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- Section E

briefs

Drugs at motel result in 2 arrests

Two Floyd County men were arrested at the Alpike Motel in Ivel after Kentucky State Police Trooper John Hunt executed a search warrant on their room, locating over two ounces of cocaine, a quantity of marijuana and drug paraphernalia used in the trafficking and abuse of cocaine.

According to a police report, the room was rented to Robert A. Fortner, 65, of Ivel.

Fortner, along with Travis D. Risner, 22, of Prestonsburg, were arrested and charged with possession of a controlled substance, possession of marijuana, trafficking in cocaine and possession of drug paraphernalia.

The incident is still under investigation by Kentucky State Police Trooper John Hunt.

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Republican elected to fiscal court



Alan Williams

by RALPH B. DAVIS
MANAGING EDITOR

James "Alan" Williams wasn't even born the last time a Republican served on the Floyd County Fiscal Court. Now he's the first GOP magistrate in Floyd County in more than a generation.

Williams, who at 29 will also be the court's youngest member, shocked political observers Tuesday night by beating incumbent Commissioner Ernal Tackett for the fourth-district magistrate's job.

At the end of balloting, Williams held a 10-point cushion against his rival, bringing in 1,532 votes to Tackett's 1,228.

With his election, Williams becomes the first member of the GOP to sit on the fiscal court since Edgar Howell in 1957. Howell, formerly of Harold, also represented District 4 and served two terms on the court, first being elected in 1949. He now lives in Marion, Ohio.

Ironically, Williams' election comes as Floyd County makes its return to the magisterial form of county government, following four years of the

commissioner system.

When voters approved the commissioner system in 1996, Republicans were hopeful the change would allow them a chance to win a seat on the court. That didn't happen in the one election under the commissioner system, and voters decided to switch back to the magisterial system in 2000.

The only other contested fiscal court race Tuesday was the District 3 seat, in which incumbent second district Commissioner Larry Foster

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Prestonsburg mayor's race knocks off 2

by JARRID DEATON
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The race for mayor in the city of Prestonsburg has claimed two political casualties on that city's council.

Incumbent Mayor Jerry Fannin was reelected with 859 votes to challenger Thomas Hereford's count of 414.

The results of the mayoral election appear to have had a direct correlation with the failure of one member of the city council to be reelected.

Roy Compton, who had publicly

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Voters made their selections at the Mountain Arts Center in Prestonsburg on Tuesday. Those casting their ballots Election Day could expect moderate waits, as 42 percent of voters showed up for the polls, a rate mirrored statewide.

photo by Jarrid Deaton

Allen eases to district judge win

by JARRID DEATON
STAFF WRITER

The race for district judge in the first division resulted in another win for the incumbent in office.

James R. Allen was reelected to his position as judge with 7,095 votes. Allen's challenger, Doug Adams, received 5,149 votes.

Both candidates had extensive political advertising campaigns in both local media and on television.

(See JUDGE, page eight)

Incumbents ride advantage to victory in Floyd city races

by JARRID DEATON
STAFF WRITER

The race for mayor in the cities of Wayland, Allen and Wheelwright all went to the incumbents in the election.

Sharon Woods was reelected as mayor in the city of Allen with 41 votes to challenger Thomas Rainey's 20.

David "Marlee" Sammons was reelected as mayor of Wheelwright with 177 votes to challenger David Hall's 133.

Tom Murphy was reelected as mayor of Wayland, receiving 100 votes, while chal-

lenger Lisa Gray garnered 56.

The city council of Martin will consist of Deborah Bentley, Charles E. Justice, Eulene Ratliff, Mike Robinson, Samuel Howell and Mahendra Varia.

The office of city commissioner in Wayland will consist of Curtis W. Tufts, Tommy Robinson, Mary Murphy and Terri Dalton.

The office of city commissioner in Wheelwright will consist of Andy Wayne Akers, Bruce A. Johnson, Don "Booty" Hall

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Varia holds on for win

by JARRID DEATON
STAFF WRITER

The race for the Floyd County Board of Education District 2 was one of the closest in the election.

Dr. Chandra Varia, who has been filling the unexpired term created when Terry Dotson vacated his seat, was reelected

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KSP makes \$400K drug bust

by JARRID DEATON
STAFF WRITER

WATER GAP — Kentucky State Police conducted a drug raid Tuesday that resulted in the seizure of over \$400,000 worth of drugs.

Trooper John Hunt, along with several other troopers, executed a search warrant at the residence of Millard Pennington located at Dodson Branch in Water Gap. During the search, troopers discovered more than 140 pounds of marijuana, approximated half a pound of cocaine, various prescription pills, 20 quarts of moonshine, one weapon and over \$14,000 in cash.

Numerous other items were confiscated from the residence, including three cars, two trucks, one Harley

Davidson motorcycle, one Honda ATV, one pontoon boat and various articles of jewelry.

Although Pennington was not at his residence, three other suspects were arrested at the scene of the raid.

Charles "Rooster" Kidd, 43, of Harold, Brenda Pennington, 37, of Prestonsburg, and Katherine McKinney, 39, of Prestonsburg, were placed under arrest at the scene.

Brenda Pennington and McKinney were both charged with trafficking in less than eight ounces of marijuana. Charles "Rooster" Kidd was charged with trafficking in more than eight ounces of marijuana, possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia.

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The Kentucky State Police seized over 140 pounds of marijuana, half a pound of cocaine, various prescription pills, 20 quarts of moonshine and over \$14,000 in cash during a raid at the residence of Millard Pennington in Water Gap on Tuesday.

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GOP takes Georgia seat away from Democrats in bid to win Senate majority

by ALAN FRAM
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Republicans ousted a Georgia Democrat on Tuesday and won hotly contested races in New Hampshire and Colorado as the GOP pushed to overturn the Democrats' one-vote majority in the Senate.

Democrats also took a seat from Republicans when Arkansas Attorney General Mark Pryor, the son of former Sen. David Pryor, defeated incumbent Sen. Tim Hutchinson.

Although the parties swapped seats in Arkansas and Georgia, Republicans were running strong enough in other races to pose a threat to the Democrats' 17-month hold on the Senate.

In Georgia, Republican Rep. Saxby Chambliss defeated moderate first-term Democratic Sen. Max Cleland, a triple amputee from the Vietnam War, after chiding him for opposing President Bush's plan for creating a new Department of Homeland Security.

Rep. John Sununu was victorious for the GOP in New Hampshire, retaining a Republican-held seat that Democrats had high hopes of winning. He defeated Democratic Gov. Jeanne Shaheen, despite a lack of help from many conservatives bitter over his primary defeat of Republican Sen. Bob Smith.

In Colorado, incumbent Republican Sen. Wayne Allard held off lobbyist and former U.S. Attorney Tom Stickland in a rematch of their race six years ago.

Democratic Sen. Mary Landrieu was forced into a Dec. 7 runoff in Louisiana when she failed to get the 50 percent required under state law. Her opponent will be Republican State Elections Commissioner Suzanne Terrell, who finished second in the nine-candidate race Tuesday.

In a ferocious state-by-state battle, initial results showed that each party was recapturing most seats held by incumbents. Incomplete results had Republicans leading in races for Democratic-held seats in Missouri and Minnesota.

In North Carolina, Republican Elizabeth Dole won the right to succeed the retiring Sen. Jesse Helms, batting down a challenge by Democrat Erskine Bowles, the one-time chief of staff to President Clinton.

In South Carolina, four-term GOP Rep. Lindsey Graham will replace another outgoing conservative icon, Sen. Strom Thurmond. Graham bested Democrat Alex Sanders, the former College of Charleston president.

Thurmond will turn 100 next month and will leave the Senate in January after serving a record 47 years and three months.

Democrats held the New Jersey seat that will be relinquished by Sen. Robert Torricelli, who abruptly ended his campaign last month after ethics violations seemed to end his chances of being re-elected. Returning in his place will be Frank Lautenberg, who retired two years ago after an 18-year Senate career.

As America decided which party would steer the Senate for the next two years, the Democrats held control by 50-49, including a Democratic-leaning independent. That excludes Dean Barkley, the independent named Monday by Minnesota Gov. Jesse Ventura to

replace the late Democratic Sen. Paul Wellstone for a postelection session of Congress that begins next week.

With Republicans holding the White House and heading toward recapturing control of the House, the Senate seemed to stand as the Democrats' lone lever of power in Washington.

"Giving the Republican Party carte blanche in the Senate, House and White House is not something that the American people want," said Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D.

Going into the election, Democrats had the advantage of having to defend only 14 of the 34 Senate seat in play, compared to

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P'burg voters want city school district

by RALPH B. DAVIS
MANAGING EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG — City voters have overwhelmingly indicated that they would like to see the creation of an independent school district in Prestonsburg.

However, it is not certain what, if anything, will come from that decision.

City residents voted in favor of creating a city school district by nearly a 2-to-1 margin. With all votes counted, 615 cast ballots in favor of the new district, while 351 voted against it.

What happens next, though,

is anybody's guess.

State law contains provisions for merging school districts, but not for splitting them. To complicate matters for proponents of the city district, an over 70-year-old court ruling halted the creation of new districts.

However, city district advocates could find ammunition to challenge that ruling in the Bill of Rights of the Kentucky Constitution. Section 4 of that document provides that state residents have "an inalienable and indefeasible right to alter, reform or abolish their government in such manner as they may deem proper."

Drugs

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Charges are pending for Millard Pennington, and police are asking for the public's help in finding him.

Anyone with information on the whereabouts of Pennington

can contact KSP at (606) 433-7711 and may remain anonymous.

The incident is still under investigation by Kentucky State Trooper John Hunt.

Voters give approval to constitutional amendments

by MARK R. CHELLGREN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — With voters overwhelmingly approving of the family court experiment, Chief Justice Joseph Lambert said new judgeships for the foreseeable future will likely be to create new domestic courts.

"It would appear there's a mandate for family courts," Lambert said Tuesday. "The highest priority will be family courts."

Voters approved the constitutional amendment to ratify family courts by a nearly 4-to-1 margin.

Kentucky's corporate interests also won voter approval of an amendment to delete 11 sections of the state's 1891 Constitution and allow the General Assembly to take over some corporate governance.

The judicial branch asked the General Assembly to create 8-to-10 new judgeships during the current budget period, but no budget was passed during regular and special sessions earlier this year.

Lambert said all additional judgeships will now be viewed as prospective family courts, as opposed to ordinary district or circuit courts.

With 99 percent of precincts reporting, there were 718,333 votes for the family court amendment, or 76 percent, to 231,290 votes, or 24 percent, against.

Floyd County voters, like their counterparts statewide, also approved the family court amendment, although by a slightly smaller margin. In Floyd County, the amendment was approved 7,441, or 70 percent, to 3,280, or 30 percent, with all votes counted.

Family courts take some of the burden from both district and circuit courts, handling divorces, but also things like some juvenile justice cases.

There was little public discussion about the courts amendment, in part because it simply ratified a system in place since 1991 and now operating in 26 counties.

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by Stan Stumbo & Voncel Thacker
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Supporters of an amendment to remove some corporate regulation rules from the Kentucky Constitution were also getting a return on the millions they spent to get their point across.

With 99 percent of precincts reporting, there were 564,664 votes for the corporations amendment, or 61 percent, to 364,779 votes, or 39 percent, against.

Results in Floyd County were a mirror image of the 61 percent-to-39 percent margin statewide. The final tally in Floyd County was 6,068 to 3,960, with all precincts reporting.

Proponents of the amendment said corporate governance should be covered by the General Assembly, not cemented into the 1891 constitution. Opponents warned that companies were seeking special dispensation.

Sylvia Lovely, executive director of the Kentucky League of Cities, who appeared in ads promoting ratification, said Tuesday night voters should not expect to see an immediate turnaround in the economy.

"It paves the way for the General Assembly to enact laws and encourage business growth in the state," Lovely said.

Chris Sanders, secretary-treasurer of the Kentucky State AFL-CIO, which made a halfhearted attempt to generate opposition to the amendment, warned it will eventually come back to bite voters.

"I don't know if we'll notice any difference until we read some headline in the newspaper that some corporation takes some action that would only have been enabled by Amendment 2," said Sanders.

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Our View Course correction needed

Backward at full tilt. That is where the nation is headed on fuel economy. According to statistics recently released by the Environmental Protection Agency, 2003 model cars are even bigger gas-guzzlers than the models of 2002, which was a hallmark year for the retreat on fuel efficiency.

The average fuel economy is down to 20.8 miles a gallon, compared to 21 mpg for the year before. The new average fuel ratings represent a 6 percent decline from 1988, the year average vehicle fuel economy peaked at 22.1 miles per gallon. The percentage of cars that are the most efficient, those getting 30 miles to a gallon or more, has dropped, too, from 6 percent of all new cars offered for sale in 2002 to 4 percent for the 2003 models.

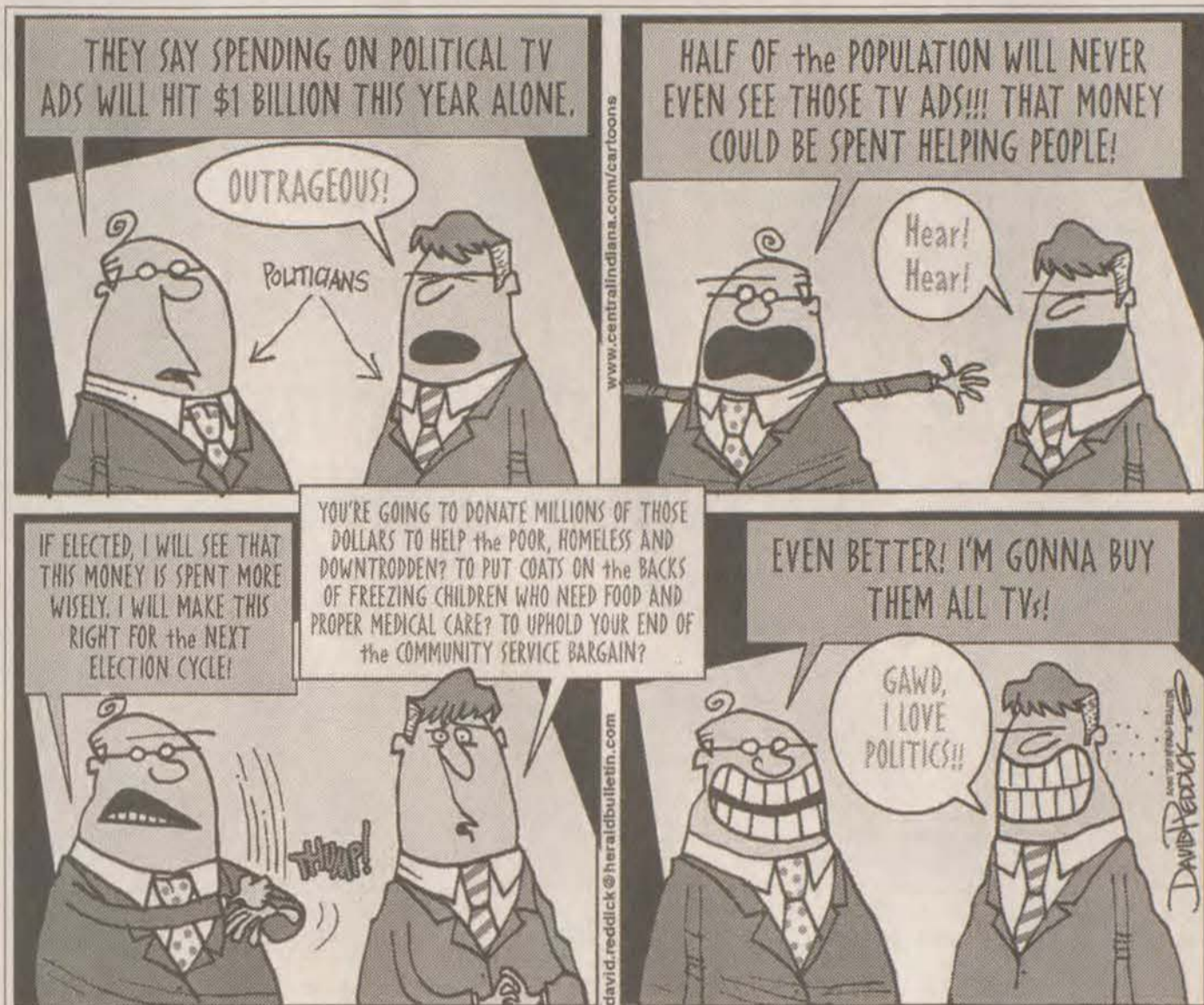
None of this is surprising. The Bush administration — aided and abetted by Congress, including the Democrat majority in the Senate — has jettisoned even the pretense of a national policy that encourages fuel conservation and the benefits of cleaner air and reduced dependence on foreign oil that conservation would bring. In March, the Senate, cheered on by the White House, rejected the imposition of tougher fuel standards, instead approving a mockery of a bill that permitted the National Highway Transportation Safety Administration merely to study the issue.

The car manufacturers say they are bowing to the demands of the consuming public. It's hard to deny that. Americans are snapping up those monster SUVs and pickups in greater and greater numbers. Still, the reduction in fuel economy isn't being driven by consumer choice alone.

People can have big cars and fuel efficiency, too. A National Academy of Sciences study concluded last year that the technology exists to increase gas mileage without reducing a vehicle's weight, size or safety. Foreign automakers — Honda, BMW, Volkswagen AG and Toyota — are building such cars. According to the government's fuel efficiency ratings, those companies produced the most fuel-efficient SUVs in 2003. The most fuel-efficient of them, Toyota's Rav4, gets 25 miles to the gallon in city traffic and 31 mpg in highway driving.

As they released their annual fuel survey of new vehicles, the Bush Energy Department and EPA both acknowledged that more fuel efficient cars "would help strengthen national energy security by reducing our dependence on foreign oil." Those are hollow words coming from an administration whose policies have moved the country full tilt in the opposite direction.

— The Sacramento Bee



Letters

City does good job

I would like to personally thank the Prestonsburg City Police Department, the Prestonsburg Fire Department and Mayor Jerry Fannin for the great assistance they are providing for the safety of the Adams Middle School students and their families by controlling traffic as we drop off and pick up our children at Adams Middle School. Good job, guys! Margo Barber Prestonsburg

An honest boy

On Oct. 18, while attending a football game at Prestonsburg, Benji Fish, a 13-year-old eighth-grade student at Adams Middle School, found a \$50 bill on the ground. He turned it in to the ladies at the concession stand, where it was claimed very quickly.

I thought the owner would appreciate knowing who the person was that found it, but did not keep it.

Thank you, Benji, for your honesty. It will always pay off as you continue your education and go into the work field, later in life.

Your grandmother, Wanda Blankenship Prestonsburg

Justice, injustice and 'In God We Trust'

I sat down a few weeks ago and wrote a letter to The Times concerning some things that I thought should be addressed. However, because that letter was quite forceful, somewhat harsh and critical of the justice system

in our county, my family advised me that I better not have it printed. They were very concerned about what repercussions it might bring down on my head. One of my sons said, "Why, dad, what will we do if we would need something taken care of and you have gone and made everybody mad at us?"

Well, it mated some kind of sense to me, so I decided that I could still address all the issues that were on my mind and not be so mean toward our most honorable fat cats ... er, er ... I mean, our elected officials. After all, they can't be too bad, because you and I, the voters, keep putting them back into office. I guess we are the bad guys in this case.

But, I do want to say a few things about the last election, namely the PVA race. I was going to say some very critical things about the way Mr. May handled himself during the last several days before the election. Not now, though. I might, just might, make the wrong people mad. I don't want to do that, so I won't make mention of the low-down, underhanded and crude things he did toward his opponent. No, I'll just not say any of those things. It is enough to say that it very possibly cost him the election. Besides, Mr. May is a very good boy. Hey, read on and I will prove it.

It appears that this young man was given many, many citations over the years, perhaps 30 or more. So the judge or judges, as the case may be, recognizing his potential and not wanting to hamper or deter in any way his rise to the top, just took those suckers and threw them into the wastebasket of forgetfulness. So, who am I to question their wisdom in this matter. Makes me wonder, though, would they do the same for me? Of course they would. After all, just is blind and impartial, isn't it?

Concerning the letters about the death of Mr.

Spurlock, it will surprise me very much if any action is ever taken in this matter. After all, he was already pretty old, didn't have long to live anyway. It seems to me this must be the thinking of our prosecuting attorneys, or else some kind of action would have taken place by now. Oh well, another young man trying to reach his potential. Pay no attention to the life he may have taken.

I want now to address the articles written by the biggest idiot I have ever seen or heard, Donald Kaul. This man is so full of ignorance, it amazes me that you, The Times, would even print one line of the sludge that he writes in his column. I wonder, if he thinks he is so smart and knows all the answers to our problems in America, why he doesn't run for president and straighten this country out? Hey, I know the answer to that one. He don't even know the right questions, let alone the right answers.

The most important thing to bring to the readers' attention and make a few observations about is one of his articles about his being an atheist and his objection to the phrase "In God We Trust" on our money and elsewhere. So let's look at Mr. Kaul's statement from a source that makes sense, namely the Bible.

In the book of Psalms 14:1, it says, "The fool hath said in his heart there is no God." Also Psalms 53:1 says the same thing. It would be good for Mr. Kaul to read these things and meditate on them. Then he might begin to realize how utterly foolish he sounds to all the people that have sound minds.

I believe instead of taking "In God We Trust" off of our money and elsewhere, this nation ought to place this saying on all public buildings, highway signs, military hardware, planes, ships, on our flag, school books and require all of our government offi-

cial, from the least to the greatest, to have a plaque on their office walls that not only says, "In God We Trust," but have the Ten Commandments there also and then have to recite the Lord's Prayer every morning at the start of their workday. Hey, that's good advice for the entire world.

Well, anyway, that's the way I see it. Bill Tussey Hueysville

The band must go on

It saddens me to think that the music/band programs are in danger of being cut at some of the schools in Prestonsburg. Even if it is just one school, that is one school too many. Although I do not live here in Floyd County, I am aware of the music dilemma and it really bothers me. Music should be available at any level of school. It makes me mad when the school needs to make budget cuts, usually the "less popular" programs are the ones that are picked. I don't think that they would ever dream of cutting the football programs. It's just not fair to those who love music.

I was pleased, however, to see a picture of the PHS band in the newspaper. I believe that the high school bands do not get the respect or the recognition they deserve. To most people when you mention band, the thought of "geeks" in tacky outfits running all over the field playing music that you have never heard of comes to mind. It is much more than that. They are a vital part of every home game, whether it be football or basketball, the band is there. People only see the "finished product", they don't see all the hard work and dedication that goes along with being in band. Band is just as important as any other sport,

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Health Extra

Scientists say 2-year-olds have better memory recall than 1-year-olds in study

by RICK CALLAHAN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Scientists have confirmed what many mothers know: that a 1-year-old child's absent-mindedness is replaced with robust memory-recall in the second year of life.

The researchers said their findings add weight to the theory that year-old toddlers are forgetful because the regions of their brains that store and retrieve long-term memories are still forming.

Other scientists said that while the new work confirms earlier research that toddlers' memories improve with age, it remains unclear precisely what causes the improvements.

Harvard University researchers tested three different age groups of toddlers by encouraging them to imitate multi-step tasks such as wiping a table clean and placing a paper towel in a trash can.

As they were spurred to imitate each task, the children were goaded along with verbal cues such as "clean-up time!"

Four months later, researchers used the same verbal cues and props to see if the children could reenact the tasks. They found that only 11 percent of 13-month-old toddlers successfully repeated at least one of the multi-step tasks they performed as 9-month-olds.

But 91 percent of the 21-month-olds were able to repeat at least one of the tasks they imitated at 17 months, and all of the 28-month-old replicated at least one of the tasks they performed at 24 months.

The research appears in Thursday's issue of the journal *Nature*.

Conor Liston, who led the Harvard study, said the research confirms and adds to findings published in the mid-1990s by researchers from the University of Washington and the University of Minnesota.

Liston said his work is among the first to compare the long-term memory-recall abilities of 9-month-olds with those of 17-month-olds.

Previously, University of Washington research showed that 6-month-old babies can remember events for only about 24 hours, while scientists at the University of Minnesota found that the life span of toddlers' memories improves to up to a month by the time they are 9

months old.

"This indicates pretty strongly that there are some developments occurring in the brain between nine months and 17 months that enable the older children to encode memories at 17 months that can be recalled after a long period of time," said Liston, who was aided in his research by Jerome Kagan, a Harvard professor of psychology.

Lise Eliot, an assistant professor of neuroscience at the Chicago Medical School, notes that the Harvard study did not look at changes in the test subjects' brains.

Still, she agrees that the findings add to the idea that the development of the brain's frontal lobe and hippocampus — areas tied to memory retention and retrieval — are key to the

dramatic improvement in toddlers' memory-recall in their second year.

"It's a gradual process. It's not like the hippocampus is off and it suddenly turns on. It gradually works its way up to full speed," she said.

Alison Gopnik, a professor of psychology at the University of California at Berkeley, said it is speculative to attribute the memory improvement in the second year solely to the brain's development.

She said a child's experiences, growing verbal skills and self-awareness may well play a role in sharpening memory and that those changes could lead to changes in the brain.

"You would have to do some

(See **STUDY**, page seven)

PCC dental hygiene clinic offers affordable service

by RACHELLE BURCHETT

What thoughts run through your mind when you hear the word "dentist?" Does it run cold chills down your spine or do you get a large empty feeling in the pit of your stomach. What is it about going to the dentist that produces such dread? How can we fend off the dread?

Dr. Jerry Tackett, dental hygiene program coordinator at Prestonsburg Community College, says, "Schedule regular

checkups about every six months. By keeping regular check-ups your dentist will be able to monitor your teeth and problem areas that may become troublesome in the future."

Visiting the dentist every six months seems so often but it could definitely prevent future problems. With the agony of visiting the dentist every six months comes another pain — the pain you get when you reach into your pocket to pay for your visit. The Dental Assisting/Dental

Hygiene Integrated Program at Prestonsburg Community College offers quality care for an affordable cost when you visit the Dental Hygiene Clinic. For example, initial and periodic oral exams are free, an adult cleaning (age 14-54) is only \$15, a senior cleaning (age 55+) is \$5, and a pedo cleaning (age 13 & under) is \$10. Other services include x-rays, sealant (per tooth) and fluoride.

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UK senior named Goldwater Scholar

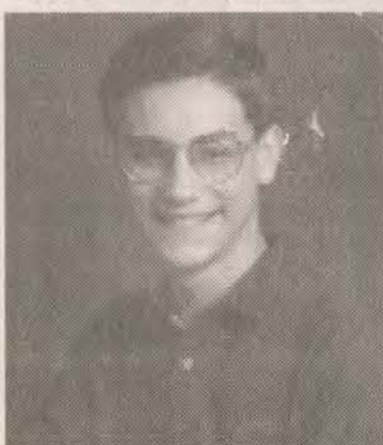
Brandon D. Conley, a chemistry senior at the University of Kentucky, was recently named a Goldwater Scholar. He is the only student from a Kentucky college or university to receive the honor this year.

Goldwater Scholars are named for academic excellence in mathematics, science, and engineering. With the honor comes \$7,000 for his senior year.

Conley is the youngest teaching assistant in chemistry at UK. He has been an assistant since his sophomore year in college, conducting research experiments with highly sensitive materials. In his spare time, Conley enjoys learning foreign languages. He currently speaks Spanish, French, and Greek, and has studied Latin. Most recently, he has begun to study Japanese, and upon graduation he plans to visit Japan as part of the Japanese Exchange and Teaching program. Additionally, some of his chemistry research results will be used in an advertising campaign for UK.

The Goldwater Foundation has awarded 3,632 scholarships, worth about \$36 million.

Conley is the son of David "Mick" Conley, of Nashville, Tennessee, and Donna Frasure Lowery, of Lexington. His paternal grandparents are Clara Conley, of Garrett, and the late Dave "Dooger" Conley. His maternal grandparents are Dewey and Alva Frasure of Lexington.



Brittany Blackburn, a student in the PCC Dental Assisting/Dental Hygiene Integrated Program, honed her skills on fellow student John Bryant.

Celebrating 17th Anniversary

Peter and Shawna Martin, of Prestonsburg, are celebrating their 17th wedding anniversary. They are the proud parents of five daughters, Misty, 16; Melinda, 15; Kimberly, 13; Ashley, 10; and Kelli, 9. They were married Nov. 1, 1985. They plan to celebrate with friends and family.

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Odds and Ends

■ **EVERETT, Wash.** — Navy Ensign Troy Rose was proud to administer the oath of service to his son, even from half a world away.

From aboard the USS Abraham Lincoln in the Persian Gulf, Rose used a video and satellite link Monday to direct son Kory, 18, to raise his right hand and take the oath of service in the Navy.

The recruit was joined by mother Janel and younger brothers Tyler, 16, and Nick, 13, in a videoconference classroom at the local Navy base.

It was the first time the Rose family had seen each other, even from afar, since the aircraft carrier left port in late July.

The father initially reeled off too much of the enlistment oath for his son to remember and repeat, but they quickly recovered and completed the process.

"All right son, you're in!" Rose beamed.

"I'm proud of you," he said. "I wish I was there to give you a big hug. I'd embarrass you in front of everybody."

Janel Rose said she missed seeing her husband enlist more than 16 years ago. "Seeing my son follow in his steps is really special," she said.

■ **CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va.** — When a robber demanded cash from 7-Eleven cashier Cathy Harris, she made him

work for it.

Harris dropped the cash drawer on the floor and told the thief to get the money himself.

"She told him, 'If you want the money, you pick it up,'" store owner Katie Nelson said.

The man, who was wearing a bandanna over his face and said he was armed, helped himself to \$36 and left, but not before Harris tossed a stapler at him and hit him in the shoulder, Nelson said.

Nelson said she reprimanded Harris for her daring response. "You're supposed to be

scared, not angry," Nelson said. "I was concerned about her safety. She's a very brave person."

■ **OMAHA, Neb.** — The head of an excavation firm has thrown down the gauntlet.

Art Dore Sr., 66, is challenging his 60-something rival Virgil Anderson to a boxing match.

The two have feuded over city demolition contracts for months.

The stakes? If Dore loses, he promises Michigan-based Dore

& Associates Contracting will not bid for business in the city of Omaha again. If Anderson loses, Dore will keep his hat in the bidding ring.

"This is the way that men are supposed to settle things," Dore said. "Is he a man or is he a mouse?"

Anderson, head of Omaha's Anderson Excavating Co., apparently is declining the offer. He would only say: "I'm just not going to play their games."

Dore is the founder of and announcer for the Original Toughman Contest, a traveling

amateur boxing show televised on cable.

Dore, who boasts of coming up with the nickname for actor Mr. T, prepared two more monikers for the fight, just in case: "Demolition Man" Dore and "Bulldozer" Virgil.

■ **EVERETT, Wash.** — It didn't take sheriff's deputies long to figure out who might have stolen a van outside a grocery store in Clearview.

No sooner did they arrive at a suspect's house than the van pulled in behind them.

A clerk at the store had told police she saw a regular customer standing next to the van, Snohomish County sheriff's spokeswoman Jan Jorgensen said.

Deputies went to the woman's home and the van pulled in.

The man at the wheel immediately backed out and sped off until the van was stopped. He was captured after a brief chase on foot, Jorgensen said.

■ **NORWALK, Calif.** — Godzilla was found wandering the streets, but Mothra wasn't

Mining for tourists in Eastern Kentucky coal country

by **ROGER ALFORD**
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LYNCH — When Bob Lunsford toiled years ago in the depths of a dark, dusty Appalachian coal mine, it hardly seemed the kind of place people would pay money to see.

Now he is a guide for thousands of tourists from around the world who come to Harlan County to peer into an abandoned mine that once was the economic lifeblood for this coal company town.

Next year, those tourists, if they dare, will be able to venture inside Portal 31 to see exhibits showing the transformation of mining from the picks and shovels of the early 1900s to the powerful digging machines used today.

"People have heard so much about coal mining that they want to go in and see it for themselves," said Lunsford, who worked 42 years in and around the Lynch mine. "It was very hard, very nasty work. You would have roof falls. A lot of people got killed in these mines. It was dangerous."

When the last miner exited the played-out mine a decade ago, the Appalachian coal town's fate seemed sealed. The economy hit rock bottom, and hasn't rebounded since.

Local leaders searching for a solution looked again to the idled coal mine. Perhaps it held the key to returning Lynch to prosperity as a tourist destination.

Bruce Ayers, president of Southeast Community College in nearby Cumberland and head of a committee that oversees the Portal 31 project, said he believes tourists will indeed flock to Lynch and other Harlan County coal towns to experience life in a historic coal town.

Most of the houses, stores, schools and churches built by coal companies are still standing in the Harlan County towns. And many of the retirees who live in the towns are happy to tell visitors what life was like under company rule.

Lunsford tells visitors how, in 1917, the U.S. Steel Coal and Coke Co. bought 40,000 acres and formed Lynch, which was named in honor of the company's first president, Thomas Lynch. He tells them that over a 40-year span, more than 1 million tons of coal per year passed through Portal 31, and that Lynch's tippie — the place coal is unloaded onto rail cars — was the largest in the world when it was built in the early 1920s.

Lynch was a bustling town in its heyday when some 10,000 people from some 30 different countries lived here. Now, the population is little more than 1,000. Nearby Benham, hit just as hard as Lynch by the mine closings, has turned an old company school into an inn, and a former store into a coal mining museum to try to capitalize on tourism.

It is beginning to pay off. Some 30,000 people visited the museum this year, and Lunsford expects just as many to plunk down \$5 each to tour the coal mine when it opens, perhaps as early as June.

Lexington mining engineer Steven Gardner said visitors will be able to view the history of mining from the early 1900s when ponies were used to pull coal out of the portals to the modern conveyors used today. The tour will last about 30 minutes.

Southeast Community College, which oversees the project, has spent \$750,000 to strengthen the walls inside of the mine. An additional \$1.2 million in federal and state funds have been set aside to develop the underground mining exhibits.

Coal mines, copper mines, even salt mines have been opened to tourists in other areas, but Gardner said none have opened in an area as romanticized as Harlan County.

Gardner was responsible for ensuring that the mine poses no risk to tourists. That meant limiting tours to only the sturdiest half-mile section of the mine, installing a super-strength wire mesh across the ceilings to keep rocks from falling and drilling double the number of 4-foot-long bolts into the overhead rock to hold them in place. Tunnel walls have been covered with a

sealant to permanently bind the coal and rock in place. Contractors also sealed off unused mine tunnels to keep methane gases out.

The final safety measure will be an enclosed rail car that tourists will ride through the

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Obituaries

Arthur "Shorty" Cole

Arthur "Shorty" Cole, 74, of Harold, died Saturday, November 2, 2002, at his residence.

Born in Floyd County, November 22, 1927, he was the son of the late Lilly Poe Cole and Wilson Cole. He was a retired peace officer and a deacon in his church.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Ella Conn Cole.

Survivors include five daughters, Eula Mae Potter of Roxana, Ella Marie Cole of Pikeville, Delores Jean Bentley of Harold, Patricia Faye Cole of Pikeville, and Cora Loraine Cole of Ivel; one brother, Willis Cole of Ohio; three sisters, Etherine Hamilton of Ohio, Mary Maynard of Michigan, and Maxine Cole of Texas; 16 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by three daughters, Mary Francis Kinney, Joyce Courtney, and Dorothy Loretta Hartsock.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, November 5, at the J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home, Pikeville, with Frankie Bryant officiating.

Burial was in the Cole Cemetery at Betsy Layne.

Visitation was at the funeral home, where services were conducted each evening.

Active pallbearers were his grandsons. (Paid obituary)

Betty Louise Richardson Smith

Betty Louise Richardson Smith, age 63, of Prestonsburg, wife of Frank Smith, passed away Friday, November 1, 2002, in the Central Baptist Hospital, Lexington, following an extended illness.

She was born March 1, 1939, in Lynch, the daughter of the late Homer Howard Richardson and Eunice Sivils Richardson. She was a retired teacher of the Magoffin County school systems, a member of the Magoffin and Floyd counties Retired Teacher Association and Kentucky Retired Teacher Association.

Survivors include her husband, Frank, and one son, Randy Smith of Van Lear; one daughter, Karen Allen of Eastern; four sisters, Joanne Dyer and Shirley Wilkes, both of Johnson City, Tennessee, Mary Frances Barker of Auburn Hills, Michigan, and Laura Sue Kelly of Tazewell, Tennessee; four grandchildren, Tiffany Jo Smith, Homer Todd Smith, Victoria Lynn Blackburn Smith, and Alexandria Nicole Blackburn Smith.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by one son, Frank Smith Jr.

Funeral services for Betty Louise Richardson Smith were conducted Monday, November 4, at 1 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, Martin, with David Proffitt officiating.

Burial was in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, Ivel, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

Pallbearers: Rod Wilkes, Freddie Van Chumbley, Chris Mussard, Doug White, Jimmy Sparks, David Hodges, Bryan Allen and Bennett Allen. (Paid obituary)

Brenda Fitch

Brenda Fitch, of Dwale, wife of Gordon Fitch, passed away, November 5, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, following an extended illness.

Funeral services are incomplete at this time. (Paid obituary)

Lucille Watkins Shepherd

Lucille Watkins Shepherd, 74, of Hueysville, died Friday, November 1, 2002, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

Born February 27, 1928, in Hueysville, she was the daughter of the late Adam and Polly Patrick Watkins.

She is survived by her husband, John Clayton Shepherd.

Other survivors include one son, Roger Gillispie of Ironton, Ohio; one brother, Donald Watkins of Wabash, Indiana; two sisters, Emma Sexton of Hueysville, and Beulah Davis of Indianapolis, Indiana; two grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by one brother, Ronald "Josh" Watkins; and two sisters, Orcie Clevinger and Carol Stevens.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, November 4, at 1 p.m., at Brushy Fork Missionary Baptist Church at Gunlock, with Ollie Watts officiating.

Burial was in the Raleigh Shepherd Family Cemetery at Gunlock, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Visitation was Saturday after 4 p.m., at the funeral home; and Sunday, after 4 p.m., at the church. (Paid obituary)

Alan Curtis Duncan

Alan Curtis Duncan, 47, of Betsy Layne, died Monday, November 4, 2002, at his residence.

