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briefs

**Letcher man
pleads guilty
to killing
man and son**

WHITESBURG — A Whitesburg man has pleaded guilty to killing a man and his 4-year-old son in February.

Jerome Boggs pleaded guilty to two counts of capital murder in the shooting deaths of Timothy Cook and his son, Timothy James Cook.

Boggs also pleaded guilty Thursday to robbery, burglary and gun charges on Thursday in Letcher Circuit Court. There is no possibility of probation or parole, Commonwealth's Attorney Edison Banks II said.

Boggs had earlier pleaded innocent, but changed his plea after reaching an agreement with prosecutors that he would speak to state police investigators about the crime.

Boggs will be sentenced Nov. 21. Charges against his wife, April Boggs, are still pending, Banks said. April Boggs is charged with two counts of complicity to commit murder, complicity to commit robbery and complicity to commit burglary.

Timothy Cook was found dead in the living room in his Whitesburg mobile home. His son was found in a bedroom.

Cook had been shot in the back of the head, and Timothy James had been shot twice in the chest.

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City, county brace for school showdown

Secession supporters moving forward; board seeking advice

by JARRID DEATON
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The desire expressed by city voters in Tuesday's election to create an independent school district for the city is one that the people have

wanted for a long time, according to Mayor Jerry Fannin.

"I've heard people talk for years about wanting to go back to a city school system," Fannin said.

Residents of the city voted in favor of the creation of a city school district by an

almost 2-to-1 margin on Tuesday.

But, according to Fannin, there are still many hurdles to clear before the city can get an independent school district.

"The first step is to work on a bill for state Rep. Greg Stumbo. It will have to be processed through the Senate and the

House," Fannin said.

Fannin also said that he thinks that the decision will help the school to become more efficient and a better learning environment.

Dr. Paul Fanning, superintendent of Floyd County schools, does not view the prospect of an independent school district

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Prestonsburg firefighters were called to Country Boy Farm Supply on South Lake Drive early Friday morning after a motorist reported seeing smoke coming from a semi-trailer parked next door. Upon arrival, firefighters found the trailer packed with a blazing 350 bales of hay. Although no cause had been found at press time, authorities had not ruled out arson.

photo by Ralph B. Davis

Stumbo files for attorney general

by LORETTA BLACKBURN
STAFF WRITER

FRANKFORT — After serving 22 years as the 95 district House representative, Gregory D. Stumbo has announced that he will run for state attorney general next year.

Stumbo filed candidacy papers for the position Thursday, Nov. 7, and thus far is the only candidate. However, others rumored to be interested in running for the job include current Secretary of State John Y. Brown III, who is, like Stumbo, a Democrat, and Republican state Rep. Jeff Hoover of Jamestown.

Stumbo was elected to the House in 1980 and later rose to the position of majority floor leader, the second most powerful leadership position in the House.

Stumbo had announced his

interest in running for a state office during a Democratic fund raiser at his home on Oct. 10. At that time he disclosed that he was also contemplating running for accepting an invitation to run as lieutenant governor or even running for governor.

At that time, Stumbo said that he had been traveling around the state for three or four months and "listening" in an attempt to see what concerned the people most. He offered that it seems that "what concerns the people most is the drug

problem."

Stumbo appeared to be addressing that problem on Friday, as he suggested raising Kentucky's cigarette tax by 15 cents a pack to fund a new police agency — a Kentucky Bureau of Investigation — within the Kentucky State

(See **STUMBO**, page three)



Greg Stumbo

East Kentuckians hoping to bring back medical chopper

by JARRID DEATON
STAFF WRITER

EASTERN KENTUCKY — A Letcher County woman has started a petition in an attempt to get the medical helicopter service from the University of Kentucky Medical Center back in Breathitt County.

Doris Adams started the peti-

tion after hearing about the university's decision to pull its MedEvac out of the city of Jackson in September.

"I didn't know what to do, I was so upset about it," Adams said.

According to Adams, she could not get any information from the

(See **CHOPPER**, page three)

Discrimination suit ends with board victory

by JARRID DEATON
STAFF WRITER

PIKEVILLE — A lawsuit that led to a jury trial against the Floyd County Board of Education is over, with the ruling in favor of the board.

The lawsuit, which was filed Jan. 30, 2001, alleges that John Hicks was discharged from his position as special education teacher at South Floyd Middle School by Floyd County Superintendent Paul Fanning for conduct unbecoming a teacher on findings of an investigation of the Division of Management Assistance with the Department of Education.

The investigation concluded that Hicks provided students with answers and also wrote answers for some students during standardized testing.

Hicks' lawsuit responded that he did not receive any special training for administering the special tests and he did not give any answers to any of the students, but assisted them in an "acceptable" manner as the students' handicaps required.

The lawsuit also maintains that while Hicks was employed at the school, he was given a classroom that was vastly smaller than that of a female teacher at the school that was inadequate for the space needed to induce a learning environment.

Hicks also alleged that the other teacher was given a computer, a telephone and abundant supplies, and was sent almost yearly to special education seminars held in Louisville, with expenses paid, while Hicks'

(See **LAWSUIT**, page three)



Members of Chapter 18 of the Disabled American Veterans participated in a flag raising ceremony for Veteran's Day at the Veteran's Affairs Prestonsburg Primary Care Clinic on Friday.

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■ NEW YORK — A British dollmaker who turned Barbie into a partly nude "Dungeon Doll," complete with rubber bondage dress and helmet, did not appear to violate the copyrights of Mattel Inc., a judge said.

U.S. District Judge Laura Taylor Swain's ruling permitted a lawsuit filed by Mattel against Susanne Pitt to go forward but said there did not appear to be sufficient evidence for the toy-maker to win.

The El Segundo, Calif., company says it wants to stop Pitt from infringing on its copyrights. The company is seeking \$10,000 in statutory damages and \$1,350 in legal fees.

"We are committed to vigorously protecting our established trademarks, which includes Barbie," Mattel spokeswoman Lisa Marie Bongiovanni said Thursday.

Pitt's telephone number in England was not listed.

The judge, citing an advertisement describing the doll as wearing "lederhosen-style Bavarian bondage dress and hel-

met in rubber with PVC-mask," wrote in her Nov. 1 ruling that the doll is "quite different from that typically appearing on Mattel's products for children."

"The sale or display of 'adult' dolls does not appear to be a use Mattel would likely develop or license others to develop," she said.

The parody appears to pose no threat to sales of Barbie dolls and thus does not seem to violate the company's copyright, the judge concluded.

■ DES MOINES, Iowa — Polk County officials have decided to surrender the courthouse basement to rats.

County officials said Tuesday they plan to abandon the basement within two weeks, possibly in favor of rented space across the street. Court records and more than a dozen employees will have to be transferred.

Rats have been spotted in the basement for decades, but the rodent population has grown and the rats have become braver in recent months, partly due to spring cleaning, said Bruce

Greiner, director of the county's general services department.

"Once we cleaned up all that stuff down there, we kind of took away their places to hide," Greiner said.

There have been dozens of rat sightings in the past 90 days, including one that invaded a judge's restroom vanity on the second floor and another seen leaping from a desk drawer on the first floor.

Court employees have been warned to keep food in glass or metal containers and to clap their hands when walking down dark hallways.

"Just because of the sheer

nature of the issue, we think that we're better off to move people out of the basement," County Manager Terece Caldwell-Johnson said. "I don't think that we would ever move people back into that basement."

■ CHARLESTON, W.Va. — The West Virginia Ethics Commission ruled two state-owned bloodhounds, as public servants, cannot serve as pitch-dogs in television ads for dog food.

Buckeye Feed Mills Inc. of Dalton, Ohio, provides free food

(See **ODDS**, page six)

Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Sunday, Nov. 10, the 314th day of 2002. There are 51 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: Twenty years ago, on Nov. 10, 1982, Soviet leader Leonid I. Brezhnev died at age 75.

On this date:

■ In 1775, the U.S. Marines were organized under authority of the Continental Congress.

■ In 1871, journalist-explorer Henry M. Stanley found missing Scottish missionary David Livingstone in central Africa.

■ In 1919, the American Legion held its first national convention, in Minneapolis.

■ In 1928, Hirohito was enthroned as Emperor of Japan.

■ In 1942, Winston Churchill delivered a speech in London in which he said, "I have not become the King's First Minister to preside over the liquidation of the British Empire."

■ In 1951, direct-dial coast-to-coast telephone service began as Mayor M. Leslie Denning of Englewood, N.J., called his counterpart in Alameda, Calif.

■ In 1954, the Iwo Jima Memorial was dedicated in Arlington, Va.

■ In 1975, the UN General Assembly approved a resolution equating Zionism with racism (the world body repealed the resolution in December 1991).

■ In 1975, the ore-hauling ship Edmund Fitzgerald and its crew of 29 vanished during a storm in Lake Superior.

■ In 1982, the newly finished Vietnam Veterans Memorial was opened to its first visitors in Washington, D.C.

Ten years ago:

President Bush dismissed State Department official Elizabeth Tamposi for her role in a pre-election search for passport

records of his rivals, Democrat Bill Clinton and Ross Perot.

Five years ago:

A judge in Cambridge, Mass., reduced Louise Woodward's murder conviction to manslaughter and sentenced the English au pair to the 279 days she'd already served in the death of 8-month-old Matthew Eappen. A jury in Fairfax, Va., convicted Mir Aimal Kasi of one count of capital murder, one count of first-degree murder and eight additional charges stemming from a shooting attack outside CIA headquarters in January 1993. WorldCom Inc. and MCI Communications Corp. agreed to a \$37 billion merger.

One year ago:

President Bush, in an address to the UN General Assembly, warned that all nations were possible targets of terrorism and urged them to join with the United States in a campaign to prevent more attacks. The World Trade Organization formally approved China's membership. Algeria found itself caught in a fierce 36-hour storm that killed an estimated 886 people. Australian Prime Minister John Howard and his conservative government won a third term in national elections. Author Ken Kesey died in Eugene, Ore., at age 66.

Today's Birthdays:

Actor Russell Johnson is 78. Blues singer Bobby Rush is 68. Actor Albert Hall is 65. Lyricist Tim Rice is 58. Actress Alaina Reed-Hall is 56. Rock singer-musician Greg Lake (Emerson, Lake and Palmer) is 54. Actress-dancer Ann Reinking is 53. Actor Jack Scalia is 51. Movie director Roland Emmerich is 47. Actor Matt Craven is 46. Actor-comedian Sinbad is 46. Actress Mackenzie Phillips is 43. Country singer Chris Cagle is 34. Rapper-producer Warren G is 32. Rock singer-musician Jim Adkins (Jimmy Eat World) is 27. Actress Brittany Murphy is 25. Rapper Eve is 24. Rock musician Chris Jannou (Silverchair) is 23. Actor Bryan Neal is 22. Actress Heather Matarazzo is 20.

Thought for Today:

"It is a stupidity second to none, to busy oneself with the correction of the world." — Moliere, French dramatist (1622-1673).

Doctor charged with 11 counts of illegally prescribing drugs

The Associated Press

SOUTH SHORE — A grand jury has indicted an Eastern Kentucky doctor on 11 felony counts of illegally prescribing addictive drugs.

Dr. Rodolfo Santos, of South Shore, prescribed Percocet "in a manner not authorized by law" on 11 occasions between May 2001 and last April, a Greenup County grand jury alleged in the indictment issued Wednesday. He already was facing seven

charges stemming from a grand jury indictment in June.

The new indictment charges that Santos unlawfully prescribed the narcotic painkiller for a patient almost monthly during that period, skipping only September 2001.

According to the Drug Enforcement Administration, Santos allegedly prescribed the patient 1,980 10-milligram tablets of Percocet or a generic equivalent - 180 tablets a month. The agency alleges that Santos wrote the prescriptions without examining the patient, who didn't even go to Santos' office. The patient is cooperating with investigators and has not been charged.

A warrant was issued for the arrest of Santos, but he had not been picked up as of Friday, according to the Greenup County Jail.

The 67-year-old doctor and four other physicians have been indicted on state or federal charges that they illegally prescribed painkillers and other medications at a clinic owned by Dr. David Procter.

Authorities claim the clinic was a major source of illegal

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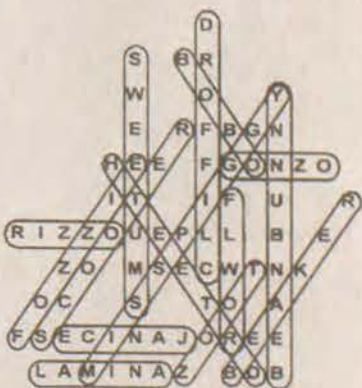
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MUPPETS



Racetracks would have to fight for casino franchise

by CHARLES WOLFE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Kentucky's horse racing tracks apparently will have to fight for a place in a future casino industry, if there is one.

Legislative leaders this week indicated that the General Assembly is not inclined to give tracks an exclusive casino franchise, as would have happened under a gaming bill that was introduced but not enacted earlier this year.

Track owners say they already are in the gambling and entertainment business, so their tracks are the logical sites for casinos, should

the General Assembly make them legal.

But some other enterprises, including the Executive Inn in Owensboro, also have exhibited keen interest in having casinos. And legislators will have a budget crisis to deal with when they return to the Capitol in January.

"We have to see which venue would give us the most revenue," Rep. Larry Clark, speaker pro tem of the House, said Thursday.

Rep. Jim Callahan, chairman of the House Democratic Caucus, sponsored the bill that would have legalized casinos, restricted them to race tracks and would have provided for a division of profits with

the state. Callahan said tracks now would have to make the best offer.

On Friday, Dave Switzer, executive director of the Kentucky Thoroughbred Association, said track owners and horsemen were aware of proposals being floated for casinos in Owensboro and elsewhere.

"We know we'll have to address that," Switzer said in an interview. But "we're concerned that that type of competition would take away from our industry."

Switzer said track owners and horsemen would have to assess the statements by Clark and Callahan. "If it's going to be opened up to a free-for-all, we're going to have to do something," he said.

Appearing later before the legislature's interim Licensing and Occupations Committee, Switzer said Mountaineer Park, a West Virginia track not widely known

until a few years ago, is getting horses that otherwise would be racing this winter at Churchill Downs in Louisville. The reason? Lucrative "alternative gaming" that enabled Mountaineer to fatten its racing purses, Switzer said.

"It took 150 years to get where we are today. It'd be a shame if we lost this signature industry," he said.

No one on the committee, whose members include Clark, D-Louisville, gave Switzer any promises about casinos. Beyond casinos, in fact, Clark and others said the thoroughbred industry was unlikely to get any tax breaks from the 2003 General Assembly.

Horsemen would like to have the sales tax taken off horse feed. The tax already was removed from the water they buy for horses. In addition, breeders want to avoid having the sales tax added to breeding fees, Switzer said.

Clark said the General

Assembly already faces the prospect of budget cuts. "We're going to have some tough choices

to make when we come back in session," Clark said. "I don't see any tax cuts for anybody."

MSU-P'burg to offer Appalachian studies

by JARRID DEATON
STAFF WRITER

The study of the Appalachian region is the focus of new classes that will soon be offered at the Prestonsburg campus of Morehead State University.

The college will offer 12 hours of Appalachian Studies classes with a minor becoming available in the fall of 2003.

The classes that are offered include: ART 468, Appalachian Arts, which provides a survey of the arts of the Appalachian region from pre-colonial times to the present; SOC 360, Appalachian Culture, which is the study of the Appalachian culture in juxtaposition to the concept of cultural dynamics

and the analysis of the relationship between culture, society, and personality in Appalachia; HIS 322, History of Appalachia, will cover the social, economic, and political history of the people and events of the Appalachian Mountains; and, ENG 360, Appalachian Literature, which will cover regional literature including selected works by such major writers in the region as Harriette Arnow, Jesse Stuart, and Wilma Dykeman. Appalachian Arts will be instructed by Dr. Joy Gritton, Appalachian Culture will be instructed by Vilki Woodward, History of Appalachia will be instructed by Dr. Tom Matijasic, and Appalachian Literature will be instructed by Dr. Bill Gillis

District

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as favorably as Fannin.

"It has the potential impact on Floyd County schools with the loss of students, financial losses, disposition of property and bonded indebtedness on the Prestonsburg schools," Fanning said. "We have to report this to

the state Board of Education and we will get guidance and education on the situation from them."

Fanning said that he does not see the plan taking place anytime soon, as there are many legal questions which must be addressed first.

Lawsuit

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requests for equal space, a computer, a telephone and permission to attend teaching seminars were refused.

The lawsuit alleged that the differences in treatment were acts of discrimination against Hicks in whole or in part because of gender.

A jury, however, felt otherwise, delivering a verdict in favor of the board Thursday.

According to court documents, Judge David L. Bunning ruled on behalf of the Floyd County Board of Education in accord with the verdict rendered by the jury. According to the trial

minutes, the jury retired at 2:18 p.m. and returned at 2:52 p.m. with the verdict.

Hicks was previously represented by Earl Martin "Mickey" McGuire. McGuire made a motion to withdraw from the case after deciding to run for a position on the board of education.

Hicks was represented at the trial by Jonah Lee Stevens of Pikeville.

The Floyd County Board of Education was represented by Michael J. Schmitt of Paintsville. Neither attorney was available for comment on the case.

Man charged for allegedly assuming brother's identity

by LORETTA BLACKBURN
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A Prestonsburg man has been charged with theft of identity for reporting to authorities a false name after being arrested for operating a motor vehicle under the influence of drugs.

According to police records, Monroe T. Justice, 32, was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol by Joey King, of Kentucky State Police, at which time he told officer King that he was Curtis Justice, his brother.

Officer George Tussey, of the Prestonsburg Police Department, stated that he served the warrant on Justice on Nov. 4 at the Floyd County Detention Center. He had apparently arrived to pick up his girlfriend at the detention center.

Justice was charged with theft of identity without consent and falsely reporting an incident. He was arraigned on Nov. 6, at which time a \$10,000 cash bond was set.

Justice was sentenced to seven years in prison in 1991 for capital murder and to one year in 1995 for promoting contraband,

Stumbo

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Police.

Stumbo said the division would be assigned terrorism investigation as well as supplement state police investigation of drug cases.

Stumbo has a bachelor's degree from the University of Kentucky and a law degree from the University of Louisville.

He was formerly a member of the Drift-McDowell Jaycees, past vice president of the Floyd County Young Democrats, assistant Floyd county attorney in 1977, district court trial commissioner 1978, and Martin city attorney from 1978 to 1980.

The Associated Press also contributed to this report.

Chopper

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University of Kentucky Medical Center when she made an attempt to contact them about the situation.

"They were not interested in hearing what I had to say. They could save \$2 million by pulling out of Jackson," Adams said.

Marianne Fields, of Perry County, helped to distribute the petition and has a personal interest in the situation.

"We has to use the MedEvac in 1999 because my daughter was in a car wreck and her brain was swelling in her skull," Fields said.

Although the helicopter will still travel from Lexington for medical emergencies, the time it takes to travel the extra distance is much too long, according to

Fields.

"Time is essential in a medical situation. When the chopper was in Jackson we could get from Hazard to Lexington in 25 to 30 minutes," Fields said.

According to Adams, she has received at least 3,500 signatures from various counties in Eastern Kentucky.

"It seems like they specifically chose this area to pull out of to save money," Adams said.

Frank Butler, vice president of medical center operations, could not be reached for comment.

Correction

The renovated Mud Creek Dental Clinic article in the October 16 edition was identified as the Jeep Whitehead building. The correct name of the building and the man that it was named after is Jeep Whitehouse.

Attention Principals and Teachers

The next issue of *Children First* will be published Dec. 4. The deadline for submitting stories and pictures will be Nov. 25. Because of the volume of material, we must insist on strict deadlines. Anything submitted after Nov. 25 will be held until the January issue.

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— Felix Frankfurter

GuestView

Editorial roundup

The Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, on planning for an attack on Iraq:

The Bush administration's warning that America will go to war with Iraq alone if necessary, with the goal of regime change in Baghdad, remains on the table. Reports emerged last week that Defense Department planning for such an invasion assumes a 130,000-person force. ...

