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\$9,000 in counterfeit bills

by LORETTA BLACKBURN
STAFF WRITER

Harris Pleads to possession

A Prestonsburg man, Stephen Todd Harris, 32, who was found in possession of \$9,000 in counterfeit money in December 2000, plead guilty to criminal possession of a forged instrument on Friday, October

4, in exchange for a recommendation for a five year recommendation from the commonwealth.

Harris was arrested for possessing 90

\$100 bills of counterfeit money, totaling \$9,000, on December 28, 2000. He was originally charged with a class C felony charge of criminal possession of a forged

instrument, but that charge was amended to a class D in exchange for a plea.

Harris plead guilty to the charges on Friday, in Judge Danny P. Caudill's courtroom. Commonwealth Attorney Brent Turner recommended that Harris receive five years to be suspended after serving two,

photo by Loretta Blackburn
Kentucky Supreme Court Justice Janet Stumbo sat on a panel to discuss domestic violence and family court at PCC on Thursday, October 3, where she expressed that "it was painful" for her as prosecutor in the county attorneys office in 1982 to watch victims drop the charges against offenders "because they didn't have anywhere else to go". She said that since then her focus has been on family court and using it as a tool to fight this problem.

Panel proposes unity against domestic violence

by LORETTA BLACKBURN
STAFF WRITER

The Floyd County Community Council on Domestic Violence sponsored an event on Thursday, October 3, at Prestonsburg Community

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Today
Mostly sunny
High: 77 • Low: 51

Tomorrow
Showers likely
High: 63 • Low: 42

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HINDMAN SETTLEMENT SCHOOL



photo submitted

The Hindman Settlement School celebrates its 100 year in education.

School still going strong after 100 YEARS

by ROGER ALFORD
ASSOCIATED PRESS

HINDMAN — Twyla Messer knows what it's like to be the little girl in school who dreads being called on to read.

Dyslexia had her so far behind her classmates when she reached the fifth grade that the very thought put her into a panic.

"I would hide in the back of the class, hoping no one would call on me," Messer said. "It was like anti-

pating going into surgery. You hoped you wouldn't have to do it, but you knew eventually you would have to."

A small school on the banks of Troublesome Creek helped to turn her life around, just as it has done for some 1,700 Appalachian children.

That school, founded 100 years ago, still is following its primary mission of educating children, keeping them mindful of their heritage and providing them opportunities to serve the community.

When public schools became the primary educators of mountain children, leaders of Hindman Settlement School shifted their focus to fill the gaps. With no other school in the region specializing in dyslexia, the school's present course was set 22 years ago.

Now 33, Messer is an elementary school principal who takes a keen interest in helping children with reading problems.

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OxyContin conviction nets five years

by LORETTA BLACKBURN
STAFF WRITER

A man who plead guilty to trafficking in OxyContin and Lorcet on September 6,

Keith Thornsberry, 32, was sentenced to five years "hard labor" on Friday, October 4 by Judge Danny P. Caudill in Floyd Circuit Court.

Keith Thornsberry, 32, plead guilty to a class D felony of trafficking in the second-degree in which the substance was Lorcet, a schedule II narcotic, and a class C felony of first-degree trafficking in which

the substance was OxyContin, a schedule II narcotic. Both charges were said to have occurred on December 3, 2001. Thornsberry received a recommendation from the com-

Thornsberry

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Appalred experiences devastating funding cuts

by JARRID DEATON
STAFF WRITER

The Appalachian Research and Defense Fund of Kentucky (Appalred) has experienced a devastating cut in funding for the organization according to Larry York, interim director.

According to York, the organization was expecting a loss of some funds, but not as much as what was lost.

"We knew that we were going to lose

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Betsy Layne Elementary gets new access road

by JARRID DEATON
STAFF WRITER

BESTY LAYNE - A ribbon cutting ceremony on Friday marked the completion of the new entrance to the Betsy Layne Elementary School.

Transportation Secretary James C. Codell, Floyd County Schools Superintendent Dr. Paul Fanning, and Betsy Layne Elementary Principal Sheila B.

Calhoun along with other local and state officials were in attendance.

The new road is county road 1823 and will be maintained by the Floyd County Fiscal Court.

The new entrance is a was labeled a "straight shot" from U.S. 23 to the school.

Secretary James Codell had high praise for the project.

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photo by Jarrid Deaton

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Odds and Ends

■ **LUDINGTON, Mich.** — Orange stripes on blue pants? A 20-year-old man found out the hard way that he'd made an unfortunate fashion choice.

A man dressed in a blue shirt and blue pants with orange stripes down the side was walking along U.S. 10 on Monday morning when he stopped at a gas station.

His clothing caught the eyes of two off-duty Michigan Department of Corrections employees, as well as an off-duty Lake County reserve officer, who decided he looked like a prison escapee and detained him.

The officers bound the man's hands with duct tape and searched him for weapons before asking gas station employees to contact authorities.

Within 30 minutes, authorities determined the man wasn't an escaped convict and released him.

The Mason County Sheriff's Department was investigating. Sheriff's officials said they would send the case to prosecutors to determine if officers violated any laws when they detained the man.

■ **TALLAHASSEE, Fla.**

— Attorneys for a Florida State University student said she has settled her lawsuit against the producers of a "Girls Gone Wild" video in which she exposed her breasts.

Becky Lynn Gritzke, a business major, contended MRA Holdings LLC violated her privacy when it marketed images of her flashing during Mardi Gras in New Orleans last year.

The video company said Mardi Gras was a newsworthy event and that people who removed their clothes in public during the celebration forfeited their right to privacy.

The case was scheduled for trial next week, but Gritzke's lawyers moved to dismiss it Tuesday when a settlement was reached. U.S. District Judge Robert L. Hinkle issued an order closing the case Wednesday.

Financial terms of the settlement were confidential, but an attorney for Gritzke said MRA Holdings must stop distributing the video and all advertising containing Gritzke's image.

Gritzke's suit sought damages based on her embarrassment and suffering as well as what it called the unjust enrichment of the video company as the result of the unauthorized

use of her image.

■ **ALLENTOWN, Pa.** — A man who pleaded guilty to trying to flee police said he would run as part of his punishment.

In a plea bargain, Chad M. Eschbach, 21, agreed to run in a 5-kilometer race that will benefit the Schuylkill-Carbon Lodge of the Fraternal Order of Police.

Eschbach, of Lower Towamensing Township, pleaded guilty on Thursday to fleeing and eluding police in a July 27 chase in downtown Palmerton. He also pleaded guilty to marijuana possession.

Carbon County Judge Richard W. Webb asked Eschbach during the hearing if he was a runner.

"He will be, your honor," said District Attorney Gary F. Dobias, who will also participate in the race.

Police said they tried to stop Eschbach for driving with a burned-out headlight. Eschbach drove away and then got out of the car and ran a short distance before being caught, police said.

Police said they found the ends of two marijuana cigarettes and rolling papers in his car.

Webb deferred sentencing Eschbach and ordered the coun-

ty probation department to do a pre-sentencing investigation.

■ **JAMESTOWN, N.Y.** — An upstate New York man's pumpkin patch only yielded three pumpkins this year. That was more than enough.

One weighed 450 pounds, another about 800 pounds, and the third came in at 1,245 pounds, just 17 pounds shy of the world record.

Tim Bailey said he grew the

large orange fruits from "Atlantic Giant" seeds, and gave them a lot of water and "organic matter."

Bailey recently trucked his big gourd to the World Pumpkin Confederation Weigh-Off in Clarence, near Buffalo. The pumpkin could not qualify for competition because of a small crack, meaning it had to be relegated to exhibition fruit class.

Bailey first became interested in large-pumpkin growing

while talking with his brother-in-law, giant watermelon grower Dave Fisher. Bailey also grows giant sunflowers.

He self-pollinates the pumpkin blossoms for better results and limits the number grown per vine. The super pumpkin has a 5-foot circumference.

Bailey communicates with other giant pumpkin growers through the Internet and plans to sell and trade seeds from his big one.

More tests in store for students

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — Kentucky's public school students will take additional reading and math tests to comply with a new federal law.

The state Board of Education voted unanimously Wednesday to adopt the new tests to comply with the No Child Left Behind Act. The law requires annual math and reading testing in grades three through eight.

The new tests will be given in addition to the reading, science and writing tests now taken in fourth and seventh grades and the math, social studies, arts and humanities and practical living tests taken in fifth and eighth grades.

The board voted to add reading in grades five and eight and math in grades four and seven. Those are on top of math tests already given in grades five and eight and reading tests in grades four and seven under the Commonwealth Accountability Testing Program, or CATS. The basic skills test covers reading and math in grades three and six.

The new tests are "very consistent with what we already have in place," said Helen Mountjoy, board chairwoman.

The change probably will take effect in the spring of 2005. Officials estimate the extra exams will add one hour to an hour and a half to the time students spend in testing each year.

Kentucky Education Commissioner Gene Wilhoit estimated it will cost \$4 million to develop the new tests, although some federal aid is available to help defray the expense. That cost will be in addition to Kentucky's \$39.9 million four-year testing contract with CTB-McGraw Hill.

Unlike the Kentucky Core Content Tests, which are written specifically to measure how well students learn material in the state curriculum, the new tests will begin as a nationally developed, multiple-choice test.

Kentucky teachers will be

involved in augmenting the exam so that it more closely reflects the things the state's children are supposed to be learning. Questions will be added to the multiple-choice portion of the exam, and open-ended as well as multiple-choice questions will be included.

After the new federal law passed, state officials thought Kentucky might get a waiver from the U.S. Department of Education that would allow the state to use its existing testing system. But federal education officials told the state they won't grant such a waiver.

Over the coming months, the state board must decide whether and how to comply with other provisions in the law, including requirements that schools show annual progress on state tests. Under the CATS program, Kentucky schools are judged every two years on their progress. Schools that meet their goals qualify for cash rewards, while those that don't receive state assistance.

The state has until Jan. 31 to submit a plan to the federal department on how it will com-

(See TESTS, page five)

House approves UMW health care bill

The Associated Press

CHARLESTON, W.Va. — Legislation to help the financially strapped United Mine Workers retiree health care plan has been approved by the House of Representatives.

The bill, authored by Rep. Nick Rahall, D-W.Va., was approved by a voice vote late

Tuesday.

The legislation is designed to eliminate a growing deficit in the UMW fund that provides health care benefits to 54,000 retired miners and their families. It allows the continued transfer of money from a federal abandoned mine cleanup program to the UMW health care fund.

"The people covered by this

health care program spent their careers producing the energy which powered this nation to greatness," Rahall said. "We must not forsake them. We must not cast them adrift in their later years, robbed of the health care they so desperately need."

The UMW funds will have an estimated \$8.1 million deficit at the end of this year. The funds deficit is estimated to be \$81 million by the end of 2004.

West Virginia has 15,600 beneficiaries of the UMW fund, nearly a third of the total, and more than any other state. Pennsylvania is next with 10,300 and Kentucky third with 6,600.

In a 1946 agreement, President Truman and legendary UMW President John L. Lewis promised union coal miners and their families cradle-to-grave health care.

In 1992, Congress passed the Coal Industry Retiree Health Benefit Act to confirm that promise. The law merged previous UMW benefit plans into the Combined Benefit Fund, and created a new mechanism to fund health care for miners whose last known employers had gone out of business.

(See UMW, page five)

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Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Sunday, Oct. 6, the 279th day of 2002. There are 86 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On Oct. 6, 1927, the era of talking pictures arrived with the opening of "The Jazz Singer," a movie starring Al Jolson which featured both silent and sound-synchronized scenes.

On this date:

■ In 1884, the Naval War College was established in Newport, R.I.

■ In 1889, the Moulin Rouge in Paris first opened its doors to the public.

■ In 1939, in an address to the Reichstag, Adolf Hitler denied having any intention of war against France and Britain.

■ In 1949, President Truman signed the Mutual Defense Assistance Act, totaling \$1.3 billion in military aid to NATO countries.

■ In 1973, war erupted in the Middle East as Egypt and Syria attacked Israel during the Yom Kippur holiday.

■ In 1976, in his second debate with Jimmy Carter, President Ford asserted there

was "no Soviet domination of eastern Europe." (Ford later conceded he'd misspoken.)

■ In 1981, Egyptian President Anwar Sadat was shot to death by extremists while reviewing a military parade.

■ In 1983, Cardinal Terence Cooke, the spiritual head of the Archdiocese of New York, died at age 62.

■ In 1989, actress Bette Davis died in Neuilly-sur-Seine, France, at age 81.

■ In 2000, Slobodan Milosevic finally conceded defeat to Vojislav Kostunica in Yugoslavia's presidential elections.

Ten years ago:

The U.N. Security Council voted unanimously to establish a war crimes commission for Bosnia-Herzegovina. President Bush appointed Mary Fisher to the National Commission on AIDS, replacing Magic Johnson.

Five years ago:

In a blow to both Democrats and Republicans, President Clinton used his line-item veto to kill 38 military construction projects. The space shuttle Atlantis returned to Earth, bringing home American astronaut Michael Foale after a tumultuous 4 1/2 months aboard Mir. American biology professor Stanley B. Prusiner won the Nobel Prize for medicine for discovering "prions," described as "an entirely new genre of disease-causing agents."

One year ago:

Cal Ripken played his last game in the major leagues as his Baltimore Orioles lost to the visiting Boston Red Sox 5-1.

Today's Birthdays:

Author-journalist Shana Alexander is 77. Actress Britt Ekland is 60. Impressionist Fred Travalena is 60. Singer Millie Small is 56. Singer-musician Thomas McClary is 52. Rock singer Kevin Cronin (REO Speedwagon) is 51. Rock singer-musician David Hidalgo (Los Lobos) is 48. Singer Matthew Sweet is 38. Actress Jacqueline Obradors is 36. Country singer Tim Rushlow is 36. Rapper Kitty (B-Rock and the Biz2) is 31. Actor Ioan Gruffudd is 29.

Thought for Today:

"No single man makes history. History cannot be seen, just as one cannot see grass growing." — Boris Pasternak, Russian author (1890-1960).

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100 years

She credits Hindman Settlement School with helping her to overcome her tendency to see letters and words in a garbled order that made reading nearly impossible. In one semester at the school, her reading ability increased three

grade levels. Mike Mullins, director of the settlement school, said students come from across the coalfields of eastern Kentucky and southern West Virginia to overcome their reading difficulties.

In addition, Hindman Settlement holds annual workshops for writers from across the nation, operates a public library, runs a store where local artisans can sell their wares, and coordinates yearly cultural heritage celebrations.

Jess Stoddart of San Diego, Calif., a retired history professor and member of the school's board of directors, said Hindman Settlement Schools would have closed long ago if it had not been meeting important needs in the region.

three-room wooden schoolhouse. A succession of new graduates from elite women's colleges of the Northeast rotated into the school as teachers. It gave them an opportunity to serve in the Appalachian region. The 17 full-time staffers at the school now are from the Hindman area.

classes for dyslexic students in central Appalachia. As a public school principal, Messer recommends the school each time she discovers another dyslexic child. "I was determined that no child would ever go through what I went through," she said. "That's why I chose to be a primary school teacher and principal. I knew I could recognize this problem."



Montina Scruggs, a staff member of the Hindman Settlement School's program for children with learning differences/dyslexia is shown tutoring a student.



Students in the Hindman Settlement School's annual summer tutorial program are shown during a class session.

"In one real sense, one of the school's greatest achievements was its ability to survive," Stoddart said. "There were about 200 attempts for outsiders to come in and set up schools, and very, very few of them survived."

Hundreds of settlement schools opened in the United States in the 1880's in urban settings where recent immigrants could perfect the new language and learn how to cope in their new surroundings. Rural settlement schools were rare, but about a dozen opened in Appalachia in the early 1900s. Most took on the task of boarding and educating children in areas where public schools were often nonexistent and transportation difficult.

Solomon Everidge, a mountain patriarch who wanted his grandchildren to be educated, invited two central Kentucky teachers — May Stone of Louisville and Katherine Pettit of Lexington — to start a school in Hindman. They did in 1902 with the help of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, which bought land and a building. It was the first rural settlement school in the United States, and it opened with 162 students and three teachers in a

Mullins said the school is the only one providing year-round

OxyContin

monwealth of five years on each charge to run concurrently. Before sentencing, Thornsberry's attorney, Johnny Harris, ask that Judge Caudill change the name of the arresting officers from the Kentucky State Police to the Floyd County Sheriff's Department. After that alteration was made,

Judge Caudill sentenced Thornsberry to the Commonwealth's recommended five years of hard labor on each count to run concurrently and sent him away with a vote of confidence. "I hope that when you get out you leave it all behind you," said Caudill.

Combs sentenced

by LORETTA BLACKBURN
STAFF WRITER

A Hazard man, Bradley D. Combs, 27, was sentenced to three years with a pre-trial diversion on Friday, October 4, on charges of reckless homicide stemming from a May 22, 2001 traffic accident that claimed the life of Paula H. Mitchell, 48, Grethel.

Bradley was surprised to be reprimanded to jail on September 6, after pleading guilty to reckless homicide, a class D felony, in Floyd Circuit Court. In exchange for a guilty plea, the commonwealth recommended that Combs receive a three year sentence and conveyed that they would not object to a pre-trial diversion in which the three years would be probated on the conditions that was set by probation and parole. Caudill stated to Combs at that time that, even though it was a class D felony that he had plead to, "it involved the loss of a life" and he had spent "two days in jail". He ordered

that Combs go to jail until sentencing on Friday. Combs was indicted on charges of reckless homicide on February 27, 2002 as a result of the May 22, 2001 accident at Harold in which he drove through a red light and struck the vehicle of Mitchell, who was exiting Route 979 onto US 23. Mitchell was pronounced dead at the scene by Coroner Roger Nelson, while Combs was treated and released from Pikeville Methodist.

As previously reported, in reference to prosecuting the case, Turner stated that the issue was unclear, because, according to a blood test, Combs was not intoxicated. He stated that in cases like this, it has to be clearly shown that the defendant acted recklessly by driving DUI, at an excessive speed, or some other aggravating instance. He said that he was not clear that any of those factors were present here, otherwise there would have been a stiffer sentence discussed.

Access

"This highway project is a perfect example of how communication, teamwork and cooperation by all parties involved can result in a great situation for everyone. The new access road will get the students to school safely and promptly and the nearby neighborhood residents will be relieved from school traffic, resulting in less congested and safer streets," Codell said.

The road is scheduled to be open to school traffic on Monday.

Tipster, if any, should admit it, Patton says

By CHARLES WOLFE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT, Ky. — Anyone in his office who leaked word of a state inspection to nursing home owner Tina Conner should admit it if the allegation is true, Gov. Paul Patton said Friday.

"As I found out real quick, it's going to come out sooner or later," Patton said in a news conference. "As far as I'm concerned, sooner is better."

Patton was alluding to his initial denial of an extramarital affair with Conner — an affair he then tearfully and publicly acknowledged.

Conner now is suing Patton and the state for sexual harassment. She also claims that an employee of the governor's office tipped her before a state inspection of her nursing home, Birchtree Healthcare in Clinton. Her attorney said she gave a name to state and federal investigators on Tuesday.

Patton's general counsel, Denis Fleming, questioned an unspecified number of employees of the governor's office on Wednesday and said he turned up no evidence of a tipster.

Patton said there was "nobody in the office that will admit that they have done something." Nor

does he have evidence to the contrary, he said. But if what Conner says is true, "it will come out — no question about it — sooner or later," Patton said.

Conner accuses Patton of causing state regulators to run her nursing home into bankruptcy after she ended their relationship in 1999. That alleged misuse of power now is the subject of investigations by the Kentucky attorney general, U.S. attorneys, FBI and the Executive Branch Ethics Commission.

The ethics commission this week subpoenaed records from the governor's office; the Cabinet for Health Services, which regulates nursing homes; the Transportation Cabinet, which gave another of Conner's companies enhanced eligibility for state contracts, and the Kentucky Lottery Corp., of which Conner is a board member, appointed by Patton.

Patton has denied he did anything illegal or that Conner got more assistance from his administration than any other constituent is entitled to request.

It is not unusual for him or someone on his staff to "call somewhere out in the bureaucracy" on behalf of a complaining taxpayer, Patton said. But to the bureaucrats, "Rule 1 is don't do anything wrong. Do what you

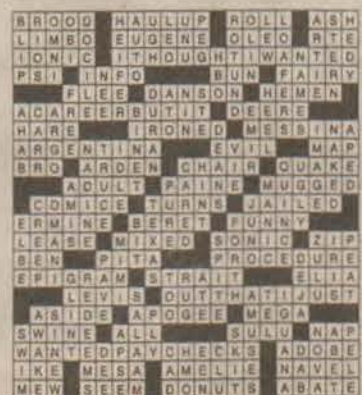
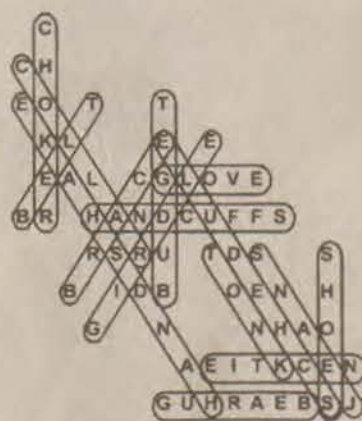
think is appropriate. ... I cannot recall a circumstance where I have ordered anybody to do anything," he said.

Patton said again that he will not resign — that in fact "at this point in time it would be irresponsible for me to resign."

"The administration of state government is dependent upon the staff that I have around me and the cabinet secretaries," he said. "As long as that structure remains intact, my ability to administer government is superior to anybody's that would come into this office and try to put together a new management team."

Patton declined to talk about his family. First lady Judi Patton left the capital prior to her husband's public acknowledgement on Sept. 20 of the affair with Conner. She made one return trip to the Executive Mansion for a private luncheon Tuesday. Asked who was living at the mansion now, Patton said: "The governor is living in the governor's mansion."

SOMETIMES TOO TIGHT



Appalred

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some money due to the loss of poverty population, but we lost around 24,000 people in 37 counties," York said.

According to York, that loss alone attributed to \$321,000 in funds that would not be available to the organization.

Appalred also did not renew the application for the Violence Against Women federal fund which amounted to approximately \$213,000.

The total of funding that was taken from Appalred is approximately \$650,000.

According to York, some hard decisions have to be made

because of the huge decrease in funding.

"The board decided to close the offices in Pike, Jackson, and Harlan counties," York said.

York stated that the organization is looking at other options to get funding.

"We are looking at private foundation money, and we have sent letters to Hal Rogers, Jim Bunning, and Mitch McConnell," York said.

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Our View

Britney for president

Rupert Murdoch, the Australian-born media tycoon with the laser-like sense of bad taste, is planning to cross the 2004 presidential campaign with the television show "American Idol." The offspring, a show called "American Candidate," is slated for Mr. Murdoch's FX network in January 2004.

A field of about 100 would-be presidents will be chosen from questionnaires and videotapes. They'll then face off in a week-to-week competition, a la "American Idol," with viewers helping to decide who wins. (And people said democracy was dead.) The winner will be chosen around July 4, 2004, in a broadcast from the National Mall, about the same time that the Democratic and Republican conventions are choosing real candidates.

State election rules make it unlikely that Mr. Murdoch's Potemkin candidate will be able to get on many ballots in time for the November elections. But maybe hordes of potatoes will rise from their couches to cast write-in ballots. We hardly know what to think about this possibility.

Politics and entertainment have intersected before. John F. Kennedy looked better on television than Richard M. Nixon. President was actor Ronald Reagan's greatest role. Bill Clinton could work an audience like Oprah Winfrey. Minnesota elected rassler Jesse "The Body" Ventura governor in 1998. Last week Barbra Streisand faxed advice to House Minority Leader Richard A. Gephardt of St. Louis and then helped congressional Democrats raise \$6 million at a Sunday fundraiser.

Perhaps "American Candidate" might even be a good thing — certainly it's no more absurd than electing whoever can raise the most millions and make the most savage television commercials. At least on FX, the masses will be exposed to the election process, though by 2004 we suspect many of them will be surprised to learn that Martin Sheen is not president.

Politics is great entertainment, but it is somewhat more important than that. Kevin Reilly, FX's president of entertainment, said "American Candidate" will be seeking "the Jesse Venturas of the world, finding messages that people want to hear."

People know that most of TV, including reality TV, is phony. This show would pretend a phony is real. This is one of Mr. Murdoch's worst ideas ever, and that's saying a lot. We'll only watch if they promise to make the candidates eat live earthworms while running three-legged races with Dick Cheney in the bunker.

— St. Louis Post-Dispatch



— Jim Davidson

How to achieve financial security

Former President James A. Garfield once said: "Poverty is uncomfortable, as I can testify; but nine times out of ten, the best thing that can happen to a young man is to be tossed overboard and compelled to sink or swim for himself."

The American free enterprise system offers tremendous opportunity for the individual who is always worth more than he or she is being paid. If you don't already know this, you will soon discover that it's the easiest and best way to have real financial security.

