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Dad charged with assault

by LORETTA BLACKBURN
STAFF WRITER

FREEBURN — A Freeburn man was arrested on Wednesday in connection with an incident in which he allegedly hit his stepson with an axe handle, stole his car and wrecked it.

According to an incident report, John Paul Charles, 50, was arrested at 3:45 Wednesday morning at Hurley Ridge, after he had taken a vehicle belonging to his stepson, Phillip Fields, and wrecked it, which resulted in the vehicle catching on fire and burning. Trooper Amos Adkins reported that Charles hit two or three objects with the car before the engine caught fire.

Adkins said that Charles walked home from the scene of the accident and got into an altercation with Fields, at which time he hit Fields in the head with an axe handle, causing cuts and swelling.

Charles was charged with second-degree assault, no operator's license, failure to report a traffic accident, leaving an accident and unauthorized use of a motor vehicle. He was arraigned on Wednesday in Pike County District Court, at which time a \$20,000 full cash bond was set.

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High: 56 • Low: 27

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LPC approves plan

by JARRID DEATON
STAFF WRITER

The Floyd County Local Planning Committee passed a motion to accept a facilities plan during a meeting on Wednesday. The facility plan was on the agenda for the Feb. 16 meeting but was not accepted after a lengthy debate about the status of Prestonsburg Elementary dominated the discussion.

The transitional status of Prestonsburg

Elementary was discussed again at the meeting on Wednesday, but did not keep the motion from passing.

Architect Joe Jones told the committee that a future plan to build a new school for Prestonsburg Elementary would be easier to implement if the school were labeled as transitional.

"If you are planning a project to house those

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Architect Joe Jones explains why he thinks it would be best to label Prestonsburg Elementary as a transitional school during a meeting of the Local Planning Committee on Wednesday.

photo by Jarrod Deaton



photo by Sheldon Compton

Several feet of thick mud cover the back portion of Billy Hall's home in Store Hollow at Betsy Layne as a result of a mudslide which occurred during the flooding this past weekend. It is believed floodwaters and mud broke from a closed mine near the home following four days of steady rain.

Flood costs begin to add up

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

The first round of preliminary flood damage assessments have now been considered and statistics estimate that, so far, 225 businesses and homes have reported damages from the drenching rains that fell over the weekend and a good part of Monday.

Floyd County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson said, when

considering assessments gathered from local fire departments, the American Red Cross and from county residents, the county could wind up suffering anywhere from \$5 million to \$6 million in damages to homes and businesses, and another \$1.5 million in damages to roads, culverts and some bridges.

Utility damages to water lines, primarily in the southern end of the county, will most likely cost \$200,000 to \$250,000, Thompson

said.

Debris cleanup alone will cost several hundred thousands dollars, according to Thompson.

"We're probably looking at \$600,000 to \$700,000 in debris removal," Thompson said. "We're also trying to get debris out of the creeks and the cleanup efforts from where people have had to set stuff outside their homes."

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Two more face garbage charges

by JARRID DEATON
STAFF WRITER

HAROLD — Two more Floyd County residents have been charged with violating county solid waste ordinance No. 94-001, by failure to participate in the mandatory solid waste program for allegedly not paying their garbage bills.

Luke Kidd, 50, and Adam Kidd, 28, both of Harold, are scheduled to appear in Floyd District Court on March 5, to answer the charges.

Three other residents have been previously charged with violating the ordinance. Kenneth Bundy, 70, of McDowell, Carl Combs 80, of Langley, and Wayne Reynolds, of Martin, were all charged on Feb. 6,

for failing to pay their garbage bills.

According to County Attorney Keith Bartley, a total of eight people will eventually be charged with violating the ordinance. The violation is considered a misdemeanor and carries a possible consequence of 90 days in jail and/or a \$500 fine.

Woman says mistaken identity cost her job

by LORETTA BLACKBURN
STAFF WRITER

A case of mistaken identity has resulted in the loss of a job for Allene Akers Crum, 41, of Banner.

The name Ailene Crum appeared in The Floyd County Times report of charges filed last Friday, which is apparently a name shared by at least three women in the county. The charges alleged

that Crum, of Inez, committed the crime of theft by deception by writing a bad check at Wal-Mart in Prestonsburg.

According to Allene Crum, she wasn't aware of the similar name being in the newspaper until her aunt called her about it. Crum said she also had a sister-in-law named Ailene Crum, but knew it wasn't either of them, therefore she didn't fret.

However, one of Crum's employers saw the name and informed her on Monday that she didn't want her to come to work due to the charges.

Crum, who cleans houses for a living, said that she was upset by the incident and failed to see how a bad check would affect her ability to do her job, even if she had been the one charged with writing a bad check.

Sportsmen oppose annexation

by LORETTA BLACKBURN
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The Dewey Lake Fish and Game Club declared that they "would turn out in great numbers" against the city of Prestonsburg's resolution to annex over 7,000 acres at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park.

According to member John Lafferty, the sports organization has worked closely with the Department of Fish and Wildlife to plant roughly 75 acres annually to nourish

the animals that live on that land.

"They are invading our kitchen," said Lafferty.

He proposed that the Fish and Game Club and the Floyd County Division of the National Wild Turkey Federation, of which Lafferty serves as president, plant food for wildlife, and clean up and protect the area for hunting and recreational purposes.

Lafferty voiced that the organizations fear that an annexation may impact taxes

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Guilty plea, death sentence upheld

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT

— The conviction and death sentence of a death row inmate who admitted the torture slaying of a woman in Hazard in 1989 was upheld Thursday by a divided Kentucky Supreme Court.

Donald Herb Johnson pleaded guilty to fatally beating, stabbing and mutilating



Johnson

Helen Madden, 61, of Perry County, in the laundromat where she worked. He also pleaded guilty to robbery, burglary and sexual abuse.

At his request, Johnson was sentenced by the trial judge without having his fate considered by a jury.

In his appeal, Johnson

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Pike man accused of bilking eBay computer shoppers

by LORETTA BLACKBURN
STAFF WRITER

PIKEVILLE — Pursuant to a tip from the FBI Internet Fraud Office, a Pikeville man was arrested in Tennessee on 50 charges, "and counting", for a computer sales scam run on internet auction site eBay.

According to Detective Eddie Crum, of Kentucky State Police, the Internet Fraud Office contacted KSP when they received complaints that customers from

the United States and Canada had not received computers that they had purchased from Castle's Computers on eBay.

Crum said that Christopher D. Castle, 23, was running a computer sales company from his home on Hillview Drive, in Pikeville. After placing the computers on eBay and auctioning them, he would deliver the computers to the highest bidder until approximately three months

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Santa Rosa is using the silver screen as a lure to persuade residents to leave their cars at home and pedal to work.

The Wheels to Reels bicycle program has signed up 65 people so far.

Riders mark the days they've ridden to work on a card they mail to the office of Santa Rosa's transit coordinator. If they ride a minimum of eight days a month, they get one movie ticket a month.

Cyclist Andy Howard, 41, said his wife calls him an "environmental martyr" for braving all types of weather and terrain to win his movie tickets.

By biking about 10 miles round trip each workday, Howard figures he stays fit, saves money and has a predictable commute time. "When movie tickets are \$9 apiece —

sure, I'll take it," he said.

The program also will pay off for people who ride skateboards or other nonpolluting forms of transportation.

■ MONTEPELIER, Vt. —

Spec. Dedrick Sullivan's submarine crewmates are likely very happy he was left behind when they went to the Persian Gulf.

Sullivan, 24, stayed in New England when the USS Montpelier was deployed so he could spend two weeks at the New England Culinary Institute learning the finer points of producing haute cuisine for the crew.

He hopes to "cook up something special" when he returns to the nuclear attack sub.

Sullivan has toured the school's various restaurants and campus facilities and learned the art of baking bread and pastries. He also will spend time in the kitchen of the Main Street Grill and Bar.

"When I think of good food, I think of what mom would make," said Sullivan. He said his mother, who lives in San Antonio, Texas, taught him to cook at an early age and inspired his interest in becoming a chef.

NECI president and Chief Executive Fran Voigt said the cooking courses were offered free of charge. He called it the school's "way of contributing to the community."

■ YREKA, Calif. —

A woman is in jail for feeding black-tailed deer in her backyard.

Thana Minion, also known as "The Deer Lady of Copco Lake," was sentenced to 30 days for feeding a large herd of deer a mix of oats, barley and other grains.

Minion, 52, violated her probation from a 1997 conviction of driving with a suspended license and resisting arrest during an altercation with Fish and Game officers, who wanted her to stop feeding deer.

As part of her probation, she must obey all laws and stop feeding the deer, but she has apparently refused.

"I'll go to jail as many times as I have to," Minion said. "It's not going to stop me."

Siskiyou County District Attorney Pete Knoll said he doesn't want to see Minion behind bars and he's no fan of the deer-feeding ban. But he said her flouting of the law gives authorities no choice.

The state Legislature in 1996 enacted the law specifically for cases in which feeding causes perceived harm to the animals by attracting disease, predators or hunters or by over-taming them to a point where they rely on the illegal feed.

Minion, who served 45 days in jail for a similar violation in 2000, said as an American Indian she has the right to feed deer as part of her connection to nature.

■ CHESTERFIELD TOWNSHIP, Mich. —

A man ticketed after complaints that his flag's flapping made too much noise has settled on a quieter way to show his patriotism.

Ray Saelens was ticketed last week after a next-door neighbor complained that the 18-by-12-foot American flag kept him awake at night.

Saelens, a self-employed mason, rejected suggestions he take the flag down at night. Instead, he proposed switching to a 15-by-10-foot American flag — an offer accepted by neighbors Mark and Sue Grucz.

"Discretion is the better part of valor," said Saelens.

He said the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks prompted him to pay \$4,000 to install a flagpole behind his home along Lake St. Clair's Anchor Bay, north of Detroit.

Sue Grucz said it wasn't the flag they objected to — it was the noise in the wee hours of the morning. She said she hopes the smaller flag will be a good solution.

"This is not a perfect fix. We're letting them work it out if they can," township attorney Bob Seibert said. "If they can't, either a judge will solve it or a jury will solve it."

■ GRAND FORKS, N.D. —

Tom and Terry Swenson have a new game with a historical twist.

The couple have developed a family board game based on the expedition of explorers Meriwether Lewis and William Clark, who traveled up the

Missouri River to the Pacific Northwest 200 years ago.

The Lewis & Clark Family Game, which the Swensons developed over four years with help from a Wisconsin design company, is aimed at more than one audience.

"We wanted to interest the history buff, and yet we don't want to exclude a family from sitting around and playing the game," Tom Swenson said.

Players start at Camp Dubois in Illinois, and follow a blue trail to Fort Clatsop in Oregon. They then follow a green trail back in a mad dash to be the first to reach St. Louis and win the

game.

There are equal amounts of good fortune and bad.

"Not only do you have to be the best Lewis and Clark you can be, but you also have to fend off other Lewis and Clarks," Tom Swenson said.

■ BEAUFORT, N.C. —

You can get fries with your burger at a restaurant here, but just don't ask for french fries.

Near Rowland, the owner of Cubbie's, now only sells his fried potato strips as "freedom fries" — a decision that comes

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Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Friday, Feb. 21, the 52nd day of 2003. There are 313 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Feb. 21, 1965, former Black Muslim leader Malcolm X, 39, was shot to death in New York by assassins identified as Black Muslims.

On this date:

In 1878, the first telephone directory was issued, by the District Telephone Company of New Haven, Conn.

In 1885, the Washington Monument was dedicated.

In 1916, the World War I Battle of Verdun began in France.

In 1925, The New Yorker magazine made its debut.

In 1947, Edwin H. Land publicly demonstrated his Polaroid Land camera, which could produce a black-and-white photograph in 60 seconds.

In 1972, President Nixon began his historic visit to China as he and his wife, Pat, arrived in Shanghai.

In 1973, Israeli fighter planes shot down a Libyan Airlines jet over the Sinai Desert, killing more than 100 people.

In 1986, Larry Wu-tai Chin, the first American found guilty of spying for China, killed himself in his Virginia jail cell.

In 1995, Chicago stockbroker Steve Fossett became the first person to fly solo across the Pacific Ocean in a balloon, landing in Leader, Saskatchewan, Canada.

In 2000, consumer advocate Ralph Nader announced his entry into the presidential race, bidding for the nomination of the Green Party.

Ten years ago:

Four days after suspending Bosnian relief operations because of interference from Serbs, Muslims and Croats, U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees Sadako Ogata ordered full resumption of the aid effort.

Five years ago:

U.N. Secretary General Kofi Annan began formal talks with Iraqi officials in the standoff over weapons inspections.

One year ago:

The State Department declared that Wall Street Journal reporter Daniel Pearl was dead, a month after he'd been abducted by Islamic extremists in Pakistan. President Bush failed to persuade China to halt sales of missile technology as he neared the end of his six-day Asia tour. In Salt Lake City, U.S. figure skater Sarah Hughes jumped from fourth to first to win the gold after a near-flawless performance, leaving teammate Michelle Kwan to settle for a bronze.

Today's Birthdays:

Fashion designer Hubert de Givenchy is 76. Movie director Bob Rafelson is 70. Singer Nina Simone is 70. Actor Gary Lockwood is 66. Actor-director Richard Beymer is 64. Actor Peter McEnery is 63. Recording executive David Geffen is 60. Actor Alan Rickman is 57.

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Flood

Thompson flew across the county on Wednesday to get a better look at specific areas and, more importantly, to observe various mudslides caused by the flooding.

"The primary reason for the flyover was to observe mudslides," Thompson said. "We

have what appears to be three major slides that we're aware of, and about 26 smaller ones."

Thompson said two of the three most significant slides were on Prater Creek, while another remains a threat in Betsy Layne.

"On main Prater, there's a

trailer that appears to have four to six feet of mud behind it and it looks like its pushing in on the foundation," said Thompson.

The Betsy Layne mudslide could have been the result of a closed 1930s mine, said Thompson.

On School House Hollow, Thompson said there exists a mudslide that started at the top of the mountain and could, if not dealt with, result in a host of problems, considering the slide continues to inch down the mountainside.

"That slide started at the top of the mountain and will continue sliding unless we can get some monies to do something with it," Thompson said. "That would keep that road blocked off and on for a long time."

There is no way to effectively calculate what the costs could be to approach the mudslides across the county, said Thompson. Because so many

aspects come into play, such as how much it costs to move cubic yards of runoff, estimates must be tallied from the combined efforts of the county, DES director Eddie Patton and, in many cases, Lon May, Prestonsburg emergency management director.

Yesterday, some flood victims were still busy with initial cleanup efforts.

At the Betsy Layne home of Billy Hall, mud from a slide Thompson feels may have been caused from an old mine breaking loose from the pressure of the rains had packed firmly against the back of the house. Roots from a tree washed away during the flooding protruded from a back window, while across the hillside behind the house several trees had been pushed into the rushing waters and mud, stopping only feet away from Hall's home.

Friends and neighbors of the Halls were busy yesterday

moving furniture and appliances and trying to clean mud from around the house, located on Store Hollow.

"You'll have to excuse the mess," Mrs. Hall said while weaving through stacks of furniture lining her living room. "This thing done a number on us."

Concentrated relief efforts have also started up across the county.

At the Martin Community Center, the American Red Cross and area residents have set up help centers to assist flood victims. The Red Cross had initially planned to set up at Allen, but switched to Martin yesterday.

The Salvation Army was busy distributing cleanup kits and other items from the Mud Creek Senior Citizens Center, where local residents are also helping with those efforts.

With a question mark still lingering about the chances of

federal assistance, Thompson said in the next couple of weeks a decision would be made about whether to reactivate the relief organization EKCORE (East Kentucky Churches Organized for Relief in Emergencies).

The group disbanded recently after most of the work needed to be done from the county's last flood disaster had been dealt with, according to director Jeff Stumbo, but storage problems also became an issue.

Thompson said it wasn't surprising that a good number of Floyd Countians are chipping in to help out in both relief locations.

"There are people here at the Mud Creek Senior Citizens Center helping out the Salvation Army and there are people helping each other out at the community center at Martin," Thompson said. "It's not just the workers, but people who live in the area are in there helping, too."

LPC

students, it makes sense to label the old school as transitional," Jones said.

The 2004-2006 plan includes the construction of a replacement WPA building at Betsy Layne Elementary, an expansion of the existing elementary building to include eight classrooms, major renovations to John M. Stumbo Elementary, major renovations to Betsy Layne High School, major renovations to Allen Central High School, major renovations to Betsy Layne Elementary to include air-conditioning in the gymnasium and the construction of two preschool rooms.

The plan for after 2006

includes the construction of a new high school for the consolidation of Allen Central, Betsy Layne, South Floyd and the Floyd County Technical School, construction of a new elementary school in Prestonsburg, major renovation to Allen Central Middle School, major renovation to Duff Elementary, construction of pre-school and resource rooms at South Floyd for elementary students, construction of a SBDM office room at Allen elementary and Allen Central Middle School, and construction of Youth Service Centers at Allen Central High School, South Floyd High School and Betsy Layne.

Complaint contends bridge work broke line

by JARRID DEATON
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — While the new Town Branch Bridge is under construction, a lawsuit has been filed against the Kentucky Department of Highways for demolishing the bridge in the first place.