America's current force level is 1.4 million, including already activated Reserves and National Guard; the remaining Reserve pool numbers 1.3 million. Some 235,000 of the on-duty forces are already committed in Germany, the Balkans, South Korea, Japan, Colombia, Afghanistan, the Philippines and other countries, from which it might be difficult to extract them to augment an Iraq invasion force. Which raises the question: Is the 130,000 figure the Pentagon is using based to some extent on what is available without reactivating the draft, and if so, is the United States setting itself up for a yearslong horrible experience in Iraq?

It's a sobering question that confirms our opinion that the best outcome of the president's threat of force would be Iraqi compliance with "coercive inspections" of its weapons capacity backed by a strong U.N. resolution.

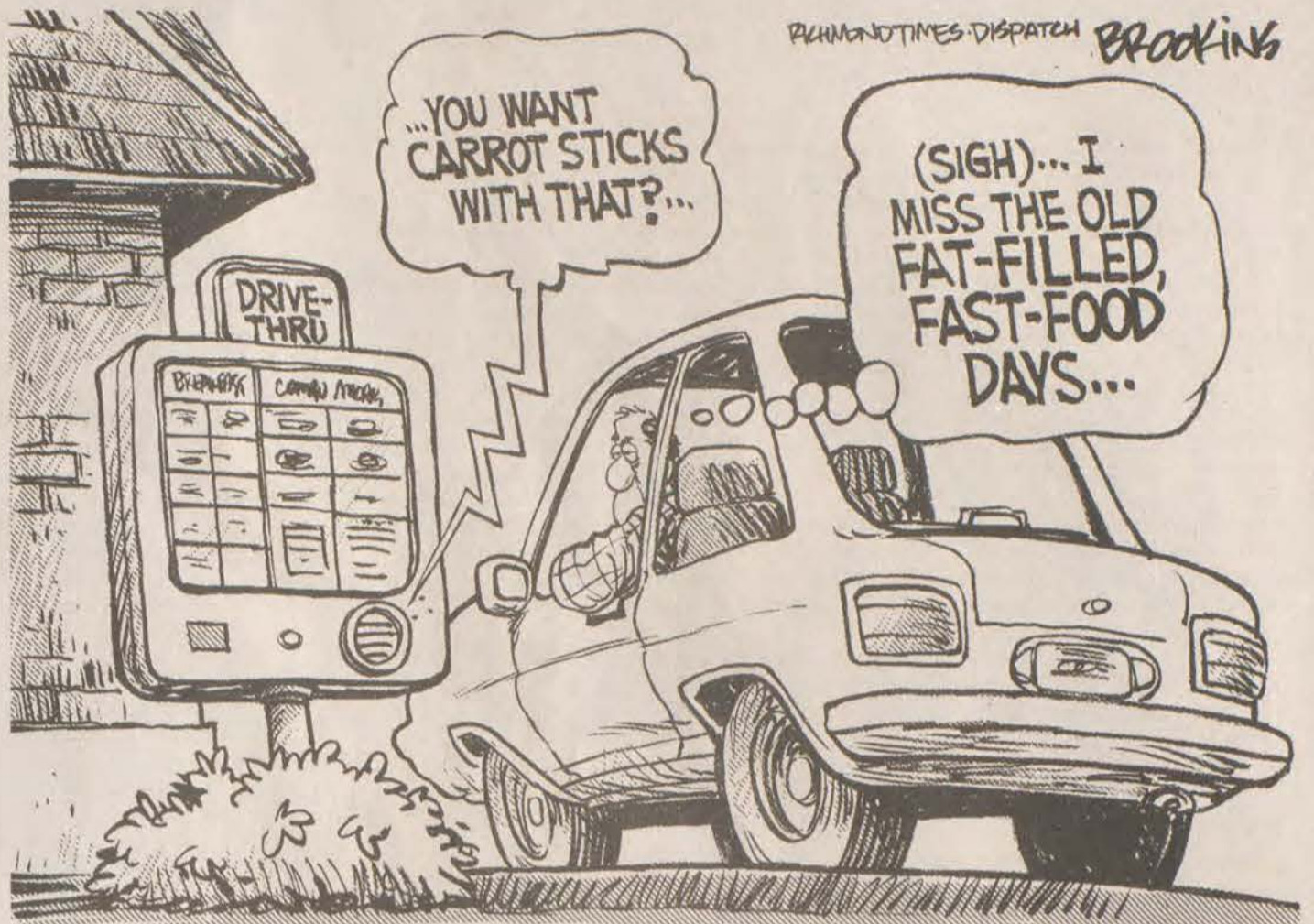
Sarasota (Fla.) Herald-Tribune, on the recent Internet attack:

Most Internet users experienced little if any disruption when an attack was launched against the 13 main computer servers that handle online traffic around the world. But the incident shouldn't be treated as a mere blip on the screen.

The Oct. 21 assault, described by computer experts as one of the largest attempts to disrupt the Internet yet, lasted only an hour. But it shut down seven of the global computer network's core servers and caused intermittent trouble for two more. Federal investigators said the attack was similar to previous, smaller assaults that sent a flood of data to selected targets, thus disrupting legitimate Internet traffic.

The attack may have been another prank - or a test shot. "The public harm in this attack was low," said Marc Zwillinger, a former Justice Department lawyer who has investigated attacks on business Web sites. "What it demonstrates is the potential for further harm."

... Last week's troubles serve as another reminder that the clock's ticking. Federal officials and industry leaders need to move forward with basic upgrades - before someone launches a costly, full-scale assault.



— Jim Davidson

Attitude and self-image

Have you ever wondered why some people have a negative, pessimistic attitude about most things while others are generally positive and up-beat? Based on many years of work in the field of human resources, it's my personal belief that the answer to this dilemma, while very simple, is not understood by the majority of people. Since these individuals don't really understand it, they don't know how to go about changing a negative attitude to a positive attitude, and, in the process, living a happier, more productive and successful life.

The reason one person is positive and upbeat while another is negative and pessimistic is because our overall attitude and our outlook on life is a reflection of our self-image. In other words, what's "taking place" on the inside shows up on the outside. Because this discovery was made in the past 50 years, many people did not learn about it in school or later in life, as they moved out into the world.

Almost by chance, a plastic surgeon, Dr. Maxwell Maltz, discovered the concept of self-image and later wrote about it in his book, titled *Psycho-cybernetics*, which has sold in excess of 15 million copies. As Dr. Maltz worked with his patients to change

their physical appearances with the aid of plastic surgery, he began to notice a definite, marked change in their attitude and their willingness to tackle jobs and assume risks that would have been considered impossible before.

Further research revealed that an outward physical change was also accompanied by an inner emotional change. Thus the conclusion was reached: the self-image is the mental picture we hold of ourselves and this mental picture relates to both the "outer" and "inner" person and it literally controls our lives.

In fact the discovery of the self-image has been called the most important psychological discovery of the twentieth century.

When an individual holds a positive picture of himself, he performs better than when he holds a negative picture. In a very real sense, a "winner" feeds on his or her success.

The real meat of the coconut can be found in this statement: The human nervous system cannot distinguish between actual true-life experiences from those imagined in vivid detail in the mind. In other words, we must see ourselves as successful and begin to act this way before it will ever come to pass.

There is, however, a real pitfall that we must take steps to avoid. In recent years

many schools have developed courses to help students develop a healthy self-image. While the intent is great, many times the methods have been found wanting.

It takes more than telling a student or any human being that he or she is a good person with real value because a healthy self-image is not based merely on words but on solid achievement. Our subconscious mind can tell the difference between praise and performance. To say it another way, nothing truly worthwhile is ever easy.

Since our rewards in life are determined by the quality and quantity of service we provide to others, it's important to understand that our value to society is determined by what we make of ourselves. We can change our life for the better by changing our self-image, which is simply the way we see ourselves, both physically and emotionally, that is to say, from both the outside and the inside. It also becomes easier to help other people when we understand the reasons behind their negative attitudes.

It's a wonderful thing to help a person change his or her self-image and begin to see the winner God created them to be. In reality, the more we help others, the more we help ourselves.

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— beyond the beltway

Fools, charlatans and mountebanks

by DONALD KAUL

For the past few years I've been fond of saying "there's no one in Washington who speaks for me."

I was exaggerating, of course. (How unlike me.) There always was Iowa Sen. Tom Harkin and Sen. Teddy Kennedy (although he's such a blowhard it's difficult to take him seriously). Mainly, however, there was Paul Wellstone.

Wellstone, the Minnesota senator who died in a plane crash a little over a week ago, was a true liberal, one of the best of a vanishing breed. Wellstone was not a blowhard, he was a mensch, the kind of politician our republican system of government is supposed to be about, but isn't.

The idea of a republic, as conservatives never tire of telling us, is "representative democracy;" that is to say, we elect people of judgment who then sort out complex issues for us while we go on about our business. And if we too often disagree with their decisions, we get rid of them. That's the way it's supposed to work.

Instead we have a government staffed with poll-driven politicians with few

convictions and none they would lose an election for. Their real mission is to serve their corporate paymasters, the "special interests" that fund their vacuous campaigns.

Wellstone wasn't like that. He was a true populist who did not hesitate to act on his conscience even when it collided with popular opinion. He was, for example, the only senator involved in a difficult race to vote against giving President George W. Bush virtually unlimited authority to attack Iraq. He had no love for Saddam Hussein; he simply thought it was a good idea to get the rest of the world to go along with us first — or at least try. I happen to think the same thing.

True liberals, sad to say, can be humorless pains in the neck (see Ralph Nader), but Wellstone wasn't like that either. He was a charming man of great good humor who always took time to pay personal attention to people like the elevator operators and cleaning staff at the Capitol. He once went to Iowa, testing the presidential waters there, and said:

"I represent the democratic wing of the Democratic party."

So he did. Now he's gone and I'm feeling very lonely. The fact that his death might very well have given Republicans control of the Senate merely deepens the anguish.

That grim possibility has dimmed somewhat with the entry of Walter Mondale into the race, but the loss of Wellstone is still unutterably sad, made more so by the dreary prospect — this written a week before this crucial election — that there will be another near-

record-low voter turnout. In a country that prides itself upon being the world's oldest continuing democracy, that is something akin to a tragedy.

More and more Americans are content to leave the task of choosing leaders to the "political action committees," money machines that owe allegiance to "interests" rather than people. And whether those interests are virtuous or malignant, they are no substitute for a knowledgeable, involved electorate.

I have a theory on why people are non-voters. I don't buy the idea that it's because there's no choice between the parties or that both sides are equally bad.

All of that is true to a degree, but the greatest factor is negative campaigning.

Think about it: A negative campaign doesn't seek to make you want to vote FOR anyone; it tries to discourage you from voting for someone. And I think these scurrilous ads that we see so much of these days have been so successful that many people have been discouraged from voting altogether.

Nor can our educational system escape blame entirely. In many, if not most areas, schools have all but abandoned the teaching of history or political science in a rigorous way. Thus we have given over our country to fools, charlatans and mountebanks.

George W. Bush says he wants to bring democracy to Iraq. I'd be happy if he brought it to the United States.

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Faith Extra

Voice of the Faithful has become U.S. Catholicism's most disputed organization

by RICHARD N. OSTLING
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NEWTON, Mass. — Formed by rank-and-file Roman Catholics alarmed at clerical sex abuse, in just 10 months Voice of the Faithful has gone from meeting in a single Massachusetts parish to claiming some 25,000 lay members. It also has become the most disputed organization in the American church — an institution known for its powerful hierarchy and passive congregants. Voice, which emerged from January open forums at a

Wellesley parish, has reached into 33 states, recruiting many members via the Internet. It has 37 parish chapters in Massachusetts and 41 elsewhere. The group professes to be loyally Catholic. But conservative commentators call Voice subversive to the hierarchy and church teaching. Seven bishops, in Connecticut, Maine, Oregon, New Jersey and New York, have banned the group from meeting on church premises. Boston's Cardinal Bernard Law went halfway, allowing existing Voice

chapters to continue meeting in parishes but forbidding newly formed ones. Archbishop John Myers of Newark, N.J., accompanied his mid-October ban with a stinging critique. He said Voice functions "as a cover for dissent, to cause division within the church and to openly attack the church hierarchy." The group's agenda is "anti-church and, ultimately, anti-Catholic," he charged. The fight over meeting places is more than symbolic. Though gatherings can be held in other buildings, a parish pres-

ence is crucial for recruiting members and giving Voice legitimacy as a Catholic organization. Voice President James Post, a Boston University professor of management who specializes in ethics and corporate accountability, thinks widespread bishops' bans would "put us out of existence or limit our growth." Two weeks ago he sent an explanatory letter to all U.S. bishops, saying they may have been misled, and arguing that Voice has the right to exist under church law. Post informed the bishops that Voice wants to "shape structural change within the Church" and believes that lay involvement "is central to correcting the causes of the current crisis." He invited bishops to comment on a proposed Voice plan to promote the laity's role in parish govern-

Religion news in brief

Interfaith Internet site emerges from bankruptcy
NEW YORK — Beliefnet.com, an interfaith Internet site, said it has emerged from the Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection it sought last April, and that October was its first month with a net gain in operating cash flow. The 3-year-old operation reported it sends 170 million varied e-mail newsletters a month to more than 3.9 million subscribers. It also publishes spirituality books with Rodale Press and provides religious content to ABC News and America Online. Steven Waldman, Beliefnet.com founder and chairman, said the firm emerged from bankruptcy Oct. 28 after creditors approved a reorganization and

were paid 33 cents on the dollar. During bankruptcy the site added traffic and new advertisers, lined up new investors and cut monthly costs from \$608,000 to around \$165,000, he said. The staff, reduced from 28 to 16, was paid partly in stock during bankruptcy and now holds majority ownership, Waldman said. Beliefnet.com is independent of any religious sponsorship, though it posts links to many faith options. **Farrakhan speaks at Mississippi church**
TCHULA, Miss. — Nation of Islam Leader Louis Farrakhan told about 1,000 people at a Sunday church dedication that American blacks should unite, regardless of religion. "I'm trying to wake you up to

what religion is all about," he said. "The church is about healing." Pastor Eddie Carthan of Good Samaritan Ecumenical Church, who was Tchula's first black mayor, said he invited Farrakhan to emphasize unity among faiths and inspire youths in the impoverished Mississippi Delta. Carthan said some area Christians criticized his invitation to Farrakhan, who is also a controversial figure among Muslims. "He is a Muslim and I respect that. I am a Christian and he respects that. We've got different doctrines but we've got one God," Carthan said. Farrakhan previously supported Carthan, who resigned as mayor in 1981 and was convicted of assaulting a police officer but later acquitted of plotting to kill a political rival.

In Boston, a Voice delegation last week conferred with an official of the Boston Archdiocese for the first time in four months, and was told Law is willing to hold his first meeting with the organization's leaders. The agenda will include Law's halfway meetings freeze, and the fate of \$56,000 that Voice raised directly for Catholic causes in Boston. The cash came from irate parishioners who boycotted Law's annual fund appeal, and wanted their money to go straight to the charities. Last July, the archdiocese said church agencies cannot accept Voice gifts because they bypass the cardinal. All this notoriety is quite an achievement for an organization that only incorporated in June, hired Executive Director Steve

McConnell preparing for another election

by BRUCE SCHREINER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — Fresh off a landslide victory to a fourth term, Sen. Mitch McConnell is preparing for another election that could vault him into the leadership of the U.S. Senate. McConnell said Wednesday he thinks he has lined up more than enough commitments from GOP colleagues to be selected Republican whip, which would make him the second-ranking member of the Senate's new Republican majority. "I'm very confident that the outcome will be one that I will like," McConnell said in a telephone interview, one day after routing Democrat Lois Combs Weinberg by 322,000 votes. Republican Larry Craig of Idaho is the only other senator to have expressed an interest in the job, McConnell said. The current Republican whip, Don Nickles of Oklahoma, is giving up the post. McConnell made a round of congratulatory calls Wednesday to newly elected Republican senators, who will participate in the internal leadership elections next Wednesday. Like other GOP senators, McConnell's political action committee contributed to the new senators' campaigns. Campaigning for Senate leadership posts is done behind the scenes. "It's very much a member-to-member matter," he said. "There's nothing you can do other than talk to your colleagues one on one and hope that they think you have the kind of skills that fit the job." The Republican surge nationwide in Tuesday's elections, putting the GOP back in control of the Senate, would give McConnell a high-profile role in helping advance President Bush's agenda. McConnell said Kentucky would also benefit. "I will be on the floor a lot, involved in every single piece of legislation that goes through the Senate, without exception," he said. "That will

present additional opportunities to put a Kentucky flavor or twist on many measures." The leadership post could strengthen McConnell's hand in helping craft a tobacco buyout plan for farmers and quota holders who want to quit producing the crop. Republican Jim Bunning, Kentucky's other senator, said McConnell's bid for party whip has strong support from colleagues "because of his track record of being a tough, smart legislator. That's why senators I've talked to are going to back him to be the whip in our new majority." Former Sen. Wendell Ford who served as the Democratic whip, also said McConnell's selection would give him more influence to help Kentucky. "What it means is that he will be at the table when the leadership discusses policy, discusses procedure and discusses legisla-

Miami-Dade company founder guilty of defrauding Jehovah's Witnesses
MIAMI — A Florida businessman was convicted of bilking mostly elderly members of his Jehovah's Witness congregation. A federal jury found Raymond L. Knowles guilty on multiple counts of mail fraud, wire fraud and securities fraud, Miami U.S. Attorney Marcos Daniel Jimenez reported. Knowles ran All Diversified Financial Services Inc., a business based in Miami-Dade County which targeted mostly elderly members of his congregation and others he met through them. Prosecutors said Knowles operated a Ponzi scheme in which older investors were paid using money from new investors. Knowles used some of the money to lease vehicles for himself and his wife and to pay personal and business expenses. All Diversified promised monthly returns of 8.5 percent to 9.25 percent when it was losing money. Knowles could be sentenced to up to five years in prison for each mail and wire fraud count and up to 10 years for each count of securities fraud.

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Wal-Mart has erected a Wall of Honor in appreciation of those who served in the armed forces, just in time for Veterans Day. The display can be seen on the wall to the left as you enter the store in Prestonsburg.

Officer says woman had 100s of pills

by LORETTA BLACKBURN
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — It appears that the medicine discovered in the vehicle of Stephanie Smiley, 34, Prestonsburg, who was arrested on several charges including trafficking within 1,000 yards of a school, was prescribed to a woman who doesn't exist.

Smiley, who was arrested Oct. 28 on North Lake Drive in front of Prestonsburg Elementary School, appeared in Floyd District Court on Wednesday, at which time arresting officer George Tussey of the Prestonsburg Police Department testified against her.

Tussey testified that he had received a call from dispatch that it was reported that a vehicle was driving on the wrong side of the road. He pulled

Smiley over on Route 1428 and after she failed a field sobriety test, she agreed to allow Tussey to search her vehicle.

Upon searching the vehicle, Tussey testified that he found three bottles of prescription medication in a pharmacy bag. He stated the bag was from a pharmacy in which Smiley's brother is the pharmacist.

According to his testimony the labels had been removed from the three medicine containers, containing 120 Lorcet, 50 Valium and 120 Soma. A more thorough search turned up a label containing a woman's name, which Tussey claimed Smiley told him that she was on her way to deliver the medicine to her in Pike County.

However, Tussey testified, after questioning the pharmacy and the doctor who allegedly wrote the prescription, it was

discovered that the woman did not exist. Smiley's brother reportedly told Tussey that they did not deliver medicine to anyone.

Further testimony disclosed that the officer found 40 other prescription pills in the trunk of the car beneath the spare. He stated that Smiley claimed the pills were hers and that she had hidden them there to keep her boyfriend from taking them. He also found three prescription bottles in her purse, over 100 pills in each, that contained her name.