Several years ago, before moving here to Conway, Ark., my wife and I built a beautiful home and we installed a wood burning Franklin stove. Back then, the term "energy crisis" had become a reality in American society and it caused many of us to change our habits. While I've used the example of a wood burning stove before, I'd like to broaden it considerably and share something here that will definitely help you in the area of your personal finances.

Have you ever heard of someone going up to a cold wood burning stove and saying, "Give me some heat and then I'll put in the wood?" Well just for the fun of it, one day I tried it and I can tell you truthfully, it doesn't work! That stove just sat there and didn't do a thing!

Finally, I gave up and put in some wood, stuffed some newspapers under the wood and lit the paper with a match. It wasn't long before it got so hot I had to move my chair back.

My point is simple. I could have sat or stood there and shivered for days and that stove would never have put out any heat. That is, not until I finally put in some wood and started it burning.

Now, believe it or not, I have just described a principle that is holding many people back on their jobs and keeping them from earning the amount of money they need and would like to have. While it's a little more complicated than this, it stems from the attitude many people hold that they would like to have the benefits before they produce or prove themselves worthy of the salary they started with in the beginning. In other words, they're saying, "Let me start out with a high salary, then I'll prove I'm worth that salary."

Unless you are self-employed, too young or retired, please consider this: When a person is looking for a job and someone agrees to hire them, regardless of the starting salary, the employer is taking a chance the person is going to be worth at least what he is paid. If the employer is in the private sector where a profit must be earned to stay in business,

this means just breaking even. On the other hand, if the employee is worth more than he is paid, the difference is profit, and this is where future raises and fringe benefits come from.

If you are being paid \$8 per hour, your value to your employer should be worth at least \$10 per hour, because that's the only way you can have a financial future with the company. Take my word for it, if your employer is not earning a profit, there is no way he can pay you more money. Now he may pay you for a while, based on the value of other employees who are worth more, but it cannot and will not continue for long.

The next time you want to see this principle clearly, visualize that cold Franklin stove sitting there and me begging it for heat. If you really want to move up in your company and earn a lot more money in the process, the surest and most dependable way to do it is to always be worth more than you are paid. To hold this attitude, and then follow through with effective and efficient work, is the best financial security on earth.

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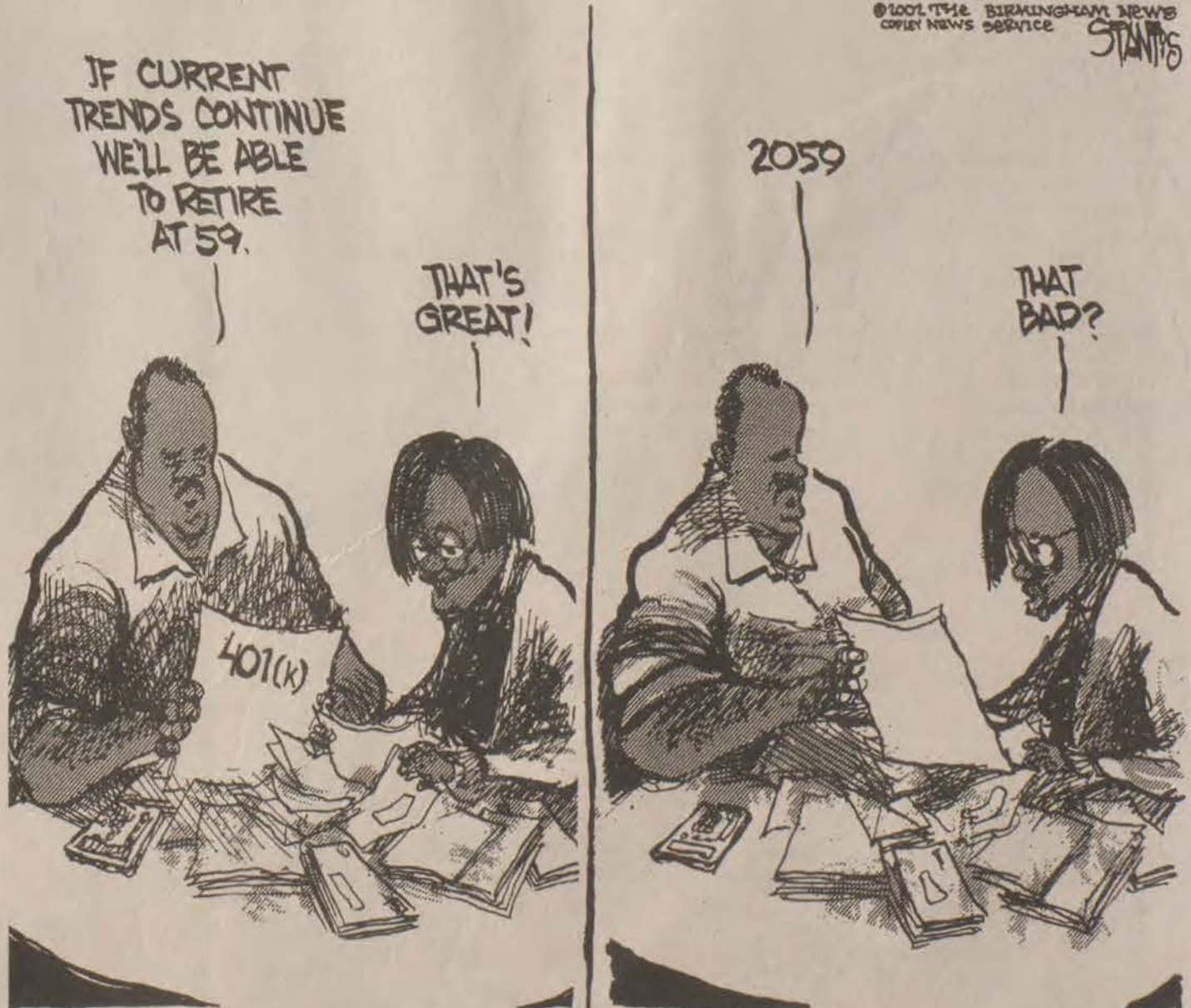
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'VeggieTales' studio takes a \$14-million gamble

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The star is an asparagus. His buddies include a tomato and a cucumber. And they're featured in a movie based on the biblical tale of Jonah, the guy who got swallowed by a whale.

What's the big idea? At Big Idea Productions, it's that kids' entertainment can teach children a thing or two about morality and religious faith yet still trigger a belly laugh or two.

The independent studio from suburban Chicago is about to find

out if mainstream moviegoing audiences agree. Its first feature-length film, "Jonah — a VeggieTales Movie," opens Friday.

Big Idea has put \$14 million into the movie, making it a gamble even though the company has sold

nearly 30 million of the startlingly successful "VeggieTales" animated videos over the past nine years.

"Jonah" recycles the biblical book into a fishy story-within-a-story starring Archibald Asparagus (voiced with a British accent by Big Idea founder Phil Vischer) in the title role, alongside Bob the Tomato, Larry the Cucumber and others from Big Idea's improbable garden of animated fruits and vegetables. ("No vegetables were harmed in the making of this film," viewers are assured.)

As with the home videos, Mom, Dad, and other viewers above VeggieTales' target ages of 3-8 will be amused by knowing cultural references: "Jaws" and "Lawrence of Arabia" sneak into the film, as do snack foods, a pop singer, and audiotapes by a motivational speaker ("You are powerful and attractive. You do not run from your problems.")

There are also silly ditties (the best one, "The Credits Song," comes at the end of the credits) and goofy gags. When the prophet Jonah enters town to preach God's law, fast-food stands that offer pork, bats and bugs instantly turn kosher and start selling bagels and coffee.

In this quintessentially Jewish story, the good guy (who was scripted prior to the Sept. 11 attacks) is Khalil, a vaguely Muslim traveling salesman who's half caterpillar, half worm.

Actually, either Muslims or Jews would find VeggieTales productions wholesome rather than troublesome, apart from the studio's Christmas and Easter videos. But Vischer, Big Idea's Iowa-bred founder, is very much a product of white evangelical Protestantism — the Christian and Missionary Alliance, to be specific.

The 36-year-old Vischer says white, Protestant America has lots of nice, happy people but little great humor. Maybe the people are too comfortable, he muses, admitting that he escaped into humor when his parents divorced. His

personal idols became Britain's Monty Python crew and the Coen brothers.

Vischer was tossed out of Minnesota's St. Paul Bible College (now Crown College) for skipping chapel too often, and he started working in video production rather than studying elsewhere.

In 1993, Big Idea produced "Where's God When I'm Scared?" — a pioneering children's video with 3D computer animation. By 1998, Wal-Mart came calling.

College degree or not, Vischer is a philosopher who wrote the 72-page "Big Idea 101" manual for prospective employees. It champions a nonsectarian "biblical worldview," which Vischer defines as hope that results from belief that "there is an Author. We live in a grand story — the triumph of a loving God."

He contrasts that with the "modern worldview" that he thinks was typified by Walt Disney and survives in preschool entertainment. It sees no Author but upholds ideals and another grand story, "the triumph of reason, evolution and the progress of the human spirit."

That's fine as far as it goes, he says, but that culture is fast fading and today's children increasingly consume "postmodern" entertainment that's cynical, bereft of any grand story, hope or ideals. In a word: "whatever."

The married father of three preteens said in a phone interview that, after age 8, what children watch gradually becomes "more disrespectful, sarcastic and cynical."

Not that the big entertainment corporations are immoral "but they're profoundly amoral. They will change values like we change socks," he says. "The problem with amorality in media is, 'Give them what they want.'"

"We are committed to giving kids what they need and making it what they want."

What they need, he insists, is

values that will benefit them and society. Each show, he says, should have "a nugget of truth a kid can put in his pocket and carry around the rest of his life."

In Vischer's view, children's entertainment has been — and still is — either "completely earnest" ("Mister Rogers' Neighborhood") or "completely snide and insincere" ("The Beavis & Butt-Head Show"). VeggieTales, he says, falls somewhere in the middle.

"We figure out what is sacred and treat it with respect" and otherwise, "we don't take ourselves seriously," he says. That means irony yes, sarcasm no.

If "Jonah" succeeds, Big Idea hopes to reach older youths with more feature films, a record label and television shows, with Vischer vowing that the company will never cede creative control to the conglomerates that dominate the family entertainment market.

That's down the road. Right now, Big Idea is just hoping for decent box office for "Jonah."

Says Vischer: "We're banking on our audience of parents who are trying to pass biblical values to their kids and want fun ways to do it."

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ply with the No Child Left Behind Act. Wilhoit said Kentucky's plan will seek compliance and "to preserve the integrity of the accountability and testing system" already in place in the state.

Mountjoy said she hopes federal officials will allow the state to keep its every-two-years accountability system for schools instead of the annual judgments called for under the new law.

"We've been given an indication that some waivers may be given," she said. "We don't know if that's going to be the case or not."

Opus Dei founder on eve of canonization still stirs religious fervor

by JEROME SOCOLOVSKY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FUENLABRADA, Spain — When his alarm clock rings in the morning, Tello Aguilar never hits the snooze button. He says God doesn't want him to.

"It's not easy, but it's the first sacrifice that can be offered to the Lord," says the 50-year-old elementary school principal. "From the first moment of the day to the last, all belong to God."

Aguilar is one of 85,000 worldwide followers of the Roman Catholic movement Opus Dei, "God's work" in Latin. Disciples believe that professional dedication and personal sacrifice — some even wear hair-shirts and flagellate themselves — are pathways to holiness.

Their movement was at first regarded warily by ecclesiastical authorities, but Opus Dei founder Josemaria Escriva de Balaguer, who died in 1975, will be canonized Sunday at the Vatican after one of the shortest

waiting times in church history. The ceremony is expected to draw 230,000 supporters from 84 countries to Rome, Opus Dei says.

Still, back in the country that is home to about a third of its members, the mention of Opus Dei stirs passionate debate still.

Detractors accuse it of cult-like practices such as brainwashing adherents into thoughtless devotion and blackmailing former members to keep them from revealing organization secrets. Some Spaniards suspect it of illegally acquiring wealth and conspiring to influence both church and state.

"They are a danger to society," said Javier Sainz Moreno, a finance and tax law professor at Madrid's Autonomous University. He claims the organization has enriched itself in a string of murky financial deals.

Escriva was born Jan. 9, 1902, in Barbastro at the foot of the Pyrenees. Three years after his 1925 ordination, he had a vision in which he said God revealed Opus Dei's mission.

God wants ordinary Christians, he wrote later, "to be saints and apostles in the very midst of our professional work; that is, sanctifying our job in life, sanctifying ourselves in it and, through it, helping others to sanctify themselves as well."

Despite early concerns that Escriva's message might challenge ecclesiastical authority, the church classified the movement a "personal prelature" in 1982. That places it outside the supervision of any diocese.

Today, some of its biggest fans are found in Rome.

After he was named pope, John Paul II prayed at Escriva's tomb before addressing cardinals. Opus members close to the pontiff include the Vatican's Spanish spokesman, Joaquin Navarro-Valls, and financial adviser Jose Angel Sanchez Asiain.

The pope, who shares the founder's vehement anti-communism, is said to be impressed with the Opus Dei's ability to inspire religious fervor and bring the faith into the everyday lives of Catholics.

The core of the movement is made up of "numeraries," about a third of the total membership. They are celibate and live in sexually-segregated homes.

Some, like psychiatrist Rafi Santos, who lives with nine other professional women, donate their salaries to the cause. She works at an Opus-sponsored social aid organization and a private clinic, and

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But lawsuits by coal companies and firms that have purchased former coal companies have chipped away at the 1992 law, creating periodic financial emergencies. Each time, Congress has stepped in to help.

Last year, Congress made a one-time emergency transfer of \$78 million from the federal Abandoned Mine Reclamation Fund to eliminate a growing deficit in the health care plan. Also last year, legislation authored by Rahall allowed the transfer of \$66 million to cover health care for "orphaned" miners, whose last employer could not be found.

Current law, though, limits transfers from the mine cleanup fund to covering the costs for orphaned miners.

Under Rahall's new bill, transfers could be made to cover any projected deficit in the UMW health care plan.

"(This) action by the U.S. House is a very positive step in helping restore solvency to the Combined Benefit Fund, which is currently suffering financially because of a few adverse court rulings," UMW President Cecil Roberts said Wednesday.

The federal Abandoned Mine Reclamation Fund is financed by a tax on coal companies. So, bailing out the UMW health care program with money from it ensures that the industry, not taxpayers, pays for the miners' benefits, Rahall said.

Chances for the bill in the Senate are not clear, according to press aides to Sens. Robert C. Byrd and Jay Rockefeller, both D-W.Va.



Members of the very first KY Opry Jr. Pros. Rebecca Lynn Howard, now a national recording artist, is pictured, seated, at the far left. A special reunion performance of former Opry artists will be held at the Mountain Arts Center on Saturday evening, October 12.

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before. "We're really excited about our reunion show," Osborne said. "We're really looking forward to seeing our former students as well as providing them with the opportunity to reunite with old friends."

Osborne says that former students Rebecca Lynn Howard, now a national recording artist, and Beau Tackett, currently a student at Nashville's School of Music, have both been invited to attend. "Rebecca was my very first Jr. Pro girl, straight out of eighth grade," said Osborne. "Becky is now in Nashville and her first release is currently in the number 12 spot. Beau is also doing great at Nashville's

prestigious School of Music. We've had so many go through, some have moved up and some have moved on to other stages and other groups. We believe our reunion show will be a wonderful event. It will also be a wonderful opportunity for the young people of our area to see just where their talents can take them," she said.

Tickets are going fast, so plan now to attend the KY Opry and KY Opry Jr. Pro Reunion evening at the Mountain Arts Center. Showtime is 7:30 p.m., and ticket prices are \$12/adult, \$10/senior or student, or you may purchase 4 tickets for \$30. Call 886-2623, or 1-800-888-622-2787 for more information.

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Floyd County

Carl Wilson Allen, 82, of Huntersville, North Carolina, formerly of Floyd County, died Saturday, September 28, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Bethel Moore Allen. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, October 1, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Mildred Newsome Anderson, 67, of Harold, formerly of Little Robinson Creek, died Friday, September 27, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. She is survived by her husband, James D. Anderson. Funeral services were conducted Monday, September 30, under the direction of Hall & Jones Funeral Home.

Rachel Dawn Anderson, daughter of Larry Anderson and Connie Cundiff, of Langley, was stillborn, Wednesday, October 2, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, October 3, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Burnis Bradford, 76, of David, died Wednesday, October 2, at the Pikeville Health Care Center. He is survived by his wife, Inis Adams Bradford. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, October 5, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Thelma Daniels, 93, of Wayland, died Thursday, September 26, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, September 28, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Mary C. Hale, 82, of Hippo, died Saturday, September 21, at Hazard ARH Hospital, following a long battle with cancer. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, September 24, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Glenn Darrell Hall, 63, of Topmost, died Wednesday,

October 2, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Janet Sublett Hall. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, October 5, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Neval (Chaffins) Jones, 82, of Lackey, died Thursday, September 26, at her residence following an extended illness. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, September 28, at the Lackey Freewill Baptist Church. Burial was in the Chandler Cemetery, Lackey, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Jess Lee (Tankersley) Mahan, 82, of Prestonsburg, died Thursday, September 26, at her home. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, September 28, under the direction of Burke Funeral Home.

Mertie Blevins Newsome, 61, of McDowell, died Friday, September 27, at the University of Louisville Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Monday, September 30, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Kathelene Ousley, 78, of Prestonsburg, died Tuesday, October 1, at the Highlands Regional Medical Center, after an extended illness. She is survived by her husband, Willard Ousley. Funeral services were conducted Friday, October 4, under the direction of Burke Funeral Home.

Tandy Samons, 77, of Martin, died Saturday, September 28, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, October 2, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Bertha Mary Davis Slone, 84, of Prestonsburg, died Wednesday, September 25, at the Highlands Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, September 28, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Don Avery Slone, 30, of McDowell, died Saturday, September 28, at Topmost. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, October 3, at Providence Old Regular Baptist Church at Topmost, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Syble Stricklin, 64, of Dana, died Friday, September 29. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, October 2, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Pike County

Norma Emeline Adkins, 79, of Pikeville, died Tuesday, October 1, at her home. Funeral services were conducted Friday, October 4, under the direction of Lucas & Hall Funeral Home.

Ronnie Belcher, 53, of Dorton, died Thursday, September 26, at his home. Funeral services were conducted Monday, September 30, under the direction of Lucas & Hall Funeral Home.

Orville Blankenship, 83, of Campcreek, died Tuesday, October 1, at his home. Funeral services were conducted Friday, October 4, under the direction of Phelps Funeral Home.

Minnie Leannah Robinson Crigger, 82, of Canada, died Thursday, October 3, at the South Williamson Appalachian Regional Hospital. Funeral services will be conducted Sunday, October 6, under the direction of Rogers Funeral Home.

Opal Thomas Drew, 58, of Forest Hills, died Sunday, September 29, at her home. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, October 6, 11 a.m., in the Dix Fork Old Regular Baptist Church, under the direction of Rogers Funeral Home.

Hersel Gooslin, 84, of Phelps, died Tuesday, October 1, at the Pikeville Methodist Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, October 5, under the direction of R.S. Jones

& Son Funeral Home.

Grayson "Dick" Hinkle, 85, of Hardy, died Sunday, September 29, at Logan General Hospital, Logan, West Virginia. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, October 2, under the direction of Rogers Funeral Home.

Ronnie Dean Huffman, 47, of Lower Pompey Road, died Thursday, September 26, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Gladys Miller Huffman. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, September 29, under the direction of Thacker Memorial Funeral Home.

Josephine Hurley, 73, of Freeburn, died Sunday, September 29, at South Williamson Appalachian Regional Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, October 3, under the direction of Phelps Funeral Services.

Eugene Hurley, 87, of Huddy, died Monday, September 30, at his home. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, October 3, under the direction of Rogers Funeral Home.

Norman C. Adams Jr., 27, of Pikeville, died Monday, September 30, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Dinna Huffman Adams. Funeral services were conducted Friday, October 4, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

Lee D. Keene, 70, of Knoxville, Tennessee, formerly of Pikeville, died Wednesday, October 2, at St. Mary's Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Pat Keene. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, October 5, under the direction of Lynnhurst-Greenwood Chapel of Knoxville.

Clarence Eugene Little, 54, of Jeffersonville, Indiana, native of Pikeville, died Friday, September 27, at Clark Memorial Hospital in Jeffersonville. He is survived by his wife, Mildred Faye Pierce Little. Funeral services were conducted Monday, September 30, under the direction of Scott Funeral Home-North Chapel.

David Wayne Lyon, 40, of West Clinton, Utah, formerly of Allegheny, native of Pike County, died Tuesday, October 1, at the Veterans Administration Hospital, Huntington, West Virginia. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, October 5, under the direction of Lucas & Hall Funeral Home.

William P. "Dock" Norman, 92, of McCarr, and Huntington, West Virginia, died Tuesday, October 1, at Williamson Memorial Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Maxie Farley Norman. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, October 5, under the direction of Rogers Funeral Home.

Julie Eugena Tackett Price, 31, of Island Creek, died Sunday, September 29, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital, the result of injuries sustained in an automobile accident. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, October 3, under the direction of Lucas & Hall Funeral Home.

Lorraine French Salyer, 85, of Collins Highway, died Thursday, September 26, at her home. Funeral services were conducted Monday, September 30, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

Yvonne E. "Cotton" Skiba, 67, of Sterling Heights, Michigan, a native of Phelps, died Sunday, September 22, at Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oaks, Michigan. She is survived by her husband, Carl Skiba. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, September 25, in Utica, Michigan. A memorial service will be held at a future date.

James "Jim" Slater Jr., 80, of Aftex, died Saturday, September 28, at the Williamson Memorial Hospital, Williamson, West Virginia. Funeral services were conducted Monday, September 30, under the direction of Hatfield Funeral Chapel.

Verlin Edward Smith, 71, of Williamson, West Virginia, died Thursday, September 26, at the Williamson Memorial Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, September 29, under the direction of Hatfield Funeral Chapel.

J.B. "Jonah" Trout Sr., 85, of Canada, died Saturday, September 28, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Lula Mae Rogers Trout. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, October 1, under the direction of Rogers Funeral Home.

Homer Stewart, 82, of Virgie, died Tuesday, October 1, at his home. Funeral services were conducted Friday, October 4, under the direction of Banks Funeral Home.

Everett Ward, 70, of Kimper, died Monday, September 30, at his home. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, October 3, under the direction of Community Funeral Home.

Knott County

Heasteen (Teeny) Mosley, 57, of Stanford, formerly of Knott County, died Wednesday, October 2, at her residence. Funeral services were conducted Friday, October 4, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Johnson County

Mary Elizabeth Blair, 86, of Groveport, Ohio, native of Johnson County, died Thursday, September 26, at Riverside Methodist Hospital, Columbus, Ohio. Graveside services were conducted Sunday, September 29, at Johnson County Memorial Cemetery, under the direction of Preston Funeral Home.

Raney B. Blevins, 78, died Wednesday, September 18, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Kathleen Blevins. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, September 24, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Chapel.

Sybil Daniels, 93, of Thealka, died Monday, September 23, at Paul B. Hall Medical Center, Paintsville. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, September 25, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

James Heber Preston, 81, of Wittenville, died Friday, September 27. He is survived by his wife, Floine Williams Preston. Funeral services were conducted Monday, September 30, under the direction of Preston Funeral Home.

Martin County

Madge Cassady Allen, 87, of Inez, died Monday, September 23, at Highlands Regional Medical Center in Prestonsburg. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, September 25, under the direction of Inez Chapel. Arrangements were under the direction of Richmond-Callahan Funeral Home.

Larry Joe Blank, 55, of Inez, died Wednesday, September 18, at Werrton Medical Center, in West Virginia. Memorial services were held Saturday, September 28, at the Phelps and Son Funeral Home.

Martha Mae Copley Fyffe, 39, of Inez, died Thursday, September 26, at Kendred Hospital, Louisville. She is survived by her husband, Marc Fyffe. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, September 29, under the direction of Richmond-Callahan Funeral Home.

Chris Hale, 27, of Tomahawk, died Sunday, September 29. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, October 1, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Tom Scott, 75, of Inez, died Monday, September 30, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, October 3, under the direction of Richmond-Callahan Funeral Home.

Magoffin County

Frank Poe, 86, of Manchester, formerly of Magoffin County, died Thursday, September 26, at Laurel Creek Nursing Home, Manchester. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, September 29, under the direction of Salyersville Funeral Home.

Harry Rigsby, 93, of Salyersville, died Sunday, September 29, at Paul B. Hall Medical Center, Paintsville. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, October 1, under the direction of Magoffin County Funeral Home.

Maggie Wireman, 67, of Gunlock, died Wednesday, September 25, at her residence. She is survived by her husband, Dave Wireman Jr., of Gunlock. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, September 27, under the direction of Salyersville Funeral Home.

Lawrence County

Fredrick Donald Collins Jr., 70, of Louisa, died Thursday, September 26. He is survived by his wife, Eleanor Collins. Graveside funeral services were conducted Sunday, September 29, at Kirk Cemetery, Louisa, under the direction of Wilson Funeral Home.

