hall, Morris Newsome and Denzil R. Hall, Denzil R. Hall, William Moore, O.C. Hall, Demas Evans, Freeman Evans, Orville Hall, Barbara Hall, Oscar Akers, Bill Hall, Butler Evans, Ted Evans, Larry Compton, Shannon & Jennifer Mulkey, Homer Hall, Timothy Ryan Akers, Martha Evans, Astor Hall, Virgil Hall, Carmel & Walker Tackett, Emit Howell, Rock Bridge Coal Corp. Inc., Charlie Howell Heirs, Otis Hall and Maxie Howell.

(4) The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, Dept. for Surface Mining, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite #6, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written comments, objections, and requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

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New Jag makes world debut

PARIS — Jaguar's all-new XJ Sedan makes its world debut Thursday at the Paris Motor Show. The new flagship of the Jaguar marque is the seventh generation of the car to wear the famous XJ badge, as well as being the most advanced production Jaguar ever. Lightweight aluminum construction makes the car up to 440 lbs. lighter than the outgoing model,

while delivering new levels of strength, robustness and dynamic ability. "I am proud to be introducing a new generation of the quintessential Jaguar sedan," said Mike Beasley, Jaguar's managing director. "The original XJ6 was introduced 34 years ago to the day, on Sept. 26, 1968. The new XJ has all the style and spirit of that car, but

benefits from the most advanced technologies ever used by Jaguar." The new Jaguar XJ goes on sale next spring. The range of engines is spearheaded by a 4.2 liter V8 in naturally aspirated and super-charged forms.

strongest model line up ever," said Bob Dover, chief operating officer of Jaguar and Land Rover. "Put this together with five successive years of record sales — including this one — and Jaguar is in great shape for the future."

More customer information on the new car is available via a dedicated website www.thenewXJ.com, where customers can also register to be kept updated with further details as they are released.

Also making their motor show debuts in Paris are the new-generation XK8 and XKR sport cars. With larger capacity, more powerful engines and a new six-speed automatic transmission heading the package of changes, the revised XK is now an even more attractive proposition.

"In the past 18 months Jaguar has introduced the new X-TYPE, renewed the S-TYPE range and now, with the new-generation XK and all-new XJ, we have our

California

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GT Cruiser and Panel Cruiser concepts made their world premier in 2000, while in 2001 the Chrysler PT Cruiser Convertible Styling Study made its debut at the New York Auto Show.

The GT Cruiser concept foreshadowed the recently launched 2003 Chrysler PT Turbo, while production plans for the Chrysler PT Convertible were announced at the 2002 New

York Auto Show. This convertible will be available at Chrysler dealers by spring of 2004.

The 2003 Chrysler PT Cruiser is manufactured at Chrysler Group's Toluca Assembly Plant in Mexico. From its launch as a production vehicle in February 2000 through July 2002, nearly 444,000 Chrysler PT Cruiser vehicles have been sold worldwide.

PUBLIC NOTICE permits shall file with the County Clerk, no later than October 17, 2002, in writing, allegations that show cause as to why the application shall not be granted. Said written information shall be signed, dated and reflect the current address of said person providing the information. Pursuant to KRS 231.080, a hearing has been scheduled for October 17, 2002, at the hour of 2:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as same can be heard before the Floyd County Judge/Executive at the Floyd County Justice Center, 2nd floor in Prestonsburg, Kentucky. The Floyd County Judge/Executive shall hear evidence in support of or in opposition to the granting of the permit. HON. KEITH BARTLEY FLOYD COUNTY ATTORNEY

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CITY OF WHEELWRIGHT ORDINANCE NO. 2002-03 AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO FIXING THE TAX RATE FOR THE YEAR 2002. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF WHEELWRIGHT:

SECTION 1. There is hereby laid and levied for the taxable year of 2002, an ad valorem tax of THIRTY-FIVE CENTS (\$.35) upon each \$100.00 worth of taxable property (property as used in revenue statute means everything of value that a person owns that is or may be the subject of sale or exchange, or that when offered for sale will bring some price. And so, any existing, enforceable, collectable demand upon which it is a lien, or out of which it can be collected, is property) real, tangible and intangible, within the corporate limits of the City of Wheelwright, Kentucky, said levy is laid upon the valuation as of January 1, the taxes being subject to a six (6%) percent discount before November 30, and a six (6%) percent penalty after December 31, these dates being subject to change should the Tax Commissioner's office be late with the assessments.