Born July 17, 1955, in Louisville, he was the son of Theodore and Martha Duncan of Louisville. He was a retired brick mason.

He is survived by his wife, Sharon Gayle Keathley Duncan.

Survivors, other than his parents and his wife, include two sons, Stephen Crawford Duncan and wife, Angela, of Georgetown, and Charles Alan Duncan of Betsy Layne; one daughter, Misty Dawn Duncan of Betsy Layne; five brothers, Teddy Duncan, Terry Duncan and Dwayne Duncan all of Louisville, Gary Duncan of Allen, and Mark Duncan of Clarksville, Indiana; three sisters, Janie, Debbie, and Tammy.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, November 8, at 1 p.m., at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home in Martin, with Sam Smith officiating.

Burial will be in Davidson Memorial Gardens at Ivel, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home. (Paid obituary)

Norma Jean Tackett

Norma Jean Tackett, 76, of Huntington, Indiana, formerly of Melvin, died Wednesday, October 30, at her daughter's home in Warsaw, Indiana.

Born August 19, 1926, in Dony, she was the daughter of the late Hayes Vance and Laura Osborne Vance. She was retired from Square D, and was a former member of Gospel Community Church, Huntington, Indiana.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Darwin Tackett, on January 7, 1983.

Survivors include one daughter, Mrs. Keith (Freda) Hamilton of Warsaw, Indiana; two sons, Freddie Tackett of Huntington, Indiana and Ted W. Tackett of Warsaw, Indiana; seven grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by two sons and six brothers.

Funeral services were conducted at the Deal-Robbins & Van Gilder Funeral Home, Huntington Chapel, with Rev. Rodney Rudd and Rev. Worlie Newsome officiating.

Burial was in the Pilgrims Rest Cemetery, Huntington, Indiana.

Preferred memorials to: Parkview Huntington Hospice. (Paid obituary)

Samuel May Leslie

Samuel May Leslie, 85, of Emma, died Saturday, November 2, 2002, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

Born February 27, 1917, in Emma, he was the son of the late Thomas Jefferson Leslie and Byrde May Leslie. He was a retired heavy equipment operator, a United States veteran, and a member of the Emma United Methodist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Grace Garret Leslie.

Other survivors include two sons, Kenneth and Wilma L. Leslie of Emma, Amos and Donna Leslie of Emma; one daughter, Muriel and Jerry Conway of Omaha, Nebraska.

He was preceded in death by one brother, Bill Leslie; and one sister, Ann Goble.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, November 4, at noon, at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin, with Paul Aikens, Jim Sherman, and Arnold Turner officiating.

Burial was in the Mayo Cemetery at Lancer, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

Active pallbearers: Mike Alan Leslie, Nathan Thomas Leslie, Adam Conway Leslie, Travis Roesler, Delano May, and Don Goble.

Honorary pallbearers: Bill May, David May, Bobby Comstock, Ronnie Garrett, Dave Collins, Bill Fraley, Bill Cooley, and Emma United Methodist Church men. (Paid obituary)

Contemporary music program hits a high note with Pikeville College students

PIKEVILLE — The sounds from Shane Newsome's guitar echo the jazz tune he's been composing. Sitting alone in the music room, his concentration is steady as he works to master the techniques that will one day make him a great guitarist.

The Pikeville College sophomore from Hi Hat may someday pursue a career in the music industry. He, along with several other students who share an interest in music, are taking classes in contemporary music studies, a new minor at the College's curriculum in last year.

The program offers in-depth study in the history and literature of jazz, rock, pop, and country music styles. Students take classes in improvisation, arranging and composition, music theory, applied music lessons, and have performance opportunities in both combos and large ensembles. The minor is also structured in such a way as to allow students to pursue an emphasis in the music business, computer and electronic music, arranging, music theory and composition or performing. Most classes are required; however, classes in music apprecia-

tion and the history of jazz and rock, which examines the evolution of the musical styles beginning with its African and European roots through the present time, are open to all Pikeville College students.

Newsome, who has been playing the guitar seriously for about four years, said his decision to attend Pikeville College was influenced by the opportunity to study contemporary music.

"I knew the program would offer a lot of good ensembles

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Odds

his biggest adversary — cars were.

The 105-pound African spurred tortoise named after the horror movie icon was found several blocks from his home Wednesday, three days after he escaped.

"Godzilla was lucky that he wasn't mistaken for a speed bump," Animal Control Officer Connie Bradford said after enlisting the help of bystanders to move the tortoise to her vehicle.

A passerby had spotted Godzilla and alerted the Southeast Area Animal Control Authority.

Chuck and Frances Gil, who have had 55-year-old Godzilla as a pet since the 1970s, said the tortoise apparently burrowed under a fence into a neighbor's yard and kept going.

"We're glad to have him back," Chuck Gil said.

■ **EVANSVILLE, Ind.** — A French woman accused of undressing during an airport security screening pleaded guilty and paid a \$2 fine.

Eliane Yvonne Marcele Aguilauque, 56, of Paris, was ordered Friday to pay \$1 for a count of public indecency and \$1 for resisting law enforcement. She will be required to pay court costs of about \$130.

Aguilauque allegedly stripped to her waist last Monday at Evansville Regional Airport in an angry response to a security screener's attempt to search her with a metal-detecting wand.

During a routine security screening, Aguilauque kept reaching inside her sweater, forcing guards to search her again.

Aguilauque then became upset and removed her sweater, shirt and bra before trying to pull away as an officer tried to handcuff her, police said. She later dropped to the ground and refused to get up.

Her attorney, Glenn Grampp, said after Friday's hearing that his client was embarrassed by the event, which he attributed to a misunderstanding that developed from a language barrier.

■ **GRAND ISLAND, Neb.** — Two teens accused of vandalizing seven lawns might just as well have left a business card.

They used a parent's pickup truck with the business name emblazoned on the side, police said.

"It makes it a little easier to solve the crime when they do that," said Hall County Sheriff's Capt. Jim Castleberry.

The teens also apparently picked out lawns of families they knew from school.

Seven lawns were damaged by the zigzagging truck last week in a residential area east of Grand Island, Castleberry said. The truck hit a street sign and a tree in a yard, sustaining about

Mining

mine. The reinforced top will be strong enough to withstand any rock falls.

"I really don't have any concerns with the safety of the portal area," Gardner said. "There's always room for improvement, and we're going to continually look for improvements to safety for the visitors. But it is safe."

\$3,000 in damage.

The 15-year-old boys were arrested and released to the custody of their families, Castleberry said.

■ **BURWELL, Neb.** — When it was time to move the town's books to a new library, local students pitched in to help.

Elementary and high school students formed a four-block line Thursday to move all of the books from the old Carnegie Library to a new library in the town's former Berea Church.

And while a few books, and students, hit the ice along the way, the move to the long-awaited library was considered a successful one overall.

"This is the end of an era," Burble Elementary librarian Susan Gouty said as students stomped through the snow and back to their classes. "It's kind of exciting. Not every kid is going to be able to say they did this."

Study

very different kinds of studies to try and show that it was the brain's maturation leading to the change, and not changes in experience leading to brain changes," she said.

Gopnik said what's needed to trace the precise changes that occur in the brain during early childhood are superior brain-imaging technologies. Current technologies are not ethical or feasible due to health concerns and the fact that a child would have to hold perfectly still during imaging, she said.

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The family of Rodney Salisbury would like to thank all those friends, neighbors, and family who helped them in any way upon the passing of their loved one. Thanks to those who sent food, flowers, prayers, and words of comfort expressed. We deeply appreciate you all. A special thanks to Clergyman Gary Mitchell for his comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control, and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and efficient service.

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Northrup, Lucas win, as do other incumbents

by CHARLES WOLFE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — Republican U.S. Rep. Anne Northrup won re-election to a fourth term Tuesday, again holding off an ambitious challenger and defying voter numbers in the mostly Democratic 3rd District.

In complete but unofficial returns, Northrup had 118,228 votes or 52 percent while Democrat Jack Conway had 110,846 or 48 percent.

President Bush telephoned Northrup with congratulations, which she shared with a euphoric election night Republican crowd. Bush "told

me to thank all of you for caring about who you elect into office," Northrup said.

Elsewhere, another incumbent with a rigorous re-election fight, Democratic Rep. Ken Lucas, fended off a fierce attempt by Republicans to take back his 4th District seat, which the GOP once seemed to own.

With 99 percent of precincts reporting, Lucas had 85,903 votes or 51 percent. Republican Geoff Davis had 78,774 votes or 47 percent. Libertarian John Grote had 2,257 votes or 1 percent.

Lucas lost Boone, Campbell and Kenton counties — the Cincinnati suburbs that comprise the most densely populated

part of the district. His margin of victory came from the district's smaller, mostly rural counties.

A reported breakdown in vote reporting in populous Oldham County kept the candidates in suspense through the evening.

"We think we've won, but we're not totally sure," Lucas said about 11 p.m. "You could wake up in the morning, and I may have lost, but we're very, very hopeful."

Davis told his supporters it was "still statistically possible to win this race, but I believe we're going to fall a little bit short." Davis also said he intended to run again in 2004.

The 3rd District and 4th District races legitimately held national implications as Republicans fought to keep a slim majority in the U.S. House.

In the 1st District, Republican Rep. Ed Whitfield won a fifth term against Democrat Clint Alexander, a first-time candidate whose family has prominent Kentucky connections but who is a Florida native and only a recent resident of the state. Whitfield declared victory less than two

hours after polls closed.

With 98 percent of precincts reporting, Whitfield had 112,693 votes or 65 percent, and Alexander had 60,771

votes or 35 percent.

Elsewhere, Rep. Harold "Hal" Rogers, senior member of Kentucky's congressional delegation, crushed Democrat

Sidney Jane Bailey as expected in the 5th District. Rogers had defeated her twice before, each

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GOP retains control of state Senate

by MARK R. CHELLGREN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — Bob Leeper and Dan Seum, the Republican senators Democrats most love to hate, stymied efforts to have them tossed out of the General Assembly on Tuesday.

Seum won comfortably in a Jefferson County district against Democratic firefighter Bruce Roberts. Leeper also won in a much closer race against union organizer Larry Sanderson in the district surrounding Paducah, though Sanderson's camp said they planned to question some of the returns.

The math left the GOP with

their Senate majority intact, with Republicans picking up a vacant seat in central Kentucky, making the margin 21-17, up from the current 20-18.

The outcome should end any question about the legitimacy of Republican control of the Senate, which took place only after Seum and Leeper changed their party affiliations in 1999.

"They can no longer say that this is a majority that we did not earn," said Senate President David Williams. "This was won at the ballot box."

Incumbents held sway across the board, with changes in party affiliation taking place in vacant seats.

Republican incumbent Sen. Julie Denton in Louisville easily held off a challenge from Franklin Jelsma, a cabinet secretary in former Gov. Brereton Jones' administration.

Among Democrats, Sen. David Boswell in Owensboro held off Rep. Mark Treesh in a very close race.

Democratic Majority Leader David Karem of Louisville said he could not explain the lack of success. "We fielded what we thought were incredibly strong candidates," Karem said. "This is one that the experts will have to figure out and I'm not one of those."

There was some swapping of House seats, but Republicans had no hope of loosening the stranglehold Democrats have on the House, which was in their control 66-34 in the last two years.

A majority in the Senate, however slim it has been, has proved decisive in several legislative battles.

First Seum, then Leeper, changed party registrations in 1999 after a Democratic upheaval caused by Sen. Larry Saunders when he enlisted Republicans to overthrow the Democratic regime in the Senate.

Seum, who had always been a maverick even among Democrats, managed to get virtually an entirely new district

drawn for him to seek re-election. And the GOP poured money into his race.

Leeper, a Paducah chiropractor who had been elected the previous year with huge amounts of Democrat money, has tried for three years to calm some of the outrage at his defection. Democrats selected Larry Sanderson, a union organizer with a long reputation of working with corporate interests, to challenge Leeper.

There were other intriguing races.

Democrat Sen. Daniel Mongiardo of Hazard won election in a new district after his old one was moved to northern Kentucky in redistricting. GOP Rep. Johnnie Turner offended even some in his own party with a television commercial that juxtaposed Mongiardo, a Hazard physician, with terrorists.

With the win, Mongiardo raised the possibility of serving in both seats, a possibility that Republicans were quick to repudiate and threaten legal action.

Republican whip Elizabeth Tori of Radcliff easily held off Janey Fair, who became a leader in the group Mothers Against Drunk Driving after her daughter was killed in the nation's worst alcohol-related highway crash. Fair failed to generate much interest in her first electoral campaign.

Most of the movement in the House took place in empty seats.

Mary Harper, the widow of former gubernatorial nominee and state Rep. John Harper won an empty seat for the GOP in Bullitt County, giving the Republicans a net gain of one, but still the minority in a 65-35 split.

Treesh's former seat in Daviess County was won by Democrat Tommy Thompson, who was a candidate for lieutenant governor in 1995.

Rick Rand, a former Democratic state senator, won a newly created House district in Trimble and surrounding counties.

Judge

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with Adams focusing on family and his love of children, while Allen used his experience for the basis of his campaign.

Eric D. Hall, who was unopposed in the race for district Judge in the second division, was reelected to his position.

P'burg

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announced his support for Hereford, was not reelected to the council while all other incumbents retained their positions.

Compton had appeared in numerous ads with Hereford and also voted against a sewer project in Dwale, which Hereford opposed.

Danny H. Hamilton, Jimmy J. DeRossett, Robert Allen II, Harry A. Adams, Billy Ray Collins and Otis Hansel Cooley were all reelected to the city council.

C.E. "Little Shag" Branham and Kelly Moore were elected and will replace Hereford and Compton.

Republican

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Stumbo easily held off a challenge from Republican Curtis Hall. Stumbo won by nearly 800 votes, 1,950 to 1,158.

District 1 Commissioner Gerald Derossett became the only member of the fiscal court to go magistrate to commission-

er and back without losing his seat, while former District 2 Magistrate Jackie Edford Owens recaptured his old job, which he lost as a result of the commissioner system. Both men were unopposed Tuesday after having won primary challenges in May.

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20 seats held by Republicans.

But President Bush, seeking to reverse the trend of the party holding the White House losing Senate seats in mid-term elections, went on an 11th hour, nine-state tour on behalf of GOP candidates in the days before the election.

"I think you could say he made a difference because of his enormous popularity," Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., said of the man who bested him for the 2000 GOP presidential nomination.

Lamar Alexander, the former education secretary and one-time Tennessee governor, was elected to the Senate from his state, replacing GOP Sen. Fred Thompson, who retired.

In Texas, Republican Attorney General John Cornyn won the seat of retiring GOP Sen. Phil Gramm, denying a bid by former Dallas Mayor Ron Kirk to become the state's first black U.S. senator.

Dole, the former transportation secretary, wife of 1996 GOP presidential candidate Robert Dole and brief White House candidate herself in 2000, prevailed in her native North Carolina.

Virginia's John Warner, a Republican power on the Senate Armed Services Committee, won his fifth six-year term and Kentucky's Mitch McConnell, expected to be the No. 2 Senate GOP leader, won his fourth term.

Other victorious Republicans included Larry Craig of Idaho,

Thad Cochran of Mississippi, Pat Roberts of Kansas, Chuck Hagel of Nebraska, Jeff Sessions of Alabama, James Inhofe of Oklahoma, Susan Collins of Maine, Pete Domenici of New Mexico, Gordon Smith of Oregon and Michael Enzi of Wyoming.

Also re-elected were Democratic Sens. John D. Rockefeller IV of West Virginia; Richard Durbin of Illinois; Jack Reed of Rhode Island; and Joseph Biden of Delaware, chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee.

Other returning Democrats included Carl Levin, chairman of the Armed Services Committee; Max Baucus, chairman of the Finance Committee; Tom Harkin of Iowa, the Agriculture Committee chairman, and potential 2004 presidential contender John Kerry of Massachusetts.

In Arkansas, where Democrats considered Sen. Tim Hutchinson the most vulnerable GOP incumbent, a judge extended voting in the state's largest county by 90 minutes after some precincts reported running out of ballots. That seemed to be an advantage for Democratic challenger Mark Pryor because Pulaski County is where the capital city, heavily Democratic Little Rock, is located.

Sen. Jean Carnahan of Missouri was probably the Democrat in most peril of being defeated. Nip-and-tuck races were also under way in Colorado, South Dakota and Minnesota.

Board

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to her position with a count of 1,425 votes. Challenger Wayne W. Ratliff received a count of 1,206 in his bid for election.

Earl Martin "Mickey" McGuire was elected to the

Floyd County Board of Education District I after running unopposed. McGuire will replace Johnnie Ross who decided not to seek another term on the board.

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McConnell defeats Weinberg to win unprecedented fourth term

by BRUCE SCHREINER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — Republican Sen. Mitch McConnell defeated Democrat Lois Combs Weinberg to win a fourth term Tuesday, solidifying his reputation as one of Kentucky's most successful politicians.

McConnell was armed with a bulging campaign fund and cited his experience in drawing a contrast with Weinberg, whose underfunded campaign struggled for attention.

McConnell, first elected on Ronald Reagan's coattails in 1984, became the first Kentucky Republican elected to four consecutive Senate terms.

"Much has been accomplished but much is left to be done," McConnell told jubilant supporters at a hotel in his

hometown of Louisville. "There's not a day that goes by that I don't look up at the Capitol and think about what it means, the symbolism for our country and for the world. And not a single day that goes by do I not thank God for the opportunity to represent the greatest people in the greatest state in America."

Weinberg was a first-time candidate with a recognizable maiden name. Her father, Bert T. Combs, was Kentucky governor from 1959 to 1963 and a Democratic icon for years thereafter.

With nearly all precincts reporting, McConnell was close to eclipsing the Republican record for margin of victory in a statewide race in Kentucky.

With 99 percent of precincts reporting, McConnell had

721,379 votes, or 64 percent, and Weinberg had 399,143 votes, or 36 percent.

The most lopsided GOP victory was in 1966, when John Sherman Cooper beat John Y. Brown, 64.5 percent to 35.5 percent, according to the secretary of state's office.

Less than an hour after polls closed statewide as the results piled up against her, Weinberg called McConnell to offer congratulations to the senator who never debated her face to face.

Floyd County voters, however, bucked the statewide trend. The county which sent Weinberg's father to the Governor's Mansion overwhelmingly favored his daughter in the Senate race, 6,836 to 4,584.

In her concession, a smiling Weinberg continued to link McConnell to deep-pocketed interests, a favorite criticism while on the stump.

"We stood up to the forces of corporate greed and we said 'enough is enough,'" she told supporters at a Lexington hotel ballroom.

In closing, she said, "We fought the good fight, we kept

the faith, we finished the race."

McConnell is already the fifth-longest serving Kentucky senator, and the completion of a new six-year term would make him second only to Democrat Wendell Ford in longevity.

Cooper, who was McConnell's mentor, was elected to the Senate five times, but three elections were to fill unexpired terms, according to McConnell's campaign. McConnell was a student intern for Cooper.

McConnell's television commercials trumpeted his experience and ability to deliver federal assistance.

"He has proven himself trustworthy," James E. Williams, 60, of Paintsville, said after voting in the Johnson County Courthouse. "He has experience and I just wouldn't want to risk changing."

McConnell is expected to play a key role next year in pursuing a federal buyout of tobacco farmers and quota holders who want to quit growing the crop. He also is expected to run for the job of Republican whip, the party's No. 2 post in the Senate.

Northrup

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time with more than 70 percent of the vote.

With 99 percent of precincts reporting, Rogers had 134,948 votes or 78 percent, and Bailey had 37,682 votes or 22 percent.

Floyd County, home to Bailey, didn't do much to give her a hand. Local voters picked Rogers by only a slightly smaller margin, 7,732 to 3,433.

In central Kentucky's 6th District, Rep. Ernie Fletcher defeated independent Gatewood Galbraith of Lexington and Libertarian Mark Gailey of Berea. No Democrat was on the ballot.

With all precincts reporting, Fletcher had 115,522 votes or 72 percent; Galbraith had 41,853 votes or 26 percent; and Gailey had 3,313 votes or 2 percent.

In the 2nd District, Rep. Ron Lewis defeated Democrat David L. Williams of Glasgow, a fringe candidate who also has run for governor and U.S. Senate, and Libertarian Robert Guy Dyer of Horse Cave.

With 99 percent of precincts reporting, Lewis had 120,396

votes, or 70 percent; Williams had 50,542 votes or 29 percent, and Dyer had 2,013 votes or 1 percent.

The Northrup and Lucas races had national implications because of the GOP's slim majority — seven seats — in the U.S. House. In the end, Northrup's constituents decided to stick with an incumbent who has proved adept at securing federal money for Jefferson County.

"I've followed her political career, and I've seen her results in Congress," said voter Georgia Whitehead, 61.

Conway followed Bush in telephoning Northrup with congratulations. "She is all our congresswoman," Conway told his supporters. "I want her and her fine family to know if they ever need anything from this Democrat, I'm at her disposal."

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NOTICE TO PRESTONSBURG CITY'S UTILITIES NATURAL GAS CUSTOMERS

NATURAL GAS FACTS

Natural gas is lighter than air, non-toxic and contains no poisonous ingredients. Breathing natural gas is not harmful as long as there is adequate air to breathe along with it. Natural gas will not burn by itself. Combustion can occur only when there is a mixture of gas and air containing between 5 percent and 15 percent natural gas and between 95 percent and 85 percent air. Because of its unique qualities of being lighter than air with a narrow band of combustion, natural gas is one of the safest energy sources available. It is also one of the most economical sources. Understanding and following safety procedures will make natural gas an even safer choice.

THE POTENTIAL HAZARDS OF NATURAL GAS

Gas accidents can be avoided if you understand the potential hazards.

(1) FIRE

Natural gas can be a fire hazard. If you let it. Don't let it. A very hot stove, open flame or pilot light can ignite any combustible materials that happen to be near. Keep paper, curtains, paints, solvents, etc., away from gas appliances.

(2) EXPLOSION

Natural gas can be ignited by open flames or sparks. That's why unburned natural gas should never be allowed to escape into a room. A spark, flame, lit match or cigarette, even the flick of a light switch may be enough to cause an explosion.

(3) CARBON MONOXIDE POISONING

Even though natural gas itself isn't poisonous, gas burners that aren't adjusted properly can produce deadly carbon monoxide. You can't see or smell carbon monoxide, but it's a killer. To avoid its dangers, always make sure that all natural gas appliances in your home are properly adjusted and vented to the outside...so they'll burn safely and efficiently.

(4) SUFFOCATION

Natural gas can cause suffocation if it replaces air containing oxygen. (Only air that has oxygen can sustain life.) This is another reason why natural gas should never be allowed to leak from appliances or build up in an enclosed area or room.

FOLLOW THESE COMMON SENSE SAFETY RULES... IT'S UP TO YOU TO USE SAFE GAS APPLIANCES AND TO USE GAS APPLIANCES SAFELY!!

(1) KEEP COMBUSTIBLES such as papers, fluids, paints, curtains and rags away from fur-

naces, water heaters and gas ranges and dryers.

(2) TEACH CHILDREN never to light or play with the controls of any gas appliances.

(3) KEEP PILOT LIGHTS of your gas range lit. If you put them out to save energy, a dangerous gas build-up can occur if someone accidentally turns on the range.

(4) KEEP GAS RANGE CLEAN — make sure burner bowls are free of used matches, grease, paper, etc.

(5) AND, NEVER USE YOUR GAS RANGE to heat your home or apartment. This practice creates a serious fire hazard and puts you and your family at risk from dangerous carbon monoxide fumes.

(6) MAKE SURE APPLIANCES ARE VENTED — Natural gas needs air containing oxygen to burn safely and efficiently. Without enough air, dangerous carbon monoxide is produced. For this reason, always make sure that your gas furnace and water heater are vented to the outside of the building. If you're not sure your appliances are vented properly, have them checked by a qualified heating contractor or plumber.

(7) KEEP FLUES AND CHIMNEYS CLEAR — Have your fluepipe and chimney checked to make sure they're not blocked with debris such as nests, branches, or ivy. (Your heating contractor can inspect and clean fluepipes for you.)

(8) SIGNS OF POOR FLUE VENTILATION — Indoor wetness (condensation); unusual smell in your home that doesn't go away; sick houseplants; yellow or wavering appliance flames; soot in your home; pilot light that keeps going out.

CERTAIN OLDER GAS CONNECTORS MAY BE DANGEROUS!

Gas connectors are corrugated metal tubes used to connect gas appliances in your home to fuel gas supply pipes. Some older brass connectors have come apart, causing fires and explosions, resulting in deaths and injuries.

These older brass connectors have a serious flaw in how their tubing was joined to their end pieces. Over time, the end pieces can separate from the tubing, and cause a serious gas leak, explosion, or fire. To our knowledge, these dangerous uncoated brass connectors have not been made for more than 20 years, but many of them are still in use. The older these connectors get, the greater the possibility of failure.

Although not all uncoated connectors have this flaw, it is very difficult to tell which ones do. Therefore, any uncoated brass connector should be replaced immediately with either a new plastic-coated brass or a new stainless steel connector. Connectors can wear out from too much moving, bending, or corrosion. Connectors should always be replaced whenever the appliance is replaced or moved from its location.

WARNING: Only a qualified professional should check your connector and replace it if needed. Don't try to do this yourself!

Moving the appliance, even slightly, whether to clean behind it or to inspect its gas connector, can cause the complete failure of one of these older weakened connectors, possibly resulting in a deadly fire or explosion.

DO NOT MOVE YOUR APPLIANCE TO CHECK THE CONNECTOR!

HOW DO I KNOW IF A GAS HAZARD EXISTS??? — YOUR SENSE OF SMELL SHOULD TELL YOU

(1) A GAS LEAK IS POTENTIALLY VERY DANGEROUS! — Gas may leak from faulty appliances, broken pipes or broken mains. Make sure all members of your family know what to do if they smell gas.

(A) IF THE ODOR IS STRONG:

- 1) Do not light matches.
- 2) Do not turn lights on or off.
- 3) Do not operate any electrical switches, appliance controls or pull any plugs from outlets.
- 4) Do not use the telephone.
- 5) Notify everyone in the building or house to leave immediately, and leave the door open.
- 6) If possible, ventilate the building by opening doors and windows, starting where the odor is strongest. Do not re-enter the building for this purpose.
- 7) Call the gas company or fire department from a nearby building or house. Do not use the telephone in your house.
- 8) Do not re-enter your home until the gas company or fire department has told you it's safe to do so.
- 9) **Never take chances!** If your safety is threatened, get out quickly. Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission

Phone Number — 886-6871 Day; After 5:00p.m., Weekends or Holidays, 886-2900.

HOW TO RECOGNIZE A GAS LEAK OUTSIDE HOUSE OR BUILDING — Gas leaks outside are uncommon, but it is a good idea to know how to recognize them. Common signs include:

- 1) A gas odor.
- 2) A blowing or hissing sound.
- 3) Dirt being blown or thrown into the air.
- 4) Water bubbling or being blown into the air at a pond.

5) Fire coming from the ground or burn above the ground.

6) Brown patches in vegetation on or near gas pipeline.

If you detect any signs of a gas leak outside, call Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission immediately.

**Seldon Horne, Superintendent
Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission**

NOTICE TO PRESTONSBURG CITY'S UTILITIES COMMISSION NATURAL GAS CUSTOMERS ABOUT CUSTOMER SERVICE LINES

1. Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission does not maintain customers' service lines beyond the gas meter setting. Customers are responsible for properly maintaining and repairing their service lines.

2. If customers' buried piping is not maintained, it may be subject to the potential hazards of corrosion and leakage.

3. Buried gas piping should be:
I. Periodically inspected for leakage.
II. Periodically inspected for corrosion if piping is metallic.

III. Repaired, if any unsafe conditions are discovered.
IV. Repaired, located, inspected and maintained by plumbers or heating contractors.

4. When excavating near buried gas piping, the piping should be located in advance, and the excavation done by hand.

**Seldon Horne, Superintendent
Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission**

NOTICE TO ALL CONSTRUCTION AND EXCAVATION COMPANIES

In accordance with federal and state regulations governing natural gas pipeline safety, Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission is pursuing a damage prevention program to minimize accidents and/or disruptions that could involve its underground pipeline facilities. If you observe any type of construction or excavation, or if you plan to do any work requiring digging near a company pipeline, please call the Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission so that we can send qualified personnel to locate and properly mark the exact location of the pipeline. Knowing the exact location of the underground pipeline will reduce the possibility of damage and/or personal and financial loss to both parties.

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Letters

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yes, I said sport.

As a former Johnson Central color guard and now a very proud band parent, I want people to know just how dedicated and hardworking band members are. They practice during school, and after school four days a week usually until 5-6 p.m. Not only do they play/perform at every home game, they also march in band competitions in which they are scored and judged-all in hopes of making it to the state band competition. And they also fundraise for the things that they need to have.

And as a parent, I have been at the high school past midnight waiting for my daughter to come home from games/competitions seeing her totally exhausted but yet so excited telling me how much

fun she had that day. So, actually band is no different than any other sport. Yes, I said the "S" word again.

I hope there is a resolution to the music dilemma soon. We need to save the music in any school. If by the time my letter is printed and the resolution has already been implemented, please take this as a proud mom standing up for the music programs everywhere. The Johnson Central marching band is a family and I am proud to be a part of that family.

As I close this letter, I say to all parents, fight for the music programs! And to all band/color guard members, keep on marching! And maybe one day being a band geek will be a cool thing.

Kamey Rider Vance
 Paintsville

Odds

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and a lot of classes that would give me a new perspective on music," he said. "The classes I'm taking will make me a better musician."

Newsome also said he appreciates the enthusiasm of his instructors.

"Their excitement spreads to the students," he said. "If we can get a lot of people interested, maybe at some point the College will offer a major in music. I believe the interest is there."

Music education was once a part of Pikeville College's teacher education curriculum, but a lack of interest and a decline in the demand for teachers brought the program to a

close. Today, music is back and interest both in the classroom and in the community, is growing. Last year the College's choir and community choir had more than 60 members. Students from local high schools and musicians from the community join the College's symphonic band for concerts. The choir and the community choir sing in local churches, and both the choir and the band perform as part of the Pikeville Concert Association's annual concert season.

The music program is a collaborative effort, combining the education, experience and talents of three individuals - Brad

Daniels, assistant professor of music and director of bands, Alan Robinson, assistant professor of music, and Jennifer Hughes, instructor of music.

Daniels is affectionately known on campus as "the man who brought music back to the hill" after nearly two decades. A music teacher in the public school system for 27 years, Daniels came out of retirement in the fall of 1996 to start Pikeville College's chorus and community choir and the symphony and pep bands. Today, he conducts the 50-member symphonic band and the spirited pep band, which rallies Pikeville College athletes and fans during sports events. Daniels, who holds a bachelor's and master's degree in music from Morehead State University, teaches symphonic band, private brass instruments for the music minor, and a class designed for the elementary music teacher. He also recruits students for the College's music program.

Robinson teaches music theory and arranging, private guitar, and directs ensembles. He earned his bachelor's degree from Berklee College of Music and his master's degree from Eastern Kentucky University. He is currently pursuing his Ph.D. at the University of Kentucky. When he's out of the classroom, Robinson plays music with his personal jazz group, 4-Cast, and with a progressive instrumental rock guitar group. He also teaches private guitar lessons and judges marching band and solo and ensemble competitions. He has completed his first book on guitar methods and is recording a CD featuring instrumental progressive rock music.

Hughes joined the Pikeville College faculty last year. She teaches private piano and voice, music theory, and music appreciation. She also directs the College's 60-member concert choir and community choir. Hughes is active in the Kentucky Music Teachers Association, serving on the executive board, and is a member of the board of directors of the Pikeville Concert Association. She is currently working on a doctorate in music at the University of Kentucky. She earned a bachelor's degree in music at Morehead State and a master's degree from Indiana University. Hughes has had extensive stage experience as a classical pianist, both solo and collaboratively, with more than 150 recital appearances over the past six years. She has also performed and studied at the Academie de Musique in Gargenville, France.

Robinson said the goal of the music program is to provide students with a comprehensive understanding of sophisticated contemporary music.

"We also want to enhance their individual performance skills, as well as their mastery and application of general music theory principals," he said.

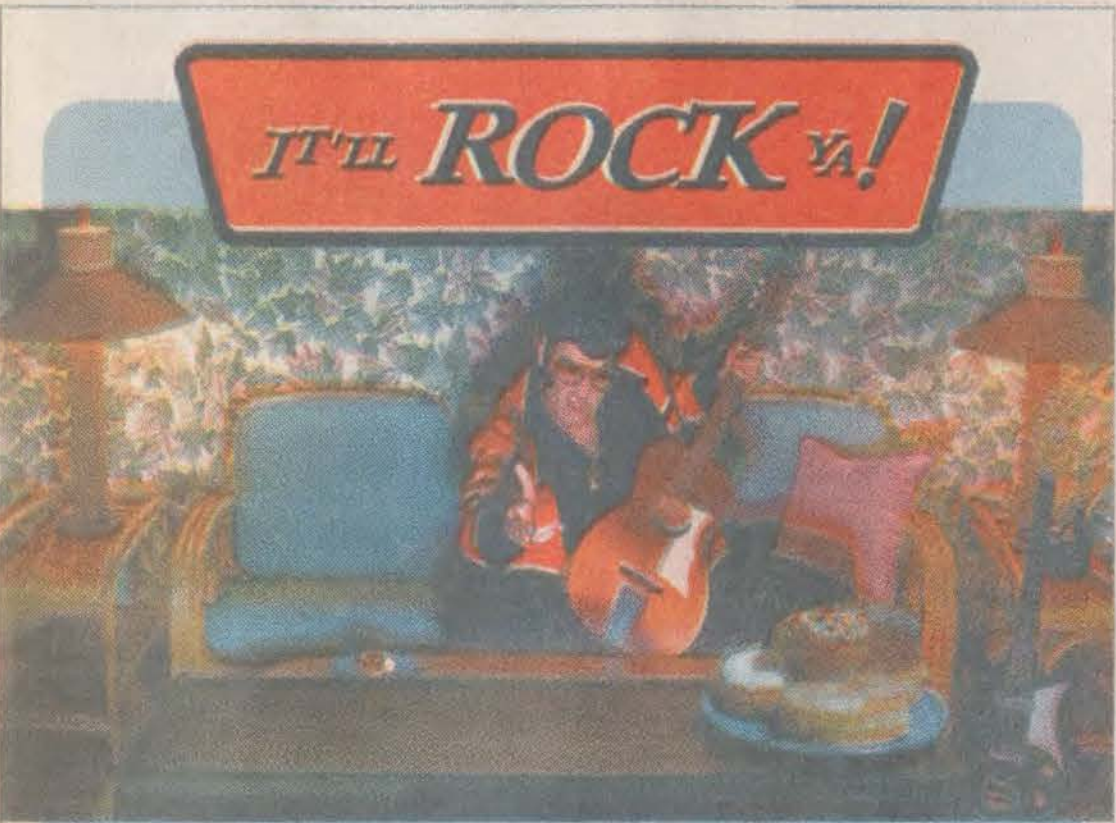
Students in contemporary studies have a variety of career opportunities, according to Robinson.

"Some graduates begin playing professionally following their college experience, either as a soloist or in a group, as opportunities arise," Robinson said. "Other opportunities include freelance work and studio work as performers and writers or private teachers, and some graduates also move into business and industry careers or other music-related careers."

For more information on the contemporary music studies minor at Pikeville College, contact Alan Robinson at robinso@pc.edu.



Nathaniel Brown, John Hensley, Shane Newsome, Cody Smallwood, Brandon Blackburn and Kim Fields are among the students studying contemporary music at Pikeville College. Music Minor



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COMMENTARY

Abney: Return specialist

by BILLY REED
TIMES COLUMNIST

The first time Louisiana State University is forced to punt against Kentucky Saturday afternoon in Commonwealth Stadium, we'll immediately know how smart Tigers' coach Nick Saban is. If he orders his punter to get it away from UK's Derek Abney, he goes to the head of the class. If he doesn't, he'll have to share the dunce cap with Florida's Ron Zook and Mississippi State's Jackie Sherrill.

Due to brainlock or pride, those two geniuses kept kicking the ball to UK's junior wide receiver who has to be the fastest human ever

to come out of Mosinee, Wisconsin. Against the Gators, Abney returned a punt and a kickoff for touchdowns that almost enabled the Cats to pull a huge upset. Against the Bulldogs, his two punt returns for TDs provided the impetus for UK's 45-24 victory.

"I know if I was a coach, I wouldn't be kicking to him," said UK cornerback Derrick Tatum.

With all due respect to Jared

(See REED, page three)

SIDELINE SHOTS

Striking similarities

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG - Is it just me, or are there striking similarities between Prestonsburg High junior Nicholas Jamerson and UK returner Derek Abney.

Hey, put the two back to return punts against any team and I'll take my chances with them. Jamerson tied a state record for punt returns for touchdowns in a season Friday night when he found the end zone for the sixth time this fall. Prestonsburg head coach John

DeRossett ranks Jamerson as one of the top players in Class 2A.

"Nicholas is a great athlete," said DeRossett. "He's played well for us on both sides of the ball and on special teams this season."

Jamerson's punt return for a touchdown on Friday night came on a reverse handoff from sophomore teammate Trevor Compton.

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photo by Jamie Howell

Prestonsburg High alum Jeremy Caudill prepared to run out of the tunnel prior to the start of a University of Kentucky football game earlier this season.

Alice Lloyd JV features area talent

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PIPPA PASSES - Gary Gibson has a varsity team to coach at Alice Lloyd College. Gibson serves as both head coach and athletic director at the

NAIA school. Student assistant James Moore, a Lawrence County native, serves as the head coach of the junior-varsity team. Moore also served in that capacity last season.

While the Varsity Eagles are scheduled to be back on the court tonight

against Pikeville College, following a win over Kentucky Christian in the opener last week, the ALC JV team will open its season on the road Monday night in Barbourville against the Union College JV. Alice Lloyd's junior varsity schedule was completed

last month. Out of 13 games, the JV Eagles will play six at home.

Two juniors on the ALC JV roster are Josh Delancey (Volunteer (Tenn.) High), 6-7, 190, and Matt Taylor (Fleming-

(See ALC, page three)

HIGH SCHOOL NOTEBOOK



photo by Jamie Howell

Prestonsburg coaches looked on during the first half of Friday night's Senior Night win over East Ridge.