Lou Moore Thompson, 91, died Tuesday, September 24, in Mount Vernon, Ohio. Funeral services were conducted Friday, September 27, under the direction of Wilson Funeral Home.

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Jeb Bush takes heat from gay rights groups for offering "juicy details" in missing girl case

By **BRENDAN FARRINGTON**

Associated Press
TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — Florida Gov. Jeb Bush told a delegation of Panhandle lawmakers during a meeting that he had "some juicy details" about the sexual orientation of the caregivers of a missing Miami girl.

Bush implied during the Wednesday meeting that the two women, who had just been charged with fraud stemming from the investigation into Rilya Wilson's disappearance, were lesbians.

"As (Graham) was being arrested, she told her co-workers, 'Tell my wife I've been arrested.' The wife is the grandmother, and the aunt is the husband," Bush explained, using his fingers to indicate quotation marks to emphasize the word "grandmother."

"Bet you don't get that in

Pensacola," Bush told his guests.

Geralyn and Pamela Graham, who claim to be sisters, were charged Wednesday with stealing more than \$14,000 in public assistance. They were not charged in the disappearance of Rilya, who went missing 15 months before the state Department of Children & Families realized in April she was gone. She would have turned six last Sunday.

Joshua Fisher, Pamela Graham's attorney, called the governor's comments "outrageous" and "disgusting."

"He's making jokes when there is still a missing baby here, or doesn't he care?" Fisher said Thursday.

He said the women are sisters and not a lesbian couple. He said he is trying to get paperwork, including birth certificates, that will prove that. Edward Shohat,

Geralyn Graham's lawyer, did not immediately return a call seeking comment Thursday.

Bush made his remarks to three Republican Panhandle legislators, two GOP state House candidates and aides during a meeting in the governor's office. He apparently did not realize a reporter with Gannett Regional Newspapers of Florida accompanied the group. His comments were first reported in Wednesday's editions of the Pensacola News-Journal.

Elizabeth Hirst, spokeswoman for Bush, said Thursday said the governor "relayed details and factual information regarding the arrests of Rilya's caretakers. He intended no offense and continues to focus on the safe return of young Rilya."

Nadine Smith, executive director of Equality Florida, the state's largest gay and lesbian

advocacy group, called the comments "childish" and "locker room homophobia."

Smith said the governor's remarks were disheartening following his controversial appointment to head of the troubled DCF. New DCF Secretary Jerry Regier was criticized for a Bible-based article he wrote more than a decade ago in which he defended "manly" discipline of children, asserted that men should have authority over their wives, and decried homosexuality as a sin.

Smith said Bush should apologize for his comments.

"It's not the kind of comment you want to hear from the highest elected official in the state," she said.

About nine or 10 people were attending the meeting with the governor on issues affecting the Panhandle delegation and the

constitutional amendments on the ballot. Bush made the comments after he read an e-mail from the Florida Department of Law Enforcement handed him by an aide.

"It was a nonevent," said Dave Murzin, the GOP nominee in state House District 2. "It wasn't any big deal to us. Really, all of us were there for more important stuff."

Rep. Greg Evers, R-Baker, said Bush simply informed the group about the arrests and "he didn't make any innuendo or insinuations about anybody."

Other participants, Reps. Holly Benson, R-Pensacola, and Don Brown, R-DeFuniak Springs, did not immediately

return phone calls.

Democrats were quick to jump on the governor.

"I think Floridians would be concerned that Jeb Bush has a different message behind closed doors than what he does in public," said Tony Welch, a spokesman for Democratic gubernatorial nominee Bill McBride. "I think that's a cause for concern if that's his defense."

Bush has asked the news media to respect his family's privacy while his 25-year-old daughter, Noelle, undergoes drug abuse treatment in Orlando.

Associated Press Writer Ken Thomas contributed to this report.

Panel

College Pike Auditorium where a discussion panel on domestic violence and family courts addressed the issue that, according to statistics issued by the Governor's Office of Child Abuse and Domestic Violence Services, is the driving force for a number of social problems that our communities face.

Statistically speaking, domestic violence is the cause of 63 percent of the young men between the ages of 11 and 20 who are serving time for homicide and is reported to be the primary cause of homelessness in 44 percent of the cities surveyed by the US Conference of Mayors. The Kentucky State Police report that 27,758 temporary protective orders and 18,252 emergency protective orders are issued annually and the Commission on Women's Health reports that 22 to 35 percent of women who seek aid in emergency room settings are in need of treatment for injuries stemming from domestic abuse. While the Kentucky Domestic Violence Association reported that over 5,400 women and children seek refuge annually in Kentucky's 14 state-funded Spouse Abuse Centers.

Addressing this issue on Thursday was a panel composed of an array of professionals who deal with domestic violence situations. The council was formed in response to Governor Paul Patton's designation of October as domestic violence awareness month. Anne Mastic, chairman

of the panel, stated that the council will be developing a mission statement and one of their goals is to develop and facilitate an effective community wide system of prevention and intervention. The panel members were Steve Pescosolido, pastor, Chris Griffith, family life counselor, Robin Gray, director of victims services program at Mountain Comprehensive Care Center, Dr. Lee Wisnioski, intern at Pikeville Methodist Hospital, Janet Stumbo, Kentucky Supreme Court Justice, Helen Bowers, domestic violence advocate, Stan Farler, Floyd County Sheriff's Department, Julie Paxton, Family Court Judge, and Anne Mastic, attorney. Each of the panel members were given to give a quick introductory biography which validated their knowledge on the subject of domestic violence and then addressed questions from the audience.

Some of the questions posed by the audience related to the causes of domestic violence which drew comments from several of the panel members. Dr. Wisnioski shared that he had counseled men in the Pike County Detention Center and was doing residency in the emergency room, which had given him the opportunity to observe the victim and the perpetrator. He suggested that alcohol and drug addiction was at the root of the cause while Griffith placed more emphasis on the offender continuing the cycle that he or she had been exposed to as a

child. Stumbo added that the perpetrators appeared to lack the "emotional tools to make the choice" in reference to engaging in domestic violence. Farler added to Griffith's emphasis on learned behavior by sharing about instances when the police department would be called out to investigate a domestic violence situation and the offender's father would be present instigating the argument. Dr. Terry Milan, psychology professor at PCC, played "devils advocate" by introducing that statistics show that a lot of people who grew up in abusive homes have failed to show the same behavior and while voicing that her personal opinion was that the answer was "deep rooted in self-esteem", she questioned as to what the panel could offer on the differences. It appeared that the entire panel agreed that it was an issue of children having positive role models and someone to care. Gray and Paxton commented on the Big Brothers and Sisters program stating the need for more volunteers. It was voiced that while Floyd County has many agencies, such as Family Court, that are geared toward intervening and protecting the victims of domestic violence, it could use more family services.

Paxton expressed the importance of a community effort in dealing with this nationwide issue and how important it is to work together. She stated that while as a family court judge she could issue an emergency protec-

tive order, without help the victims would keep coming back. She thanked those who worked to combat the problem and stated that "because of you people, I don't just issue orders." She said that when she hands a victim an EPO she informs them that "it is a piece of paper and it is all the protection that a piece of paper can give them" and Bowers teaches the victim what they have to do to enforce it.

With Paxton's docket devoted to it, Gray's offer to give free counseling to anyone who says "I am a victim of abuse and I want to work on that issue", and Stumbo's offer of legal assistance from the supreme court level, it appears that a united effort was proposed. But if nothing else, as Dr. Wisnioski expressed, pointing out the problem would cause an effect.

"We are saying this is going on and it is wrong," said Wisnioski.

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Status hearing set for Bentley

by **LORETTA BLACKBURN**
STAFF WRITER

A status conference was set for William Claude Bentley, aka Ricky Flores, Hanes City, Florida, to determine the status of a case in which Bentley claimed the name of Flores until Charles Hanger, probation department, discovered that he had given a false name and social security number.

Bentley plead guilty to charges of burglary in the third degree, fleeing and evading first-degree, receiving stolen property, and criminal mischief first-degree, all class D felonies that stemmed from the November 2001 burglarizing of Stanville Food World. Bentley's defense attorney, Harolyn Howard, filed a motion for a status conference in which

Assistant Commonwealth Attorney Wayne Taylor stated it was basically to "find out who he is". Taylor stated that he had been told by his staff that Bentley is a six time convicted felon in Florida.

Judge Danny P. Caudill told Bentley, aka Flores, that "whatever you are you will remain in jail until the status conference, which is set for October 16.

CORRECTION

Jennifer Vance, reported as having died in an automobile accident in a story that appeared in the Friday, October 4 edition, did not die in that crash. Vance died later under other circumstances. Timmy Cook, of Pike County, is suing Vance's estate for injuries he sustained in the accident.

Stirs

also rises at the crack of dawn.

"My life is not all that different from that of any other professional. Maybe what's different is my motivation," said Santos, who wore a chunky diamond ring on her left hand.

Aguilar, the school principal, lives with his family of eight children. He prays and attends Mass daily, having joined the movement at age 18 after visiting an Opus-sponsored youth center. "I was impressed by the cleanliness and the discipline," he said.

Opus Dei's reputation for elitism started during the 1939-75 dictatorship of Gen. Francisco Franco. Many of the technocrats in Franco's later governments belonged to the movement, and are widely credited with helping bring about Spain's economic boom of the 1960s.

Today, Opus Dei runs IESE, one of the nation's leading business schools; and the University of Navarra, which Escrivá founded in 1952. Two of Prime Minister Jose Maria Aznar's children went to Opus-

run schools.

Notable Opus members include Defense Minister Federico Trillio, Justice Minister Jose Maria Michavila, Attorney General Jesus Cardenal and former National Police Chief Juan Cotino.

The movement's chief prelate in Spain, Monsignor Tomas Gutierrez — in a written response to questions from The Associated Press — rejected claims that members secretly conspire to influence government or the professional world.

Those in public office "are exclusively subject to the norms and guidelines" of their government, he said, notwithstanding Opus Dei's strict adherence to Vatican doctrine on issues such as abortion and birth control, which are legal in Spain.

Gutierrez also maintains the organization's financial assets are "scarce" — no more than needed to cover education and salaries of its 1,800 priests and sponsored activities. He didn't give any figures.

The cleric also said that self-

inflicted suffering for Opus followers was no different from "all those people who wish to achieve an objective ... in sports, at work, in politics and in Christian life."

While some members wear hair shirts under their clothing, most devotees go no further than "going without a drink at dinner, or changing a baby's diaper," Aguilar said.

But Carlos Biendicho, who spent five years in an Opus home before abandoning priesthood studies, recalled other rituals.

Members were required to report every bit of their personal lives — who they met, which books they read — to "spiritual directors," he said. Some strapped their bodies with barbed wire and flagellated themselves with lead-tipped whips until they bled.

"The first thing they do in the morning is kiss the floor and say 'Serviam!' (I will serve!)," said Biendicho. "It is a dangerous and destructive group that eradicates personality and freedom."

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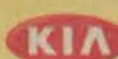
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'Fall season' has double meaning for hunters

by STEVE VANTREESE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

PADUCAH — Statistics suggest that the greatest threat to the deer hunter is the earth's surface: It comes rushing upward at frightening, injurious speed if the hunter falls from his tree stand.

Most deer hunters do their business from elevated positions, and accident statistics show that they are more likely to be injured in a fall than by any other mishap.

A recent study by the International Hunter Education Association determined that about seven percent of hunters who use elevated stands had

experienced a fall within the past decade.

There are numerous incidents in which tree stand accidents have resulted in serious injuries, permanent debilitation and even deaths.

With Kentucky's succession of deer hunting seasons under way, thousands of whitetail hunters can minimize very

real dangers by use of basic safety gear and sound practices.

Most tree stand accident injuries could be headed off with the use of a non-cinching safety belt or body harness. Experts recommend harnesses to spread the impact in shortening a fall, while placement on the upper chest is suggested if a simple safety belt is used.

The majority of falls have been shown to occur when the hunter is ascending or descending with a climbing stand or getting into or out of a fixed-position stand. Consequently, belt or harness use is especially important at those times. Belting to the tree at

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COMMENTARY

Kidd roots run deep on Friday nights

by RICK BENTLEY
TIMES COLUMNIST

Players thought it strange when Roy Kidd called them in for a film session on Sunday night. As it turned out, there would be no projectors or screens needed.

The reason was a bluff. The team met on Sunday to get a heads up on what the rest of the world would hear Monday.



Bentley

Roy Kidd is retiring. He told his players the news last Sunday night. His legions of former players were told of this

Monday morning, along with a host of fans and an adoring contingent of media members at a press conference held on campus.

One of these former players is Chris McNamee, who joined Kidd after leading Pikeville High School to an undefeated state championship in 1987. Over the next four years, Kidd coached and

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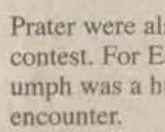
H.S. FOOTBALL

Football Runnin' Rebels look to bounce back

TIMES STAFF REPORT

EASTERN — The Allen Central High School football team dropped a second close game of the season on the road to the East Ridge Warriors 19-12 before traveling to Hazard for Friday night's key district game against the Bulldogs.

A trio of Allen Central players were ejected from the East Ridge game, including quarterback/defensive back Alex Patton, Derek Kennedy and Andrew



Patton

Prater were also ejected from the contest. For East Ridge, the triumph was a huge non-district encounter.

Allen Central trailed 13-6 at the half against East Ridge but battled back to get within one point of the Warriors at 13-12 in the third quarter. Seniors James Prater and Dustin Hammonds each scored for

(See REBELS, page three)

DISTRICT EIGHT SHOWDOWN



file photo by Rocky Rowe
Mikeal Fannin (44), pictured running against Paintsville earlier in the season, is well on his way to over 1,000 yards rushing. Teammate Joey Willis (17) is also nearing the 1,000-yard mark in passing.

BLACKCATS TO TANGLE WITH BELFRY

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG — The Prestonsburg Blackcats were back on the practice field on Friday, just one day after an 82-0 shutout victory over county rival Betsy Layne. Prestonsburg now heads into this week's district game against the Belfry Pirates looking to possibly seal up a third consecutive Class 2A, Region Four, District Eight title.

Prestonsburg was able to beat

Belfry twice last season, once late in the regular season and again in

Kickoff for Friday night's Prestonsburg-Belfry game is set for 7:30.

the post-season in the Region Four championship game. The

Blackcats won both meetings last season handily.

Prestonsburg came into the regular season favored to win a third straight region title. The only losses for Prestonsburg (4-2) on the season have been to Lawrence County in the opener and later 3A power Boyle County.

Several Eastern Kentucky high school football followers see this week's Prestonsburg-Belfry meeting as the District Eight cham-

(See TANGLE, page three)

NOTE: A full Prestonsburg-Betsy Layne game story, detailing all the scoring will appear in the Wednesday, Oct. 9 edition of The Times.

Tigers beat JCHS, keep barrel

Yates scores 5 TDs, Eagles come up short

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PAINTSVILLE — Paintsville Tiger and Johnson Central Golden Eagle football fans could have

never expected the type of game they saw Thursday night at Memorial Field. The game featured a shutout first half by the Johnson Central Golden Eagle defense. The game also saw a kickoff return, fumble recovery and stripped ball all go for touchdowns. The end result of a wild game which saw Paintsville trail 12-0 at the half was a 45-30 Tiger victory.

"It was an emotional game for both teams," said Paintsville head coach David LeMaster. "We talked with our bunch at halftime and in the third quarter we were able to come out and get some things done."

An outstanding five-touchdown performance from Johnson Central

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photo by Steve LeMaster

Sophomore Steven Jones, Auxier, scored Paintsville's first touchdown in a 45-point second half comeback.

KENTUCKY SPEEDWAY

NASCAR drivers finish busy Winston Cup test period

TIMES STAFF REPORT

SPARTA — NASCAR Winston Cup Rookie of the Year candidate Jimmie Johnson, Dale Earnhardt, Jr., Robby Gordon, Michael



Earnhardt

Waltrip, Mike Skinner, Steve Park and Greg Biffle capped a two week NASCAR Winston Cup test period at Kentucky Speedway that saw 16 series drivers, including five of the top 10 points leaders, prepare their machines for the season-ending eight-race run.



Johnson

Johnson enters the week just 30 points behind leader Mark Martin and is coming off his third victory of the season at Dover just four days ago. He said the information he gained at Kentucky both this week and last will help him prepare for this Sunday's 400-mile event at Kansas.

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NASCAR WC

Kerry Earnhardt hoping to continue Talladega trend

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

TALLADEGA, Ala. — Kerry Earnhardt hopes to benefit from some of his family's Talladega magic in Sunday's EA Sports 500.

Kerry Earnhardt will have to qualify on speed Friday at Talladega. Credit: Autostock
His father, Dale Earnhardt, won 10 Winston Cup races at Talladega Superspeedway, including the last victory of his career in the fall of

(See EARNHARDT, page three)

REGIONAL GOLF

Paintsville wins regional golf tourney

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PAINTSVILLE — Paintsville's Mike Haney paved the way with a 72 and Robert Chafin ended play with a 73 to help lead Paintsville to a regional championship at the Paintsville Golf Course Tuesday

afternoon. It was the first time in over 20 years an individual golfer from Paintsville was able to win the region tournament.

Paintsville got quality rounds from two brothers, Casey and Corey Young, who finished with a

(See GOLF, page three)



courtesy photo

Garrett Brown is just one of several Family Academy of Martial Arts students headed to national competition in Orlando later this month.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Harvest Fest Run slated

INEZ — The county of Martin and the city of Inez will host the 17th annual Pumpkin/Harvest Fest 5K Run/Walk on Sunday, Oct. 12.

Tonya Delong, Charlotte Endicott and Claire Elkins will direct the event again this year. The place of registration has been changed and the race route had not been determined as of press time. In past years, registration was held at the Martin County swimming pool and the race began on the hill leading to Inez Middle School.

This year registration will take place at the new stage behind the courthouse at 8 a.m. and will run until 8:45 a.m.

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S P O R T S B O A R D

Diminutive Abney has knack for making big plays

by STEVE BAILEY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON — Kentucky wide-out Derek Abney often finds he's the smallest player on a football field. But the 5-foot-10, 175-pound junior from Mosinee, Wis., has an uncanny knack for making the biggest plays.

Abney, Kentucky's leading receiver last season, had the game of his life against No. 6 Florida in The Swamp last weekend, scoring on a 14-yard pass from Jared Lorenzen, a 100-yard kickoff return and a 49-yard punt return. Still, Abney was not satisfied with the performance, even though he became only the seventh player in

NCAA history to return a kickoff and punt for touchdowns in the same game. The Wildcats fell to the Gators 41-34, snapping a season-opening four-game win streak. "I made some plays, but I'd trade them back in for a win in a second," Abney said. It took only a few seconds for

Abney to bring the Wildcats back against the Gators. Abney got Kentucky's first points of the game courtesy of a beautifully thrown 14-yard fade pass from Lorenzen in the left corner of the end zone to cut Florida's lead to 19-7 four minutes into the third quarter.

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UK pass-catcher Derek Abney is a special teams magician with the football in his hands.

BASKETBALL

Games set for Fast Lane Classic

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

INEZ — The annual Fast Lane Classic, one of the top pre-season basketball events in Eastern Kentucky, has a full slate of games scheduled for the end of November.

Five games will be played Nov. 30 at Sheldon Clark High School in Martin County. Games will consist of two 15-minute halves with a 10-minute intermission period. Sheldon Clark boys' basketball coach J.R. Hammond and girls' hoops mentor Robin Newsome put the event together.

In game one at 12:30 p.m. 16th Region power Boyd County will take on Guyan Valley High School from Point Pleasant, W.Va. Pike Central will take the court against Logan High in the second contest at 2:15 p.m.

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AUTO RACING

Lemaster claims 3rd annual Street Stock World Championship

TIMES STAFF REPORT

ZANESVILLE, Ohio — Falcon driver Jim Lemaster claimed the title in the 3rd annual American Payroll Advance, Ltd.

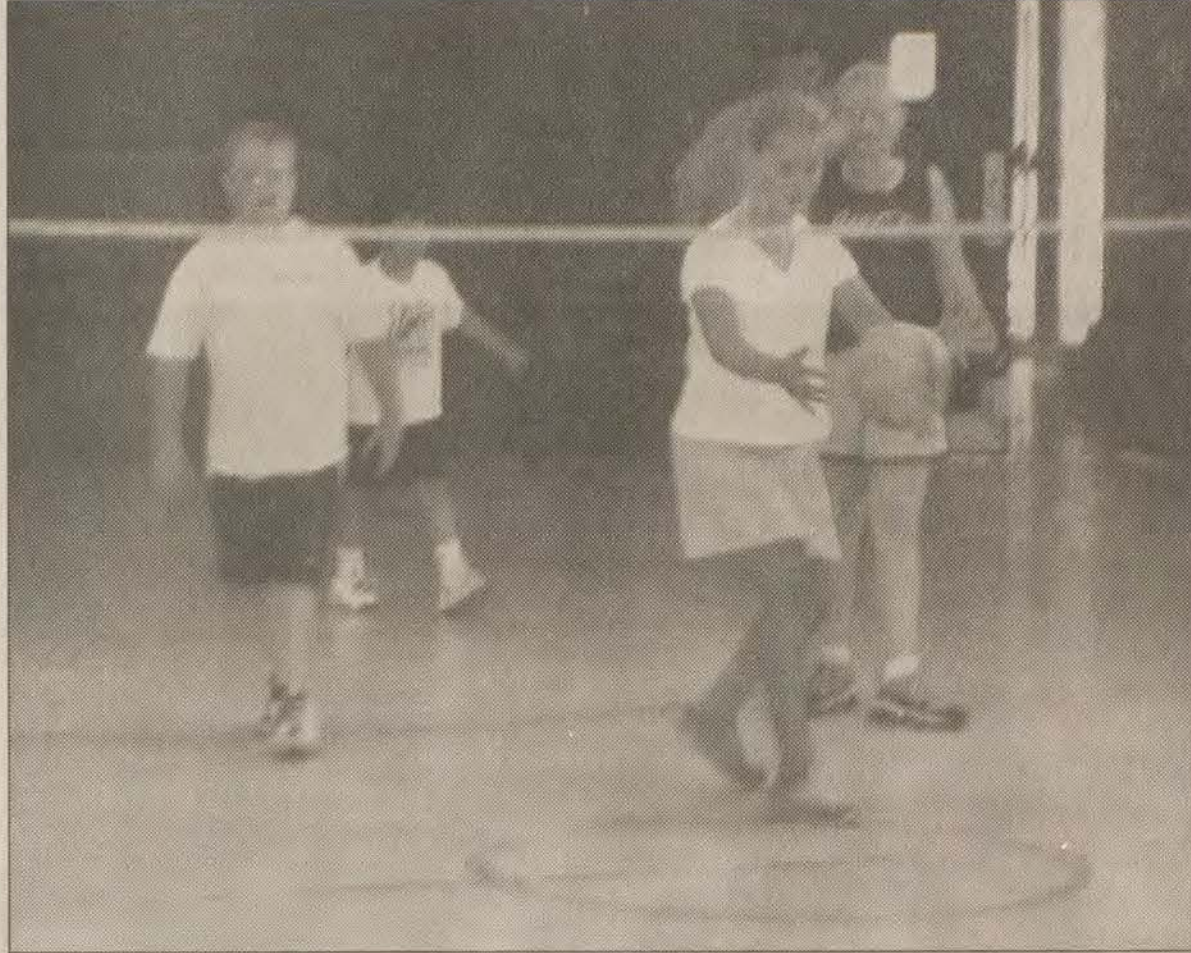
"This was an awesome thing to accomplish," Lemaster said in Budweiser

Victory Lane. "We need to thank all of our sponsors and really appreciate Bruce and Anita Spence for this opportunity to enter this race. And to think we actually have won. This is just a homemade engine that really has nothing special about it like some of the professional engine builders sell."

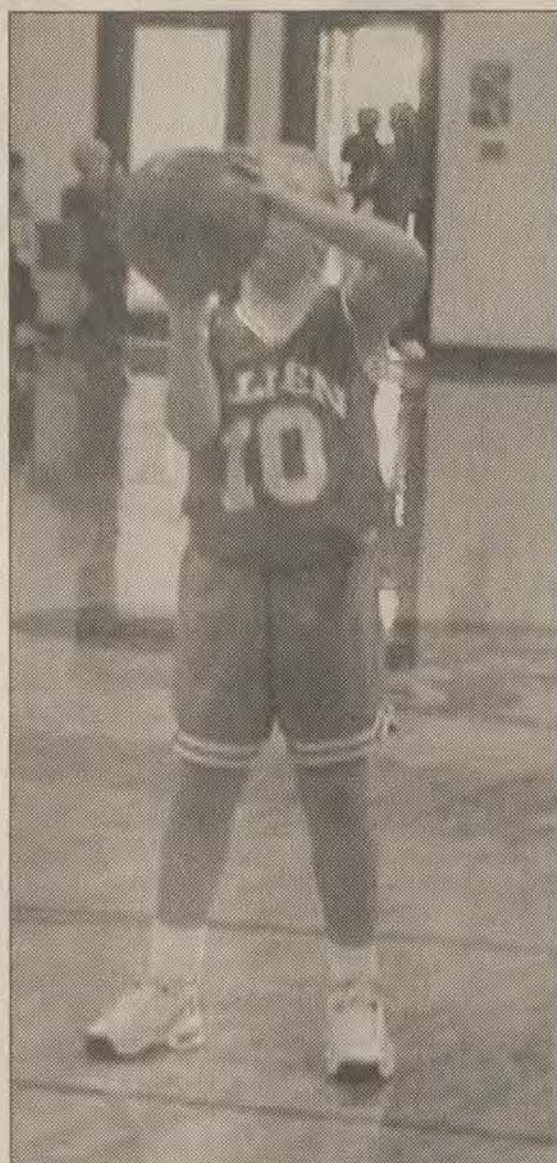
Lemaster drove the Bruce and Anita Spence-owned No. 42 Street Stock with American Racer tires. Sponsorship came from Spence Logging, Barker Mobile Homes and Spence Trucking. "This was an awesome thing to accomplish,"

Lemaster said in Budweiser Victory Lane. "We need to thank all of our sponsors

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A volleyball camp was also held at W.D. Osborne Elementary earlier this year. South Floyd High School head football coach Donnie Daniels assisted with the camp.