Smiley has pleaded innocent to charges of trafficking within 1,000 yards of a school, second-degree trafficking in a controlled substance, third-degree trafficking in a controlled substance, second-degree possession of a controlled substance and three counts of prescription in improper container.

photo by Ralph B. Davis

Three hundred fifty smoldering bales of wet hay created thick clouds of smelly smoke in Prestonsburg Friday morning. Fire crews received a call shortly before midnight tipping them off to smoke coming from a semi-trailer parked beside Country Boy Farm Supply.



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Krueger in July, moved into a non-descript office in the Boston suburb of Newton a month later and has yet to win badly needed tax exemption.

Krueger, a financial consultant who took a huge pay cut in his new post, says a spiritual awakening led him to conclude seven years ago that re-energized lay members must "transform and strengthen the church." The abuse tragedy is providing the necessary impetus, he feels.

Since Krueger's full-time paid staff numbers three, operations depend mostly on volunteer labor from hundreds of people like

widow Mary Ann Keyes, who often spends 16-hour days organizing leaders around the country. Sometimes, she says, "I think, dear God, give me the energy to get through another day."

Post, who works on Voice up to 30 hours a week, has given up gardening and other hobbies. He's seen one movie this year.

Voice has worked hard to cultivate a moderate image — for example, it hasn't demanded Law's resignation. But moderation isn't always easy. At its October council meeting, for example, delegates spent an hour debating caution versus militancy in handling the bish-

ops' bans.

Council members' anger was barely submerged at Our Lady Help of Christians parish that night.

"We have been insulted. The bishops have allowed the rape of our children, and they have excused themselves," declared Bill Sheehan, a Voice founder.

A bigger challenge is avoiding the church's left-right splits. Post says Voice represents the church's "great center" and welcomes conservatives and liberals if they agree with its vision of lay activism. The organization does not question the hierarchy's authority or any church teachings, he insists.

But two small Boston groups contend that Voice's intent is to overhaul traditional teachings on matters like abortion, celibacy and homosexuality.

One of the groups adopted the name "Faithful Voice" and assigned operatives to attend Voice meetings incognito, sometimes putting anti-Voice fliers on activists' windshields.

More weighty on a national level is a campaign by editor Deal Hudson of Crisis magazine, who considers Voice's moderate pose deceitful, given the liberals who spoke to 4,000 supporters at the group's inaugural convention last July.

To calm fears among such conservatives and the bishops, Voice's Nov. 21 council meeting will take up a proposed credo that would affirm the authority of the church, the bishops and the pope, and declare: "We believe what the Catholic Church believes."

Voice's survival is no certainty. Cash reserves gave fallen from \$130,000 to half that over the past month, and lack of tax exemption could hobble a vital year-end fund drive. More importantly, it has never been possible to enlist substantial numbers of lay Catholics behind any effort of this sort in the long term.

Krueger is undaunted, not only because he specialized in business startups but also because he believes the cause has divine support.

"It's a Spirit-driven movement," he says, "so 100 percent of the responsibility doesn't rest on our shoulders."

Odds

for the Division of Forestry's bloodhounds. But the commission ruled Thursday that allowing the dogs to appear in the company's ads would violate the state Ethics Act, which bars public servants from using their public positions for their own private financial gain or the gain of others.

In this case, the dogs' public office would be used for the company's private gain, the commission said.

"The commission has previously held that commercial endorsement of private sector products or services by governmental agencies is acceptable only when it is a part of a program which results in overriding

public benefit," the commission's opinion said. "That is not the case here."

Forestry officials had wanted the dogs to appear in the ads to promote public awareness of the agency's bloodhound program. The dogs are used in investigations of arson-related forest fires.

The commission's opinions are not binding, but Division of Forestry spokesman Steve Young said the agency would abide by Thursday's decision.

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prescription drugs starting in 1996, drawing thousands of addicts to South Shore from more than 100 miles away from Kentucky, Ohio, West Virginia, Indiana and Michigan.

At least nine of the patients died of overdoses, according to the federal Drug Enforcement Administration and the Greenup County coroner.

Witnesses said the only male in the family photo dropped at the scene was the man who stole the cash.

Officers who went to Tavi's home to arrest him found the missing money in a bedroom after the suspect told them

■ **WARREN, Mich.** — A man accused of robbing a grocery store made it easy for police by accidentally dropping a pair of calling cards: identification and a family photo.

Terry Neal Tavi was arrested Sunday at his Madison Heights home and later charged with larceny from a person, a felony punishable by up to 10 years in prison. The Macomb Daily of Mount Clemens reported.

Police say Tavi grabbed several \$20 bills from an open cash register as customers waited in line at a Farmer Jack store in Warren early Sunday.

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Dr. Rodolfo Santos is neither the same person as nor affiliated with Dr. Edwin Santos, who practices in McDowell.

Sediment-pond violations prompt Kentucky to tighten requirements

The Associated Press

LOUISVILLE — Reacting to recent flooding from strip mines, state regulators have tightened requirements for sediment ponds and issued notices of violations at more than a dozen eastern Kentucky coal operations.

Inspections of 26 strip-mine sites since August showed that some ponds were too small to control surface runoff effectively — despite minimum size requirements, said Mark Thompson, director of field services for the state Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement.

The department acted after receiving 44 complaints since April about sediment ponds, roughly the same number of complaints it gets about blasting at strip mines, Commissioner Carl Campbell said.

Under the tightened permit requirements, coal companies must conduct more thorough evaluations of geological and hydrological conditions of areas above the ponds before building them.

"We're finding that what companies say on paper isn't always what happens on the ground," Campbell said.

A Kentucky mining industry official said sediment ponds already are being built larger than necessary.

"People try to blame flooding on the coal industry," said Bill Caylor, president of the Kentucky Coal Association. "They won't accept that Mother Nature sometimes dumps a lot of rain in a short period of time."

But Pauline Stacy of Perry

County, who lives 300 feet below one of 20 sediment ponds owned by Star Fire Mining, one of the companies whose ponds were found to be in violation, said water "shoots out like a river" from the site when it rains.

"We didn't have any flooding until they put that thing up there," said Stacy, who has lived in her house for 29 years.

"We didn't like that they built those up there," said Tim Tucker, who lives near Stacy. "If it runs over, we'll be the ones who get hit."

The four state engineers who check sediment ponds still have dozens more to inspect, and the process is expected to last well into next year, Thompson said.

Bill Kovacic, Kentucky director for the U.S. Office of Surface Mining, said federal authorities likewise have received numerous complaints about the ponds, prompting an OSM study of them as part of an overall environmental assessment.

Since August, Kentucky has declared 13 sediment-pond violations, which means the company must recalculate how much runoff space is needed and take steps to fix the problem, including increasing the pond's size or replanting vegetation for better on-site control. Some of the 13 violations involved areas where mining was ongoing, requiring stopping work in the area, Thompson said.

Brian Patton, chief engineer for Star Fire, said sediment ponds can do only so much. "When it rains three inches in one hour, it floods anywhere," Patton said.

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tion that is to be passed through the Senate," Ford said.

Ford, who was never chummy with McConnell, complimented his former colleague for showing considerable political savvy.

Whether or not you agree with McConnell's stand on the issues, "you'd have to say he's a pretty good political tactician," Ford said.

McConnell was chairman of the Senate GOP campaign committee for the 1998 and 2000 elections. He has been a frequent guest on the Sunday television news circuit, which would help prepare him for the role as a Republican advocate if he wins the leadership position.

McConnell predicted that Republicans would pick up the Senate's pace by passing energy and terrorism insurance bills, two of President Bush's priorities that stalled when Democrats controlled the chamber. He said Republicans would accelerate review of Bush's nominees for judgeships.

Ford said that Senate rules allowing the minority to block legislation unless the majority

can muster 60 votes would require Republican leaders to compromise with Democrats.

"There are a lot of things coming down the pike that won't be a bed of roses for the Republicans," he said.

McConnell, 60, basked Wednesday in an overwhelming victory over Weinberg that made him the first Kentucky Republican elected to four consecutive terms. McConnell said he would move up to 23rd in seniority in the 100-member Senate when the next Congress convenes.

McConnell also approached the Republican record for margin of victory in a statewide race. John Sherman Cooper set the mark when he beat John Y. Brown 64.5 percent to 35.5 percent in a 1966 Senate race.

With all but a handful of precincts reporting, McConnell had 721,379 votes, or 64 percent, and Weinberg had 399,143 votes, or 36 percent.

"I think Mitch McConnell has established himself as the major powerbroker in Kentucky politics," said Paul Blanchard, an Eastern Kentucky University political science professor.

Intervention with early substance abusers shows success

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — Programs that try to turn youth away from substance abuse after their first brushes with the law seem to work, according to a state study.

The use of beer, other alcohol, tobacco and marijuana declined among youth who were taken into early intervention programs, according to the study conducted by Spalding University.

The study covered a period from November 1997 to February 2000 and interviewed

3,000 youth and their parents or guardians.

The early intervention program targets youth from age 13 to 18 who have first- or second-offense substance abuse charges. It emphasizes education programs, communication between adults and children.

Cigarette use among the youth before early intervention was 72 percent. After intervention programs, tobacco use declined to 66 percent. Similar declines in substance abuse were reported for beer, liquor, wine and marijuana.

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FLOYD COUNTY RECAPITULATION SHEET

Regional Obituaries

Floyd County

Arthur "Shorty" Cole, 74, of Harold, died Saturday, November 2, at his residence. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, November 5, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

Fred Conn, 76, of Martin, died Friday, November 1, at his residence. Funeral services were conducted Monday, November 4, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Alan Curtis Duncan, 47, of Betsy Layne, died Monday, November 4, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Sharon Gayle Keathley Duncan. Funeral services were conducted Friday, November 8, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Brenda Calhoun Fitch, 56, of Dwale, died Tuesday, November 5, at the Highlands Regional Medical Center. She is survived by her husband, Gordon Fitch. Funeral services were conducted Friday, November 8, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Charles Everette Diskey Jr., 45, of Prestonsburg, died Friday, November 1. He is survived by his wife, Gina Grace Diskey. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, November 5, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Samuel May Leslie, 85, of Emma, died Saturday, November 2, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Grace Garret Leslie. Funeral services were conducted Monday, November 4, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

George McKinney, 66, of Harold, died Tuesday, November 5, at the home of his son, in South Amherst, following a 15-month illness. He is

survived by his wife, Evelyn McKinney. Funeral services were held Friday, November 8, under the direction of the Hempel Funeral Home, Amherst, Ohio.

Matthew Morgan, 78, of Stinnett, died Tuesday, November 5, at Kentucky River Medical Center, Jackson. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, November 7, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Norma Watkins Pitts, 68, of Lackey, died Friday, November 1, at her residence. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, November 6, at Lackey Freewill Baptist Church. Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Lucille Watkins Shepherd, 74, of Hueysville, died Friday, November 1, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. She is survived by her husband, John Clayton Shepherd. Funeral services were conducted Monday, November 4, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Betty Louise Richardson Smith, 63, of Prestonsburg, died Friday, November 1, in the Central Baptist Hospital, Lexington, following an extended illness. She is survived by her husband, Frank Smith. Funeral services were conducted Monday, November 4, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Ben Tackett, 66, of St. Augustine, Florida, a native of Weeksbury, died Saturday, November 2. He is survived by his wife, Suzetta Osborne Tackett. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, November 9, under the direction of Hall & Jones Funeral Home.

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

home in Warsaw, Indiana. Funeral services were conducted under the direction of Deal, Robbins & Van Gilder Funeral Home, Huntington Chapel.

Pike County

Tilda Smith Akers, 81, of Ransom, died Wednesday, November 6, at the South Williamson Appalachian Regional Hospital Skilled Nursing Facility. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, November 9, under the direction of Hatfield Funeral Chapel.

Blanche S. Blackburn, 86, of McCarr, died Saturday, November 2, at Williamson Memorial Hospital, Williamson, West Virginia. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, November 5, under the direction of Rogers Funeral Home.

Marie Branham, 97, of Kimper, formerly of Dorton, died Wednesday, November 6, at Good Shepherd Community Nursing Center, Phelps. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, November 10, under the direction of R.S. Jones & Son/Hall & Jones Funeral Homes.

Fannie Burgess, 80, of Wyandotte, Michigan, formerly of Pikeville, died Wednesday, November 6, in Wyandotte. Funeral services were conducted Monday, November 11, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

Rachael Abigail Coleman, infant daughter of Derina and Ronald Coleman, died Friday, November 1, in Cincinnati. Funeral services were conducted Monday, November 4, under the direction of Thacker Memorial Funeral Home.

Ruth Clifton Coleman, 89, of Panama City, Florida, native of Rockhouse, died Saturday, November 2, at her home. She is

survived by her husband, James W. Coleman. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, November 5, under the direction of Wilson Funeral Home.

Pearlie Mae Courtney, 83, of Taylor, Michigan, native of Pikeville, died Friday, November 1, in Taylor. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, November 5, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

Lonnie Daniels, 40, of Freeburn, died Wednesday, November 6, at the South Williamson Appalachian Regional Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Betty Daniels. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, November 9, under the direction of Phelps Funeral Home.

Ermal Deskins, 75, of Sidney, died Saturday, November 2, at the South Williamson Appalachian Regional Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Dollie Blackburn Deskins. Funeral services were conducted Monday, November 4, under the direction of Rogers Funeral Home.

Bertha Rose Epling, 85, of Elkhorn City, died Saturday, November 2, at Mountain View Health Care Center, Elkhorn City. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, November 6, under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

Dimple Griffith, 79, of Mouthcard, died Thursday, October 31, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, November 2, under the direction of Phelps Funeral Services.

Harold Hunt, 75, of Phyllis, died Saturday, November 2, at his home. He is survived by his wife, Mary Reynolds Hunt. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, November 5, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

Jerry L. Jackson, 60, of Phelps, died Sunday, November 3, at the Charleston Area Medical Center, Charleston, West Virginia. She is survived by her husband, Helms Jackson. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, November 6, under the direction of R.S. Jones & Son Funeral Home.

Woodrow Lowe, 89, of Hatfield, died Monday, November 4, at the South Williamson Appalachian Regional Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, November 4, under the direction of Rogers Funeral Home.

Lillie May Stevens Meade, 78, of Pikeville, died Sunday, November 3, at her home. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, November 7, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

James Edward Parsons, 36, of Lookout, died Saturday, November 2, at his home. He is survived by his wife, Ellen G. Williams Parsons. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, November 5, under the direction of Roberts Funeral Home.

Hermia Powell, 65, of Pikeville, died Sunday, November 3, at Pikeville Healthcare Center. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, November 6, under the direction of Lucas & Hall

Funeral Home.

Glima H. Ratcliff, 85, of Lexington, died Friday, November 1. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, November 6, under the direction of W.R. Milward Mortuary-Southland, Lexington.

Hassel Ratliff, 75, died Thursday, October 31, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Ruth Scott Ratliff. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, November 3, under the direction of Community Funeral Home.

Irene Helms Reed, 80, of Pikeville, died Tuesday, November 5, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, November 7, under the direction of Rogers Funeral Home.

Bob Carson Sammons, 75, of Pikeville, died Thursday, October 31, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Norma Sammons. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, November 3, under the direction of Thacker Memorial Funeral Home.

Bill Saylor, 56, of Pikeville, died Thursday, October 31, at Holston Valley Hospital, Kingsport, Tennessee. He is survived by his wife, Rose Workman Saylor. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, November 3, under the direction of Justice Funeral Home.

Ruth Stanley, 73, of Franklin, Ohio, native of Pikeville, died Thursday, October 31, at Robinson Memorial Hospital, Ravenna, Ohio. She is survived by her husband, Ray Stanley. Funeral services were conducted Monday, November 4, under the direction of Shorts Funeral Home.

Patty Sue Stocklaufer, 41, of Arcadia, California, died Sunday, October 6. Graveside services were conducted Saturday, November 2, under the direction of Hall & Jones Funeral Home.

Johnny Thacker, 89, of Hopkinsville, formerly of Jonican, died Monday, November 4, at Western State Nursing Facility, Hopkinsville. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, November 7, under the direction of Justice Funeral Home.

Nickey Jr. Wagner, 64, of Pikeville, died Saturday, November 2, at his home. He is survived by his wife, Nola Marie Boyd Wagner. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, November 5, under the direction of Lucas & Hall Funeral Home.

Danny Allen Wakeland, 56, died Thursday, October 31, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Irene Slone Wakeland. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, November 3, under the direction of Thacker Funeral Home.

Johnson County

Iva Jean Arms Castle, 73, died Monday, October 28, at her residence. She is survived by her husband, Ernest "Cracker Bill" Castle. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, October 31, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Blanche (Burchett) Cox, 69, of Prestonsburg, died Thursday,

October 31, at Highland Regional Medical Center. She is survived by her husband, James W. Cox.

Martin Luther (Luke) Branham Jr., died Thursday, October 31, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Loretta Crum Branham. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, November 3, under the direction of Phelps & Son Funeral Home.

Dalton James Oaks, five-months-old son of Orville Clay and Tracy Lynn Oaks, died Thursday, October 31, at Blanchfield Army Community Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Monday, November 15, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Lillian Clare Picklesimer, 76, died Wednesday, October 23, at Life Care Nursing Home, Colorado Springs, Colorado. Funeral services were conducted Monday, October 28, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Janet L. VanHoose, 59, died Wednesday, October 30. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, November 5, at Grandstaf Hentgen Manchester Ave. Chapel.

David Lee West, 44, died Thursday, October 31. Funeral services were conducted Monday, November 4, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Martin County

Carl B. Blevins, 83, of Columbus, Ohio, native of Martin County, died Saturday, October 26, at Grant Hospital in Columbus. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, October 30, under the direction of Richmond-Callahan Funeral Home.

Verla Fannin Horn, 83, of Inez, died Tuesday, October 29, at her residence. Funeral services were conducted Friday, November 1, under the direction of Richmond-Callahan Funeral Home.

Offutt Howard, 79, died Tuesday, October 29, at Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center at Paintsville. He is survived by his wife, Odie Page Howard. Funeral services were conducted Friday, November 1, under the direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home.

Clinton Howell Jr., 31, of Warfield, died Saturday, November 2. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, November 5, under the direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home.

Martin Luther (Luke) Branham Jr., 75, of Inez, died Thursday, October 21, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Loretta Crum Branham. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, November 3, under the direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home.

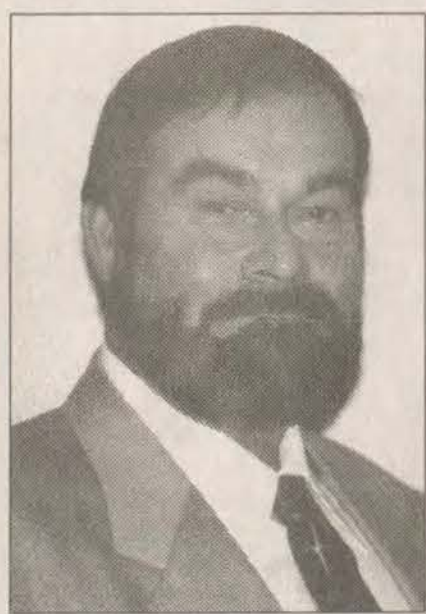
Jeffery Allen Justice, 38, of Inez, died Thursday, October 31, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Jo Anne Lawson Justice. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, November 2, under the direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home.

Emma Mathis Perry, 91, of Inez, died Monday, October 28, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, October 30, under the direction of Richmond-Callahan Funeral Home.

Frances Sluss, 79, of Warfield, died Friday, November 1, at her residence. Funeral services were conducted Monday, November 4, under the direction of Richmond-Callahan Funeral Home.

Lawrence County

Kaden Ray Turner, 20, of Blaine, died Sunday, October 27, at Blaine. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, October 31, under the direction of Wilson Funeral Home.



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UPDATE

VanHoose waived by NBDL team

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

NORTH CHARLESTON, S.C. — J.R. VanHoose's initial shot at a pro basketball career took a knock this past week when less than a week after



being drafted he was cut by the National Basketball Development League squad which selected him.