Jack C. Hyden, attorney in fact for Doris Clark Hyden, has filed a lawsuit against the state Department of Highways, claiming that the demolition of Town Branch Bridge destroyed a gas line in which the plaintiff owns an interest.

According to the suit, an instrument of conveyance was entered into in 1929 by S.C. Ferguson and Ella Ferguson,

Cal Clark and Hettie Clark, and B.M. James. The agreement was allegedly for the purpose of drilling for oil and gas and the construction of gas pipelines on the property located near the mouth of Town Branch on the Big Sandy River.

According to the suit, Doris Hyden has suffered a loss of valuable property rights for which she has not been compensated. Hyden claims that her loss exceeds the \$4,000 jurisdictional limit of the court.

Hyden is asking for judgment in an amount exceeding the sum of \$4,000, reverse condemnation, costs, interest, a trial by jury, and any and all other relief that she may be entitled.

Hunters

on boat docking and auto parking. His concern also centered around a city ordinance that prohibits the discharging of firearms in city limits.

Resolution 3-2003 was proposed by Prestonsburg's city council on Jan. 27, at which time councilman Harry Adams said that the 7,578 acres was primarily ridgetop that ran from the spillway to German Bridge.

Lafferty stated that members of the opposing organizations were circulating petitions and boasted that with a combined membership of approximately 340 members, they "were going to turn out in large numbers at the next meeting," which is Feb. 24 at 6 p.m. Lafferty urged anyone interested in supporting them to call him at (606) 874-9359 or Paul Robinson at (606) 874-2701.

Commenting on the city's annexation of land at Stratton

Branch, where the Fish and Game Clubhouse is located, Lafferty said that the group didn't have a problem with that acquisition, but opposes the newest proposal.

"They're going overboard with this," said Lafferty.

The section of Jenny Wiley that contains the boat dock is already city property, said Mayor Jerry Fannin. He explained that the ridgetop property the city proposed to annex was U.S. Army Corps of Engineers property, and the federal law takes precedence over city. Therefore, an annexation would not change anything for the sports clubs.

Fannin also explained that there is no city ordinance that bans the discharge of firearms in city limits. The only similar ordinance, said Fannin, is one initiated to stop the use of pellet guns that were causing damage to property.

Upheld

claimed, among other things, that Floyd County Circuit Judge John David Caudill should not have accepted his guilty pleas. Johnson also claimed his guilty pleas were not made voluntarily or intelligently and that Caudill should have spelled out the rights he would be waiving.

In a 4-3 ruling, the Supreme Court disagreed. Writing for the majority, Chief Justice Joseph Lambert said Johnson clearly had an "unswerving trial strategy" to avoid a jury trial and jury sentencing recommendation.

"Given the excessively gruesome nature of the murder... this strategy was not unreasonable. The abhorrent details of this murder would not have invited sympathy from a jury," Lambert wrote.

Among those details, Lambert wrote, were that "the victim was stabbed at least 24 times, sliced, perforated, carved, bitten, sexually mutilated, tortured, beaten, had her hair ripped out by the roots, and disemboweled." The opinion notes that the killing was sparked after Madden "told him the [laundromat] was closed and he could not use the telephone, and this reminded him of his mother."

As for Johnson's being advised of his rights, Lambert said the law requires only that a defendant have "a full under-

standing" of a guilty plea's consequences, not a point-by-point enumeration of those consequences.

In Johnson's case, the judge asked 20 questions about Johnson's understanding of his circumstances. His responses "leave no doubt that he was aware of the rights he was waiving," Lambert wrote.

In a dissenting opinion, Justice James Keller said the case record contains no indication that Johnson knowingly and voluntarily waived his right to a jury trial and his right to avoid self-incrimination. A valid guilty plea "requires an affirmative, on-the-record waiver of these important rights," Keller wrote.

Justices William Graves, Martin Johnstone and Donald Wintersheimer joined Lambert in the majority. Justices Janet Stumbo and William Cooper joined in Keller's dissent.

In other rulings, the court:

■ Upheld the murder conviction and 40-year sentence of George Gribbons of Casey County. He shot Jerry Lee Evans, ex-husband of Gribbons' estranged wife, on Sept. 3, 2000.

■ Disbarred David K. Layton, who in 2000 admitted stealing money for several years while he was master commissioner of Garrard and Jessamine counties.

Mistake

ago, when he moved to Granger County, Tenn. Crum said that Castle continued to auction the computers, but failed to deliver the merchandise.

According to a court document, Castle was arrested in Tennessee and charged with 18 counts of felony theft and 18 counts of first-degree unlawful access to computer.

Effective July 15, 2002, first-degree unlawful access to a computer is a Class C felony and is punishable by 5-to-10 years in prison. Castle allegedly violated this law by executing a scheme to defraud and/or obtaining money by means of fraudulent

pretenses, representations or promises.

The charges against Castle have not stopped with the January arrest warrant, as Crum explained that the matter is still under investigation and the number has increased to 25 counts of each charge, as others complaining of fraud have come forward. Crum said that the amount of money elicited from U.S. and Canadian shoppers now exceeds over \$100,000.

Commenting on the misconception that some have in regards to the internet being untraceable, Crum said, "It is one of the easiest ways to trace."

Defendant disputes nude video lawsuit

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

Prestonsburg attorney Jimmy Webb, the lawyer handling a lawsuit for Ike "Sly" England and Amanda England, also known as Amanda Pinion, has been granted an order from Floyd Circuit Judge Danny P. Caudill taking him off the case, according to recently filed court documents.

England and Pinion, who were at the center of a "sex slave" controversy last year, filed a lawsuit in late January against Charles Hopkins, an Indiana-based producer, claiming interest in the production of "Miss WWW America: Party Girls" videos.

England and Pinion made headlines last year after filing a signed "sex slave" contract in the Pike County clerk's office which named Pinion as England's "slave" and he as her "master."

Webb entered a motion to withdraw as England and Pinion's attorney on Feb. 3, and was granted the motion four days later, two days after Hopkins offered a written response which was included in the lawsuit.

In his written response, Hopkins, a resident of Frankfort, Ind., alleges that an agreement for England's employment as an executive producer of the video went sour after England failed to pay investment fees for the project.

Hopkins claims that he ultimately wanted "out of the business relationship" after several weeks of "intimidation" and "threats" from England coupled with England's continued lack of payment and offered England the project.

"I offered Ike England the project," Hopkins wrote in his statement. "I said that all I wanted him to do was sign an Acquisition Agreement that I created stating the project was

his and everything was 'even' with neither party owing anything to the other."

According to Hopkins, England allegedly refused to sign the agreement, without Hopkins' signature in place first and then "forged" the agreement by signing both their names and then forwarded the agreement to parties who had interest in the project.

Hopkins said he immediately terminated England as executive producer after the incident and demanded all materials be returned to him. He also says in his complaint that he has now "stripped" Pinion of her title as Miss WWW America 2002 after alleged threats.

"Amanda threatened me (according to Ike) with different charges so I officially stripped her of her title," wrote Hopkins. "My opinion is that Amanda will do anything Ike tells her to do having a 'slave' type relationship with him as told to me by her and him."

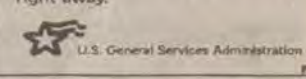
Hopkins, who claims that England threatened him at times as an "alter ego" named "Big Louie", says he seeks from the court the "immediate return of all materials to the Miss WWW America: Party Girls video project" and also asks the court to consider criminal charges of forgery, fraud, perjury, intimidation and defamation of character against both England and Pinion.

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—Socrates

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Guest View Editorial roundup

The Philadelphia Inquirer, on the 300th episode of "The Simpsons": Watching Fox honor the 300th episode of "The Simpsons" Sunday night was like watching the American Film Institute honor Jack Nicholson in 1994 for lifetime achievement.

Both celebrations were heartfelt ... but both also were heavy with the implication that careers were entering a twilight. ...

In 1994, Nicholson ... went on to win two more Golden Globes for best actor.

Here's hoping America's favorite family finds an equally delicious way to show the world it has at least a few more kicks left in its gelatinous yellow body. (Mmmm ... Jell-O.) ...

Three hundred and two episodes after its debut, the series is showing signs of wear. Some find the show's plots boring. Others say the episodes have become too dependent on guest stars. ...

These carps aside, let's just admit it: no other show that has run as long as "The Simpsons" has produced work of such consistent quality. It has set the bar very high; maybe that's why its viewers expect so much. The Simpsons has shown that two-dimensional cartoon characters can deliver performances that are simultaneously smart, sensitive and sidesplitting. ... The genius of "The Simpsons" didn't disappear once Bart Simpson stopped saying, "Eat my shorts." It just took on a new form. Honor "The Simpsons" for what it has done - and stay tuned for more surprises, in whatever shape they may come.

Daily News, Los Angeles, on protests and the lack of a political case for war:

Whether you agree with them or not, there's no denying that the millions of protesters the world over who voiced opposition to a possible war with Iraq last weekend made a statement.

Putting together the largest anti-war demonstrations since the Vietnam War, the protesters made it clear that President George W. Bush has much work to do to win over public support both at home and abroad.

No one seriously denies Bush's legal case, that Saddam Hussein is brazenly flouting United Nations' resolutions and that he should not be allowed to do so forever.

But the voices of concern show that a stronger political case is needed to unite the nation and the world.

To be sure, there are some radicals among the protesters who will never accept a war, no matter how justified, who actually see Iraq as less dangerous than the U.S. But many others are moderate, reasonable people who want to pursue every peaceful option first, so as to avoid war's inevitable death and destruction.

The burden on Bush in the weeks ahead is to convince the world that those other options have been exhausted, and that Iraq under Hussein poses a deadly threat to us all.

Meanwhile, democratic debate and discussion will continue. That is both healthy and good, no matter what the ultimate outcome.

The Southeast Missourian, Cape Girardeau, on school prayer: Usually, when you read the words "government intervention,"

"schools" and "prayer" in the same sentence, you can bet that prayer in schools is about to take another hit.

Sometimes, however, the government gets it right.

The Education Department recently said that schools that don't allow students to pray outside the classroom or prohibit teachers from holding religious meetings among themselves could lose federal funding.

Good. Too often, people who oppose prayer in school forget that many people actually want to pray. While their children should never be forced to pray, the schools should show neither favoritism toward nor hostility against religious expression.

Freedom of religion does indeed include freedom from religion. But those students and teachers who wish to pray outside the classroom have a constitutional right to do so. With a threatened pinch of the purse, the government has taken a good step toward allowing them to do that.

MARSHALL
GAINES
The Clarion-Jedger
COPY NEWS SERVICE



In the moment The power of a story

The influence of a story can be depicted in our encounters with terrorism in recent years and shows the impact of a piece of literature on a culture.

Osama bin Laden and al Qaeda demonstrate violence and terror tactics toward the United States because, basically, they feel that we have wronged them by delivering Jerusalem to the descendants of Isaac. Since the religion of Islam originates from the belief that Ishmael was the rightful heir to Jerusalem, they resent the presence of anyone else and have vowed to seek vengeance on those who deny them access to what they perceive as theirs.

The Old Testament story of Abraham

"begot" Ishmael with Hagar and then "begot" Isaac with Sarah was written well over 2,000 years ago, yet it tells the story behind a belief that affects millions today. Most people know that the story tells us that Isaac inherited his father's legacy because he was born to Sarah, Abraham's wife, while Ishmael, though first, was born to Sarah's servant Hagar. Hagar and Ishmael were sent away to the desert by Abraham at Sarah's request, because ultimately, she didn't want to lose

her status.

Islamic defenders believe that they could have possibly taken control of their inheritance if not for the interference of the United States and see this nation as a threat to their cause. Therefore, in their mind, it is logical to detour our influence.



LORETTA BLACKBURN

How do you compete with a belief system that has been cultivated for thousands of years? Logically, we cannot because the system is not logical in our mind. However, it is real in the mind of the Muslim.

A cultural anthropologist once said, "What you believe is real, is real in its consequences."

The consequences of this belief are very real and have been devastating to a great number of people, most of whom believe in a different story.

Letter

'Sicko PR game'

Massey energy has the audacity to suggest that their company keeps West Virginians at home on WSAZ in Huntington W.Va. West Virginia and Eastern Kentucky since 1950 have experienced the most phenomenal out-migrations than any other rural region in America. Families all over the coalfields have become unwelcome economic refugees in North Carolina, Ohio, and other states on a scale that is unprecedented in American history.

Further, the same advertisement is suggesting Massey keeps schools open. With community-destroying school consolidations occurring all over the region, particularly in rural regions, and more particularly in coal country, has Massey no end to its lack of insight into the region; or, perhaps, it is another layer of the sicko PR game that has always been played.

Other coal producing regions both in America, and on a global scale have diversified economies to some degree that allows these regions to participate in their national dialogues. Central Appalachia has become for young and working people, a

region of poverty, social problems, and the hopelessness unfathomed by Johnson's war on poverty.

Albert Justice
Charleston, W.Va.

Laws worthless without enforcement, justice

I read with dismay the newest installment of the Lexington Herald-Leader's "pain pill capital" series of reports. This one dealt with law enforcement and courts dealing with dope pushers.

First of all, there is nothing innocent about selling OxyContin, Lortab and other pain and nerve medications. All can cause serious consequences in the wrong hands, including addiction and death. Yet in many cases, especially in Eastern Kentucky, pill pushing is looked at as less of a threat than marijuana. Feel free to correct me, but how many young people have died in the last year as a result of smoking pot versus the number killed by pills and meth? It's like zero as opposed to over a hundred deaths caused by pills.

I work for the federal gov-

ernment and my wife works for the state. I recall having to swear an oath to uphold the laws and Constitution of this state and nation when I came on board. I am sure it is the same for our law enforcement officials, our prosecutors and our judges.

Nowhere in my oath of allegiance does it say I can do my job when I feel like it, ignore the law of the land completely, or not do my job if it might make someone upset with me. Yet these are some of the excuses given as to why pill pushers are not being tried, convicted and sent to prison.

If a law enforcement official, a prosecutor or a judge is more worried about voters getting upset than in doing their job as expected, then you are in the wrong profession! Crime has skyrocketed in the past couple of years due to pill addicts needing money to feed their habits while the folks who sold them the pills for the most part get a slap on the hand.

Most of the pill heads and the pill pushers are nonworking white trash who are leeching off the system to begin with. Would it be any more expensive to imprison them, treat them and rehabilitate them than to leave them on the street to do harm? I don't think so.

If a person is not contributing to their family, com-

munity or society and they are committing crimes, then should not they be removed from society? We will not get a handle on the drug problem in Eastern Kentucky until we get serious about enforcing the law. An official who is more concerned about being re-elected than in doing his or her job is in the wrong profession, as I said before. You need to work as a teacher, counselor or in the food stamp office, where you can help people if law enforcement is too distasteful for you. There you could do your job without worrying about being re-elected!

I was in law enforcement in south Florida in the early 1980s, when crack and powder cocaine were all over the streets. I saw the lives it ruined. By the way, there was a pill that was causing a lot of problems back then called Qualudes. What did we do? When people started overdosing and also breaking into pharmacies to steal it, it was outlawed. Why can't the same thing be done with OxyContin? Less than 10 percent of the users of Oxy should be getting them. After all, it was designed for cancer patients who were very ill, not the average bubby or sissy.

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At the Movies: 'Old School'

by CHRISTY LEMIRE
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"Old School" is the first film to feature Snoop Dogg and James Carville - not in the same scene, unfortunately, but hey, there's always room for a sequel!

But it's even more remarkable for what it doesn't feature: mean-spirited gross-out humor.

Sure, things get a little raunchy, as you'd expect from a movie about three guys in their 30s who form a fraternity.

There's KY Jelly wrestling to celebrate the birthday of the oldest frat brother, who's turning 89. Frank (Will Ferrell), one of the group's founders, ends up streaking through town after guzzling a series of beer bong. And Mitch (Luke Wilson), the fraternity's "Godfather," achieves that status only after coming home early one day and finding his girlfriend (Juliette Lewis) involved in a kinky threesome.

But "Old School" is smarter than the average college comedy, with a talented, likable cast. It's

quick and light on its feet, and it doesn't beat the same stupid jokes into the ground. It's almost kinda ... sweet.

Longtime buddies Mitch, Frank and Beanie (a fast-talking,

newlywed but his marriage is already on the rocks. And Beanie is married with two kids (Leah Remini from television's "The King of Queens" plays his wife) and a successful chain of stereo

and freedom. After only their first raging kegger - where Snoop Dogg takes the stage and gets his rap on for hundreds of hammered students - uptight Dean Pritchard (Jeremy Piven) tries to kick them out of the house and use the place for college purposes.

Beanie finds a loophole and comes up with an idea to form a fraternity, Lambda Epsilon Omega, in order to stay on campus - and half the pledges are just random guys from the neighborhood who have nothing to do with the college, but are willing to drop and do 20 push-ups on command.

Sound a little like "Animal House"? "Old School" has a similar party vibe, and Ivan Reitman, who co-produced that 1978 classic, is one of the executive producers here. Pritchard, a younger version of "Animal House's" Dean Wormer, puts the members of Lambda Epsilon Omega through a series of impossible physical and academic tests in hopes of getting rid of them.