ABOVE: The Allen Lady Eagles traveled to East Ridge High School in Pike County to play Mullins and Grundy Middle School in a tournament. Unfortunately for Lady Eagle fans, Allen came up short in both games of the tournament. Erica Meade is pictured.

LEFT: Nikki Bradley went to the line for the Allen Eagles in a recent C-Team game against Adams. Bradley helped Allen pull out to 25-21 win.

REGIONAL GOLF

ER eighth-grader hits mark

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PAINTSVILLE — East Ridge High School in Pike County is in its first year of existence. In early-October, Warrior athletic programs have already achieved several firsts. The first win in varsity volleyball. The first win in varsity football. The first hole-in-one in a regional golf

tournament. The first hole-in-one in a regional golf tournament? Yes, the first hole-in-one in a regional golf tournament.

East Ridge eighth-grader Jordan Mullins had a hole-in-one in the regional golf tournament at Paintsville Country Club this past week. Mullins used a 5-iron to ace the 129-yard sixth. He finished with an

89. There were also even more firsts in the tournament. South Floyd High golfer Shane Allen shot a school-record 80 for the Raiders. Colby Hayes had an 81 and Heath Hall an 88 for South Floyd. SFHS golf coach Barry Hall was pleased with South Floyd's performance and sees some good things in the future for the Raider golf program.

PRO FOOTBALL

Spurrier changes personnel, not philosophy

by JOSEPH WHITE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ASHBURN, Va. — A beneficiary of coach Steve Spurrier's renowned impatience, receiver Kevin Lockett will make just the seventh start in his six-year NFL career Sunday when the Washington Redskins visit the Tennessee Titans.

Even Lockett knows there's good and bad in that bit of news.

"It's kind of a gray line," Lockett said. "Part of you says, 'We'd like to have consistency.' The other part of you says, 'Well, you know what? If a guy's not getting it done, you should change and give someone else an opportunity.'"

"That's what this game is about. It's about getting your opportunity and taking advantage of it."

Given Spurrier's track record, it's hardly unexpected for him to

make changes, especially after the Redskins (1-2) scored just 10 points on offense in their last two games.

There also will be a new quarterback — either Danny Wuerffel or Patrick Ramsey — even though Shane Matthews has a respectable completion percentage (61.1) and rating (84.4).

But the quick hook is a novel

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|------------|---|---|---|------|-----|-----|
| Cleveland | 2 | 2 | 0 | .500 | 103 | 91 |
| Baltimore | 1 | 2 | 0 | .333 | 41 | 58 |
| Pittsburgh | 1 | 2 | 0 | .333 | 47 | 73 |
| Cincinnati | 0 | 4 | 0 | .000 | 23 | 119 |

| West | W | L | T | Pct | PF | PA |
|-------------|---|---|---|-------|-----|-----|
| San Diego | 4 | 0 | 0 | 1.000 | 102 | 38 |
| Oakland | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1.000 | 113 | 59 |
| Denver | 3 | 1 | 0 | .750 | 98 | 87 |
| Kansas City | 2 | 2 | 0 | .500 | 142 | 133 |

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

| East | W | L | T | Pct | PF | PA |
|--------------|---|---|---|------|-----|----|
| Philadelphia | 3 | 1 | 0 | .750 | 140 | 64 |
| Dallas | 2 | 2 | 0 | .500 | 57 | 86 |
| N.Y. Giants | 2 | 2 | 0 | .500 | 55 | 64 |
| Washington | 1 | 2 | 0 | .333 | 48 | 80 |

| South | W | L | T | Pct | PF | PA |
|-------------|---|---|---|------|-----|----|
| Carolina | 3 | 1 | 0 | .750 | 76 | 45 |
| New Orleans | 3 | 1 | 0 | .750 | 111 | 89 |
| Tampa Bay | 3 | 1 | 0 | .750 | 106 | 47 |
| Atlanta | 1 | 2 | 0 | .333 | 77 | 54 |

| North | W | L | T | Pct | PF | PA |
|-----------|---|---|---|------|-----|-----|
| Green Bay | 3 | 1 | 0 | .750 | 111 | 114 |
| Chicago | 2 | 2 | 0 | .500 | 91 | 98 |
| Detroit | 1 | 3 | 0 | .250 | 85 | 138 |
| Minnesota | 0 | 4 | 0 | .000 | 99 | 141 |

| West | W | L | T | Pct | PF | PA |
|---------------|---|---|---|------|----|----|
| San Francisco | 2 | 1 | 0 | .667 | 50 | 47 |
| Arizona | 2 | 2 | 0 | .500 | 83 | 74 |
| Seattle | 1 | 3 | 0 | .250 | 84 | 87 |
| St. Louis | 0 | 4 | 0 | .000 | 61 | 88 |

Sunday's Games

N.Y. Giants at Dallas, 1 p.m.
Oakland at Buffalo, 1 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Atlanta, 1 p.m.
Arizona at Carolina, 1 p.m.
Washington at Tennessee, 1 p.m.
Cincinnati at Indianapolis, 1 p.m.
New England at Miami, 1 p.m.
Pittsburgh at New Orleans, 1 p.m.
Kansas City at N.Y. Jets, 4:05 p.m.
San Diego at Denver, 4:05 p.m.
Philadelphia at Jacksonville, 4:15 p.m.
St. Louis at San Francisco, 4:15 p.m.
Baltimore at Cleveland, 8:30 p.m.
Open: Seattle, Detroit, Minnesota, Houston

Monday's Game

Green Bay at Chicago, 9 p.m.

Sunday, Oct. 13

Pittsburgh at Cincinnati, 1 p.m.
Carolina at Dallas, 1 p.m.
Buffalo at Houston, 1 p.m.
Baltimore at Indianapolis, 1 p.m.
Detroit at Minnesota, 1 p.m.
Green Bay at New England, 1 p.m.
Atlanta at New York Giants, 1 p.m.
Jacksonville at Tennessee, 1 p.m.
New Orleans at Washington, 1 p.m.
Oakland at St. Louis, 4:15 p.m.
Kansas City at San Diego, 4:15 p.m.



The Paintsville High School golf team (pictured) is headed to the state tournament along with Prestonsburg High School's boys squad.

Abney

After a Florida touchdown, Abney took the ensuing kickoff about a yard deep in the end zone and raced down the field untouched to pull the Wildcats within 25-14.

"It was just like every other kickoff return — it's all instinct," he said. "I look for the ball and the last thing that goes through my head is 'To the house.'"

"I'm not sure I even had to get around anybody. I just made a move to the outside and saw nothing but open space in front of me."

Kentucky then took advantage of two Florida miscues to go up 28-25 with 3:03 to play in the third quarter.

Two more Florida scores,

however, gave the Gators what appeared to be a commanding 39-28 lead with only 9:25 to play.

Again, Abney provided a glimmer of hope, taking a Florida punt 49 yards up the right sideline to cut the margin to 39-34 with 5:24 remaining.

"At that point, I think we all felt pretty good about our chances again," he said. "We just couldn't get that one more break to get us the win."

Lorenzen still marvels at Abney's effort, even after watching the plays several times on film.

"I've never seen that kind of individual display on special teams," he said. "Both plays gave us huge jolts of energy at

times we really needed it. He decided he was going to carry the team, and he did."

Abney's prowess as a return man is nothing new.

Last season, his first punt return of the season went for a 47-yard touchdown against Louisville. He also had an 83-yard return for a TD against Ball State that was called back by penalty.

He honed those skills in high school, scoring a state-record 17 kickoff and punt return touchdowns in his four years at Everest High School.

"My biggest job is picking the right guy, and I think I've done that with Derek," special teams coach Mark Nelson said with a laugh. "You just can't teach instinct."

"The best return men I've ever been around are fearless.

You have to hit that hole full speed and believe that the blocking is going to be there. Derek has both of those qualities."

Abney credits his mother, Sylvia, for his toughness and competitiveness.

"She never let me win at anything when I was younger," he said with a grin. "Even when I was 3, 4, and 5 years old. That gave me a hunger to win in everything."

As he got older, Abney's size became a motivating factor that continues to drive him every time he steps out on the field.

"I'm not the biggest guy, and a lot of people just assume that I can't do things because of my size," he said. "I love to hear that because I love to prove people wrong."

Abney led the team with 66 catches for 741 yards and six

TDs last year. He also ranked second in the Southeastern Conference and 11th nationally with 153.8 all-purpose yards per game.

Although he's behind that pace through five games this

season, he believes his performance against Florida will spark a new level of productivity.

"It's kind of like getting your

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Harvest

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The race will start at 9 a.m.

While the route is not yet known yet, it is believed it will start near the new stage behind the courthouse at 8 a.m. and will run until 8:45 a.m. The race will start at 9 a.m.

While the route is not known yet, it is believed it will start near the point of registration. Part of the new Inez walking trail will also be used as part of the course, along with Whickerville Road. The route will be announced this week.

Age groups for the race are as follows: Men's 14-and-under, 15-19, 20-24, 25-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50-55, 56-60 and 60-and-over; Women's 14-

and-under, 15-19, 20-24, 25-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50-55 and 56-and-over.

In the women's division, the top three qualifiers will be awarded trophies in all age divisions below 40. The top two finishers will receive trophies in the age groups above 40.

Sheldon Clark High School sophomore Alex Bobbitt is the defending men's champion, and Oil Springs' Lisa Salyers is the two-time defending overall women's champion.

Coast of registration is \$10. Each runner will receive a free T-shirt. For more information, contact Tonya Delong by calling 606/298-2810.

JCHS

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High junior running back Chat Yates will go down in the record books for having the most TDs for one individual performer in any single Apple Bowl. The game was the 29th annual Apple Bowl. Paintsville now holds a 19-10 advantage in the annual rivalry meeting.

Yates was most all of the offense for Johnson Central. He put the first Golden Eagle score of what would be a total of five in the first period with 7:39 remaining. Paintsville had the football inside the five-yard-line but couldn't punch it in, instead

fumbling back to Johnson Central. Yates added another score later in the first half to push the Johnson Central advantage out to two scores at the break. The second Yates touchdown came at the 4:40 mark of the second period.

Former Allen Elementary student-athlete Steven Jones put Paintsville on the scoreboard on the opening play of the third quarter when he returned the Johnson Central kick to the end zone for paydirt. On a fake on a conversion try, a wide-open Ryan Jarrell was found for two points. The Johnson Central lead was then cut to two points. On the ensuing kickoff, a Paintsville gamble with an onside kick paid off. Hans Doderer recovered the short kick for the Tigers and Paintsville eventually took its first lead a Shane Simpkins keep for a touchdown. A Chris Adkins PAT kick pushed the Paintsville advantage out to 15-12. But the Tigers hadn't seen the last of Chat Yates. The junior running back added a pair of scores to put Johnson Central back out in the lead, 24-15.

The see-saw battle just continued through the third and up until the final minute of the fourth quarter. Jeremy Runyon hauled in a Paintsville pass and Adkins added a kick to pull Paintsville within two points at 24-22.

Following Yates' fifth and final touchdown run, the Tigers knotted the game at 30 with 8:49 left in the contest.

Senior defensive lineman Ryan Brown took the ball away from the Johnson Central offense at 8:36 to run in for a score, giving Paintsville a 36-30 lead. A Jarrell two-point conversion put the Tigers ahead 38-30. Kyle Arms added Paintsville's second and final defensive with Johnson Central deep in Tiger territory looking to score. Arms recovered a fumble and returned it to the end zone for a Tiger score. An Adkins PAT made it a 45-30 final.

Paintsville has this Friday night off before getting into a crucial trio of district games against Hazard, South Floyd and Paintsville. Johnson Central has a long road trip ahead of it this week when it hits the road, traveling to Florida for a game.

Speedway

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"We're learning a lot. It's hard to take what you learn at one track and apply it to the next, but we really feel like, especially for Kansas, that Kentucky will help us get an idea of the spring package we need and the geometry that we need in the front of the car," Johnson said. "We were here a couple weeks ago and crashed one and wanted to come back on our way to Kansas and make sure we had everything figured out and dialed in being in the situation we're in with the points."

Including his three wins, the 27-year-old driver of the No. 48 Lowe's Chevrolet has driven to six top-five and 17 top-10 finishes in 2002. He began the campaign by winning the pole at Daytona, but said he didn't expect to be second in series points this late in his rookie season.

"There's no way I figured we'd be here, but we're here and in form to maybe do something that's never been done before," Johnson said. "I'm very pleased with everything that's gone on. The team is working great and we'll just see what happens."

Also in Johnson's corner this week is inaugural Kansas race

Golf

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76 and an 80, respectively. The win gave Paintsville Coach David VanHoose his third regional championship.

"We were well-prepared for the regional tournament," VanHoose said. "We played in our invitational tournament on Saturday, and it opened our eyes to what we were going to have to do to qualify for the state tournament. It really got our kids motivated."

Paintsville shot a 301 as a team to defeat regional runner-up Prestonsburg's 309. Hazard shot a 315 and Paintsville's county-rival, Johnson Central, managed a 327 for third and fourth places, respectively. Hazard came into the region tourney with another very capable contingent of golfers.

Prestonsburg was led by Wes Jenkins and Sean Leslie, who both turned in 76s. John Mark Tackett shot a 77 and Zach Collins shot an 80 to round out Prestonsburg's scoring. Collins was one of the leaders on

Prestonsburg's 2001 regional championship squad.

With their first- and second-place finishes in the regional, Paintsville and Prestonsburg will advance to the state tournament.

Magoffin County eighth-grader Chase Carpenter and Johnson Central senior Clint Adams also qualified for individual play in the state tournament with third- and fourth-place finishes, respectively. Carpenter shot a 74 and Adams shot a 75 for the round.

The state golf tournament will be held this week, Oct. 9-11, Wednesday-Friday at Boone Links in Florence.

Region Notes:

East Ridge eighth-grader Jordan Mullins had a hole-in-one using a 5-iron to ace the 129-yard sixth hole.

Shane Allen shot a school-record regional tournament score of 80 for South Floyd High School.

Earnhardt

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2000.

Kerry's half brother, Dale Jr., has won the last two races on the 2.66-mile, high-banked oval.

The 32-year-old Kerry, five years older than his brother, doesn't feel intimidated or pressured to perform because of his family's success.

"Really, I feel comfortable because I know I'm capable of going out there and doing it," he said.

Earnhardt is also counting on the help of Dale Earnhardt Inc., the team his father started before his death in the 2001 Daytona 500.

"I've got a DEI car and that's a bonus because of their past history in Talladega," Kerry said. "I know it's a good car with a good motor, good engineering and I'll have some good guys from DEI as my crew."

He'll climb into his new Chevrolet for the first time on Friday and try to qualify later that day. Since his team has no provisionals available, Earnhardt must be among the 36 fastest qualifiers to make the 43-car field.

In his only other Winston Cup event, at Michigan International Speedway in August of 2000, Kerry qualified 27th to earn a spot in the same lineup with his dad and his brother.

The race itself was an embarrassment for Kerry. He crashed

on the sixth lap and wound up last in the 43-car field.

"It was exciting being able to make the race and I felt good about the way I qualified, but the car was too loose (in the race) and I didn't use my head. I wasn't patient," he said.

Earnhardt, now a regular in the Busch Series, is coming off career-best second-place finish last Saturday at Kentucky.

He said he'll be better prepared physically and emotionally.

"I've got more experience and I know what to expect now," he said.

Kerry is married with three children. Earnhardt acknowledged that he and Dale Jr., who once shared a trailer with him, don't spend much time together.

"But, if I have problems, he's there," said Kerry. "He and DEI are really trying to help my career."

In addition to the two Earnhardts, DEI will have Michael Waltrip and Steve Park in the race. Dale Jr. says adding Kerry to the mix can help the team.

"To have an extra teammate out there is really going to benefit me, Michael and Steve," he said. "We'll just have Kerry dialed in as we can so we can get him up front and working with us."

"Hopefully, he can learn a little bit about the draft and things like that for Winston Cup, for his future whenever he moves up."

Kerry plans to drive in two more Winston Cup races this season — Charlotte and Atlanta — and do one more full season in Busch and another handful of Cup races before making the leap full-time to NASCAR's top stock car series in 2004.

"I've got to keep working and keep learning and, when the time comes, I'll be ready," he said.

Rebels

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the Rebels to pull visiting Allen Central to within one point of a tie.

However, East Ridge added a touchdown with less than one minute remaining in the game to score the victory.

The loss dropped Allen Central to 2-3 on the season before having to hit the road and travel to Hazard this past Friday night. The Rebels have wins this season over Betsy Layne and Jenkins. A loss to Fleming-Neon earlier in the season hurt Allen Central's chance at making it into the playoffs.

Results from the Allen Central-Hazard game will appear in the Wednesday, Oct. 9 edition of The Times.

Tangle

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pionship game. Both teams will come into the game with great intensity. Prestonsburg's last victory over a Belfry team on the Pirates' home field came in 2000 when eventual region champion P'burg scored an overtime win over Belfry in a contest played on a Thursday night in early-October.

Belfry had one of its most emotional games in recent memory when it held on to beat arch-rival Pikeville 20-13 on the road at the W.C. Hambley Athletic Complex.

A big rivalry is also present between the Prestonsburg and Belfry grid programs. Prestonsburg head coach John DeRossett played his high school football under current Belfry head coach Phillip

Haywood. DeRossett is also a former Belfry High assistant coach.

"It's always a huge rivalry when Belfry and Prestonsburg meet in football," said DeRossett. "Belfry's a hard place to go into and play. It'll be a big challenge for our kids."

Thursday night's shutout over Betsy Layne was the second district blanking for the P'burg defense in as many games. The Blackcats scored a shutout win over Whitesburg in their first district game of the season on Friday, Sept. 28.

Prior to Friday night's meeting with Betsy Layne, Prestonsburg running back Mikeal Fannin was leading the Blackcat ground attack with 536 yards and eight touchdowns.

Through the air, Blackcat quarterback Joey Willis was also getting things done quite well, passing for 673 yards and five TDs. Those numbers were also prior to Thursday night's huge win. Nicholas Jamerson, also prior to the Betsy Layne game, had 411 yards receiving. Fannin, Willis and Jamerson are on pace to reach or break the 1,000-yard plateau in their respective offensive categories.

Jamerson also had over 200 yards on punt returns through five games.

John Hunt, Matt Setser, Adam Dixon, Thomas Nelson, Nicholas Jamerson and Rudy Pennington ranked one through six, in that order, in tackles for Prestonsburg with the first five games in the books.

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McNamee played while the Colonels of Eastern Kentucky University won 42 times and lost only 10, rolling to three OVC titles and one second-place finish.

During that time, EKV made it to the NCAA Div. I-AA national semifinals twice, and McNamee was named All-OVC.

The current Pikeville High School coach is one of 197 All-OVC players Kidd has coached since his career started at the Richmond school in fall of 1964. It will end sometime this autumn, and with any luck, Kidd's number of all-league players could reach two bills.

McNamee said this week he wasn't surprised to hear of Coach Kidd's decision. "It's been rumored the last couple of years," he said. "But it's still somewhat of a shock because he's been there so long and because he's done so many good things for the university and for football in general."

Hunters

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ground level and adjusting the protecting link as one moves up or down is critical insurance.

Other recommended procedures include keeping a minimum of slack in the safety line to belt or harness. If there is a curtailed fall, the shorter the drop, the less the shock of the sudden stop.

Make inspections and possible replacement of worn or aged parts on tree stands before putting them to use.

With a new tree stand, the hunter should familiarize himself with its proper use and practice placing it before taking it hunting. In the woods before daylight is no place to learn how a stand operates.

Hunters are encouraged to

shun "permanent" tree stands built onto trees. These lumber structures may be unreliable and prone to failure. They are especially unpredictable if weathered, but even recently built stands can weaken as nails loosen from wind-driven tree movement.

Bow or gun and other gear should be pulled into a tree stand on a haul rope only after a hunter has safely reached and secured himself onto the hunting platform. Climbing with a weapon has been a contributing factor to falls.

When climbing, a hunter should not leave gear directly below the stand. If there is a fall, any injury could be worsened by dropping onto a weapon.

acter you have, hard work — all those things we try to teach our kids here," McNamee said. "You know, playing fair, good sportsmanship, those are the kinds of things I remember the most."

"He's just a classy person who has surrounded himself with good people," the coach continued. "Look at the longevity of his coaching staff. You can tell they worked well together and they've accomplished a lot of great things."

The top thing McNamee took from Kidd was the one phrase he said he heard the most from his coach: Little things make the big things happen.

"That's the kind of coach he was: Just the smallest, the tiniest details," said McNamee. "Things like whether your huddle's aligned right, or false steps, down to the smallest details. He really believed those things make a difference in the long run."

When you talk "small" details, you aren't talking about Kidd's record. His 310 wins have been surpassed by only seven coaches ever, on any level. He won the OVC 16 times, made the I-AA playoffs 17 times.

His peers in the OVC have named him coach of the year 10 times, and he's been national coach of the year twice. He had 55 All-Americans at Eastern, and 41 players spend time in the NFL.

And then there's this: He has not had a losing season the last 29 years.

A legend has retired in Richmond. The kind of legend who coaches home games in a stadium named after him.

There may never be another Roy Kidd. But if there is, it just might be the young man coaching football at Pikeville High School.

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL STATS

KHSAA Current Regular Season Football Stat Leaders Reports Submitted by Member Schools As of Oct. 3 - Min. 5 Games Played

Please note if a player/school's information is missing or not updated, the KHSAA did not receive a report. Note: This is a partial list. For complete list go to www.khsaa.org.

Individual Leaders

Top 25 Rushing Leaders (ranked by yards per game)

| Player, School | Gms | YDS | P-Gm | TD |
|------------------------------------|-----|------|-------|----|
| Malachi Maxwell, Madison Southern | 5 | 1155 | 231.0 | 12 |
| Tristan Huffman, Glasgow | 5 | 1016 | 203.2 | 16 |
| Josh Burton, East Jessamine | 5 | 1003 | 200.6 | 8 |
| Robert Christopher, Bourbon County | 5 | 974 | 194.8 | 13 |
| Jason Foley, Russell County | 5 | 968 | 193.6 | 14 |
| Rex Deik, Casey County | 5 | 949 | 189.8 | 12 |
| Desmond Harris, Warren Central | 5 | 947 | 189.4 | 9 |
| Letiz Arnold, Ballard Memorial | 6 | 1124 | 187.3 | 11 |
| Jimmy Bynum, Calloway County | 5 | 902 | 180.4 | 16 |
| Paul Sullivan, Pikeville | 5 | 858 | 171.6 | 11 |
| Keena Turner, Frankfort | 5 | 855 | 171.0 | 13 |
| Matt Moakler, North Bullitt | 5 | 851 | 170.2 | 11 |
| Trey Hughes, Tates Creek | 5 | 846 | 169.2 | 8 |
| William Carter, Apollo | 6 | 1005 | 167.5 | 14 |
| Joe Casey, Paducah Tilghman | 5 | 818 | 163.6 | 10 |
| Tewayne Willis, Perry Central | 5 | 818 | 163.6 | 11 |
| Shawn Robbins, Bell County | 5 | 802 | 160.4 | 10 |
| Russell Pollard, Scott | 6 | 928 | 154.7 | 8 |
| Myron Hopkins, Lloyd Memorial | 5 | 762 | 152.4 | 4 |
| Elazar Sharp, Lafayette | 6 | 908 | 151.3 | 10 |
| Kevin Smith, Newport Cent. Cath. | 5 | 738 | 147.6 | 7 |
| Marty Reagan, Rockcastle County | 5 | 720 | 144.0 | 12 |
| Mike Staten, Adair County | 5 | 710 | 142.0 | 7 |
| Cory Goodson, Western | 5 | 705 | 141.0 | 7 |
| Malcolm Tillman, Eastern | 5 | 702 | 140.4 | 10 |

Top 25 Passing Leaders (ranked by yards per game)

| Player, School | G | ATT | CMP | P-Gm | TD |
|-------------------------------------|---|-----|-----|-------|----|
| Justin Haddix, Breathitt County | 5 | 114 | 87 | 290.8 | 21 |
| Aaron Pettey, Raceland | 5 | 144 | 106 | 256.8 | 16 |
| Josh Ellis, Paul Dunbar | 5 | 126 | 77 | 258.0 | 9 |
| Eddie Creech, Cumberland | 5 | 108 | 75 | 254.4 | 21 |
| Steven Stizmore, Hazard | 5 | 166 | 86 | 252.4 | 14 |
| Jason Newsome, Christian County | 5 | 106 | 50 | 210.0 | 12 |
| Justin McCurry, Pike County Central | 6 | 130 | 67 | 209.8 | 14 |
| Jacob Doss, Lexington Catholic | 5 | 89 | 54 | 205.2 | 13 |
| Nate Johnson, West Jessamine | 6 | 96 | 68 | 204.5 | 17 |
| Brook Whitney, Warren Central | 5 | 101 | 65 | 202.8 | 10 |
| Brian Brohm, Lou, Trinity | 6 | 128 | 82 | 202.0 | 13 |
| Dustin Grutza, Mason County | 6 | 99 | 66 | 199.5 | 14 |
| Anthony Thomas, Hart County | 6 | 130 | 78 | 194.7 | 14 |
| Mason Middendorf, Clark County | 6 | 107 | 62 | 192.8 | 12 |
| Andy Clark, Seneca | 5 | 112 | 56 | 179.2 | 9 |
| Kyle James, Highlands | 6 | 137 | 72 | 178.3 | 5 |

Spurrier

idea for some NFL veterans, who are finding themselves in training camp-style competition all season long.