The North Charleston Lowgators trimmed their 2002-03 roster to 15 players, announced Wednesday by head coach Doug Marty. VanHoose, a player the Lowgators selected with the 47th overall pick, was among the one cut.

Four returning Lowgators highlight the remaining players on the roster — Neil Edwards, Nate Green, Sedric Webber and Galen Young.

The players waived are Jeff Bolton, G (College of Charleston); Jamel Bradley, G (University of South Carolina);

(See **WAIVED**, page three)

HUNTING

Hunter ed courses coming to Magoffin

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

SALYERSVILLE — Hunter education courses will be held in Magoffin County in December. The course is a 10-hour course that consists of firearm identification, ethics, wildlife identification, proper use of ammunition, and much more. Registration is not required for the course. Course dates are Dec. 5, 6 and 7. Hours are 6-9 p.m. on the first two days and 9 a.m.-1 p.m. on the final day. The courses will be held at the Magoffin County Sportsmen Club.

For more information, call 1-800-858-1549. Online, visit www.kdfwr.state.ky.us/huntere.d.htm.

A similar course as the ones scheduled for Magoffin County was held in Floyd County this past week.

PRE-SEASON

Schedule set for AC panorama

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

EASTERN — After some mixing and matching, ACHS Runnin' Rebel Coach John Martin has the pairings set for the upcoming Allen Central Basketball Panorama. When turkeys are cooking and all the trimmings are well in the works, basketball will be served up at Allen Central High. The panorama will be held the night before Thanksgiving, Wednesday, Nov. 27. Kentucky teams in the event hail from the 14th and 15th regions. All four Floyd County high school boys' basketball teams are in the event. One team in the panorama, Tug Valley, travels from West Virginia to play. A complete list of games follows.

Allen Central Basketball Panorama

Wednesday, Nov. 27

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photo by Jamie Howell

Blackcat senior center Andrew Burchett (51) wiped his hands while Coach John DeRossett gave instructions during Friday night's win over Estill County.

NEXT STOP: JACKSON

Blackcats roll over Estill

Breathitt next obstacle

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG — What was an opening round playoff game for Prestonsburg was a mere formality for most Blackcats fans on

Friday night. The Prestonsburg faithful felt the host Blackcats could take care of the Estill County Engineers. And they were right. The Blackcats promptly went out and took care of business in a huge way, scoring a win in a 47-8 rout. The 2 vs. 3 matchup of opposing district seeds in playoff pairings was settled early as

(See **BLACKCATS**, page four)

Adams 59 vs. Betsy Layne 38



Adams Middle School: 2002 Floyd County Girls' Basketball Champion.

photo by Jamie Howell

Adams wins county tourney over Betsy Layne

by JAMIE HOWELL
SPORTS WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The Adams Middle School Lady Blackcats hosted the Floyd County Girls' Basketball Tournament last week, and after the dust had settled it was host team that celebrated another county title. The Lady Blackcats ran away from a talented Betsy Layne squad 59-38. Adams used a first quarter spurt to pull away from South Floyd in the

(See **TOURNEY**, page four)

photo by Jamie Howell

Floyd County Girls' Basketball Tournament Co-MVP's Amber Whitaker (left) and Meaghan Stone.



H.S. BASKETBALL

There's no place like home...

Lady Raiders will open with 5 home games

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

HI HAT — When the South Floyd Lady Raiders begin the 2002-03 season, they will be at home for the first three weeks of the season, playing five home games before going on the road for a holiday tournament.

The first away game of the season for the South Floyd girls will come one day after Christmas when they begin play in the Ohio County Christmas Tournament in Hartford.

Five home games could be looked at as an advantage, but the Lady Raiders do face some fine competition. Four of the five home games are against 15th Region teams. One of the opponents, Johnson Central, just happens to be

(See **HOME**, page three)



photo by Jamie Howell

A member of the Betsy Layne Elementary girls' varsity cheerleading team cheered her team on during Thursday night's game against Allen Central Middle School.



photo by Jamie Howell

Adams' Morghan Slone dribbled the ball against South Floyd Middle defenders.

MIDDLE SCHOOL

First quarter spurt lifts Adams over South Floyd

by JAMIE HOWELL
SPORTS WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The Floyd County Girls' Basketball Tournament always brings out the best in area youth and on Thursday night, Amber

Whitaker stepped up big for Adams as she tossed in 10 first quarter points to help Adams run past South Floyd 41-20 on Thursday night. Adams used a 16-0 run to open the game to

(See **SPURT**, page three)

Knott pair on PC cheer squad

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PIKEVILLE — A pair of Knott County Central High School graduates are members of this year's Pikeville College varsity cheerleading squad.

Sophomores Natasha Thacker and Amy Everage are both members of the squad. Each cheerleader

calls Hindman home. Thacker is majoring in business while Everage is majoring in biology.

Throughout the season both have cheered during Pikeville College football games. The two came to Pikeville College from Knott County Central where they cheered the Patriots on

(See **PAIR**, page three)



Everage



Thacker

photo by Jamie Howell

Betsy Layne's Kaitlin Lawson tried to pull the ball away from Allen Central Middle's Elizabeth Dingus in a second round tournament game played Thursday night. A story on the game appears inside on Page 4.



S P O R T S B O A R D

NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

More people watching NFL games this season

by HOWARD FENDRICH
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — The highest scoring in 35 years. More overtime games. A new team in a big market.

Whatever the reason, the NFL is a TV hit halfway through the season. The league's games are drawing an average of 14.1 million people per telecast, 9 percent higher than in 2001 and 2 percent higher than two years ago.

And the networks with NFL deals are sharing the rewards. ABC, Fox, CBS and ESPN all have increases in viewership, which eventually should translate into more advertising dollars. "The final chapter hasn't been writ-

ten, and we're not celebrating yet," Fox Sports president Ed Goren said Thursday. "Still, it's been a great nine weeks so far." The jump for the NFL comes in a year that major league baseball had its

lowest-rated World Series, following regular-season numbers even with last year's.

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(See NFL, page three)

AUTO RACING

Evernham, Ultra Motorsports part ways

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Ray Evernham ended his one-year association with Ultra Motorsports on Thursday, effectively costing driver Casey Atwood a permanent Winston Cup ride.

Evernham had teamed with Ultra owner Jim Smith this season to field the No. 7 Dodge, a partnership primarily designed to give Atwood a ride.

But Smith decided to replace Atwood in the car, beginning with this weekend's race in Phoenix, so the two car owners ended their partnership.

"Jim and I formed this team at the end of last season to give Casey some additional seat time in Winston Cup," Evernham said. "Without Casey driving the No. 7, there was no reason for us to continue our relationship."

Jason Leffler, who raced on the Winston Cup series last season for Chip Ganassi and spent all of this year driving in the truck

(See EVERNHAM, page three)

STANDINGS

Final KHSAA District Standings

Class A, Semi 2, Region 4, District 8		
(1)Pikeville	8-2	6-0
(2)Paintsville	7-3	5-1
(3)Hazard	6-4	4-2
(4)Phelps	4-6	2-4
South Floyd	4-6	2-4
Fleming-Neon	3-6	2-4
Allen Central	2-8	0-6

Class AA, Semi 2, Region 4, District 7		
(1)Breathitt County	10-0	5-0
(2)Madison Southern	9-1	4-1
(3)Estill County	5-5	3-2
(4)Leslie County	6-4	2-3
Powell County	2-8	1-4
Morgan County	1-9	0-5

Class AA, Semi 2, Region 4, District 8		
(1)Belfry	8-2	6-0
(2)Prestonsburg	7-3	5-1
(3)Whitesburg	8-2	4-2
(4)Pike County Central	6-4	3-3
Shelby Valley	4-6	2-4
East Ridge	4-6	1-5
Betsy Layne	0-10	0-6

Class AAA, Semi 2, Region 4, District 7		
(1)Rockcastle County	9-1	5-0
(2)Bell County	8-2	4-1
(3)Perry Central	7-3	3-2
(4)Cawood	4-6	2-3
Knox Central		1-4
Knott County Central	2-8	0-5

Class AAA, Semi 2, Region 4, District 8		
(1)Ashland Blazer	8-2	6-1
(2)Boyd County	7-3	6-1
(3)Sheldon Clark	7-2	5-2
(4)Greenup County	6-4	4-3
Lawrence County	7-3	4-3
Johnson Central	2-7	2-5
Rowan County	2-8	1-6
Magoffin County	0-10	0-7

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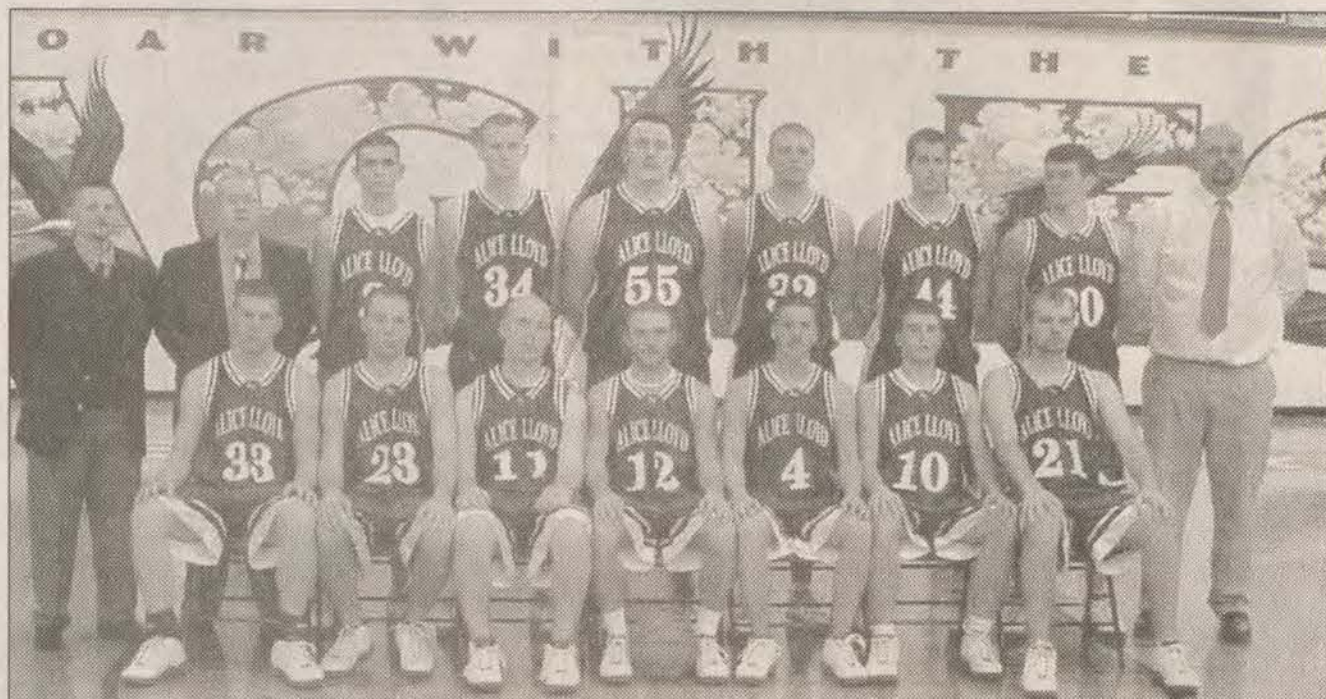
Caudill, Couch, Pikeville players touted as All-Mountain

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — Lexington Herald-Leader high school sports beat writer Mike Fields headed an All-Mountain team published along with an article about Eastern Kentucky high school football. Members of the media and coaches were consulted and past All-State teams reviewed in preparation for the squad.

The article, appearing in the Wednesday, Nov. 6 edition, included Prestonsburg product Jeremy Caudill (2000), Paintsville grad Joey Couch and five Pikeville players

(See CAUDILL, page three)



The Alice Lloyd College men's and women's basketball teams have both begun play. Information on the teams, including rosters and team schedules is available online at www.alc.edu.



photos by Steve LeMaster

A touch of (freshmen) class

by JIM O'CONNELL
ASSOCIATED PRESS

The standard for freshman classes was set a decade ago by a five-man group who set college basketball on its ear.

Michigan's Fab Five — Chris Webber, Juwan Howard, Jalen Rose, Jimmy King and Ray Jackson — reached the NCAA title game, losing to a Duke team that was repeating as national champion.

Although now associated with a booster scandal at Michigan, that class

still did something no other group has ever accomplished.

New multiplayer freshman classes have only one way of topping that group. There may not be any Fab Fives in the mix, but Duke, North Carolina, Michigan State and Villanova all have freshman classes that recruiting gurus drool over.

There will be growing pains, chemistry problems with upperclassmen and the ever present lure of the NBA on the horizon — for some a lot sooner than others. But these freshman classes have the potential to

make a run that could have the nickname experts digging deep for a catchy moniker.

Michigan State coach Tom Izzo calls his newcomers his most talented class but that is followed by a caveat.

"There's always a couple exceptions, but freshmen don't usually help good programs right away," he said. "Look at the Fab Five, maybe the greatest class ever. People forget they didn't dominate during the Big Ten season."

Duke and North Carolina made last April's McDonald's All-American game a backyard affair. The Blue Devils had four players in the game played at Madison Square Garden, one more than North Carolina. They're all in the Atlantic Coast Conference and they will soon be part of the storied rivalry between the schools just 10 or so miles apart.

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COLLEGE BASKETBALL PREVIEW

Big matchups come early, often

by JIM O'CONNELL
ASSOCIATED PRESS

The same questions have loomed at the start of every college basketball season lately, and 2002-03 is no different.

Will another team make a run at being a repeat champion for just the second

time since UCLA's seven-year run ended 30 years ago?

Are there enough good upperclassmen left to keep people interested in college basketball since the NBA draft was once again filled with underclassmen?

How much of an impact can freshmen make if the best of them decided to skip

college and the rest are preparing for a quick stopover?

Are there enough quality intersectional matchups and down-to-the-wire conference races to make the four months leading to March Madness worth the

(See MATCHUPS, page three)

FACES IN THE GAME



SELENA WILLIAMS
Pikeville College women's basketball
Class: Sophomore
High school: Johnson Central



JESSICA LOVELL
Pikeville College women's basketball
Class: Freshman
High school: Belfry



TIM SUMMA
Pikeville College men's basketball
Class: Freshman
High school: Magoffin County



CHRIS CARROLL
Pikeville College men's basketball
Class: Sophomore
High school: Williamson, W.Va.



JOHNNA ISON
Pikeville College cross country
Class: Freshman
High school: Allen Central



JORDAN COLEMAN
Pikeville College cheerleading
Class: Senior
High school: Elkhorn City

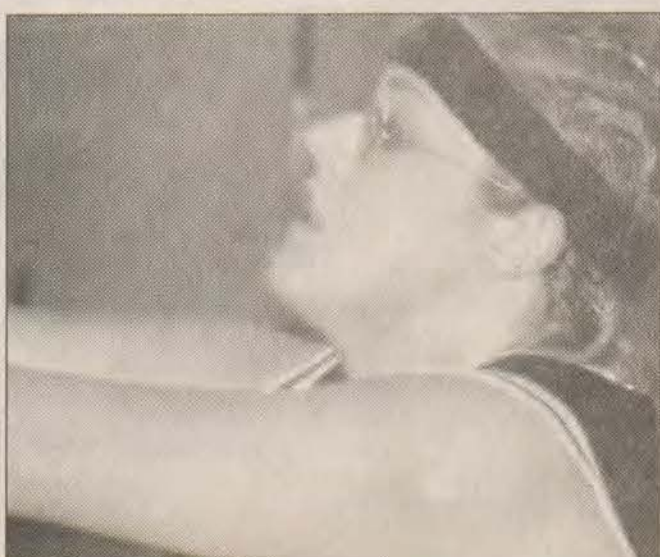


photo by Jamie Howell

Heather Dean put the ball in play against the Adams Middle School defense in the second round of the Floyd County Girls' Basketball Tournament Thursday night.

CAMP

EKU baseball team to hold holiday camps

RICHMOND — The Eastern Kentucky University baseball coaching staff is pleased to announce an upcoming fundamental baseball camp this fall. The next camp will be held Nov. 29-Dec. 1 for players ages 7-13. A second fundamental camp will be held Dec. 27-29 at Turkey

Hughes Field. The fundamental camp will start at 9 a.m. and run until noon. The camp will cover all areas of the game — hitting, pitching, fielding and baserunning. The cost is \$80 per camper.

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Clemens files, Thome visits Phillies, Glavine scheduling meetings

by RONALD BLUM
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — Roger Clemens filed for free agency Thursday, testing the market while still hoping to re-sign with the New York Yankees.

The only six-time Cy Young Award winner is coming off a \$30.9 million, two-year con-

tract. He has said his first preference is to return to the Yankees, where he won World Series rings in 1999 and 2000.

Clemens, a 40-year-old right-hander, needs seven wins to reach 300 for his career. He was 13-6 with a 4.35 ERA and 192 strikeouts this year, limited to 29 starts because of injuries, and the Yankees don't think any

team will offer \$10 million or more for a one-year deal.

New York and Clemens' agent, Randy Hendricks, have had several discussions but talks

Caudill

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including current coach Chris McNamee who went on to play at Eastern Kentucky University under Roy Kidd. Other Pikeville players chosen were Mickey Webster, Greg Hackney, Bobby Deramus and Tim Honaker.

Caudill is currently a starting defensive tackle at the University of Kentucky. Couch also started on the defensive line at UK before going on to a brief stint in the pro ranks.

Of course, Tim Couch made the list at the quarterback. The team was limited to players who played in the 1982-2002 time period.

The complete article and team is available online at www.kentucky.com/mld/kentucky/sports/football/4454257.htm.

EKU

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Check-in is 30 minutes prior to the start of camp at Turkey Hughes baseball field located off the Eastern bypass on the east side of Alumni Coliseum.

Register today to ensure a spot. Limited spaces are available. Camps are non-refundable, but can be credited to a future camp.

If you are interested in attending these camp or any future camps, please contact assistant coach Rick Court in the ECU baseball office at 859-622-4996 for more information. Camp information may also be found on the ECU Athletics website at ekusports.com/bbo/bbc/2002_camp.

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are supposed to do to being instinctive," Duke coach Mike Krzyzewski said of the freshmen making the transition from high school. "That will go at different times for the different kids."

Some may have to hurry their progress along because of high-profile early season matchups. The Coaches vs. Cancer Classic has games such as Villanova-Marquette, Georgia vs. Texas and Alabama vs. Oklahoma.

The Maui Invitational gets under way with Virginia meeting Chaminade in a 20th anniversary rematch of what many consider the biggest upset in college basketball history. Chaminade, then an NAIA school, beat the top-ranked Cavaliers on Christmas Eve 1982.

Maryland and Indiana will stage a much quicker reunion, meeting Dec. 3 in a rematch of last season's title game. Oklahoma gets visits from Michigan State and Connecticut in a three-day span in January. And what should be a meeting of top five teams, maybe even 1 vs. 2, occurs on Jan. 25, when Arizona visits Kansas.

The big conferences should all have three, four and, in some cases, five teams good enough to win the regular season title. And don't forget the mid-majors such as the West Coast Conference, which should once again give us a season-long battle between Gonzaga and Pepperdine.

It will be strange not seeing Nolan Richardson or Jerry Tarkanian working a sideline this season. Stan Heath, Richardson's replacement at Arkansas, will face some extra scrutiny as he arrives in Fayetteville with only one season as a head coach, although Kent State did have a nice run in the NCAA tournament.

One coach everyone will be watching is Cincinnati's Bob Huggins, who had a heart attack Sept. 28, yet will be on the Bearcats' bench, or rather in front of it.

"I'd probably have a hard time sitting," Huggins said. "I've never sat. I've been thinking for a couple of years that I probably ought to do that, but I don't think I can."

Sounds as if Huggins is ready for just another season of college basketball.

haven't progressed.

San Francisco outfielder Tom Goodwin also filed Thursday, raising the free-agent total to 152, with 18 more players potentially eligible to file by Monday's deadline. Free agents can start talking contract with all teams starting Tuesday.