But the "Animal House" brothers were at least cool. "Old School" is more kindred in spirit to "Revenge of the Nerds" from 1984, with its motley assortment of castoffs and misfits. They're young and old, fat and skinny, black and white, but they stick by each other no matter what. It's goofy and funny, yet practically heartwarming.

Director Todd Phillips, who co-wrote the script with Court Crandall and Scot Armstrong, is far more successful than he was with 2000's "Road Trip" in striking a madcap tone that never climbs too far over the top. And he conveys all too clearly the phenomenon that after the party's over, all that's left is the head-pounding, cotton-mouthed reality that in your 30s, your body simply cannot take such abuse anymore.

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scene-stealing Vince Vaughn) find themselves at a crossroads about a decade after graduating from college. Mitch has just broken up with his girlfriend and is unhappy with his job. Frank is a

equipment stores, but he's bored.

When Mitch moves into a house on their old college campus, Frank and Beanie immediately take over in a desperate attempt to cling to their youth

Superhit 'My Big Fat Greek Wedding' spins off to TV comedy on CBS

by BOB THOMAS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES — They pour out of Nia Vardalos' compact dressing room like a crowd leaving an ocean liner stateroom in a Marx Brothers comedy. They are her big fat Greek family.

Truthfully, none of the actors is fat, few are Greek and none is related to Vardalos. They form the cast of the new CBS sitcom "My Big Fat Greek Life," premiering 9:30 p.m. Monday, before settling into its regular time slot at 8 p.m. Sunday, March 2.

The actors had reported to Vardalos' dressing room at CBS Studio Center at 9 o'clock Monday morning for what she planned as a weekly ritual to cement the familial feeling.

"We're like a family," observes Vardalos after the cast had filed out. "We've been together for 2 1/2 years. We used to have lunches together, and then suddenly I disappeared to Europe and Australia for seven months to promote the film, writing the series by e-mail.

"I decided every week we would have a cast meeting

where I could tell them about their story lines and find out their concerns. We just taped our first episode, and I said, 'What do we change?' They said, 'Let's have music between the scenes.' 'Let's feed our (studio) audience.' Just stuff like that."

The Monday meeting adds another responsibility for Vardalos, who serves as co-executive producer of "My Big Fat Greek Life" and sits in on script conferences with the seven staff writers.

Vardalos remembers watching the pilot of "The Drew Carey Show," on which her husband, Ian Gomez, appears. She was impressed by how nicely Carey treated the actors and the audience and decided that if she ever had a series, she would do the same.

By now "My Big Fat Greek Wedding" has become legendary as the little feature that could. As every movie maven now knows, Vardalos started with a one-woman show and converted it into a screenplay that attracted the sponsorship of Tom Hanks and his wife, Greek-American actress Rita Wilson; it was filmed for \$5 million, then grossed a stunning \$240 mil-

lion-plus (and still counting).

The lighthearted film focused on Toula's (Vardalos) courtship and her family's response to her suitor, a non-Greek teacher. The half-hour sitcom picks up after the couple's wedding, as they return from their honeymoon, and will expand the film's focus.

"You can't just carbon-copy something. We have to be creatively interested in what we're doing," Vardalos says.

There are a few obvious changes: Vardalos' character has a new (but still familiar) name, Nia, and a new husband. Steven Eckholdt has replaced the film's John Corbett, who was committed to another TV series, the upcoming "Lucky" on FX.

Other major cast members are back for the series, including Lainie Kazan, Michael Constantine, Louis Mandylor, Andrea Martin and Gia Carides.

Kazan, who plays Vardalos' mother, comes from a large, eccentric Brooklyn family — "My father was a bookmaker, my mother was like a Jewish Blanche DuBois, very neurotic, artistic and fragile." Although the name may sound Greek, it was originally Kazansky and she is Russian, Spanish and Jewish.

Kazan, a singer as well as an actress, was on the phone arranging appearances on weekends; the demand for singing dates has risen since "Wedding."

"I figured it was just another little picture that cost very little and would be in a few art houses," she says. "I met this delightful young woman, Nia Vardalos, who was funny and clever and delicious, just a breath of fresh air.

"Tom Hanks said to me after the first reading of the script, 'If we ever make this movie, we'll call you.' I thought, 'Yeah, sure.' I got a call from my agent a year and a half later that they were making this picture.

"I went up to Canada (the film was shot in Toronto) and had a wonderful time, never, ever thinking it would be this kind of hit. I was in shock, very happily so."

Michael Constantine, who plays Nia's father, feels Vardalos' Monday meetings are "a wonderful thing."

Like others involved in

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 Leslie Belman, 40, to Jimmy D. Fowler, 37, both of Michigan.
 Cheri Ann Taylor, 27, to John William Halbert, 28, both of Printer.
 Valerie Gail Newsome, 30, of Teaberry, to Michael Dean Pinson, 43, of Pikeville.

Civil Suits Filed

Tammy Goble vs. Family Dollar Stores; compensation for injuries.
 Michael B. Oliver vs. Jerri Oliver; divorce.
 Melinda Watson vs. Clyde Wireman; compensation for injuries in automobile accident.
 Greenpoint Credit vs. James Hall; debt collection.
 Donald Bryan Bowling vs. Misty Dawn Bowling; divorce.
 Discover Bank vs. Cecilia D. Spriggs; debt collection.
 Tammy Sparks vs. Travis Sparks; divorce.
 Teresa Gail Newsome vs. Phillip Joshua Newsome; divorce.
 Jonni Ann Blair vs. James A. Blair; divorce.
 Carolyn Wallace vs. Paul Richard Wallace; divorce.
 Rhonda Caudill vs. Estill J. Newsome; compensation for injuries in automobile accident.
 Ronald Keith Stumbo and Karen Stumbo vs. McCoy Elkhorn Coal; property damage.
 Janie Yvonne Salisbury vs. Curtis Ray Salisbury; divorce.
 Dusty Jo James vs. Brett Davis James; divorce.
 Robert Williams vs. Irene Williams; divorce.
 William J. Crider vs. Theresa Lafferty; compensation for injuries in automobile accident.

Small Claims

Astor Ray Crider vs. Deborah Perkins; debt collection.

Charges Filed

Rowland Adkins Jr., age unlisted, Stanville, theft by unlawful taking.
 Ike Jason England, age unlisted, Harold, theft by failure to make required distribution.
 David Hunt, 47, Endicott, alcohol intoxication.
 Mattie M. Howell, 46, Tram, alcohol intoxication.
 Raymond E. Goble, 26, Dwale, fourth-degree assault.
 Jeff Goble, 49, Dwale, fourth-degree assault.

John M. Stanley, 47, Harold, public intoxication.
 Ester Adkins, 47, Prestonsburg, theft by deception.
 Catherine Neeley, 30, Prestonsburg, theft by deception.
 Jessica Thornsbury, age unlisted, Prestonsburg, two counts of harassing communications.
 Amber N. Stephenson, 21, Evansville, Ind., endangering the welfare of minor.
 Adam Kidd, 27, Harold, county ordinance.
 Luke Kidd, 50, Betsy Layne, county ordinance.
 Darvene Hamilton, 51, Teaberry, possession gambling device, permitting gambling.
 Mark Randall Smith, 45, Wheelwright, alcohol intoxication.

Mickey Johnson, 44, Martin, fourth-degree assault.
 James W. Franklin, 8, Tampa, Fla., disorderly conduct, terrorist threatening.
 Timothy P. Walker, 31, Dwale, fourth-degree assault.
 Sylvester Howell, 44, Prestonsburg, carrying a concealed deadly weapon, alcohol intoxication.
 Cris Stone, 22, Allen, fourth-degree assault.
 Millis D. Hall Jr., 30, Prestonsburg, third-degree criminal trespassing.
 Johnny Milton Osborne Jr., 34, Eastern, public intoxication.
 Lashonda Durant Heath, 24, Jeffersonville, Ind., second-degree criminal forged instrument, theft of identity without consent, theft by unlawful taking.
 Brenda G. Burke, 44,

Bevinsville, driving under the influence, driving on suspended license, failure to produce insurance card, no registration receipt.
 Steven r. Francis, 35, Salyersville, theft by deception.
 Debra Hampton, age unlisted, Pikeville, theft by deception.
 Jennifer Coahran, 30, Prestonsburg, theft by deception.
 Linda Lee Spears, 44, Prestonsburg, harassment/no physical contact, harassing communications.
 Ronnie Lee Carroll, 29, Tram, possession controlled substance, possession marijuana, use/possession drug paraphernalia.
 Bill David Barnett, 24, Eastern, third-degree criminal mischief, theft by unlawful taking, public intoxication, third-

degree escape, disorderly conduct.

Property Transfers

Sean Keith Robinson to Edward F. Robinson and Doris A. Robinson, property located, Ike Fitzpatrick Subdivision.
 Terry G. Kinzer and Elizabeth Lee Kinzer to Suzanne K. Hyden and James Douglas Hyden II, property location not listed.
 Elizabeth Lee Kinzer to Suzanne K. Hyden and James Douglas Hyden II, property location not listed.
 Elizabeth Lee Kinzer to Suzanne K. Hyden and James Douglas Hyden II, property location not listed.
 Fayetta Pitts Samons and Alex Samons Jr., to Keith R. Pitts, property located on Left Fork of Arkansas Creek.
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 Teddy Mitchell and Willa Dean Mitchell, Helen J. King and Ivan King, Lisa M. Stone and Greg Stone, Jeanie Mitchell Mullins and John Mullins, Sherree M. Wright and John Wright, Jackie Mitchell Meade and Charles Meade to Michael Moore, property located on Left Fork of Beaver Creek.
 Toni Collins to Bucky Collins, property location not listed.
 Lowell Keith Akers and Janet Kaye Akers to Kevin Dwayne Auton and Elizabeth Ann Auton, property location not listed.
 Robin Fannin to Janice L. Wright, property located on Left Beaver Creek.
 Ralph Adkins and Christine Adkins to Ike Spears and Lisa Spears, property location not listed.

Karen Gail Conn and Randy Conn to Kevin Garrett, property located at Harold.
 Masette Cornett to Movina Carol Blackburn, property location not listed.
 Idola Jane Wright to Charles Gary McCoy, property location not listed.
 Nolan Sakow and Laura Sakow to Laura Sakow, property located on Big Branch of Abbott Creek.
 Golda Mae DeRossett to Johnny Stumbo and Vicky Stumbo, property located, Davidson Memorial Gardens.
 Bertee Adkins and Retta Faye Adkins, Emit Adkins and Lorenia Adkins, Charles Adkins and Magdalene Adkins, Ray Adkins and Joyce Adkins and Helen George to Jimmy Harvey, property located at Harold.
 Odell Wallen to Odell Wallen and Diannia Sloan, property location not listed.
 Tim Goble, president, Dewey Lake Fish and Game Club Inc., Tom Poe, Secretary, Dewey Lake Fish and Game Club Inc., on behalf of the Dewey Lake Fish and Game Club Inc., to Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, Department of Highways, property located, Stratton Branch Road.
 Ronnie Mosley and Yvonne Dingus Mosley to Ronnie Lee Mosley II and Traci Gibson Mosley, property located, Beaver Creek.
 Ricky Dorton and Rose Dorton, Ernest Clyde Dorton and Linda Dorton, Jimmy Dorton and Ruby Rose Dorton, Jerry Dorton and Juanita Dorton, Janice Little and Burford Little, Helen Little, Lois Hill and George Hill, Judy Johnson and Ernie Johnson, Susan Dorton and Sandra Mullins to Sandra Mullins, property located, Left Beaver Creek.
 Gray's Real Estate L.L.C. to Rebecca Elizabeth Justice, property located on Big Branch of Abbott.

Obituaries

Josephine Dickerson Meadows

Josephine Dickerson Meadows, 91, of Burke Avenue, Prestonsburg, died Wednesday, February 19, 2003, at the Highlands Regional Medical Center.



Born July 5, 1911, in Prestonsburg, she was the daughter of the late Zebrum Slusher and Bertha Alley Dickerson. She was a former salesperson at Francis Shoe Store, and was a member of the Community United Methodist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Charles Brack Meadows, on September 21, 1971.

Survivors include two daughters, Patricia Halfhill, and Mary Jo Meade, both of Prestonsburg; one son, Charles Dudley Meadows of Monticello; one brother, Z.S. Dickerson Jr., of Harrisonburg, Virginia; four grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted Saturday, February 22, at 1 p.m., at the Community United Methodist Church, with Rev. Steve Pescosolido officiating.

Interment will be in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, at Ivel, under direction of Carter Funeral Home.

Visitation is Friday, 4 p.m., until 9 p.m., at the funeral home.

Pallbearers: Joe Edd Hicks Jr., David Meade, Jeff Setser, Jeremiah Parsons, Hansel Cooley, and Tim Skeen.

Honorary pallbearers: E.B. May, Steve Shelton, Roger Spradlin, Gary Vickers, Ray Snider, and John Salisbury.

(Paid obituary)

James Wesley Blackburn

James Wesley Blackburn, 68, of Prestonsburg, passed away Friday, February 14, 2003, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital, following an extended illness.

He was born September 24, 1934, at Endicott, a son of the late Daniel Webster Blackburn and Minnie (Curtis) Blackburn. He was retired from Vance Volkswagen, where he worked as a mechanic.

He is survived by his wife, Frankie (Webb) Blackburn.

Survivors, in addition to his wife, include one son, Rickie Blackburn of Prestonsburg; and one daughter, Crystal Butler of Prestonsburg; one brother, Allen Blackburn of Ohio; two sisters, Anna Belle Goble and Cora Grunden, both of Ohio; four grandchildren, Leslie (Chuck) Rowe, Jason (Shera) Blackburn, Zack Butler, and Kaitlyn Butler; and one great-grandchild, Nate Blackburn.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, February 17, at noon, at Burke Funeral Home, Prestonsburg, with Rev. David Garrett officiating.

Burial was in the Gethsemane Gardens, Auxier Road, Prestonsburg, under direction of Burke Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

(Paid obituary)

James (Red) Adkins

James (Red) Adkins, 82, of Prestonsburg, died Thursday, February 20, 2003, at the Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg.

Born December 23, 1920, at Wayland, he was the son of the late Frank and Oma Reese Adkins. He was a disabled coal operator; a member of Masonic Lodge No. 889 of Wheelwright; a 32nd degree Scottish Rite Mason; an Oleika Shriner; and a member of the Southern Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Gertrude Ratliff Adkins.

Other Survivors include two sons, James Adkins Jr., of California; and Michael Adkins of Dwale; two daughters, Clevetta Boyd of Langley; and Elisha Stewart Calhoun of Prestonsburg; a brother, Clyde Adkins of Georgia; two sisters, Betty Adkins of Missouri, and Ruth Adkins of New York; six grandchildren, and 10 great-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two sisters, Imal Morrison and Mary Bailey.

Funeral services will be conducted Saturday, February 22, at noon, at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home in Martin, with John Dixon officiating.

Burial will be in the Ratliff Cemetery at Regina, under direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation is Friday, at 7 p.m., at the funeral home.

(Paid obituary)

Maxine Bays Allen

Maxine Bays Allen, 79, of Garrett, died Wednesday, February 19, 2003, at the Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg.

Born on July 12, 1923, in Garrett, she was the daughter of the late Hugh and Grace Wicker Bays. She was a homemaker and a member of the First Baptist Church at Garrett.

She was the wife of Hollie Allen for 57 years.

Other survivors include a daughter, Sharon Allen Whitfield, of Northport, Alabama.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a son-in-law, Thom J. Whitfield; and two brothers, Bill Bays and Joe Wheeler Bays; and one sister, Jean Lyons.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, February 21, at 11 a.m., at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Larry Adams officiating.

Burial will be in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, at Ivel.

Visitation is at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, please send contributions to the First Baptist Church at Garrett.

Active pallbearers: Jimmy Jacobs, David Greene, Jackie Owens, Anthony Moore, Taubie Branham, Chris Garrett, and Jonathan Greene.

(Paid obituary)

Harold D. Bates

Harold D. Bates, 64, of Chicago, Illinois, formerly of Floyd County, died Friday, February 14, 2003, at the Illinois Masonic Hospital.

Born January 13, 1939, in Knott County, he was the son of the late Carl and Viola Sawyers Bates. He was a machinist.

He is survived by his wife, Mildred L. Hess Bates.

Other survivors include a son, Harold D. Bates Jr. (wife, Sissy) of Lexington; two daughters, Cheryl L. Bates Halas (husband, Jerry) of Cary, Illinois, and Lisa A. (Angel) Bates of Chicago, Illinois; two brothers, J.C. Bates and Charles Wayne (Bo) Bates, both of Bevinsville; two sisters, Betty Meade of Hi Hat, and Jean Horn of Weeksbury; five grandchildren, Michelle Proctor, Brandon Bates, Kyle Bates, Angela Vazquez, and Angelika Vazquez; and one great-grandchild, Annette Addimando.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, Kenneth (Bunny) Bates.

Funeral services will be conducted Saturday, February 22, at 11 a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home in Martin, with Delmas Johnson, and others, officiating.

Burial will be in the Bates Cemetery at Dry Creek, in Topmost.

Visitation is at the funeral home.