SECTION 2. The taxes to be collected thereon to be used for the purpose of maintaining the City of Wheelwright, and to pay and reduce any debts incurred by the City of Wheelwright.

SECTION 3. That this Ordinance will take effect and be in force after its passage and publication as required by law.

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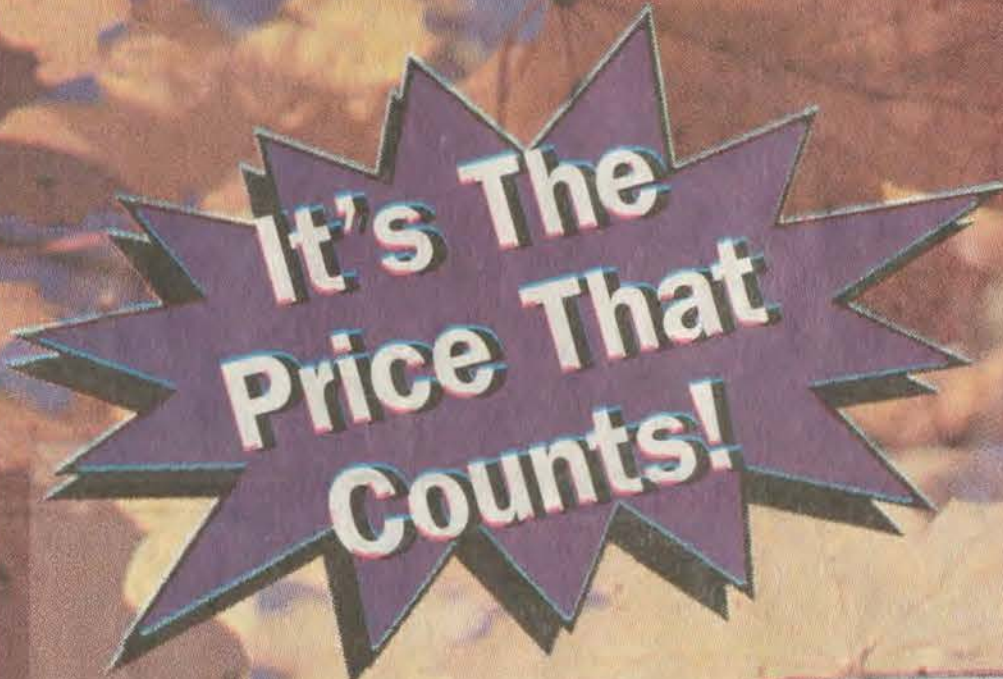
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BEHIND THE WHEEL

Audi A4 Cabriolet

Next test drive: 2003 Subaru Outback

by ANN M. JOB
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Already the biggest seller at Audi, the A4 line expands this fall with a new, stylish A4 convertible.

The 2003 A4 Cabriolet debuts with 220-horsepower, 3-liter V6 and a first in its segment—a continuously variable transmission (CVT).

More is on the way. A lower-priced A4 Cabriolet with 170-horsepower, turbocharged four-cylinder is due in mid model year, and by next year about this time, the A4 Cabriolet, which builds on the platform of the A4 sedan and Avant station wagon, also will offer Audi's Quattro all-wheel drive.

The two-door convertible "builds on the A4 sedan and Avant momentum by adding a new emotional appeal to the A4 line," said Doug Clark, marketing communications manager at Audi of America Inc.

Best of all, the A4 Cabrio has usable back seats so the car can accommodate four adults.