Seattle designated hitter Edgar Martinez and pitcher Shigetoshi Hasegawa took themselves off the market, agreeing to one-year contracts with the Mariners, who had declined their

NFL

sures what people watch, not why, so it's tough to know the causes of ups and downs.

But John Madden, the announcer whose move from Fox to "Monday Night Football" gets some credit for ABC's ratings rise, offers a simple take: unpredictable outcomes on the field.

"NFL sometimes stands for 'Never Figure League,'" Madden said. "What you think will happen doesn't."

Now perhaps more than ever, there is a sense that any team can win any game. That gives fans — and bettors — hope week after week, and draws them to watch games.

That's what the networks were hoping for when they agreed to pay a total of \$17.6 billion from 1998-05. Fox and CBS get regular-season games

Evernham

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series for Smith, will drive the No. 7 Dodge today.

The 22-year-old Atwood, the youngest driver in Winston Cup, will not have a car to drive this weekend. But Evernham will put him behind the wheel of the No. 91, a research and development car, for the season finale in Miami on Nov. 17.

Evernham said he's discussing other possible opportunities with Atwood, but the driver probably will end up back in the Busch series next season. Atwood was not available for comment.

Atwood was a 19-year-old rising star when Evernham, making the move from champion crew chief to car owner, plucked the shy Tennessean out of the Busch series to drive for him.

Evernham, credited with molding the career of four-time Winston Cup champion Jeff Gordon, was hoping to turn Atwood into NASCAR's next big star.

But Atwood struggled through his rookie season in the No. 19 Dodge, running as a teammate to veteran Bill Elliott, and was the odd man out when Evernham had a chance to sign Jeremy Mayfield.

So Evernham bought into Ultra Motorsports, solely to give Atwood another car to drive and remain under his umbrella. But this season was

Pair

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as members of that school's varsity cheer units.

Kellie Coleman is in her third

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- 5 p.m. — Paintsville vs. Knott County Central
- 6 p.m. — Betsy Layne vs. Buckhorn
- 7 p.m. — Prestonsburg vs. Hazard
- 8 p.m. — South Floyd vs. Tug Valley (W.Va.)
- 9 p.m. — Allen Central vs. Belfry

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the defending 15th Region champ.

The season opens for head coach Melinda Osborne and South Floyd on Monday, Dec. 2 against Letcher, a team out of the 14th Region. After playing Letcher, the Lady Raiders will host Johnson Central on Dec. 5. After hosting East Ridge on Dec. 9, the Lady Raiders have back-to-back games against Allen Central (Dec. 17) and Magoffin County (Dec. 18). The contest with Allen Central will

2003 options.

Martinez gets about \$4 million — plus a \$1 million buyout from his previous contract, which had contained a \$10 million option. Hasegawa, whose previous deal had a \$2 million option with a \$100,000 buyout, got a contract for about \$1.8 million.

Martinez turns 40 in January and wants to spend his entire career with the Mariners. He likely will retire after next season.

"I think it's a high percentage.

Let's put it that way," he said. "I won't say 100 percent because there's always the possibility that I'll feel so good and have a great year. I want to leave that window open."

Jim Thome, the best hitter on the free-agent market, toured Philadelphia on Thursday. Thome, who has spent his entire career with Cleveland, walked into Philadelphia's clubhouse and saw a Phillies jersey with his name and No. 25 hanging in one of the lockers.

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from 2000.

Football ratings were down last year because of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, TV sports consultant Neal Pilson said.

Still, as CBS Sports president Sean McManus put it: "Any time ratings are up, it's a victory."

Four of the top 13 TV shows, when ranked by total viewers, are NFL games.

"The ratings reflect great interest across America in exciting, unpredictable football with lots of talent — both veterans and newcomers — in every game," NFL commissioner Paul Tagliabue said.

What might be producing that interest? Some theories:

■ The 43.9 points per game are the most since 1967.

■ More games have been decided by a touchdown or less than last season, and the 13 overtimes so far match the total for the entire 2000 season.

■ The Houston Texans joined the league, putting a team in the country's 11th-largest TV market.

■ It's become a pattern that teams come from nowhere to reach the Super Bowl; the last three champions were a combined 17-31 the season before they won.

Right now, anyone seems to be able to beat — or lose — to anyone.

The St. Louis Rams, many pundits' pick to win the Super Bowl, started 0-5; then won three straight games. The Oakland Raiders started 4-0, then lost four in a row.

"Parity" is a word that's been misunderstood and misinterpreted," said Al Michaels, Madden's partner on "Monday Night Football," which airs for the 500th time next week. "People think it means everyone is 8-8. What 'parity' really has become, because of free agency and some other things, is that you can finish 4-12 one year and 12-4 the next year."

McManus pointed to another possible explanation, one that might not sit too well with baseball commissioner Bud Selig.

"Part of the disillusionment that people have with baseball is also a factor," said McManus, whose network doesn't air major league games.

"People were tired of reading about the potential strike the entire summer and couldn't wait for football."

Spurt

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put the game out of reach early.

The first quarter saw Adams lead 16-0 at the end of the period. A Brandi Hall goal in the second quarter would be the only Raider basket of the half as Adams led 26-3 at intermission. Meaghan Slone scored 8 of her game high 14 points in the second quarter which helped Adams build the big lead.

The Lady Raiders tried to make a run in the third quarter as they outscored Adams 8-4, but the lead was too much to overcome. Heather Dean and Brenda Johnson both tossed in three third-quarter points for South Floyd. Adams led 30-11 after three quarters, and the fourth period saw both teams exchange baskets as the final score ended at 41-20. Adams advanced to Friday's finals against Betsy Layne.

Scoring was as follows: Adams — Amber Whitaker 14, Meaghan Slone 14 points, Brittany Collins 4 points, Morghan Slone 2, Pam Slone 2 points, Brittany Ousley 2, Elizabeth Chaffin 1, Tasha Wallen 2. South Floyd — Kortney Hall 4, Vanessa Skeens 3, Heather Dean 3, Brenda Johnson 3, Stephanie Slone 3, Amber Tackett 2, Brandi Hall 2.

Class

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J.J. Redick, the MVP of the McDonald's game, Shavlik Randolph, Sheldon Williams, Lee Melchionni, Michael Thompson and Sean Dockery are the newcomers that the Cameron Crazies will learn to adore at Duke.

Blue Devils coach Mike Krzyzewski has welcomed in a van-load of star freshmen before, but this group is considered one of the best ever, and not just at Duke.

"Coming together is something we've done well over the years," Krzyzewski said. "This group should be easier to come together because we feel we need one another to achieve that high level of success. Whether we'll get there or not I don't know, but our goal is to be an outstanding team."

"For the young guys you hope it hits them to where they feel comfortable and they go from thinking about what they are supposed to do to being instinctive. That will go at different times for the different kids."

"The kid it is happening to the most right now is Sheldon," Krzyzewski said of Williams, a 6-foot-10 forward from Midwest City, Okla.

Krzyzewski is effusive about Redick, a 6-4 2 guard from Roanoke, Va.

"He's as good a shooter as anybody we've had. But J.J. is a good player, he's not just a shoot-

er. He understands the game and he's a good leader, and a tough defender."

Nothing gets a freshman anointed as a star. That has to be earned by beating out an upperclassman.

"The worst thing we could do is say, 'This is it and the rest of you guys go over there,'" Krzyzewski said. "We're keeping it open right now, especially since it's early November. We may do that a lot during the season until we get well into the ACC."

Some coaches don't have time to be patient.

North Carolina is coming off the worst season in its storied history so the class that features national high school player of the year Raymond Felton, a 6-1 guard from Latta, S.C., as well as Damion Grant, Sean May, Rashad McCants, David Noel and Byron Sanders, will get some special treatment.

"Patience is going to be key for me and my staff," Tar Heels coach Matt Doherty said. "This has to be the youngest team in the history of North Carolina basketball. We have a young team and a very tough schedule."

"But I like this group. I like our chemistry and I like our leadership. And I talk a lot about listening. To me, listening is as much a talent as running and jumping and these guys are a group that listens."

Matchups

wait?

As always, the answers are yes, and in some cases the answers are a resounding yes.

When Juan Dixon threw the ball toward the roof of the Georgia Dome to celebrate Maryland's first national championship, the talk of what would happen this season began.

The "Fear the Turtle" T-shirts weren't even packed away when talk of a Terrapins repeat was being played down. With one starter — point guard Steve Blake — coming back, the focus this season in College Park is on the new \$107 million, 18,000-seat Comcast Center.

Maryland coach Gary Williams has plans for how the Terrapins will use its season of being called "defending champions."

"What you have to do with that is use it as a matter of pride," he said. "We won't let anyone come in here and take away from us what we have tried to establish. You can't go over the line and be cocky, though. Last year's success doesn't guarantee us anything this year."

That is something that so many teams, whether loaded with returnees or faced with rebuilding, have learned since UCLA's amazing run.

Only Duke in 1992 managed to repeat as national champions since 1973, even though some have at least gotten back to the Final Four, including Arkansas, whose defense in 1995 ended with a loss in the championship game.

The one thing each of the recent NCAA champions has had in common was the leadership of upperclassmen, especial-

ly seniors. In a day and age when seniors seem to have been the forgotten class in college basketball, it is still the most important to coaches.

This season, Arizona (Jason Gardner and Luke Walton), Pittsburgh (Brandin Knight), Kansas (Nick Collison and Kirk Hinrich) and Oklahoma (Hollis Price) are just a few of the highly regarded teams who have a senior ready to lead the last celebration of the season as Dixon did last year, Shane Battier of Duke the year before and Mateen Cleaves of Michigan State the year before that.

"Especially in college basketball, a team is as good as their leaders make them," Walton said. "A lot of teams have a lot of talent, but without leadership it's not going to go very far, since so many kids are so young."

The Class of '06 has the usual array of stars who will play right away such as Carmelo Anthony at Syracuse, but it was certain classes that drew the attention leading to the season.

Duke, North Carolina, Villanova and Michigan State brought in the best freshman classes, with Florida, Illinois and Arizona not far behind.

Right now, it doesn't matter how many members of the class will be around in three, or even two years. The fact that they'll be there this season should keep Duke and Michigan State among the elite and Villanova and North Carolina on the list of those ready to make a move back onto that level.

"For the young guys, you hope it hits them to where they feel comfortable and they go from thinking about what they

all very talented and we wish them well in their future endeavors, both on the court and off."

The Lowgators will cut their roster to 10 by Thursday, a day before the regular season opener on November 15, 2002 on the road against the Mobile Revelers at the Mobile Civic Center. The Lowgators home opener is a rematch of last year's NBDL Finals on Sunday, Nov. 17.

VanHoose was unavailable for comment at press time.

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Courtney Eldridge, G (Univ. of North Carolina Greensboro); Sam Haley, C (Missouri); Robert Jones, SG (West Alabama); Yuchiro Morishita, G (Townson State); Jermel President, G (College of Charleston); Antwain Smith, and SF (St. Paul's College).

"This was a very difficult decision for myself and Coach Upshaw," said Lowgators Head Coach Doug Marty. "The depth and level of talent has drastically increased from one year ago. The players that were let go are

White beats Maroon in ECU's 2nd scrimmage

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

RICHMOND — The White Team, paced by senior guard Shawn Fields' 19 second half points and sophomore guard Ben Rushing's 11 first half points,

defeated the Maroon Team, 90-82, Sunday night in the second Maroon-White scrimmage held in McBrayer Arena.

Fields hit 5-9 from the field and 8-9 from the free throw line for his 19 points in sparking the White

Team to the win. He played for the Maroon Team in the first half and netted seven as that squad trailed, 43-37, at the break.

"I am most pleased with our unselfishness," said third-year ECU head coach Travis Ford.

"Our older players know the system and are doing well. Our eight new players still have their heads spinning. It's going to take a little while for them, but all in all, I am pleased with where we are as a team."

In addition to Fields' 19 for the White Team, junior forward Jon Bentley scored 19 points, junior post player Damian McPherson had 17 and Rushing netted 11 points. Bentley led the White squad with 11 rebounds. Senior guard Kenyatta Dix added eight assists and four points, while junior guard Mike Scott had nine points and six assists for this team.

Rushing, who transferred over to the Maroon Team at halftime,

scored 18 points to lead that team in scoring. He canned 6-9 from the field and hit 4-6 three-pointers.

Sophomore center Tim Volpenhein scored 16 points and pulled down a team-high 11 rebounds, while freshman guard Matt Witt had 15 points and Scott totaled 10 points.

"I thought Tim played well. He hustled and got a lot of things done. We need that kind of effort from Tim to be successful," said Ford.

Tourney

semi-finals on Thursday, and a 16-1 run to start the game on Friday helped the Lady Blackcats to the big win.

After the Adams C-Team had finished winning the county title, it was the A-Team who put on quite a display in the finals on Friday. The tandem of Meaghan Slone and Amber Whitaker have paced the Lady Blackcats throughout the season, and it was Slone and Whitaker who led the way in the finals scoring 25 and 14 points, respectively. The first

six minutes proved to be the crucial time of the contest, with Adams building a 16-1 lead after one quarter behind Slone's nine points.

Betsy Layne struggled from the field as Kayla Case could manage the only Lady Bobcat basket of the first quarter.

Betsy Layne had advanced to the final by displaying a never say die attitude and the championship game would be the same as the Lady Bobcats would battle back in the second quarter behind the

play of Kaitlin Lawson and Kayla Case. Betsy Layne would outscore Adams 19-10 in the second quarter to cut the halftime lead to 26-20 in favor of Adams.

Linsey Fields would score six second half points for Adams and the Lady Blackcat defense allowed only four second half field goals from Betsy Layne.

Adams led 38-28 after three quarters and the final quarter would be all Lady Blackcats as Adams outscored Betsy Layne 21-10 in the final quarter to pull

away for the 59-38 win and another Floyd Co. title. Scoring was as follows: Adams — Meaghan Slone 25, Amber Whitaker 14 points, Linsey Fields 6, Brittany Collins 5, Morghan Slone 4, Pam Slone 2, Brittany Ousley 2, Elizabeth Chaffin 1. Betsy Layne — Kaitlin Lawson 17, Kayla Case 14 points, Stacey Lawson 4 points, Lindsey Boyette 2, Shereece Lee 1.

Adams Lady Blackcats Meaghan Slone and Amber Whitaker both were named Co-MVPs of this year's tournament.

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For second straight game, Betsy Layne holds on

by **STEVE LeMASTER**
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG — Betsy Layne Elementary girls' basketball coach Raquel Lawson coached through her second straight game of the Floyd County Girls' Basketball Tournament Thursday night. Betsy Layne trailed at the half, but in the end was able to hold on for a 36-35 win over Allen Central Middle School. The victory advanced Betsy Layne to the finals of the tournament Friday night against host Adams.

Center Kayla Case hit four-of-six free-throw attempts in the first period for Betsy Layne and Amanda Thacker hit for four points on a charity shot and a three-pointer. Each team exited the first quarter with six points. Allen Central charged back in the second period led by six points from Elizabeth Dingus to outscore Betsy Layne 13-7 for a 19-13 Lady

Rebel lead at halftime.

Betsy Layne outscored Allen Central 13-12 in the third quarter and 10-4 in the final period en route to the victory. Kaitlin Lawson was able to help put the Ladycats over top in the second half with a pair of three-pointers. Lawson hit for one trey at the end of the third period and another later on in the game in the fourth quarter.

Case shared game-high honors with Dingus. Each player scored 17 points. Lawson added 11 points for Betsy Layne and Shereece Lee chipped in four. Stacey Lawson and fifth-grader Megan Hamilton flipped in two points apiece for Betsy Layne.

Brandi Brown scored seven points and Dingus ended the semifinals game with six tallies. Sarah Johnson and Whitney Moore rounded out the scoring for Allen Central Middle with three and four points, respectively.

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Blackcats

the Blackcats led 28-0 at the half on their way to the win.

Prestonsburg head coach John DeRossett knew going in his team was dealt with a hand which meant all roads back to Louisville and the State Finals would go through the state's No. 1 team, Breathitt County.

The Blackcats' win over Estill County sets up a showdown with the Bobcats next week in Jackson. The coach feels his team is used to big games and big situations. While the win over Estill County was the first leg in a trip back to State, DeRossett and his staff have little time to look back on the opening round win. The Prestonsburg coach also thinks going on the road for the second round of the post-season will not be a deterrent to his team.

"We would have liked for the game to have been here, but it's not," said DeRossett. "This is hunting season and when you go hunting you always wanna stay awhile, or at least we do."

Host Prestonsburg won the coin toss and elected to receive the football to begin the game. In less than two minutes after the opening kick the Blackcats were on the scoreboard. After taking the kickoff into

Estill territory, Mikeal Fannin finished the opening drive off for his team with a two-yard scoring run. Prestonsburg's PAT kick was no good and the Blackcats led 6-0.

Estill County countered on its first drive with running backs Matt Richardson and Billy Davidson. The duo got into Blackcat territory in the first half but couldn't finish the job with a score.

Sophomore Chad Allen came up with an interception for Prestonsburg in the first quarter to help set up the second Blackcat touchdown.

P'burg senior quarterback Joey Willis found receiver Jesse Chaffin on an 11-yard scoring throw for the second touchdown. Nick Jamerson was stopped short on the conversion run for the Blackcats after the Chaffin TD, but would later find the end zone.

Jamerson put Prestonsburg's third score on the board when he caught a Willis pass for a 17-yard score. A two-point conversion from Willis made it a 20-0 Prestonsburg lead.

Following an Estill County fumble recovery, Willis scored from one yard out on a keeper and added a

conversion run to push his team out to the 28-0 lead at the break.

Estill County received the football to begin the second half but failed to find the end zone on its first second half attempt and was forced to punt at 8:31.

Fannin, after having his second touchdown of the first half called back got into the end zone from 10 yards out at the 8:09 mark. Kevin Jervis tackled the Estill punter after a botched snap to help set up good field position for the 'Cats. The Estill defense held on the Prestonsburg conversion try to leave the Blackcats with a 34-0 advantage.

Estill County's first and only score of the game came when Billy Davidson got in from 14 yards out with 6:42 left to play in the third quarter. A Davidson conversion run, much too little too late, cut the Prestonsburg lead to 34-8.

Fannin got his third touchdown of the game in the fourth quarter on a 26-yard gallop. Senior Thomas Nelson, after coming up with a sack earlier in the game, picked up a fumble on defense and got into the end zone only to have it called back on a penalty. Following the penalty,

with Prestonsburg still having possession of the football, Fannin worked his way in. Senior kicker Bart Bamette added the PAT kick to push the home team's lead out to 40-8.

Senior John Hunt leaped to glory and the game's final score from one yard away and Bamette added a PAT kick for the game's final seven points.

The loss ends Estill County's season at 5-6. Prestonsburg is now 8-3 and on its way south to Breathitt County to take on the No. 1 team in Class 2A.

DeRossett knows the challenge ahead for his team as the season either moves ahead or ends with next week's game.

"Breathitt County has been No. 1 all season long and they are a great football team," said DeRossett. "(Justin) Haddix is a great player and they have several very good football players."

Breathitt County was a 61-0 winner over Pike County Central on Friday night in a game played in Jackson.

Kickoff for Friday night's Prestonsburg-Breathitt County game is 7:30 p.m.