"It does keep everybody on your toes," said Lockett, who has four catches for 39 yards and one touchdown this season. "I've been on teams in the past where you win the job in training camp and it's your job all year regardless of what happens."

In a way, however, Spurrier almost had to make changes because the deficiencies were so widespread. His offense is designed to get the ball downfield, yet running back Stephen Davis leads the team with 17 receptions catching dump-offs over the middle.

Rod Gardner is next with 12 catches, and Derrius Thompson's small haul of seven receptions is why he's getting benched for Lockett, whose last start came with Kansas City in 2000, and he had to take a pay cut to remain with the Redskins this season.

The Redskins had been used to near-perfection from tackles

Chris Samuels and Jon Jansen on the offensive line in past seasons, but neither has been in top form this year. Not even Spurrier would consider replacing either, however, and Samuels has actually done well to battle through a spate of minor injuries and illnesses.

"Sometimes our line breaks down," Lockett said. "Sometimes our quarterback makes a bad throw or bad decision. A lot of times I know, from our group, our routes aren't too precise. A lot of times we're too deep or too short. Sometimes we're running wrong routes."

"It's a collaboration of everything. It's seems like on one play, someone chooses to do something wrong every single time. That's the rut we're trying to get out of."

While the personnel will change, the game plan will not: Spurrier still shuns the notion of a run-first philosophy, even though Davis is his most potent weapon. The Redskins have called pass 62 percent of the time, including 67 percent in a 20-10 loss to San Francisco in

which there never really was a throw-every-down deficit.

"We were still in the game," Davis said. "We could've stayed with the things that we do best."

Davis, who led the NFC in rushing a year ago, had 26 carries in the season-opening victory over Arizona and just 25 combined in losses to Philadelphia and San Francisco. Teams have figured out that a deep zone defense will beat the Redskins because Spurrier won't run much, prompting a unanimous cry among the players that Davis needs to get the ball more often.

"People forget that we've got one of the best backs in the league," Lockett said. "If teams are going to play us like that, then we're going to hand the ball off to him."

But Spurrier doesn't sound convinced. Tiring of questions about Davis, the coach became sarcastic this week when asked if he'll run the ball more.

"Oh, that would be very nice," Spurrier said. "It would be very nice if we never had to throw the ball. How about that? We could run for six years every down — that would be an easy game. We'd just call them and away we'd go."

"Sometimes it's not as easy as everybody thinks. We've got to try what we can do to run our offense, mix it up. Obviously the Arizona game is the only game we did worth a dang, and we mixed it up."

Abney

first win and everything starts to roll after that," he said. "I'm going to have even more confidence that next time I go out on the field that I'm going to catch a touchdown pass or return a kick for a touchdown."

"But as long as we're winning, I'm not going to worry about it. We're having a lot of fun right now and proving things to ourselves and everybody else each week. I wouldn't trade that for anything."

| Player, School | G | Rec | Yds | P-Game | TD |
|-----------------------------------|---|-----|-----|--------|----|
| Jeff Wera, Beechwood | 5 | 99 | 43 | 171.4 | 5 |
| Derek Miller, Oldham County | 6 | 139 | 65 | 169.3 | 6 |
| Cole Draughn, Pulaski County | 6 | 153 | 75 | 166.2 | 7 |
| Hunter Cartwell, Paducah Tilghman | 5 | 100 | 59 | 161.8 | 7 |
| Matt Endy, Kentucky Country Day | 5 | 108 | 47 | 155.0 | 8 |
| C Todd, Elizabethtown | 5 | 145 | 65 | 152.0 | 8 |
| C Todd, Elizabethtown | 5 | 145 | 65 | 152.0 | 8 |
| Brandon Ernst, Lloyd Memorial | 5 | 86 | 49 | 146.6 | 11 |

Top 25 Receiving Leaders (ranked by yards per game)

| Player, School | G | Rec | Yds | P-Game | TD |
|------------------------------------|---|-----|-----|--------|----|
| Stephen Taylor, Williamsburg | 6 | 48 | 775 | 129.2 | 11 |
| Patrick West, Franklin-Simpson | 6 | 50 | 756 | 126.0 | 8 |
| Travis Roark, Raceland | 5 | 31 | 547 | 109.4 | 9 |
| Mario Urrutia, Farm Creek | 5 | 31 | 546 | 109.2 | 7 |
| Matt Haynes, Cumberland | 5 | 26 | 535 | 107.0 | 10 |
| Bobby Mullins, Pike County Central | 6 | 31 | 633 | 105.5 | 7 |
| Adrian Allen, Christian County | 5 | 23 | 511 | 102.2 | 8 |
| Chris Olinger, Hazard | 5 | 23 | 488 | 97.6 | 5 |
| Leroy Wilson, Warren Central | 5 | 15 | 468 | 93.6 | 5 |
| Chase Weber, Beechwood | 5 | 24 | 463 | 92.6 | 2 |
| Prince Northington, Trigg County | 6 | 38 | 547 | 91.2 | 6 |
| Kellen Smith, Barren County | 5 | 25 | 455 | 91.0 | 5 |
| Daniel Locke, Hart County | 6 | 28 | 544 | 90.7 | 7 |
| Andrew Pace, Madison Southern | 5 | 26 | 441 | 88.2 | 7 |
| Tristan Fuller, Seneca | 5 | 24 | 435 | 87.0 | 4 |
| Matt Brock, Everts | 5 | 19 | 425 | 85.0 | 7 |
| Matt Beavin, Lexington Catholic | 5 | 15 | 422 | 84.4 | 5 |
| Nicholas Jamerson, Prestonsburg | 5 | 15 | 411 | 82.2 | 4 |
| Chris Lofton, Mason County | 6 | 24 | 490 | 81.7 | 5 |
| Stephen Columbia, Clark County | 5 | 21 | 403 | 80.6 | 5 |
| John Logan, Lexington Catholic | 5 | 19 | 388 | 77.2 | 5 |
| Aubrey White, Henry Clay | 6 | 29 | 462 | 77.0 | 5 |
| Daniel Thompson, West Jessamine | 6 | 24 | 462 | 77.0 | 10 |
| Curtis Hamilton, Paducah Tilghman | 5 | 25 | 372 | 74.4 | 3 |
| Brandon Gathof, Oldham County | 6 | 30 | 432 | 72.0 | 1 |

Top 25 Scoring Leaders (ranked by points per game)

| Player, School | G | TD | FG | Civ | Per Gm |
|------------------------------------|---|----|----|-----|--------|
| Jimmy Bynum, Calloway County | 5 | 17 | 0 | 0 | 20.4 |
| Tristan Huffman, Glasgow | 5 | 17 | 0 | 0 | 20.4 |
| Alex Fendrick, Henderson County | 6 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 20.0 |
| Sam Reid, Nicholas County | 5 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 19.2 |
| Tewayne Willis, Perry Central | 5 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 19.2 |
| Keena Turner, Frankfort | 5 | 15 | 0 | 0 | 18.0 |
| Jason Foley, Russell County | 5 | 15 | 0 | 0 | 18.0 |
| William Carter, Apollo | 6 | 17 | 0 | 0 | 17.0 |
| Chris Jennings, Fairview | 5 | 14 | 0 | 0 | 16.8 |
| Jordan Newton, Larue County | 5 | 14 | 0 | 0 | 16.8 |
| Malachi Maxwell, Madison Southern | 6 | 14 | 0 | 0 | 16.8 |
| Nathan Myrick, Mason County | 6 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 16.0 |
| Robert Christopher, Bourbon County | 5 | 13 | 0 | 0 | 15.6 |
| Marty Reagan, Rockcastle County | 5 | 13 | 0 | 0 | 15.6 |
| L.J. Harbison, Metcalfe County | 5 | 9 | 3 | 14 | 15.4 |
| Rex Deik, Casey County | 5 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 14.4 |

| Player, School | G | Pts | Per Gm | |
|--------------------------------|---|-----|--------|------|
| Paul Sullivan, Pikeville | 5 | 12 | 0 | 14.4 |
| Matt Haynes, Cumberland | 5 | 11 | 0 | 13.2 |
| Matt Moakler, North Bullitt | 5 | 11 | 0 | 13.2 |
| Joe Casey, Paducah Tilghman | 5 | 11 | 0 | 13.2 |
| Josh Gross, Russell | 5 | 11 | 0 | 13.2 |
| Letiz Arnold, Ballard Memorial | 6 | 12 | 0 | 12.0 |
| Jonah Caudill, Bellfry | 5 | 10 | 0 | 12.0 |
| Shawn Robbins, Bell County | 5 | 10 | 0 | 12.0 |
| Adrian Allen, Christian County | 5 | 10 | 0 | 12.0 |
| Malcolm Tillman, Eastern | 5 | 10 | 0 | 12.0 |

| School | G | Pts | Per Gm |
|--------------------|---|-----|--------|
| Monroe County | 5 | 52 | 10.4 |
| Russell County | 5 | 54 | 10.8 |
| Newport | 5 | 55 | 11.0 |
| West Jessamine | 6 | 66 | 11.0 |
| Bellfry | 5 | 56 | 11.2 |
| Bell County | 5 | 56 | 11.2 |
| Breathitt County | 5 | 56 | 11.2 |
| Fairview | 5 | 56 | 11.2 |
| Owensboro Catholic | 5 | 57 | 11.4 |
| Fairdale | 5 | 58 | 11.6 |
| Shelby County | 6 | 73 | 12.2 |
| Madison Southern | 5 | 62 | 12.4 |
| Larue County | 5 | 63 | 12.6 |
| Raceland | 5 | 63 | 12.6 |

Team Leaders Top 25 Scoring Teams (ranked by points per game)

| School | Gm | Pts | Per Gm |
|---------------------|----|-----|--------|
| Breathitt County | 5 | 269 | 53.8 |
| Henderson County | 6 | 308 | 51.3 |
| Allen County | 5 | 233 | 46.6 |
| Male | 6 | 278 | 46.3 |
| Perry Central | 5 | 220 | 44.0 |
| Frankfort | 5 | 217 | 43.4 |
| Cumberland | 5 | 215 | 43.0 |
| Christian County | 5 | 213 | 42.6 |
| Trigg County | 6 | 255 | 42.5 |
| Scott County | 5 | 208 | 41.6 |
| Larue County | 5 | 202 | 40.4 |
| Lou, Trinity | 5 | 236 | 39.3 |
| Rockcastle County | 5 | 192 | 38.4 |
| West Jessamine | 6 | 229 | 38.2 |
| Bourbon County | 6 | 228 | 38.0 |
| Bell County | 5 | 189 | 37.8 |
| Boyle County | 6 | 227 | 37.8 |
| Mason County | 6 | 225 | 37.5 |
| Fairview | 5 | 186 | 37.2 |
| Mercer County | 6 | 221 | 36.8 |
| Carroll County | 6 | 220 | 36.7 |
| Glasgow | 5 | 177 | 35.4 |
| Raceland | 5 | 173 | 34.6 |
| Pike County Central | 6 | 206 | 34.3 |
| Owensboro Catholic | 5 | 171 | 34.2 |

Top 25 Scoring Margin Teams (ranked by margin per game)

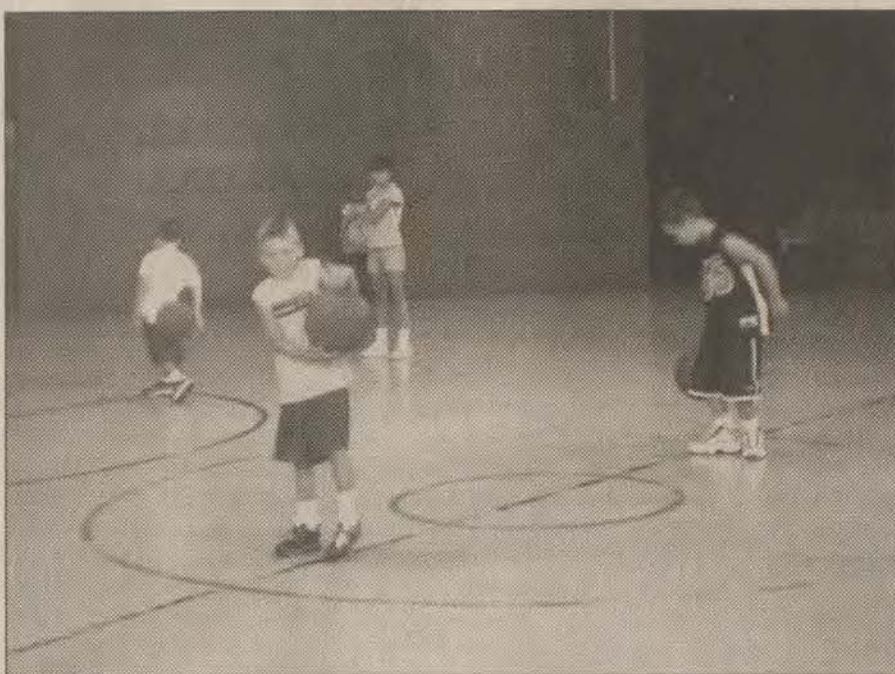
| School | Gm | Per Gm |
|---------------------|----|--------|
| Breathitt County | 5 | 42.8 |
| Henderson County | 6 | 37.9 |
| Frankfort | 5 | 34.6 |
| Cumberland | 5 | 32.6 |
| Scott County | 5 | 32.6 |
| Lou, Trinity | 6 | 32.5 |
| Boyle County | 6 | 32.3 |
| Male | 6 | 28.5 |
| Larue County | 5 | 27.8 |
| West Jessamine | 6 | 27.2 |
| Trigg County | 6 | 26.8 |
| Bell County | 5 | 26.6 |
| Holy Cross (Lou) | 5 | 26.6 |
| Fairview | 5 | 26.0 |
| Rockcastle County | 5 | 25.8 |
| Pleasure Ridge Park | 6 | 25.5 |
| Hopkins Central | 5 | 24.4 |
| Mercer County | 6 | 24.1 |
| Mason County | 6 | 23.7 |
| Perry Central | 5 | 23.0 |
| Allen County | 5 | 22.8 |
| Owensboro Catholic | 5 | 22.8 |
| Metcalfe County | 5 | 22.6 |
| Raceland | 5 | 22.0 |
| Glasgow | 5 | 20.8 |

Top 25 Scoring Defense Teams (ranked by points per game)

| School | Gm | Pts | Per Gm |
|---------------------|----|-----|--------|
| Pleasure Ridge Park | 6 | 28 | 4.7 |
| Holy Cross (Lou) | 5 | 25 | 5.0 |
| Boyle County | 6 | 33 | 5.5 |
| Metcalfe County | 5 | 28 | 5.6 |
| Webster County | 5 | 33 | 6.6 |
| Lou, Trinity | 6 | 41 | 6.8 |
| Hopkins Central | 5 | 38 | 7.6 |
| Frankfort | 5 | 44 | 8.8 |
| Scott County | 5 | 45 | 9.0 |
| St. Xavier | 6 | 59 | 9.8 |
| Bullitt East | 5 | 52 | 10.4 |
| Cumberland | 5 | 52 | 10.4 |
| Eastern | 5 | 52 | 10.4 |

Top 12 Rushing Teams (ranked by yards per game)

| School | Gm | Yds | Per Gm |
|-----------------|----|------|--------|
| Bell County | 5 | 1935 | 387.0 |
| Bourbon County | 6 | 2110 | 351.7 |
| Frankfort | 5 | 1660 | 332.0 |
| Glasgow | 5 | 1610 | 322.0 |
| Fairview | 5 | 1606 | 321.2 |
| Russell County | 5 | 1573 | 314.6 |
| North Bullitt | 5 | 1505 | 301.0 |
| Allen County | 5 | 1499 | 299.8 |
| East Jessamine | 5 | 1482 | 296.4 |
| Nicholas County | 5 | 1476 | 295.2 |



courtesy photo

The 2002 Little Eagles Basketball Camp was held over the summer at W.D. Osborne Elementary. Youngsters turned out for the camp ready to learn and work on the roundball sport.

Street

sors and really appreciate Bruce and Anita Spence for this opportunity to enter this race. And to think we actually have won. This is just a homemade engine that really has nothing special about it like some of the

professional engine builders sell."

Lemaster gave additional thanks to Matt Spence, Glenn Lint and Bob Rehl with recognition to his pit crew Matthew Spence, Doris Hardin, Claude

Spence, among others.

Lemaster held strong to his position in front as the checkered flag signaled the end. Bruce Dennis, Rod White, Larry Moran and Bob Cannon completed the top-five.

Games

Game three at 4 p.m. will pair defending 15th Region champion Shelby Valley against West Virginia power Williamson.

The first hometown game of the afternoon is scheduled for a 5:45 tip with the Sheldon Clark Lady Cardinals taking on Wolfe County. The final game

of the event pits the host Sheldon Clark Cardinals against the St. Albans (W.Va.) Red Dragons at 7:30. St. Albans features University of Kentucky recruit Mike Williams.

Many in and around both Sheldon Clark basketball programs are delighted about this

year's field.

"It should be a good day and night of basketball for the fans, with the likes of Shelby Valley, Williamson, Pike Central and some of the others," Hammond said. "I want to thank the folks at Fast Lane for being the sponsor of such a great high school basketball event once again."

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Medicare
AND YOU



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Q Does Medicare cover mammograms?

A Yes Medicare Part B helps pay for both screening and diagnostic mammograms. The facility where the test is done must be certified the Food and Drug Administration.

Q What is the difference between a screening mammogram and a diagnostic mammogram?

A The screening is done for the purpose of early detection of breast cancer. No symptoms must be present for the service to be considered covered under Medicare guidelines. The diagnostic mammogram is done because of symptoms present.

Q Does Medicare pay the same for a screening as a diagnostic mammogram?

A No. Medicare covers one screening mammogram every 12 months for women age 40 and older. You do not have to meet your Medicare Part B \$100 deductible before Medicare will help to pay for a screening. Medicare pays 80% of the Medicare approved amount and you will have to pay 20% of the approved amount on an assigned claim. If you have another insurance to go with your Medicare it may pay the 20%. There is no frequency guideline for diagnostic mammograms. Medicare covers this test when the patient shows any signs of breast disease and the doctor orders the test. Diagnostic mammograms are subject to the Part B \$100 deductible, with Medicare paying 80% of the approved and the patient 20%.

Q Where can I get more information about mammograms?

A Talk to your doctor or call the National Cancer Institute's Cancer Information Service at 1-800-4-CANCER (1-800-422-6237).

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CSX temporarily laying off 193

The Associated Press
RACELAND — CSX Transportation will lay off 193 workers at its Raceland car shop starting Friday in what the company called a "temporary work force reduction." The shop builds and repairs

railroad cars, including coal hoppers, gondolas and coil steels cars. A total of 291 people work there. An "unanticipated" drop in coal loading along with weakness in the overall economy were cited as reason for the layoffs in a company state-

ment. CSX spokesman David Hall said 24 percent of the company's business comes from coal transportation. The Raceland plant is CSX's largest car shop. Hall said Monday the layoffs could last as long as five months. Right now, the compa-

ny anticipates workers will return March 3. "This in no way is a reflection on the quality of work these people do," Hall said. "This group of employees has consistently performed at high levels. They're doing everything they're asked to do;

there's just not enough work." CSX worker Michael Wilson said employees were informed of the company's decision Monday morning during a group meeting with officials from CSX headquarters in

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April Amburgey, branch manager of a Citifinancial office in Pikeville serving Pike, Floyd and Johnson counties, received a plaque from KSP Commissioner Patrick N. Simpson, after her company presented Trooper Island with a \$24,000 donation.

Citifinancial donates \$24,000 to Trooper Island

The employees in our network of branches are in tune with specific needs of the communities where they live and work," said Michael S. Knapp, chief executive officer and president of Citifinancial Corporation. "We feel they are the best front-line representative for our company's philanthropic program."

Citifinancial Kentucky East Branch office in London, Somerset, Harlan, Pikeville, Paintsville and Hazard have secured a Citigroup Foundation grant in the amount of \$24,000 for Trooper Island. The money will be used to send disadvantaged and disabled Kentucky children to summer camp. Kentucky East managers for Citifinancial's offices applied for the money and recently presented the check to Trooper Island. Larry King, district manager, Joe Burns, regional manager, and the branch managers presented the money to Kentucky State Police Commissioner Patrick N. Simpson on August 10 at Trooper Island. "This organization makes a real difference in the quality of

life in our area," said April Amburgey and Keith Justice, branch managers of the two Pikeville offices, in a statement released to the press. "Citifinancial is proud to be a part of this community and it is important that we all take the time to give back, whether it's in the form of money, time or talent." "The employees in our network of branches are in tune with specific needs of the communities where they live and work," said Michael S. Knapp, chief executive officer and president of Citifinancial Corporation. "We feel they are the best front-line representative for our company's philanthropic program." The local contributions pro

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MOREHEAD STATE

MSU hosting job fair Tuesday

MOREHEAD — Looking for a job? Check out Morehead State University's Fall Job Fair, slated for Tuesday, Oct. 1, in Button Drill Room on the campus. Employers will be on site from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. to answer questions about the current job market. MSU's Office of Career Services is sponsoring the event. Additional information is available on the Web at www.moreheadstate.edu/fall_jobfair or by stopping by the office in 322 Allie Young Hall or calling (606) 783-2233.

LOCAL NEWS

Photographer's work selected for display at international exposition

PRESTONSBURG — Four photographs created by Steven G. Porter, PPA Cert., M. Photog., CR, KFD, ASP, owner of Porter Studio and Associates in Prestonsburg, were accepted into the general collection of the 11th International Exposition of Professional Photography. Porter's work was on display at the Imaging USA 2002 Conference & Expo in Atlantic City, N.J., July 10-17 in conjunction with the Professional Photographers of America's international convention. Three of the four prints Porter entered received blue ribbons, which is the highest award given by the Professional Photographers of America. All four prints also received the coveted "Gold Corner" of acceptance. As the 57th president of the Kentucky Professional Photographers Association, Porter represented Kentucky at the convention in Atlantic City. Professional photographers from all over the world were able to attend the 11th annual international convention and trade show. This year, the convention offered numerous programs and demonstrations offering new techniques and trends in today's photography. The trade show exhibits featured the latest in photo



Steven G. Porter

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Bankruptcy Filings

The following is a list of bankruptcy cases filed with the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky in Lexington from Sept. 27 to Oct. 3.

Pikeville Division

- Chapter 7**
Under Chapter 7 bankruptcy, a court-appointed trustee sells assets and the debtor is discharged of debts.
Russell Lee Johnson and Beverly Roselle Johnson, of Virgie.
Kennis Deboard Jr. and Jessica Delene Deboard, of Van Lear.
Goldie Spears, of Prestonsburg.
Roy Lee Arnett and Betty Pricie Arnett, of Salyersville.
Calvin Conley, of Salyersville.
Roger Moore and Susan Moore, of

- Pikeville.
Jonathon Shepherd, of Prestonsburg.
Wesley Montgomery and Christy Montgomery, of Salyersville.
John Meade and Darlene Meade, of Hager Hill.
Jeffory Lykins and Anita Lykins, of Salyersville.
Charles Keeton and Donna Keeton, of Salyersville.
Garfield Burchett and Naomi Burchett, of Stambaugh.
Donald Bowling, of Tram.
Jeffrey Joseph and Patricia Joseph, of Royalton.
Albie Jr. Howell and Mary Alice Howell, of McDowell.
Ethel Madelyn Goff, of Pikeville.
Jeana Burchett, of Paintsville.
Phillip Hall and Junina Hall, of Kite.
Casebol/D.C. Trucking Inc., of

- Salyersville.
Chapter 11
Under Chapter 11 bankruptcy, a business reorganizes debts and remains in operation.
East Kentucky Convenience Stores Inc., of Pikeville.
Food Express Inc., of Pikeville.
Coleman Oil Company Inc., of Pikeville.
Pump & Tank Equipment Inc., of Pikeville.
Coleman Trucking Inc., of Pikeville.
Gas & Go Inc., of Pikeville.
Chapter 13
Under Chapter 13 bankruptcy, the debtor arranges to repay debt.
David Lee Blackburn and Brenda J. Blackburn, of Van Lear.