Its pull-down pass-through area that allows long items to fit from the trunk up between the rear seats is wide enough for a golf bag.

There are standard pop-up supports at the back of the rear seats in case of a rollover crash. Front and side airbags, antilock brakes, traction control and stability control system are standard safety features, too.

And the A4 Cabrio's fabric top is padded and triple-layered for all-weather insulation and an interior that's quite quiet. The top, available in four colors including red and dark blue, is sonically welded, because welding makes the top more leak-proof than sewing does, company officials said.

Audi hasn't had a new, four-person convertible in this country since 1998.

But the 2003 A4 Cabrio with V6 seems to be worth the wait.

This is a pretty car, with shape and styling that's nicely balanced. The A4 similarity in unmistakable, but the Cabrio has a more prominent grille and the company says the convertible actually doesn't share any body panels with the sedan and A4 Avant.

This is a convertible that looks good with the top up or down, though I prefer the latter.

Update

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Before we could have a new oxygen sensor installed, we found out the problem was that a spark-plug wire had come loose. My husband found the problem himself, and believe me, he is in no way mechanically inclined.

Thanks for your help; I will be sure to pick a different mechanic the next time I have work done. — LuAnn M., via e-mail

A: LuAnn, thanks for letting our readers know how your situation turned out. I'm not surprised your "complete tune-up" for \$500 did not include the important oxygen-sensor replacement. Remember to replace this item soon, even though your car is running OK now.

What is really a shame is that the loose wire may have been the original culprit, and those original 100,000-mile spark plugs might still have been in good shape. Did you receive back into your possession the original plugs the mechanic replaced when you paid the bill? How about those plug wires?

The bottom line here is that your car is running well. You know you have to replace the oxygen sensor soon, and you won't go back to this mechanic again. Good luck.

Write to Greg Zyla in care of King Features Weekly Service, P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475, or send an e-mail to letters.kfws@hearstsc.com.

This roof, by the way, is fully automatic, and can raise or lower in 24 seconds. It's about the time Audi estimated that someone might sit at a stoplight.

Note that the folded roof fabric doesn't sit exposed at the back of the seats or require riders to snap down a manual boot. The A4 Cabrio's hard well cover closes down over the fabric and sits flush with the car body.

There's a sense of solidity in this front-wheel-drive car, as the body structure feels taut with no body shudder or shake.

The car handles mountain twisties competently, though the 16-inch, all-season tires did begin to squeal when really pushed.

The A4 Cabrio sits 0.8 inch lower to the ground than its A4 sedan sibling. The Cabrio also

You can use regular gasoline here, though premium unleaded is recommended for top performance.

Visibility is obviously terrific in this car with the top down, but the roof's thick rear window pillars can block some views as you back out of a parking space.

The A4 Cabrio's back seat really can hold two adults. At 5 feet 4, my head didn't brush the fabric roof, and the room was OK for my legs.

In fact, this Audi's back-seat legroom of 32.4 inches is more than the 27.4 inches in the Mercedes CLK Cabrio and the 32 inches in the back seat of the BMW 3-Series convertibles.

The A4 Cabrio beats out the other two competitors in maximum trunk room, too.

The A4 convertible has 10.2 cubic feet available vs. 9.4 cubic feet in the CLK Cabrio and 7.7 in the 325Cic.

Note the A4 has a variable soft-top compartment in the trunk for use when the top is up that helps allow this maximum 10.2 cubic feet.

This compartment is normally reserved for the folded top; but the turn of a lever folds it upward into the trunk top, allowing use of this space in the trunk for cargo—as long you don't put the top down.

While you're back there, check out the A4 Cabrio trunk lid. It's a special composite material and has the radio and navigation system antennas built into it, so there's no antenna stalk on the car.

Also, the optional windscreen that helps reduce air buffeting inside when the top is down is easy to use. It's relatively lightweight and folds to a smaller size, so it can be stored tidily inside a cover in the trunk.