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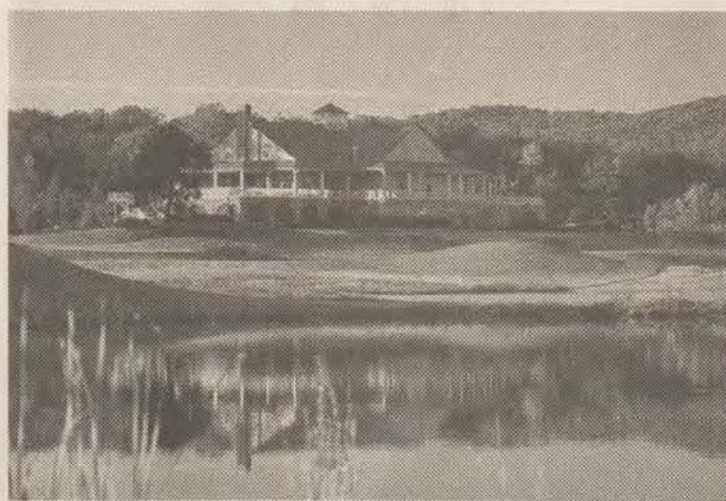
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Hazard College/KCTCS honors benefactors

The Kentucky Community and Technical College System (KCTCS) and Hazard Community College recently honored some of their most valuable benefactors.

Michael B. McCall, president of KCTCS, presented awards Nov. 2 to thirty-seven of the system's major donors and volunteers at the 2002

President's Gala and Benefactors Awards Dinner. The third annual event was held at Marriott's Griffin Gate Resort.

Those honored from Hazard Community College are: Dale Turpin, Bruce Stephens Jr., Greg Wells, and Fred Brashear/Hyden Citizens Bank. "We greatly appreciate the giving spirit

and these individuals," noted Dr. Jay K. Box, president of Hazard Community College. "Our college would not see the success it has experienced over the years had it not been for these four people who demonstrate their dedication to education."

Dale Turpin has been a life long supporter of higher education as well as

Lees College (now Lees College Campus of Hazard Community College). Even though she has moved from Kentucky to Florida, she has never forgotten ties to Lees College. Her annual unrestricted gifts to Lees have always made a difference in the lives of the students served by this campus. So many donations are earmarked

for special projects, a gift of this nature allows the College to be able to put the dollars to use where it is most needed where no other funding sources exist. Dale's continuing generosity in this regard is most appreciated by the College and campus community.

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PURPOSE ROAD

Following the Purpose Road

Living on Caney Creek for four years now, I have found myself quite often thinking about how different things would have been if I had not chosen Alice Lloyd College. I know that I made the right choice to follow the Purpose Road.

Students have access to things at Alice Lloyd College



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that most colleges and universities do not offer - such as one on one attention from the professors

and other faculty members. The number of friends you make on Caney are countless; everyone you pass always has a smile and says, "Hello, how are you today?"

As a student, I participate in the Student Work Program. This program teaches me responsibilities such as time management and work ethic and allows me to get a feel for the real work world. How does this program reward students? I feel have a gained what it takes become a leader in any chosen field of work - I have worked my way up to Assistant Work Head as well as being a Resident Advisor. The Student Work Program allows me to give 110% into whatever job I am doing - in the classroom or out.

Alice Lloyd College has truly changed my life. Not only will I receive a Bachelors of

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PERFORMANCE

Local student performs with the U.S. Air Force Band

Floyd County High School graduate and Transylvania University junior Greta Hicks recently performed with the United States Air Force Concert Band of Flight during a concert on the Transylvania campus.

Hicks, a trombone player, teamed up with the Air Force Band and played The George Washington Bicentennial March by John Phillip Sousa.

"It was an amazing honor to perform with such a distinguished ensemble," said Hicks who plans to attend graduate school in vocal music or teach music education. "I add this experience to a long list of opportunities that I've had at Transy that I couldn't have had at another school."

The U.S. Air Force Concert Band and the U.S. Air Force Band of the Rockies are the USAF's premier bands, 65-piece, world-class symphonic wind ensembles that feature a wide variety of repertoire, from light classics, popular favorites,

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HAZARD COMMUNITY COLLEGE



HCC BULB PLANTING

Students at Hazard Community College are planting bulbs, a total of 3,025 - one for each victim from 9-11-01. The bulb planting is a fund raiser organized by the Student Government Association and Phi Theta Kappa at HCC. Faculty member Sabine Globig's botany class coordinated the planting this fall so the daffodils will be in beautiful bloom for spring. Ms. Globig, shown on right, observed the students' work.

HCC offers Paramedic Certificate Program Pre-Admission Conference

HAZARD - Those interested in the Paramedic Certificate Program offered by Hazard Community College are invited to a Preadmission Conference on Saturday, November 16. The preadmission conference will be in the First Federal Center of Hazard Community College, room 123 B & C. The conference will begin at 8:30 a.m. and should end by 1:30 p.m. The COMPASS Assessment Test

is required by the program. COMPASS Assessment testing will be provided on November 16.

Attendance at this preadmission conference is required as part of the application process, noted Suzanne Price, coordinator and instructor for the program.

The following are needed for an application file:

- Drivers License
- State certification or National

Registry EMT (basic level)

- Current CPR credential (at basic level)

In addition, those attending should bring to the preadmission conference their high school transcript or GED scores, if they have not already submitted these to the college.

Further information may be obtained by telephoning (606) 436-5721 or 800-246-7521, Ext. 555.

MURRAY STATE

Partnership enhances education reform

Postsecondary education reform is working in Kentucky. That was the message of three postsecondary education leaders during a special "Showcasing Reform" presentation that kicked-off today's meeting of the Council on Postsecondary Education.

Dr. King Alexander, president of Murray State University, Dr. Keith Bird, chancellor of the Kentucky Community and Technical College System, and Daniel Rabuzzi, chief executive officer of the Kentucky Virtual University, showcased a transfer agreement that will prepare Kentucky's

workforce to meet the telecommunications needs of the new economy and will expand access through anytime, anywhere education through the virtual university.

The transfer agreement was established between the associate in applied science degree in information technology offered by KCTCS and the bachelor of science degree in telecommunications systems management, a program of distinction, offered by Murray State.

"This is a great day for postsecondary education reform," stated Rabuzzi. "This initiative supports three of the council's reform priorities: to facilitate transfer, meet the workforce needs of the knowledge-based economy, and provide access to online education through the Kentucky Virtual University," he said.

Over 10,000 students are enrolled in the associate's degree program, which is available on campus and online.

"This partnership fulfills several strategic objectives of KCTCS—to enhance information technology education, to expand access to distance learning, and to increase the number of our students who transfer to four-year colleges and univer-

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KCTCS FOUNDATION

Toyota manager is new chair of KCTCS Foundation board

LEXINGTON - A Toyota executive has been elected chair of the Board of Directors of the KCTCS Foundation Inc., which raises private funds to support the programs and services of the Kentucky Community and Technical College System.

Tom Zawacki, of Georgetown, has served on the foundation board for more than two years. He is serving as chair during the 2002/03 fiscal year.

"KCTCS is a nationally recognized educational system," said Zawacki, who was elected chair by his fellow board members. "What impresses me most about KCTCS is that it reaches every part of the state, has diverse programs, a huge enrollment, and provides skills and workforce training for

Kentucky businesses and industries. I am honored to serve in a leadership role for the KCTCS Foundation, which supports KCTCS."

Zawacki is general manager of general administration, Toyota Motor Manufacturing, Kentucky Inc., in Georgetown. His responsibilities include community relations, purchasing, security and fire protection, office and building services, and facilities control/facilities engineering. Prior to joining Toyota, Zawacki worked for Nissan Motor Manufacturing, U.S.A.,

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CAMPUS CONNECTION

Adapting to change

by RACHELLE BURCHETT

I love this time of year. I love looking out my window early in the morning to see the many colorful leaves that have fallen from their branches and blanketed the earth. Fall, to me, is such a beautiful time of the year when our mountains are covered with the beautiful colors orange, yellow, and brown.

Fall is an indicator that lets us know that the warm summer sun and the days spent cooling off with a glass of lemonade under a shade tree will soon be replaced with earmuffs, mittens and

snow shovels. The wind that once felt good blowing against our faces will soon turn cold and the trees will be left barren and plain.

Although I'm not a lover of the cold I do enjoy the excitement in my children's eyes when they awake to find their yard filled with snow. As I dress them in heavy coats and snow boots I admire the endless possibilities that they can see in a simple snowfall. They don't think about the ice covered roads or

snow-covered power lines. In fact they look forward to the next snow. They don't complain when they come in the house with nearly frost bitten fingers, instead they warm up

with a cup of hot chocolate piled high with marshmallows.

Kids adapt so easily to change as they focus on opportunity, not obstacles. As we grow older the kid in us seems to wither away looking at obstacles instead of opportunities. We don't see the beauty in a snowfall but the aggravation it has caused us.

After winter comes spring. We see the trees bud to welcome the warm sun and the Easter lilies bloom in barren fields. Spring is an indicator to let us know that we have survived the winter and can soon look forward to cooling off under a shade tree again. There is beauty in all seasons; sometimes we just have to look through the eyes of

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Jobless rates lower from Sept. 2001 to Sept. 2002

FRANKFORT- Unemployment rates fell in 77 Kentucky counties between September 2001 and September 2002, rose in 40 and remained the same in three counties, according to the Department for

Employment Services, a Cabinet for Workforce Development agency. Kentucky's seasonally adjusted jobless rate in September was 5.2 percent.

In September 2002, three counties had jobless rates at or above 10 percent, while seven counties recorded double-digit rates in September 2001. Woodford County's 2.1 percent jobless rate was the lowest in the commonwealth. Other low rates were recorded in Franklin, 2.5 percent; Jessamine County, 2.6 percent; Oldham County, 2.7 percent; Robertson County, 2.8 per-

cent; Gallatin County, 3 percent; Barren, Campbell and Fayette counties, 3.1 percent each; and Greenup, Henry and Kenton counties, 3.3 percent each.

Butler County recorded the state's highest unemployment rate - 14.8 percent. It was followed by Letcher County, 10.6 percent; Harlan County, 10.3 percent; Magoffin County, 9.9 percent; Ohio County, 9.5 percent; Morgan

County, 8.9 percent; Clay County, 8.8 percent; McCreary and Muhlenberg counties, 8.1 percent each; and Grayson County, 8 percent.

Unemployment statistics are based on estimates and are compiled to measure trends rather than actually to count people working. Civilian labor force statistics include non-military workers and unemployed Kentuckians who are

actively seeking work. They do not include unemployed Kentuckians who have not looked for employment within the past four weeks.

Kentucky's statewide unemployment rate is seasonally adjusted. Employment statistics undergo sharp fluctuations due to seasonal events,

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Medicare AND YOU



Donna R. Morton
Medicare Beneficiary
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Q Does Medicare cover treatment for macular degeneration, an age-related eye disease?

A Medicare covers a treatment for macular degeneration called ocular photodynamic therapy with verteporfin under some circumstances. Medicare pays 80 percent of the Medicare approved amount for diagnosis and treatment of diseases and conditions of the eye after you have paid the \$100 deductible for Part B services.

You should check with your local Medicare Carrier for specific coverage information for the treatment of macular degeneration. The contact telephone number for your local Medicare Carrier is 1-800-622-4792.

Q Does Medicare cover a screening test for glaucoma?

A Medicare Part B will help pay for a screening glaucoma test once every 12 months for those in a high risk category. You meet Medicare's definition of high risk for this screening test if:

- You have diabetes
- or
- You have a family history of glaucoma or
- You are African-American age 50 or older

The test must be performed by or under the direct supervision of an ophthalmologist or optometrist legally authorized to perform the services under state law. Medicare pays 80 percent of the Medicare approved

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- Big Sandy Two Way Communications -



Recognized for 20 years service

James O. Estep, right, of Oil Springs, recently celebrated his 20th year of service with Big Sandy Two-Way Communications, Inc., a Motorola two-way radio dealership located in Prestonsburg, on August 17, 2002. Estep has served during this time as a technician and tower climber and was presented a plaque by the facility's service manager, Greg Murray, left, in recognition of his dedication.

Estep began working with the company just three months into its existence. Big Sandy Two-Way Communications, Inc. covers all of the eastern Kentucky area, a portion of western West Virginia, and has customers in southern Ohio and eastern Virginia. The business office is located one-half mile north of Highlands Regional Medical Center on Rt. 321.

Bankruptcy Filings

The following is a list of bankruptcy cases filed with the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky in Lexington from November 1 to 6.

Pikeville Division

Chapter 7
Under Chapter 7 bankruptcy, a

court-appointed trustee sells assets and the debtor is discharged of debts.

Danny Richard Jaynes and Bonnie Jean Jaynes, of Thealka.
Terrell Edwin Coleman, of Pikeville.
Jamindaca Jewel Hubbard, of Prestonsburg.
Ronald Jude and Linda Jean Jude,

of Inez.

Earl Gregory Bowen and BillieJo Bowen, of Meally.

Chapter 13
Under Chapter 13 bankruptcy, the debtor arranges to repay debt.
Larry N. Hall and Malesa D. Hall, of Jackhorn.

DROUGHT UPDATE

Water shortage advisories lifted

FRANKFORT - A relatively brief but intense period of drought in central Kentucky that began in the middle of June has ended after several weeks of above average precipitation. Timely rains have continued in the wake of September's tropical storm Isidore and have added up to one of the wetter October months on record.

Nearly all monitored streams have remained in a normal range of flow for several weeks now, and the Kentucky Division of Water is lifting a water shortage watch for 18 central

Water systems that were under advisories or alerts during September now enjoy normal to above normal flows in their source streams and springs.

Kentucky counties that went into effect on Sept. 6, 2002.

The Division of Water continually monitors several indicators of drought potential including data for streamflows, precipitation, Palmer Drought Severity Index and groundwater levels. By late August, condi-

tions were right for water shortages to develop in the hardest hit areas of the central Bluegrass region. A Water Shortage Watch was subsequently issued on Sept. 6. The water shortage in effect for areas in the central Bluegrass region included the following counties: Anderson, Bath,

Bourbon, Clark, Fayette, Fleming, Franklin, Grant, Harrison, Jessamine, Mercer, Montgomery, Nicholas, Owen, Pendleton, Robertson, Scott and Woodford.

Water systems that were under advisories or alerts during September now enjoy normal to above normal flows in their source streams and springs.

The Division of Water commends the water suppliers and the customers

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REGIONAL

New online state government service lets employers help themselves

FRANKFORT - Kentucky employers can now apply for unemployment insurance account numbers online in just minutes instead of by fax machine or mail, according to the Kentucky Department for Employment Services.

The new self-service Internet process will save time for employers and reduce mistakes because the information will not have to be retyped, said Tony DeName, director of the Division of Unemployment Insurance in the Department for Employment Services.

"We are always looking for ways to use the latest technology to make it easier for employers to do business with us. Employers are the backbone of the unemployment insurance trust fund, and any electronic enhancements we can do to make life easier for employers we'll do,"

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INFORMATION

Grant guidance and application instructions available

FRANKFORT - Grants totaling \$5 million are available for watershed restoration projects. To find out how to apply, the Division of Water has prepared Guidance Document and Application Instructions for the 2004 Nonpoint Source Implementation Grant. The guidance document walks potential applicants through the entire process of applying for a project grant to help mitigate or prevent pollution from runoff of stormwater.

The waters of the Commonwealth become polluted when streams and rivers receive sediment, pesticides, metals, and animal and human waste picked up by rainwater that runs across the land. Runoff pollution, also known as nonpoint source pollution, is the number one contributor to water pollution in Kentucky, accounting for nearly two-thirds of the impaired rivers, streams and lakes in the state.

Runoff pollution is caused by numerous activities, such as construction, agriculture, logging, abandoned mine lands and improper residential wastewater treatment. It is also caused by activities at home, such as excessive use of lawn care products and dumping used motor oil, antifreeze and other chemicals into ditches or down storm drains. This runoff threatens the safety of drinking water supplies, makes waters unsafe for recreational activities such as fishing and swimming and impacts Kentucky's aquatic ecosystems.

Projects will compete for funding under the upcoming Section 319(h) Nonpoint Source Pollution Implementation Grant for 2004. These funds are provided to Kentucky by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. They can be used to pay for up to 60 percent of the total cost for each project. A 40-percent non-federal match is required.

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The Guidance Document and Application Instructions can be accessed at <http://water.nr.state.ky.us/dow/npsguide.htm>. To request a copy by mail: Division of Water, Nonpoint Source Section, 14 Reilly Road, Frankfort, KY 40601; by phone: (502) 564-3410; by e-mail: NREPC.DEP.DOW-nps@mail.state.ky.us.



Upward Bound Visits ALC

On Friday, October 11, approximately 45 students from the Hazard Community College Upward Bound Program visited the campus of Alice Lloyd College. Students from surrounding counties toured the ALC campus and took part in activities hosted by the ALC Admissions Office.



From left to right: ALC Vice President Jim Stepp, President Joe Stepp, and Kentucky River Coal representatives, Gary Conley and Greg Cornett.

Kentucky River Coal presents award to Alice Lloyd College

Kentucky River Coal Corporation, headquartered in Lexington, Kentucky, presented Alice Lloyd College President Joe Stepp and Vice President Jim

Stepp with their annual contribution on Wednesday, October 9th. Kentucky River Coal is a long-time supporter of the College in Pippa Passes, Kentucky.

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and instrumental features to classical and original works.

Ten regional bands are located around the continental U.S. and overseas. The Band of Flight operates out of Wright Patterson Air Force Base in Ohio, and performs primarily in Kentucky, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, western Maryland, western Pennsylvania, and West Virginia.

Remaining true to the Air Force's pioneering spirit, the Concert Band has established an international reputation as a champion of a new works for band with dozens of world premieres to its credit. The band also sponsors a biennial competition to ensure that new compositions will continue to be written.

Although it performs regularly in the Washington, D.C., area, the band also conducts two national concert tours and occasional foreign tours each year. The band also occasionally performs at various musical and educational conferences.

Hicks, an applied music major, is the daughter of Donald and Deborah Hicks of Prestonsburg.

Transylvania, founded in 1780, is the nation's sixteenth

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English degree upon graduation, but I have also grown up a great deal. Dorm life has helped me become an adult simply by being away from home and learning how to interact with different people. The classroom has helped me develop confidence and leadership skills. ALC is a place where lessons are not only taught in the classroom, but also in the close community environment. ALC is a place where students and faculty can interact with one another on a daily basis. And last, but not least, Alice Lloyd College is a place where I have made so many memories, a place where I set goals, and a place where I have and will achieve them. Remember, a dream is only reality in the making if you try.

Accounting workshop offered by MSU

"Peachtree Accounting," a workshop for business owners, managers, and/or employees, will be offered on Monday, November 18, at the MSU Prestonsburg campus, from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The workshop is being offered by the MSU Small Business Development Center.

Learn to use Peachtree accounting software to manage your business records. There is a \$15 fee for all participants and familiarity with PC's is required. Call 606-788-7331 to pre-register.

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amount after you meet your annual \$100 deductible.

Does Medicare help pay for eyeglasses?

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such as weather changes, harvests, holidays and school openings and closings. Seasonal adjustments eliminate these influences and make it easier to observe statistical trends. However, because of the small sample size, county unemployment rates are not seasonally adjusted.

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DeName said.

The employer will complete the application form online and send it directly to the Division of Unemployment Insurance in Frankfort and receive an account number immediately. The whole process will take about 20 minutes instead of waiting one to two weeks to receive it in the mail. Employers also can use the service to change their mailing address.

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lenses, you will be responsible for the extra cost. Remember, Medicare pays 80 percent of the approved amount. Your co-insurance is 20 percent of the approved, or higher if your supplier does not accept assignment of the Medicare claim. Call 1-800-MEDICARE to learn more about assignment — or look in your 2003 Medicare and You Handbook.

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

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and Ford Motor Co.

Zawacki, a native of Birmingham, Mich., earned a bachelor of science degree in business administration from Ferris State University, Big Rapids, Mich. He holds a master's degree in procurement management from Webster University in St. Louis.

Other recently elected officers of the KCTCS Foundation Board of Directors:

■ Vice Chair Jean R. Hale, Pikeville, president, Community Trust Bancorp Inc.

■ Secretary Andrew C. Meko, Louisville, president and CEO, Associated Industries of Kentucky

■ Treasurer Charles J. Lavelle, Louisville, attorney, Greenebaum Doll & McDonald PLLC

The KCTCS Foundation Inc. is the non-profit, independent fund-raising arm of the statewide system of two-year colleges. The foundation was established to:

■ Advance the vision, mission, goals and objectives of KCTCS.