(Paid obituary)

Greek

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"Wedding." Constantine — a veteran of films and television (an Emmy winner for "Room 222," which ran from 1969 to '74) — never thought it would turn into a phenomenon: "Because we loved working together, we hoped it would make a little bit of a profit so some day we could make a sequel. Whoever dreamed it was going to go crazy?"

Constantine, whose parents were Greek immigrants, doesn't fear any negative reaction from Greek-Americans. He figures: "As long as we stay pretty honest about the Greek life, we should be OK."

For Vardalos, the joys of the

"Wedding" achievement haven't dimmed. Her original screenplay was nominated for an Academy Award just last week.

"I'm living in a constant state of being thrilled. Every day I cannot believe what has happened to me. I may be naive in this, but I think it's going to create opportunities for other people. Studios might be more willing to read a script from a complete unknown. Agents might take a chance on an actress who doesn't necessarily fit into the mold. I just have a feeling that the rules have changed."

"It makes me happy to think that what happened to me could happen to other people too."

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 The family of Alvin Caudill would like to thank so many people for their love to us in our time of loss. Special thanks to Dr. Daniels, and the staff at McDowell Hospital, for all their devoted caring and help. To Joppa Church of Melvin, and to the Regular Baptist ministers for their special services to our dad. Thanks to all family, neighbors and friends, for the beautiful flowers and kindness shown by all. Thanks to all for your prayers. Thanks to Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home for their kindness, caring and professional care.

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Editor's note: Due to rising costs and space limitations we will no longer be accepting items for our Community Calendar that contain a revenue-producing nature. If your organization is holding a fundraising event, please contact our classified or advertising departments to announce your event. The Floyd County Times will continue its practice of posting community meeting dates and public service announcements. Items must be either: Delivered to our office; faxed to 606-886-3603, or emailed: features@floydcounty-times.com. Information will not be taken over the telephone. All items will be placed on a first-come, first-serve basis as space permits.

AARP TAX-AIDE VOLUNTEERS AT FLOYD COUNTY LIBRARY

Volunteers from Jenny Wiley Chapter No. 3528, AARP, are currently available to assist in preparing income tax forms for elderly and low-

income taxpayers on Tuesday of each week, at the Floyd County Library. Hours are from 9-3:30. Bring last year's tax return and information for 2002. The service is free.

BOWL FOR KIDS' SAKE

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Big Sandy will hold a "Bowl for Kids' Sake" fundraising event on the following dates at the following locations: Prestonsburg, Pin Zone, Feb. 22; Paintsville, Sparetime Bowling Lanes, March 1; Pikeville, Mark III Classic Lanes, March 8; and in Knott County, Alice Lloyd College campus, March 15. Event will be held at all locations from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Event is free and open to the public.

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New Classes to Begin:
Creative Sewing Class - Quilting Class - Tuesday, March 4; 6-8 p.m.; Wallhanging/pillow - Star Pattern - 1/2 Triangle; 3 weeks. Serger Class - Wednesday, March 12; 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; 1-Day Only.
For more information and class fees and to register for classes, please call 886-0709 before coming to class.

OFFERS FREE

"Body Recall" classes
Floyd County Health Department offers free "Body Recall" classes (exercise for senior citizens or anyone interested in becoming more active) each week at the following locations: On Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, 9:30

a.m., at the Presbyterian Church, located between Jerry's and Dairy Cheer. On Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday, 11 a.m., Allen Baptist Church, Allen. Call Jane Bond, health educator, at 886-2788 for more information.

"NEWBEE" QUILTERS CLUB

The Newbee Quilters Club is an extension of the Floyd County Extension Quilt Guild and will meet each fourth (4th) Thursday of each month at 6 p.m., at the Floyd County Extension Office, S. Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, (across from Brad Hughes, Toyota). All those interested in learning basic quilting skills are invited to join the fun, make new friends, be creative and learn new things. For more information, contact Theresa Scott at 886-2668 or email to: tmscott@uky.edu.

MCCC VOLUNTEER TRAINING

Mt. Comp Care will hold their annual Volunteer Medical Advocate training beginning in March. Training will be held each Saturday in March from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Training will consist of an extensive 40-hour program geared toward learning to effectively respond to victims of sexual assault or domestic violence. Application packets may be mailed to you at your request. For more information, contact the Volunteer Coordinator at 886-4323.

SOCIAL SECURITY ASSISTANCE

A Social Security represen-

tative will be at the Mud Creek Clinic, Grethel, each Tuesday during the months of February and March to assist in filing claims for Social Security Retirement, Disability, Survivor's Benefits, SSI, Black Lung, and in obtaining a Social Security Number. The representative may also assist in filing appeals and answering general questions.

HRMC CALENDAR.

March 11 - Mended Hearts, meeting place A & B, 6-7 p.m.
March 18 - Highlands S.H.A.R.E., Martin Room, 7-9 p.m.
March 20 - Laryngectomy Support Group, 5-7 p.m.
March 21 - Floyd County AARP, Meeting Place B, 6-7 p.m.
March 27 - Living Well with Diabetes, Floyd Room, 5-6 p.m.

PIARIST SCHOOL ENTRANCE EXAM DATE

The Piarist School will give an entrance exam for students entering ninth or tenth grades this coming fall semester on Saturday, March 8, at 9 a.m. The Piarist School is a private, tuition-free, college preparatory high school located on Route 80 in Martin. To register or for

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is doing a better job than many of our region's counties, as far as enforcement goes, which makes me feel a little better about the area where I live. It floors me to see the statistics on some of the others, though. You have drugs that are killing people — just like crack, heroin and the like. The sentences imposed should be similar, as well.

Lastly, there should be some sort of state oversight board so that when a prosecutor, sheriff or judge won't do his job, their employment could be terminated, just like mine would if I did not do my job!

Charles Scoville
Ivel

Odds

As Americans watch French officials back away from support for possible war in Iraq,

"Because of Cubbie's support for our troops, we no longer serve french fries. We now serve freedom fries," says a sign in the restaurant's window.

Rowland said his intent is not to slight the French people, but to take a patriotic stance to show his support for the United States and the actions of President Bush.

"It's our way of showing our patriotic pride," he said, noting that his business has a lot of local military troops as customers.

Rowland said the switch from french fries to freedom fries came to mind after a conversation about World War I when anti-German sentiment prompted Americans to rename German foods like sauerkraut and frankfurter to liberty cabbage and hot dog.

ORONO, Maine — Bitter temperatures foiled the University of Maine's attempt to win back a kissing crown.

The university set a record on Valentine's Day in 1996 with 1,420 couples smooching at once. The mark was broken in 2000 when 1,588 couples locked lips in Sarnia, Ontario.

On Friday, only 943 University of Maine couples

came out to go for the title.

Organizers blamed the low turnout on cold weather and the university's loss in a hockey game earlier in the evening that prompted many students to leave the game before the kissing event got under way.

"Even by northern New England standards, it's awfully cold and the temptation to stay inside can be overwhelming," said university spokesman Joe Carr.

The temperature was well below zero when the event got under way at 10 p.m. and wind chills made it feel like 35 to 45 degrees below zero.

Josh Luce, a freshman, said even though students fell short of setting a new record, the event was still fun. He added, the smooch with his kissing partner was "definitely a 10."

HANNIBAL, Mo. — A 24-year-old man fleeing police apparently wasn't satisfied with just one stolen car.

Police said Mark D. O'Brien broke into a half-dozen cars and crashed or abandoned them before finally being taken into custody Friday. He was charged

with violating his probation from a previous auto-theft offense.

The chase began in Hannibal in northeastern Missouri and ended with O'Brien's arrest in neighboring Ralls County, when he lost control of the sixth stolen vehicle, Hannibal Police Lt. Michael Lawzano said.

Police said the car thefts started about 1 p.m. Friday when a Ford Tempo was stolen and then abandoned. A GMC pickup truck was the next target, which was abandoned on an overpass. Next, a Chevrolet Lumina was swiped near a funeral home.

Authorities said O'Brien next stole a Chevrolet Astro van and left the city of Hannibal. They said he drove it about 10 miles from Hannibal, where the vehicle became disabled.

He left it and stole a Saturn car. As he was leaving, he ran into the same van that he had abandoned. The Saturn then got stuck and he abandoned it, too, authorities said. The suspect then allegedly stole a gray Dodge flatbed truck.

Eventually the driver lost control and officers were able to take him into custody, police said.

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Actress Tyne Daly is 57. Tricia Nixon Cox is 57. Sen. Olympia J. Snowe, R-Maine, is 56. Rock musician Jerry Harrison (The Heads) is 54. Actor William Petersen is 50. Actor Kelsey Grammer is 48. Country singer Mary-Chapin Carpenter is 45. Actor Jack Coleman is 45. Actor Christopher Atkins is 42. Rock singer Ranking Roger is 42. Actor William Baldwin is 40. Rock musician Michael Ward is 36. Blues musician Corey Harris is 34. Country singer Eric Heatherly is 33. Rock musician Eric Wilson (Sublime) is 33. Rock musician Tad Kinchla (Blues Traveler) is 30. Actress Jennifer Love Hewitt is 24. Singer Charlotte Church is 17.

Thought for Today:

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ALC TO HOST TRAVELING TRUNK EXHIBIT

Alice Lloyd College will host a traveling trunk exhibit from the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. National Historic Site in Atlanta, Georgia. The exhibit will be in the ALC library from Monday through Friday, February 24-28. The exhibit

consists of speeches and sermons, photographs, videos, books, and official park brochures. Individuals and groups are encouraged to attend. For additional information, call 606-368-6112 or 606-368-6133, or email schmitt_richard@hotmail.com



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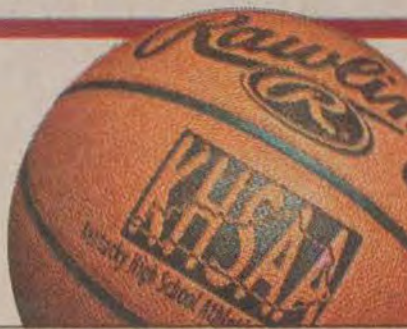
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P'burg-South Floyd tonight

Raider coach at 100 wins for career

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

HI HAT – A game scheduled for earlier in the season pitting South Floyd against Prestonsburg at South Floyd will be played

tonight. The doubleheader between the two teams from each school was canceled earlier this season with snow and winter weather serving as the culprit.

Bryan Station had to bow out of a game previously scheduled for tonight against

the South Floyd boys. Bryan Station officials contacted South Floyd and said they were over on games on their schedule.

The first game tonight will pit the South Floyd boys against the visiting Prestonsburg girls in a game which will should determine the third and fourth seeds in the upcoming 58th District Tournament. The fourth seed in the 58th

(See TONIGHT, page two)



photo by Jamie Howell

Coach Henry Webb gave words of instruction to his team during a timeout in last Friday night's win over Allen Central.

— Senior nets 20 in win over Hornets —

POWELL CO. (79)

Jones 10, Drake 12, Martin 12, Brewer 13, Goodwin 4, Hatton 28.

PRESTONSBURG (71)

Willis 3, Compton 5, Jamerson 12, Chaffin 21, Bentley 24, Stephens 6.

RECORDS – Powell Co. 19-5, Prestonsburg 7-13.

photo by Jamie Howell

RIGHT: Prestonsburg junior Nicholas Jamerson followed a shot during Wednesday night's game against Powell County. More details on the Prestonsburg-Powell County game appear inside today's edition.



WILLIS LEADS P'BURG PAST PHELPS

by JAMIE HOWELL
SPORTS WRITER

PRESTONSBURG – Tuesday night, the host Prestonsburg Blackcats entertained the Phelps Hornets in a 15th Region matchup of two teams that have struggled somewhat in the 2002-2003

season. On Tuesday, the Blackcats seemed well on their way to having a big night against a winless Phelps squad, eventually winning in the end.

Prestonsburg jumped out in the first quarter and took a quick eight-point lead in the first quarter and led 17-12 after one quarter of play. Prestonsburg senior

Joey Willis led the Blackcats with 20 points on the night and Willis also converted a three point play late in the game after Phelps had trimmed an 18-point lead down to six with only 17 seconds remaining in the game.

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H.S. BASKETBALL

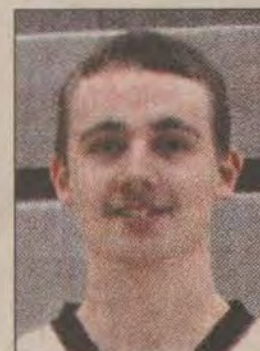
Valley prevails over South Floyd

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

ROBINSON CREEK – South Floyd traveled to Pike County and came up short against the defending 15th Region champion Tuesday night. Host Shelby Valley prevailed in a matchup which pitted the last two 15th Region title winners. Valley, outside of a slow third period, outscored South Floyd in each quarter en route to a 70-65 win. The Wildcats led 22-16 at the end of one quarter and 40-30 at halftime. South Floyd took seven points off the Valley lead in the third period before falling.

Paul Terry Fleming fueled the Valley fire with the most power, scoring a game-high 22 points. Phillip Akers and Kelsey Friend each had 12 points. Paul Tackett and Seth Kiser finished with 11 each.

Tyler Hall led South Floyd with 17 points. Michael Hall scored 15 and Justin Hall added 10. Charles Ray added nine for the Raiders.



Tyler Hall

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SCOREBOARD

SOUTH FLOYD (65) – M. Hall 15, T. Hall 17, Ray 9, Tackett 5, J. Hall 10, H. Hall 5, Meade 4.

SHELBY VALLEY (70) – Akers 12, Fleming 22, R. Tackett 2, Kiser 11, Friend 12, P. Tackett 11.

RECORDS – South Floyd 15-7, Shelby Valley 16-7

H.S. BASKETBALL

East Ridge levels Betsy Layne

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

LICK CREEK – Betsy Layne has taken steps forward this season in boys' basketball, but may have taken a couple of steps back Tuesday night in Pike County. The Bobcats traveled to East Ridge High School and dropped a 75-60 decision to the Warriors.

East Ridge jumped out ahead of the Bobcats, leading 19-10 in the first period. The Warriors outscored Betsy Layne in three of the four quarters, leading 29-24 at halftime.

Three different East Ridge players scored in double figures. Robbie Spears led the

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GRADE SCHOOL

Floyd County grade school tourney underway

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

LANCER – At press time, the Floyd County Boys' Grade School Basketball Tournament was underway at Adams Middle School.

Brackets appear inside today's edition. Both the A-Team and C-Team tournaments will be completed

next week. C-Team play began last night.

Earlier in the season, the finals of the Shag Campbell Tournament were played out. Allen edged out Adams in the A-Team finals, 52-51. Adams led Allen 30-26 at halftime, before losing the game in the second half.

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Josh Rodebaugh



▲ The Allen Eagles A-Team, 2002-2003 Shag Campbell Champions.

Bentley's Comments: Post-flood sports notes

by RICK BENTLEY
TIMES COLUMNIST

people with as thoroughly as the waters have covered our mountains.

Consider this: Until just before Tubby Smith cleared the bench, Arkansas had been held to 11 second-half points. With 3:15 remaining, Kentucky led 61-40, the result of playing nearly 17 minutes to the tune of a 25-11 count.

The same apparently could be said of last weekend's win over LSU. While I didn't catch that one, it seemed as if the Cats defense allowed the offense to cruise past a formidable team.

More could be needed on Saturday when Miss. State comes to call, but as for now, only the staunchest fans will be disappointed in a 21-3 worksheet with 15 consecutive games chalked up in the "W" column.

I'll say this though: Unlike the 1996 and 1998 teams, this Kentucky team isn't eaten up with depth. That bottom five Tubby runs out there at the end of games could easily be the worst group of scrubs in the SEC.

They are absolutely brutal. Wednesday's win was made a little sweeter by the fact that it was happening at the same time that Da Coach was falling apart against Memphis over on The Worldwide Leader in Sports.

Remember those classic Metro Conference battles between Louisville and Memphis State? Good times.

Is there a better announcing combination than Tom Hammond and Larry Conley? I really enjoy listening to these guys.

Take a second and think of all the people who make you embarrassed to be a sports fan. Does anyone climb higher on that list than Mike Tyson?

We're closing in on district tournament time in Kentucky, and looking at the KHSAA Web site, it seems the usual suspects are coming to the forefront locally on the boys' side.

Shelby Valley, Paintsville and South Floyd are at the top of a balanced 15th Region. Those three are 46-16 to this point.

Two other teams to keep an eye on are Johnson Central and Pike County Central. The Golden Eagles are 14-8 on the season and if they can make it to the semifinals, they'll be on

their home floor for the final two games.

The Hawks were a team I expected a lot from and still think can come together. Injuries have cost David Rowe, but they still have the one thing - size - that can separate them from the pack.

On the women's side, it's a little easier to find a favorite.

Johnson Central has won two straight consecutive back-to-back regional titles in a row, and seems to be an easy pick this year too. Their 20-1 worksheet is highlighted a current 15-game win streak since their only loss of the season a week before Christmas in Florida.

Looking past them, last year's runner-up and two-time All "A" champion Betsy Layne is next at 20-4, and then comes surprising Magoffin County, who didn't have a team for most of the 1990s and now is 17-5.