In recent years, A4 sales have totaled nearly half of all Audi U.S. sales. Officials predict some 7,300 annual Cabrio sales in the United States.

Because the A4 Cabriolet is new, Consumer Reports does not list owner trouble complaints.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration does not have any safety recalls for this new model, and there's no report on government crash test results.

Manufacturer's suggested retail price, including destination charge, starts at an estimated \$35,660 for the turbocharged four-cylinder model due at mid model year. The 2003 A4 Cabrio 3.0 with V6 out this fall starts at \$42,160.

This compares with \$50,615 for a 2003 V6-powered CLK320 and \$36,745 for a six-cylinder-powered 2002 BMW 325Cic. BMW has not released prices for 2003.

Audi expects buyers of the A4 Cabrio V6 to be about 45 years of age, with median income of \$130,000.

Officials said half will be men and 60 percent will be married. About 20 percent will have a child in the household.

Eighty-five percent of buyers will be college graduates.

2003 Audi A4 Cabriolet 3.0

BASE PRICE: \$35,000 (estimated) for 1.8T model; \$41,500 for 3.0 V6 model.

AS TESTED: \$42,160.

TYPE: Front-engine, front-wheel drive, four-passenger, compact convertible.

ENGINE: 3-liter, double overhead cam, five-valve, 90-degree V6.

MILEAGE: 20 mpg (city), 27 mpg (highway).

TOP SPEED: 130 mph.

LENGTH: 180 inches.

WHEELBASE: 104.5 inches.

CURB WT.: 3,814 pounds.

BUILT AT: Germany.

OPTIONS: None.

DESTINATION CHARGE: \$660.

weighs more than 3,800 pounds. This is 164 pounds more than a V6-powered Mercedes-Benz CLK320 Cabriolet.

In fact, the A4 Cabrio with V6 weighs more than the CLK430 Cabrio with V8, too.

Still, the all-aluminum, double overhead cam, five-valve V6 is up to the task, with Audi's proprietary CVT—called multitronic—smoothly finding just the right gears to give the driver a good feel of scoot and power.

CVTs offer an infinite range of gears for maximum performance and optimum fuel economy. But for a driver, they are like an automatic transmission, with no clutch pedal on the floor.

Torque here is 221 foot-pounds at 3,200 rpm, but Audi officials say 90 percent of the peak torque in the A4 Cabrio V6 is available from 2,200 to 5,200 rpm.

The powerplant certainly pulled the test A4 Cabrio in mountain terrain and didn't hesitate to power the car efficiently for flat-out straightaways.

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Talk

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RAY:
Of course, there are downsides to leather seats, too. There's the expense. And because VW sells its leather seats as part of an "options package" that includes "must haves," like a leather shift knob and parking-brake handle, it charges \$1,500 bucks for it. And unfortunately, \$1,300 is the listed invoice price, so you won't get much of a break on that — but go ahead and ask for one.

cow, who presumably had other uses in mind for that skin. So if this bothers you, that's an argument against leather. And finally, leather seats are hot and sticky in hot weather, and cold and stiff on very cold mornings.

RAY:
But given the amount of pre-digested, post-digested and mid-digested material that's going to land on your seats, I think you have to go for the leather, May. And get the wagon version of the Passat, so you can fill up the back with paper towels.

TOM:
Another downside for some people is that making leather seats involves removing skin from a

■■■■
Whose responsibility is it to fix a broken window?

Dear Tom and Ray:
My car got broken into while sitting in my mechanic's parking lot, waiting to get fixed. The vandals broke the passenger-side window. The mechanic called the police and filed a police report, then replaced the window. He said he would not charge me for the labor to replace the window, but he wants to charge me for the window itself. Should I pay for the window,

or is it the mechanic's responsibility, since I entrusted the car to him? Thanks. — Rachel

RAY:
Well, liability laws vary from state to state, Rachel, so you should call your local attorney general's office to check. But in most civilized states, once you fill out the repair order and leave your keys with the mechanic, the car is then considered to be in his care, custody and control. And from then until you pick it up, he's responsible for it, Rachel.