Blackcats host Estill in first game

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG - Prestonsburg High senior quarterback Joey Willis continues to play well for the Blackcats. On Friday night, completed 16 of 19 passes for 308 yards and two touchdowns in helping Prestonsburg to a 52-8 win

over East Ridge. The night was even sweeter for the Blackcats thanks to the feat of one particular junior. Nicholas Jamerson had six receptions for 205 yards and a touchdown and upped his punts returned for touchdowns to six on the year. His six returns for a score tie the state record set by David Kelley of Middlesboro set in 1998.

Prestonsburg, last season's state runner-up, begins Friday post-season play Friday night at home against Estill County.

Prestonsburg head coach John DeRossett and his staff have now had time to look at the Engineers on tape. Estill County will bring into

(See BLACKCATS, page four)

Blackcats move up to 11th, Pikeville falls to No. 7

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

LOUISVILLE - Following a healthy win over first-year East Ridge on Friday night, the Prestonsburg Blackcats rank outside of the top-10 this week at No. 11

in Class 2A. Pikeville, after a 35-20 win over Paintsville to clinch a district championship, fall to No. 7. Belfry is No. 7 in 2A.

Paintsville received two votes in the Class-A poll. All four area teams will host home playoff games on Friday night. Pikeville and Belfry are both No. 1 seeds.

NAIA

Tough test pits ALC against No. 25 Pikeville

Eagles put up impressive numbers in opener

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PIKEVILLE - It's a season-opener for Coach Randy McCoy and the Pikeville College men's basketball program tonight when the Alice Lloyd College men's basketball team, coached by Gary Gibson, comes to town. ALC is 1-0 on the season, having won its opener last week.

Pikeville is ranked No. 25 in the country heading into the season. The Bears are just two seasons removed from an NAIA Final Four appearance.

After playing Pikeville tonight, Alice Lloyd will travel to Wise, Va. to play the Cavaliers on Saturday in the first conference game of the season. Gibson would like to see his team come out and play up to its potential tonight in tough early-season test.

"There's no question that the

(See PIKEVILLE, page three)

DIRT TRACK

Thunder Ridge tabs banquet date

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG - Most all dirt track drivers across the region are done racing until the spring, but one area track has scheduled a night to honor drivers for their achievements during the past season.

Thunder Ridge Raceway will hold its stock car awards banquet on Monday, Dec. 9. For reservations, track officials ask that everyone call 606/886-7223 and ask to speak to Mary. Reservations should be limited to drivers crews and their spouses.

Thunder Ridge's final race of the season was the Miller Brothers Coal/Pepsi Thunder Ridge Fall Classic on Sunday, Sept. 29. Grayson driver Jackie Boggs walked away with the top check that night.

Cool weather sports

by DON FIELDS

Winter is almost here but it's too soon to start those indoor workouts. The air is crisp and the temperature is just right for biking, running and paddling in these Kentucky hills. All you need to enjoy your outdoor play time is the right equipment and proper clothing. Knowing how to dress at this time of year makes the difference between having fun and just surviving the weekend.

When biking in temperatures

between 50- and 60-degrees, at least two layers of upper body clothing, including long sleeves and long pants is usually sufficient. You can expect to feel like it's 10- degrees warmer after you start exerting yourself. For running, you can still wear shorts and a long sleeve shirt.

The type of material you choose is the determining factor for comfort. Cotton holds too much moisture, whether perspiration or falling from the sky. It takes too long for cotton to dry, thus feeling wet and cold,

allowing you to lose too much body temperature. Polyester and nylon or cotton blends do a much better job of wicking moisture away from your body and allowing the sweat to evaporate, leaving you dry and warm.

Wicking fabrics should always be your base layer, as well as the outer layer which should be water resistant if not waterproof. Water resistant

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COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Bears win 21-20, secure .500 season

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE — A blocked point after touchdown by freshman J.R. Grant with 4:09 to play in the third quarter turned out to be the biggest play of the day as the Pikeville College Bears held off the Blazers of Belhaven College 21-20

Saturday afternoon. Grant's block, with an aid from sophomore Antwan Brown, kept the Bears in front and saved some of the momentum for a team that was reeling. Pikeville had seen a 21-0 halftime lead evaporate in less than 11 minutes. The win was a big one for the Bears,

running their record to 5-3 and securing the club of at least a .500 season in only its second season of varsity football. Pikeville went 3-7 last year in its first year of varsity play. It also keeps them in contention for a playoff berth, evening its mark at 3-3 in Mid-South Conference play. Entering the

day, the Bears were in sixth place by themselves. But two of the teams ahead of them — Campbellsville and Belhaven — lost, meaning all three will be tied for fourth place with two league games remaining.

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■ Brown

HONORS

Williams MSC, nation's top player again

TIMES STAFF REPORT

The Mid-South Conference named Pikeville College punter Jeff Williams Special Teams Player of the Week on Monday, and that was followed on Tuesday by receiving the same honor from a national publication.

Don Hansen's National Weekly Football Gazette honored Williams with NAIA Co-National Special Teams Player of the Week for his performance on

Saturday, only hours after he won the honor given by his league. He shared the honor this week with Union College kick returner Dominic Yuille.

Williams was busy and very effective on Saturday afternoon,

kicking six times and covering 293 yards for an average of 48.8 yards per kick. His longest of the afternoon was a 56-yarder that bounced through the end zone.

It is the third time this season Williams has been received the honor from both sources. The NAIA does not give a national special teams player of the week.

The Bears knocked off Belhaven 21-20 Saturday afternoon to remain alive in the MSC standings. At 3-3, Pikeville is in a three-way tie for fourth place, only one game out of second in the jumbled race. Only 7-0 Georgetown, which has wrapped up the league title for a fifth straight season, knows for sure where it will finish.



■ Williams

A LOOK AT SPORTS

Can the Blackcats pull more surprises?

From the onset of this column let me say this: I hope the Prestonsburg Blackcats advance all the way to the State Finals again in Louisville. I really mean that! I hope these kids will make it two straight in trips to the finals, but it may be a little more difficult this time around — or will it?

Last year the Blackcats rolled over opponents and the opposition was geared for Coach John DeRossett's ball club with only one loss going into the playoffs. The Cats were expected to advance. This year,



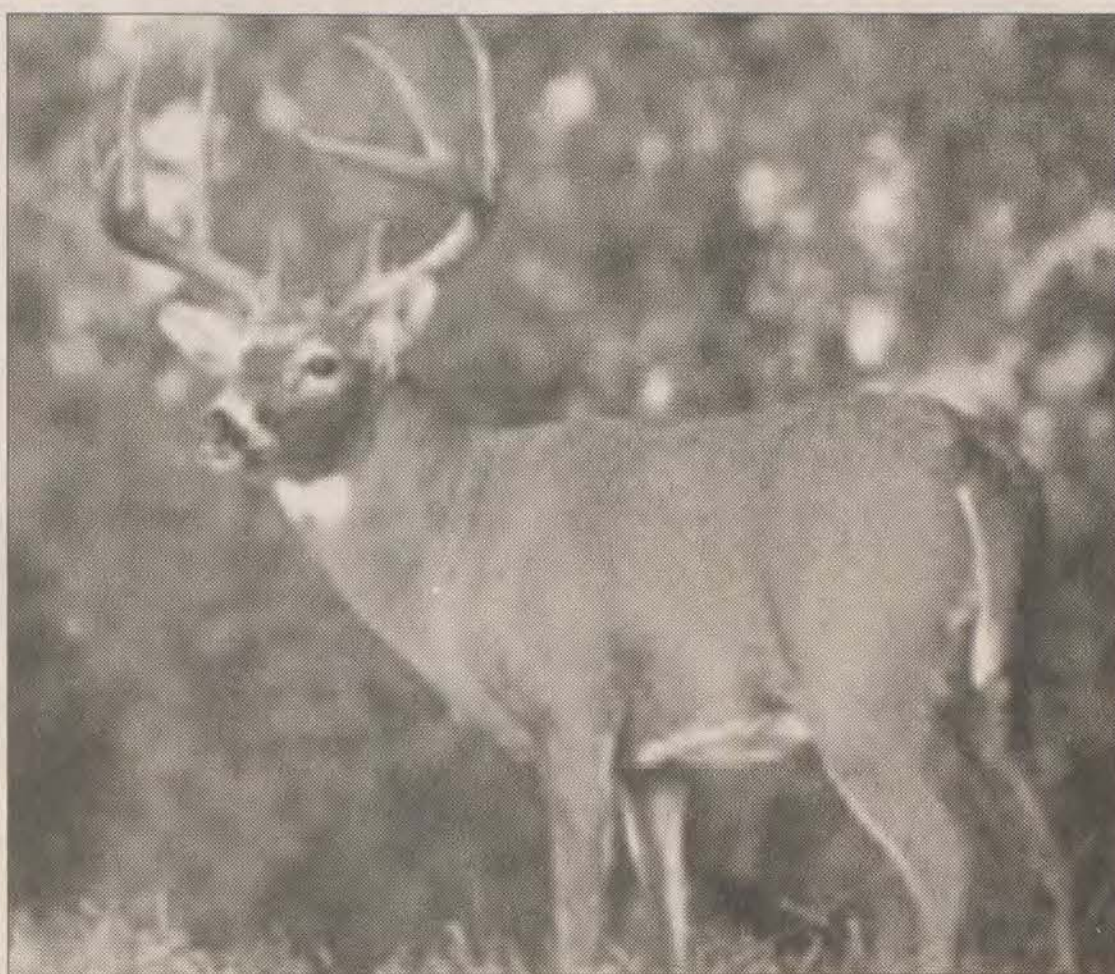
■ Ed Taylor

Prestonsburg could very well have the element of surprise on their side while they are not expected to go as far as 2001.

Just as we thought, Prestonsburg will have home field advantage in the opening round Friday night against the Engineers of Estill County. The last time the two schools met was at Irvine on the Engineers' home field and I was there. It was a great game with Estill County coming out with the win. A young fresh

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OUTDOORS: STATE DEER HUNTING



Hunters in Floyd and surrounding counties will take to the woods as early as Saturday morning when modern gun deer season arrives.

KY. MODERN GUN DEER SEASON

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

FRANKFORT — More than 250,000 hunters are expected to take to the field during the upcoming Kentucky modern gun deer season which opens statewide on Saturday, November 9. Deer hunters will generate about \$350 million to the state's economy while enjoying this recreational opportunity and helping to manage this valuable natural resource.

Depending on the county, the modern gun season runs for 10-16 consecutive days. Officials with the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources (KDFWR) estimate the state's

deer herd to be between 800,000 and one million animals. Most hunters should have little trouble locating a deer to harvest during the season.

"We have the potential for a record-breaking harvest season, and hope hunters will take advantage of the bounty available to them," said Jonathan Day, KDFWR's deer program coordinator.

"We encourage hunters to continue helping us manage our herd by taking as many does as they can find use for, letting the younger bucks go if they want to start seeing bigger bucks, and by remembering safety first at all times while in the field," said Day.

"Perhaps the most important thing a deer hunter can do to help us keep the quality of our deer hunting high is to call and check-in their deer. It takes about five minutes, it's free and you can do it from any phone, anywhere, 24-hours a day," Day added.

There aren't many new regulations this season, but there is a new system in place for recording a harvested animal. Hunters are required to write down some harvest information either on the back of their deer permit or another piece of paper immediately after they find their deer and before it is moved

(See SEASON, page nine)

Pikeville in MSC tourney



■ Missy Gragg



■ Eliza Davenport

CORBIN — The MSC heads to Hopkinsville, Kentucky for its annual conference tournament November 10-11. Heading the list of competitors is No. 1 seed, Georgetown College, who enters the tournament as Regular Season Champion with an 8-0 record and defending tournament champion. The Tigers' sport an impressive 24-3 record and are ranked 3rd in the NAIA National Poll.

The remaining seeds for the tournament are (2) Lindsey Wilson 7-1, (3) Union 6-2, (4)

(See MSC, page nine)

Wildcats run away from Mississippi State, 45-24

by TIMOTHY R. BROWN ASSOCIATED PRESS

STARKVILLE, Miss. — Derek Abney returned two punts for touchdowns and Artose Pinner scored on a 1-yard run — all in the third quarter — as Kentucky beat Mississippi State 45-24 Saturday.

Abney's first touchdown came on a 69-yard punt return to turn a close game into a rout for

Kentucky (6-3, 2-3 SEC). The Wildcats had lost their previous three games to Mississippi State (3-5, 0-4). The Bulldogs led 17-16 at halftime. With more than 12 minutes left in the third quarter, Abney fielded the punt, ran right, cut back to his left down the sideline untouched by the touchdown to give Kentucky a 23-17 lead.

(See STATE, page nine)



file photo

Junior defensive tackle Jeremy Caudill pulled a UTEP ball-carrier down in a game in the first part of the current season.

AUTO RACING

Benson breaks into win column with win at Rockingham

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

ROCKINGHAM, N.C. — Johnny Benson ended one of the longest winless streaks in NASCAR on Sunday, holding off Mark Martin to win the Pop Secret 400 for his first victory in 226 starts.

Benson, known as the best driver to never win a Winston Cup race, led the final 28 laps but had to battle Martin over the final dozen laps at North Carolina Speedway.

Martin, in the thick of the Winston Cup championship chase, was racing for the win and several times drove his Ford onto the bumper of Benson's Pontiac.

When he couldn't bump Benson out of the way, he tried to pass him in the lower grooves of the race track.

None of it worked and the 39-year-old

(See BENSON, page four)

HOMECOMING

ACMS Homecoming

Ariel Robinson was named Allen Central Middle School 2002-2003 Homecoming Queen during ceremonies held earlier this fall. Robinson is the daughter of Faye Wright of Prestonsburg and Rodney Robinson of Prestonsburg. Ryan Collins, son of Mitsy and James Collins, served as her escort.



■ Robinson



■ Hunt

The eighth-grade court included Angel Branham, daughter of Becky and Paul Branham of Langley, with Todd Hudspeth as her escort. Candice Halbert, daughter of Jennifer Halbert of Hueysville, with Eric Crum as the escort. Melissa Nobel, daughter of Tena and Ron Nobel of Garrett, with Ben Moore as her escort. Erica Osborne, daughter of Leatha and Gary Osborne of Eastern, with Corey Click as the escort. Kate Robinson, daughter of Bill and Vennessa Robinson of Langley,

with Colby Tackett as her escort rounded out the court.

The seventh-grade attendant was Brittany Hunt, daughter of Gregory Hunt of Stanville and Lisa Caudill of Garrett. She was escorted by Kyle Hicks.

The sixth-grade attendant was Summer Moore, daughter of Karen Moore of Martin and Terry Moore of Left Beaver. Nick

HARNESS RACING

TR season runs through Nov. 17

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG — Horses, drivers and cars will run at Thunder Ridge Raceway through November 17. The harness season will end at that time.

Post-time is 3 p.m. on Fridays and 1:30

(See HARNESS, page four)

PRO BASKETBALL

VanHoose readies for pro opportunity

by JASON BLANTON FOR THE TIMES

PAINTSVILLE — The road for a shot at the National Basketball Association will begin in Charleston, South Carolina for former Paintsville High School and Marshall University star J.R. VanHoose.

(See VANHOOSE, page nine)

Sports

man by the name of Aaron Tucker was behind center for then-coach Bill Letton's ball club.

Estill County brings a 5-5 record into the contest with Prestonsburg sparkling a 5-1 district record and 7-3 overall. Prestonsburg's losses have come at the hands of some pretty quality programs like Boyle County, Lawrence County and Belfry, the district champions. The Engineers have one of the state's leading rushers in Matt Richardson, who accumulated over 1,300 yards this season.

The road will not get any easier for the Cats should they pull out an opening round win over Estill. The Cats then would have to go on the road and face the top Class AA team in the state, Breathitt County. The Bobcats only finished perfect at 6-0 in their district and had a beaming 10-0 overall finish. Breathitt will host fourth seed Pike County Central in their first round match up. Could it be possible for the Hawks to pull the biggest upset of the playoffs by knocking off the Bobcats?

Dream on. But, again, I call your attention that Breathitt is

expected to win out over the Hawks and Prestonsburg. There comes the element of surprise.

Will the Bobcats take the Cats lightly, looking ahead a little?

I think if Joey Willis, Nick Jamerson and Mikeal Fannin have an extra fine game, then maybe, just maybe. It will take one of their best defensive efforts as well. The Blackcats secondary will be tested and tested often.

Breathitt County has the state's top quarterback in Justin Haddix. Haddix has put up some very impressive numbers this season in leading the unbeaten Bobcats. He has tossed for more than 40 touchdowns and has an average of 311 passing yards per game. So you can see the Bobcats like to air it out when it is game time.

Jamerson is one of the state's leading receivers with nine touchdowns this season. He has 26 catches for 728 yards for an average of just over 80 per game.

Breathitt is also the state's leading scoring team with 54 points per outing.

But I believe the

Prestonsburg coaching staff will have the Cats pumped up and ready to play when it comes time to face Estill County Friday night. A big (and I mean a big one) would certainly build the confidence of the Cats to face Breathitt County, should they win over Pike County Central.

Single-A Playoffs

Well, I am sure someone is scratching their head on this one

Sideline

Jamerson started in the defensive secondary for Prestonsburg last season as a sophomore. He again starts on defense this season while also getting things done as Prestonsburg's and quarterback Joey Willis' leading pass-catcher.

While Jamerson ranks as the state's leading punt returner, Abney is tops in the college ranks in the entire nation.

After taking two punt returns into the end zone Saturday at Mississippi State, Abney was named Southeastern Conference Special Teams Player of the Week by the league office for the third time this season.

Trailing 17-16 at halftime, Abney sparked the UK rally with 69- and 52-yard punt returns for touchdowns in the third quarter. Kentucky went on to win 45-24. For the game, Abney had four punt returns for 136 yards and two kickoff returns for 55 yards.

Abney leads the SEC and ranks third in the nation with an 18.8-yard punt return average

ALC

(Neon), 6-3, 205.

One of three sophomores is South Floyd High graduate Byron Hall (6-3, 235). The other two sophomores are Brandon Morgan

as the Phelps Hornets go the four-seed in the state playoffs over South Floyd and Fleming-Neon. However, South Floyd lost to Fleming-Neon while they were blasted by South Floyd. South Floyd lost to Neon and so the berth went to Phelps.

Kentucky Football

Coach Guy Morriss and his UK Wildcats assured themselves of a .500 season with

their victory over Mississippi State last weekend. The Cats have three games remaining and I believe two of those are games they can win. LSU and Vanderbilt are up next with the season ending at Tennessee. Although the Vols are down this year, still the Cats never fare well against the orange and white. I look for a win against the Tigers and Commodores but they will fall at Tennessee and end the season with a decent 8-4 mark.

Let me say again, GO BLACKCATS!

Until Friday, good sports everyone and be good sports!

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Pikeville

early game against Pikeville is a huge test for our team," said Gibson.

Several Eagles saw action in a season-opening win.

Point guard Tommy McKenzie led the way for Alice Lloyd in its opener, hitting for 17 points while dishing out seven assists and pulling down rebounds in a win over Kentucky Christian College, a capable team in its own right.

Center Kent Campbell had 12 points and seven rebounds in the victory. Guard Nick Samons scored 12 points, pulled down seven rebounds and tossed out three assists. Jimmy Burchett also netted

double-figures in points, scoring 11 to go along with six rebounds. Other stats from ALC's opener follow.

Matt Spencer (4 pts, 5 rebs, 1 assist); Ryan Shannon (4 pts, 4 rebs, 2 assists); Shannon Akers (6 pts, 2 rebs); Jimmy Stumbo (6 pts, 5 rebs); Jason Knott (2 pts, 2 rebs) and Jeremy Daniels (4 rebs).

Hondo Hearne and Matt Hurt also saw action in the first game of the season.

In the opener, the Eagles were 33-for-64 from the field, including five-of-13 from three-point range. However, they were only three-of-10 from the charity stripe.

Reed

Lorenzen. Artose Pinner, Dewayne Robertson and all the other Cats who have performed so well in this 6-3 season, Abney is the Wildcats' MVP, the Southeastern Conference's MEP (Most Exciting Player) and the Heisman Trophy committee's MOP (Most Overlooked Player).

Don't laugh about the Heisman.

The most coveted award in college football undoubtedly will go to somebody like Miami quarterback Ken Dorsey or Ohio State running back Maurice Claret. But nobody in college football has electrified more fans this season than Abney, whose second punt return for a TD against Mississippi State was his fourth of the season, which tied the NCAA record, broke the SEC record and doubled the school record.

It also gave him six career kick returns for TDs (five punt, one kickoff), tying the SEC record set by Vanderbilt's Lee "Long Gone" Nalley from 1947-49. The NCAA career record for touchdowns scored on punt returns is seven by Nebraska's Johnny Rodgers and Oklahoma's Jack Mitchell.

Other noteworthy statistics:

Abney's 471 yards for 25 punt returns this season is the

UK season record, breaking Andy Moll's 420 on 35 returns in 1981 (the year after Abney was born). The NCAA and SEC record is 791 set by Nalley on 43 returns in 1948.

By returning four punts for an average of 34 yards against State, Abney broke the school single-game record of 33.3 set by Kio Sanford against Louisville in 1996. The SEC record is 57.6 by Auburn's Mike Fuller against Chattanooga in 1974.

The career records for highest punt return average are 23.6 by Oklahoma's Mitchell (NCAA); 17.7 by Fuller (SEC); and 15.4 by Dicky Lyons (UK). For a season, they're 25.9 by Tennessee's Bill Blackstock in 1951 (NCAA and SEC) and 19.0 by Don "Dopey" Phelps in 1946. So far Abney is averaging 15 yards per punt return for his career and 18.9 yards per return this season.

Oh, yeah.

For his career at wide receiver, Abney now has 135 catches and 1,631 receiving yards, moving him up to third on UK's all-time list in both categories. This season his 29 catches put him only two behind Aaron Boone and Pinner for the team lead. His 477 yards receiving trail only Boone's 513 yards and they're

virtually tied for the team lead with averages of around 16.4 yards per catch.

And has it been mentioned that he made the SEC Academic Honor Roll last season? That he'll graduate in five years with a bachelor's degree in civil engineering and a master's in business administration? Or that he wears No. 12 to honor his childhood best friend, Ezra Hartinger, who died when they were in the seventh grade?

What more, in other words, could anyone ask of a Heisman candidate?

In recent years, the players most like Abney were Michigan's Desmond Howard, who won the Heisman in 1991, and Notre Dame's Raghib "The Rocket" Ismail, who finished runner-up to BYU's Ty Detmer in 1990.

As a senior, Howard was a brilliant receiver and kick returner who's best remembered for making an historic catch against Notre Dame and striking the Heisman pose in the end zone.

As for Ismail, his notable career included averaging 22 yards per pass reception and returning six kicks (five kick-offs, one punt) for touchdowns.

He had 4,187 yards (rushes, receptions, and returns) for his career, compared with Abney's current 3,774 yards (receptions and returns).

Only 5-foot-10 and 175 pounds (about the same size as Howard and Ismail), Abney has sprinter's speed, the ability to find holes in coverage, and the knack of using his blockers to his advantage.

On several of his long returns, he has gone virtually untouched.

"Our guys just try to shield their guys so I can glide by," Abney says, "and that's all I need."

Abney could have been a model for the Heisman statue, a runner throwing a stiff-arm, and he's definitely a model candidate for any award for which he's eligible. Unfortunately, he can run through an entire football team easier than he can the Heisman smoke that's surrounding other candidates, many of whom are far less deserving than UK's Derek "Adios" Abney.

(Leslie County) and Josh Damron. The freshman contingent, which numbers seven, includes three of the 15th Region's top players from last season. Johnson Central grad Dock Johnson, Shelby Valley's Jeremy Akers and Phelps' Cody Reynolds are three leading freshmen for the JV unit. The remaining freshmen are Travis Hacker (Leslie County), Jeremy Jackson (Redbird), Dustin Jones (McCreary County Central) and Nicholas Adams (Knott County Central).

A long road trip for the JV team comes on Saturday, Nov. 23 when it travels to Asheville, N.C. to take on Mayland Community College.

A complete schedule for the ALC men's junior varsity basketball team follows.

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Nov. 11at Union JV, 7 p.m.
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Nov. 18at St. Catherine, 7 p.m.
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Nov. 23at Mayland CC, 2 p.m.
Dec. 2at Transylvania JV, 7 p.m.
Dec. 4at Southwest Va. CC, 7 p.m.
Dec. 16Mayland CC, 3 p.m.
Jan. 16at King JV, 7 p.m.
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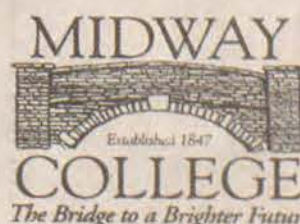
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Harness

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dations and hospitality. Additional harness racing information is available online at www.thunderdgeraceway.com.

Benson

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Benson beat him to the finish line by .261 seconds to become the fifth first-time winner this season.

"It was a long time coming, Johnny Benson, but you got your win," crew chief James Ince radioed him as he crossed the finish line.

Benson then started a long slide across the infield grass

before turning the traditional celebratory doughnuts, so many that his car ran out of gas and had to be pushed into Victory Lane.

"I thought for a couple of years that I'd never get a win," Benson said. "I was always going to be the best guy who never won a race."

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Pikeville stormed out of the gates, scoring on two of its first three possessions. Quarterback Mazzie Drummond scored on a six-yard run while tailback Terrence McCall scored from a yard out, and two Rafael Marquez kicks made it 14-0 with 5:23 left in the first period.

Just before intermission, the Bears scored again, this time on a 24-yard Drummond scramble, for a 21-0 lead.

As it turned out, the home team would need all 21 of them to hold on. Belhaven took the opening kick and charged 70 yards on only six plays and scored when the nation's leading passer, Samuel Husband, hit Darrien Allison for a 15-yard score.

Exactly four minutes later, the Blazers got into the end zone again, although this one was considerably more difficult. A fumbled snap on a punt attempt gave Belhaven the ball on the one-yard line. On fourth down, the Blazers still needed a yard, but got it finally on a Jeffery Johnson run. Ryan Porter had good kicks on both scores, making it 21-14 with 8:59 to play.

The Blazers scored again before the end of the quarter, as Husband led the team downfield on an 88-yard, 10-play series that ended on a Husband pass to Bernard Scott from five yards out.

Porter came on to try to tie the game, but Grant blocked the kick, giving the reeling Bears some momentum back.

The teams traded possessions the rest of the way, with neither able to get into the end zone. Pikeville stopped the Blazers and forced a punt with 1:18 to play, as Belhaven used its timeouts to try to force the Bears to punt. But a first down

pass from Drummond to Terrence Pride effectively ended the game and secured the Bears their fifth win of the season.

Drummond continued an all-around fine season, rushing for 71 yards and two scores on 12 carries. In the air, he was 17-of-22 for 138 yards and one interception. His favorite target was Jay Currence, who hauled in six tosses for 69 yards.

Following Drummond's lead on the ground was Leonard Moore, who totaled 54 yards on 15 carries, while McCall had 45 yards and the score as the Bears netted 158 yards on 47 carries.

Husband finished the game 33-of-50 for 302 yards and two scores. He hit Marcus Lee 13 times for 75 yards, while Scott had 103 yards on nine catches.

Pikeville's rush defense was nothing short of spectacular, allowing the Blazers a mere 28 yards on 22 attempts on the day.

Sophomore linebacker Charlie Miller led the way defensively for the Bears, chalking up 13 tackles, including 11 solos and five tackles for loss. He forced two fumbles and prevented two passes from being complete.

Paintsville High School graduate Matt Brown had a total of five tackles.

Justin Gordon had 10 tackles as well, with six being solos.

Belhaven got nine tackles from Ryan Cook, with five going down as solos. Sam Taylor had eight (six by himself), including two for loss.

Pikeville will play at Campbellsville next Saturday in a key NAIA game. Belhaven (4-5, 3-3) will play host to Union next Saturday.

Weather

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means water can penetrate slowly, both ways. Waterproof outerwear may keep the water out but also keeps the perspiration in. Decide what kind of workout you plan to do before you decide on the outer layer.

Keeping your hands and feet warm and dry is the greatest challenge but may provide the most comfort while outside in cold or wet weather. Shoes and socks that are wet from sweat or rain can blister the feet, ending your workout and requiring time to heal. Again, avoid cotton socks and pick a shoe that allows moisture to escape. Under very wet conditions, an outer shoe or sock is necessary with possibly a gator for the upper foot to keep moisture and debris from getting into the shoe.

Gloves can also be layered for maximum warmth and dryness. A thin fabric, followed by a thicker outer glove will keep your hands warmer than just one heavy duty glove. Water proof outer gloves work well but not under heavy exertion as the hands will begin to sweat.

Last but not least is the hat. A surprising amount of heat is lost through the top of the head. Even a simple cap will help retain this heat, making you feel warmer throughout. Again, the fabric is important, as it is not a good feeling to have a wet towel, (cotton fabric) wrapped around you head and extended period of time. Sweat will begin running in you eyes, down your neck and you will still feel cold, and wet. When biking, a polyester fabric under the helmet works well in cold temperatures and often a headband, worn to cover the ears is all that is necessary with the helmet. These same headbands can be worn under a mesh cap when running to provide the most comfort on cold days.

Remember one thing when training in cold or wet weather. If you overdress, you can take something off. If you under dress you will be cold, wet and miserable for the entire workout. Plan for the worst and hope for the best. Just don't stay inside.

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Blackcats

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Prestonsburg a 5-5 record. The Engineers are coached by Mike Jones.

Final CC rankings

Following are the final Kentucky Track and Cross Country Coaches Asso-cia-

tion's rankings (as of Nov. 2).

Boys' Class A Individuals (Top 5) - 1. Chris Danks (St. Henry); 2. Matthew Sykes (Pikeville); 3. Adam Stanley (Pikeville); 4. Craig Smith (Cumberland Co.); 5. Alex Brey (Kentucky Country Day).

Stanley dominates JFK 3K

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PAINTSVILLE - Runner Frank Stanley continues to outrun and outlast opponents wherever he goes. Stanley's most recent victory came over the weekend on Saturday when he conquered the 11th Annual JFK McDonald's 3K Run with a time of 11:06. Stanley won the race by essentially beating



Frank Stanley

a challenging course. Less than one year ago, Stanley was still rehabbing from a broken leg.

"What I'm doing is impossible," said Stanley. "A runner 43 just doesn't come back from a broken leg that easily. It just doesn't happen. It's a miracle that I'm even running, and an even greater miracle

that I'm winning." While battling back to even walk correctly, Stanley kept his faith.

"It's only my faith, hope and love that's allowing all this to happen," Stanley added. "That along with a lady named Kelley who taught me how to believe in myself again, and that good things can and would happen again."

Oil Springs' John Salyer was second overall and first in the 30-34 age group, finishing with a time of 12:40.

Eastern Kentucky University's Jackie Holbrook won the women's division with a time of 12:51. She finished fifth overall.

Lisa Salyer won the 25-29 women's age group with a time of 15:06.



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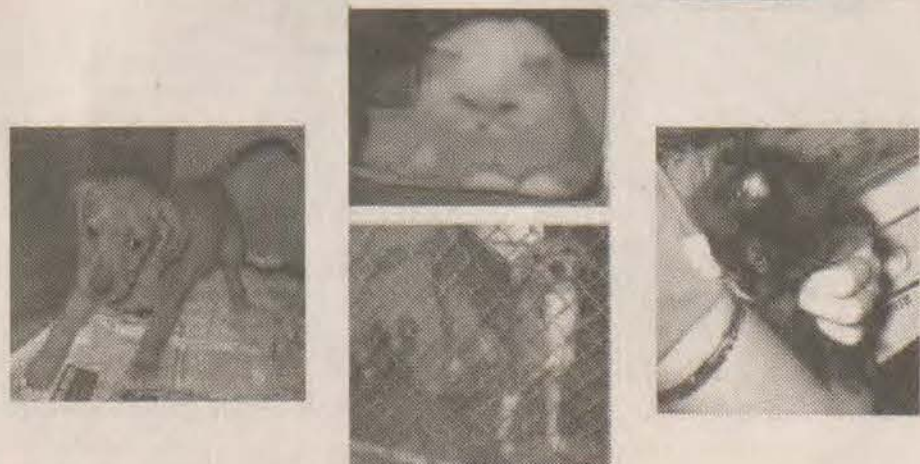
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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. II C.A. NO. 02-CI-00679 OAKWOOD ACCEPTANCE CORPORATION, LLC PLAINTIFF VS. PATRICIA JOHNSON AND JOHNNY S. JOHNSON DEFENDANTS NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF Default Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered on the 26th day of September, 2002, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$69,158.34, together with interest, costs and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, 3rd Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center) to the highest bidder, at public auction on Thursday, the 7th day of November, 2002, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., the following described real estate located in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a fence post on the ridge of the right-of-way of the Bays Branch Road, a corner of the Dora Bell Nelson property. Thence leaving, the right-of-way and following the fence and the ridge and running with the Nelson property. South 80 deg. 21' 15" East 49.41 feet to a fence post, South 79 deg. 58' 53" East, 16.03 feet to a fence post, South 82 deg. 14' 32" East 33.32 feet to a PK nail in the root of a 10 inch maple South 84 deg. 54' 09" East, 24.21 feet to a fence post located at the corner of the Webb cemetery and the Kitchen cemetery. Thence continuing with the dividing fence between the cemeteries. South 89 deg. 57' 23" East, 26.65 feet to a fence post, South 78 deg. 45' 12" East, 3.77 feet to a 3/4 iron pipe (set) in the fence, a corner of the Ivanell and James Roy Price property. Thence leaving the Nelson property and cemetery and running with the Rice property. South 44 deg. 59' 48" East 89.10 feet to a tack in a hub (set) in the center of a drain in abandoned road. Thence running with the drain. South 34 deg. 19' 07" West, 143.78 feet to a PK nail in the root of a 14 inch buckeye, South 39 deg. 10' 52" West 37.70 feet to a PK nail in a copper plug, South 72 deg. 39' 14" West 46.45 feet to a point, South 89 deg. 04' 01" West, 127.65 feet to a 6 inch sycamore, South 82 deg. 04' 51" West 89.82 feet to a 3/4 inch iron pipe (set), North 54 deg. 07' 28" West, 81.63 feet to a point, in the drain, North 69 deg. 35' 37" West, 37.97 feet to a point in the drain, North 43 deg. 37' 44" West, 46.85 feet to a point in the drain, North 67 deg. 52' 32" West, 18.73 feet to a point in a drain, South 74 deg 01' 50" West, 19.04 feet to a point, in the drain, North 48 deg. 27' 07" West, 60.92 feet to a point in the drain, North 45 deg. 02' 31" West, 60.63 feet to a point in the drain, North 72 deg. 45' 24" West, 69.10 feet to a point in the drain, North 77 deg. 33' 08" West, 62.53 feet to a point in the drain, North 63 deg. 40' 13" West, 10.04 feet to a 3/4 inch iron pipe (set), a corner of the Bonita J. and John Thomas Rice property. Thence leaving the drain and the Ivanell and James Roy Rice property and running with the Bonita J. and John

Thomas Rice property. North 26 deg. 14' 04" East, 26.49 feet to a tack in a hub (set) North 26 deg. 14' 04" East, 113.49 feet to a 3/4 inch iron pipe (set) at the base of a 26 inch white oak, North 26 deg. 14' 04" East, 37.98 feet to a tack in a hub (set) on the right-of-way of the Bays Branch Road. Thence leaving the Rice property and running with the right-of-way, South 72 deg. 01' 33" East, 84.57 feet to a point, South 62 deg. 33' 48" East, 40.36 feet to a point, South 52 deg. 25' 59" East 87.01 feet to a point, South 55 deg. 29' 04" East 55.39 feet to a point, South 64 deg. 10' 22" East, 57.02 feet to a point, South 70 deg. 00' 13" East 37.32 feet to a point, South 80 deg. 26' 14" East 25.10 feet to a point, North 88 deg. 53' 10" East 26.32 feet to a point, North 78 deg. 34' 30" East, 26.53 feet to a point, North 64 deg. 55' 12" East, 43.33 feet to a point, North 51 deg. 12' 50" East, 42.18 feet to the beginning, containing 3.189 acres as shown on Baldrige Engineering, P.S.C., drawing number 2407 and recorded in the Floyd County Clerk's Office bearing map file number 723. There is excepted from this Deed of Conveyance and specifically not conveyed, certain property conveyed by Charles W. Elkins and Vonda Lee Elkins to the Commonwealth of Kentucky for the use and benefit of the Transportation Cabinet, Department of Highways, which is dated September 19, 1990, which is

lodged for record in Deed Book 341, page 465. There is also excepted from this Deed of Conveyance and specifically not conveyed, certain property conveyed by Charles Wilbur Elkins and Vonda Elkins Brothers Construction Corporation, dated January 31, 1991, which is lodged for record in Deed Book 344, Page 500. The above-referenced deeds are referred to for a more complete description of the exceptions to this deed.

And being the same property conveyed to Patricia Johnson, by Deed from Troy Williams and Susan Williams, husband and wife, dated the 3rd day of August 2000, of record in Deed Book 452, at Page 399 in the office of the Floyd County Clerk. TERMS OF SALE: (a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or 10% of purchase price, with the balance on credit for forty-five (45) days, and required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum from the date of sale until paid, having the force and effect of a Judgment. (b) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of

America and/or the record owners thereof. (c) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all Floyd County, Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2002, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County, Kentucky, real estate taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds. (d) In the event the Plaintiff is the purchaser of the above described property for an amount equal to, or less than, its first lien, it shall take a credit against said lien for the amount of the bid and no bond shall be required of the Plaintiff, and it shall only be obligated to pay court costs, the fees and costs of the Master Commissioner and any real estate taxes assessed against the real estate.

Any announcements made on date of sale take precedence over printed matter contained herein.

PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL: Hon. J. Bradford Derfield McBrayer, McGinnis, Leslie & Kirkland 300 State National Bank Bldg. P.O. Box 1100 Frankfort, Kentucky 40602-1100

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FIRST UNION NATIONAL BANK PLAINTIFF (ASSIGNEE OF MERCANTILE MORTGAGE COMPANY) VS. RANDI G. JARRELL; KENNIE JARRELL, JR.; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF RANDI G. JARRELL; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF KENNIE JARRELL, JR.; FIRST GUARANTY NATIONAL BANK; COMMON WEALTH OF KENTUCKY, COUNTY OF FLOYD, BY AND ON BEHALF OF F. MICHAEL HAYDON, SECRETARY OF REVENUE DEFENDANTS NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center) to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 14th day of November, 2002, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., the following described real estate located at 13 Jarrell Branch, Prestonsburg, Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows: A certain tract of real property lying and being in Floyd County, Kentucky, on the waters of Cow Creek, and being more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a metal post next to the black top road; thence running with the line of James Clyde Jarrell up the hill 64 feet to a metal post; thence running with the fence line of James Edward Jarrell 90 feet; thence running down the hill 34.6 feet to a metal post; thence running with the blacktop road 111 feet to the metal post which is the point of beginning. Being the same property conveyed to Lorraine Jacobs from James Edward Jarrell and Brenda Joy Jarrell by deed dated June 9, 1993, and of record in Deed Book 367, Page 95, in the office of the Clerk of Floyd County, Kentucky. Also a certain tract described as being part of the property conveyed to James C. Jarrell by Carrie Lynn Jarrell and Woodrow Jarrell, Jr. To-wit: Property located on Slick Rock Branch of Cow Creek. Beginning at the edge of the blacktop at a metal post going 60 feet straight

up the hill to a fence post, then 12 1/2 feet across the back of the property to a metal stake and then back down 60 feet to another metal post and then 14 1/2 feet back across to the beginning. Being the same property conveyed to Lorraine Jacobs from James C. Jarrell by deed dated March 23, 1994, and of record in Deed Book 398, Page 385 in the Office of the Clerk of Floyd County, Kentucky. And being all the same property contracted for sale in land contract between Paul Douglas Brown and Lorraine J. Bowen as sellers and Kennie Jarrell, Jr. and Randi G. Jarrell as buyers by land contract, dated October 19, 1996, and of record in Contract Book 14, Page 730, in the Office of the Clerk of Floyd County, Kentucky. Being all of the same property conveyed to Randi G. Jarrell and Kennie Jarrell, Jr., by Deed dated June 23, 1998, being of record in Deed Book 421, Page 160, in the Office of the County Court Clerk, Floyd County, Kentucky. TERMS OF SALE: (a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or 10% of purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days, and required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum from the

date of sale until paid, having the force and effect of a Judgment. (b) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof. (c) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all Floyd County, Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2002, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County, Kentucky, real estate taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds. (d) In the event the Plaintiff is the purchaser of the above described property for an amount equal to, or less than, its first lien, it shall take a credit against said lien for the amount of the bid and no bond shall be required of the Plaintiff, and it shall only be obligated to pay court costs, the fees and costs of the Master Commissioner, and any real estate taxes assessed against the real estate. Any announcements made on date of sale take precedence over printed matter contained herein.

WILLIAM S. KENDRICK Master Commissioner P. O. Box 268 Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 (606) 886-2812

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NUMBER 898-5979 OPERATOR CHANGE

In accordance with the provisions of 405 KAR 8:010, notice is hereby given that Premier Elkhorn Coal Company, P.O. Box 130, Myra, Kentucky, 41549, intends to revise Permit No. 898-5979 to change the operator. The operator presently approved in the permit is Premier Elkhorn Coal Company, P.O. Box 130, Myra, Kentucky, 41549. The new operator will be South Akers Mining Company, LLC, P.O. Box 392, Pikeville, Kentucky 41502. The operation is located 0.90 mile north of Wales, and situated in both Pike and Floyd county. The operation is

approximately 1.2 mile northwest from CR 3514's junction with CR 122, and located along Arnold Fork. The operation is located on the 1/2 minute quadrangle map at latitude 37°21'02" and longitude 82°38'09". The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and

Enforcement's Office, 121 Mays Branch Pikeville, Kentucky 41501. Written comments or objections must be filed with the Director, Division of

Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. All comments or objections must be received within fifteen (15) days of today's date.

NOTICE (OF FINAL SETTLEMENT)

I, Douglas Ray Hall, Clerk of the Floyd District Court, do hereby certify that the following settlements of estates have been filed in my office. Anyone desiring to take exceptions to said settlements must do so on or before November 29, 2002, at 9:00 a.m.

Settlement	Case Number	Estate Of:	Fiduciary	Date Filed
Periodic	00-P-00208	Edward C. Music	Thelma K. Music	11/22/02
Final	02-P-00110	Sherman L. Foster	Donna Castle	09/20/02
Final	02-P-00122	Jackie Donald Samons	Orpha Samons	09/26/02
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Final	02-P-00132	Edith Morris	James A. Morris	10/02/02
Final	02-P-00149	Carmel Conn	Betty Conn	10/02/02
Final	02-P-00138	Frank Mayo Leslie	Hester Leslie	10/02/02
Final	00-P-00308	Constance Hicks	Martin Hicks	10/03/02
Final	00-P-00315	Edith Hall Lawson	Dorles Gail Lawson	10/04/02
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Final	02-P-00156	Rebecca Spurlock	Linda Bailey	10/07/02
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Final	00-P-00324	Dora Newsome	Terry D. Newsome	10/16/02
Final	02-P-00192	Elmer Morrison	Florence Morrison	10/16/02
Final	00-P-00328	Bonnie Ray	Teresa Hamilton Rodriguez	10/16/02
Final	02-P-00127	Joann McKinney	James D. McKinney	10/17/02
Final	02-P-00165	James K. Lewis	Beverly Lewis	10/18/02
Final	02-P-00020	Frank Martin	Fred Martin, Jr.	10/17/02

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

I, Douglas Ray Hall, Clerk of the Floyd District Court, do hereby certify that the following persons have been appointed fiduciaries by the District Court. All persons indebted to an estate should settle with the fiduciary within six (6) months from the date of appointment.

Date of Appointment	Case Number	Estate of:	Fiduciary	Attorney
09/27/02	02-P-00375	Jackie B. Boyd 573 Waterbirch Rd. Banner, KY 41603	Melinda Boyd P.O. Box 255 Ivel, KY 41642	
09/26/02	02-P-00376	Ruth Jervis P.O. Box 269 Auxier, KY 41602	Margaret Preece 3647 Rocky Road Columbus, OH 43223	John E. Hunt P.O. Box 960 Allen, KY 41601
10/01/02	02-P-00380	Grover Ousley 186 Mud Lick Branch Hippo, KY 41637	Richard E. Ousley 186 Mud Lick Branch Hippo, KY 41637	
10/01/02	02-P-00381	Russell Laven 436 N. Central Ave. Prestonsburg, KY 41653	Brett D. Davis 415 Trimble Branch Prestonsburg, KY 41653	
10/02/02	02-P-00282	George D. Tackett 415 Tackett Fork Beaver, KY 41604	Linda G. Tackett 416 Tackett Fork Beaver, KY 41604	
10/04/02	02-P-00384	Thelma Daniels Wayland, KY 41666	Mary Lois Williams 825 Maple Lane Waterville, OH 43566	
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10/09/02	02-P-00394	Burnis S. Moore Rt. 5, Box 9445 Monticello, KY 42633	Alberta T. Moore Rt. 5, Box 5432 Monticello, KY 42633	D. Stacy Marshall P.O. Box 1378 Prestonsburg, KY
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10/16/02	02-P-00402	Taxxena N. Flannery, Minor 16227 KY Rt. 122 Hi Hat, KY 41636	Melissa Henson, Guardian 16227 KY Rt. 122 Hi Hat, KY 41636	
10/17/02	02-P-00404	Ottis Hamilton 895 KY Rt. 3380 Teaberry, KY 41660	Teresa Hamilton 895 KY Rt. 3380 Teaberry, KY 41660	
10/18/02	02-P-00405	Kathelene Ousley 90 Glen Drive Prestonsburg, KY 41653	Willard Ousley 90 Glen Drive Prestonsburg, KY 41653	Richard Fitzpatrick 119 E. Court Street Prestonsburg, KY 41653
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a 52-yard punt return that sealed the win for Kentucky.

Pinner, the SEC's leading rusher, ran for over 100 yards for the sixth straight game, finishing with 104 yards.

Kentucky led 16-14 late in the first half before Mississippi State went up 17-16 on a 47-yard field goal by Brent Smith.

Jarius Norwood set up Smith's kick with a 30-yard run to Kentucky's 38-yard line with 25 seconds left in the half. The freshman had nine carries for 72 yards in the first half. Norwood finished with 138 yards rushing on 15 carries.

Mississippi State quarterback Kevin Fant was only 9-of-30 with three interceptions, all of which led to Kentucky scores.

Fant finished with 162 yards passing. He did connect with Terrell Grindle on a 91-yard touchdown, the longest TD pass in school histo-

ry. Grindle ran past defender Derrick Tatum down the left sideline and caught the pass from Fant, breaking the record set earlier this

year by Ray Ray Bivens on an 89-yard pass against Division I-AA Jacksonville State.

Grindle's touchdown made the score 14-10. It was his second TD;

the first came on a 9-yard pass from Fant with 11:27 left in the second quarter, after Kentucky had jumped to a 10-0 lead.

Kentucky quarterback Jared

Lorenzen was pressured by the Bulldogs' defense for much of the game. He threw for only 141 yards and one touchdown, a 4-yarder to Aaron Boone in the first quarter.

VanHoose

The 6-foot-10 center was selected in the sixth round (47th overall selection) by the North Charleston Lowgators in Thursday's second annual National Basketball Development League draft.

"I'm very excited," said VanHoose from his home Thursday night. "It's been hard not knowing where I was going, but now that's over with and it is time to get to work."

To be eligible for the draft, a player must have signed a NBDL standard player contract and must be at least 20 years old prior to the start of his season.

NBDL teams do not have direct affiliations with specific NBA teams, so players will be eligible to sign with any NBA teams.

VanHoose will not have much time to prepare. Training camp opened this Sunday while the pre-season will begin on Thursday and the regular season will start on November 15.

"It's not a lot of time, you have

to go to training camp and play as hard as you can and hopefully impress them (team officials)."

The league plays a 50-game schedule that runs through

March, followed by the playoffs. Greenville (S.C.) defeated North Charleston in the NBDL finals in the league's initial season.

The other six cities in the league are Huntsville (Ala.), Mobile (Ala.), Roanoke (Va.), Columbus (Ga.), Asheville (N.C.), and Fayetteville (N.C.).

Nineteen regular-season and six playoff games are scheduled to be televised by ESPN and ESPN2 in 2002-03.

As a high school sophomore, VanHoose was a main cog in Paintsville winning the State Tournament in 1996. Two years later, he wrapped up his very successful prep career being named Kentucky's Mr. Basketball.

A solid career followed at Marshall University where VanHoose finished as the fifth all-

time leading scorer in Thundering Herd history (1,803 points) and the second all-time leading rebounder with (1,088 rebounds). He was also in the top ten in blocks, field goals, field goal attempts, free throws made, and games played.

His 1,088 rebounds rank fifth all-time in Mid-American Conference history.

As a senior, VanHoose averaged 15.0 points and 10.6 rebounds, which was good enough for second in the conference in rebounding and 12th nationally.

With the selection of 14 players in the draft, the Lowgators have completed a group of 24 players that will compete for 10 roster spots in the team's training camp that starts Sunday.

Corey Benjamin was selected as the seventh pick in the first round. A standout at Oregon State, Benjamin played three seasons with the Chicago Bulls, from 1998 to 2000. Benjamin averaged a career-high 7.7 points in 48 games

in the 1999-00 season.

The Lowgators selected two other players with NBA playing experience. Damone Brown, selected in the seventh round, played in 17 games with Philadelphia last season and Tiern Brown played in 40 games for Houston last season.

Four players, Neil Edwards, Sedic Webber, Galen Young and Nate Green, from the 2001-02 Lowgators team that captured the NBDL regular season title are expected in the team's training camp.

NBDL team rosters must be cut to 15 players by Nov. 6, with the final roster cuts on Nov. 14.

"This is what I have always dreamed of playing professional basketball," VanHoose said. "Now, I have that opportunity. I just need to go there (Charleston) and show what I can do."

Nine players and three coaches have been called up to the NBA since the beginning of the league.

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Campbellsville 4-4, (5) Lambuth 4-4, (6) Cumberland Tenn. 3-5, (7) North Greenville 2-6, (8) Cumberland Ky. 2-6 and (9) Pikeville 0-8.

The tournament will begin at 9 a.m. Friday at Christian

County High School and will conclude with the championship game on Saturday at 3 p.m.

Pikeville is coached by Missy Gragg. Eliza Davenport is a leading player for the team.

Season

elsewhere.

Hunters will notice a series of blanks on the back of every paper permit or hunting license bought from an usual outlet such as Wal-Mart, K-Mart, Dick's Sporting Goods, or county clerk's office for example. The "hunter's log" as it is called, which can be used to record the harvest of a deer or turkey, must be filled in to show the species, date, county and sex of the animal taken after it is found. The final blank must indicate the hunter's check-in confirmation number that proves he or she has called and reported his or her harvest of the animal. This blank should be filled in after you call and check in your deer.

A completed hunter's log for each deer taken must be kept in the hunter's possession anytime the hunter is in the field hunting deer. Harvested deer must be called in to the toll free telecheck number (800) or (877) 245-4263 by midnight of the day the animal is recovered, and written in on the hunter's log. Hunters not required to have a deer permit must simply record this same information on a piece of paper and keep it on their person while hunting. All deer taken in Kentucky must be recorded and checked in.

Hunters should understand that although the "hunter's log" blanks are pre-printed on the back of every paper license or permit, if you're required to have a deer permit, you must be able to show proof that you bought a deer permit. Just because you buy the "base" hunting license, and it happens to have a place to record your deer harvest on the back doesn't mean you don't need a deer permit anymore. If you purchase your hunting license and deer permit at different times, as many hunters do, you must be sure to have a piece of license paper with you that indicates purchase of the deer permit on the front of the paper.

One other change in deer laws this season removes the requirement of placing a carcass tag on harvested deer if the carcass never leaves the hunter's possession. Only if the carcass is left with another person, does a tag need to be made by the hunter and attached to the deer that identifies to whom the deer belongs. Carcass tags, when required, must include three things: Name and phone number of the hunter who took the deer, and the telecheck confirmation number for that deer. Meat processors and taxidermists will not accept deer without a tag that includes this information. Hunters should not transport harvested deer for other hunters not in the same vehicle at the time unless a carcass tag has been completed and attached to the animal first.

It is very, very important that deer hunters recognize that they should not use their hunter harvest log as a carcass tag. Those who do will have lost not only their harvest information, which they are required to keep with them all season, but their permit or license or both will be gone as well.

If you have to put a tag on your deer, use another piece of paper, not the log and license/permit.

Common Questions About Deer Hunting in Kentucky

Q: When do I have to wear hunter orange clothing?

A: Anytime a deer firearms season is open, all deer and small game hunters must wear hunter orange on the head, chest and back. Small game season opens statewide on November 11, following opening weekend of the modern gun deer season.

Q: Is unposted land open for hunting?

A: No. You must have permission to hunt on private land from the landowner, regardless of whether the land is posted with signs.

Q: Do youth need a hunting license?

A: Yes, and a deer permit,

regardless of age, unless the youth is hunting on property owned by someone who can legally claim the youth as a direct dependent. Persons under 16 are, however, eligible to buy a youth hunting license with permission of a parent or guardian, and up to two (2) youth deer permits, each good for one deer, at a discounted price. Youth who intend to hunt for two deer are also eligible to purchase the general statewide deer permit, in place of the youth permits, but not both.

Q: Do I need a hunter education card to deer hunt?

A: If you're required to buy

a license and born after January 1, 1975, when you turn 10 years old, you are required to successfully complete a hunter education course and carry a course completion card to be eligible to hunt any game species. All firearms deer hunters under 16 years old must be accompanied by an adult at all times while hunting. Kids under 10 years old must be accompanied by an adult during all hunting. Kentucky deer hunters are strongly urged to obtain and read the 2002-03 Kentucky Fall Hunting & Trapping Season Guide for complete hunting season infor-

mation. The Hunting Guide is available wherever licenses are sold.

You can also get hunting information on the agency's website at www.kyafield.com, or call the agency weekdays 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Eastern, toll-free at 1-(800)-858-1549 and have a guide mailed to you.

As a courtesy to deer hunters, the KDFWR Information Center will be operating extended hours to include opening weekend of the modern gun season, November 9-10, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Eastern to answer hunter questions.

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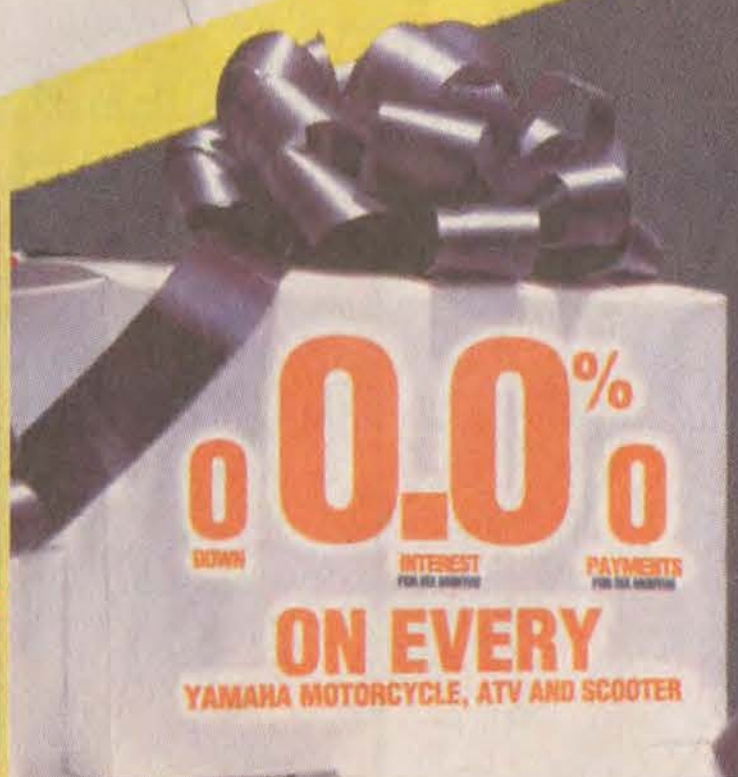
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POISON OAK

On history and homework

By the time I was in the second grade, I, as well as all the other coal-camp kids in Muddy Branch's H.S. Howes Community School, was learning bits and pieces of American history. Like, George Washington was our first president, Abe Lincoln was so honest that he once walked ten miles to pay a



man a penny he owed him, and that Betsy Ross was our country's foremost early flag maker. Well, I guess two out of three isn't bad, because I read in last Sunday's Parade magazine that a group in Baltimore claims that Betsy wasn't and Mary was.

It seems that historians at the Star-Spangled Banner Flag House now credit Mary Pickersgill from Baltimore with being the little sew and sew who stitched the very flag that flew over Fort McHenry in 1814 and it was her stitchery that inspired Francis Scott Key to write our national anthem.

Apparently their thinking is that Ross ought to play second fiddle to Pickersgill.

So, don't be surprised if text books are soon changed and Betsy loses her Number One ranking. If that change does occur, though, while they're at it I hope they also

(See OAK, page three)

'Healthy kids, improved communities'



Tricycles provide children with a fun form of exercise, as well as the opportunity to exercise developing gross motor skills. These children attend Karen's Kare Child Care Center, located near Auxier. The center was provided with the tricycles through a grant acquired by the Floyd County Community Early Childhood Council.

EARLY CHILDHOOD COUNCILS

Master Gardener, a valuable community resource

By Ray Tackett,
FLOYD COUNTY
EXTENSION AGENT FOR
AGRICULTURE & NATURAL
RESOURCES

Master Gardeners are university-trained volunteers who share their time and expertise in their communities. During the 1970's, the Master Gardener program originated in the state of Washington as a means to enabling Washington State University (WSU) Cooperative Extension Service to better serve the public - specifically home gardeners. Since that time, the Master Gardener program has spread to all 50 states and four Canadian provinces.

Today, the focus of the Kentucky Master Gardeners program is on volunteer development. Each program participant must give back 50 hours of volunteer service through approved projects before program completion. There is an almost endless list of opportu

(See GARDENER, page four)



This group of Wesley Christian School students enjoy playing together on the outside play equipment provided by the forward thinking members of the Floyd County Community Early Childhood Council.

by PAT HITES
CHILD CARE RESOURCE &
REFERRAL PROGRAM
COORDINATOR, EASTERN KY CHILD
CARE COALITION

In March, 2001, the Community Early Childhood Councils were formed as one of the KIDS NOW Early Childhood Initiative programs, through the Governor's Office of Early Childhood Development. Councils were formed to enhance the quality of early care and education within Kentucky communities for children ages birth to five years.

School family resource centers, along with the Child Care Resource & Referral agency, appoint members to a community early childhood council. The councils each consist of 7-27 members and each council collaborates with existing interagency groups in its area.

The Floyd County Community Early Childhood Council was formed in March of

2001. Their two-year proposal was developed as a program intended to provide developmentally appropriate gross-motor materials and equipment to area childcare centers in an effort to promote early healthy lifestyles and habits. The proposal also included a nutritional education component.

The Floyd County Council was awarded \$20,000 for its first year. Also in this first fiscal year, Floyd County child care centers and certified child care homes, were provided with specialized training in the areas of nutrition and physical fitness. Theresa Scott, Floyd County Extension Agent for Family and Consumer Sciences, University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service, conducted the nutrition training segment of the program. Heather Nelson, Director, Clark Elementary After-School program, conducted the physical fitness training

(See CHILDHOOD, page four)

Kim's Korner: God's 'Soldier Sam'



Kim Little Frasure

This past Sunday evening was spent at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home; paying respects to one the dearest people I've been blessed to know and had the opportunity to feature in The Christian Messenger.

Samuel May Leslie, (Sam) has written a multitude of poems, thoughts, and songs over his lifetime. Shared his drawings, and those he shared

with me over the years will truly be treasured.

It was six years ago, when I first met Sam and Gracie (his wife), at our church. The most loving two people one could encounter, and Sam at that time was still sharing his occasional poem, and even singing a song or two. He always had a smile, and a hug to offer, and most importantly quick to give God the Praise

for his Blessings.

Yes, Sam had a wonderful heart, and wonderful personality!

One of his many poems I treasure most, I'd like to share and dedicate In-Memory of one God's Mighty Soldiers-Samuel May Leslie.

Old Age Infirmities:

"Old age infirmities go hand in hand.

After a while it's hard to stand.

That's why I sit more than I stand; I'm waiting my time for the Promised Land.

When I cross the river at the Great Divide,

And meet loved ones on the other side, I want to see Jesus most of all

Because he saved us from

(See KORNER, page three)

School Happenings

ADAMS MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH SERVICES CENTER

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

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

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

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

ALLEN CENTRAL MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH SERVICE CENTER

Each Monday, 8:30-9:25 a.m., "Respect Class," for 7th grade girls.

Collect Food City receipts and turn them in to home room teachers.

ALLEN ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE YOUTH SERVICE CENTER

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

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

BETSY LAYNE ELEMENTARY

The Family Resource Youth Service Center provides services and referral services to all families regardless of income. The center is located in the middle building of the Betsy

Layne Elementary School. Office hours are Mon. - Fri., 8 a.m. until 3 p.m.

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

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

CLARK ELEMENTARY

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

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

reached by calling 886-0815.

DUFF ELEMENTARY

School is collecting Food City receipts that will be used toward receiving free computers and other educational items. Please send your receipts to school with your child or drop them off at the Family Resource Center, or the school's front office. Any help with this valuable school project is very appreciated.

MAY VALLEY ELEMENTARY

Nov. 4-15 - CANNED FOOD DRIVE.

Nov. 6, 7 - Personal hygiene programs, K-4.

Nov. 8 - School assembly program: "West Africa Meets Hip-Hop." Musical program by Zig Wajler.

Nov. 7, 8, 12 - Nutrition programs, K-1.

Nov. 7 - OPEN HOUSE. 5-7 p.m.

Nov. 8, 13, 15, 19 - Physical activity programs.

Nov. 11 - FRC Advisory Council meeting, 4 p.m., school library. Public invited.

Nov. 14 - "Time Out for Parents." 1-2:30 p.m.

Floyd Co. Health Dept. is at the school each Wednesday. Services include 6th grade physicals and immunizations; WIC; well-child physicals; Kindergarten and Head Start physicals; blood pressure checks; and more. Must call the FRC at 285-0321 for an appointment. Donna Samons-Bartrum, FRC Director.

MCDOWELL ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

School is collecting Food City receipts. Have your students turn receipts in to their homeroom teachers.

Community members may also turn receipts in to school office. Help McDowell Elementary receive computers, audio visual equipment, etc. through the "Apples for Students" program.

SBDM Council meets on the 3rd Tuesday of every month.

FRC Advisory Council meets first Thursday of each month in FRC office at 5:30 p.m.

GED classes are held in FRC each Monday and Wednesday from 8-11:30 a.m. Classes are FREE. Please bring paper and pencil. Instructor, Teresa Allen, David School.

Parents of fifth-graders should call now to have their child scheduled for school physicals and immunizations. A series of three HEP B vaccines are required for entry into sixth grade next fall. Students should begin the series now in order to be ready by next fall. Call 377-2678 for appointment.

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

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

The Bridges Project is in the school Monday thru Friday,

(See SCHOOL, page three)

YESTERDAYS

(Items taken from The Floyd County Times,

10, 20, 30, 40, 50 and 60 years ago.)

Ten Years Ago

(Nov. 4, 1992 and Nov. 6, 1992)

Floyd Countians were a' beatin' out the Bushes and flushin' out the Quayles in Tuesday's general election, mirroring voter sympathies nationwide. As of 10 p.m., Tuesday, Clinton had received more than 238 electoral votes, just 32 short of the 270 electoral votes required to win the office. Bush had received only 46 electoral votes and wildcard Independent candidate H. Ross Perot received none...Republican Harold "Hal" Rogers, incumbent Representative of the old Fifth District, defeated Democratic opponent John Doug Hays for the position of Representative for the newly-drawn Fifth District, putting the final nail in the coffin of the nearly half-century-old Democratic dynasty...Two vacancies were created and one was left unfilled at Monday's meeting of the Allen City Commission. Mayor pro tem Elmer Parsons accepted the resignation of Mayor Buster Porter, due to poor health, effective October 22. Porter has not attended a city commission meeting since March...A four-year-old Floyd County girl was killed, and six others were injured, in a three-vehicle accident at Pikeville, Thursday evening. According to a Pikeville City Police report, the accident occurred when Reta Chaney, of Pikeville, was traveling west on Kentucky 1384, apparently attempted to pass another vehicle and collided with an eastbound vehicle driven by Judy Morgan, 42, of Stanville. The Chaney vehicle ran off the roadway and the Morgan vehicle was forced backward, striking a vehicle driven by Tammy Roer, 24, of Pikeville...Former Floyd County Sheriff's Deputy Larry Newsome was sentenced to six months in prison and fined \$2,000, Wednesday, for his guilty plea to distributing drugs. Newsome, 45, is to report to the federal correctional institution in Butner, North Carolina by November 8, to begin serving his sentence. Newsome pleaded guilty in U.S. District Court in Pikeville last August to giving a police informant \$610 for 261 pills between February and May 1991...State Education Commissioner Thomas Boysen brought charges of misconduct against Floyd County Board of Education member Tommy Boyd at the state school board meeting in Gibertsville, Thursday. Boyd was charged with one count of misconduct in office for statements he made at the September 8 school board meeting in regard to the employment of an office manager at the Youth Service Center at Betsy Layne High School...There died: Otis Burchett, 40, of Prestonsburg, Monday, in the Highlands Regional Medical Center; J.D. Newberry, 83, of

Auxier, Monday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Goldie Ramey Jarrell Stapleton, 96, of Prestonsburg, Monday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Anna Mae Spencer, 82, of Martin, Saturday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Sterling Hamilton, 64, of Teaberry, Friday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Wallace "Bo" Tackett, 37, of Hi Hat, Saturday, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Medical Center; Joe Frank Goble, 59, of Albion, Michigan, Thursday, at Albion Community Hospital; Christene Hall, 62, of Prestonsburg, Saturday, at St. Clair Medical Center, Morehead; Edna Gail Goble Music, 32, of Prestonsburg, Sunday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Jake Bradley, 87, of Spurlock, Thursday, at his residence; Irvin Breeding, 77, of Maloneton, formerly of Price, Thursday, in Vanceburg Health Care Center; Garnett Hall, 51, of Galveston, Thursday, at University of Kentucky Medical Center; John H. Skaggs, 61, well-known host, performer and board member of the Kentucky Highlands Folk Festival, Wednesday, at the University of Kentucky Medical Center; Dr. Mary Louise Osborne, 63, a Louisville resident who gave up practicing law to become a physician, died Wednesday, October 28, at her home; Eathel L. Patrick Stumbo, 74, of Martin, Sunday, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; James W. Johnson, 80, of Mt. Sterling, October 21, at Mary Chiles Hospital; Hazel Virginia Matheny Beverly, 85, of Allen, Tuesday, at her residence; Lloyd Bolen, 71, of Hillard, Ohio, formerly of Martin, Wednesday, at his residence.

Twenty Years Ago

(November 10, 1982)

The Board of Education voted, last week, to accept a \$15,590,655 working budget presented by Assistant Superintendent Ray Brackett...A pickup owned by Leonard Hall of Melvin, was apparently stolen and then deliberately rolled over an embankment and set on fire. No arrests have been made...Dr. Grady Stumbo will make an announcement, next Monday, in five cities, to make his "official" entry into the race for the Democratic nomination for governor...Big Sandy Health Care Inc., the federally-funded agency that operates clinics on Mud Creek and in Salyersville, recently chose Ellis Buchanan, 44, an Air Force veteran, to be its executive director...There died: William K. Goodman, 79, of Martin, last Wednesday at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Carmack S. Goble, 76, of Prestonsburg, November 1, at Riverview Manor Nursing Home; Bill A. Hunter, 54, formerly of Martin, October 31, at

Cabell-Huntington Hospital; Alex Hall, 77, of Kite, Tuesday, November 2, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Medical Center; Fonzo Wicker, 83, of Lackey, last Friday, at Potter Clinic; John M. Goodman, 71, of Prospect, Friday, at Surburban Hospital, Louisville; Fred C. Slone, 82, formerly of Floyd County, November 1, at Cottonwood Hospital, Murray, Utah; Gordon E. Sanders, 44, formerly of Weeksbury, Sunday, October 31, at Heritage Hospital, Taylor, Michigan.

Thirty Years Ago

(November 8, 1972)

In Tuesday's election, 7,327 votes were cast in Floyd County for presidential candidate George McGovern, while the incumbent, Nixon, received 5,787...Wheelwright leaders met October 31, with staff members of the University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service to plan organization of a community development club...Projections made by the Kentucky Program Development office set Floyd County's population in the year 2000 at 25,076...There died: Mrs. Cora Caudill, 50, of Hi Hat, Saturday, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; George Tackett, 69, of Weeksbury, Friday, at Methodist Hospital, Pikeville; Orsker Hall, 61, of Hall, Friday, at the University of Kentucky Medical Center, Lexington; Mrs. Daisy P. Gearheart, 47, of Prestonsburg, October 1, at the UK Medical Center, Lexington.

Forty Years Ago

(November 8, 1962)

Kentucky re-elected, Tuesday, to the U.S. Senate, Thurston B. Morton, Louisville Republican, by a majority of approximately 40,000, but Floyd County turned in the state's biggest majority polled for his Democratic opponent, Lieut.-Gov. Wilson W. Wyatt, also of Louisville...Operation Dewey Drawdown was completed at 11:30, Monday night, and the next day was devoted by several Floyd Countians to netting scores of bass, which apparently were dying for lack of oxygen in the reddish, muddy water remaining in the channel of Johns Creek...A total of \$542,150 in federal grants has assured construction of Prestonsburg's modernized sewer system and sewage disposal plant...A truck-mine operator said, Wednesday, that between 75 and 100 shots were exchanged by mine guards and unseen men on a neighboring hillside at the mouth of Bill Hall Branch, near McDowell, Tuesday night...Administration candidates had an easy time of it in Tuesday's election, Dr. J. H. Allen defeating his opponent,

George E. Barnett, in Educational Division No. 2, 1,785 votes to 574. In Educational Division No. 1 Bill Wells was unopposed...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. John Church, Winona Lake, Ind., a daughter, Kimberly Lee, Sept. 22. Mrs. Church is the former Ada B. Pigman, of Water Gap; to Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bunting, of Columbus, O., a daughter, Oct. 3...There died; Lacy Dingus, 66, of Hite, Monday, at 10:30 p.m.; Mrs. Phoebe Keathley Wicker, 81, formerly of Amba, Monday, at the home here of her daughter, Mrs. Russell L. Hall; Mrs. Gussie Ward Tackett, 79, of Harold, Thursday, at home.

Fifty Years Ago

(November 6, 1952)

Dwight D. Eisenhower was elected at Tuesday's polls, to the presidency, by a landslide vote over his Democratic opponent, Adlai Stevenson...Despite the \$100 reward offered by the Good Government Taxpayer's League for information leading to the arrest and conviction of vote violators, no reports have yet been received, indicating that the vote-buying and vote-selling were, if not stamped out, at least forced to take cover...In the two races for Floyd County Board of Education, J.E. Campbell, incumbent, won in Educational Division No. 5, and John M. Stumbo Jr., was elected in division No. 3...The Department of Economic Security reported that for the nine-month period ending September 30, public assistance payments totaling \$37,093 were paid to residents of Floyd County for old-age assistance, aid to dependent children, and aid to needy blind...Architects have been asked to meet with the County Board of Education at a special meeting next week to discuss cheaper construction costs for two school buildings—one at Ligon, and one at Bosco...Octavia Rhodes, administratrix, filed suit against the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway Company for \$50,000 damages in the death of 18-month-old Manuel Lee Rhodes, who was killed by a train near Ivel, October 19, 1951...Born: To Mr. and Mrs. Henry D. Fitzpatrick Jr., a son, Franklin Davidson Fitzpatrick, November 1, at St. Mary's Hospital, Huntington...There died: Mrs. Alice Akers Roberts, 79, Floyd County native, Friday, at Sharon Heights hospital, Jenkins; Marion Jackson Ratliff, 85, of Martin, Tuesday, at home; Callie Reed, 70, former Floyd County man, at his home in Burlin Heights, Ohio, Saturday; Earn Holt, 19, of McDowell, Wednesday afternoon; Ned Poe, 85, October 31, at the home of his son at West Prestonsburg.

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Critter Corner: Exercise caution with antifreeze



"Suzi." Suzi was brought home from the local railroad depot in her community by Katbird Isaac. Suzi wants all her railroad buddies to know that she is warm and safe and she thanks them for being so kind to her.

By Dr. Carol Combs-Morris, DVM

With cold weather fast approaching, I thought it might be wise to reprint the annual article on antifreeze poisoning. This time of year, when everyone is getting their vehicles ready for winter, is a high-risk period for pets to gain access to accidental antifreeze spills. If this sounds familiar, yes, you may have read it before, but I

think it bears repeating:

I hope to accomplish several things here: First, to make you aware of how antifreeze causes toxicity, how the poisoned animal behaves, and how quickly you must act if there is any chance of saving your pet's life. Frankly, I also want to scare you enough to cause you to exercise extreme caution anytime you handle or store this product.

I guess there's no getting around some basic chemistry to

explain how antifreeze does its damage. Stay with me—I'm not about to get too deep into that subject. The chemical name for the most common antifreeze is ethylene glycol; the name hints that it is related to ethyl alcohol, or ethanol, the type found in alcoholic beverages. Ethanol is evidently also produced in small amounts by the body as a waste product, since animals and people are equipped with an enzyme-alcohol dehydrogenase—that is responsible for binding to the alcohol and escorting it out of the body via the kidneys.

Since ethylene glycol "looks", chemically, so much like ethanol, the enzyme picks up this compound also and tries to get rid of it the same way. The trouble is, while the enzyme and ethanol were designed for each other, and are an exact fit, the enzyme-ethylene glycol combination goes together like two pieces of a jigsaw puzzle that almost match, but not quite.

This makes for a "bumpy", or "prickly" molecule with little protrusions that catch on others like it, and starts a crystallization process. The crystals soon begin to clog the tiny tubes of

the kidney, and kidney failure results.

Now you can better understand what happens to the animal who laps up some spilled antifreeze. It takes an incredibly small amount of ethylene glycol to poison an animal—on the order of a few teaspoons for an average-size dog—since, as you now know, it isn't the antifreeze itself, but the new compound formed in the body that does the damage.

Ethylene glycol also has a taste many animals like, and they will drink it voluntarily. Although cats tend to be a little more discriminating, even the most finicky of felines will lick the substance off his feet if he happens to walk through it.

Unfortunately, the first stages of poisoning are often missed by owners. The animal literally becomes "drunk", and while it usually staggers around a little at first, it soon goes somewhere to sleep off the effects. A few hours later, the animal wakes up "sober" and appears normal. This lulls owners into a false sense of security. "I found the chewed-up jug, but he seemed fine, so I thought he would be O.K.," is a common lament

heard from owners of poisoned pets. This is the time when the actual damage is being done.

Obvious signs of poisoning are seen when the kidney failure begins. Vomiting, staggering (this time from toxic waste products built up in the blood), decreasing urine production, an odor of acetone on the breath, depression, seizures, coma and death are seen over the next few days. It appears to be a particularly difficult, prolonged and uncomfortable death; one of the few times I automatically recommended euthanasia was confirmed antifreeze toxicity in an animal already showing signs of kidney failure.

I am by no means trying to imply that there is absolutely no hope if an animal drinks antifreeze. If the problem is caught early enough, there is treatment. It is time-consuming, expensive and certainly not foolproof. The chances of recovery go down dramatically with each hour that elapses before diagnosis and treatment. There are new tests and new treatments available, that tip the scales ever so slightly in our favor. Also, there are new propylene glycol based

antifreezes on the market that, while not totally non-toxic, are much safer. I think they are well worth their slightly higher cost.