Still, Johnson Central is the clear favorite, and having the last two games (at least) on its home court will make it a long-shot for anybody else who hopes to dethrone the champs.

Is there a city that more consistently shoots itself in the foot sports-wise than Cincinnati?

The latest debacle focuses

around the signature sayings of longtime announcers Marty Brennaman and Joe Nuxhall. The new Great American Ballpark is already decorated with Nuxhall's, "Rounding third and heading for home." But Brennaman's signature call will not adorn the new park.

For decades, the outspoken voice of the Reds has ended wins with an emphatic, "And this one belongs to the Reds!" But that phrase won't join Nuxhall's on the new stadium because the park is owned by Hamilton County, and they believe the saying would indi-

cate that the Reds were the owners of the park.

Brennaman calls the decision "ridiculous." It's hard to argue with that.

Endquote: With pitchers and catchers reporting, this is a good time to turn to the game of baseball. I love baseball, but understand that not everyone is enamored with it. One such person is college football analyst Beano Cook, who scoffed in 1981 when the former Iranian hostages were given free passes to baseball games:

"Haven't they suffered enough?"

NAIA POLLS

Pikeville College teams slip in polls

TIMES STAFF REPORT

Losses in their only games last week has cost both the men's and women's basketball teams in this week's NAIA ratings.

The men fell four spots to No. 14 after a 58-57 loss to Cumberland College, while the loss to the Lady Patriots cost the Lady Bears one position to No. 18.

Such were the shakeups in the men's poll that only one team - No. 10 Columbia (Mo.) College - maintained its position from last week's poll. Four teams are getting first-place votes after last week's top team, Concordia, lost. Houston Baptist is the new top team, getting eight of the 12 first-place nods. McKendree (Ill.) is second with two, followed by St. Xavier (Ill.) with one vote, Concordia and Azusa Pacific, which got the other top vote and landed fifth.

Cumberland's win over Pikeville vaulted it from 13 to eighth, as the Pats stand 4-1 at the mid-point of the Mid-South Conference schedule. Georgetown is ninth, with Pikeville 14th and Lindsey Wilson falling six positions to No. 21. Lambuth University, Pikeville's opponent on Saturday, is getting votes.

Only Campbellsville, which were to visit Pikeville last night, is not getting votes among Mid-South Conference teams. The Tigers took the Bears to double-overtime on Feb. 1 in Campbellsville.

"This league is so tough that

we keep beating each other, and it's no surprise that there's so much movement from week to week," said Randy McCoy, in his fourth year with the Bears. "When you're 14th in the country and have two teams from your league ahead of you, it says a lot about the strength of competition you're playing."

In the women's poll, Oklahoma City remained atop the poll with all 12 first-place votes and a 21-0 record. Houston Baptist is second, Union (Tenn.) University is third, with Central State (Ohio) University and Southern Nazarene (Okla.) University rounding out the top five.

Campbellsville, which was also in Pikeville on Thursday for a 5:45 p.m. game, is the top MSC team at No. 9. The Lady Tigers moved up one spot from last week. Pikeville is next, followed by Cumberland and Georgetown, who are tied at No. 24.

"There are 12 basketball teams in the Mid-South Conference and nine of them are getting votes in the national polls," said Lady Bear Coach Bill Watson. "There are no breathers in this league, and we'll have our work cut out for us again this week. Campbellsville is a Top 10 team, and then we travel to Lambuth, where we haven't played well in the past."

"These are two important games for our program."

Results from yesterday's Pikeville-Campbellsville games were unavailable.

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



Zach Stanley, P'burg



Becky Thomas, Allen Central

ALC Notebook

Hoops seasons winding down; new home run king crowned

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PIPPA PASSES - Both the men's and women's basketball seasons are quickly winding down at Alice Lloyd College. Each squad competes in the Appalachian Athletic Conference (AAC) and will begin play in respective conference tournaments very soon.

Eagle Tommy McKenzie leads the AAC in free throw shooting. A member of a 15th Region championship team at Johnson Central High School in 2000, McKenzie is hitting for 84.6 percent from the charity stripe. McKenzie is also first in the conference in assists, dishing out 4.4 assists per contest. He is third in the conference in assist/turnover ratio.

Senior Kent Campbell is eighth in the conference in scor-

ing. Lady Eagle Leah Whitley is ninth on the women's side in scoring and fifth in three-point field goals. Delores Jenkins ranks second in the conference is assists. Whitley is also seventh in rebounding.

Andrea Kelley is fourth in the conference in blocked shots.

The ALC women's team recently dropped a pair of games to Union and Covenant. The Lady Eagles are coached by former Betsy Layne High boys' basketball coach Tim Rice.

Alice Lloyd's baseball season kicked off its season last weekend as the Eagles swept the Bryan College Lions in a three-game conference series, beginning the campaign on a very positive note. In the series, K.W. Sexton, an outfielder from Grayson, hit the 19th home run of his ALC career making him the school's all-time home run king. Scott Cornett is the head baseball coach at Alice Lloyd College. He is assisted by Floyd County resident Jad Deaton, a graduate of Morehead State University.

Willis

The Blackcats increased their first half lead in the second quarter by outscoring Phelps 18-10 in the period to take a 35-22 lead at the half.

Prestonsburg also got a big night from Kris Bentley who finished with 16 points for the Cats.

Prestonsburg hit on a good shooting percentage for the game as well, the Blackcats were 14/30 from the field in the first half and 15-of-30 in the second half. Prestonsburg ended the game at 4 percent from the floor on 29/60 shooting for the game. Prestonsburg shot a high percentage from beyond the arc as well as the cats went six-of-14 from three land and ended at 42 percent from the field in the game.

The third quarter would prove to be more Blackcats as P'burg would outscore Phelps 15-9 in the third quarter and the Blackcats led 50-31 after three quarters of play.

Nicholas Jamerson had another solid outing since his return to

the P'burg lineup as the junior finished with 13 on the night. Prestonsburg had built a 20-point lead midway through the fourth quarter and Coach Jackie Day Crisp decided to empty his bench. Phelps wasn't ready to submit yet and applied the full-court pressure on the Blackcats over the final three minutes.

A quick barrage of Blackcat turnovers led to a 12-0 spurt by Phelps to cut the lead down to eight with 1:00 remaining.

Prestonsburg called a quick timeout and regrouped and the three point play by Willis allowed the cats to hold on for a much needed win over a scrappy Phelps Hornets team by a final of 72-65.

Tourney

Brennan Case paced Allen with a game-high 16 points. Thomas Samons scored 13 and Josh Rodebaugh added 11.

Mike Crum and Logan Grindstaff each had 15 for

Tonight

District girls' bracket will play Piarist.

The South Floyd boys and Prestonsburg boys will do battle in the nightcap with the Raiders trying to complete a perfect regular-season district record.

Last Friday night's win over Allen Central was win No. 100 for South Floyd head coach Henry Webb. In his tenure as head at South Floyd, Webb has led the Raiders to a 15th Region

All "A" title and a 15th Region championship.

South Floyd suffered a 70-65 loss on the road at Shelby Valley Tuesday night. Prestonsburg split with opponents this week, beating Phelps Tuesday night and losing to Powell County Wednesday night.

The girls game will get underway tonight at 6 p.m. The boys is scheduled to follow at 7:30.

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Powell County pulled away from Blackcats in third quarter.

Just one day after Prestonsburg had gotten a much needed win over Phelps, the Blackcats suffered a setback at the hands of Powell County.

Prestonsburg rode the hot shooting of Kris Bentley in the first half to a 42-39 lead at the half over the Pirates, but a third quarter spurt by the Pirates would seal the cats fate on this night.

Prestonsburg also got a big game from Jesse Chaffin, who poured in a career-high 21 points for the Blackcats. Powell County went on a 19-9 run in the third quarter to pull away from the Cats for a 79-71 win.

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Adams. Wes Hall chipped in six. Justin Conn added five for Adams.

The B-Team finals also resulted in a championship for Allen.

The Allen B-Team cruised to a championship, beating John M. Stumbo 61-25.

Rodebaugh, a seventh-grader, led Allen in the 'B' game with 11 points. Adam Gearheart and Tyler Hamilton scored 10 points each. Brennan Case netted eight for the Eagles.

A. Slone led Stumbo in scoring with eight points.

The Allen cheerleading squad also won first-place in the Shag Campbell tourney's cheerleading competition.

Rodebaugh also had 28 points in a B-team win over Stumbo earlier this season.



SPORTS FAN OF THE WEEK



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HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL ROUNDUP

Boys': Pikeville 69, Magoffin Co, 45

Tuesday night's road trip to Magoffin County turned into a 69-45 win for Pikeville. The Panthers had three different players score in double figures in the win.

Blake Helton was one of two players to lead the host Hornets

with 10 points.

PIKEVILLE (69) - Bell 10, Mullins 9, Fish 3, Walls 1, Shockey 6, Shurtleff 11, Jones 16.

MAGOFFIN CO. (45) - Barker 4, Jayne 2, P. Connelley 5, Helton 10, Barnett 10, Back 2, C. Connelley 4, Allen 4, Hundley 2.

RECORDS - Pikeville 11-10, Magoffin Co. 8-14.

Lawrence Co. 80, Sheldon Clark 73

Lawrence County jumped out to a big lead early on Tuesday night and the Bulldogs held off host Sheldon Clark down the stretch to post a hard-

fought 80-73 win over the Cardinals.

Steven Driver led the Bulldogs with a game-high 27 points as Lawrence County held a 40-36 halftime lead.

Sheldon Clark tied the game early in the second half before Lawrence County took the lead for good.

Adam Brown, who trans-

ferred from Sheldon Clark, tossed in 21 and Carlos Lewis hit for 11.

Freshman Brandon May led the Cardinals with a team-high 24 points. Shane Stafford tossed in 15 and Nathan Moore hit for 14.

LAWRENCE CO. (80) - Steve Driver 27, Adam Brown 21, Carlos Lewis 11.

SHELDON CLARK (73) - Brandon May 24, Shane Stafford 15, Nathan Moore 14.

Pike Co. Central 84, Johnson Central 78

A game-high 30 points from junior Mike Walters wasn't enough to enable Johnson Central to overcome Pike Central on the road Tuesday night. Chase Lyons scored 25 points and Barry Sanders tossed in 19 to lead the Hawks. Bobby Williamson and Bobby Mullins finished with 13 and 11 points, respectively.

Brandon Wheeler scored 15, Justin Woods netted 11 and Chris Hurt 10 for the Golden Eagles.

JOHNSON CENTRAL (78) - Walters 30, Hurt 10, Music 9.

Woods 11, Wheeler 15, Stapleton 2.

PIKE CO. CENTRAL (84) - Sanders 19, Lyons 25, Williamson 13, Mullins 10. Pugh 11, McCurry 6.

Girls': Magoffin Co. 62, Pikeville 44

Jamie Adams scored 17 points and Savannah Howard netted 14 as the Lady Hornets rolled to a 62-44 win over Pikeville on Tuesday night.

Samantha Howard led the visiting Lady Panthers with 15 points. She was the only Pikeville player to score double figures in the game.

Magoffin County outscored Pikeville in every quarter.

PIKEVILLE (44) - McCoy 6, Sh. Howard 7, Sa. Howard 15, Shockey 5, Dye 3, Hartssock 7, Evans 1.

MAGOFFIN CO. (62) - Shepherd 4, Adams 17, S. Howard 14, A. Howard 6, C. Howard 3, M. Howard 12, Manns 4, K. Howard 2.

RECORDS - Pikeville 13-12, Magoffin Co. 17-5.

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INJURY UPDATE

Lady Rebels try to make up for loss of Mullins

by **STEVE LeMASTER**
SPORTS EDITOR

EASTERN - Replacing Terri Mullins has not been easy for Allen Central head coach Cindy Halbert. The loss of Mullins has left a void at the point guard position for Halbert and her team.

Mullins, a junior, broke her left arm last Friday night in a game against South Floyd.

Mullins, prior to the injury,

had been having a great season, averaging 5.1 assists, 8.4 points, 2.6 rebounds, and 2.7 steals per game.

"Her floor game was critical in our 20-point win over Betsy Layne, and we lost by six without her later in the week at their place," Halbert said.

Mullins is right-handed. And given that, Halbert is unsure as to whether or not the three-year starter will be returning this sea-

son.

"We will keep our fingers crossed and hope for a speedy recovery, while preparing for the possibility that she is out for the rest of the year," added Halbert.

Betsy Layne has also been playing without a key player, Whitney Lykens is still out injured with four broken fingers.

Both players are key to the respective squads and their health could have a major role in deciding a winner in both the 58th District and the 15th Region.

It was unknown as of Thursday evening, if Lykens was cleared to play yet.

In the meantime, senior

Amber Scott has taken over the point for Allen Central. Though rusty, Scott played the point at June Buchanan in her three previous seasons and is very capable of playing both the point and the off-guard or "2" where Halbert had been playing her. Scott is currently averaging 13.6 ppg, 4.0 rpg, 3.6 apg, and 2.1 steals.

Halbert has also had two extraordinary sophomores to rely on.

"My "super sophomores" 5-11 center/forward Becky Thomas, and 5-10 forward

(See **MULLINS**, four)

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS'

Buckhorn 79, Piarist 26

TIMES STAFF REPORT

BUCKHORN - The Piarist School girls' basketball team dropped game No. 17 of the season Friday night, losing to Buckhorn, 79-26. Buckhorn, like Piarist, is a member of the Three Rivers Conference.

Buckhorn led the Lady Knights 21-5 through one quarter and 33-10 at halftime en route to the 53-point win.

In the win, Buckhorn placed five different players in double figures.

Stephanie Williams led Piarist in scoring with nine points. Tackett scored five and Preston added four.

Four other Piarist players scored a couple of points

apiece.

Buckhorn improved to 5-13 with the win.

The Piarist girls team while still looking for its first win of the season, will finish out its regular-season this month in preparation for the 58th District Tournament early next month at South Floyd High School's Raider Arena.

PIARIST (26) - Bentley 2, Lykins 2, Preston 4, Tackett 5, Williams 9, Wilburn 2, Stevens 2.

BUCKHORN (79) - Gaye 17, Couch 10, Caldwell 15, Buch 10, Runyon 14, Neace 11, Gilbert 2.

RECORDS - 0-17, Buckhorn 5-13.

HIGH SCHOOL BOYS'

Tigers tame Lions

by **STEVE LeMASTER**
SPORTS EDITOR

PAINTSVILLE - Three players scoring in double figures and two more right on the edge of double digits with one basket or less, led to a 71-65 win over Boyd County Tuesday night for Paintsville. The Tigers improve to 15-3 with the win.

Boyd County came into the Paintsville gym and fell behind early, trailing 20-14 at the end of the first quarter. Paintsville led by 10 at the half, 34-24, but Boyd County gained some much needed ground in the third quarter, outscoring the Tigers 23-15. Paintsville finished strong, outscoring Boyd County 22-18 in the game's fourth quarter.

Senior Stuart Rutledge paced Paintsville with 20 points. Shane Simpkins followed Rutledge with 15. Adam Collins was

Paintsville's third player in double figures with 11. Ryan Jarrell scored nine and Peyton Conley chipped in seven. Jason Hammonds rounded out the Tiger scoring with a free throw.

Two different Boyd County players scored double figures.

Paintsville returns to action tonight on the road, traveling to Allen Central. Tip-off for the varsity game is scheduled for 7:30.

BOYD CO. (65) - Howard 15, Adams 9, Roberts 25, Hughes 6, Slone 3, Faulkner 2, Johnson 1, Blanton 4.

PAINTSVILLE (71) - Rice 8, Rutledge 20, Collins 11, Simpkins 15, Conley 7, Jarrell 9, Hammonds 1.

RECORDS - Boyd Co. 9-14, Paintsville 15-3.

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS'

Ladycats lay out Piarist

by **STEVE LeMASTER**
SPORTS EDITOR

MARTIN - Tuesday night, with a victory over Piarist School, Betsy Layne ran its record to 20-4 and became the 12th school to reach the 20-win mark this season. Johnson Central, a team Betsy Layne will play Saturday on the road at Johnson Central, also has reached 20 wins on the season.

Betsy Layne led 29-4 after one quarter and continued its domination over the course of the last three quarters. After leading 58-9 at halftime, the Ladycats held Piarist scoreless in the third period, outscoring Betsy Layne 18-0.

Natasha Stratton and Breann Akers led the Ladycats in scoring with 14 points each. Senior point guard Tiffany Meade netted 12 and sophomore guard Kim Clark flipped in 11.

Mary Bentley was the leading scorer for Piarist (0-18) with eight points.

Betsy Layne will host Pike County Central tonight before traveling to 15th Region leader Johnson Central on Saturday for a contest.