TOM:
So he should cover the cost of

both the parts and the labor necessary to fix it. And I should point out that most garages have insurance to cover just this sort of expense because, sometimes, stuff happens.

RAY:
Maybe he doesn't want to make a claim to his insurer because he's been dropping too many cars off the lift in the past few weeks. But that's not your problem, Rachel.

TOM:
Now, if you had dropped off the car the night before, left it in his lot without his knowledge and slid the key through the mail slot, then I

think any overnight damage is your responsibility. In that case, he's being generous by offering you free labor, and you ought to thank him.

RAY:
And, given my vast experience in the field, I would say that an appropriate gift in this case would be either a banana bread or a large Doberman pinscher.

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Test Drive

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driving competence.

Ground clearance is an amazing 8.2 inches, and the Cross Country is ready for adventure if off-roading is on your driving menu. Its exterior good looks include Pirelli 16-inch tires, alloy wheels, contrasting flared fenders and attractive plastic body cladding across the lower front, side and rear.

An imaginative interior offers optimal flexibility. The power front seats are firm and comfortable, while a 40/20/40 split rear seat and a host of useful options and accessories make for easy transport of both cargo and passengers. There are no squeaks or rattles evident, with high-quality Swedish craftsmanship foremost in the design. A modern dashboard similar to the flagship S80 sedan is loaded with features, while legroom for all occupants is good. However, the rear seating is average for 6 footers and above.

Underneath, a sophisticated four-wheel independent suspension ensures excellent road manners and merges nicely with ABS disc brakes with four-wheel traction control. Be it traveling the open highway or rounding a sharp corner in the country, the V70 gets you from point A to point B in style, fun and safely.

Built on a 108.5-inch wheelbase, the V70 Wagon weighs in at 3,576 pounds, offers 71.5 cubic feet of cargo space and posts 19 mpg city and 25 mpg highway EPA numbers.

Overall, we liked the ride quality and driving experience, and feel the Cross Country will appeal to consumers who may be considering an SUV for the first time. It will also attract attention from existing SUV owners who want to get back more normalcy without completely giving up their ability to track the outdoor trails.

Fun driving may be a primary objective for those who own a Cross Country, but rest assured that occupant safety is foremost in the design of all V70 Wagons. Based on the acclaimed Volvo large car platform, which achieved a five-star side impact crash test rating, V70 Cross Country incorporates Volvo's best safety innovations, including dual-stage front airbags, side airbags (part of the Side Impact Protection System) and Inflatable Curtain, as well as whiplash protection seats and other features. Volvo has been a leader for years in passenger safety, and it shows in this and all of its models.

The base price of the Turbo V70 XC came in at \$35,100, while additional optional packages like leather, security, metallic paint, custom interior, a cold-weather pack and destination pushed the final bottom line to \$39,875 delivered.