Remember that pets are not the only victims of antifreeze poisoning; it also presents the same potential danger to young children.

Refusing to purchase regular antifreeze sends a message to manufacturers that consumers are concerned with safety. Also remember that many windshield-wiper solutions also contain antifreeze.

The moral of the story is: THINK SAFETY! Handle and store antifreeze products with great care, clean up spills promptly, and if you even think your pet may have swallowed some, call your veterinarian immediately. If it is after hours, leave a message, leave your phone number, and while you are waiting for a return call, go ahead and call poison control for advice on any first aid you may be able to administer. Ask your vet ahead of time for the number he recommends and post it with your other emergency numbers. I sincerely hope you never have to use it.

Digital mammography

My sister is going to have a digital mammogram. What is this?

Mammography is the most effective technology presently available to check for breast cancer. Conventional mammography uses x-rays to create a picture of the breast on x-ray film. In digital mammography, x-ray images are recorded in computer code instead. Before they are printed on film, digital mammography images are displayed on a computer monitor. They can be made lighter or darker and the radiologist (a doctor who specializes in creating and studying pictures of areas inside the body) can zoom in on an area for a closer view.

To the patient, there is little difference between having conventional mammogram and having a digital mammogram.

Digital mammography may have some advantages over conventional mammography. The images can be stored and sent electronically, which makes long-distance consultations with other specialists easier. Because the images can be adjusted, it is easier for the radiologist to notice small dif-

ferences in the tissue. Also, the improved accuracy of digital mammography may reduce the number of follow-up procedures.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved digital mammography in 2000. However, studies have not yet shown that digital mammography is more effective in finding cancer than conventional mammography. Women considering digital mammography should talk about it with their doctor.

Only facilities that have been certified to practice conventional mammography and have FDA approval for digital mammography may offer the technique. For a list of conventional mammography facilities, call the Cancer Information Service at 1-800-4-CANCER.

Ask the CIS is distributed by the Cancer Information Service (CIS) of the Mid-South, which serves Kentucky, Tennessee, Arkansas, Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana. The CIS is a program of the National Cancer Institute.

Call the CIS toll-free at 1-800-4-CANCER, between 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. local time.

Oak

explain something I've always wondered about Abe Lincoln's debt: Whose picture was on the penny back in those days?

And speaking of school (something I've done less and less since I retired back in 1994 after 33 years of teaching), I was standing in line at one of the variety stores the other day when I overheard a conversation between two women, one of whom was buying a couple of sheets of poster board.

What I heard via my unintentional eavesdropping amused me a bit and underscored what I've probably known for years.

"I'll tell you, they're killing

me," one woman said to the other.

"I know what you mean," the other answered, "it took me until one o'clock the other night to answer all those social studies questions. I told Bobby (or was it Bobbie, or maybe even Bobbi?) to re-copy it before the bus came or the teacher might not accept it. What kind of poster are you having to do?"

It appears then that in some cases, the idea that homework supports learning for the students has merely become homework for the parents while the kids—who will likely grow to adulthood thinking that Betsy Ross invented light bread—watch TV or play video games.

Korner

Adams fall.
This world is restless because of sin
But God made a way for us to enter in,
Judgment comes closer day by day
And many a person will fall by the way.
Faith and good works stand tall and straight,
That's what it takes to see the pearly gates.
The devil makes war every-day
For those who are weak and says, "I can't."
If you read the Word every-day
And do what it says, you'll be O.K.

But don't give up, and let your faith grow cold,
Stand tall for Jesus and be bold.
It's the only way to the Promised Land
I've been on this road and I understand.
The rougher the road, the harder I climb.
My aim is to be faithful without compromise,
So I can seize the everlasting prize.
And live with Jesus in Paradise."
Sam, born February 27, 1917 made his journey to the Promised Land, November 2, 2002.

Yesterdays

Sixty Years Ago (November 5, 1942)

Congressman A. J. May, Democrat, was re-elected, Tuesday, over Dr. Elmer E. Gabbard, Republican, in a neck-and-neck election finish...Floyd County registration of home-owners and car operators, for kerosene and gasoline rationing, will be conducted in the county's schools, beginning Thursday, November 12, John Stephens, secretary of the Floyd County War Rationing Board, announced this week...Louis Murphy, 38, of Glo, died Saturday at the Stumbo Memorial Hospital of injuries sustained when struck by a train as he was sitting on the rails, and the train was backing up to switch coal cars...Floyd County, in gathering 3,136,000 pounds of scrap, fell short of the 5,280,000-pound quota assigned it in the statewide drive that ended Saturday...Mart Huff, 60, was fatally burned in the explosion of a sawmill boiler where he was a fireman at Mousie, Knott County...Married: Miss Dorothy Clapp, St. Louis, Missouri, and Mr. Robert Wahlford, of Hite, at Stephan Memorial Church, St. Louis, Saturday...Born: To Mr. and Mrs. Otis Cooley, a son, Ronald Lamar, Friday morning, to Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Holcomb, of Huntington, West Virginia, a son, David Eugene, October 31. Mrs. Holcomb is the former Madge Boyd...There died: John Goodin, 69-

School

8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Center is open weekdays 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Telephone: 587-2233.

PRESTONSBURG ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

Nov. 11 - SBDM Council meeting, 6 p.m.
Nov. 12 - "Time Out for Parents," 1-2:30 p.m. Topic: Communication Skills. Door prize will be given away. Refreshments will be served.
Nov. 12 - "Parent University," 5:30-8:15 p.m. Location: ADAMS MIDDLE SCHOOL. FREE chili dinner, door prizes. Workshops will include Body Recall, Financial Aid, Internet Safety, Family Literacy, Crisis Management, and How to Survive the Teenage Years. To pre-register, or for more information, call 886-7088 or 886-9812. *Licensed childcare will be made available for those who pre-register by Nov. 8.*
Nov. 19 - Family Reading Night, 7 p.m., school library.
Nov. 19 - PTA meeting, 7 p.m., auditorium.
PES is collecting Food City receipts. Have your child turn in receipts to their home-room teachers. Community members may also turn in receipts to the school office or Family Resource Center.
MCCC services available at the center. Call for additional information.
Center is open weekdays 8 a.m.-4 p.m.
After School Child Care, 3-6 p.m., school days.
Call 886-7088 for additional information regarding the Prestonsburg Elementary

Family Resource Center or its programs.

PRESTONSBURG HIGH SCHOOL

The PHS Band program is currently engaged in their annual fruit sale fundraiser. A delicious array of naval oranges, red grapefruit, tangerines, and Washington apples are available in a wide assortment of packages. To order, contact any band member, band parent, or Mr. Michael Bell, PHS Band Director. Deadline to order nearing. Fruit will arrive in early December. *Great gift idea!*

STUMBO ELEMENTARY/MUD CREEK FRYSC

Nov. 14 - School photo retakes and Sports photos.
Nov. 15 - "Science on Campus," Prestonsburg Community College, 7th grade.
The Bridges Project is located in the school, Mon.-Fri., 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Resource Center hours are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Mon.-Fri. Center Coordinator, Darren Newsome, 587-2233.

SOUTH FLOYD YOUTH SERVICES CENTER

Walking track open to public (except during special event).
Center has a one-stop career station satellite station that is available to the community, as well as students.
Anyone interested in Adult Ed may contact the center for information.
All new students and visitors, stop by the Center, located on the South Floyd campus, Room 232, and see Mable Hall.

year-old train conductor, former Floyd Countian, on a train near Olive Hill; Orville Han, 26, former Floyd Countian, October 27, at Naples, Kentucky; O. C. Oney, Jr., of Lackey, Friday, at the Stumbo Memorial Hospital.

Seventy Years Ago (November 11, 1932)

New York Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt defeated President Herbert Hoover by a landslide majority in Tuesday's national election, with Floyd County polling a 2-1 Democratic vote...In the Prestonsburg school election, A. J. Davidson, Dr. M.J. Leete and Alex M. Spradlin were elected...Ellis Howard, 39-year-old Floyd County Tax Commissioner, was found dead on Middle Creek, Saturday night—stabbed to death...The Carter Motor Sales garage, showroom and office on Third Avenue here was destroyed by fire early Monday morning at a loss of \$18,000, it is estimated by A. C. Carter, owner...The entire lot of 800 ballots at depot precinct No. 3, for the school election, were stolen, Monday night, and County Clerk A.B. Meade had to order them re-printed...Married: Miss Emily Josephine Bowling, and Mr. John Everett Layne, formerly of Prestonsburg, at Cincinatti, Ohio, November 3...There died: Dewey Hall, at his home on Right Beaver Creek, Wednesday; Mack Hamilton, 50, at his home at Beaver.

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

THE DAVID SCHOOL

Adult Education Class Schedule - Fall 2001:
Monday
-McDowell Family Resource Center, 8:30 - 11:30 a.m. Call 377-2628. Instructor: Theresa.
-Betsy Layne Youth Service Center, 8:30 - 11:30 a.m. Call 478-3389. Instructor: Chrissy.
-MSU Prestonsburg Campus, 12:30-3:30 p.m. Call 886-2405. Instructor: Chrissy.

Tuesday
-Allen Elementary Family Resource Center, 12:30-3:30 p.m. Call 874-0621. Instructor: Chrissy.
-St. James Episcopal Church, 5-8 p.m. Instructor: Chrissy.
-Auxier Family Learning Center, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Instructors: CAP.

Wednesday
-McDowell Family Resource Center, 8:30-11:30 a.m. Call 377-2628. Instructor: Theresa.
-Betsy Layne Youth Service Center, 8:30-11:30 a.m. Call 478-3389. Instructor: Chrissy.
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-Allen Elementary Family Resource Center, 12:30-3:30 p.m. Call 874-0621. Instructor: Chrissy.
-St. James Episcopal Church, 5-8 p.m. Instructor: Chrissy.
-Auxier Family Learning

Center, 1-4:30 p.m. Instructors: CAP.

WESLEY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

School is participating in Food City "Apples for Students" program. Please send your register receipts to school with your student, or drop them off or mail them in to school office at: P.O. Box 454, 103 Methodist Lane, Allen, KY 41601.
Weekly Chapel Services, each Wednesday morning, 10 a.m.

W.D. OSBORNE RAINBOW JUNCTION FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

Nov. 12 - "Time Out for Parents," support group meeting, 9:30-11:00 a.m., in school library.
Nov. 15 - Parent and Child Holiday Activity, "Craft Camp." For more info., call the center.
TBA- Recycling program, all grades.
Anyone interested in receiving cleaning supplies for the 2002-2003 school year may visit the center and fill out an application to see if they qualify.
"Lost and Found" located in the Center. Parents need to pick up their children's items within two weeks. Any items not claimed within two weeks, becomes the property of the FRC.
Rainbow Junction Family Resource Center is located in the W. D. Osborne Elementary School, Hours of operation - 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, or later by appointment. Call 452-4553 and ask for Cissy or Karen. Parents/community members free to visit any time.

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Need help with home energy costs?

The Big Sandy Area Community Action Program Inc. will again be operating the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program, funded through the Cabinet for Families and Children and the Kentucky Association for Community Action. The subsidy component will begin November 4, and run through December 13.

To be eligible for assistance, clients must

- Meet the 110 percent poverty income guidelines.
- Be responsible for home cooling costs, and
- Not have liquid resources in excess of \$1,500 (\$4,000) if resources are being used for living expenses due to a catastrophic illness).

Applications will be taken in alphabetical order, based on the

first letter of the head of household's last name. Persons interested in applying for assistance should contact their local community action office in their county of residence for their application day. The following information is needed to apply for assistance:

- Most recent heating bill or verification that heating expenses are included in the rent;
- Social security numbers for all household members; and
- Proof of all household income.

Any person/company interested in being a provider of coal, wood, kerosene, or fuel should contact office no later than November 1.

Office hours are Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. till 4:30 p.m.

Floyd County, Courthouse Annex, Prestonsburg, 886-2929;

Johnson County, West Third Street, Paintsville, 789-6515;

Magoffin County, Church

Street, Salyersville, 349-2217;

Martin County, Russell Williamson Bypass, Inez, 298-3217;

Pike County, Town Mountain Road, Pikeville, 432-2775.

Become an experienced backpacker at Natural Bridge

Natural Bridge State Resort Park is offering two Beginner's Backpacking Weekends in 2002 (December 7th-8th and December 14th-15th). This is an 8 mile overnight trip in the Red River Gorge area for those with little or no experience in backpacking. All meals and

equipment are provided. Ages 18

and up may participate, and a \$50 registration fee (including a \$15 non-refundable deposit) is due by November 25th. For more information call the Park Naturalist Office at 1-606-663-2214, ext. 2104.



No trick here, just livin' the easy life

Captured in motion on Halloween night, were a formidable "Japanese Ninja," a "Genie in a Bottle," and a drowsy "Snow White." These little ladies were taking the easy way out on Trick-or-Treat night, allowing Marty Minix, of Prestonsburg, to chauffeur them around town in style as they gathered up their holiday treats.

Gardener

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nities for community service. The program is very diverse, reflecting the skills and individuality of the volunteers. Many Master Gardeners teach gardening classes, others write horticultural articles, and some operate home pages on the World Wide Web. Master Gardeners also address important social and environmental issues in their communities. They educate the public about the threat that fertilizers and pesticides can pose to water quality if used improperly. Some have led efforts to renegotiate eroded stream banks with native plants. They help reduce the solid waste problem by teaching people to compost. Master Gardeners teach children's gardening classes that emphasize environmental stewardship and human nutrition. Master Gardener demon-

stration gardens test new vegetable varieties and donate excess produce to food banks. In some communities, low-income citizens learn to grow their own food and become more self-sufficient with the help of Master Gardeners. The possibilities are unlimited.

As you can see, the Master Gardener program is more than a horticulture class or a garden club. It is a volunteer program that enables participants to serve their communities through horticultural education. It also promotes personal growth. Not only do Master Gardeners increase their knowledge of horticulture, but they help to develop communication, management, and leadership skills in their communities that may be used in all aspects of their students' lives.

Childhood

segment.

During the training segments, each participating center was presented with a nutrition kit valued at \$150. Remaining first year funds were used toward the purchase of large motor kits that were used in rotation between participating centers. Child care centers were also provided the opportunity to choose play equipment and tricycles that may remain at the centers as long as they are in operation.

The grant's fiscal year ended on June 30. As of July 1, the council began work toward establishing their second year of funding. Again, the goals of promoting healthy lifestyles and habits through education and the use of gross motor equipment and nutritional materials was emphasized. The council commits to the continuance of striving to enhance the quality of care given to the young children of our community.

The long-range goal of the council is to build the communication and team-building skills of group members so that they may sustain collaborative efforts surrounding childhood issues in Floyd County. If you would like to attend a council meeting, or are interested in becoming a

member of the Floyd County Community Early Childhood Council, contact Theresa Scott, at 886-2668, or Pat Hites, at 886-1280.

Following is a listing of the members of the Floyd County Community Early Childhood Council: Theresa Scott, Co-Chair, Floyd County Extension Agent; Pam Meyer, Co-Chair, Clark Family Resource Center Director; Pat Hites, Eastern KY Childcare Coalition; Carolyn Lambert, Eastern KY Childcare Coalition; Deanna Griffith, Big Sandy Community Action; Karen Cornett, Karen's Kare Child Care Center; Thursa Sloan, Floyd County Health Department; Brenda Humphrey, Floyd County Health Department; Bonnie Hale, Mountain Comprehensive Care Center; David Bliss, Mountain Comprehensive Care Center; Melissa Perry, McDowell Appalachian Regional Medical Center; Bob Carpenter, Lancer Baptist Church; Cindy Hackworth, Community Involvement Coordinator, Prestonsburg Wal-Mart; Regina Becknell, Executive Director, Floyd County Chamber of Commerce; and, Donna Potter, Mountain Christian Academy.



This active bunch is learning hand-eye coordination as well as forming healthy exercise habits that will carry them through adulthood, but don't tell them, they're having too much fun to worry with the details. Mountain Christian Academy received this play equipment through a grant developed by the Floyd County Community Early Childhood Council.

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But as the jazz musician of the 20th century, giant leaps were simply a matter of course for Satchmo. For no one has ever embodied the art form the way he did. It was he who helped make virtuoso solos a part of the vocabulary. It was he who was honored with the title "American goodwill ambassador" by the State Department. It was he who was the last jazz musician to hit #1 on the Billboard pop chart.

Not bad for a kid whose first experience with the trumpet was as a guest in a correctional home for wayward boys. If only today's schools were as enlightened and informed as that reformatory was.

Alas, the arts are dismissed as extravagant in today's schools. This, despite all the studies that show parents believe music and dance and art and drama make their children much better students and better people.

If you feel like your kids aren't getting their fair share, make some noise. To find out how, or for more information about the benefits of arts education, please visit us on the web at AmericansForTheArts.org. Just like the great Louis Armstrong, all you need is a little brass.

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Business/Professions

Hank List appointed secretary of Natural Resources Cabinet

FRANKFORT - Governor Paul Patton today named Henry Clay "Hank" List secretary of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet.

List follows the late James E. Bickford as secretary of the cabinet.

"I'm pleased we had available inside the cabinet an individual with Hank's outstanding background, knowledge and leadership abilities to carry forward both the important initiatives and reputation for fair and honest work that Jim Bickford had worked so

diligently on for the past seven years," Governor Patton said. "Hank and all the dedicated employees in the cabinet have been an integral part of a legacy of environmental protection and service to our Commonwealth of which we all can take great pride."

"I feel very honored to have Gov. Patton appoint me to this position," List said. "I want to continue the programs started by Jim Bickford and Gov. Patton, including cleaning up illegal dumps, straight pipes, implementation of solid waste legislation

and brownfields regulations and the cleanup of the Paducah Gaseous Diffusion Plant."

List also said the cabinet will continue its partnership with the Eastern Kentucky and Bluegrass PRIDE (Personal Responsibility In a Desirable Environment) programs.

List, appointed deputy secretary of the cabinet in June, 2001, has been the cabinet's lead person for the voluntary environmental remediation (brownfields) regulations and has been representing the cabinet on the Kentucky State Board on Electrical Generation

and Transmission Siting.

List served as the state representative from the 79th district from 1978-1984 and as a governmental affairs representative for Kentucky Utilities Company and

Louisville Gas and Electric. In 1999, he was named director of public affairs for Kentucky Utilities/Louisville Gas and Electric.

List holds a Bachelor of Public

Administration degree from the University of Mississippi. List, his wife, Gloria, and a daughter and their son live in Lexington, while a second daughter is a student at the University of Louisville.

Bushart named commissioner of vehicle regulation

Frankfort - Kentucky Transportation Cabinet Secretary James C. Codell III has named William M. Bushart Commissioner of Vehicle Regulation. Bushart had been acting Commissioner since the resignation of Dale Shroul in September.

"I'm looking forward to the

challenges and opportunities ahead serving the people of the Commonwealth as Commissioner," Bushart said.

"With his background, knowledge and experience, we couldn't have found a better person than 'Mack' Bushart to fill the job," said Secretary Codell.

For the past two years,

Bushart served as Director of Motor Vehicle Licensing, where among other duties, he supervised the production and distribution of the state license plates. Prior to that he was a principal assistant in the Office of Minority Affairs.

Bushart also worked with the State Board of Elections for four years and served as Marshall County Property Valuation Administrator from 1985 until 1994.

A native of Marshall County, Bushart is a 1980 graduate of Murray State University where as a Presidential Scholar earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Engineering Physics.

Bushart resides in Winchester and is married to Karen Neely Bushart, the Clark County Property Valuation Administrator. They have four children.

Starting business workshop to be held

MOREHEAD - A workshop offered by Morehead State University's Small Business Development Center is designed to help would-be entrepreneurs find out what they need to know to get started with their own businesses.

"Starting and Financing Your Business" will be held from 5-7 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 5, at the Kentucky Folk Art Center, located at 102 W. First Street in Morehead. The seminar will focus on preliminaries of business and financing opportunities.

Topics for discussion will include advertising and marketing, permits/licenses, financial considerations, business planning and selection, and sources of loans.

The workshop is free for all participants, but advance regis-

tration is necessary due to limited seating.

Additional information and registration details are available by calling the MSU Small Business Development Center at (606) 783-2895.

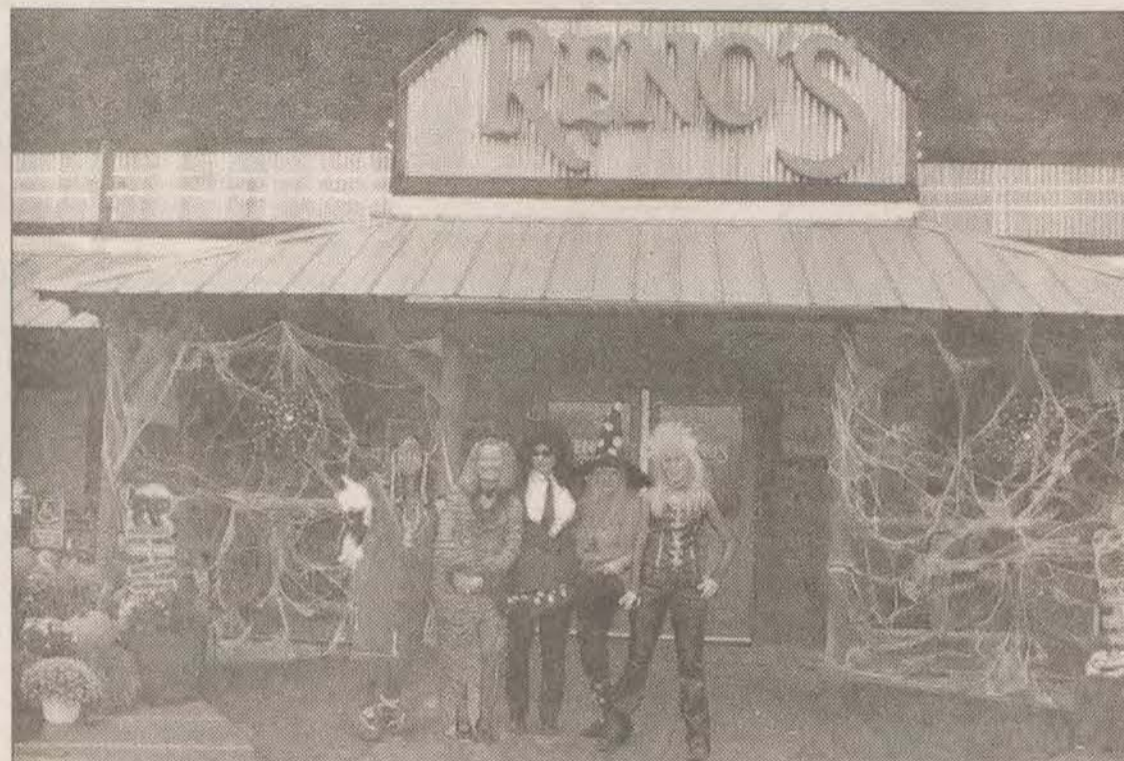


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Yee-haw, it's Halloween! Reno's ropes in Woman's Club Award

The Prestonsburg Woman's Club awarded Reno's Restaurant their first annual Fall Holiday Award this past week. In addition to exhibiting lavish Halloween decorations, the restaurant also held an outdoor barbecue event in honor of the holiday, and many of their employees "dressed" for the occasion. Visiting the restaurant on Halloween, were several Floyd County Times employees. From left to right, are: Rita Brock, Joy Baldridge, Jenny Ousley, Patty Wilson, and Cindy Ramey. The Woman's Club award was given in recognition of exterior decorations. To nominate a business for a seasonal award, contact Joyce Short Allen, Pam Wiener Skein, or any Woman's Club member. To be eligible, the business must be located within Prestonsburg city limits. The restaurant received a certificate recognizing them for the Woman's Club honor.

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A MONTH

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\$159
A MONTH

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Down Payment: \$999
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60 month lease
1st Payment: \$169
Sec. Deposit: \$0
Down Payment: \$499
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Down Payment: \$0
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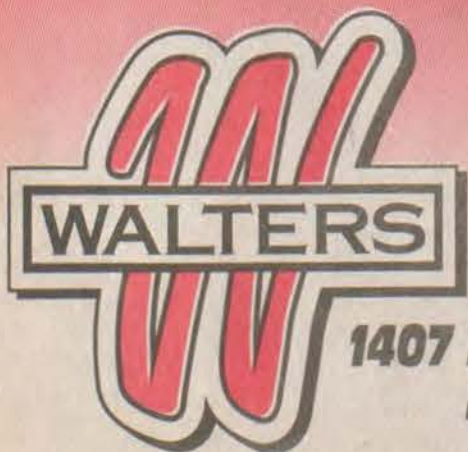
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Today, a turtle became the fastest animal in the world. It even beat the rabbit. The race was five miles from the turtle's house to the pond. The turtle broke a world record.

Johanna,
3rd Grade

It's snowing on the California coast! It's snowing so hard that all the streets are closed. The schools are closed too. Can you believe it was supposed to be 80 degrees today. So I guess it's time to sit back, drink cocoa and watch the snow fall because it probably won't happen again.

Cameron,
6th Grade

A book was recently discovered in someone's attic that could read itself out loud! It's not a tape or a CD player, it's a real talking book. It was found on April 17th, 1992 by an 8 year old boy named John as he was looking for a treasure map. So, if you want to hear this book go to the Little Town Museum.

Daniel,
5th Grade

How long are your fingernails? Well, I bet they aren't 999,999,999 miles long. A woman named Beauty Full has nails this long. They are so long and strong they made a roller coaster out of them. Now that's what I call Amazing!

Makayla,
5th Grade

There's a cat in our neighborhood and it weighs 82 pounds! I couldn't even hold it. That's one fat cat all right. It is so fat that my 20 pound dog cuddles right up to it.

Courtney,
4th Grade

On view in our main street today is the biggest pumpkin in the world. It is 52 feet tall and was planted by D.J. Cobb. D. J. told reporters that it took one whole year to grow this pumpkin.

D.J.,
5th Grade

It all started in the florist show room on a nice December day. Flora Flowers was planting some seeds when all of a sudden a giant Scottish moss bloom sprang out of the window. It appears that Flora had bought a very unusual moss plant.

Vivien,
5th Grade

CORN Mazes

Corn is one of the world's oldest crops. Some corn fossils found in South America are 7,000 years old! Archeologists once popped corn that was over 1,000 years old! Today corn is grown on every continent except Antarctica.

Farmers are now finding an amazing new use for their cornfields - giant mazes! The mazes take shape with lots of wild and wacky designs. But these designs can only be seen from the air.

Some are even open at night for an extra-spooky challenge! So look for a site near you.

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Students read and understand grade-level appropriate text.

The Largest Maze

Today, the world's largest garden maze is the Pineapple Garden Maze at the Dole Plantation. It covers 2 acres with 1.7 miles of pathways and is made up of 11,400 tropical flowers and plants.

Follow the letters on the correct path through the maze to find the location of the largest garden maze.

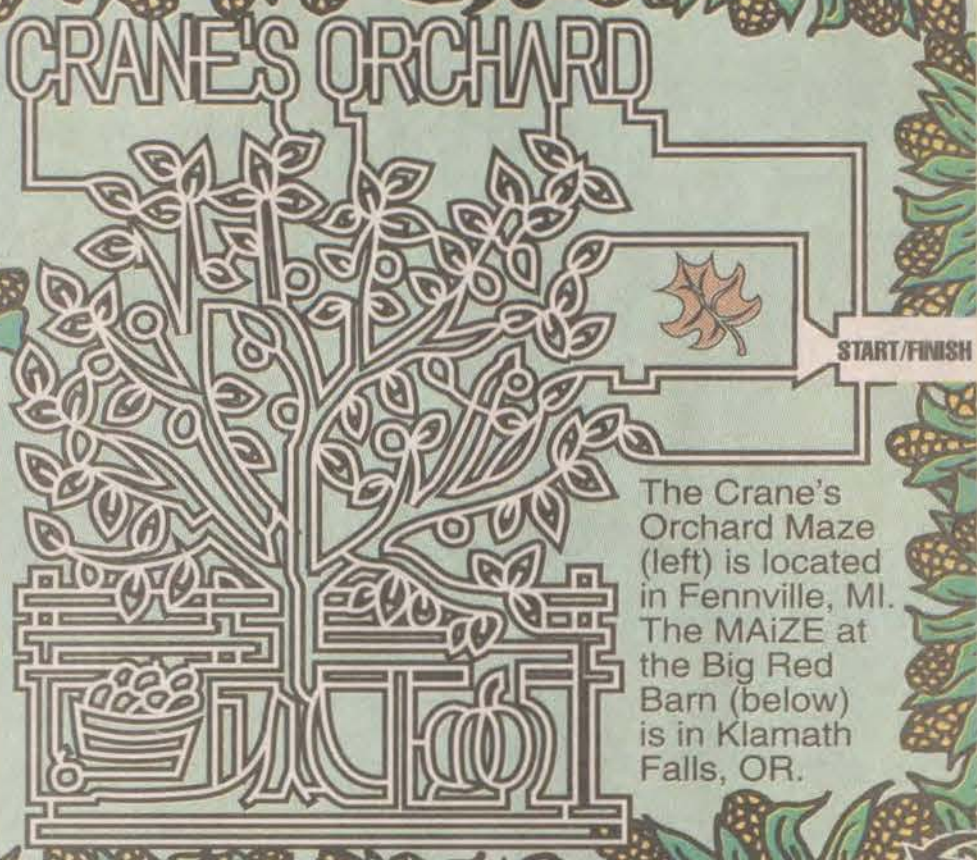
Look on today's page for:
 ▶ Old man corn.
 ▶ Two leaves that match.

Standards Links: Visual Discrimination; match common objects.

How are they made?

How does a design on paper become a maze in a cornfield? The routes and pathways are cut out as the crops grow and the maze is formed by the time the corn is fully grown.

Out in the field, the designer uses a special tool called a Global Positioning System or GPS. Using satellite communication, the GPS indicates where the farmer should plow to create the maze.



The Crane's Orchard Maze (left) is located in Fennville, MI. The MAIZE at the Big Red Barn (below) is in Klamath Falls, OR.

Extra! Extra!

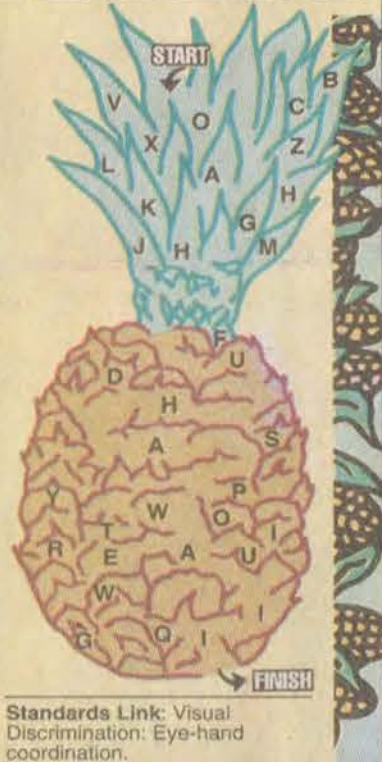
Fall Finds

Look through the newspaper to find:
 ▶ Five fruits
 ▶ Four symbols of fall
 ▶ Something made from grain

Standards Link: Classify common objects. Follow simple written directions.



Standards Link: Visual Discrimination; Eye-hand coordination.



Standards Link: Visual Discrimination; Eye-hand coordination.

Corny Facts

Corn is measured by the bushel.

One ear of corn contains **56**
382
+362

kernels in **5**
3
+8

rows.

100 bushels = **3,640,000**
+3,640,000

kernels, which is **3,216**
+5,884

ears of corn.

Standards Links: Number Sense; add numbers to millions.

Double Double Word Search

CORN MAZES
 GRAIN
 BUSHEL
 CROPS
 PINEAPPLE
 GARDEN
 PAPER
 GLOBAL
 FRUITS
 GIANT
 PLOW
 WILD
 PATH
 PRICE

Find the words in the puzzle, then in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

N E D R A G I A N T
 F O L L O S W T R W
 C R O P S E H E E I
 L W O L P Z P A T L
 A H T N I A R G E D
 B H T A P M E H H N
 O F R U I T S N R R
 L O U G H U M O I A
 G Z E S B E C I R P

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognizing identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

BEYOND Kid Scoop

Locally Grown

Look through the newspaper for crops grown in your area. Shop the ads for these products, then determine which place has the best price. Calculate the difference between the highest and lowest price.

Standards Link: Number Sense; compute differences, compare numbers.

If corn oil comes from corn, where does baby oil come from?



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Riddle Card

1. Why is a wig like a lie?
2. Why is your hand like a hardware store?
3. What chasm often separates friends?
4. What islands are good to eat?
5. What tree is a kind of grasshopper?



Answers: 1. Because it's a false hood. 2. Because it carries nails. 3. Sarcasm. 4. The Sandwich Islands. 5. Locust.

Junior Whirl

by Charles Barry Townsend

YOU'LL BE COOKING WITH GAS IF YOU SOLVE THESE FIVE!



BURN
BORN
BOON
BOOK
COOK

See if you can "stir up" the answers to these Ladder Puzzles in less than five minutes. In this type of problem, you are given a word that must be changed into another word in a series of moves. During each move, you must change one letter in the previous word to form a new word. In our example, we changed BURN to COOK in four moves. See if you can change the following words in four moves each.

1. MELT to HARD
2. OARS to MOVE
3. PARK to ZONE
4. WELL to DONE
5. ROCK to STAR

Answers:
1. MELT, MELD, HELD, HERD, HARD
2. OARS, MARS, MARE, MORE, MOVE
3. PARK, PORK, PORE, PONE, ZONE
4. WELL, DELL, DOLL, DOLE, DONE
5. ROCK, SOCK, SOAK, SOAR, STAR

Illustrated by David Coulson

A WEIGHTY PROBLEM!

Don't strain your brain with this one. What kind of stones get lighter the longer you carry them around?



Answer: Halibones. Since halibones melt, the longer you carry them around, the lighter they will get.

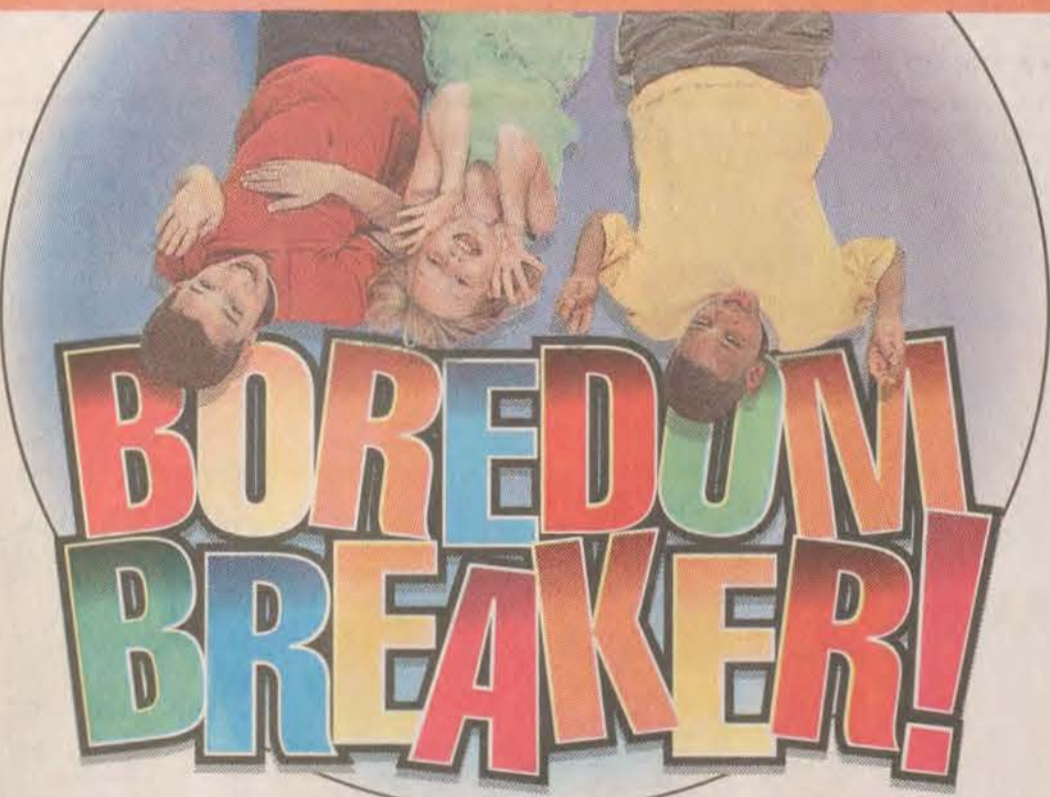
IT'S MAGIC! Use the numbers 3 through 12 to fill in this Magic Number Square. The numbers in each horizontal row and vertical column should total 36. We've filled in six of the squares. The rest is up to you. Use trial-and-error – and a good eraser!

		16	1
15	2		
	18		
			17

[36]

Our answer: First row: 8, 11, 16, 1. Second row: 15, 2, 7, 12. Third row: 3, 18, 9, 6. Fourth row: 10, 5, 4, 17.

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1. 2002 PGA champ Rich
5. Violinist's need
8. Will- -wisp
12. Mater preceder
13. One of the Gershwins
14. Restaurateur Toots
15. Ride a wind-jammer
16. Pennsylvania campus
18. Whole
20. Fishing nets
21. Money
23. Diving bird
24. California campus
28. Fallacy
31. Intention
32. Superman comparison
34. Eggs
35. Squad
37. New York campus
39. Fix, as in "Quiz Show"
41. Walkman manufacturer
42. Piano style
45. Castor and Pollux's constellation
49. New York campus
51. Loutish one
52. Look lasciviously

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42	43			44		45		46	47	48
49					50			51		
52					53			54		
55					56			57		

53. Performance
54. Infinitesimal bit
55. Binge
56. "Comin' Thro' the -"
57. Actress Turner

9. Bread-and-butter note
10. Sewing machine inventor
11. Blunders
17. Teachers' org.
19. Gridiron arbiters
22. Deuces' beaters
24. Perched
25. Dead heat
26. Texas city
27. Belittle
29. Living-room sets?