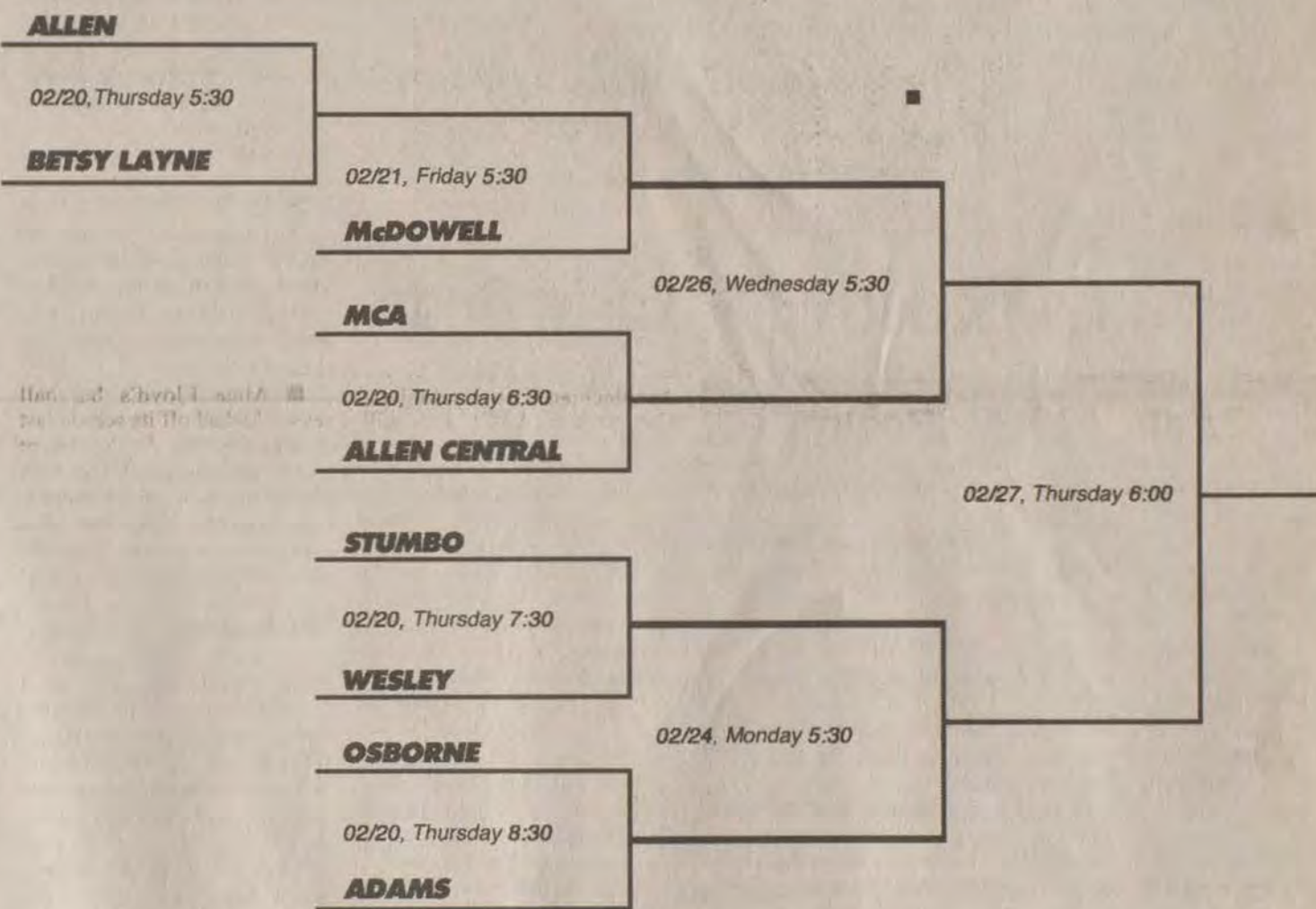
Piarist was at Allen Central last night. Results from that game were unavailable at press time. Tonight, Piarist travels to Riverside Christian still in search of its first win of the season.

BETSY LAYNE (90) - Stratton 14, Clark 11, T. Meade 12, Witt 5, Daniels 6, Akers 14, Smith 5, Hunter 4, C. Meade 2, B. Tackett 8, W. Tackett 9.

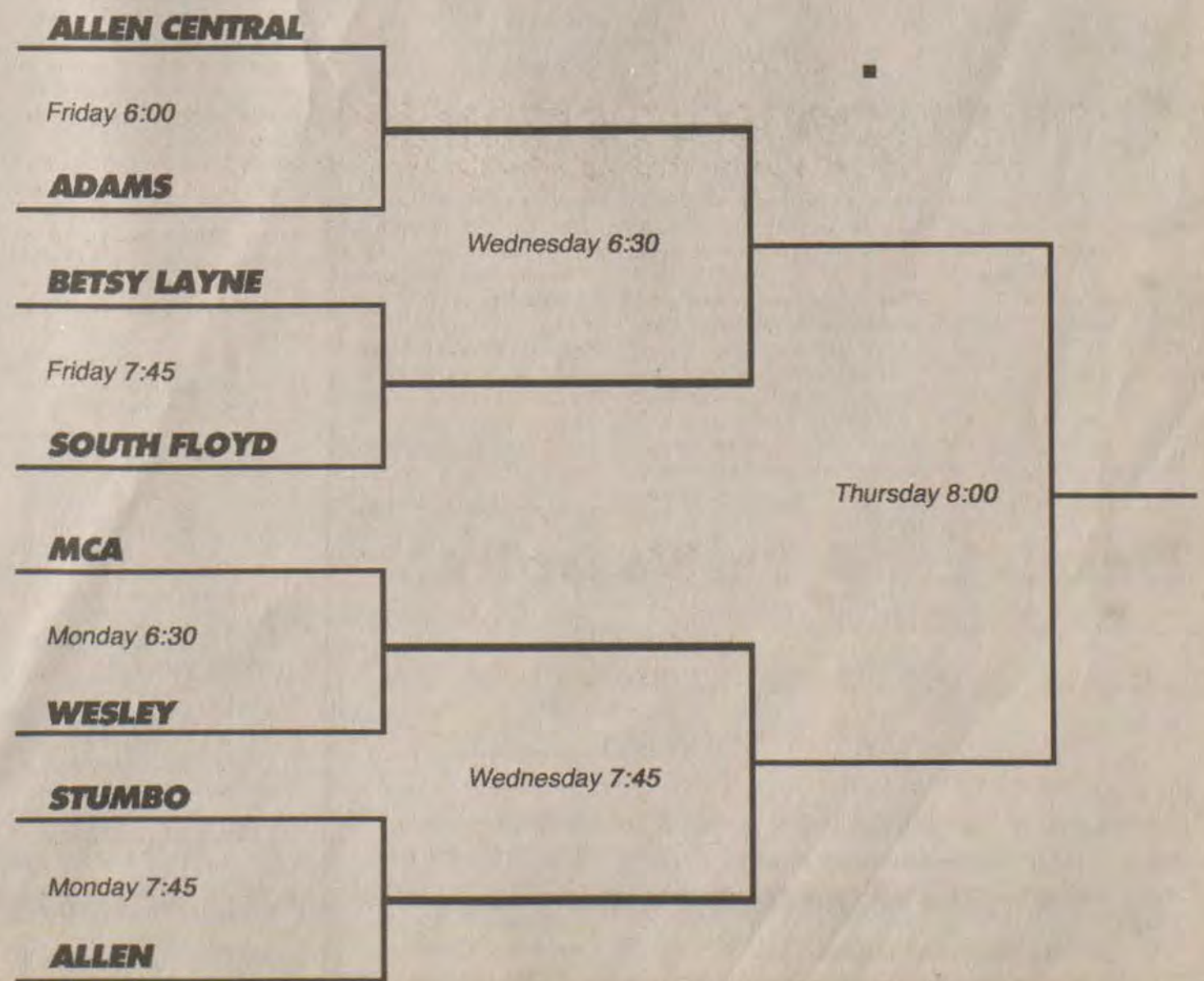
PIARIST (19) - Bentley 8, Williams 4, Lykins 3, Dennison 2, Pate 2.

RECORDS - Betsy Layne 20-4, Piarist 0-18.

FLOYD COUNTY GRADE SCHOOL C-TEAM TOURNAMENT



FLOYD COUNTY GRADE SCHOOL A-TEAM TOURNAMENT



A Look at Sports: Notes from Sarasota and beyond

by ED TAYLOR
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

It is hard to believe that we are actually seeing some baseball played at both the high school and college level and it won't be long before the professionals get with it. What makes it hard to believe is with all the winter weather taking place in the northland and out west, that anyone could think of playing the game.

The major league camps are all open now and teams who made major acquisitions are waiting to see how it all works out. While the Cincinnati Reds failed to make a

major move on their roster, still the Reds brass are pleased with the talent that is in camp at the onset of the 2003 season. John Hall, a 22-year-old righthander, drew the highest grades of the newest members of the Reds in camp. He is quite an athlete and is high on the list for prospective hurlers.

Pete Harnisch, an old-timer, trying for a second stint with the Reds, drew the praise of manager Bob Boone. Harnisch, if you remember, was the ace of the Reds staff three seasons ago but started the '99 season 0-6 before he won a game.

Reds General Manager, Jim

Bowden, likes the make up of the youth corp that the Reds have in camp this year. He thinks there might be some surprises this time around. Right, Jim! The Reds could use some surprises.

A big controversy over the phrase of Marty Brennaman's "and this one belongs to the Reds" has caused a stir with the Cincinnati City Council when they refused to all the words to be posted in lights outside the new Great American Ball Park. Says the council, "people will think the ball park belongs to the Reds." Come on! Get serious. The council did allow the familiar phrase, "this is the old left-hander rounding third and heading for home," quoted by Joe Nuxhall, to be placed in neon lights.

It is hard to believe that the duo of Marty and Joe have been together for 30 seasons. Wow! I remember listening to Wade Hoit do the play-by-play for the Reds years ago. He was really a great broadcaster. Claude Sullivan was another good one. But I don't suppose anyone does their homework as well as Marty. He has to rate as my all-time favorite Reds broadcaster.

RANKING GAME

I don't know if I like it that the University of Kentucky basketball team is ranked the second best in America. After all, what happened to Louisville when they reached that lofty height. They lost. I would have the Cats not in the top 10 and still winning. Some times players can over react or not react at all when ranked that high.

TUBBY TO THE PROS?

When the 2002-03 basketball

season began back in December of last year, Kentucky Coach Tubby Smith would rotate his players in and out of the game five at a time. The starters played the first 10 minutes and the second unit came in to play most of the final 10 minutes of a half. Every game, that was the format in which Coach Tubby used.

Also, Coach Smith is more into the game as a coach this year. He is more of an instructor on the sidelines showing that he really wants to be a winner this season.

The thing I am wondering about is why has he quit going deep on the bench and using a seven man rotation? The younger players, who should be seeing some playing time, are just sitting and watching.

Has Tubby decided this is his last season at the UK helm and is just wanting to play to win all he can? Have the pros already sealed a deal with the veteran UK coach? After all, if you can top the SEC, the toughest conference in the country, win a national championship or come close, then you have more bargaining power when the NBA owners come calling later in the year.

There is not much talk of recruiting in the Kentucky camp either. Usually at this time, with the signing days in April approaching, there is a lot of talk about recruiting.

The Cats will lose Jules Camara, Keith Bogans and Marquis Estill after this season. However, Estill may have an opportunity to return for a fifth

season if he can graduate in May of this year. Will Estill come back or is Tubby encouraging

him to go pro? Interesting. Until Sunday, good sports everyone and be good sports!



BASEBALL

HAP Little League holds organizational meeting

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

ALLEN - Harold-Allen-Prater Little League recently held its organizational meeting and out of that came a new league president. Mike Jarrell will return to HAP Little League as its president after a year away from the league. Other officers for the 2003 season include Kenneth Case, vice-president; Tommie Layne, secretary/treasurer; Drema Case, safety officer and Mindy Watson, information officer/player agent.

Coaches have also been announced for the upcoming season. Coaches and teams (in parentheses) for the upcoming season include Jeff Watson (Indians), Dwight Jarrell (Yankees), Chris Newsome (Astros), Terry Hamilton (Cubs) and Walter Case (Reds).

HAP Little League will hold a golf scramble on April 12. Details and more information on the scramble will be released in the near future.

The Harold-Allen-Prater chapter will also offer girls' softball this season.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Second half costly for Lady Bears

TIMES STAFF REPORT

WILLIAMSBURG - The second half of Saturday's game with Cumberland College was a long 20 minutes for Coach Bill Watson.

Trailing 37-36 with 18:40 to play, the Lady Bears got outscored 12-4 over the next 5:10 to start a downward spiral that wouldn't end until the final horn sounded, with the 25th-ranked Lady Patriots comfortably in charge by a 75-59 final.

No. 17 Pikeville (21-7, 3-3 in the Mid-South Conference) will see how costly the game was on Tuesday when the newest NAIA polls will be released.

The difference in the game was on the glass. On the surface, Pikeville could have survived a 38-35 deficit, but a closer look reveals 23 offensive rebounds for the Lady Patriots. Senior center Lacey Takacs had six of her 10 rebounds off the offensive glass and converted them for half of her 16 points.

Pikeville got out in front early, leading by three on four occasions and building it to four (26-22) after senior Courtney Mercer hit two free throws with 6:19 left.

But those tosses were followed by 10 unanswered points for Cumberland, and when senior Kelly Murray scored with 3:51 left, the Lady Pats were on top 32-26.

Pikeville scored the last three of the first half to get back within a point, 35-34, at the break.

But that single point was never made up. The teams traded baskets to open the second half before Cumberland's 12-4 run to make it 49-40 with 13:30 left on a Takacs basket. That was quickly followed by a 15-4 outburst that saw Murray score the first eight on mid-range jumpers and Takacs close it with the final six, all coming off the glass.

By that point, Cumberland's lead was 66-48 and the game

was over. Senior Tecco Gallion spent most of the first half in foul trouble but still managed 14 points. Senior Amanda Collins had a double-double with 11 points and 11 rebounds, while junior Caitlyn Ryan had 11 markers and nine boards.

Cumberland (15-11, 2-4) was paced by Takacs' 16. Jamie Walker followed with 11, while Danika Cox, Monica Hang and Kelly Murray all added 10.

Hang, a junior point guard, handed out nine assists. Cox' effort was solid, getting credit for six rebounds and five assists to go along with her points.

The second-half highlight for Pikeville was the debut of Summer Jones. The sophomore who transferred from East Tennessee State University tore her anterior cruciate ligament during the team's Basketball Blastoff in October played the final five minutes, scoring four points and pulling two rebounds.

GOLF

PC golf to sponsor scrambles

PIKEVILLE - As they prepare to begin the spring portion of the golf season, the Pikeville College teams are sponsoring a fundraising scramble.

The event will be held Monday, March 10 at StoneCrest Golf Course in Prestonsburg with a shotgun start slated for 11 a.m.

"This is a good way for our players to get to know many of our local golfers, and at the same time

help raise some money to help us offset the costs of running a men's and women's golf program on the college level," said Roland Wierwille, who is in his second season assisting Dr. James Riley with the program.

In addition to first-place trophies and gift certificates for each member of the winning team, contests for closest to the pin, longest drive and longest putt will be held,

as well as three circle chance holes. The cost of the event is \$200 per team, or individuals may pay \$50 to participate. The entry deadline is March 6.

To enter or for additional information, please contact Wierwille by mail at Pikeville College, 147 Sycamore Street, Pikeville, Ky. 41501, or by phone at 606/218-5769.

Johnson County Soccer signups

What: Johnson County Soccer spring signups
When: Saturday
Time: 10 a.m.-1 p.m.
Where: Paintsville Fire Training Center, Main Street
Who's Eligible: Players from 4 years old to players 18 years old.
Player must have been 4 years old as of August 1, 2002 for youngest age division.
Or player must have been 18 years old as of August 1, 2002 for oldest age division.

Age Divisions for Teams:

- Under 6 (4-5 year-olds)
- Under 8 (6-7 year-olds)
- Under 10 (8-9 year-olds)
- Under 12 (10-11 year-olds)
- Under 14 (12-13 year-olds)
- Under 16 (14-15 year-olds)
- Under 19 (16-18 year-olds)

What's Required:

- 1. A Completed Application
- 2. A Birth Certificate
- 3. \$35 Registration Fee

NOTE: All Three Need to be Completed On Saturday. This will be the only scheduled registration period. Teams are formed in order of completed registrations received. There are limited spaces for each age division. Coaches are needed. Anyone interested in coaching or assistant coaching please come by registration.

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Soccer

Floyd County registration

Registration for Spring 2003 Floyd County Youth Soccer season will continue Saturday from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the Prestonsburg Dairy Queen.

The registration fee is \$40. Soccer is open to any child who was at least 4 years old on August 1, 2002, or less than 19 years old on July 31, 2002. Practice will begin in early to mid-March, with the first games scheduled on Saturday, March 29.

Basketball

Girls' tournament

The Eastern Kentucky Starz 3rd Annual Girls Basketball Tournament will be held May 2-4 in Ashland. The tournament guarantees teams four games. U11, U12, U13, U14 will compete in the tournament. Entry fee is \$225. AAU Sanctioned. Contact Hal Zimmer at (606)329-0413 or hzimmer@att.net

Cheerleading

Mountain Classic

The 17th annual Mountain Classic Cheerleading Competition will be held at Pikeville High School on Saturday, March 8. The competition will take place for school squads and All-Star squads on both 2 1/2-minute routine and traditional formats. The competition will also feature three age groups - Pee-Wee, Elementary and Junior High. For more information or to register a squad, contact Lisa Wheeler at Pikeville High School by calling 606/432-0185 or via email at wheeler@pikeville.k12.ky.us.