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Workshop to offer help with business plans

MOREHEAD — Do you want to build a successful business, but don't know how to create a solid plan for the future? Morehead State University's Small Business Development Center and Office of Continuing Education are co-sponsoring a workshop to help anyone do just that. "Creating an Effective Business Plan"

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EKU alumni, friends invited to Homecoming 2002

RICHMOND — Eastern Kentucky University graduates, their families and other friends of the University are invited to the Richmond campus Oct. 18-20 for Homecoming 2002.

Thousands are expected for an event full of floats, football, family fun and fellowship.

"Eastern is fortunate to have so

many loyal alumni and friends," said Dr. Skip Daugherty, associate vice president and executive director of the University's Alumni Association. "It's always exciting to see them back on campus to reconnect with their friends and the University."

Activities get under way on Friday, Oct. 18 with a College of Justice &

Safety Golf Tournament at Arlington. Also on Friday, the College's Juvenile Justice, Corrections and Child Welfare Speaker Series will feature "A Strength-Based Approach to Meeting the Needs of High-Risk Youth," with guest speakers Scott Larson and Larry Brendtro.

Activities on Saturday, Oct. 19

include the annual Homecoming Race and Parade at 10 a.m. along the traditional Lancaster Avenue-Main Street route. For race entry information, call 859-622-1244. To register an entry in the parade, call 859-622-1260.

Also at 10 a.m., the College of Justice & Safety will hold its annual Alumni Society Awards Brunch in

Stratton Cafeteria. For more information, call 859-622-8244 or e-mail justice.alumni@eku.edu. The College of Arts & Sciences will host a Homecoming Brunch Buffet from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Case Annex lobby.

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Students enrolled in Dr. Thomas Matijasic's MSU-Prestonsburg graduate class prepared to tour the Samuel May House. Included in the group were Floyd County educators Jelenda Shepherd, Lori Newsome, Lisa Hunt, Rex VanHoose and Donna Blackburn.

UK NEWS



Kerosene salad bars and other life finds

As a wife and mother Venita Caldwell finds daily doses of humor from the ordinary things that happen in her household. She finds humor in other ways, too. Venita will be speaking to the public on Kerosene Salad Bars and Other Signs of Our Times: A Lighthearted look at billboards, marquee, and signs in public places on Tuesday, Oct. 1 at 7 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room at the Lees College Campus of Hazard Community College. The event is sponsored by the Breathitt County Public Library and there is no admission charge. Come join the fun.

COLLEGE NEWS

Allen Central graduate part of first Transy volleyball team

Leslie Martin, a graduate of Allen Central High School and a freshman at Transylvania, is making history this season as a member of the Pioneers' first volleyball team.

Transy is adding women's volleyball as its 16th intercollegiate sport in 2002, and the team will play all of its home matches in the new \$16 million Clive M. Beck Athletic and Recreation Center. Transy sponsors nine sports for women, and seven for men.

The Pioneers are coached by Cindy Jacobelli.

Martin, a native of Langley, is a setter for the Pioneers.

Martin is the daughter of Randy Martin of Langley, and Gloria Shannon of Prestonsburg.

Transylvania is a provisional member of the NCAA's Division III, and competes in the Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference, an eight-team league, comprised of schools in Ohio, Indiana, and Kentucky.

UPDATE

Dental Care provided at HCC

The Dental Assisting/Dental Hygiene Clinic at Hazard Community College is offering free and reduced-cost care to the public as part of a class. The students, with an instructor's supervision, administer the work and the process takes about three hours per patient.

Some services, such as an initial oral exam, periodic exam, or a fluoride treatment are free. The fee for a sealant is \$4 per tooth and the series x-rays are \$15. Adult cleanings are \$15 and seniors can have their teeth cleaned for \$5. Call for more pricing.

To schedule an appointment or for more information, please call 436-5721, ext. 236 or 800-246-7521, ext. 236.

Campus Connection: 'The Fear Factor'

by RACHELLE BURCHETT

I tossed and turned all night long looking at the clock, — it seemed like every 10 minutes. Finally after endless hours of sleeplessness I decided to get up. I could feel the butterflies starting to stir in my stomach as soon as my feet hit the floor. "I can do this!" I kept telling myself hoping that with persistence the butterflies would leave, but they didn't. They decided to keep me company throughout the morning.

Although I had decided what I was

going to wear the night before, I rummaged through my closet once more just to be certain. Finally after moments of deliberation I decided to go with the outfit I had already chosen. After dressing and going through the morning rituals that all of us must go through, I looked long and hard into the mirror.

With a final sigh I turned the light off and ventured into the living room where I made sure that I was equipped with everything that I needed. With a purse in one hand and a backpack in the other I walked toward the front door only to

notice that the clock said 6:30 a.m. "6:30 a.m.," I thought to myself. "How could that be?" I turned and walked into the kitchen and that clock also said 6:30 a.m. and out of total denial I went to see what time my bedroom clock said and it too said 6:30 a.m. I couldn't believe it! I was ready an hour before I was supposed to be.

An hour to kill wasn't good considering that the butterflies felt like they were playing racquetball in my stomach. After

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Rachelle Burchett

UK gets \$22 million grant for education

by STEVE BAILEY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON — A \$22 million grant from the National Science Foundation will help the University of Kentucky to enhance math and science programs across the state's classrooms and in Appalachia.

The five-year grant, part of the NSF's Math and Science Partnership Program, was announced by President Lee Todd during an afternoon news conference Wednesday.

"This is a great day for UK and a great day for American education," Todd said. "There is no doubt our knowledge-based economy demands skills in mathematics and science."

"This NSF funding will enable the University of Kentucky to help students throughout the state obtain greater math and science proficiency."

The grant is thought to be the largest single grant in school history, university spokeswoman Mary Margaret Colliver said.

The university will be the lead partner in the ambitious project and work with the

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The first annual Floyd County Chamber of Commerce New Faculty Reception was held at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park at the May Lodge Thursday, Sept. 19. The event was co-sponsored by the RCCI program at Prestonsburg Community College. The event was designed to recognize new teachers for the Floyd County school system as well as Prestonsburg Community College and Mayo Technical College. Following dinner at the May Lodge, Dr. Paul Fanning, Superintendent of the Floyd County schools recognized new teachers for the current school year. Dr. George D. Edwards, PRECC College President and CEO of the Big Sandy Community College district, (Prestonsburg Community College and Mayo Technical College) introduced new faculty for the district. The event highlighted the important relationship between education and the business community in that several local businesses were represented at this event. AFLAC, American Electric Power, Bellsouth, Big Sandy RECC, Citizens National Bank, Community Trust Bank, US Bank, as well as the East Kentucky Science Center sponsored tables to demonstrate this commitment and interest in education for the students of Floyd County. Each new faculty member was presented with a gift by the Floyd County Chamber of Commerce. The Floyd County School Systems as well as Prestonsburg Community College and Mayo Technical College were pleased to welcome the new faculty into their extended family.

Report show some gains, losses in Kentucky higher ed

The Associated Press

LEXINGTON — More people are going to college in Kentucky and more of them are getting a degree, but the state has fallen in some areas, including affordability, according to a national report card.

The non-profit National Center for Public Policy and Education, based in San Jose, Calif., issued its second report Tuesday. It gathers data from across the country every two years.

The report measures the quality of preparation for higher education amid the state's elementary and secondary systems, participation or enrollment in higher education, affordability, completion rates

and benefits to the state derived from higher education.

"This looks at how a state is meeting the needs of its people, focusing not on institutions but on whether our students are prepared for higher education, participating and whether the state is benefiting," said Sue Hodges Moore, interim president of the Council on Postsecondary Education.

Among the improvements in Kentucky:

- The number of young adults earning a high school diploma or GED by age 24 rose from 85 percent in 2000 to 86 percent in 2002.
- Eighth-grader proficiency in math on a national test improved from 16 percent to

21 percent. However, despite gains in math, not enough Kentucky eighth-graders take enough high-level science or algebra.

- The number of high school freshman enrolling in college within four years climbed from 36 percent to 37 percent.
- The number of first-time and full-time students who completed a bachelor's degree within five years of graduating from high school rose from 37 percent to 43 percent.

Kentucky lost ground in affordability. Recent tuition increases meant Kentucky families had to spend more of their income on college, and there was a large gap between Kentucky and other states in the amount of needs-based financial aid available.

"We will not be able to achieve our goals for college-going in Kentucky if low-income families find a college education beyond their reach," she said.

The last portion of the report measures how higher education benefits the state. Kentucky made very slight gains in the percentage of adults with a bachelor's degree, from 20 percent to 22 percent, and only a 1 percent gain in personal income as a result of holding a bachelor's degree.

Gov. Paul Patton called the improvements a validation of the higher education reform he ushered through in 1997.

"It does show that Kentucky is making progress," Patton said. "We're doing the right things, we just started awfully low."

But Patton warned that recent economic downturns could hinder higher education gains.

"I'm concerned whether Kentucky will be willing and able to sustain efforts we've made over the past six years," he said.

UK offers Morehead students head start at grad school

The Associated Press

LEXINGTON — A new agreement between the University of Kentucky and Morehead State University will allow students in Morehead State's public policy program to study for a master's degree in public administration at Kentucky's prestigious Martin School of Public Policy and Administration.

University of Kentucky President Lee Todd and Morehead State President Ronald G. Eaglin made the announcement Wednesday.

Under the agreement, students in Morehead State's Institute for Regional Analysis and Public Policy program can

study in the UK program while simultaneously completing their baccalaureate degrees.

Todd touted the agreement as an example of the way Kentucky's regional universities and the state's leading research university can collaborate to enrich educational opportunities for students.

"U.S. News & World Report" magazine ranked the Martin School fifth nationally in the category of public finance and budgeting in its publication "Best Graduate Schools 2002." It was positioned between Harvard and Carnegie Mellon universities.

The Martin School offers degrees in public administration and health administration.

become part of a broad national network of interconnected sites that will share successful instructional strategies, entice and train competent science and math teachers and improve learning for millions of students," National Science Foundation Director Rita Colwell said.

The Appalachian Mathematics and Science Partnership will be made up of 52 school districts and nine colleges and universities. It plans to target four areas to address the needs of the region:

- preservice teacher and administrator education;
- professional development

Campus

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At a quarter till 7 I decided to get out and go on to class and was I ever glad that I did. I couldn't remember where the Magoffin building was and thankfully a security guard dressed in blue and black was able to point me in the right direction. I was now starting to feel the anxiety that my boys felt on the first day of school.

Walking up the stairs I began to feel a little relaxed as I blended in with the many others trudging up the stairs. Then there before me stood Room 208. The door had a large glass window in it enabling me to see inside. There were already a few students sitting in the room but before I entered I pulled my schedule out once more just to be for certain that I was about to enter the correct room. After reassuring myself I entered the classroom and found a seat in the middle about three rows back. The room filled quickly as young men and women came prepared to begin their college education and to my surprise some students my age and a little older. I felt much better especially after the lady next to me introduced herself and told me that she too had three kids and was returning to

school after being a housewife for many years. I realized that college wasn't going to be so bad after all and as time passed the butterflies subsided as well.

As a mother of three rambunctious boys and wife of a wonderful husband I can say with confidence that, "college is for anyone." Sure it is scary but once you take that first step and face your fears everything seems to fall into place. Mayo and Prestonsburg Community College are used to housing a great deal of students of various ages with different circumstances. The faculty and staff realize the great importance of educating everyone and that is their goal and desire — to help our community grow and to challenge the minds of many. Start thinking about your future today and choose to get an education.

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Education

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Appalachian Rural Systemic Initiative at the Kentucky Science and Technology Corporation.

"Math and science education in rural schools has been neglected," said Wimberly Royster, former UK vice president of research and graduate studies. "There's a lot of work that needs to be done in those areas and this project will allow us to make much needed real progress."

Eight other institutions also will participate, including Eastern Kentucky University, Kentucky State University, Morehead State University, Pikeville College, Union College, the University of Virginia at Wise, the University of Tennessee and Somerset Community College.

The program will seek to demonstrate improved student achievement in mathematics and science through partnerships that combine the efforts of teachers, administrators and guidance counselors in local schools with administrators and faculty at the state's colleges and universities, said Paul Eakin, professor of mathematics at UK's College of Arts and Sciences.

The project also will attempt to strengthen the quality, quantity and diversity of the math and science teacher workforce at a time when many teachers are leaving the profession.

"These partnerships will

become part of a broad national network of interconnected sites that will share successful instructional strategies, entice and train competent science and math teachers and improve learning for millions of students," National Science Foundation Director Rita Colwell said.

The Appalachian Mathematics and Science Partnership will be made up of 52 school districts and nine colleges and universities. It plans to target four areas to address the needs of the region:

- preservice teacher and administrator education;
- professional development

of personnel in pre-kindergarten through grade 12 classrooms;

- student learning opportunities;
- and research to advance the understanding of rural education reform.

The program is designed to enhance those efforts as well as increase the number of math and science teachers in rural areas.

"The goal is to eliminate the achievement gap in science and mathematics in the central Appalachian region and to build an integrated elementary, secondary and higher education system in this underserved region," Eakin said.

EKU

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The largest tailgate party on campus, the Colonel Country Fair, follows from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Alumni Coliseum Parking Lot. The fair will feature carnival booths, entertainment and a variety of foods on- and off-campus vendors and restaurants. In addition, numerous campus departments and organizations have scheduled reunions at the fair, as well as throughout the weekend at various locations.

At 2 p.m., the Colonels will take on Ohio Valley Conference rival Murray State University at Roy Kidd Stadium. The coronation of a Homecoming king and queen will be held at halftime.

Game tickets may be reserved by calling the EKU athletic ticket office at 859-622-2122, or toll-free in Kentucky, 1-800-262-7493, ext. 2122.

Also, the second biannual African-American Homecoming Reunion will be held Oct. 18-20. Registration will be held from 3 to 6 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 18 at the Best Western Holiday Plaza, with a reception from 6 to 9, followed by a dance. The reunion continues Saturday with registration from 9 to 11 a.m. at the motel, followed by a tailgate party at Colonel Country Fair and a dance from 9 p.m. to midnight at the Best Western Holiday Plaza. A memorial worship service Sunday from 10:30 to noon at the EKU Meditation Chapel concludes the weekend's activities. For more information about the African-American Homecoming Reunion, call Donna Kenney at 859-986-8699 or 859-622-5059 or Dickie Smith at 859-623-8865 or 859-622-1681.

For more information about other Homecoming activities, contact the Alumni Relations Office at 859-622-1260 or, toll-free in Kentucky, 1-800-262-7493, ext. 1260.

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program, funded by the Citigroup Foundation, was begun in 1990 by Travelers Foundation grants in order to provide assistance to nonprofit community projects in areas where Citifinancial offices are located. Local manager, who recommend grants for programs, identify worthy programs or projects deemed vital to their communities.

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Porter, along with his wife Angela, own and operate Porter Studio and Associates in Prestonsburg.

Plans

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will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 8, from 5-7 p.m. in 210 Combs Building on campus. Participants will learn how a business plan can assist them as an operating or financing proposal. They also will discuss what issues and details impress potential investors and bank loan officers.

Admission is free, but advance registration is necessary due to limited seating.

Training programs sponsored or co-sponsored by SBDC are available to all individuals without regard to race, color, sex, creed or national origin. Special arrangements for those with disabilities will be made if requested in advance.

Additional information and registration are available by calling (606) 783-2895.

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Douglas Tibbs and Angela Tibbs, of Dana.

Sheton Moore, of Inez.

John Randall Crum and Charlotte Crum, of Prestonsburg.

CSX

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Jacksonville, Fla. Wilson will not be laid off but will be working in another department until work resumes at the plant.

Woody Lane, a car shop worker and district chairman of the car shop employee union Brotherhood of Railway Carmen District No. 6344, said most workers seemed to understand the company's decision, or at least knew what to expect.

"It was obvious this was coming," Lane said. "All you had to do was look at the drop in the coal market."

This is the second furlough at the plant this year. In January, CSX laid off 230 workers for 60 days, also citing an economic downturn.

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Donna's Day Creative family fun

by Donna Erickson

Bed time small talk

During the time between brushing teeth and turning out the light, preschoolers look forward to low-key connections with us, their parents. We might read a picture book our kids have just checked out of the library that day, or maybe we'll thumb through a dog-eared family favorite even the nonreaders confidently know by heart.



DAVID LAROCHELLE

Before you switch off the light and kiss them goodnight, take advantage of this quiet time to share some extra thoughts and feelings that will put closure on the day before they drift off to sleep. One of my favorite ways to do this is with simple objects the children see around them everyday. Pick just one thing together and talk about it!

For example, how about a flashlight?

Look around the house for a flashlight together and bring it back to the bedroom. Ask your child if he knows how it works, then show him. Explain that inside the flashlight there is something called a battery that has power inside it that helps the bulb make bright light.

Turn off the light and turn on the flashlight.

Ask your child to shine it on his favorite things in his room. As he does this, ask him to tell you about them and why he likes them so much. When he is done, talk together about light and darkness. Then you might end your chat with the following:

"The good news tonight is that darkness is not such a big deal. This little light shines right through a whole room filled with darkness. Good thoughts and good things we do are like light shining in a dark room. They really do make a difference. Think about being like a bright light all your life, shining and pointing out all the good things you see and know."

Other objects for other nights might be an old wooden spoon, a lunch pail, a baseball or a clock. Familiar things bring a sense of comfort. When you take a closer look at them, you also take a closer look at one another.



Award-winning pork roll is taste of Spain

Foods from Spain are becoming more available and more familiar to consumers here. So, when the Trade Commission of Spain announces the annual recipe contest to selected culinary schools, there's great response. One requirement is the use, in any category, of at least four Spanish food products.

Donald Edwards, a culinary student at the City College of San Francisco, took top honors this year with his Pork Tenderloin Filled with Spanish Cheeses and Piquillos. That's a big title, but his entry has big Spanish flavors and brought him a big prize: a two-week training program at the Culinary School of Manresa, Spain, and \$1,000.

To fill this savory pork roll, he used rich and tangy Manchego cheese; Idiazabal, an aged, lightly smoked, smooth, sharper cheese; spinach; Spanish paprika (pimenton); and pequillos, those unique, roasted, small, triangular sweet red peppers you'll find in jars or cans in most supermarkets and specialty stores.

PORK TENDERLOIN FILLED WITH SPANISH CHEESES AND PIQUILLOS

- 4 tablespoons Spanish olive oil, divided
- 1 tablespoon minced garlic
- 12 ounces spinach leaves (about 9 cups)
- 3 tablespoons sherry wine vinegar
- 1/2 cup finely chopped green onions (scallions)

- 1 teaspoon finely chopped fresh thyme
- 1/4 teaspoon ground allspice
- 2 pork tenderloins, trimmed and butterflied (about 2 1/2 pounds total)
- 4 ounces Manchego cheese, coarsely shredded
- 2 tablespoons Spanish paprika
- 4 ounces Idiazabal cheese, coarsely shredded
- 4 ounces piquillo peppers, finely chopped
- 1 tablespoon steak sauce (preferably Caribbean-style such as Pickapeppa)



1. In skillet, over medium heat, heat 1 tablespoon of the oil. Add garlic; sauté until tender, about 1 minute. Stir in spinach; sauté until wilted, about 2 minutes; set aside. In bowl, whisk remaining 3 tablespoons olive oil with sherry vinegar. In another bowl, combine green onions, thyme and allspice.
2. On flat surface, lay butterflied tenderloins lengthwise side by side, slightly overlapping, with widest parts of each at opposite ends (total width across center should be 8 inches). Brush half of sherry vinegar mixture over meat; rub onion-thyme mixture over top.
3. Starting at longest side, spread Manchego cheese lengthwise over one-third of pork; sprinkle with paprika; roll meat tightly, just enough to cover cheese and paprika. Cover second third of meat with Idiazabal cheese and reserved spinach; continue to roll tightly to cover

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Zucchini alert!

You just never know where zucchini might pop up ... even in your slow cooker!

- ### THREE CHEESE ZUCCHINI DISH
- 1 cup plus 2 tablespoons reduced-fat baking mix
 - 1/4 cup grated reduced-fat Parmesan cheese

- 1/4 cup fat-free Italian dressing
- 3 eggs, beaten, or equivalent in egg substitute
- 3 cups finely chopped unpeeled zucchini
- 3/4 cup chopped onion
- 1/3 cup shredded reduced-fat

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Comfort foods



by JoAnna M. Lund

Dear Diane... Tapped out cousin

DEAR DIANE:

I've got a problem with my first cousin, "Louie." We live in the same neighborhood and he's not just my cousin, he's my closest friend.

So, what's the problem? Louie is always hitting me up for cash, and he rarely, if ever, pays me back. Ten bucks here, five bucks there — after 30 years it adds up, you know?

Well, here's the deal, last week, Louie comes up to me and says, "I need \$225. I'm a little short on making my Lexus payment this month."

I told him that if he couldn't afford to make the payments, he shouldn't have bought a Lexus. Louie got all bent out of shape and told me that I had "no sense of family." We haven't spoken since.

What should I do? Should I cough up the dough? Was Louie right?

— TAPPED-OUT ON LONG ISLAND

DEAR TAPPED-OUT:

No, Louie was most definitely NOT right. You have a tremendous sense of family and commitment. What Louie doesn't understand is that you are his cousin, not his own personal ATM.

This is partly your doing, since for the past 30 years you have been shelling out money to Louie, and he, naturally, thinks he can always count on you to bail him out.

I have a simple rule when it comes to lending: Never loan a friend or loved one anything you expect to get back — that goes for money, clothes, music, videos, books ... anything.

If a friend or loved one needs something and you are willing to help them out, give it to them. You can call it a loan, but in your heart it must be thought of as a gift. That way, if you never get repaid, it won't mean anything to you.

If there's still time, and you can afford to help, give Louie what you can to help him make his car payment. Then, tell him that the money-well has run dry.

New therapy for stroke rehabilitation

DEAR DR. DONOHUE:

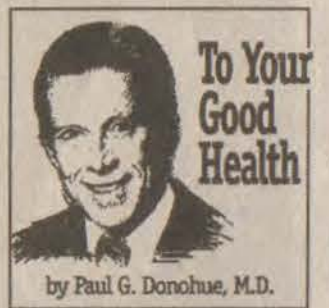
I remember reading about a new therapy for stroke patients in a column of yours. I didn't cut it out, but I wish I had. My dad just had a stroke, and I would appreciate it if you could repeat the technique and its name. Thank you. — K.F.

ANSWER:

The therapy is CIM, constraint-induced movement.

CIM treatment immobilizes a stroke patient's good arm or good leg. For arm and hand training, the patient wears a large, inflexible mitten on the good hand. That takes the unaffected limb out of commission. Then the therapist gives the patient specific tasks for the affected arm and hand.

The program is intensive. For two weeks, the therapist works with the patient one-on-one from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. It's taxing for patient and therapist. After two weeks, the patient continues the exercises at home. There are reasonable explanations why it works. A stroke does not kill all the brain cells in the section of brain that was deprived of blood. Some cells are stunned but not destroyed. CIM awakens those cells, and they begin to transmit signals to the paralyzed



by Paul G. Donohue, M.D.

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Chicken Soup for the Soul: The tulip tradition

Doris Meyer

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

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It's very difficult to grow tulips in Southern California. But each year for 19 years, Rae Viney planted 800 bulbs in her front yard. As children, we'd go by the house, and Mrs. Viney would hobble out and wave her cane at us.

"Come see the tulips!" she'd call cheerfully, and we'd find ourselves standing in a sea of colors, gazing at wave upon wave of those rare blooms.

Then, just before my husband and I moved in across the street, Mrs. Viney died. So did all her tulips. Although they are technically perennials, tulips

rot quickly in our warm climate. It was only Mrs. Viney's persistence that had kept her colorful spring tradition alive year after year.

Fortunately, the house was bought by Helen and Jack Crawford. Helen, an avid gardener, decided to continue the tradition, but on an even grander scale.

On the day after Thanksgiving, 1973, we looked out our dining-room windows and saw Helen, Jack and their two children digging in the garden. With no idea of what to expect, our family trooped across to help. My husband and I were shown how

to "double-dig," removing the topsoil before turning over and fertilizing the ground underneath. Our young son, Greg, learned to set the bulbs point up, 4 inches apart, and how to step with our treading on them. Only someone with small feet could plant in the corners between the hedges, so Greg was made to feel his contribution was essential.

When we began to tire, Helen brought out tea and cookies for everyone, and we went back to work willingly. After four hours, 2,400 tulip bulbs were in the ground. Invigorated by the good company and a task well done,

we promised we'd be back to plant next year.