30. Possess, to Burns
33. Freeway division
36. Stately dance
38. Percussion disc
40. Ruby, for one
42. Highlander
43. Comic-strip possum
44. Ski lift of a sort
46. Greek vowel
47. High time?
48. "La Douce"
50. Unfriendly

DOWN

1. Contemptible
2. Verve
3. Send forth
4. Slander
5. Trinkets
6. Hockey leg-end Bobby
7. Methods
8. Densest

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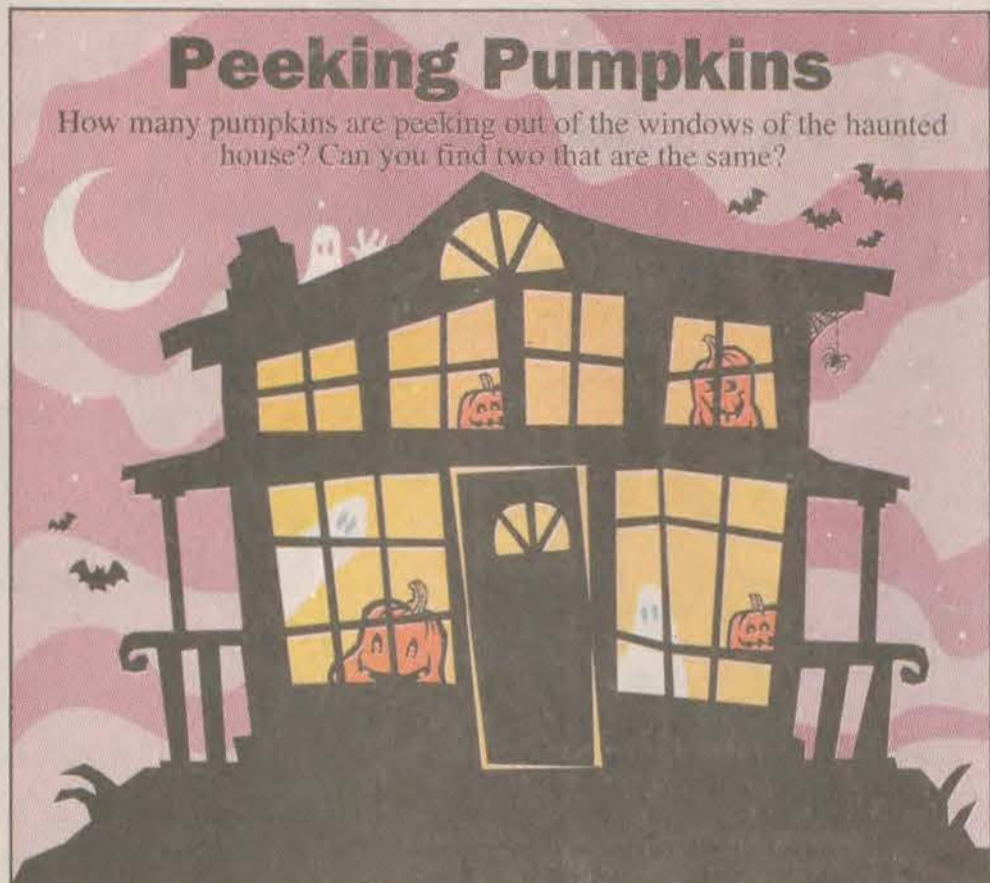
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My name: _____

Learning Buddies: Spell your child's first name, using the lines to write large letters. Use an uppercase letter for the first letter in the name and lowercase letters to spell the rest. Have your child trace the letters with a finger, crayon or pencil.

Peeking Pumpkins

How many pumpkins are peeking out of the windows of the haunted house? Can you find two that are the same?

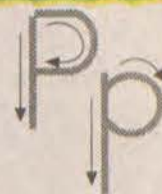


My Rhyme Time

Peter Piper picked a patch of pumpkins;
A patch of pumpkins Peter Piper picked.
If Peter Piper picked a patch of pumpkins,
Where are the pumpkins Peter Piper picked?

My Letters

P is for Pumpkin
p is for pumpkin



Learning Buddies: Read the two phrases aloud. Have your child read with you. Trace the uppercase and lowercase letter P. Say the letter as you trace it.

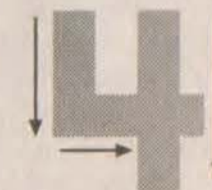
How many words or pictures can you find on this page that have the sound that the letter P makes in the word pumpkin?

My Numbers

How many ?

How many ?

How many ?



Learning Buddies: Trace and say the number. Read the questions. Touch and count to find the answers.

My Sentence

Learning Buddies: Read the first part of the sentence aloud. Ask your child to think of a way to finish the sentence. Write your child's words in the lines. Read the entire sentence to your child while pointing out that reading is done from left to right. Older children may want to trace all or some of the letters in the sentence.



Pigs are _____



Sunday

Letter Identification
With your child, look through the newspaper to find pictures of things that start with the same sound as the letter P in pumpkin.

Monday

Math Play
Point to the number 4 in the newspaper. Have your child say the number and, if it's large enough, have your child trace the number.

Tuesday

Jack O'Lantern
Draw a circle on a piece of paper and let your child color it orange. Then cut out different eyes, mouths and noses from the newspaper. Let your child rearrange the pieces on the pumpkin to make different silly Jack O' Lanterns.

Wednesday

Pick a Patch of Ps
Draw a big orange pumpkin on one page of the newspaper. Have your child see how many letter Ps can be found in the pumpkin. Color an orange dot on each of the letter Ps and then connect the dots!

Thursday

Pumpkin Face Fun
Find pumpkins in today's newspaper and turn them into Jack O' Lanterns by drawing faces on them.

Friday

Big Pumpkin Little Pumpkin
Cut out the smallest pumpkin and the largest pumpkin you can find in today's newspaper.

Saturday

Play I Spy
Describe something you see on a page of the newspaper to your child. Use lots of detail, for example, "I spy something orange that begins with the letter P." Then give your child a chance to tell you about something he/she spies.



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Today's Challenge

Time **6** Minutes
7 Seconds

Your Working

Time Minutes
Seconds

		7		20
4				17
				21
	6			17
			8	23
7	25	24	22	25

By Lewis MAUER

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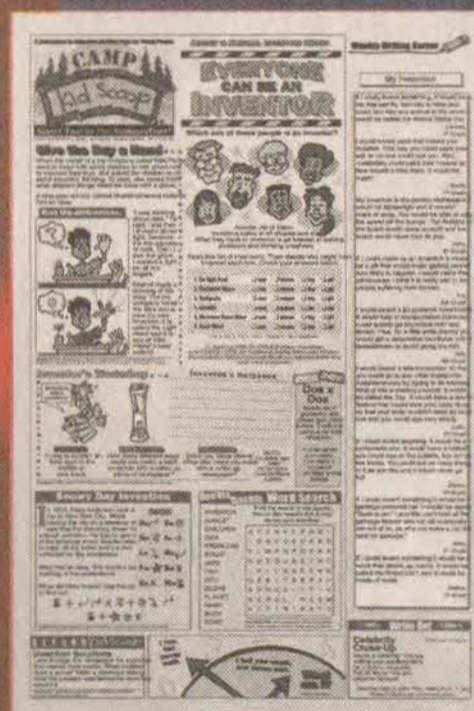
Phamiliar phrases

"railroad it through"
In the mid-1800s, railroad crews from both coasts worked feverishly to lay tracks across the U.S., pushing through rivers, forest and mountains to finally connect in Utah. Any fast-paced struggle to overcome difficult circumstances is still said to be "railroading."

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Baby, it's cold outside

Ice hockey began in **Canada** during the mid-1800s and was probably inspired by **field** hockey. In field hockey, players use curved sticks to hit a rubber ball into a goal at each end of a playing field.

The first rules of ice hockey were drawn up in the 1870s by students at McGill University in Montreal. The rules specified the use of a puck and that each team should have nine players on the ice. The game caught on quickly. The first **Stanley Cup** match was held in 1894. (A huge silver award cup was donated by Governor General Baron Stanley.) It is believed that the first ice hockey game played in the United States was between Yale and Johns Hopkins universities, in 1895.

In 1903, the first professional hockey team was established in Houghton, Michigan (most of the players were Canadian). A year later, the International Pro Hockey League began with teams from Canada and the United States. Other professional leagues soon followed.

The **National Hockey League (NHL)** was formed in 1917. The original teams included the Montreal Canadiens, Montreal Wanderers, Ottawa Senators and Toronto Arenas. At this time, the NHL rules were changed to allow teams of six (rather than nine) on the ice at any given time.

In 1924, the **Boston Bruins** became the first U.S. team to join the NHL. In the next two years, teams from Chicago, Detroit, Pittsburgh and two teams from New York followed.

By 1942, the NHL consisted of six teams; the Boston Bruins, Chicago Blackhawks, Detroit Red Wings, Montreal Canadiens, New York Rangers and Toronto Maple Leafs. This membership stayed the same for 25 years, until 1967.

Women on ice

Women were also playing ice hockey in the late 19th century, and it is likely that they were playing on lakes and ponds even before then. By the early 1900s, women had established many teams and leagues of their own.

Halls of fame

The first Hockey Hall of Fame opened in Toronto (1961). The second opened in Kingston, Ontario (1965). The U.S. Hockey Hall of Fame opened in Eveleth, Minnesota (1973). They promote the sport and honor former players, coaches, referees and other people who have been important to the game.

The All-Star teams

The tradition of naming players to a first and second All-Star team was started by writers and broadcasters after the 1930-1931 season. The first NHL All-Star Game was held in 1947 — the All-Stars defeated the Toronto Maple Leafs (the 1947 Stanley Cup champions).

Today, All-Star teams are chosen by the fans. NHL All-Stars from North America face NHL All-Stars from the rest of the world.

Famous All-Star forwards since 1947: Jean Beliveau, Bobby Clarke, Marcel Dionne, Phil Esposito, Bernie Geoffroy, Wayne Gretzky, Gordie Howe, Bobby Hull, Mario Lemieux and Stan Mikita.

Famous All-Star goalies: Ken Dryden, Tony Esposito, Ed Giacomin, Glenn Hall, Bernie Parent, Jacques Plante and Terry Sawchuk.

When it happened: Some milestones in hockey history

1877: First known ice hockey rules are published by the Montreal Gazette.	1888: The Amateur Hockey Association of Canada is established.	1893: Governor-General of Canada donates a silver trophy for hockey championships (later known as the Stanley Cup).	1911: The game is divided into three 20-minute periods. Blue lines are added to divide the ice into three zones; goalies are now allowed to drop to the ice for saves, and forward passing is permitted in the neutral zone.	1920: Hockey played at the Summer Olympics.	1924: Hockey played at the Winter Olympics.	1937: An icing rule is introduced.	1945: NHL season starts in October for the first time.	1946: Referees begin to use hand signals.	1952: Hockey Night in Canada debuts on T.V.	1956: USSR plays Olympic hockey for the first time and wins the gold.	1958: Willie O'Ree (Boston Bruins) is first black player in the NHL.	1961: Toronto Hockey Hall of fame opens.	1979: The World Hockey Association folds.	1980: The United States wins the Olympic gold by defeating the USSR in the semifinal and Finland in the final. This "Miracle on Ice" is considered by many to be one of the greatest moments in U.S. sports history.	1990: Canada wins the first Women's World Hockey Championship.	1991: Video review is introduced to the NHL.	1995: Jaromir Jagr leads the NHL in scoring (the first European to do so).
1899 or 1892: First women's hockey game is played in Ottawa (1889) or Barrie, Ontario (1892).	1900: The goal net is introduced.	1912: Number of players (for each team) allowed on the ice is reduced from nine to six.	1924: First NHL game played in the U.S. NHL schedule changes from 24 to 30 games.	1949: The center red line is drawn on the ice for the first time.	1956: Jean Beliveau appears on the cover of Sports Illustrated, (the first hockey player to do so).	1957: CBS is the first U.S. television network to carry NHL games.											

HOCKEY BASICS

Hockey is one of the fastest sports out there. Players fly down the ice with long sticks, trying shoot a puck into the opposing team's net on the far side of the rink. A combination of strength and skill, hockey has become popular all over the world. For fans young and old, this page offers a look at the history and basics of ice hockey.

Professional and amateur hockey teams play by slightly different rules. This page provides a brief explanation of how the professionals in Canada and the United States play.

The game is divided into **three** 20-minute periods. If the game ends in a tie, the teams play a five-minute **sudden-death overtime**. The starting lineup has a goalie, three forwards and two **defensemen**. The goalie's job is to keep the puck out of the goal net. The **forwards** try to score goals, and the defense's main job is to defend their zone. Players can be substituted at any time.

Each period begins with a **face-off** at center ice. It is against the rules to cross the attacking blue line before the puck — this is an **offside violation**. **Icing** is when the puck is shot from the defensive end, past the other team's goal line, and is touched by a player on the opposing team. It is not icing if the puck enters the goal net and scores or when a team is playing shorthanded. Offside plays and icing account for most minor violations and result in faceoffs in which a team can lose control of the puck. Serious violations, like fighting, result in a player being sent to the penalty box for two to 10 minutes of play. **Referees** call penalties and supervise the game, while two **linesmen** conduct face-offs and call offside and icing violations.

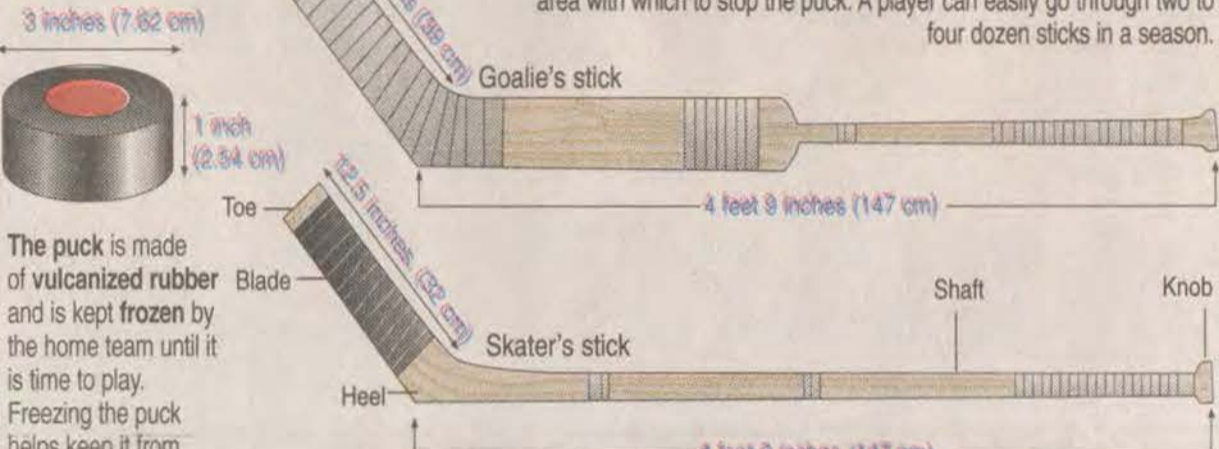
Only **hockey skates** are allowed in a game. (Speed or figure skates are against the rules.) Skates are very important to a hockey player. The boots for all the players except the goalie have special reinforced heels for safety. The goalie's boots do not have the reinforced heel, though they do have extra padding. The basic design of hockey skates has remained unchanged for 30 years.



Most sticks are made of wood (usually ash), but they may also have aluminum, graphite or titanium shafts. The blade is usually taped from toe to heel to keep the puck from sliding off the stick. Black tape is used to make it harder for the opposition to spot the puck. The goalie's stick has a wide paddle partway down the shaft, providing a larger surface area with which to stop the puck. A player can easily go through two to four dozen sticks in a season.



The first woman to play professional hockey was Manon Rheaume (pronounced Ma-NOH Ray-OME) in 1992.



The puck is made of **vulcanized rubber** and is kept **frozen** by the home team until it is time to play. Freezing the puck helps keep it from bouncing. It weighs about 6 ounces. An average game uses 12 to 15 pucks.



The rink is rounded and surrounded by a white wood-and-fiberglass wall called the **boards**.

Protective gear: A hockey player must wear a helmet, sweater, shoulder pads, elbow pads, padded pants and protective cup, shin guard, knee-length pants, and stockings. Some players also wear ankle guards.

The hockey player: is the master of many skills. **Skating** skills are essential as a player must be fast, make sharp turns, skate backward and stop suddenly. **Stickhandling, passing, shooting, checking** and developing and implementing **plays** while the action is ongoing are all important skills when playing hockey.

The goalie: is often responsible for winning or losing the game. NHL goalies try to stop pucks that are moving at up to 100 m.p.h. They wear larger and heavier protective gear than the regular players (40 pounds compared to 20 pounds). Goalies are the only players allowed to **catch** the puck with their gloves. Generally, the goalie stays in or near the **goal crease**. When the puck reaches the center line or is in the defensive zone, the goalie assumes the **"ready"** position, with hockey stick centered and flat on the ice, legs and waist bent. There are several standard moves to make a save — dropping into a "V" position (the splits), the glove or stick save, and dropping entirely to the ground. Goalies return to the basic "ready" stance as soon as possible after making a save.

What's it mean?

- Assist:** A pass that sets up a goal. In scoring statistics it is worth one point for the player.
- Attacking zone:** The area between the opponent's blue line and the opponent's goal.
- Back check:** When a player tries to regain the puck on his way back to his defensive zone by checking or harassing an opponent who has control of the puck.
- Breakaway:** When a player takes over the puck and quickly skates past the defense for an open shot at the net.
- Body check:** When a player bumps or slams into another player with his hip or shoulder to block or throw the opponent off balance.
- Charging:** When a player takes more than three strides before deliberately checking another player.
- Checking:** A defensive tactic that consists of moving the body or stick against an opponent to gain control of the puck.
- Digging:** When a player takes possession of the puck in a corner of the ring.
- Hat trick:** Three or more goals by a player in a single game.
- Passing:** When a player shoots the puck to a teammate.
- Power play:** An attack by a full-strength team (six members) against a shorthanded team (due to one or more penalties).
- Pulling the goalie:** An offensive strategy where the goalie is replaced with another skater to improve an offensive attack.
- Screen shot:** A shot on goal where the goalie's view is fully or partially blocked by a player.

Test your knowledge

- ACROSS**
- Official who supervises the game
 - Only player allowed to catch the puck
 - NHL playoff cup
 - Position a goalie assumes
 - This skill is essential in hockey
- DOWN**
- Hockey pucks are kept _____ until play
 - Number of periods in a regulation hockey game
 - A pass that ends in a goal
 - Hockey began in this country

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ANSWERS
ACROSS
1 REFEREE
2 GOALIE
3 STANLEY CUP
4 READY SKATING
5 DOWN
6 FROZEN
7 THREE
8 ASSIST
9 CANADA

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- PRESTONSBURG
- PRESTONSBURG H.S.
- PIARIST
- SOUTH FLOYD H.S.
- SOUTH FLOYD MIDDLE
- STUMBO
- WESLEY CHRISTIAN

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ALLEN CENTRAL MIDDLE SCHOOL



ACMS BAND

Mrs. Prater's Allen Central Middle School band begins rehearsal for Christmas Concert.



A rock group, New Anthem, gave a free drug prevention performance for Allen Central Middle School students on Oct. 2. The following evening Allen Central Middle Youth Service Center hosted a family night where New Anthem entertained and signed autographs for the students and their parents. The band is from Tampa, Fla.



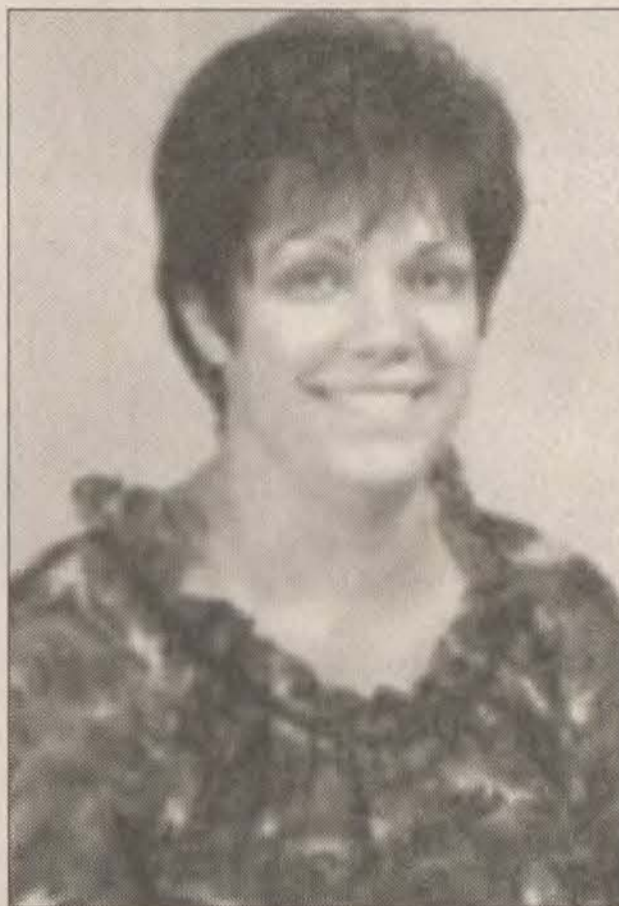
Thanks!

ACMS teachers and staff were treated to a surprise celebration supper by Mrs. Bickford, principal, and Mrs. Goodman, vice principal in recognition of their hard work in raising CATS test scores.



Peer Mediation

Mrs. Lola Ratliff in conjunction with the Youth Service Center trained 18 Allen Central Middle School students in the process of peer mediation. Peer mediation programs provide students with means for resolving disputes, conflicts, and simple altercations between students. In peer mediation programs students receive human relations training on conflict resolution. These peer mediators are then made available to assist fellow students in resolving conflicts in a productive manner.



Studies Abroad

Sandra Stapleton, a teacher at ACMS, spent 15 days in Costa Rica this summer as a part of an International Studies program. She attended classes on campus of the Instituto Tecnologico in Santa Clara; took various field trips to cultural sites including La Fortuna/Arenal Volcano, Rio Frio, Gold Museum, Rainforests, Tambor, and Curu Wildlife Refuge; and had discussions with Central Office personnel of San Carlos and Government officials of San Jose while visiting the Costa Rican White House. Mrs. Stapleton visited many schools of the country and was able to learn diverse teaching strategies. "During this study I was able to develop units of study on the Rainforest and Costa Rican culture. I love to travel and bring a real-world experience back to my classroom. I hope that my story-telling, pictures, and memorabilia will spark creative writing in my students."

ALLEN CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL



CAREER DAY AT ACHS

Allen Central High School held a "Career Day" on October 22. All freshman and sophomores attended the two-hour event.

Almost 50 volunteers participated in the program. They took the time out of their busy schedules to come and talk to students about their careers or the company they represented.

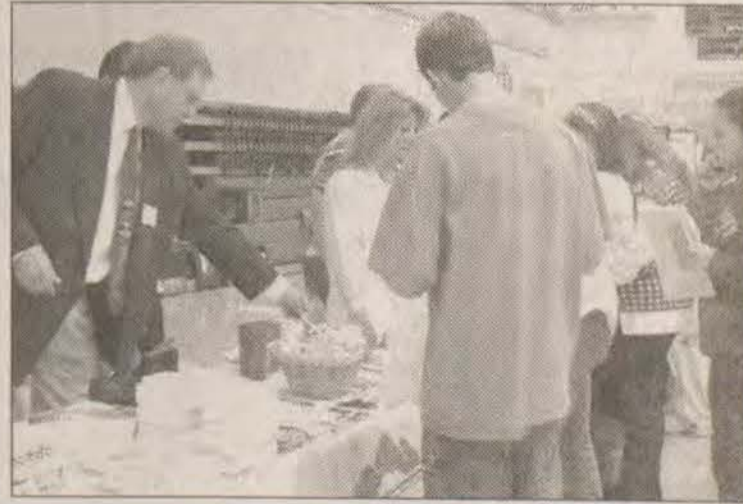
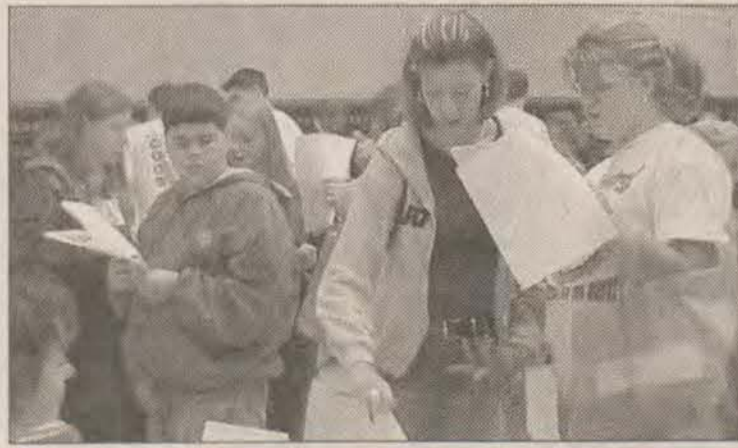
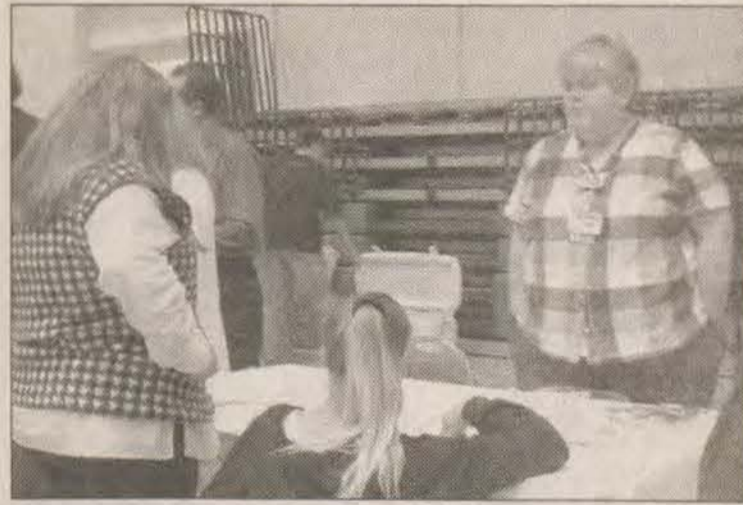
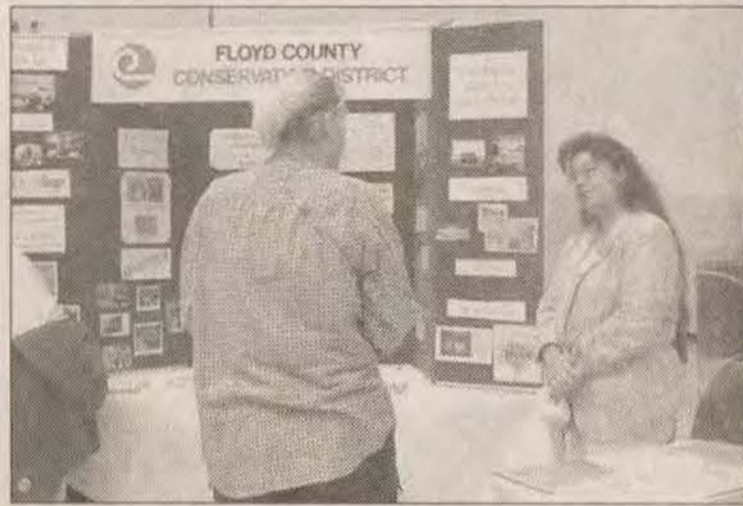
Each student was given a packet that contained a list of questions they were to ask the volunteers in order to learn about that particular career. Students were asked to go to at least 15 booths. They were then given an assignment in their English classes to write an essay about the three jobs that they were most interested in and the three jobs that they were least interested in.

Organizers chose the two lower

grades because they said that many times students are seniors and find themselves ready for graduation and yet do not have a clue of what they are going to do after graduation. Worse yet, some have plans to attend college and even know what they want to major in but find out too late that they are not prepared because they didn't take the right classes in high school.

That is the reason the program was presented to freshman and sophomores, with the hope they will now set goals and take the steps that are needed to reach them. The program was implemented by the Youth Services Center (Sharon Collins and Virginia Cooley) and Rita Osborne.

Many thanks to the volunteers, who without their help the program would not have taken place.



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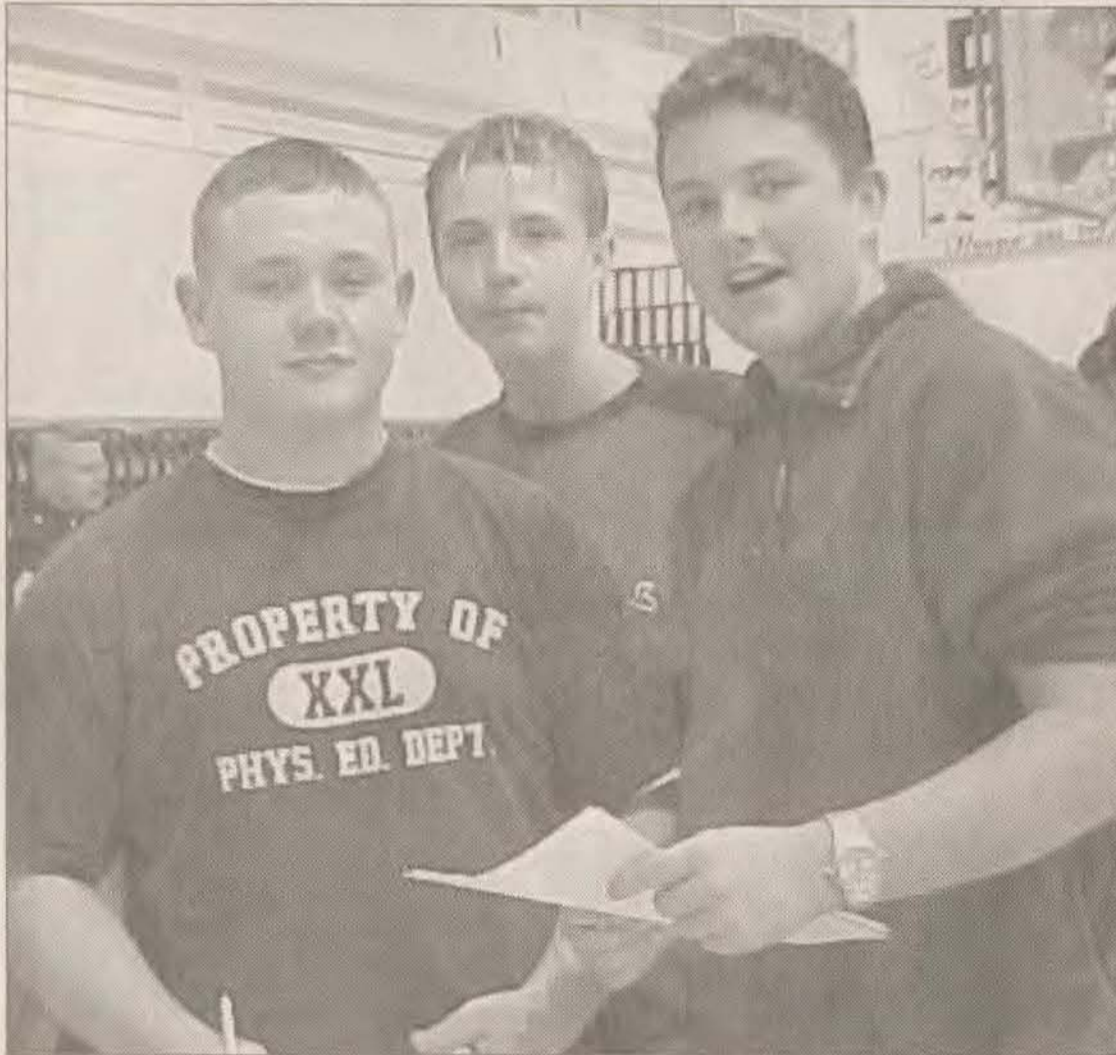
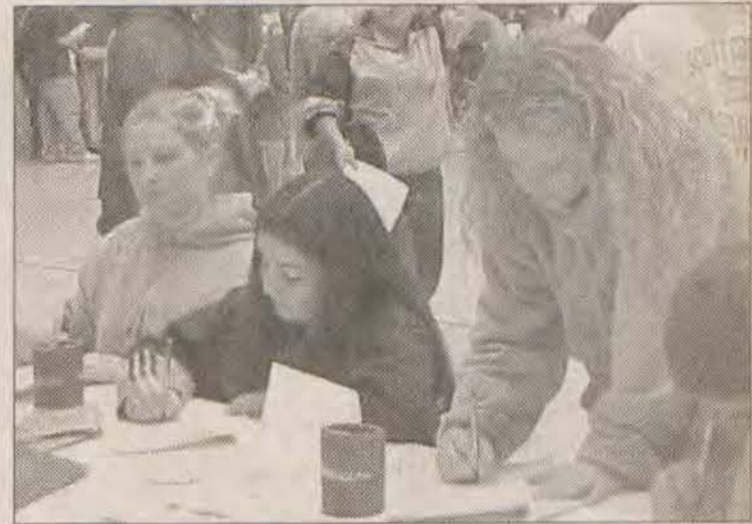
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ALLEN CENTRAL CAREER DAY CONTINUED...



TRICK OR TREAT



Allen Central High School's Rebels Against Destructive Decisions (RADD) and Beta Club gave candy to trick-or-treaters during the Holiday Inn's "Safe Trick or Treat." Students brought candy in by the bags full to be given out to the younger kids. Eight students dressed up and took the time out of their weekend to participate in the program. Students that attended were Kortney Osborne, Terry Moore, Eva Duncan, Amanda Crisp, Kristi Howard, Kyle Webb, Rebecca Mast, Shellie Hayes and Jeni Jo Spurlock. This is the second year that the group sponsored by the Allen Central Youth Services Center has participated in the program.

ADAMS MIDDLE SCHOOL

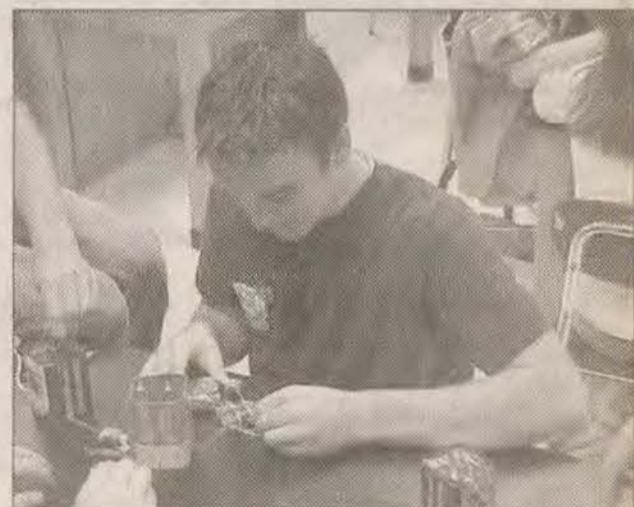


9/11

Students at Adams Middle School remembered the events of September 11 by joining together as a family around the flagpole. Students joined together as they recited the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer to remember those we lost and their families. Mr. Goodman closed the ceremony with a word to the students.



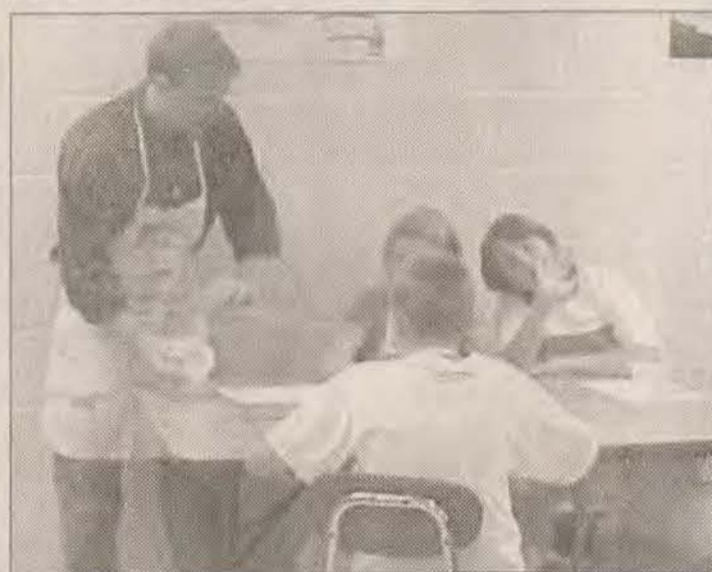
Mrs. Fannin's science students are building electrical circuits in order to power motors and light bulbs. The students have to build, on their own, the correct circuit to power each of these items.



Mr. Vanhose assists his 6th grade students in a Science experiment in which the students were creating moon craters. The students used marbles to represent meteors and dropped them into salt and flour to create the moon craters appearance.



The staff of AMS is hard at work with the assistance of the TAS team in analyzing the CTBS data for the school.



Office manager Gaye Hatfield decorated for fall with this beautiful fall scene located at the Adams Middle School entrance.

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Students at AMS were visited by Mike Burchett, a representative of the East Kentucky Science Center. He demonstrated the Star Lab while the children watched on from inside. The Star Lab teaches children space science and helps to prepare them for the CTBS and CATS test.



@cutline: Fireman from the Prestonsburg Fire Department visited the sixth-grade class at AMS to describe the responsibilities and rewards of their jobs. The firemen reflected upon the recent heroism associated with their jobs since the September 11 attack on the U.S. Students then spent some time looking at the trucks and equipment that the firemen brought with them. Joyce Watson joined the children for the occasion.



ALLEN ELEMENTARY



Mrs. Jennifer Skeens' seventh-grade class at Allen Elementary had the opportunity to decorate the windows at Prestonsburg Wal-Mart. The work was displayed the month of September to bring awareness to the public about home, school, transit and hunting safety.



Donna Collins' primary class at Allen Elementary enjoyed "Hands On With Zig," a musical adventure at the Mountain Arts Center.

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Allen Elementary honor roll

FOURTH GRADE

Kristen Garrett's homeroom

■ All A's: Seth Carter, Alex Griffith, Danielle Justice, Lakyn Adkins.

■ A-B: Cody Boyd, Corey Carter, Matthew Conn, Jessica Hamilton, Zachary Spiggle.

Substitute teacher class

■ All A's: Ryan Troxell, Jaden Spurlock, Olivia Holbrook, Nathaniel Fraley, Courtney Foley, Rossi Clark, Josh Burchett, Kelli Arnett.