■ Serve as the catalyst and provide leadership and coordination for the private-sector resource development programs of KCTCS.

■ Raise private funding to support system-wide initiatives.

■ Seek support from corpora-

Floyd County residents complete Science Camp at Kentucky

Tiffany Hamilton and Daniel Prater have completed a two-week summer science camp program offered by the University of Kentucky.

The students are among 33 rising ninth-graders who have completed the UK Chandler Medical Center and Outreach Center for Science and Health Career Opportunities Science Camp for Rural and Appalachian Middle Students (SCRAMS). Students were selected based on their academic achievement, recommendations, and application essays.

The competitive program provides each selected student the opportunity to gain appreciation for science and health, and through this experience, elevate his or her self-image and confidence. The pre-college initiative also has given students an early perspective on the college experience—students work and live on the UK campus during the course of the program.

Each student has attended

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they serve who took proactive steps to reduce water consumption in response to the developing drought.

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sities. This agreement will change the lives of students," stated Bird.

In a separate initiative funded by BellSouth and the Office of the New Economy, Murray State will develop online courses for its program. Several upper division courses will be available through the Kentucky Virtual University in spring 2003 and all of the 20 courses in Murray State's program will be available by

August 2004.

"This is another way that Murray State, in conjunction with other higher education institutions in the state and private industry, can collaboratively expand to address the economic and social needs of Kentucky. We remain committed in every way to these efforts as we advance higher education reform in the state," said Alexander.

Due to this partnership, enrollment in Murray State's program is expected to double within the next two years. Presently, 215 students are enrolled.

The Kentucky Virtual University is a unit of the Council on Postsecondary Education. The Council coordinates change and improvement in Kentucky's public colleges and universities. For more information on KYVU, visit www.kyvu.org

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a child.

We at Mayo Technical College and Prestonsburg Community College are experiencing change, as we become a consolidated institute. We will face many snowfalls. We will feel the cold wind blow in our faces, and we with shovels hand will work hard together to clear our path, but will also enjoy the warm sun, budding trees and of course picking the Easter lilies.

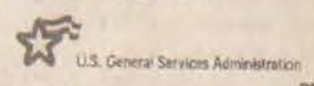
The consolidation process not only involves the colleges but also involves you. On Nov. 14, a public forum will be held in the Ramada Inn in Paintsville at 6 p.m. Part of this consolidation process is to inform you of the changes that are to take place and to address your concerns. This is an important endeavor that we will not doubt reap wonderful benefits for our community. Our goal

is to empower the future of education and supply our communities with a highly educated and trained people, people that will keep our community growing.

Please attend the forum and express your support and concerns. Remember to look for us on the web at www.bigandy.kctcs.edu.

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PSA

'Give my regards to Broadway'



The June Buchanan School Drama Department had a successful fall season production, "Give My Regards to Broadway", which was performed October 9th -12th in the Campbell Arts Center Auditorium on the Alice Lloyd College campus in Pippa Passes.

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Donna's
Day Creative
family fun

by Donna Erickson

Decorate your
home with an
apple wreath

Fall is the season to visit a nearby orchard to choose your own apples. While you are there, pick up some extra, inexpensive, slightly bruised apples to make festive and aromatic apple wreaths. Here's how:

In a shallow bowl, mix together 1 cup of reconstituted lemon juice with 1 tablespoon salt. Cut several whole, unpeeled apples vertically into even slices 1/8-inch thick. Keep stems intact, if there are any.

DAVID
LAROCHELLE

Dip the larger slices into the lemon mixture to prevent apples from discoloring, then pat dry with paper towels. Set on wire racks and place in a 140-degree oven with door left ajar for about 4 hours or until slices are leathery in texture.

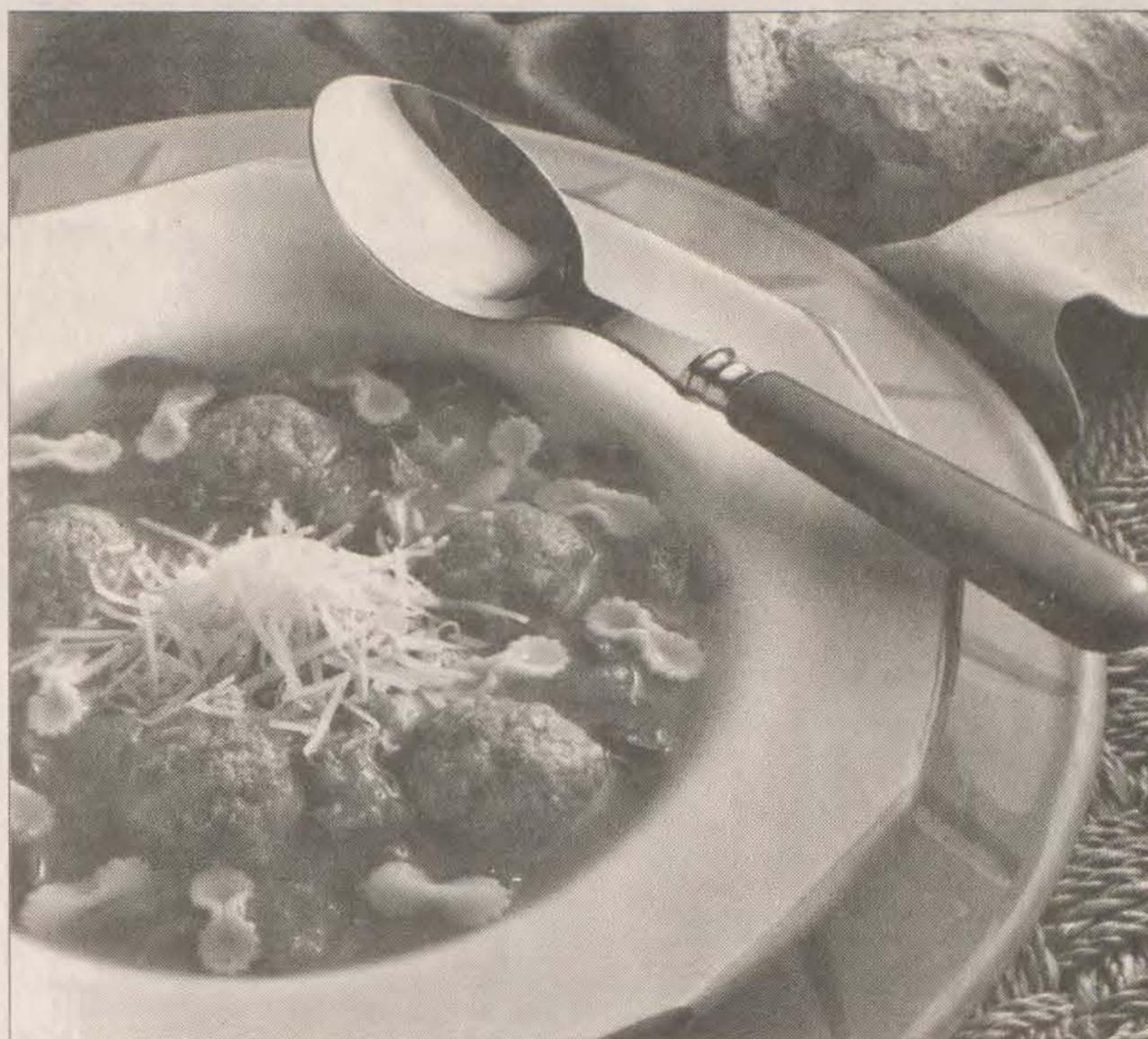
Remove from oven and cool. Meanwhile, cut a doughnut shape approximately 12 inches in diameter out of heavy, corrugated cardboard from a cardboard carton. You and your school-age children can use a low-temp glue gun to attach a row of apple slices overlapping slightly in a circular pattern around the outside edge of the shape. (Note: Slices with stems look especially nice in this row.) Make another row or two to cover the rest of the cardboard, making sure the center hole remains open. This wreath may also be made by attaching the apple slices to an undecorated grapevine wreath or Styrofoam wreath form.

For preschoolers, make a smaller cutout for one circle of apple slices. Use white household glue instead of a glue gun to attach apples.

When wreaths are complete, seal with nontoxic varnish. Let dry and decorate with ribbon, twine and cinnamon sticks.

Write Donna with your questions and ideas at www.donnasday.com. Donna's newly released book, "Donna Erickson's Fabulous Funstuff for Families," is now available in bookstores nationwide.

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MEATBALL SOUP IS
QUICK AND HEARTY

When the weather gets nippy, we welcome a soothing, tummy-warming soup. Haven't got time to cook a pot of soup? Here's one — Quick Meatball Soup — that you can have on the table in an hour or less. Convenient, professionally cooked canned broth, canned tomatoes and packaged fresh spinach are your helpmates. With pasta (tiny bowties, ditalini or small shells), meatballs enriched with wheat germ and cheese for added protein, you've got a hearty main dish that needs only a green salad and hearty bread.

Wheat germ also makes a crunchy topping for the Banana Crisp we've chosen for dessert. It can be made a day ahead, covered and refrigerated, then served at room temperature or slightly warmed in a slow oven.

QUICK MEATBALL SOUP*

1 pound ground turkey breast or ground lean beef
1/2 cup original toasted wheat germ
1 egg white
1/4 cup water
1 1/2 teaspoons dried Italian seasoning blend
1/2 teaspoon salt, optional
1/4 teaspoon freshly ground pepper
2 (13 3/4 or 14 1/2-ounce) can lower-sodium chicken broth
1 (14 1/2-ounce) can Italian-style diced tomatoes
1/2 cup uncooked small pasta
5 ounces (1/2 of 10-ounce bag) fresh spinach, coarsely chopped

1/4 cup shredded Parmigiano cheese

1. Preheat oven to 425 F. Combine turkey (or beef), wheat germ, egg white, water, seasoning blend, salt and pepper; mix lightly but thoroughly. Shape into 1 1/4-inch meatballs. Place in shallow baking pan sprayed with no-stick cooking spray. Bake 10 minutes.

2. Meanwhile, in large saucepan, combine broth and tomatoes. Bring to boil. Stir in pasta. Cover and simmer 5 minutes. Add cooked meatballs. Simmer, uncovered, 5 minutes longer, or until pasta is tender. Stir in spinach. Remove from heat. Let stand 2 to 3 minutes. Pass Parmigiano to sprinkle on soup. Makes 4 main-dish servings or 6 first-course portions.

*Note that we have used lower-sodium and lower-fat ingredients.

BANANA FRENCH APPLE
CRISP

1/2 cup Kretschmer wheat germ, any flavor
1/2 cup firmly packed brown sugar
1/3 cup chopped toasted pecans
1/4 cup all-purpose flour
1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
4 tablespoons (1/2 stick) butter or margarine, melted
3 firm-ripe bananas, cut in 1/4-inch slices
1 tablespoon lemon juice
4 (8-ounce) cans pie-spiced apple pieces, well-drained*
1/2 cup raisins

(See **BLOCK**, page five)THE
CHOPPING
BLOCKby Philomena
Corradeno

Just Awesome!

My son Tommy's favorite word when he thinks something is extra-special is "awesome." Try this easy dessert and see if he's not on to something!

AWESOME APPLE CRISP

2 cups (4 small) cored, peeled and

sliced cooking apples
1 teaspoon apple-pie spice
1/4 cup quick oats
6 tablespoons reduced-fat baking mix
Granular sugar substitute to equal

(See **FOODS**, page five)

Comfort foods

Made fast
and
healthy

by JoAnna M. Lund

Chicken Soup for the Soul: The autograph

Tim O'Driscoll

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It was 1963 in the Toronto suburb of Willowdale. I was 8 years old and hockey-crazy. My next-to-nil skills had not stunted my passion for the game. Earning himself a reservation for a warm seat in heaven, my dad would stand shivering beside the boards of the outdoor public rink, watching me ride the bench in the Catholic Minor Hockey League. The Toronto Maple Leafs were, of course, my heroes, and their Beehive Corn Syrup photos plastered my bedroom walls in black and white. I had no idea that one of my

most revered icons lived a mere three blocks away.

Back then, walk-a-thons and bike-a-thons had not yet been invented, so we raised funds the good old-fashioned way: selling something the public could actually sink its teeth into. In my school's case, it was the annual doughnut drive — Margaret's Doughnuts, big and doughy, choice of honey-glazed, cheaper if you bought two dozen or more.

Door-to-door I went, clipboard in hand. Although it was long ago, I can still smell the Gestetner fluid on the freshly minted order form. I sold

dozens of dozens; hardly a soul turned me down. Was the irresistibility in my product or my sales pitch? "After all, mister, EVERYBODY loves doughnuts." My sheet was almost full, and my stomach almost empty, when I reached Wedgewood Drive, with its two modest rows of look-alike sidesplits. I went up the south side — no one home, no one home. The next house would be my last; I had already stretched my parents' limit of a two-block radius, and dinner would be on the table in 10 minutes.

I rang the doorbell and rehearsed my spiel while staring at the flamingo on

the screen door. The bird swung toward me, and my next and indelible memory is looking up from a large pair of fuzzy slippers, way up, to the face peering down. Once it registered, I stood there speechless for what seemed an eternity, opening and closing my mouth like a fish out of water. Collecting my composure, but still unable to go into doughnut-talk overdrive, I told him something he already knew. "Yup, that's me," he replied with a nod and a smile.

Having successfully established a rapport, I followed with new information — that we shared our given name. I have a vague recollection of stammering through my Please-buy-some-doughnuts-to-help-my-school speech, and then a vivid one of him taking the

clipboard from my hand. Of course, I had no way of comprehending the historical irony of the document he handed back to me. Flushed with pride from our first-name-basis farewells, I flew home clutching the clipboard to my chest. Nobody got a word in edgewise at dinner.

The next morning before the bell, I guardedly showed off the precious paper. In the classroom, my teacher grumbled good-naturedly as she copied out my orders on another sheet — no way would I let go of the form, no way was I giving up that autograph. Doughnut delivery day could not come fast enough, but my return to Wedgewood Drive was anticlimactic — his wife answered the door. There I

(See **SOUP**, page six)Dear Diane...
I had my say. Now
you've had yours.

Hello, Readers. Diane here. Every day my e-mail inbox is filled with letters from you asking for advice.

Every so often, though, I get letters from readers who wish to comment on advice of mine they've read. Some readers agree with me, some don't.

This letter is in response to a letter from Georgia where a mother was told by the local "parent grapevine" that her daughter, "Sophie," not only refused to play with some of the children but also told her playmates that she thought they were stupid.

I told the mother she shouldn't force her 7-year-old daughter to play with kids she didn't like. I also told the mother this:

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

Apparently the reader below didn't like my advice:

DEAR DIANE:

I am appalled at your reply to "Upset in Georgia." Did it not occur to you that name calling and outright rudeness are probably not characteristics that this mother, or any mother for that matter, should hope to instill in her child?

If I adopted your attitude and treated Northwest's passengers and my co-workers in a like manner, I would soon find myself without a job.

If I have learned nothing else in life, I've learned that "kindness always begins with me." Something it would behoove you to learn yourself.

Moreover, the "gossips" that you refer to may simply be concerned parents. However, their behavior is not her responsibility; her own and her daughter's is.

— Completely Outraged, via E-mail

DEAR OUTRAGED:

I had my say. Now, you've had yours. Thanks for writing and presenting a different viewpoint.

Back curve does
not always prohibit
sports participation

DEAR DR. DONOHUE:

My daughter brought home a note from school saying we should take her to the doctor because she has scoliosis. We did. The doctor was unimpressed. He said she could take part in all sports. She is very athletic. Do you agree?

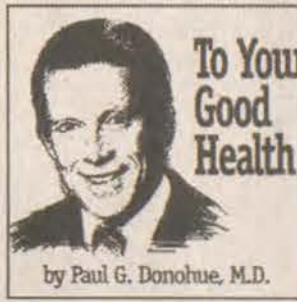
ANSWER:

Scoliosis causes the spine to veer to the right or to the left in an S shape. One shoulder is higher than the other, and one hip is also higher than the other.

The degree of bend dictates what kind of treatment should be prescribed. A mild curve can be followed with X-rays every so often, and the doctor can see if the curve is progressing.

More-serious curves call for bracing. Today's braces are almost undetectable under a child's clothes, so wearing one is not the burden it used to be.

When it comes to sports participation, once again it is the degree of curve that influences

(See **HEALTH**, page five)

Books: "What Every American Needs To Know"

"The New Dictionary of Cultural Literacy: What Every American Needs To Know"
by: E.E. Hirsch, Jr., Joseph F. Kett and James Trefil
(Houghton Mifflin, \$29.95)
Reviewed by David Smith

With "The New Dictionary of Cultural Literacy," E.D. Hirsch & Co. have a difficult job on their hands: How does one distill 10,000 years of Western civiliza-

tion and more than two centuries of American history to fill a book just shy of 650 pages? You make tough choices, that's how — and those choices are subjective in many cases. Ultimately, this reference book is Hirsch's opinion on "What Every American Needs to Know." This may be obvious to some, but others who pick up this book may grouse over the fact that some entries receive short shrift while other entries of dubious merit get bigger play.

For example, Geoffrey Chaucer, the father of English poetry, receives a mere five lines, while Count Dracula merits a whopping 11 lines. Does this mean Hirsch considers Dracula is culturally more important? (I also thought it was interesting that Madonna the pop star receives a longer entry than her namesake.)

Nitpicking aside, I genuinely like this book. It is easy to navigate because the information is divided first into subjects like

Idioms or Fine Arts, and then alphabetically by word, phrase, person or topic. For a quick look-up, there's always the index. "The New Dictionary of Cultural Literacy" is a great family reference book that would make a wonderful companion to the "An Incomplete Education" series of reference books and a welcome addition to any home's library. It would also make a perfect graduation gift for the college-bound student. Highly recommended.

Sam & Dave

explain it all to you
by Samantha Weaver and Dave Smith

DEAR SAM & DAVE:

My husband, "Cletus," is insane. He is 43 years old, smokes two packs of cigarettes a day, drinks a 12-pack of beer a day and has now convinced himself that he is going to go into training to be a boxer in the 2004 Olympics. Cletus is convinced that he can bring home the gold for the USA because he says he's never lost a bar or street fight in his life (which is true). He has been spending money we don't have on athletic equipment. Our phone has been turned off because he used the money to buy new gloves. What am I going to do with him? — FRAZZLED IN FAR-GO

DAVE SAYS:

Rule No. 1 of "How to Avoid Becoming a Domestic Abuse Statistic" is: Never mess with a

My husband is insane

violent, middle-aged, chain-smoking, alcoholic's pipe dream. You and I both know that your loser husband has as much chance of making the 2004 Olympic Boxing Team as you have of becoming the next pope. Your job, "Frazzled," is to make Cletus aware of this.

My favorite technique (which I've used successfully on countless occasions) is called "Supportive Rejection." Supportive Rejection is the process whereby you actively and sincerely support your deluded spouse/friend/relative/whomever so completely that they finally realize the stupidity of their actions on their own. The beauty of this technique is that your significant other can't blame you for his idiocy, because you were standing by him all along being the supportive partner and cheerleader.

Here's what you do: Go to the library and do some Internet research. Find the Web site for USA Boxing, the governing

body of the U.S. Olympic Boxing Team. Print out all the info Cletus will need in order to qualify for the team: weight-class specs, drug testing schedules, tournament schedules, timetables, applications — the whole nine yards. Set up a training program that he needs to strictly follow. Chances are, by the time you dump all this reality on his lap, he'll forget about the Olympics and go back to picking fights in your trailer park. Good luck.

SAM SAYS:

It sounds to me like Cletus is having a mid-life crisis. At 43, he's realized that whatever youthful dreams he had of becoming a sports hero (and almost every guy has them) are shot. He'll never be in the Super Bowl or the World Series, so he's found a sport in which he has some prowess (in his mind, anyway, winning bar fights seems to qualify as skill) and has decided not to let go of his dreams just yet. It's hard not to

feel sorry for him — it's not easy to abandon your dreams, no matter how farfetched they are.