East Ridge

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Warriors with a team-high 23 points.

Game-high honors went to Betsy Layne's Brandon Hall. He had 25.

Hall was the only Betsy Layne player to reach double digits. Preston Simon finished with eight points.

BETSY LAYNE (60) - Newsome 5, Hall 25, Simon 8, Kidd 4, Hamilton 6, Akers 3, Case 2, Cochran 3, Daniels 4.

EAST RIDGE (75) - Branham 2, McCurry 12, T. Adkins 9, Ratliff 5, Spears 23, Belcher 16, W. Adkins 2, Puckett 3, Coleman 3.

RECORDS - Betsy Layne 9-12, East Ridge 14-9.

Baseball

P'burg Little League signups

Adams Middle School will host Prestonsburg Little League signups each Saturday this month. Signups will be held each Saturday beginning at 10 a.m. and ending at 2 p.m. The signups will be held at Adams Middle School.

Divisions this year include T-Ball for players ages 5-6; Minor for players ages 7-8; Little League for players ages 9-10 and 11-12; Junior for players 13-14; Senior for players 15-16 and Big League for players 17-18.

In addition, Prestonsburg Little League will offer girls softball this season. Two divisions of girls' softball will be offered, one for players ages 9-12 and another for players ages 13-14.

A board meeting has been scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 22 at Adams Middle School.

HAP signups

Harold-Allen-Prater Little League will hold signups on Sunday from 1-5 p.m. at the

Dome at Betsy Layne Elementary. Signups will be held on Saturday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., and again on Sunday, February 23 from 1-5 p.m.

The registration fee is \$25 for one child and \$15 for each additional child in the same family. There is no additional registration fee for the third child or any child after that.

A copy of a birth certificate and a copy of a current utility bill to prove residency is required at signups.

A meeting for anyone interested in coaching 13 and 14-year-olds will be held Sunday at 3 p.m. at the Allen Pro Shop. Anyone with any questions is asked to call Mindy Watson at 478-1482.

Paintsville signups

Paintsville Little League will hold signups beginning this weekend at the board office at the Major League field. Signups will also be held the next couple of Saturdays. Tryouts will be held in late-March.

Roundup

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Belfry 58, Paintsville 38

Vicki Hall and Anna Bevins each helped Belfry out to a 19-10 first-quarter lead Wednesday night at Paintsville. In the end, the Lady Pirates left the Paintsville gym, headed back to Pike County with a 58-38 win.

Hall scored 20 and Bevins finished with 14 for the Lady Pirates.

Stephanie Hall led Paintsville with 10 points. Chelsie Jarrell scored eight and Desiree Haney added seven.

Paintsville was back in action last night at South Floyd. Results were unavailable at press time and will appear in Sunday's edition.

BELFRY (58) - Hall 20, Bevins

14, Smith 1, Hensley 10, Mahon 2, Combs 3, Hunter 4, Church 2, Chapman 2.

PAINTSVILLE (38) - Hall 10, Haney 7, Music 5, Moore 8, Jarrell 8.

RECORDS - Belfry 10-13, Paintsville 7-14.

Pike Central 69, Sheldon Clark 56

On a night when Kellie Jo Moore scored her 2,000 career point, Pike Central built a 13-point lead early and eventually cruised to a 13-point win.

Ashley Russell and Mishay Weddington each had 21 points in the win for Pike Central.

Moore finished with 29 points for Sheldon Clark.

Mullins

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Megan Harris will be asked to shoulder more of the load as well as we try to regroup without Terri before tourney time," said Halbert. "Thomas is in the top-20 in the state in both field-goal percentage and rebounding averaging 13.9 ppg (62 percent) and 10.5 rebounds per game. Harris is averaging 11.6 ppg and 5.2 rpg and just had a sensational summer leading up to her sophomore season."

The team's defensive specialist, Tiffany Turner, is averaging

5.1 ppg and 5.2 rpg. The team's key reserves, Jessica Isaac and Tabatha Caudill have been asked to step up as well.

Mullins also had a quality summer playing in Las Vegas in Blue Chips and being named a Blue Chip Camp Allstar. According to Halbert, the junior point guard is taking the injury in stride. "It appears that I have a new 'mini-me' in practice because she is right by my side coaching and encouraging her teammates," said Halbert.

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THROUGH MY EYES

Got an ark, anyone?

I've been thinking a lot about Noah lately. Noah and his ark. Noah and the flood waters. Mostly because I've taken great care to remind myself, over and over again, that promised not to ever destroy the world with water again. Good to know. Especially since I've spent the last three days penned in by nothing other than - water.



Kathy Prater
Lifestyles editor

I have always loved snow. This past winter I have had to rethink this love. I have always loved the water. This past weekend, I have been rethinking that notion also.

Never, ever before in my life have I longed for hot, summer days. Even as a child I can remember once whining on my birthday that it was "just too hot" to have fun (my birthday being in August).

As a matter of fact, summer's only saving grace, as far as I've been concerned, is that it pro

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POSTSCRIPT

Freedom for whom?

I've told Times managing editor Ralph Davis that he ought to write more editorials.



Pam Shingler
Contributing Writer

However, I know full well how hard that is when you've got 2,000 (more or less) other responsibilities that are more pressing.

I told Ralph that not because I think he's shirking his duty, but because I usually agree with his viewpoints. When he does pen an opinion piece, it's generally carefully reasoned, full of common sense and concerned with the bigger picture and with broader issues of truth, fairness and right-ness.

Last Sunday's editorial was a case in point. I admit to some bias since it concerns Appalshop and what I consider my radio station, WMMT.

As briefly as possible, here's the background information: WMMT, a public radio station,

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Valentine "Royalty" chosen from Riverview Manor's first floor residents, are, from left to right: Reese Williams, Corbett Prater, Nellie Kaufman, and Ballard Fleming.

photo by Kathy J. Prater

'Love' Fest



Lois Calhoun, middle, was pleased as punch to present Pam Powers, left, and Margaret Rice, right, with a check for \$462.17 as a donation to the Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Big Sandy program. The Valentine Queen earned well over \$100 of the money all by herself.

photo by Kathy J. Prater

by KATHY J. PRATER
FEATURES EDITOR

Say what you will about Valentine's Day - most folks either love it, ignore it, or despise it - but at the Riverview Manor health care center, folks definitely love it.

Each year the residents and staff of Riverview Manor host a huge Valentine party wherein they crown Valentine kings and queens. This year was no different with the lobby of the facility gaily decorated in red, white and "sparkle," a large gathering turned out to witness the day's festive events.

Kings and queens were selected from both the first and second floor residents with the choices being so difficult that each floor was resigned to crowning more than one royal figure. From the facility's first floor, Reese Williams and Nellie Kaufman were both crowned "queen" with Corbett Prater and Ballard Fleming

both being crowned "king." Frances Branham, Lois Calhoun and Lola Johnson were all crowned "queens" of the second floor, with John Paul Wells and Ed Prater both being chosen "king."

The crowd was delightfully entertained by "Queen" Frances Branham who announced, shortly after her coronation, that her "subjects" should all "bow down." "I am your queen," Branham pompously (and good-naturedly) announced, "get on your knees. Bring me my tea and my crumpets," before bursting into giggles along with the party-goers.

Adding to the fun this year was the announcement that the facility's residents had managed to raise \$462.17 by "selling" hugs to visitors and staff personnel. "Queen" Lois Calhoun, according to staff members, raised well over

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photo by Kathy J. Prater



Valentine "Royalty" chosen from among Riverview Manor's second floor residents, are, from left to right: Frances Branham, John Paul Wells, Lois Calhoun, Ed Prater, and Lola Johnson.

THIS TOWN, THAT WORLD

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

ANNOUNCEMENT

Larry and Belinda Branham report they have seen the first robin in Prestonsburg, and that they are on good terms with the welcome harbinger of spring. Between snowstorms, they're feeding him.

WORTH REMEMBERING

Days such as this, and between sniffles, I take comfort in the late Noah Harris' oft-repeated saying to the effect that he had always noticed that if he made it till the first of March, he always made it through the rest of the year.

I rise to the defense of television. It doesn't stink, but does get a bit gamey with concentration, missing link, You Said It, and others.

MISSED A SIGNAL

You've doubtless heard the story of the man who left sunny California to take up residence in Alaska but there ran afoul of a gang of sour-doughs who informed him that not just anybody could move in and say he was one of us. Informed him, they did, that there were certain requirements for citizenship—namely, he must drink a fifth of rotgut at one sitting, then skin an Alaskan bear, and, finally, make ardent love to an Eskimo woman.

The newcomer submitted and downed the liquor. "Where's bear?" he inquired, by this time pretty well illuminated. Told that he would meet the animal up the trail onto which they headed him, he slouched off. Some minutes elapsed, and he staggered back, torn and bleeding, apparently having lost more skin than the bear had.

"Now, he inquired, "whersh—hic!—that Eskimo woman I'm s'posed to skin?"

HOW SCHOLARLY!

Winston Churchill and some lesser lights were born a generation or so too soon. If these fellows who had no overweening affection for Latin were in school today—let's say, some schools—they would find it a fascinating study. In Melbourne, Florida, for instance, a high school principal was helping his daughter with her Latin.

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THINGS TO PONDER

Who stopped payment on my Reality Check?

What might be the most realistic view of a particular situation can sometimes be a painful experience for the clients who seek my services. Since I see my professional responsibility as providing my objective viewpoint of the individuals' reality, a primary therapy issue at times becomes one of the clients not being willing to accept another view of what their reality might be. How do you cope with accepting reality?

What is reality? The word has sup-

posedly been around since 1550, so I guess many people have been trying to understand it better. Some of the actual definitions given were, that "reality is a state of affairs, exists necessarily, and is an actual fact." Other descriptions might be that reality is a sure thing, and one that you can bet on to happen. An opinion is that reality is one of those clear situations that one knows the meaning, such as having an acute awareness of a problem, but it is the process of obtain-

ing the solution that hurts.

There are times that nothing, short of a miracle, can be done to make things the way you think they "ought" to be, or how you "want" them. However, if you are feeling dissatisfied with a situation in your life, such as the love in your marriage, or your children's behaviors, give your life a reality check. There is the possibility that you have bought into four common myths: (1) "My state of mind is determined by my environment." By all

means, your environment certainly affects who you are, but wait, it does not control you. Individuals, who buy into this type of thinking, end up with what is called a "victim mentality". (2) "People can't change." This myth fails to consider the reality of human freedom. People can, and do change—sometimes dramatically. Usually it is the impact of whether or not change is seen as being worth the

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Mable Rowe Lineberger,

School Happenings

ADAMS MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH SERVICES CENTER

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

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

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

Center is open each day from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. or later by appointment. For more information about the center or any listed activities, call 886-9812. Center coordinator, Michelle

Keathley, Assistant coordinator, Sheila Allen. Center offers services to students regardless of income. Center telephone: 886-9812.

****School is collecting Food City receipts. Receipts may be given to any AMS student or staff member, or dropped off at the Youth Services Center.****

ALLEN CENTRAL MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH SERVICE CENTER

Feb. 21 - Science Fair.
Feb. 24 - Respect Class, 7th grade.

Feb. 25 - "Eating Disorders" presentation, 6th grade.

Feb. 26 - "Heart Health" presentation, 8th grade.

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

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

ALLEN ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE YOUTH SERVICE CENTER

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

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

BETSY LAYNE ELEMENTARY

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

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

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

CLARK ELEMENTARY

Feb. 26 - FCHD Dental presentation, grades K-3.

****School now collecting "Box Tops for Education" from General Mills products. Parents and community members, please send your "Box Top" coupons to the school Family Resource Center.**

A nurse from the Floyd County Health Dept. is in the center weekly. Please call to schedule an appointment. The center is currently scheduling Hep B immunizations and physicals for students who will enter the 6th grade in the upcoming school year, kindergarten

entrance exams and TD boosters for sophomores. Also scheduling appointments for WIC services. These nursing services are available to anyone in the community.

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

DUFF ELEMENTARY

Feb. 24 - J.A. Duff FRC Advisory Council meeting, 4:15 p.m., in school conference room. Meeting is open to public.

Feb. 24, 25 - Dental hygiene program for grades K-3. (Classroom presentations.)

Feb. 28 - Character education - "Self-Esteem" program. Grades K-5. (Assembly program.)

Floyd County Health

Dept. is at the school each Tuesday. Services include 6th grade school entry physical; kindergarten, Head Start and Well-Child physicals; T.B. skin test; and WIC services. Please call for appointment if you are in need of any of these services.

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

MAY VALLEY ELEMENTARY

Feb. 21 - Dental programs for Headstart thru 3rd grade.

Lending Library available

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Weddings



Morton-Garrett

Kevin Garrett and Dezeree Morton are pleased to announce their recent engagement and forthcoming marriage. The bride-elect is the daughter of Dale and Mary Morton, of Pikeville. Her prospective groom is the son of Kathryn Stone, of Beaver, and the late Gordon Garrett, formerly of Prestonsburg. The happy couple will wed in a ceremony that will take place on Saturday, March 1, 2003, at the afternoon hour of four o'clock, at the Betsy Layne Freewill Baptist Church. The gracious custom of an open church wedding will be observed.

Birthdays



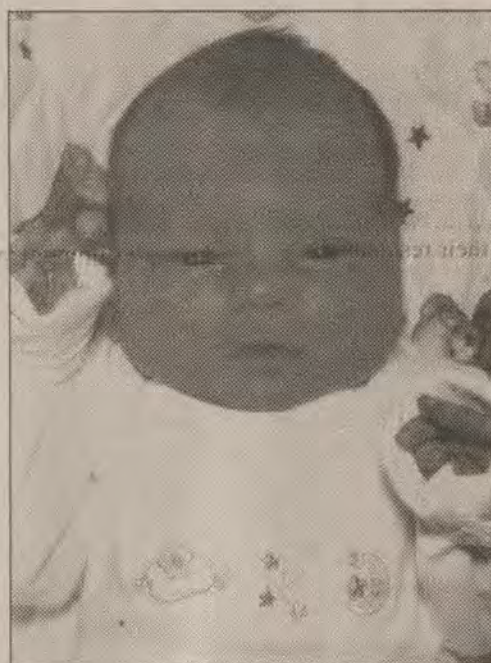
It's a Girl!

Wayne and Carolyn Walters, of Emma, joyfully announce the birth of their first grandchild, a girl, Sidney Anne. Sidney is the daughter of Jeremy and Jessica Walters Aldridge, of Elizabethtown. Born November 3, 2002, at Baptist East Hospital, Louisville, she weighed 6 lb., 12 oz., and was 19 1/2 inches long. Sidney is the paternal granddaughter of Garnetta Aldridge Cates, of Vinegrove, and the late James R. Adridge. Her paternal great-grandparents are Otto Aldridge and Garnet Hammack, of Tell City, Indiana. Her maternal great-grandparents are Ollie E. Wells, of Prestonsburg, and Bonnie L. Walters, of Emma.



Samarra turns 1!

Samarra Alissa Howell will celebrate her first birthday on Saturday, February 22, 2003, with a party held at the Prestonsburg Dairy Queen. Many family members and friends will celebrate her special day with her and enjoy lots of good food, cake and ice cream. Samarra is the daughter of Jeff and Shawna Howell, of Auxier. She is the paternal granddaughter of Raymond and Fran Howell, also of Auxier. Her maternal grandparents are Stan and Judy Keel, of Van Lear.



It's a Boy!

Trent Douglas Robinson was born on December 10, 2002, at 9:28 a.m., at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. He weighed 8 lbs., 14 oz., and was 20 1/4 inches long. He is the son of proud parents, Georgia and Philip Robinson, of Prestonsburg. He is the maternal grandson of Jeri and Gary Stratton, of Allen, and George Stone, of Prestonsburg. His paternal grandparents are Betty and David Music, of Martin, and James and Thomasine Robinson, also of Martin. Trent has one older brother, "Little" Philip Robinson.

Ponder

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effort, such as making necessary adjustments in habits or getting a divorce. (3) "When you're in a bad situation (marriage), you'll either have to resign your self to a life of misery or get out." Man! This is accepting that you only have two devastating alternatives! Plus, you are creating stonewalls for a self-imposed prison. I have seen family members really examine their circumstances, and be so amazed with all the possible approaches they had never thought of, when they allowed themselves to focus on nothing else, they were willing to adjust and make the necessary changes, without pointing fingers at others. (4) "Some situations are hopeless." No matter what your source of faith is, there is always hope.

Now, for the other side of the story of answering the big time questions, "What is the reality?" What can I/we really do about it? Reality I: "I am responsible for my own attitude." There is always going to be trouble in your life, it is inevitable: Check out your attitude. It can either be negative with doom, gloom, and despair, or it can be positive with the identifying of the challenge. Think about that which is not anxiety producing, such as whatever is pure, lovely, admirable, and praiseworthy.

Reality II looks at how attitude affects actions. Sure, you might not be able to control your environment, but you are in charge of what you do within it. Remember that your attitude will greatly influence your behavior. Don't forget that what you plant is what you reap: a pessimistic, defeatist attitude in negative words and behaviors will be returned to you, so that your original problem will be further intensified; and an

attitude and desire for a creative approach will help you to go a different route. You might not like your choices at first, but, as you work slowly, and keep the idea that you will do what you can, you are likely to be shocked with the possible, positive aspects you will develop.