■ A-B: Bennie Sellards, Amber Newsome, Shayna Newhouse, Whitney Lewis, Laura Isaac, Whitney Hamilton, Noyoka Endicott, Ryan Coleman, Chace Caudill, Christina Allen.

FIFTH GRADE

Janice Hamilton's homeroom

■ All A's: Felicia Keathley, Emily Bryant.

■ A-B: Ashley Jarrell, Alyshia Collins, Shaunda Burchett, Nikki Bradley, Laken Lowe.

Bernadine Isaac's homeroom

■ All A's: Mega Shepherd.
■ A-B: Steven Wright, Samantha Williams, Dylan Sharpe, Emily Marsillett, Branston Jarrell, Hannah Honeycutt.

SIXTH GRADE

Susie Gayheart's homeroom

■ All A's: Josh Park, Ethan Walker.

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ALLEN ELEMENTARY HONOR ROLL CONTINUED...

■ A-B: Shelby Bentley, Lonnie Blair, Kelli Jarrell, Holly Collins, LeAnn Lewis, Jerad Wright, Josh Head.

Tammy Noble's homeroom

■ All A's: Tanner Keathley.
■ A-B: Leslie Bentley, Kendra Case, Ashley Hastings, Breanna Lewis, Kayne

Newhouse, Crystal Reed.

SEVENTH GRADE

Janet Shepherd's homeroom

■ All A's: Heather Miller.
■ A-B: Brennan Case, Tyler Hamilton.

Jennifer Skeens'

homeroom

■ All A's: Tiffany Caudill, Emily Holbrook, Alex Noble, Kathryn Ousley, Raymond Woods.

■ A-B: Joshua Rodebaugh, Brittany Rudder, Adam Gearheart, Barry Spurlock.

Substitute teacher class

■ All A's: Kayla Snodgrass.
■ A-B: Andrea Johnson, Sabrina Mullins, Marissa Roe.

EIGHTH GRADE

Lynn Duncan's homeroom

■ All A's: Jared Harmon, Jackie Joseph, Riki Murray, Cory Walker.

■ A-B: Tyler Layne, Justin Robinson, Amber Griffith, Janie Elliott, Kristin Boyd, Kellie Jarrell, Allison Hamilton.

Janet Mullins' homeroom

■ All A's: Jessica Fraley, Brittany Waugh.
■ A-B: Ashley Moore.

Courtney McKinney, Heather Travis, Jacob Couch, Ciara Chaffins, Megan Goble, Justin Collins, Shannon Goble.

Angie Waugh's homeroom

■ A-B: Rakia Rickman, LeAnn Goble, Keenan Darby, Kayla Kidd, Tonia Derossett, Sara Williams.

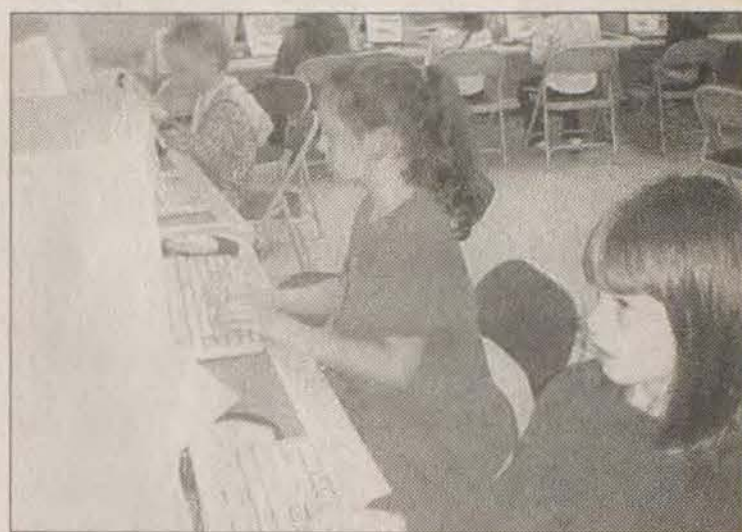
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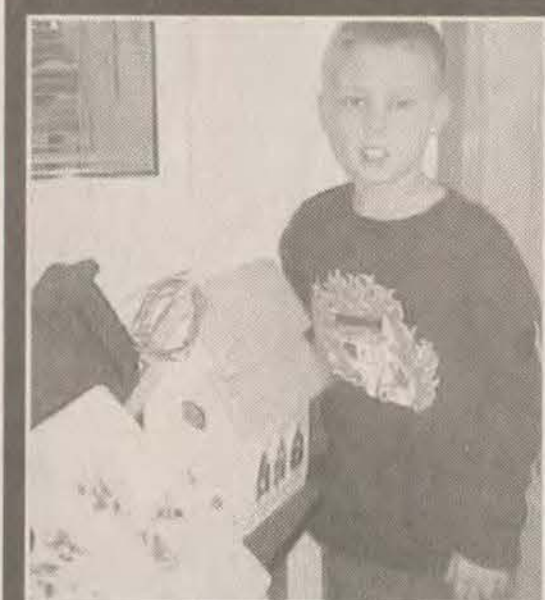
Trooper David Watkins — Betsy Layne Elementary's very own "adopt-a-cop."



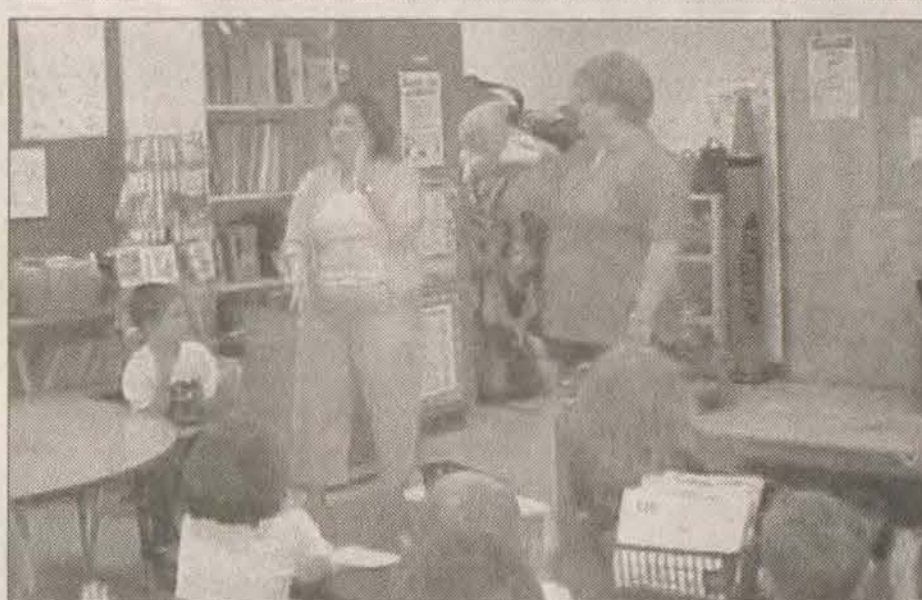
Students in Mrs. Barnes' social studies class wrote about what it means to be an American.



Fourth-grade students prepare for portfolios by keyboarding in computer class.



Fourth-grade students in Rhonda Tackett's class built birdhouses in math and prepared to write a "how-to" piece for a portfolio.



Students learn "good manners" in character education class.



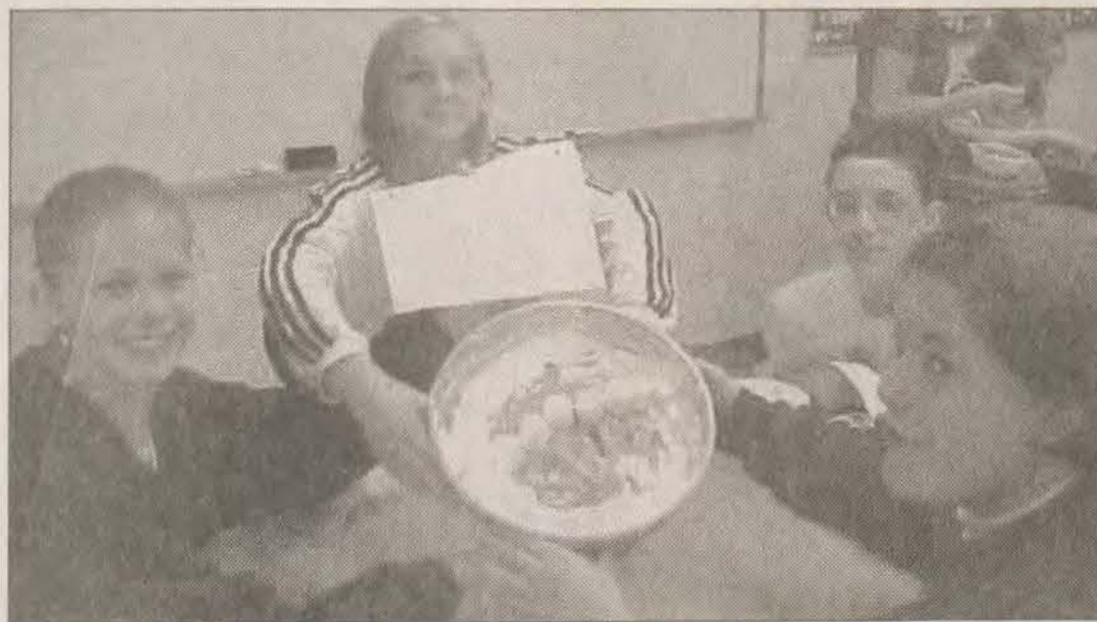
Parent volunteers are always welcome at Betsy Layne Elementary.



The queen of statistics.



Betsy Layne Elementary band students preparing for the Kentucky Apple Festival parade in Paintsville.



Mrs. Samons' eighth-grade science class designed a solar system made out of ice cream.



Students in Mrs. Blackburn's eighth-grade math class wear 100 percent hats.

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BETSY LAYNE HIGH SCHOOL

Betsy Layne High School celebrates CATS scores

by BLHS Senior Dusty Taylor
BOBCAT JOURNAL CO-EDITOR

The infamous CATS assessment is an event that strikes fear into the hearts of students throughout Kentucky, but NOT at Betsy Layne High School on September 19, 2002. On this special day at 10:01 AM, the county scores for the Commonwealth Assessment Testing System or CATS were released and BLHS students were on top, ranking highest in Floyd County at the high school level.

To celebrate the occasion, Principal Margaret Vaughn, with no explanation, announced for the entire student body to gather on the football field, leaving everyone wondering about the purpose of the assembly.

A smiling principal and a banner stating, "The BEST in Floyd County" greeted students on the field.

"Congratulations to each of you," began Ms. Vaughn, "Just a few minutes ago, it was released that BLHS is the top

scoring high school in the county on the CATS assessment."

Vaughn continued to explain that BLHS now claims the "CATS trophy" from last year's winner, South Floyd High School and bragging rights for a year.

After words of praise and congratulations, blue and white balloons were released and free cookies were given out to the students throughout the day.

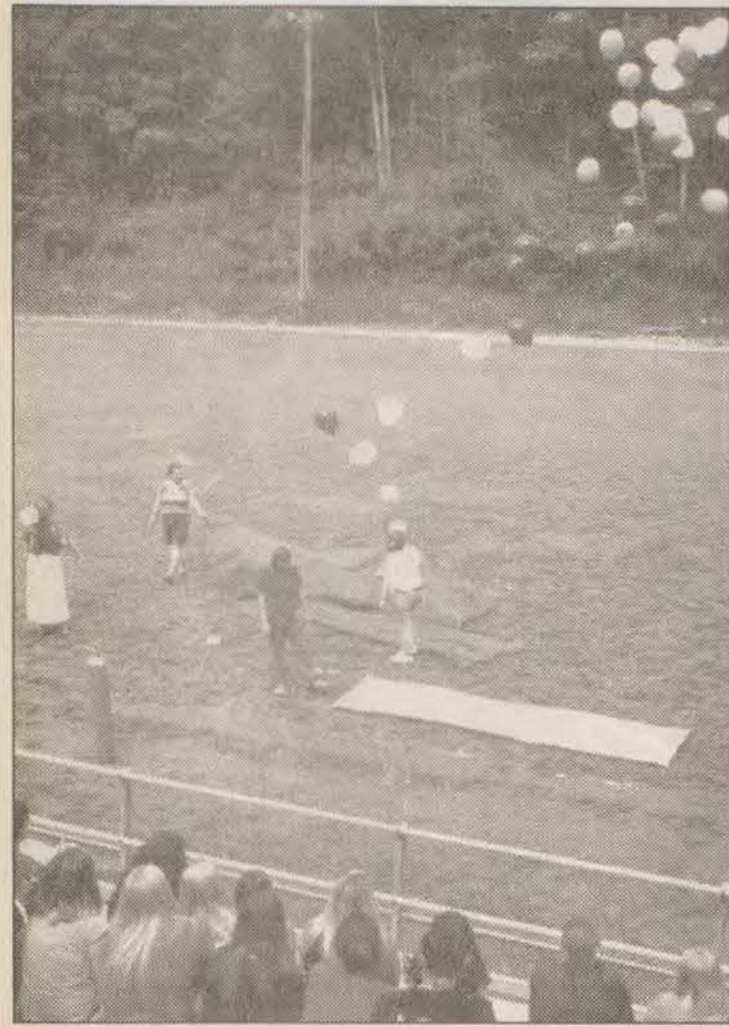
Students also quickly reminded Ms. Vaughn about the deal she and Assistant Principal Mr. Sean Ousley had made with them last year, which stated:

"If we (BLHS students) received the trophy and were number one in Floyd County, then Mrs. Vaughn would dye her hair an attractive Betsy Layne blue and Mr. Ousley would wear a dress for a day." According to Vaughn, the deal will be honored.

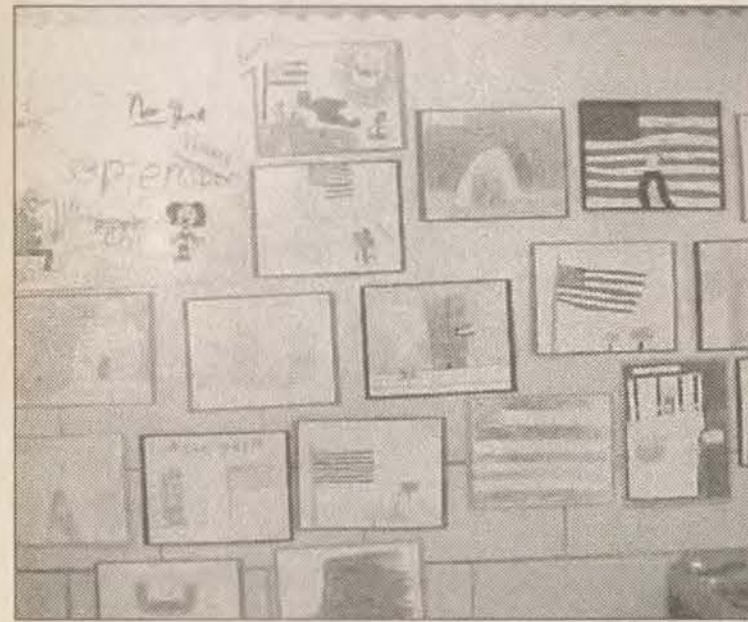
Also numerous other activities are planned throughout the year to reward those students who scored proficient or higher on the CATS assessment.



Recently, Mrs. Janet Akers' anatomy class participated in an appetizing activity. Students were asked to construct an enlarged model of an animal cell using only edible ingredients. The culinary skill displayed by the students was definitely imaginative, as cell cakes, pizzas, candies, and other treats filled the room. It was an unforgettable learning experience that satisfied student minds and stomachs. Pictured above are seniors Mollie McMillan, Kristina Parsons and Brittany Osborn and some "tasty" animal cell models.



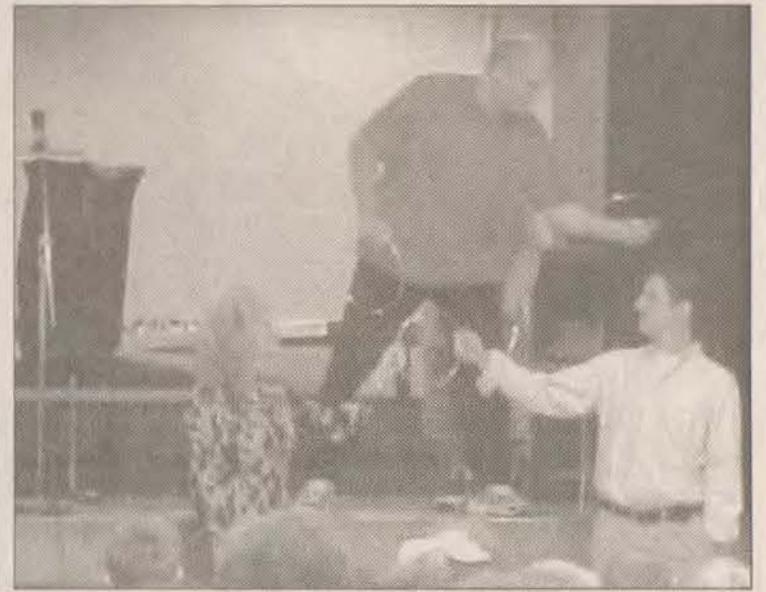
CLARK ELEMENTARY



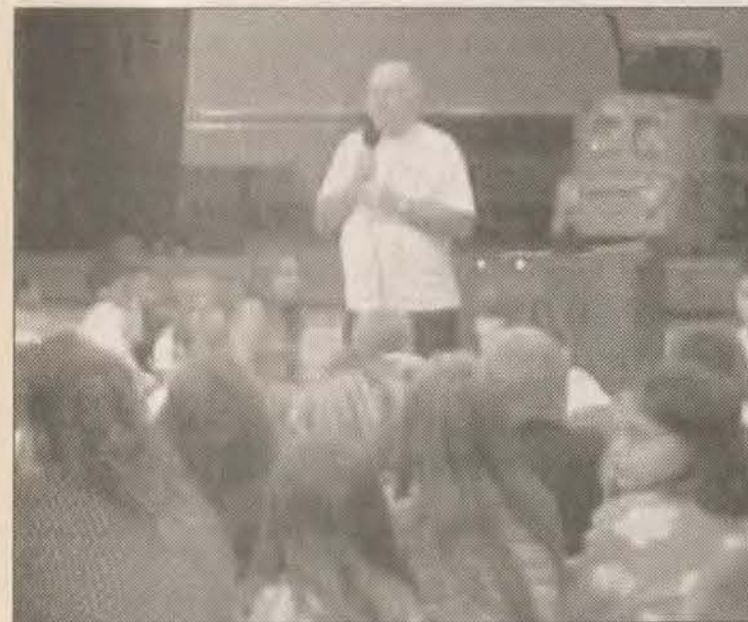
Clark students remembered Sept. 11.



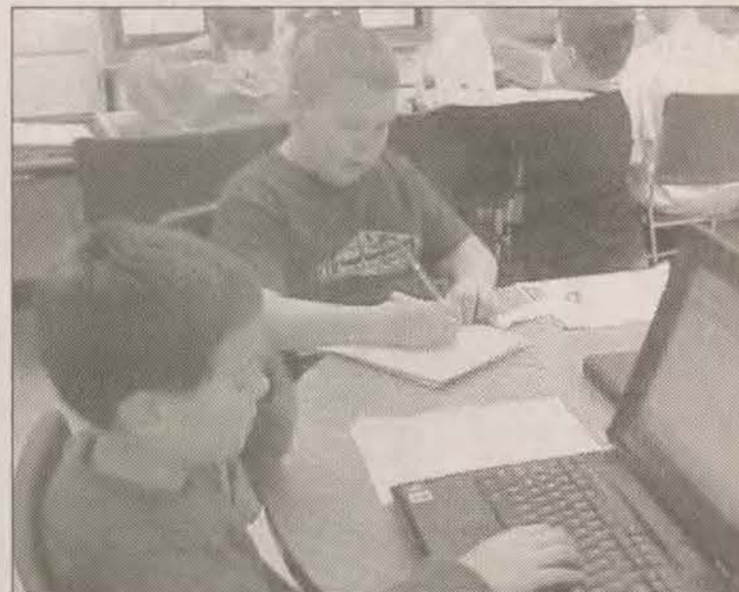
Kindergarten students at Clark Elementary listened to their hearts, as part of a health program presented by Jane Bond, health educator. The Floyd County Health Department and the Clark Family Resource Center are sponsoring this program, which teaches students the importance of good nutrition, physical activity and the cardiovascular system.



Magician Skip Cain performed magic with the help of Mrs. Warrix and Nick Halbert.



Clark students get instruction on bus safety.



Mrs. Madden's fourth-graders use technology and work hard on portfolios.



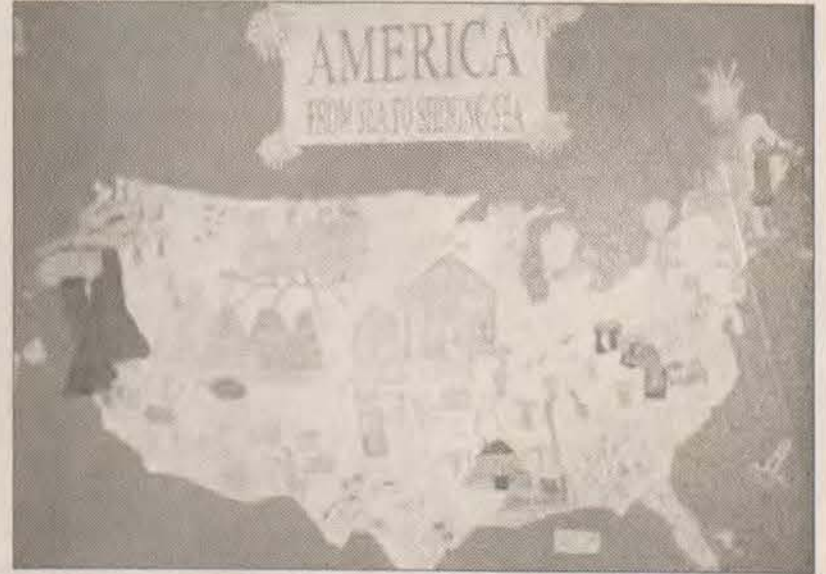
Clark Elementary welcomes student teachers Charia Goble, Leslie Allen, Shelly Bentley and Nick Halbert.

DUFF ELEMENTARY



America ... from sea to shining sea

The students in Charlotte Case's fifth-grade class have taken a hands-on approach to studying the regions of the United States. After researching each of the five regions carefully, students created drawings depicting features that represent each region. The project came together with the students pasting their artwork on the appropriate space on a blank U.S. map. Students then made oral presentations explaining that every region is unique and can be described by its human and physical characteristics.



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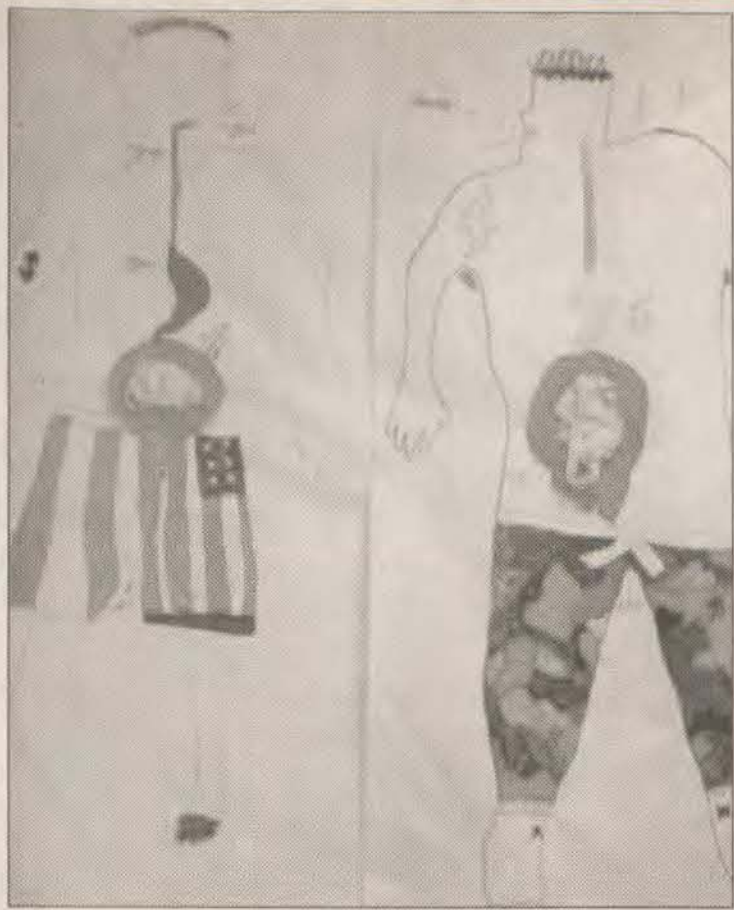
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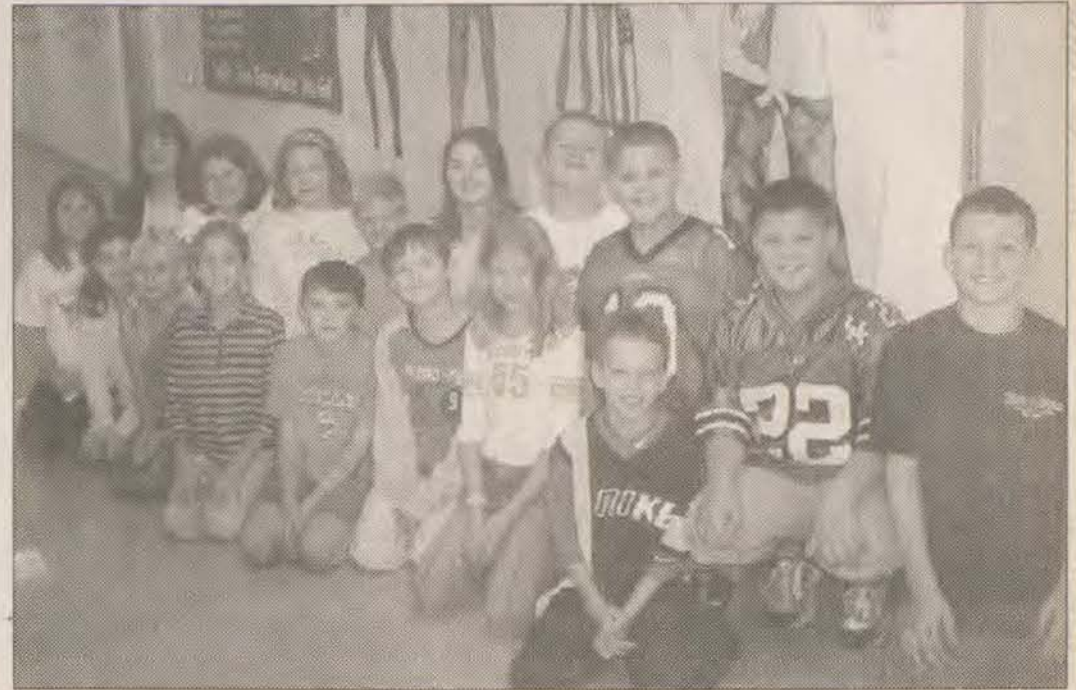
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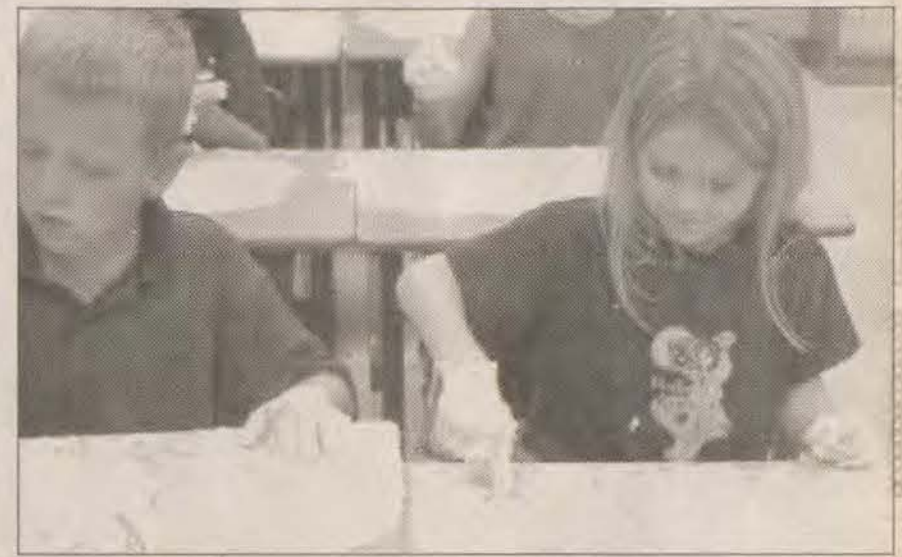


Do you know the length of your digestive tract? The fifth-graders in Mrs. Case's and Mrs. O'Quinn's classes at Duff Elementary do! Under the direction of Ms. Karen Hall, students combined math and science skills to determine the length of their digestive tracts. The students then created an accurate proportional model of the digestive system. Math skills applied were measurement, estimation, computation and proportional reasoning. Other processes such as observing, collecting and recording data, comparing and contrasting, as well as generalizing, were also integrated into the project. The students would like to thank Joyce Watson for scheduling AIMS, a professional development event that trained Ms. Hall and other teachers in activities integrating math, science and technology.

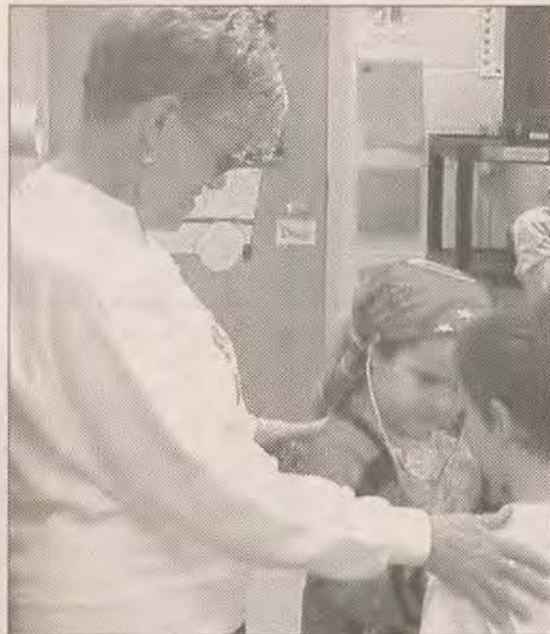


SMELLY SPELLING

Mrs. Lawson's second-grade class at Duff Elementary has found a way to make spelling not only fun, but smell good at the same time. Shaving Cream Spelling has become a popular and favorite activity for Mrs. Lawson's second-grade class. The students enjoy smoothing the shaving cream onto their desks and writing the spelling words as their teacher calls out the words. So, if you are looking for a clean, fun spelling activity, try Shaving Cream Spelling.



MAY VALLEY ELEMENTARY



Jane Bond With the Floyd County Health Department helping May Valley Students learn about physical activity.



Teachers and grandparents dancing with students during Grandparents Day at May Valley Elementary.



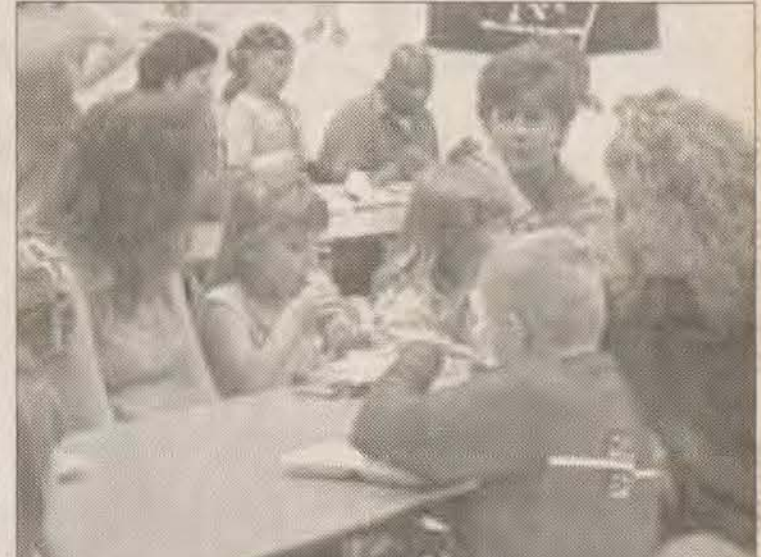
Prestonsburg Fire Department performing at May Valley Elementary for fire prevention.



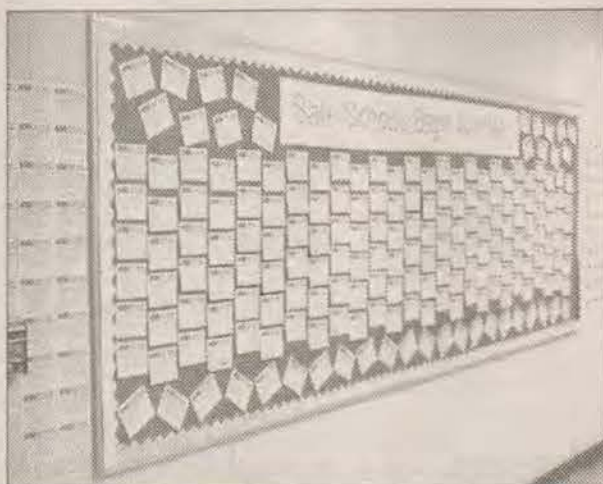
Special gifts were given to grandparents by the May Valley Family Resource Center.



Quality Kids visit May Valley Elementary for a Manners Matter program.



Parents join their children for Lunch at May Valley Elementary.



Safe Schools pledges from students, staff and community.



Left: Red Ribbon bulletin board winners, primary hallway: Mrs. Tammy Price's class. Theme: "Users are Losers." Sponsored by the Family Resource Center

Right: Red Ribbon bulletin board winners, intermediate hallway: Mrs. Tammy Farmer's class. Theme: "We are the Stars of Tomorrow." Sponsored by the Family Resource Center.





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Fire Safety Prestonsburg Assistant Fire Chief Larry Adams and his safety crew were at MCA this fall to teach lower grades about fire safety. This entertaining team taught students such valuable lessons as "stop, drop and roll" and "never hide when there's a fire."



MCA students were visited by a very energy-conscious lightning bug named Louie. Students were taught about electricity and how to respect its power. The program was enjoyed by all. Thanks to AEP and the National Theater for Children for this program.



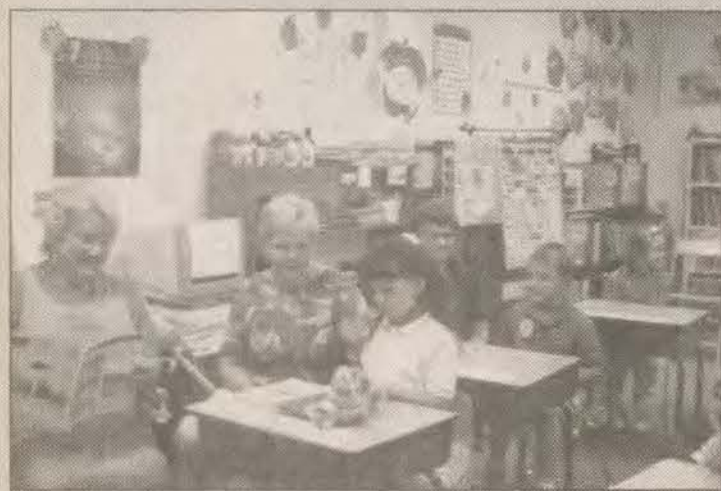
Trick-A-Thon

MCA's preschool held a trike-a-thon with proceeds going to the St. Jude's Children's Hospital.



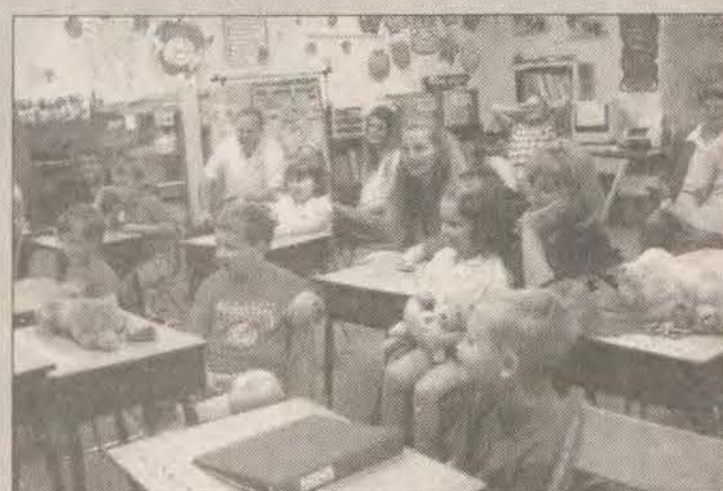
Patriotic Program

The MCA kindergarten and first through third grades presented a patriotic program for their grandparents and friends on Grandparent/Friend Day. The children led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance and sang songs about America.



Grandparents/ Friends Day

Friendship and love were the theme of the ninth annual Grandparents/Friends Day. Children spent the day, ate lunch and shopped at the book fair with their special guests.



On Oct. 9, the fourth- and sixth-grade classes went on a field trip to Jenny Wiley State Resort Park to hike a portion of the Jenny Wiley Trail. They had read over the story and all the hardships Jenny had to endure. Also during science classes, they had been discussing photosynthesis and respiration. They had the chance to witness this and share in the experience of hiking up and down the hills. The hike started at the campground, which turned out to be the most strenuous part. The students and parents hiked up to the overlook and then back down to the Sky Lift. It was there that they ate lunch to replenish their energy. The last leg of their journey consisted of hiking on to May Lodge. The entire hike was approximately four miles long, which was a far cry from Jenny Wiley's, but those who completed it came away with a greater understanding of her situation.



PRESTONSBURG ELEMENTARY



Prestonsburg Elementary kicked off the 2002-03 school year with their third annual Character Education Breakfast on Sept. 27 in the auditorium. A continental breakfast was served by the family resource center. Parents and grandparents were invited to attend. Students were given diplomas recognizing their good character traits. Students are nominated by their homeroom teachers.



Prestonsburg Elementary observed Patriot's Day on Sept. 11 by honoring the Prestonsburg Fire Department with a standing ovation. Mrs. Lisa Hunt's classroom presented a flag to the department. Ms. Rebecca Haywood led the students in patriotic songs.