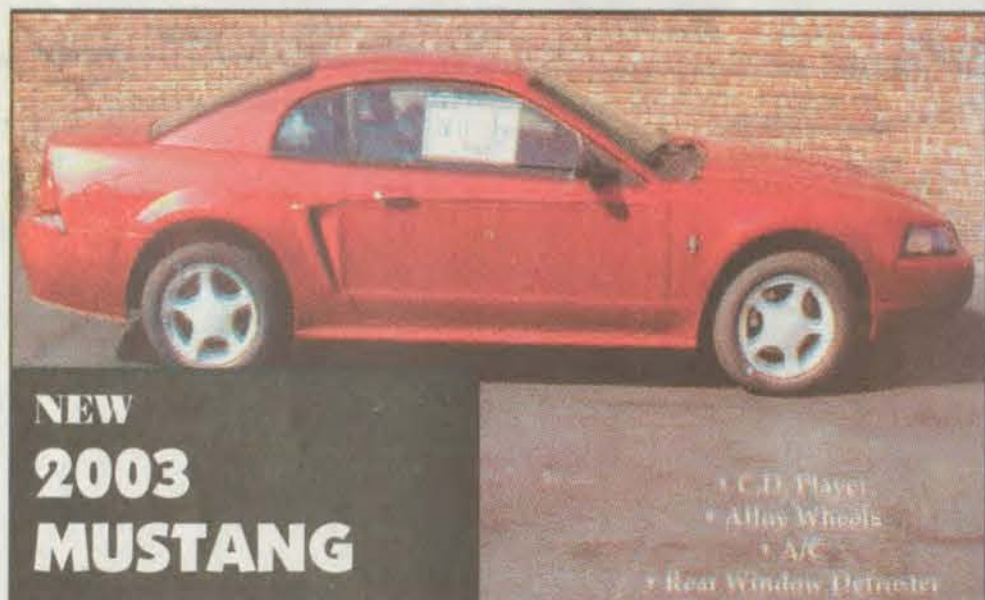
Major competition for the V70 comes from BMW X5, Jeep Grand Cherokee, Audi All Road, Lexus RX 300, Saab 9-5, Subaru Outback Limited and Mercedes-Benz M-Class. We feel Volvo is on firm ground with its V70 AWD wagons, and could influence many of the competitors' consumers to consider the advantages of owning a Volvo.



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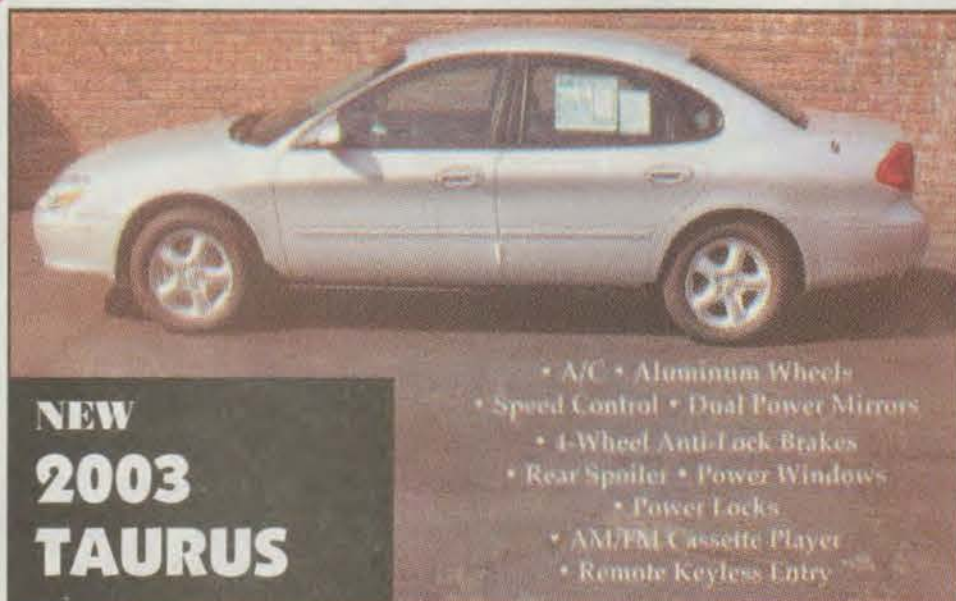
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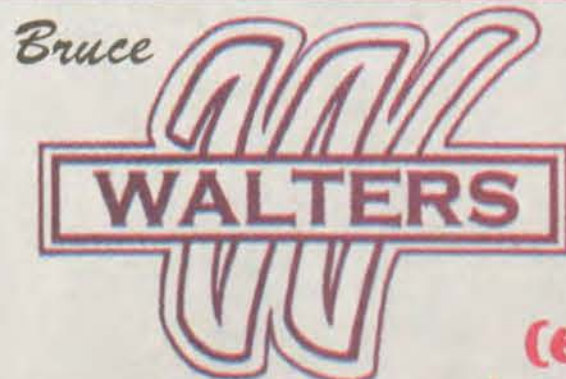


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