In the spring, we were stunned by the overwhelming beauty of our labors. Those 2,400 tall, fat tulips blossomed in every color imaginable.

They filled the large front garden, framed by flowering dogwood and other spring flowers. Cars came from miles around to drive slowly past the incredible sight. Adults roamed up and down the brick path in awe, and children in their Easter best came to pose for photos among the blooms.

At the 1974 planting, our new daughter, Paula, joined us in her baby stroller. Eight years later, baby Matt attended his first planting, watching everything from his jump chair. We've participated every year since.

We bring our friends, our children bring their friends, and many neighbors turn out. The Friday after Thanksgiving has become a neighborhood tradition, with plenty of work for adults and children of all ages.

A few autumns ago, Greg was out of college and working in London. He called long-distance from England to apologize for missing planting day. After all, he'd been part of it from the start. With that one exception, no one in our family has missed a planting day in 26 years. Through babies, college, marriage, travel and life, no matter how widely we are scattered, we have a bond with that November Friday.

(See SOUL, page five)



Books: Reviewed by David Cohea

"The New Penguin Dictionary of Computing"

By Dick Pountian
(Penguin Books, \$28)

"The Firefly Visual Dictionary"

By Jean-Claude Corbell and Ariane Archambault
(Firefly Books, \$49)

The New Penguin Dictionary of Computing

Get close to a computer geek these days and you're soon wad-

ing waist-deep in jargon. "The New Penguin Dictionary of Computing" explains it all. Pountian, a 15-year contributor to Byte magazine, has packed this volume of computing jargon and concepts with everything from ABR (available bit rate) to ZIF (zero insertion force), offering plenty of explanatory diagrams and detailed explanations.

Whether you're an engineer looking for a multiquery optimization or just a wannabe who wants to sound like a net.god, this book will prove a valuable

resource — for at least the next couple of years, when a new crop of buzzwords will blaze to the fore.

The Firefly Visual Dictionary

What's not in a name? Say you don't know what something is called, only what it looks like. In the past, a dictionary just didn't work in this case, since every dictionary created since the early 1800s has alphabetized entries of words.

"The Firefly Visual Dictionary" is a neat innovation.

Here some 35,000 words are organized around 17 subject areas (such as animals, Earth, sports and games, or clothing) and pictured in more than 6,000 detailed, color entries spanning 960 pages.

You can learn your vegetables or the parts of a faucet, identify families of musical instruments or all the essential components of a scuba diver's gear. If you're trying to figure out an auto repair bill, a visual breakdown of an automobile like the one provided in this book is sure to come in handy.

It takes a while to figure out where things are found in the book, but it's still a welcome (if hefty) addition to any reference shelf.

Sam & Dave explain it all to you

by Samantha Weaver and Dave Smith

DEAR SAM AND DAVE:

My girlfriend, "Mindy," and I have been living together for five years. Two years ago we bought a house, and I thought we had a pretty good thing going. I'd even begun thinking about marriage.

Then, about a month ago, Mindy became hooked on those home-improvement shows. She has since spent a vulgar amount of our money on power tools. This is the same woman who sprained her ankle while using a hair dryer. Now, she thinks she's Bob Vila. I am officially freaked out.

We used to go out to clubs and fine restaurants. Not anymore. All Mindy's spare time is spent in the garage doing god knows what. I am about to trade spaces and get

Having a power-tool girlfriend

my own apartment and a new girlfriend. What should I do?
— WIGGING OUT IN WALLA WALLA

DAVE SAYS:

Chill, dude. It's only been a month. I think you should embrace Mindy's attempts at broadening her horizons. Really. I think it's cool that the same person who is thought of as uncoordinated (by you) is willing to take a chance and risk humiliation, all for the sake of learning new skills and overcoming her fears.

What you should do is suggest to Mindy that she take a class or two on workshop safety. Many home-improvement centers offer classes free of charge. She should take advantage of them. Shop safety isn't about whether she can use a hair dryer properly, but knowing how to use her power tools effectively. She will become a better craftsman for it.

If the idea of having a girlfriend (or wife) who is handier

around the house than you are scares you, then maybe you should join Mindy and the two of you can learn together. Otherwise, why not get yourself one of those Asian mail-order brides?

SAM SAYS:

I think you need to engage in some introspective soul-searching and figure out exactly what is bothering you about Mindy's newfound interest. Is it the money she's spending on tools? Are you concerned for her safety? Do you resent the time she's spending away from you? Or are you having a hard time handling the fact that she's not exactly conforming to gender stereotypes?

If it's the money, then discuss it with her. Divide your monthly income into three categories: your money, her money and shared money. Once you do that, there won't be a problem — she'll be spending "her" money, not yours.

If, in light of her track record with appliances, you're worried

that she might injure herself, then follow Dave's suggestion and get her to take a class or two. She'll learn a lot, and you'll have peace of mind.

If it's the time she's not spending with you, then start making dates with her again. Just because you share a house doesn't mean you can't schedule special time together. Ask her what she's doing on Friday night, and make reservations for a nice dinner.

If you're bothered just because she's a girl with power tools, then you need to accept that the problem is "you", not her. Get over it, or go find some nice June Cleaver type who won't bother her pretty little head with man things.

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by Samantha Weaver & Amy Anderson

In addition to Oktoberfests and the activities surrounding Halloween, October holds many opportunities for fun festival-going. The weather is cooler, so bring a sweater and enjoy.

The Woolly Worm Festival

This year marks the 25th anniversary of Woolly Worm Festival in Banner Elk, N.C. The premise is simple: Contestants race woolly worms up lanes of string and, based on the coloring of the winning worm, a prediction of the severity of the coming winter is made. If you aren't an experienced worm racer, don't be intimidated. You can get a worm there, and these guys are surprisingly easy to race. Basically, you set them on the string and they go at it. Check it out Oct. 19 and 20. Races start at about 10:20 a.m. and continue

October Festivals

in heats of 20 throughout the day. For more information contact the Banner Elk Chamber of Commerce at (828) 898-5605 or log on to www.woollyworm.com.

The California Avocado Festival

If you like the green stuff, this is the fest for you, with live entertainment in addition to LOTS of avocados -- in chips, in dips and in whips. It is appropriately held in Carpinteria, Calif., a major contributor to the avocado yield of Santa Barbara County, the third-largest producer of avocados in North America. The festival is held the first weekend of October -- this year Oct. 4, 5 and 6 -- at the corner of Carpinteria and Linden Avenues. Check out the Web site www.avofest.com for more on the art contest and recipes for avocados.

La Strada dell'Arte

Kansas City, Mo., has held this free street-painting festival for the past five years. Its purpose is to showcase the very chalkworthy

talents of more than 250 artists of all skill levels. Their artwork can be seen the weekend of Oct. 5-6 on the streets of Kansas City, just south of downtown, near Union Station. And if the kiddies are inspired, sign them up for a 2-foot-by-2-foot block of concrete so they can create their own work of art. For more information call (816) 941-3600 or check out www.lastradake.org.

Fiddler's Reunion

If you're into fiddling, rush to Elkins, W.V., on Oct. 26. At the Davis and Elkins College, you can check out some good fiddlin' from the very best. Expect spontaneous jam sessions and performances from some players who normally shun the spotlight. For more info, go to www.augustaheritage.com or call (304) 637-1209.

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The gas in a fluorescent bulb is hotter than the sun's surface

■ Ask your geographically oriented friend where an airplane that departs Tampa, Florida and flies directly south will hit South America. Your friend will probably not guess that the airplane will miss the South American continent entirely — on the "west" side!

■ One thing that every society and culture has in common: humorous insults.

■ The glowing gas inside a fluorescent light bulb is hotter than the surface of the sun. The particles are widely scattered, however, so the temperature of the bulb itself is cool.

■ Your shoes will supposedly last longer if you rotate several pairs.

■ Scientists now believe that a giant meteorite struck the Earth about 3 billion years ago, causing a much greater global

Strange BUT TRUE

environmental catastrophe than the one that may have caused the extinction of the dinosaurs. Tidal waves washed over every land mass on the planet. Since only bacteria existed at the time, it is difficult or impossible to say whether the rock from space had an effect on the course of evolution. Who knows? Maybe we're all from Mars.

■ A python's grip can be 50 times stronger than a human's.

■ It's been a while since Euclid invented trigonometry, but no one has ever figured

out how to trisect an angle using a geometric proof.

■ Water does not conduct electricity. The impurities in water conduct electricity.

■ Pound for pound, wood is stronger than steel. A 10-pound piece of wood, of course, is much larger than a 10-pound piece of steel.

■ Some people say that America gets more violent and crime-ridden every year. It is worth mentioning that the worst four years in the history of this country as far as Americans killing other Americans goes were 1861 through 1865.

Thought for the Day:

"It ain't no sin to crack a few laws now and then, just so long as you don't break any." — Mae West

INFOLINK

Royal Philips Electronics recently announced the development of an "intelligent" bathroom mirror that would, among other things, tell you when you need to lose weight.

The "Intelligent Personal-Care Environment" or the "bathroom that cares for you" will rely on face-recognition software and interaction with devices already used in the bathroom — in this case, the scale.

So before you rush out and buy this whiz-bang mirror (which, incidentally, also tells you when you're pressing too hard with your electric shaver and when the batteries are low),

you should ask yourself these questions:

First, are you fat? If you can't answer this question yourself, perhaps you do need the affirmation from an objective third party, i.e., a mirror.

Second, are you thin-skinned? Philips hasn't developed a mirror with that kind of insight, so if you can't answer this question, perhaps your friendly neighborhood psychologist has a personality survey you can take.

If your shrink says you are thin-skinned, and you haven't decked him (or her) because of your apparent inability to handle

criticism, then maybe an intelligent mirror isn't in your future. After all, your friendly mirror can't dial 911 for you after you've punched it and cut your hand to shreds.

If the mirror cared for me, it would dial 911 for me after I gave it a quick chop in the glazing! And if it really cared for me, it would tell me what I want to hear, not badger me that my electric shaver needs cleaning.

At 7:30 in the morning — OK, 9:30 — the last thing I want to hear from an inanimate object before I've had a diet Mountain Dew is that I'm .74 pounds heavier today than I was yester-

day. Of course, more and more studies indicate that we wouldn't be fighting the battle of the bulge if we weren't sitting in front of a computer terminal so much.

What was the Philips' television jingle, sung to The Beatles' "Getting Better"? It should have been "I've got to admit I'm getting fatter, a little fatter all the time."

Or, just to be cute, we can program the mirror to sing it.

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Toning hips and thighs

When asked about their fitness goals, many women begin by stating they want to feel healthier and become more fit. After those responses, a reference to slimming down the hip and thigh area often follows.

There are several ways to tone and strengthen the hip and thigh area. A complete fitness program including cardiovascular and resistance training, in addition to a great nutrition plan, is essential.

But that said, it is important to remember that no exercise or nutrition program can change or alter your DNA, which may predispose you to cellulite in certain areas, or determine where your body distributes fat. It will, however, improve your health and tone and firm what you inherited.

The following plié squat exercise can get you started toward toning your hips and thighs, whether you have access to a gym or you exercise at home. This exercise works the adductors (inner thigh), gluteus and quadriceps (front of thigh).

Begin by placing your legs slightly past shoulder width. Turn your feet out. Stand tall with your abdominals tight and your back supported. Squat down with your knees pointing out toward your toes. Your knees should not extend beyond your toes when squat-



ting. Squat down to 90 degrees, or as far as you can without causing knee discomfort. Pressing through your heels, return to standing position. Repeat for 10-15 repetitions.

Remember: There is hope! Cardiovascular training (walking, running, cycling) three or more days a week for 20-45 minutes, in addition to a full body resistance training program done at least two to three days a week, is the best plan for toning your entire body, including hips and thighs.

Please consult a physician or fitness professional before attempting new exercises, for proper technique and effectiveness.

If you have a fitness or training question, e-mail Andrea at letters.kfws@hearstsc.com or write her in care of King Features Weekly Service, P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475.

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Foods

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Cheddar cheese
1/3 cup shredded reduced-fat mozzarella cheese

cook on LOW for 6 to 8 hours. Mix well before serving. Makes 6 (3/4 cup) servings.

Spray a slow cooker container with butter-flavored cooking spray. In prepared container, combine baking mix, Parmesan cheese, Italian dressing and eggs. Add zucchini and onion. Mix well to combine. Stir in Cheddar and mozzarella cheese. Cover and

■ Each serving equals: 186 calories, 6 g fat, 10 g protein, 23 g carb., 558 mg sodium, 2 g fiber; Diabetic Exchanges: 1 Starch, 1 Meat, 1 Vegetable.

Visit JoAnna's Web site at www.healthylxchanges.com.

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Block

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cheese. Over last third of meat, spread piquillo peppers and sprinkle with steak sauce; finish the roll; tie with butcher's string. Place pork in shallow roasting pan; brush outside with remaining half of sherry vinegar mixture.

4. Preheat oven to 400 F.

Roast pork for 15 minutes; reduce temperature to 300 F; roast 25 minutes longer, or to internal temperature of 150 F. Cool; cut into 1-inch-thick slices. Serve with sweet potatoes and green beans, if desired. Makes 6 servings.

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Soul

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Yes, it's about tulips and the community, but it's really about establishing family traditions. Life moves so fast. Often, we get cut off from the rituals that were meaningful to our ancestors, so we must invent our own. Years ago, we went across the street just to lend a hand.

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Health

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limb. Or, the intensive training causes the brain to rewire its circuitry, and viable brain cells take on the task of serving muscles that had been served by the stroke-damaged brain centers.

CIM is not widely available throughout North America. Furthermore, patients must meet some requirements. They must have some movement in the affected leg or arm. Only about 20 percent qualify.

It would be cruel to give the impression that this is miracle therapy for all stroke patients. It is not. If your father's doctor believes he might benefit, the doctor can direct you to a center that offers CIM treatment.

The new Stroke and Stroke Recovery pamphlet offers information on the cause of strokes and their traditional treatment. Readers can order a copy by writing: Dr. Donohue — No. 902W, Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. Enclose a check or money order (no cash) for \$4.50 along with the recipient's printed name and address. Please allow 4-6 weeks for delivery.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE:

If cereals have all the vitamins we need, why buy vitamin pills? — E.W.

ANSWER:

Nature, indeed? Nature has supplied food with the vitamins we need if we eat a varied diet. Fortification of foods with vitamins provides an additional measure of safety.

Cheap paperbacks list the vitamin contents of foods as well as the recommended daily amounts. It's quite possible to get all the vitamins needed from what is eaten.

Many older people, however, eat poorly, subsisting on tea and toast. Such people do need a vitamin supplement.

Dr. Donohue regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters, but he will incorporate them in his column whenever possible. Readers may write him or request an order form of available health newsletters at P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475.

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Sunday Comics

I CAN'T GET THAT KID OF MINE TO HELP OUT OR LISTEN TO ME.

I ASK AND I BEG AND YET HE JUST WON'T LISTEN!

DAVIS, DON'T WASH YOUR HANDS AND FACE!

I CAN DO IT MYSELF OR FORBID HIM FROM DOING IT.

Henry

BY DON TRACHTE

TOMORROW I WANT YOU TO BRING SOMETHING YOU FIND GROWING WILD IN THE FIELDS.

WOW! A SUPER DUPER AB SUPPORTER! I'M SO PROUD OF YOU!

YOU FINALLY REALIZED THE IMPORTANCE OF A HEALTHY DIET AND EXERCISE.

BUT IF YOU DON'T MIND, PAULINE, I'D PREFER TO USE IT IN PRIVATE.

SURE, DAD. HAVE FUN.

PORK RINDS GO HERE...

WE'LL START OFF WITH HENRY -- WILL YOU SHOW US WHAT YOU FOUND GROWING WILD IN THE FIELDS?

EEEK! ANTS!

I'M GOING FISHING!

DON'T FALL IN THE WATER AND DROWN.

DOES THAT MEAN IT'S OKAY TO FALL ON THE GROUND AND DROWN?

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WILD ON SPRING BREAK KAOROKÉ

DELTA DAWN, WHAT'S THAT FLOWER YOU HAVE ON. COULD IT BE A FACED ROSE OF DAYS GONE BY-Y-Y.

WHO TAUGHT SIM HOW TO STACK WOOD ANYWAY?!

MUSTA' BEEN MARTHA STEWART!

OAK

MAPLE

BEECH

Super Crossword

LOVE'S LABOR LOST

POPEYE

BY ESMAN

DIDJA HEAR THE LATEST?

NO... WHAT?

WIMPY IS GOIN' FER A JOB INTERVIEW THIS MORNIN'.

I DON'T BELIEVE IT!

ACROSS

1 Fowl family

6 Drag before a judge

12 Rock's partner

16 Barbecue leftover

19 Bar hop?

20 Tchaikovsky's "Onegin"

21 Butter sub

22 Hwy.

23 Column style

24 Start of a remark

27 Pressure meas.

28 Skinny

30 Hamburger holder

31 Tinker Bell or Titania

32 Head for the hills

33 Malone's portrayal

37 Strong guys

38 Part 2 of remark

42 Agricultural inventor

44 Rabbit relative

45 Pressed

47 Rock's Loggins & —

51 "Evita" setting

55 Villainous

57 Travel need

58 Street greeting

59 Sylvan setting

60 Run a meeting

62 Tremble

64 Fully grown

65 Revolutionary writer

66 Made a face

67 Juicy pear

69 Part 3 of remark

71 January stoat

72 Military headgear

73 Comic

74 Rental agreement

75 Like some signals

76 — boom

77 Envelope code

80 Big —

81 Falafel holder

82 Method

84 Bit of wit

87 Narrow passage

91 Literary pseudonym

92 Some jeans

94 Part 4 of remark

98 Stage whisper

100 Summit

102 Big beginning

103 Circe's suitors

104 Alternative to nothing

105 Kirk's navigator

106 Short snooze

109 End of remark

115 Sun-dried brick

117 Likable prez

118 Butte

119 Audrey Tautou role

120 Type of orange

121 Litter sound

122 Appear to be

123 Hole grain food?

124 Calm down

DOWN

1 Radar presence

2 Bravo and Grande

3 Start of everything?

4 Sapporo sash

5 Compliant

6 Farm youngster

7 Car

8 "That's disgusting!"

9 Fire sign

10 Burmese statesman

11 Mrs. Al Bundy

12 Portly

13 Ken or Lena

14 Author Wallace

15 Leisure lovers

16 Comic Auerbach

17 No-nonsense

18 Actress Lamarr

25 Where Sopranos shouldn't sing?

26 They'll never hurt me!

29 Born

32 Liberate

33 Half a rock group

34 From — Z

35 Diarist Anais

36 Canonized Mile.

37 Pump part

38 Ultimate whale watcher

39 Author John Dickson —

40 Southern constellation

41 French psychologist

43 Gulf ruler

46 Martin and Stockwell

48 PR concern

49 Missing more than mittens

50 Imitated

52 Novelist Gordimer

53 Armistice

54 Keep the pedal off the metal

56 Compete

60 Was concerned

61 Subtle taste

62 Marmalade fruit

63 Unlikely to allure

64 Benoit's buddies

65 Unadulterated

66 Frenzied

67 Inch along

68 Muscat native

69 Mavericks' state

70 Doyenne deity

71 Czech river

72 Got scammed

73 Onward

75 "La Boheme" heroine

76 Ill will

77 South African native

78 2001 Judi Dench film

79 — moss

81 Macadamize

83 — vu

85 Spark in the dark

86 Uses frequent flier miles

88 In addition

89 Carpet

90 Demolished dessert

93 Saudi salutation

95 Inspires a smile

96 — Aviv

97 Exotic pet

98 Cease the z's

99 Tendon

101 Thickness

103 Do laps

104 Chartres part

105 Vaudeville bit

106 Salmon snack

107 Assist a felon

108 Soccer superstar

110 Ruby or Sandra

111 Arch. tool

112 Med. insurer

113 Sundown, to Shelley

114 Actor Gulager

116 Apply gently

I APPRECIATE THE FACT THAT YOU APPEARED EARLY FOR YOUR INTERVIEW.

I'M COGNIZANT OF THE VIRTUE OF PUNCTUALITY IN THE CORPORATE WORLD.

GOOD?

I'M ALSO IMPRESSED WITH YOUR MANY DEGREES.

I HOPE I'M NOT OVERLY QUALIFIED.

NOT AT ALL...

...HOWEVER THERE IS ONE THING THAT TROUBLES ME...

...YOUR ATTIRE!

OH, THAT...

...I THOUGHT IF I FAILED TO GAIN EMPLOYMENT I'D JUST GO BACK TO BED.

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Y E A L W C G L O V E U S Q O

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Q O B N I D B L J O E N H H F

D C A G Y W N V T S N H A O Q

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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

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

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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

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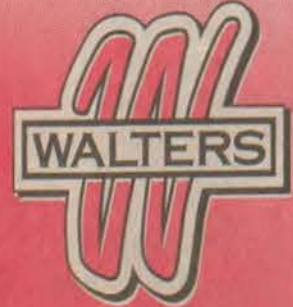
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"This is what I command you: that you
Love one another"

— John 15:17



Kim's Korner

By Kim Little Frasure

Good Morning! In all reality you may not be sitting down to read this column until late afternoon, or possibly it's even late at night. However, this is one of those wee hours in the morn' columns for me. Playing back words of Susan and Daneque months ago, when we first began "Sharing God's Blessings" we discussed how it seemed God chose really weird hours to give us what we were to share with you. Sometimes it would be 2 AM, sometimes 3 AM, and it seemed as though it was happening with more than just us.

The Lord has a way of putting us where He wants us and when He wants us, and sometimes we spend way too much time trying to figure out why?

When we receive that "know that we know that we know" knowledge only He can provide, we need our preverbal butts kicked allowing confusion to set in and question the task.

Oh, if we could only learn life's valuable lessons the first time we experience them. Wouldn't we be so much more knowledgeable? I'm not referring to actual acts as much as I'm referring to reading the Word. God's Word is His instructions of

how we can live life more abundantly here on earth. It's like an economics lesson, if you will, titled "Supply & Demand". God supplied His Word, gave His demands throughout His Word, we read it, retain some of it; but so often during a day, week, or even month, we loose grip and flesh overpowers and some of us find ourselves flat out freaking out!

In my opinion this is exactly why we must rely on our brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus. There's not a single one of us "Christians", associated in my life that is, that hasn't at one time or another had to call on one another for support, prayer, or advice. God puts people in our lives for a reason. And again, we may have some people in our lives we're still trying to figure out why on earth they are there. But He will show us sooner or later if we just remember He's in control and in charge and we're not!

Very recently I shared with you my return to the Floyd County Times. I also shared the fact "Never say Never". Why? Because when I left the Floyd County Times the first time I left hurt, disgusted, feeling betrayed, and a whole lot more negative words we'll just not type here.

I held on to those feelings for a very long time, until during a revival that was held at our church a while back, years to be exact. Charlie Gearheart was preaching, and I'll never forget his words that night. "People, if you are holding a grudge, animosity, or have that deep hurt you're carrying from words

someone has said to you, or actions someone did to you that you just don't feel you can let go of, NOW is the time! Don't walk out those doors tonight carrying it any longer! Don't let those feelings, that hurt, that built up animosity keep you from entering Heaven. Leave it here at this altar. Give it to God, and Give it to Him now"!

To think that I was carrying such hurt that built mountains of resentment and animosity towards others that would and could keep me from meeting my Jesus! Why, I hit that altar so fast I could've won an Olympic race!

What was so weird about it all was I had buried all that nasty stuff, or so I thought. But when Charlie started preaching that sermon, my mind remembered every little word, every single action! It all played out like a video right there as I sat on that pew. Three years of it in three minutes. Oh, God does Work in mysterious! He showed me so clearly the garbage I held inside. He used Charlie to bring it to surface. It was right there, and my opportunity was there to let it all go. I just had to take it!

The only words fit to describe that moment of giving all that burden to my Lord Jesus Christ, is those "oh, so famous words" of Martin Luther King, "Free at Last, Free at Last, THANK GOD ALMIGHTY FREE AT LAST!"

See what I mean when I say God puts people in our lives at certain times for a reason.

Being back at the Times and being around some,

very few, that were actually there the first time around is even more confirmation these people have a role in my life. They have something to teach me, and I have something to learn. It's not just being associated with those from before, but those that are new to my life and me.

God surrounds us with people from which to learn, to teach, and to help us grow.

It's up to us how we choose to handle our encounters. We can keep growing in faithfulness even though times won't always be easy. God's Word tells us we must not doubt, but whatever we ask in prayer, believe, and we shall receive. He wants us to have our hearts' desires here on earth, not just in Heaven!

It's ALL in Heaven already, people. It's here we can live abundantly, peacefully, and joyfully if only we find life in His Word.

If you are holding onto hurt, resentment, bitterness, or animosity, I ask in the Name of Jesus you ask to be set free.

I pray that those negative feelings and negative words cannot burden you nor pass over your tongue again. I pray that you receive the incredible blessings God has to give. And I pray that if God put you where you are, that you know "Nothing" will be able to hold you back or stand in your way. No matter what obstacles may come, what darts shoot and sting, God will see you through! Lord Jesus, I pray for each soul reading this to be delivered from their hurt.