Ms. Darrell's first-grade class has made a model community after studying a social studies unit on communities.



RED RIBBON ROLE AWARD

Floyd County Health Department is the recipient of the Prestonsburg Elementary Family Resource Center Red Ribbon Role Award for the 2002-03 school year. The health department received the award for its dedication and commitment to local children. Jane Bond accepted the award presented by Rebial Reynolds, coordinator of the family resource center.

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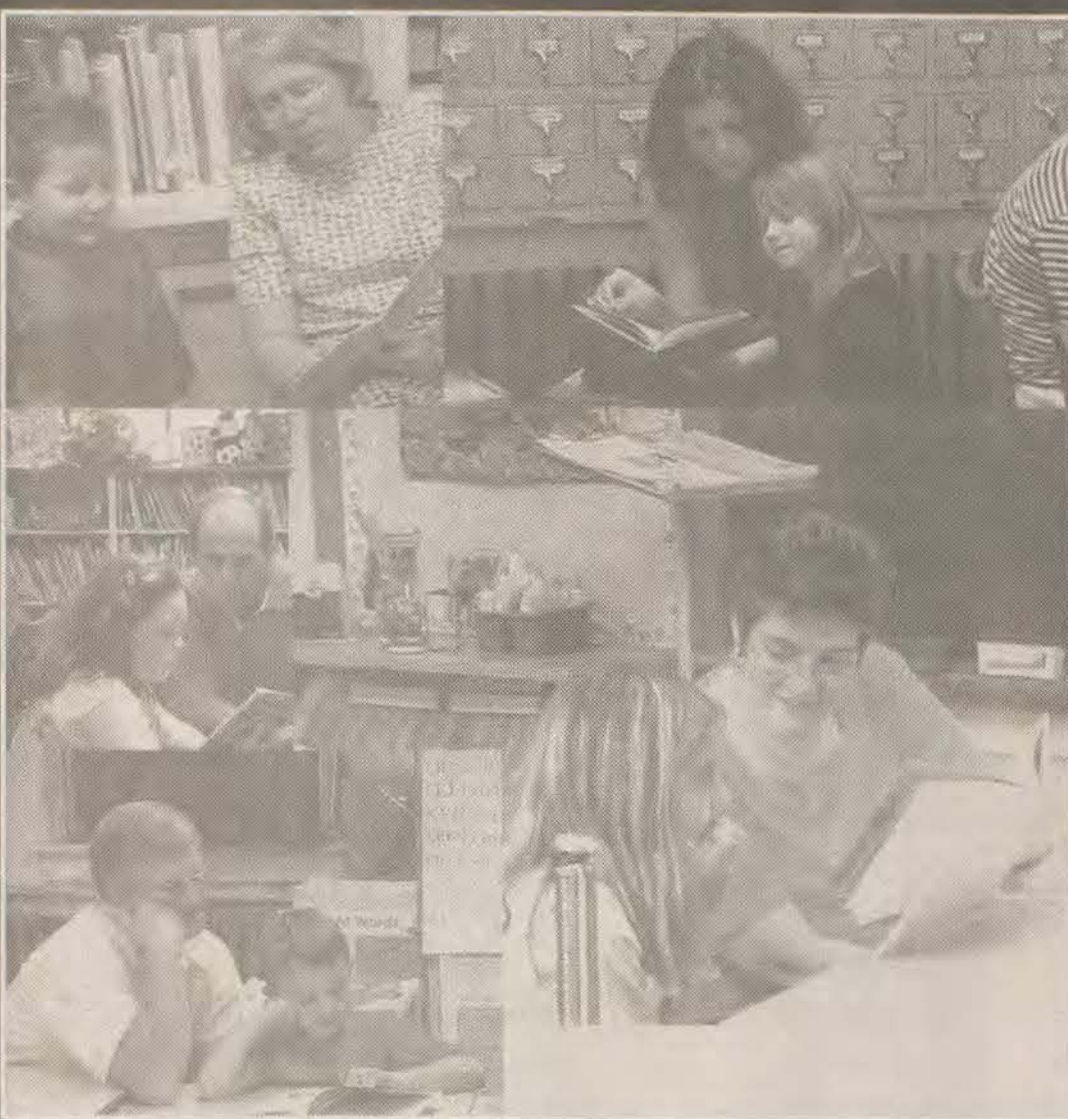
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It was a family affair during Prestonsburg Elementary's Family Reading Night on Tuesday, Sept. 24. Events began in the library where children chose a book to read with their "partner" and then took an Accelerated Reader test. All students received a bookmark and a free book. Refreshments were served. This monthly event is sponsored by Mrs. Martha Damron, library media specialist, extended school service and the family resource center.



Mrs. Gwen Hale-Frazier, principal, and Cassie and Tyler Whitt, students, are in the school's entrance area.



Mrs. Rebial Reynolds serves refreshments to students.



The family of Russell Johnson enjoys refreshments at the Open House.

PES OPEN HOUSE

Prestonsburg Elementary held its annual Open House on Thursday, Sept. 5. Parents were given an opportunity to visit their children's rooms and related arts classes. CTBS scores were distributed and explained. Refreshments were provided by the family resource center.

PIARIST SCHOOL

Piarist names first quarter honor students

The Piarist School recently named students who received first and second honors for the first grading period of the 2002-03 school year. The students are listed as follows:

Senior class

- First honors: Balin Loftus, David Hicks, Sarah Pillersdorf, Mollie Hall.
- Second honors: Sarah Hill.

Junior class

- First honors: Matt Francis.
- Second honors: Amanda Keeton, Tommi Sue Tussey, Hannah Goble, Mary Bentley.

Sophomore class

- First honors: Kiesha Stone, Ashley Gunnell, Shannon Hicks, Samathia Farthing, Ina Howard, Savanna Whitt, Lakita

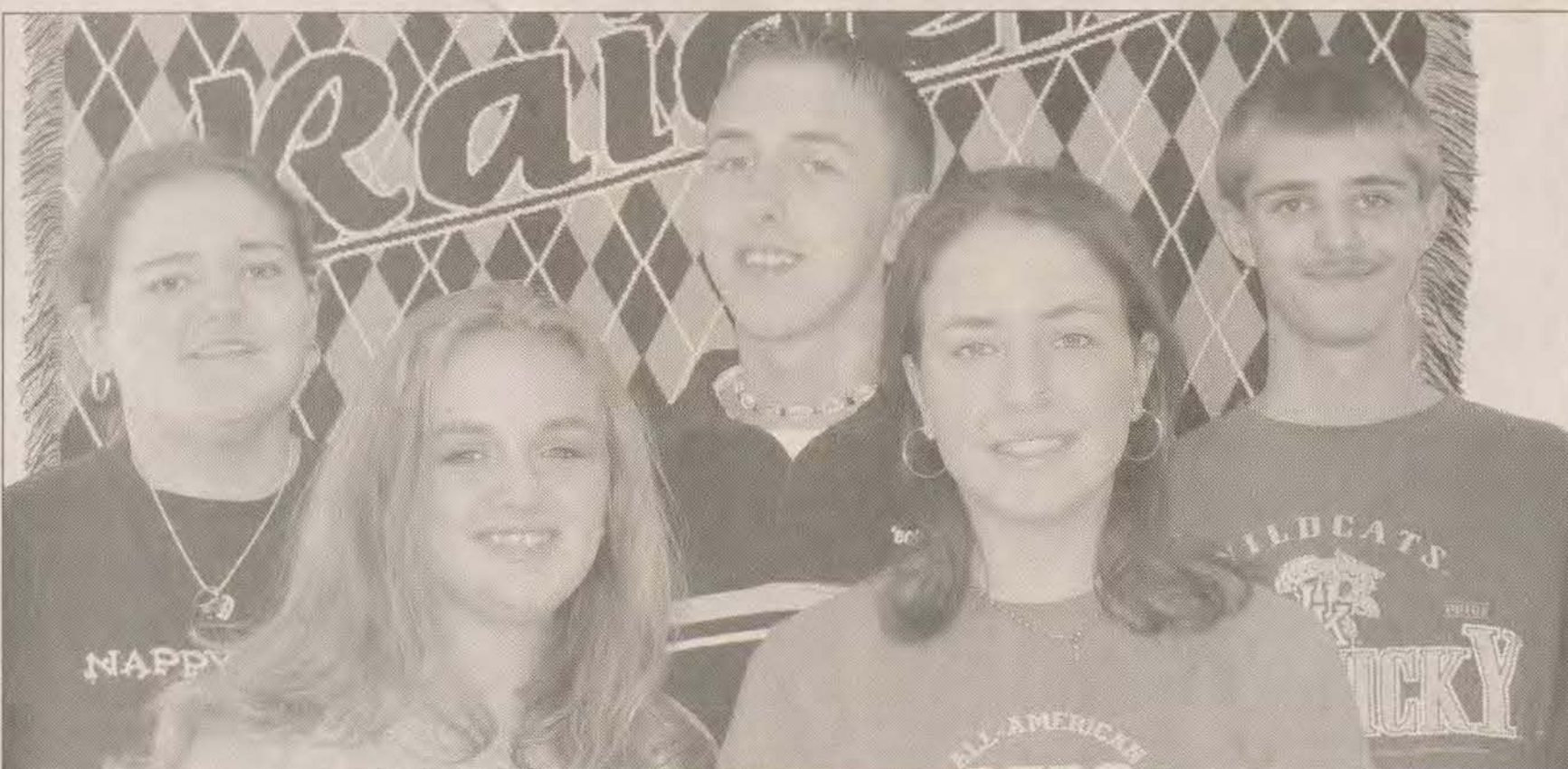
Lykins, Justin Frasure.

- Second honors: Whitney Friend, Trista Tackett, Lauren Preston.

Freshman class

- First honors: Sarah Carty, Michael Combs, Marie Dennison, Dionna Hall, Emily Helton, Alyson Layne, Joshua May, Skyler McNish, Ronnee Reynolds, Stephanie Williams.

SOUTH FLOYD HIGH SCHOOL



SFHS Students of the Month

by JENNIFER HURST

South Floyd High School is recognizing students for their accomplishments throughout the school in each subject area.

Students were nominated and chosen at the last bimonthly department meetings. Each department setup its own criteria for selection.

Students selected for this month are Zak Meade for language arts, Lesley Mullins for social studies and arts and humanities, Brita Meade for vocational, Amber Roberts for science, and Josh Johnson for mathematics.

South Floyd is very proud of the accomplishments of these students and would like to encourage them to keep up the good work.

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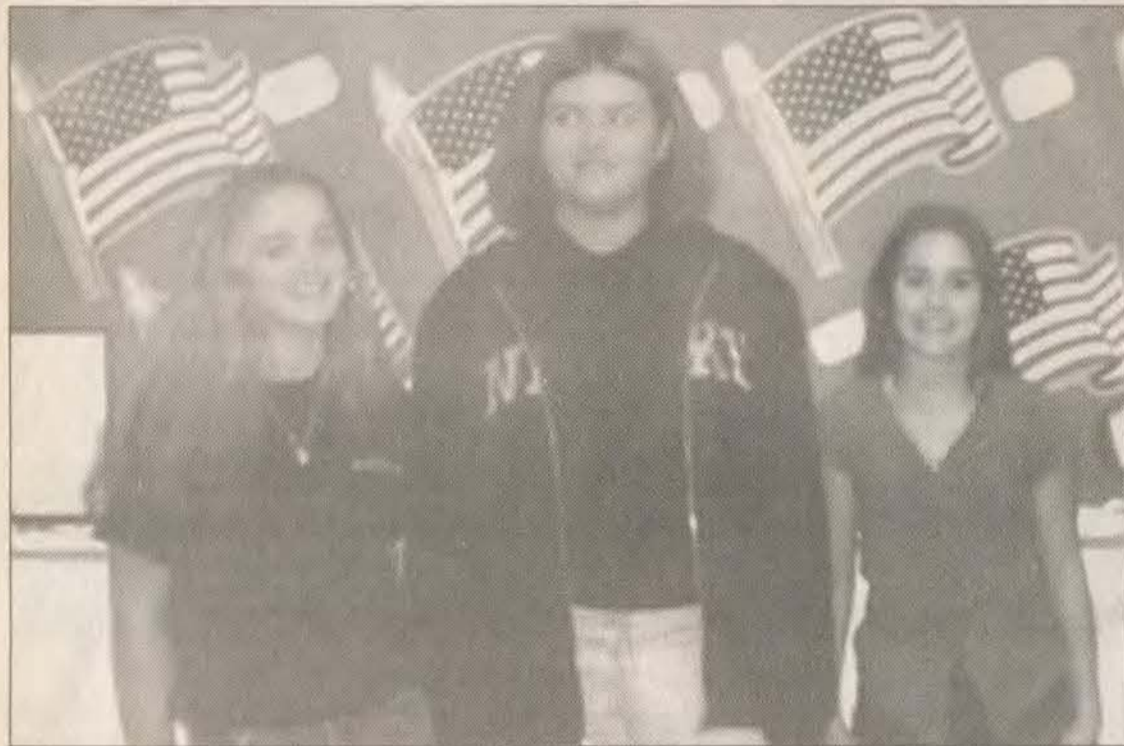
SOUTH FLOYD MIDDLE SCHOOL



Tara Gearheart, left, Alena Little, right, and Megan Daniels study chemical interactions.



Ms. Stephanie Little's eighth-grade science class studies chemical interactions and scientific inquiry. Shown are Tera Addis, left, Mary Williamson, right, and Bianca Bailey.



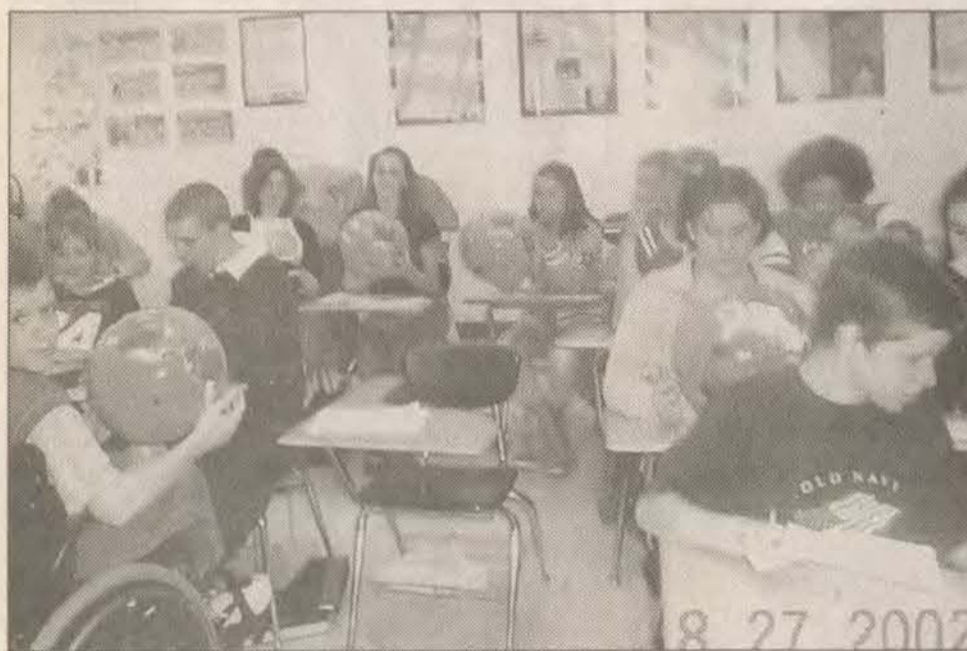
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Left to right, Vice President Jessica Howell, Treasurer Katie Spears and President Mary Williamson.



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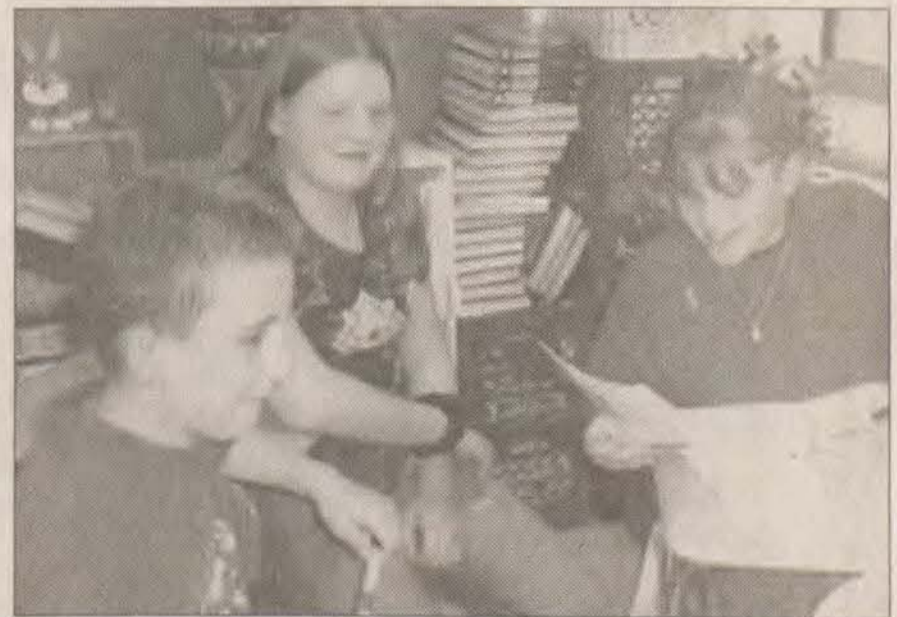
Samantha York, Faith Little, Brian Williams, Katie Spears, Angelia Crisp, Whitney Tackett, Joshua Rudder, Jessica Howell, Megan Poe, Wes Akers, Kody Howell, Ashley Spriggs, Jamie Poe and Mary Williamson. Not picture is Darryl Triplett.



Mrs. Denise Isaac's eighth-grade class uses an inflatable globe to study geography skills.



Learning can be fun, when you are in Carolyn Martin's seventh-grade reading class. Students are working in cooperative groups and doing an activity to present to other class members. You can find these seventh-grade students reading everywhere, even under tables and in hallways.



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Poetry is alive in Mrs. Joann Hamilton's eighth-grade reading class!

During the anniversary of the Sept. 11, 2001, attack on the United States, students were asked to express their feelings through poetry about the terrible tragedy. All of America can remember where we were on that day and what we were doing at that moment. Children have views that flow from their imaginations onto the written page and that can touch the hearts of everyone. Some examples follow:

Our World

by Kayla Anderson

What's happening in our world today?
When a child can't bow his head to pray.

For death we cannot set a date,
So therefore we know it can't be late.

The towers fall,
The mothers cry.

The fathers search,
The babies die.

What's happening in our world today?
When a child can't bow his head to pray.

As death ascends from the sky,
God shall sing his lullaby.

Tragedy of 9-11

by Kim Elkins

What have they did,
They have took the lives of thee.
Why did they do this,
They could just let us be.

It has almost been One year now,
Since the tragedy it self.
The Memories of our loved ones,
Is now contained on a book shelf.

The world trade centers are gone now,
Hopefully will be replaced one day.
Now you look at it is a site to see,
It takes your breath away.

You remember what was there before,
Every little detail,
It makes you think of what's there now,
It is a long story to tell.

When will all this be cleared up?
Will it ever be?
When the United States troops get back,
We will once again be free.

Reality Struck

by Mary Williamson

On September 11, 2001, the twin

towers were hit, but our hearts crashed as well
The moment, our freedom and liberty fell

Many people yelled and screamed
As they watched the fading of their dreams

I was devastated angry and sad
Thinking why would someone want to do something this bad?

This seemed as if it was unreal,
It couldn't be
But as time went by a struck of reality hit me.

This really happened. It's true!
But who did this? WHO?

Now we know it was a terrorist from Afghanistan
Who's leader was bin Laden,
one jealous and evil man.

While we pray
We need to remember him so he will get forgiveness someday.

Don't shed not one more tear
For we will find freedom near

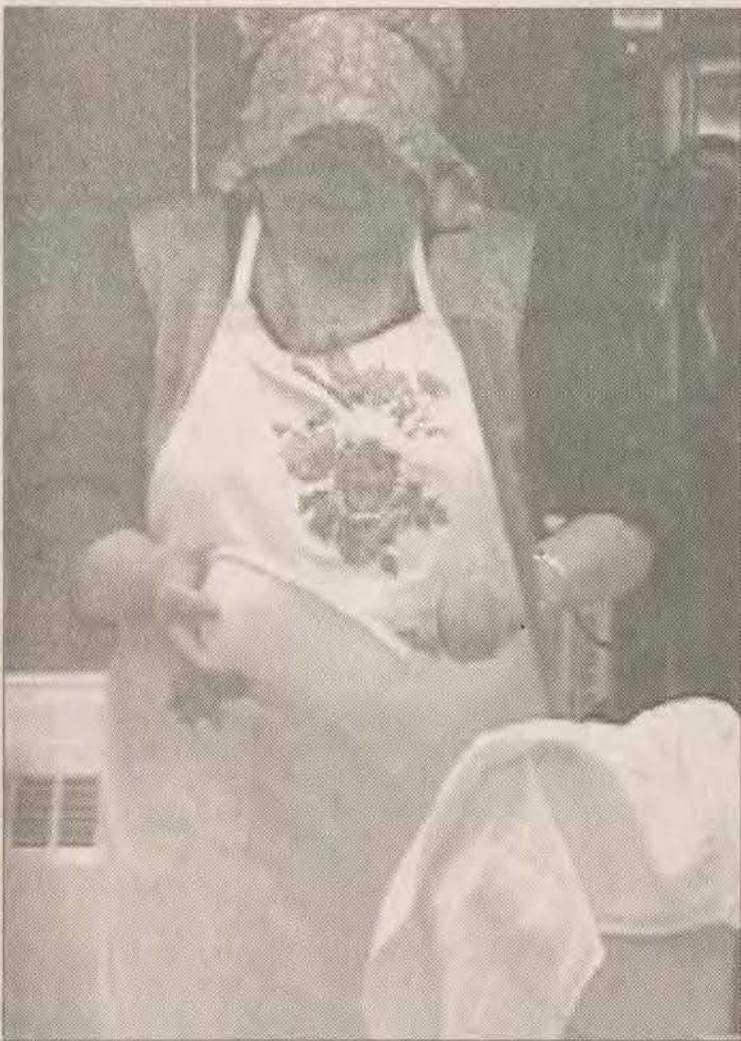
Keep in mind the army men who were brave
And all the innocent lives they have saved.

Pray for the people whose family members were lost
Pray for the damage this has cost

May our country be blessed
And help our soldiers in war to do their best
May we stand strong and faithful
For our country we should be grateful.

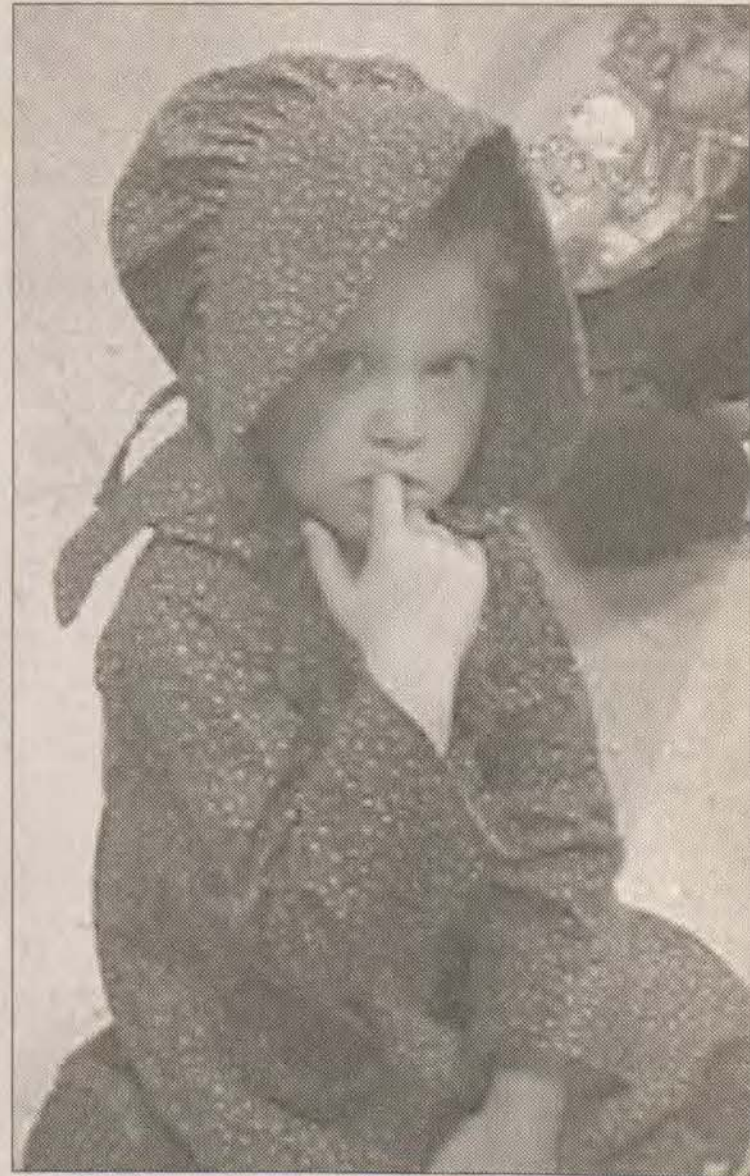
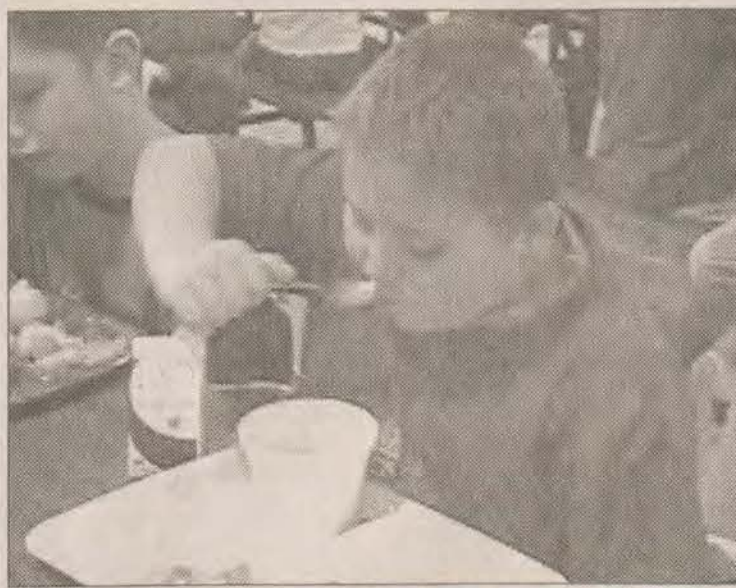
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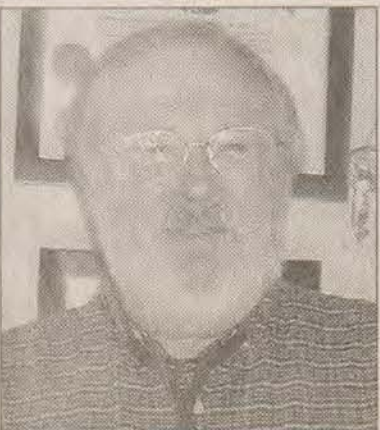
On October 25, the P1 and P2 students at Stumbo Elementary celebrated Appalachia Day. The students dressed in clothes of days past. The school had a free "Soup Bean Lunch" for all the students and their parents. Throughout the week guest speakers visited the school sharing information about traditions that occur in the mountains, such as quilting, churning butter, mountain music and the making of lye soap.



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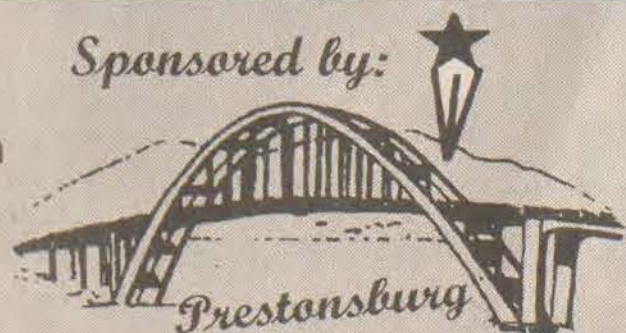
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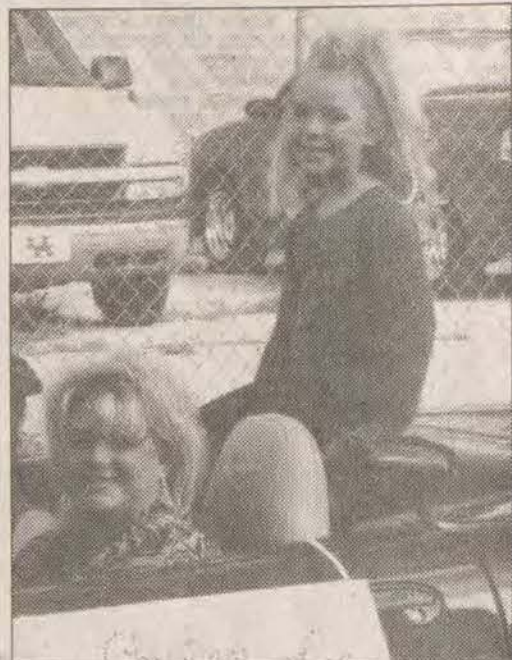
WESLEY CHRISTIAN ACADEMY



Wesley Christian School Jenny Wiley Pioneer Festival float.



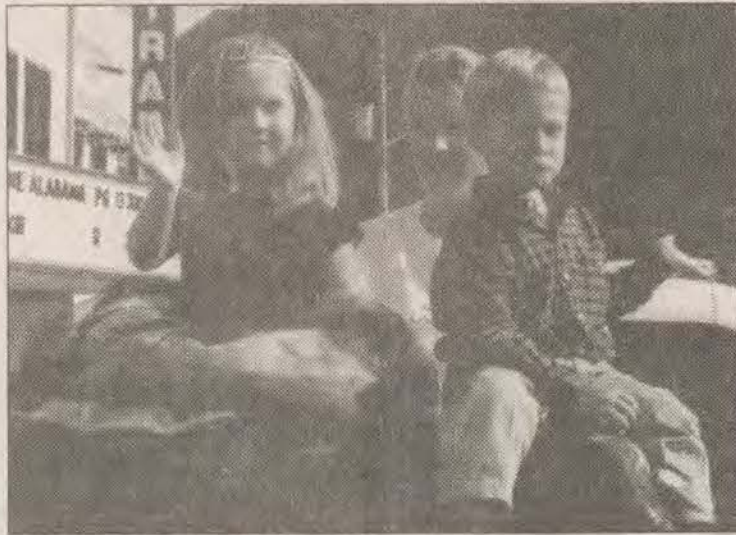
K4 Duke and Duchess representatives John Wesley Cooksey and Olivia Davis.



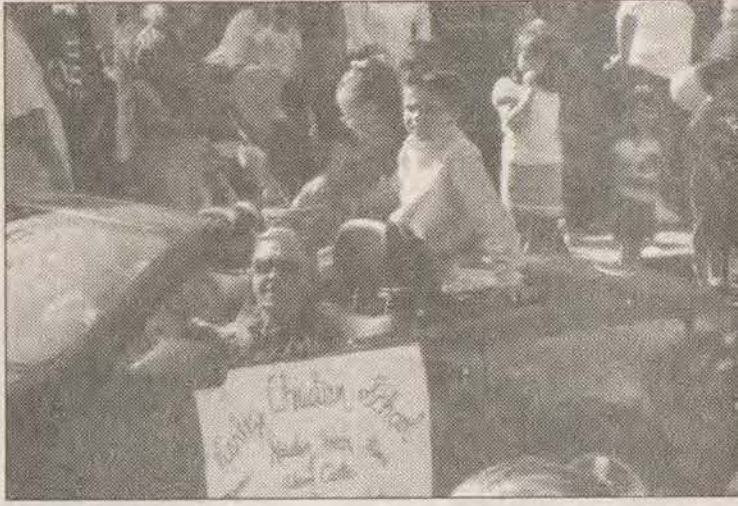
Third- and fourth-grade Princess representative Victoria May.



Preschool King attendant Clay Slone.



Preschool Queen attendant Danna J. Slone.



Second grade prince and princess representatives Adam Castle and Kristen Fitch.

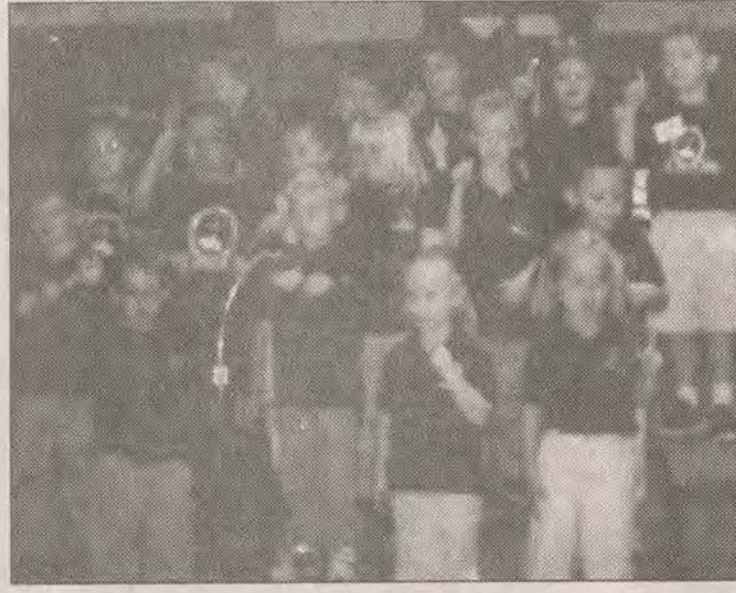
Wesley Christian School announces honor roll

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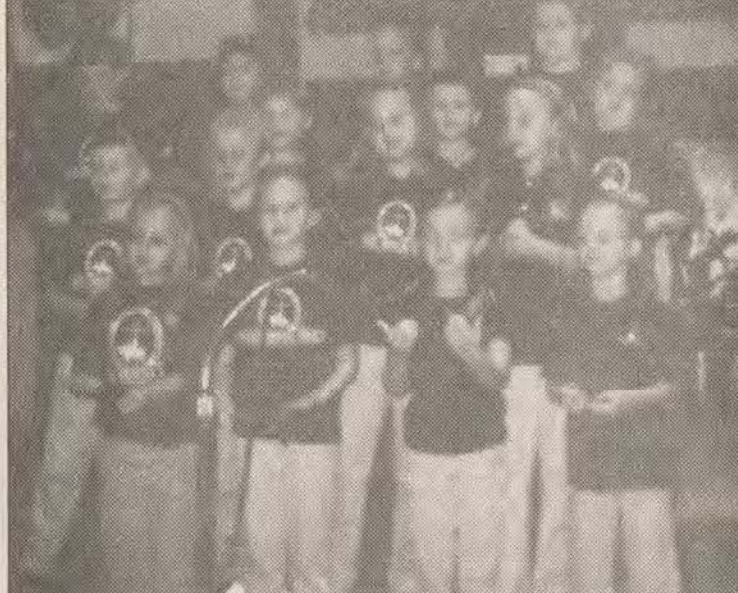
- First grade: Hunter Brown, Kaylee Collins, Justin DeRossett, Kasey Funk, Tyler Harmon, James Hinchman, Christian Lafferty, Nicole Layne, Macy Minix, Xavier Puckett, Lizzie Wilson.
- Second grade: J.D. Adams, Sarah Akers, Adam Castle, Owen Caudill, Kristen Fitch, Alexandra Hansford, Rechelle Johnson, Aaron Meek, Tori Nairn, Morgan Nunnery, Andrew Padgett, Catherine Tincher.
- Third grade: Michael Ellis, Emily Justice, Lucas Stewart.
- Fourth grade: Brad May.
- Fifth grade: Kate Herrick, Leandra Padgett.
- Sixth grade: Michelle Ellis, Elizabeth Howard.
- Seventh grade: Bobby Hughes, James Michael Lafferty, Josiah Reno.
- Eighth grade: Toni Baker, Whitney Trimble.

B honor roll

- Second grade: Zachary Butcher, Dustin Crum, Jacob DeRossett, Morgan Haywood, Caitlyn Horne.
- Third grade: Darby Cooksey, Victoria May, Myles Minix, Sarah Shepherd.
- Fifth grade: Lauren Howard, Jesse Lyons, Whitney May.
- Sixth grade: Summer Noakes, Savannah Reno, Cameron Tincher.
- Seventh grade: Nick Akers, Barbie Brown, Mason Haywood.
- Eighth grade: Chelsie Madden, John Turner.



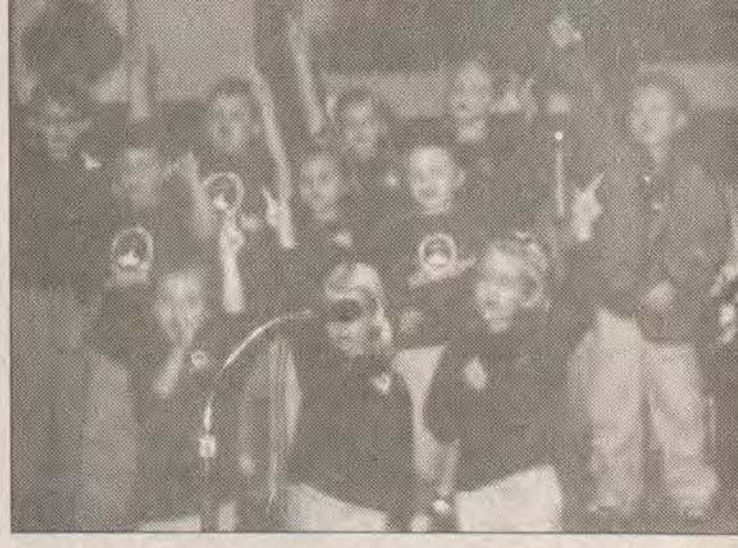
Ms. Tincher's first-grade class singing "Yes, Lord," during weekly chapel.



Mrs. DePoy's second-grade class singing "Stand on the Rock."



Ms. Ward's kindergarten class singing "Happy All the Time."



Ms. Tincher's first-grade class singing "Yes, Lord," during weekly chapel.

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