Dave's idea will work, I think. The ultra-supportive approach will bring him face-to-face with the fact that he's being incredibly unrealistic, while keeping you from being the "bad guy." It will also prevent bitterness later on; if you just force him to quit now, in a few years he'll be saying, "Yeah, I could've been in the Olympics, but my wife held me back." It's patently untrue, but that's irrelevant. If Cletus sees you as being the sole reason for his ultimate failure in life, your marriage is going to be in serious trouble.

Another thing you might be able to do to get him to see the error of his ways is to get information about the last U.S. Olympic Boxing Team. Find out vital statistics such as age and weight, and that might help him realize that a 43-year-old with a beer belly isn't likely to be an asset.



by Samantha Weaver & Amy Anderson

Probably the most-watched parade in the United States is the Thanksgiving Day Parade held annually by Macy's department store in New York City. The event, with its magical balloon figures towering above the parade route, marching bands and celebrities, has become a part of the Thanksgiving experience — a uniquely American event.

The parade, held Nov. 28 from 9 a.m. to noon, will be the 76th annual Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade, and if you are lucky enough to get to New York City to watch it in person, here are some tips to help

Macy's Thanksgiving day parade

enhance the enjoyment of the day.

■ First of all, it's FREE! So pick your spot early — the earlier the better — and be prepared to defend it as the morning rolls on. There are grandstand seats, but they aren't for public seating, and you can't buy a seat, either (so don't let anyone talk you into paying money for a "ticket"). They are reserved for special guests of Macy's.

■ Also know that there are sections where viewing is restricted, specifically from 36th to 38th streets on Broadway and on 34th Street from Broadway to 7th Avenue (north side of the street only).

■ Bring a blanket for the kids to sit on while waiting, and pack some lunch and hot beverages (hot cocoa is perfect!). Last year, temperatures were around 50 degrees F, so dress appropriately.

■ Remember that everything you carry in, you'll need to carry around and keep up

with. This means toys, strollers and such will become burdens as the day drags on. Also, folding chairs can become a nuisance. They are a pain to carry around, they aren't safe to stand on, and everyone will be standing anyway. Better to leave them at home.

■ The most important thing is to have fun, relax and "ooh" and "ahh" with the mind of a 3-year-old.

■ For some extra-special enjoyment, go watch the professionals blowing up the balloon figures the day before. This is a family event held Wednesday, Nov. 27 from 3-10 p.m., near the American Museum of Natural History at 77th Street and Central Park West.

For any additional information on the parade, including the parade route, call the Macy's Parade Hotline at (212) 494-4495. If you can't make it to the parade in person, the parade is broadcast on NBC from 9 a.m. to noon in all time zones.

The game of chess originated in India in 2,000 B.C.

■ In 1931, the Newspaper Enterprise Association predicted that crime would be nearly gone in 20 years.

■ Do you subscribe to the adage "A rose by any other name would smell as sweet"? Consider this: Would that teen heartthrob of an earlier day, Bobby Darin, have become so popular if he had been known by his given name, Walden Cassotto?

■ The Goodrich company, known primarily for its tires, also invented the first modern golf ball.

■ At one time, Canada's CBC network banned the children's cartoon "Rocky and Bullwinkle" because of its sometimes unflattering portrayal of the Mounties.

■ The first recorded newspaper that published on a daily basis was in Rome — in 59 B.C.

■ Sometimes scientists get to express



their creativity when they have the opportunity to name things. Take deep-sea sites, for example: in the North Atlantic is the Porcupine Abyssal Plain, Clam Acres is off the west coast of Mexico, and there's a site near the Galapagos Islands called Hole-to-Hell.

■ Television personality Paula Zahn attended college on a cello scholarship. Domestic maven Martha Stewart (in her less troubled days) worked as a model to get through college. TV producer Aaron Spelling was a cheerleader during his university days.

■ The game of chess originated in India in about 2,000 B.C. — it was called "chaturanga." And it didn't look quite like the modern version that is played all over the world today. Chaturanga had only four kinds of pieces: elephants, chariots, horses and foot soldiers.

■ At the 2002 winter Olympic games, U.S. athletes were paid \$25,000 for winning a gold medal, \$15,000 for a silver medal and \$10,000 for a bronze medal.

■ You think unemployment is getting bad here in the United States? Thank your lucky stars that you don't live in Haiti, where the national unemployment rate is 70 percent; or in Ethiopia, where it's 63 percent; or Kenya, where half of the workers are unemployed.

Thought for the Day:
"You may do foolish things, but do them with enthusiasm." — Colette

INFOLINK

Warchalking legality isn't the issue

Communications giant Nokia has charged that "warchalking" — the practice of publicly marking points on wireless networks that can be accessed freely — is theft.

A recent phenomenon, these Internet parasites have been drawing chalk symbols on walls and pavements in cities to mark where wireless local area networks (LANs, for short) can be used to freely access the Internet.

The practice dates back to a time when hobos would mark residences that were hospitable. The term is derived from the word "wardialing," or calling up

every phone number to see if there's a modem on the other end.

The FBI has gotten involved, issuing a warning, but it's unclear just who the warning is targeting — the warchalkers or the companies getting warchalked. The FBI tells a company: If you see signs of warchalking, take steps to ensure that your wireless network is closed to outsiders.

The FBI has bigger fish to fry than some 15-year-old who's sapping corporate bandwidth to check his e-mail. It recognizes that, unless the systems are being hacked (which isn't clear), the onus is on companies to secure

their wireless LANs, the potential insecurity of which has been well-documented.

While it may not be illegal, it most certainly is immoral. The Web site www.warchalking.org likens it to passing by an open window and enjoying the aroma of baking bread.

I liken it to a leech draining just a bit of blood and then telling his parasite buds where they can get a free meal. No, bandwidth is not a byproduct to be relished; it's the bread itself.

Just like a mosquito carrying West Nile, a warchalker — unauthorized to be on the LAN in the

first place — could unknowingly pass on a virus. Or worse yet, a malicious warchalker may hack an insecure wireless LAN.

As for Nokia, it'd be well advised to ensure it doesn't get proverbial Lyme disease while pulling those ticks off its wireless network. Stop crying, and tell your network admin to start earning his pay. And another thing — don't leave your bread on the windowsill.

As for the warchalkers, I say, hit up mom and dad for your own Internet account, you cheap little bloodsuckers. And get a moral compass while you're at it.

Osteoporosis and exercise



Maintaining strong bones is just as important as developing strong muscles. As we age, our bones lose internal structural support and mineral content. This loss can result in weak, brittle bones, fractures, a change in posture and a condition known as osteoporosis. Often seen as a disease just for women, osteoporosis actually affects both sexes.

The good news is that exercise can prevent osteoporosis from developing further, or even occurring at all.

Developing a comprehensive exercise program that improves overall fitness and increases strength, agility, balance and posture is recommended for managing and preventing this disease. Such an exercise program can decrease the mineral loss to your bones and reduce the risks of falls, which can lead to fractures.

Participating in the CORRECT exercises and activities is important to prevent injury. Here are a few suggestions.

■ **Weight-bearing exercises:** These include activities done while supporting your body weight. Jogging, walking and climbing stairs are great weight-bearing exercises — and great aerobic exercise, too. (Although cycling is a great aerobic exercise, there is no contact with your feet to the ground. The bones of your legs, back and hips do not have to support your body weight, which makes it non-weight bearing.) If you have already been diagnosed with

osteoporosis, walking is a better exercise to perform than jogging, due to the jarring effect it has on bones.

■ **Strength Training:** There are many ways to participate in a strength-training routine. Weight machines, resistance bands, stability ball, aquatic exercise and dumbbells all can provide adequate resistance for strengthening bones and muscles. Strength training will also slow mineral loss in your bones. Proper technique is extremely important to someone with osteoporosis. Please consult a medical or fitness professional knowledgeable with this disease before beginning a strength-training program.

■ **Exercises that strengthen back and abdominal muscles,** while focusing on correct posture, are also important. Strengthening the muscles supporting the spine to improve posture is great for everyone, but even more so if you have been diagnosed with osteoporosis.

There are many good reasons for embarking on an overall exercise program. Preventing osteoporosis is a crucial one.

Foods

1/4 cup sugar, suitable for baking
4 teaspoons reduced-calorie margarine

In a medium bowl, combine apples and apple-pie spice. Evenly spoon mixture into 4 (10-ounce) microwavable custard cups. In same bowl, combine oats, baking mix, sugar substitute and margarine. Mix well until crumbly. Evenly

sprinkle crumb mixture over apples. Microwave on HIGH (100 percent power) for 8 to 10 minutes or until apples are tender. Let set for at least 5 minutes. Good warm or cold. Makes 4 servings.

■ Each servings equals: 102 calories, 2 g fat, 2 g protein, 19 g carb., 149 mg sodium, 2 g fiber; Diabetic Exchanges: 1 Fruit, 1/2 Starch, 1/2 Fat.

Soup

stood, red-faced in my Maple Leafs sweater, as four school chums who had doubted my story taunted me from the street.

Fast-forward several years and several hundred franchises later: I wonder if the runt at the door was his inspiration.

("After all, EVERYBODY loves doughnuts.") In futile search, I've torn my folks' basement apart, but it seems I've lost that purple-lined piece of Canadiana, the testimony to a feat that is surely mine alone to claim: I sold Tim Horton a dozen doughnuts.

Block

1. Preheat oven to 400 F. Lightly spray 13-by-9-inch glass baking dish with cooking spray.

2. For topping, combine wheat germ, brown sugar, pecans, flour and cinnamon in bowl, mix well. Stir in butter; mix well. Set aside.

3. Top bananas with lemon juice in baking dish; stir in apples and raisins. Spoon wheat germ mixture evenly over top. Bake 18 to 20 minutes or until topping is golden brown and

fruit mixture is bubbly. Cool slightly. Serve warm or at room temperature, with ice cream if desired. Makes 10 servings.

*Do not use canned apple pie filling. If pie-spiced apple pieces are not available, substitute 2 (15-ounce) cans sliced apples, drained and coarsely chopped, and add 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon to the filling.

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Health

the decision to allow athletic participation. For mild curves, sports are not prohibited. Even for greater curves, a sports program can be permitted and even encouraged.

Back pain strikes about 80 percent of people at least once in their lives. The recently published pamphlet on back problems furnishes many tips on what to do for sore backs and how to avoid them. Readers can order a copy by writing: Dr. Donohue — No. 303W, Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. Enclose a check or money order (no cash) for \$4.50 along with the recipient's printed name and address. Please allow 4-6 weeks for delivery.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE:

My questions concern common things that seem innocuous but could prove to be more serious. For example, my daughter has the bad habit of chewing ice. It was

found out that she had severe iron deficiency.

I attend exercise classes that require arm movements about the head. Those movements make me dizzy. The feeling passes quickly. Could it indicate something more serious? — G.D

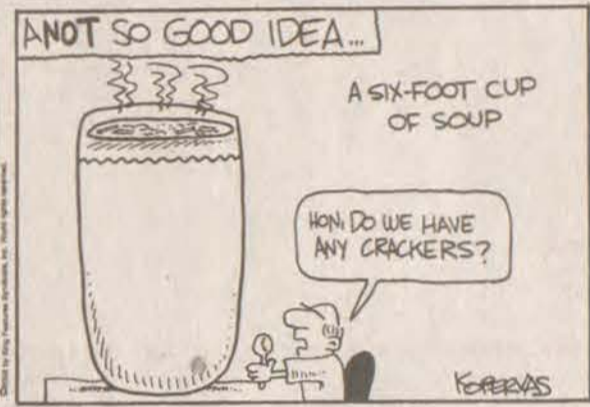
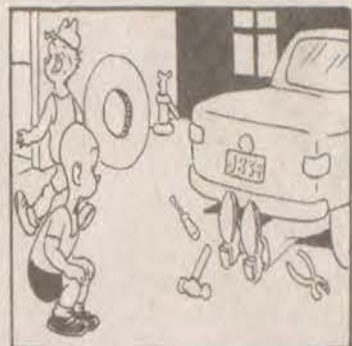
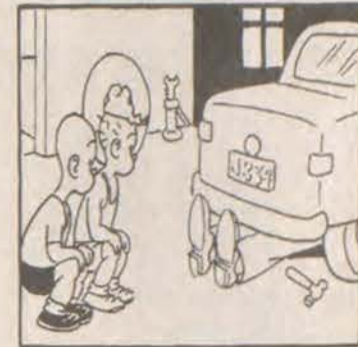
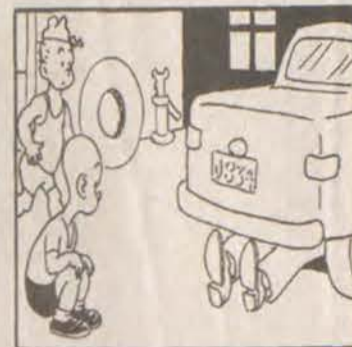
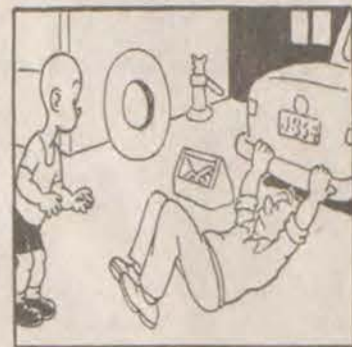
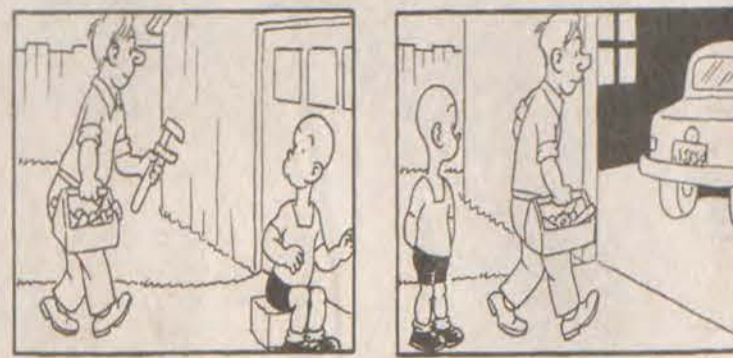
ANSWER:

Your daughter had pica. It is an appetite for bizarre foods. Ice is one example. Others crave clay or starch. Sometimes, but not always, pica indicates an iron deficiency. Don't ask why. I don't know.

Your symptoms might indicate a condition called subclavian steal syndrome. One of the main arteries that branch from the aorta has a block. To compensate for that block, the artery takes blood from a brain artery. That, in turn, causes dizziness or lightheadedness when raising the arms above the head.

Mention it to your doctor.

Sunday Comics



MAGIC MAZE • MUPPETS

BVSPNKIFDCAXVSQ
 OLJHESCBRAXVTRP
 NLJHFWDBOYXYVTT
 RPOMKEIRFBNGEI
 DBZXHEEWFONZOM
 UTRQITONIFLUJIR
 RIZZOUEPLLGBFEE
 DCZOAMSECWTNKYK
 XOCWVSTSTORAPON
 FSECINAJOREELKJ
 ILAMINAZGBDBFEC

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

- Animal
- Beaker
- Bean Bunny
- Bobo
- Clifford
- Dr. Teeth
- Fozzie
- Gonzo
- Janice
- Miss Piggy
- Rizzo
- Rowlf
- Scooter
- Sweetums
- Zoot



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

Super Crossword COMPLETE THE THOUGHT

- ACROSS**
- 1 Skilled
 - 5 1492 vessel
 - 9 Proclaimed pompously
 - 15 With 103 Across, present-day Ceylon
 - 18 Flynn of films
 - 19 Tart
 - 20 Texas city
 - 21 Fiat hat
 - 22 If at first you don't succeed ...
 - 25 Actress Gardner
 - 26 Long-running Western
 - 27 Ed of "Lou Grant"
 - 28 Actor Young
 - 29 Turner or Cole
 - 30 "Yo!" at the library
 - 33 Triangle type
 - 37 — Na Na
 - 40 Build
 - 42 Cartoon cry
 - 45 Nitrous —
 - 46 Save the whales ...
 - 51 Conductor Dorati
 - 52 Maglie or Mineo
 - 53 "— the Sheriff" ('74 hit)
 - 54 Spiked the punch
 - 58 Keanu of "Speed"
 - 60 Forsaken
 - 62 Erwin or Gilliam
 - 63 Night noise
 - 64 No-nonsense Athenian
 - 65 Musical finale
 - 67 Poem of praise
 - 69 "My Favorite —" ('82 film)
 - 70 He who laughs last ...
 - 75 Type of pear
 - 79 Mine find
 - 80 Act like a Crabbe
 - 81 Sample the soufflé
 - 85 Activist Medgar
 - 87 Unwell
 - 89 Italian rumbler
 - 91 California town
 - 93 Robert of "The Citadel"
 - 94 Insomnia cure?
 - 96 Tirioc of tennis
 - 98 Tales
 - 99 A penny saved is ...
 - 103 See 15 Across
 - 105 Maestro de Waart
 - 106 More appealing
 - 107 It may be white
 - 108 Grisham characters
 - 110 "— Shame" ('70 song)
 - 111 Excellent
 - 114 Citrus cooler
 - 115 Eventual oak
 - 119 Returns from a trip
 - 123 Sundial numeral
 - 124 Honk if you ...
 - 129 "Cheers" prop
 - 130 Negative terminals
 - 131 — Spumante
 - 132 Travis or Quaid
 - 133 — blond
 - 134 "The — Trap" ('61 film)
 - 135 Competition
 - 136 Incites Rover
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 - 4 Actress Verdugo
 - 5 Out-of-this-world org.
 - 6 Hosp. area
 - 7 Pen point
 - 8 Commotion
 - 9 Auto pioneer
 - 10 Eaves dropper?
 - 11 "Rule, Britannia" composer
 - 12 "The — of a Clown" ('70 song)
 - 13 PA hours
 - 14 Buck's beloved
 - 15 Put on
 - 16 Deep gorge
 - 17 Persona
 - 18 Peter out
 - 23 Montezuma, for one
 - 24 "The Wind in the Willows" critter
 - 30 Pansy part
 - 31 Junk
 - 32 Sault — Marie, MI
 - 34 — Cob, CT
 - 35 Jumps on the ice
 - 36 Catalogue
 - 37 Trauma aftermath
 - 38 Sharpened a skill
 - 39 Change
 - 41 Certain line-men: abbr.
 - 42 Surprised sounds
 - 43 Reacts to fireworks
 - 44 "Martha" composer
 - 47 89 Across output
 - 48 Vote in
 - 49 Like some beaches
 - 50 Practice piece
 - 55 Runner Sebastian
 - 56 Age
 - 57 Augsburg article
 - 59 Manhattan area
 - 61 Writer MacDonald
 - 66 Disembarked
 - 68 Punta del —
 - 71 Coming from Cork
 - 72 Nervous —
 - 73 Literary collection
 - 74 Roberts or Tucker
 - 75 You can retire on it
 - 76 "Ab —" (from the start)
 - 77 DC figure
 - 78 Nook's companion
 - 82 Strike-breaker
 - 83 Innsbruck's locale
 - 84 Boredom
 - 86 Tend the fire
 - 88 Expect back
 - 90 Major artery
 - 92 Word form for "bone"
 - 95 Conceal
 - 97 Dundee denial
 - 100 Pine product
 - 101 UN Day month
 - 102 Splendid
 - 103 "Good Night —" (1853 song)
 - 104 USNA anthem word
 - 108 First dog in space
 - 109 Relish
 - 110 Claire or Balin
 - 112 Alphabet sequence
 - 113 Neighbor of Oahu
 - 116 Surrender
 - 117 Ready for business
 - 118 Be still
 - 119 Component
 - 120 Pres. Bush, e.g.
 - 121 Converse competitor
 - 122 Pig's digs
 - 124 Fold over
 - 125 "Sat —" tuffet ...
 - 126 Machine part
 - 127 Language suffix
 - 128 Tackled a taco

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