I pray that You, Lord Jesus, become first in their lives. I Thank You, Father, for this opportunity to "Share Your Blessings" and Your deliverance, I ask that each soul reading this may walk boldly before Your throne and serve You in Peace, Joy, Wisdom, and Love. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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Elevating Eastern KY

By: Kim Little Frasure

Dr. Linda Arriola,



President of the Philippine Medical Association of Greater Eastern Kentucky, welcomed those attending "Live in Concert"

Francisco Aseniero Jr., Tenor, and Reynaldo Reyes, Pianist, Friday at the Mountain Arts Center in Prestonsburg.

Dr. Arriola shared with the audience how the association felt so excited to be able to share World Class Pianist, Reyes and Tenor Aseniero, to our community in spite of Tropical Storm Isadore.

She continued, "Our true service should go beyond our senses that touch and heal, not only our mortal bodies, but our spirit."



This is our gift to all of you, Let the music begin its wonders."

And wonders began! World Class Pianist, Reynaldo Reyes, took the stage in a repertoire of Mindanao Orchids, Malik

Mata, Emotions, and Naila's Waltz. The sound of music erupting from his fingertips was so elegant and beautiful. Francisco Aseniero joined



the stage to share his wonderfully blessed tenor renditions of Kundiman, Madaling Araw,



Pakiusap, Hangin, and Sa Ugoy ng Duyan.

What enjoyment and pleasure to have had the opportunity to share in the musical culture of well-loved Filipino songs, popular music, and piano compositions.

Reyes is currently a Professor of Music at Towson University in Maryland. He has also received numerous awards, both here and abroad. His awards include the University of Philippines Musician of the Year for 3 separate years, the Peabody Alumni Award, the

Golden Cross Award from the University of Santo Tomas, the highest award the University can bestow in its alumni.

Aseniero holds a Bachelor of Arts in Economics and a Masters in Business Administration from the University of the Philippines.

Aseniero's performances have included featured tenor soloists in a German production of Rossini's "La Petite Messe Solenelle", he has played in the Cathedrals of Chartres, Rouen, Fecamp and Troyes in France, and returned to Carnegie Hall last November.

Also performing during the concert was the Two Step Dance Troup with a featured performance by Little Miss deGuzman, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Anthony deGuzman, and granddaughter of Dr.'s Ray and Virginia deGuzman.



The Two Step Dance Troup was an added delight to the evening. And to use an overheard phrase by an audience member, on behalf of deGuzman's solo performance, "Move over Brittany Spears!" The evening proved to be truly an exceptional experience.

One of the most treasured pieces of the night was words to a song that were added to each program the association passed to

each entering the night's event.

The song titled "Let There Be Peace On Earth" goes as follows: "Let there be peace on earth, And let it begin with me.

*Let there be peace on earth,
The peace that was meant to be.
With God as our Father,
Brothers all are we.*

*Let me walk with my brother
In perfect harmony.
Let peace begin with me,
Let this be the moment now.
With every step I take,
Let this be my solemn vow.
To take each moment
And live each moment
In peace eternally.*

*Let there be peace on earth,
And let it begin with me.
Let there be peace on earth,
And let it begin with me.
Let there be peace on earth,
The peace that was meant to be,
With God as our Father,
We are Family.*

*Let us walk with each other
In perfect harmony.
Let this be the moment now.
With every step I take,
Let this be my solemn vow,
To take each moment
And live each moment in peace eternally.*


*Let there be peace on earth
And let it begin with me.
Let it begin with me."*

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The God We Serve

By: Daneque B. Howard
Sitting silently in my living room, seeking the presence of God to help me write these words, my mind begins to drift upon God himself. It has taken me a long time to place this pen upon paper and write down thoughts and heart felt conversations with the Lord. The truth of the matter is that I became so fearful of writing more about myself than God, that the enemy paralyzed my writing. This article is dedicated to my heavenly father in the sincere hopes of blessing his name, magnifying his glory and reverencing his presence and authority. Who is the God we Serve? Prior to the concept of earthly time, our heavenly father has always ruled and reigned. Every creation is a product of his masterful mind and hands. Like a talented artisan, God created a universe impossible to reproduce by human means. Genesis 2:7 states: "The Lord God formed the man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breathe of life, and the man became a living being. My mind is truly in awe of

God-the one who creates but did not have to be created. Not only should we be thankful for creation everyday, but rejoice for the image we are created in. So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them (Genesis 2:7)

Praise God I not only look like my earthly parents but also the image of my heavenly father. When the world seems destined to ridicule and undermine who you are, rise out of those lies and remember that you are a reflection of God- the beginning and the end, the author and finisher of life. In him there is no shame. Take time to look around this world we live in. People are hurting, afflicted by physical pain, emotional/mental/pain, but spiritual pain as well. The enemy is most definitely keeping up with his job of stealing, killing and destroying. The good news is that we serve a living God who desires to carry your burdens, soothe anxious nerves, and heal the broken hearted. Isaiah 53:5 states, "But he "Jesus" was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us PEACE was upon him, **and by his wounds we are healed.**

Realize that Jesus was the sacrifice designed for us to overcome anything the enemy could throw our way. The three words of that verse should give you the hope needed for any situation- **"WE ARE HEALED"**. We don't have to accept sickness, disease, and

depression, marital strife they are healed and covered by the blood of Jesus. Don't let Satan tell you that your needs won't be met. Stand up in the authority, name and blood of Jesus and shout- **"By his wounds/stripes I am healed."**

Say it 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and the enemy has to flee from you. Submit yourselves, then to God, Resist the devil, and he will flee from you (James 4:7)

Psalm 91:14-16, "Because he loves me," says the Lord, "I will rescue him; I will protect him, for he acknowledges my name. He will call upon me, and I will answer him; I will be with him in time of trouble, I will deliver him and honor him. With life will I satisfy him and show him my salvation. The hardest struggle we have as humans is getting beyond ourselves. From the time we are born our lives are resigned to promote self-sufficiency. We are expected to cope with and solve life's problems. It is precisely this viewpoint that leads to over stressed, burnt out, depressed Christians. Let's face it; our basic life functions depend on God, so why shouldn't our daily lives depend on his sufficiency? God wants to deliver us from this carnal way of thinking/living and bring us into a deeper understanding of who he is and what he wants for us. Jeremiah 29:11

"For I know the plans that I have for you, declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

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There are so many ways and words that could be used to continue the description of God's greatness (Redeemer, Healer, Judge, Father, Hope, Peace). But in closing this article, the one word that summarizes the God I serve is LOVE. For without love, why would there be the need to create, heal, deliver, or even interact with the human race?

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life, (John 3:16)

For the sacrifice of his son we should continually praise and thank the Lord for his enduring mercy and love. Jesus said, "Love the Lord you God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.

This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: "Love your neighbor as yourself." We should continually ask God to help us live in love and forgiveness. And now I will show you the most excellent way. If I speak in tongues of men and angels, but have not love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. If I have the gift of prophecy and can phantom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. If I give all I possess to the poor and surrender my body to the fames, but have not love, I gain nothing. Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices in truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always preserves. Love never fails,

1 Corinthians 13: 1-8. 

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Evangelistic View

By:

Evangelist Gary Williamson

Who is supposed do the preaching? (Week II)

Before we go any farther in this writing, I feel it is important to mention that it is not my intent to say anything that is not based on the word of God in regards to preaching the gospel by a saint. There is a time and a place for this to be done. A person called to the five-fold ministry will do their preaching from a pulpit. A born again believer not called by God to these offices will do his preaching as the Lord opens the door. There are times that a Christian will be asked to preach from the pulpit but this will only be

done when the head of the sanctuary gives his approval.

What I am saying is this; preach where your calling allows the opportunity. Everything we do as Christians should be done in order. Paul gave a good example of same in 1 Corinthians 14:40-“Let all things be done decently and in order.”

There is a gift we don't hear talked about much from the bible. It is the helps ministry. Paul talked about this in 1 Corinthians 12:28- “And God hath set some in the church, first apostles, secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, “helps” governments, diversities of tongues.” This gift o fhelps refers to every kind of help God sets in the church. It cannot be limited to the work of a deacon or a deaconess.

The Holy Spirit instructed Paul to talk about this gift. It was mentioned in the midst of other gifts. I believe that God uses the helps ministry in many ways. We would probably be very surprised to know how many have received

Christ as their Savior because of what they heard a Sunday school teacher teach or preach. Yes, I said preach. I have heard some powerful preaching in a Sunday school lesson. These are people called by God to be used during the altar call. The people called for this gift have brought many to an old fashioned altar for salvation.

How are they used by God? We will use two examples: (1) Intercession. They are praying, “God if there be one unsaved in our midst convict them of their sins and draw them by your Holy Spirit in the name of Jesus; (2) Reaching out your hand in love. Many have come to know Christ as their Lord and Savior because a saint came to them and said; “If you want to go to the altar, I will go with you. “It is not complicated. If we let the Holy Spirit do the calling, He will do His part.

What we are now going to talk about is very important in this writing. The writer of this article used to be guilty of not doing my part as a Christian. I have asked God's forgiveness a long time ago for same so here is

what the Lord talked to me about over five years ago.

The Pastor is not the only one to visit hospitals, pass out tracts, visit the shut ins and pray for the sick. If there is any doubt in your mind who is supposed to do these things, all you have to do is read our text scriptures Mark 16:15-20. We need to realize that our church leaders would have the Holy Spirit stronger in their lives if we as saints would take our place as messengers and Disciples of Christ, then Jesus our Shepherd will see our sincerity as preachers of the Gospel. And another point worth mentioning is this; if we are doing our part in the sanctuary we are attending, our pastor will be more free to pray and prepare Holy Ghost anointed sermons and bible studies.

The following scriptures will change our lives if we adhere to them daily. II Chronicles 7:14-16- “If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.

(15) Now mine eyes shall be open, and mine ears attent unto the prayer that is made in this place (your sanctuary). (16) For now have I chosen and sanctified (set apart) this house, that my name may be there for ever: and mine eyes and mine heart shall be there perpetually.”

As I wrote these scriptures, the waters of the Holy Spirit were flowing in my stomach (John 7:37-38). The Heavenly Father God revealed to me, that anyone reading this writing that is born again should make II Chronicles 7:14-16 a prayer for your sanctuary and any place that Jesus is talked about. I speak by faith that in Jesus' name that the scriptures we just discussed will burst forth in your life with signs and wonders following. If we follow God's plan, just maybe He would show up where we are just like He did to Solomon and his people. II Chronicles 7:1-2- “Now when Solomon had made an end of praying, the fire came down from heaven and consumed the burnt offerings and the sacrifices; and the glory of the Lord filled the house. (2) And the priests could not enter

into the house of the Lord, because the glory of the Lord had filled the Lord's house.” To that I say Hallelujah and amen.

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The Pastor's Wife

By: Ramona Aiken

PRAY FOR ME, PAUL! PRAY FOR ME!!

These are words I remember hearing my grandmother say over and over the last several years of her life!

Mammy, who was my mom's mother, lived with us as we were growing up. She always made sure we had a big breakfast before going to school and a big supper when we returned home. She helped my mom with the cleaning, cooking, gardening, and anything else that had to be done. She was a work-a-holic! She could work rings around all of us!

It was wonderful having my grandmother live with us! She was such a vibrant person, and there was never a dull moment with her! She always had a funny story to tell, a song to sing, or a poem to recite! She had no problem keeping my attention or the attention of my brothers and my sister! We loved to hear her stories, poems, and songs! We also knew Mammy loved us more than words could ever express!

Although Mammy had lived with us all our lives, I had never seen my

grandmother darken the door of a church. I had never asked Mammy if she was a Christian, and I had never asked her to go to church with us. We so took advantage of her! We loved having those home cooked meals every Sunday waiting on us when we got home! We never considered the fact that Mammy needed spiritual food worse than we needed natural food!

When Melanie was about a year old, Mammy got really sick. It was in the spring of the year, and she had the flu. Before we knew it, that flu turned into pneumonia. I took her to the doctor for medicine, but that weekend she kept getting worse and worse. When we finally talked her into going to the hospital on Sunday evening, she was admitted with congestive heart failure.

Paul and I took her to the emergency room that evening, and my mom stayed home with my girls. It was almost 4:00 A.M. before they finally got Mammy to bed. By that time she was hallucinating and everything! They finally sedated her enough that she went to sleep, so Paul and I came home.

Paul only got a couple of hours sleep before he had to leave for work. He hadn't been gone but an hour or so when my phone rang. On the other end of the phone, I heard the familiar voice of a nurse in ICU. I had worked at the hospital for a few months in Cardio Diagnostics, and I was still doing dictations for Dr. Acktar, so I knew the nurses in ICU really well. She said, "Ramona,

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you need to come to the hospital. Your grandmother is really sick."

I told her that I had only been home for a few hours. At first I thought they were just having a hard time keeping Mammy in bed, but then I heard the urgency in her voice! She said, "Ramona, your grandmother is on life support. For some reason her blood pressure just dropped, and we had to code her."

When the nurse told me that, my blood ran cold! I rushed to get ready, and I called my mom to let her know what was going on. I told her I would bring the girls down to her, and I would let her know what was taking place.

When I arrived at the hospital I couldn't believe my eyes! Mammy was on life support, and she was totally unconscious! She had no idea I was there!

Dr. Acktar met me in ICU, and he took me to a consultation room so we could talk. He said, "Ramona, your grandmother is dying. She

only has a few hours to live. Her lungs have quit working, and that's why she is on a respirator. Her kidneys have shut down, also." I asked him exactly how many hours we had, and he said, "It all depends on how strong her heart is. It's out of my hands. We've

done all we can do for her. She may live an hour, maybe two; but I don't think she will make it through the night."

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Love Lasts Forever

*In all that you see;
And in all that you say;
I'll be there for you;
Forever and a day;*

*My love lives in the gentle
breeze;
Or a raindrop on your face;
Or a ray of sunshine flowing
down;
at any time or place;*

*My love may be in the sound of
the wind;
Blowing through the trees on a
hill;
Or in a sunset on a summer*

*eve;
Or in the song of a whippoor-
will;*

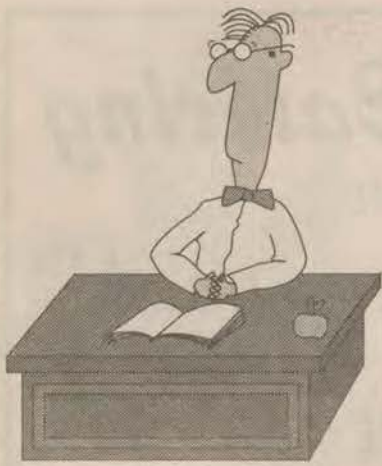
*It might be in the falling snow;
That gathers softly on the
ground;*

*It could be in the early dawn;
And not making any sound;*

*You know I won't always be
here;*

*but my love will never go;
Love goes on forever;
And when you think of me,
You'll know;*

'Janet Copas Prater'



Kingdom Keys

By: Richard D. Hackworth

James 2:5 Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the Kingdom that he has promised to those who love him?

In the verses preceding today's scripture, James was addressing the problem we have some times of being prejudiced. As a former member of several churches and denominations before settling in as a United Methodist, I watched several of my former pastors' and church leaders' eyes light up as a new "wealthy" member

joined the local denomination. Instantly those would be catered to with the hopes of keeping them happy and contributing. Also, a few too many times, I witnessed the poor being shunned by those same individuals. I know this for a fact for once I was one of those poor with shabby clothes.

Boy, has a lot happened since the time I walked into that well-to-do church where, if you did not wear a tie, you did not belong. You see, at that time I had just begun my career as a teacher. After 2 1/2 years of eating lunch for \$1.00 a day, I just really had no wardrobe at all.

I began purchasing dress shirts, slacks, and ties, not just to wear to church, but to wear to work as well. Instantly, I was greeted at that church in a different light.

That was exactly what James was writing about. I must say that it was in God's will for me to join that particular congregation. I matured tremendously while there.

Anyway, what appeals to me

about James 2:5 is the sequential wording: (1.) Listen my brothers and sisters. (2.) Has not God chosen the poor in the eyes of the world (3.) To be rich in faith, (4.) To be heirs of the kingdom, and (5.) That he promised to those who love him?

First of all, we learn by listening. No one ever learns by talking. That's one concept I try to drive home to my students at school. (If you wish for an in-depth study on listening, see article # 6 online.) Listening and doing are two things God enjoys watching his children do. The next part really speaks to my heart. "Has not God chosen the poor in the eyes of the world?" It speaks to my heart because, when God chose me, I had nothing of value. A worn out pick-up truck and hand-me-down clothes, that's all I had as far as material possessions. Little did I know that I was far richer than I could ever imagine in Christ Jesus. Part 3 of this one verse of scripture says, "To be rich in faith."

Let me tell you, I was dealt the same portion of faith as

anyone had been granted. I exercised my faith, and it grew like a muscle! When I discovered the power and authority God gave us through the blood and the name of Jesus, I went wild! I was an honest to goodness "Jesus Freak". Ha! Ha! Ha! And I still am!

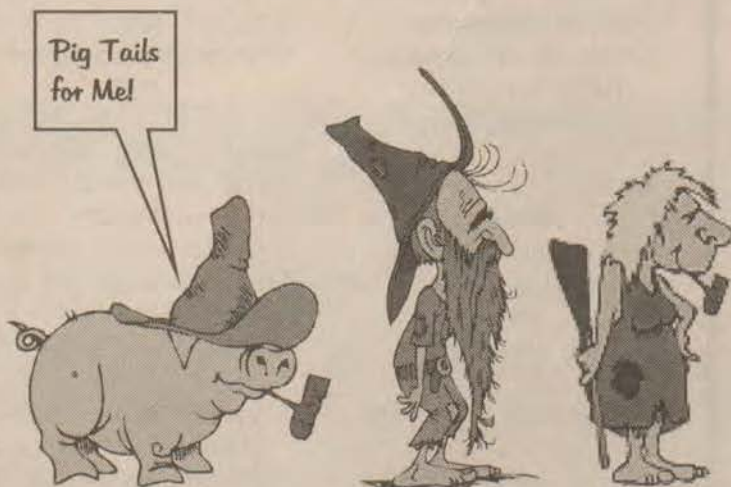
The point I am trying to get to is this: it took me several years of exercising my faith and doing good works for the Heavenly Father, and now I am receiving my inheritance!

Part 4 says to be, "Heirs of the Kingdom." The whole point of this column is, and has always been, to teach all believers that we do not, I repeat, do not have to wait to get to Heaven to receive our reward for our faithfulness. We can receive our reward while living right here on Earth! He has promised us this. Each of us who love him can receive the Kingdom.

(Part 5) Just what is the Kingdom that we can inherit? I tell you that eternal life is just the icing on the cake. You can eat that cake long before you go meet your maker!

I implore each of you to look up the articles called "Kingdom Keys" on the Internet site posted at the end of this column. All 29 of these writings contain keys that will unlock Heaven for you. I promise! Not only do I promise, but more importantly, God promises!

Praise you, Father God! Hallelujah! Lord, I just lift up all who enjoy and read these writings, and I pray, Lord, that you touch their hearts and minds with your spirit. Bare witness with them, Lord, that your Kingdom is at hand; and the keys were given to us by Jesus to unlock the door. Thank you, Amen.



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My Kid Said That?



After listening restlessly to a long and tedious sermon, a 6-year-old boy asked his father what the preacher did the rest of the week. "Oh he's a very busy man," the father replied. "He takes care of church business, visits the sick, ministers to the poor.... And then he has to have time to rest up. Talking in public isn't an easy job, you know. "The boy thought about that, then said, "Well, listening ain't easy, either."



When my daughter was about four years old, she still had a hard time grasping the concept of marriage. But anyway, I got out our wedding album, thinking visual images would help, and explained the entire service to her. Once finished, I asked if she had any questions, and she replied, "Oh. I see. Is that when Mommy came to work for us?"



I had been teaching my three-year-old daughter, Caitlin, the Lord's Prayer. For several evenings at bedtime she repeated it after me. One night she said she was ready to solo. I listened with pride as she carefully enunciated each word, right up to the end of the prayer. "Lead us not into temptation," she prayed, "but deliver us some e-



After church one Sunday morning, a mother commented: "The choir was awful this morning." The father commented: "The sermon was too long." Their 7-yr. old daughter added: "You've got to admit it was a pretty good show for a dime."



A four-year-old Baptist boy was playing with a four-year-old Methodist girl in a children's pool in the backyard. They splashed each other, got very wet and decided to take their wet clothes off. The little boy looked at the little girl and said, "Golly, I didn't know there was that much difference between Baptist and Methodist."



Crossword Puzzles Provided In Memory of Alvin Parker Fields

Across PZ20

1. Solomon's tax officer (1 Kings 4:6)
5. "Jacob ___ pottage" (Genesis 25:29)
8. The Samaritan "took ___ of him" (Luke 10:34)
12. "They were the ___ of him" (2 Chronicles 28:23)
13. Woman's name
14. Teman's brother (Genesis 36:11)
15. Mountain near Lebanon (Song of Solomon 4:8)
17. Ozem's brother (1 Chronicles 2:25)
19. Northeast (abbr.)
20. Beast of burden (Matthew 21:2)
22. "Give me children, or ___ I die" (Genesis 30:1)
24. Shaft horsepower (abbr.)
27. "I ___ no pleasant bread" (Daniel 10:3)
29. "___ carried into Egypt" (2 words, Hosea 12:1)
32. South American wildcat

34. "According to his ___ mercy" (1 Peter 1:3)
 36. First garden (Genesis 2:8)
 37. Republican (abbr.)
 38. Tower near Bethlehem (Genesis 35:21)
 39. Harken not to diviners of ___ (Jeremiah 27:9)
 41. Frog genus
 42. ___ Domingo
 43. Shem (Gr., Luke 3:36)
 45. Exclamation
 46. Pretense, imposture
 48. "From the ___ to the bottom" (Matthew 27:51)
 50. Each (abbr.)
 52. Samson's rock home (Judges 15:8)
 54. "The people ___ down upon their knees" (Judges 7:6)
 58. First man (Genesis 2:19)
 60. "The sky is ___" (Matthew 16:2)
 62. "James the ___" (Mark 15:40)
 63. Genus of flower
 64. Telegraph money order (abbr.)
 65. State (Fr.)
- Down**
1. Son of Jether (1 Chronicles 7:38)
 2. Hobo
 3. Day (Span.)

4. Prophetess (Luke 2:36)
5. Yes (Span.)
6. Town built by Eber (1 Chronicles 8:12)
7. "Some would even ___ to die" (Romans 5:7)
8. "___ the lilies of the field" (Matthew 6:28)
9. "___ I my brother's keeper?" (Genesis 4:9)
10. "They ___ the ship aground" (Acts 27:41)
11. Before (Numbers 14:11)
16. King of Judah (1 Kings 15:8)
18. Esau's father-in-law (Genesis 26:34)
21. Gaze (Psalms 22:17)
23. Son of Ephraim (1 Chronicles 7:20)
24. "Some ___ fell by the wayside" (Matthew 13:4)
25. Serpent slain by Hercules
26. Grooms
28. Hebrew family head (poss., Genesis 10:21)
30. Insuper
31. Wander
33. "Let him be ___ Maranatha" (1 Corinthians 16:22)
35. Overturned
40. Deep, water-filled trench
44. Crowd
47. Market (Isaiah 23:3)

49. Moses "put it upon a ___" (Numbers 21:9)
51. Fuss (Mark 5:39)
53. Letter of Hebrew alphabet (Psalms 119)
55. "___ with the dew of heaven" (Daniel 4:15)

56. Wage-price agency (abbr.)
57. Daylight Savings Time (abbr.)
59. "Even ___ Christ forgave you" (Colossians 3:13)
61. "So also ___ ye" (Colossians 3:13)

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Refining Silver

Author Unknown

There was a group of women in a Bible study on the book of Malachi, as they were studying chapter three, they came across verse three, which says: "He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver." This verse puzzled the women and they wondered what this statement meant about the character and nature of God. One of the women offered to find out about the process of refining silver and get back to the group at their next Bible study.

That week the woman called up a silver smith and made an appointment to watch him at work. She didn't mention anything



about the reason for her interest in silver beyond her curiosity about the process of refining silver. As she watched the silver smith, he held a piece of silver over the fire and let it heat up. He explained that in refining silver, one needed to hold the silver in the middle of the fire where the flames were hottest as

to burn away all the impurities. The woman thought about God holding us in such a hot spot-then she thought again about the verse, that as he sits as a refiner and purifier of silver. She asked the silver smith if it was true that he had to sit there in front of the fire the whole time the silver was being refined. The man answered, yes, he not only had to sit there holding the silver, but he had to keep his eyes on the silver the entire time it was in the fire. If the silver were left even a moment too long in the flames, it would be



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destroyed. The woman was silent for a moment. Then she asked the silver smith, how do you know when the silver is fully refined? He smiled at her and answered, "Oh that's easy when I see my image in it".

If today you are feeling the heat of the fire, remember that God has His eye on you!

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