Reality III stresses the fact, "I can't change others, but I can influence others." A bottom line is that we are relational creatures and that we are influenced through our relationships. This does not mean manipulation, which never works, due to someone trying to control another, and no one wants to be controlled. In contrast, there is again the positive influence of one's behaviors upon another. Consider the probable positive impact of a husband coming home from work and he makes a point of hugging his wife, while seriously inquiring about her day. Compare that to the negative impact of the husband coming home, growling at everyone, and immediately becoming involved with surfing the Internet or the T.V. Don't you think that these attitudes and behaviors would influence a wife's future attitudes and behaviors toward her husband?

Reality IV asks that you realize and accept, "My actions are not controlled by my emotions." You are more than your emotions, such as thoughts, feelings, desires, and actions. Hopefully, these all interact, and you use your brain to ask, "What's the best thing for me to do?" You are in charge of what you do. Again, remember that positive actions hold the potential to bring about positive relationships.

Reality V refers to "admit- (See PONDER, page three)

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is staffed by volunteer DJs, whose primary job and interest is playing music. They are as diverse a group as you'll ever find. A couple are retired coal miners, one is a security guard, one a college professor, one a graphic artist, one a store cashier, one a grade school janitor, one a retired laundry worker - you get the picture.

Some are die-hard bluegrass fans, others think there's no music but rock 'n roll, and still others have thousands of blues CDs. Some are from Letcher County, some from Pike, Perry, Knott, and Floyd, and several come from southwest Virginia. They are essentially representative of our diverse population here in the mountains.

As you would suppose, they all have diverse opinions and they often express those opinions over the air on their shows. The four of us on the station staff do not always agree with those opinions. Sometimes we cringe, sometimes we applaud, sometimes we disagree among ourselves. But we do not censor those opinions. We see the station as a place where it is safe to express various viewpoints.

A couple of weeks ago, one programmer expressed his views about the impending war with Iraq. Like many other people around here and nationwide, he's agin it.

Rather than asking for airtime to rebut what he had heard - or what he thought he heard - a Letcher County magistrate chose to attack the station and the volunteer programmer during a fiscal court meeting. More than attack, he chose to sabotage a program proposal by

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Eyes

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vides for great long, lazy days spent by the side of a pool.

The past of couple of days I've been wishing for a few hot days to arrive.

It all started late Sunday afternoon when an old friend informed me that she was afraid that she would get trapped by the waters of Abbott Creek come Monday morning and not be able to get some needed materials to me at the office. "No problem," I said, "I'll just come and get them right now."

Leaving the Roberts Branch area of Paintsville, I knew to not make my usual left hand turn toward Powell Addition and Floyd County, because I was aware that that road sometimes had problems with high water. Instead, I turned right, toward the Paintsville Country Club. Tooling right along, it wasn't long before I was leaning into "troubled waters" as Art and Paul might say.

Before I knew it, I had driven my car smack into some rising waters. Once in, I sort of panicked. All my life, I had always heeded the warnings to not attempt driving through standing water. I would never have done so this night, it's just that I was in it before I knew it. Once in, I didn't know what to do except keep going.

That worked for awhile. And then the car died. It just stopped. Right there in the muddy, brown waters we sat.

"Get out," I told the two kids who were with me. I'll admit, I was pretty scared. In my head, visions of floating far and away were running rampant through my mind.

Out I hopped. Out hopped my youngest. Wet and cold, standing on the side of the road in the drizzle, I noticed that my son was still in the car.

"Get out, Elliott," I yelled. He just looked at me.

"Get out, what's wrong?," I queried. Still, he just looked at me.

I waded back into the water a little ways. "Are you scared?," I asked. "What's wrong?"

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New Arrivals

Pikeville Methodist

January 4: A son, Joshua Brett to Melissa and Brett Williamson.

January 5: A daughter, Catherine Rahae Adkins to Bobbie Jean Murphy.

January 6: A daughter, Kassidy Leeann, to Sabrina Ann and Craig Lee Hughes; a daughter, Destinee Makayle to Elizabeth and Tim Sammons.

January 7: A daughter, Destiny Lasha to Glenna Arlene and James Willard Adams; a daughter, Lyndsey Paige to Teresa Renee and Timothy Lee Little; a daughter, McKenzie Beth to Marigo Lynn and Gerald Todd Werner; a daughter, Courtney Shea to Elizabeth and Benjamin Stamper; a son, Joshua Hunter Belcher to Brandy Marie Coleman.

January 9: A son, Zachary James to Kellie and Josh Crum.

January 10: A daughter, Rachael Nicole to Judy and Garman Sansom; a son, William Ray to Nicole Renee and Shannon Ray Darnell.

January 11: A daughter, Jonna Danielle to Tonyua Sue and John Edward Reed; a daughter, Tess Caroline to Jaime Carol and Michael Dean Sergeant.

January 13: A son, Aaron David Slusher to Angela Gail Ris; a son, Dale Arlin to Julie and Ronnie Dale Mullins.

January 14: A daughter, Chloe Dean to Crystal Lynn and Anthony Shawn Raines; a son, Ethan Dale to Heather and Anthony King; a son, Noah Jeffery to Cindy Lynn and Jeffrey Varney; a daughter, Jessalan Satana Rose Perry to Zebann Hopkins and Kenneth L. Perry; a daughter, Sylvia Renee to Carla Jean and Michael Glenn Ratliff.

January 15: A son, Noah Paxton to Susan Loree and Timothy Jay Collins; a son, Joshua Blake to Sarah Williams.

January 16: A daughter, Emily Grace to Glinda and Christopher Taylor; a son, Jason Daniel Lee to Amy Lea Samons.

January 17: A son, Tristan James to Teena and Toddy Bronson Blizzard; a daughter, Chelsea Elizabeth to Jamie Carol and David Franklin Vandyke; a son, Braden Aaron Robinson to Andria Blaire and William Aaron Robinson.

January 20: A son, Ayden Alexander to Misty D. and Anthony Huffman; a daughter, Halie Joanne Blackburn to Cindi Ousley and Shawn Christopher Blackburn; a son, Travis Wayne Hughes II to Bobbi Marie and Travis Hughes.

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Family Medicine

By Martha A. Simpson, D.O., M.B.A.



Healthy immune systems conquer TB, if not, antibiotic needed

Q I have been around someone who might have tuberculosis and I am concerned that I may have caught it. I didn't think people got that anymore. What are the symptoms of tuberculosis? How would I know if I had it?

A Before answering your question, I need to give you a little background on tuberculosis, often simply called "TB." This disease, also sometimes referred to as "consumption," began to decline in the United States after the introduction of

antibiotics in the 1940s. There was an increase in the incidence of TB in the '80s, but now the number of new cases is again in decline.

TB is spread through the air when a person with the disease sneezes, coughs, speaks or sings. The organism that causes TB, *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*, can remain suspended in tiny droplets in the air for several hours. A susceptible person can become infected with TB if they inhale these droplets. There are no immediate symptoms of inhaling these germs into your lungs.

In a healthy person, the TB infection

does not take hold. The immune system kills the *M. tuberculosis* bacteria and you will not become ill. You may, however, end up with a positive TB skin test. There is a small risk that you may develop TB at a later point in your life. That's why anyone who has had a positive skin test should have regular TB checkups from their physician, the local health department or a state TB program.

Some people, unfortunately, are not able to fight off the initial exposure to the bacteria. This is particularly true of people whose immune systems have been compromised in some way — either through general ill health, nutritional deficits or a specific disease such as diabetes, cancer or AIDS. Active tuberculosis is also more common in African Americans and Hispanics.

While TB is primarily a disease of the lungs, it can also affect the central

nervous system, lymphatic system, bones and joints. In some cases, it can even be widely spread throughout the body.

Now, finally, to answer your specific question. If you were to get TB of the lungs, you would probably have a cough that lasted longer than three weeks along with chest pain. Your cough would most likely be productive, and the phlegm you cough up would be tinged with blood. You might also experience fever, chills, night sweats, fatigue and weight loss.

After conducting a thorough history and physical exam, a physician would order a Mantoux tuberculin skin test, a chest X-ray and, possibly, a special sputum test to check for the presence of *M. tuberculosis*. There might be other tests as well to positively confirm the presence of pulmonary TB disease.

Active tuberculosis is treated with a multiple antibiotic regime, and the

patient is monitored regularly to be sure the medicines are working. I would advise anyone who has ever had TB — or even just a positive TB skin test — to watch closely for symptoms like cough, fever and weight loss. You would need to do this for the rest of your life to quickly spot any recurrence of the disease in its early stage when successful treatment is more likely.

If you have internet access, you can find more information about TB at: <http://www.cdc.gov/nchstp/tb/faqs/qa.htm>.

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School

for use of students, parents and teachers. Videos on a variety of topics are available.

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

MCDOWELL ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

■ School is collecting Food City receipts. Have your students turn receipts in to their homeroom teachers. Community members may also turn receipts in to school office. Help McDowell Elementary

receive computers, audio visual equipment, etc. through the "Apples for Students" program.

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

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

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

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

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

OSBORNE ELEMENTARY - RAINBOW JUNCTION FRC

■ Feb. 27 - "Self Esteem" character program - Gary Boothe

PRESTONSBURG ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

■ *PES is collecting Food City receipts. Have your child

turn in receipts to their homeroom teachers. Community members may also turn in receipts to the school office or Family Resource Center.*

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

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

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

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

SOUTH FLOYD YOUTH SERVICES CENTER

■ Walking track open to public (except during special event).

■ Center has a one-stop career station satellite station that is available to the community, as well as students.

■ Anyone interested in Adult Ed may contact the center for information.

■ All new students and visitors, stop by the Center, located on the South Floyd campus, Room 232, and see Mable Hall.

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

STUMBO ELEMENTARY/MUD CREEK FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

■ Feb. 21 - "Quality Kids," Hygiene and Lice, 8:30 a.m.
■ Feb. 25 - Whales, 4th

grade, (EKSC)

■ Feb. 26 - Whales, 5th grade, (EKSC)

■ Feb. 27 - Whales, 6th grade, (EKSC)

■ The Bridges Project is located in the school each day, Monday thru Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. If you have any questions about the Bridges Project, call 587-2644.

*Resource Center hours are 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Parents and community members are welcome to visit. For questions, call 587-2233 - ask for Tristan Parsons, Center Coordinator, or Anita Tackett, Assistant.

THE DAVID SCHOOL

Adult Education Class Schedule

■ Monday and Wednesday Betsy Layne High School, 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Call 478-3389 for more information.

Morehead State Prestonsburg Campus, 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. Call 886-2405 for more info.

■ Tuesday and Thursday St. James Episcopal Church, 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Church is located on University Drive, Prestonsburg, between PCC and the BP station.

ALL GED CLASSES ARE FREE. BOOKS AND MATERIALS ARE ALSO FREE, EVEN THE ACTUAL GED TEST IS FREE! So, please take advantage of this wonderful learning opportunity. For more information about the free GED program, call Crissy Compton at The David School at 886-8374 (Fridays).

WESLEY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

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

■ Weekly Chapel Services, each Wednesday morning, 10 a.m.

W.D. OSBORNE RAINBOW JUNCTION FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

■ TBA - Recycling program, all grades.

■ "Lost and Found" located in the Center. Parents need to pick up their children's items within two weeks. Any items not claimed within two weeks, becomes the property of the FRC.

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

Love

\$100 of the money all on her own. "I sold a lot of hugs," Calhoun said, "I like to get hugs."

The money was donated to the Big Brothers/Big Sisters of the Big Sandy organization and was accepted by Margaret Rice, director, and Pam Powers, secretary. "We really appreciate this gift," Rice said, "we operate solely on donations such as this

and without our community support, we couldn't remain open, so this means much more to us than you could ever know."

Following the presentation ceremony and the awarding of door prizes, everyone was invited to enjoy punch and cookies provided by the facility and staff who worked very hard at creating a wonderful Valentine celebration for their residents.

World

They were reading a story about a Roman boy named Marcellus.

Then, all of a sudden, they came to the point where this Marcellus was in Rome on a "picus nicus." The words threw the father, and he was needing help as much as the daughter. A glance at the bottom of the page helped. A footnote there read:

"Picus nicus, a word made up just for you, meaning picnic."

The school principal rallied from that one, and continued the lesson. And a few lines farther down he and daughter found Marcellus on his "picus nicus" drinking a "coccan-colam."

This time he knew where to look, and, sure enough, there in the footnotes was this enlightening statement!

"Coccan-colam, a made-up word for Coca-Cola."

Which confirms my translation—all Gaul is divided between

two parties.

OOPS!

After having indited the above, a glance around the desk uncovers this one:

"The ability to speak a foreign language is an asset, but to be able to hold your tongue in your own language is priceless."

NOTICE IN A LOAN OFFICE WINDOW:

"For the man who has everything and hasn't paid for it."

There goes another sneeze. Believe I'm suffering from an imbalance of sulfa, and goose grease. If kildare would only conduct a question-and-answer period, the last ten minutes of his show...

Postscript

Appalshop, of which WMMT is a part, that would have benefited not only the county, but also the region.

Appalshop asked the fiscal court to cosponsor a grant request to a state agency that would have funded the renovation of an old building in Whitesburg. The Appalshop plan is to use the building to exhibit examples of Appalachian culture and heritage and to house an education center where people — particularly young people — from the region can come to learn more about the culture — the history, the music, the crafts that make us unique.

It is important to note that the fiscal court would not be financially responsible for the project. It would, however, reap the benefits.

This particular magistrate, after haranguing the volunteer DJ for half an hour or more, said he would never support another Appalshop project and told his fellow magistrates that if they voted in favor of it they would be "unpatriotic." Only one magistrate and the judge-executive had the integrity to support the pro-

posal.

The saddest part of this story is that the magistrate boasted that he was a veteran and had fought to keep this country free. We have to wonder, free for whom? Free only for people who agree with him? If we believe in freedom of speech, don't we have to believe in freedom of speech for everyone?

I can't help but think of the Vietnam era when decals reading Love It or Leave It were everywhere. It seems the people who sported those signs were missing the point. We either have the freedom to criticize the government or we have no freedom at all. Freedom is by definition broad and inclusive.

In his editorial, Ralph Davis wrote: "If our system of government ever deteriorates to the point that the rights of man are subjugated by the whims of government, then the freedom we cherish will be lost and that government will be worthy of criticism far harsher than any flight of fancy (the volunteer programmer) might have uttered over the airwaves."

Thank you, Ralph.

New

January 21:

A daughter, Shayla Danielle to Michelle Lynn and Danny Wayne Hall; a son, Brayden Slade to Melanie and Anthony Taulbee.

January 23:

A daughter, Haley Victoria to Hattie Renee and Carmel Tackett; a daughter, Gabrielle Renea to Robyn Renea and Phillip Clemons Chaney.

January 24:

A daughter, Euleila Nadiri to Nahid and James Quincy Wright; a son, Philip Blake to

Peggy Lee Rosnick-Justice and Philip Greg Justice.

January 25:

A daughter, Jenna Grace to Jennifer and John Wagoner.

January 27:

A son, Kobie Millis to Lisa and Glen Lawson; a son, Jacoby Isaiah to Nona Melissa Thomsbury; a son, Jacob Scott to Courtney Paige and Timothy Scott Tackett.

January 28:

A son, Brady Lee to Melinda Jean and Gregory Ray Thacker;

a daughter, Lauren Marie to Valerie L. and Patrick Taylor.

January 30:

A daughter, Kaillyn Wright to Angela and Jason Lee Wright; a son, Gary Luke to Miranda Jane and Gary Roger Roberts Jr.; a daughter, Madalyn Elizabeth Brooke to Julia Lynn and James Floyd Stump; a son, Thomas Blake to Brenda Leigh and Freddie Duane Bowling.

February 1:

A son, Mason Tyler to Susan and Barry Ward; a son, Eric Brent to Amanda Grace and Eric Edward Hamilton; a daughter, Baylee Nicole to Wendy and Jimmy Hatton; a son, Brayden Wayne Huffman to Kimberly Dawn Damron and Jason Michael Huffman.

February 2:

A son, Oscar Ray Little II to Angela and Oscar Little; a son, Shannon Isaac to Tara and Shannon Matney.

February 3:

A son, Aaron Elijah to LaDonna Sue and Kirk Franklin Justice.

February 4:

A daughter, Izabella Mazie to Janet Lee and Jeffery Joe Damron; a daughter, Katelyn Olivia to Talila Dale and John Allen Kidd.

February 5:

A son, Jerry Douglas to Stephanie and Brandon Collier.

Ponder

ting that your imperfections do not mean you are a failure." So frequently uproars within relationships occur, because each person will not take responsibility for their own feelings and behaviors. Both are typically too quick to blame the other guy, and not look at how he or she contributes, much less admit that something was done wrong. Acknowledging your imperfections is simply admitting you are human. No one is perfect! Ask forgiveness for what might have happened with a plan for change in the future.

Reality VI really places the value and importance of "love being the most powerful weapon for good." You have certainly heard and seen lots of marketing about, and the showing of love

recently, with Valentine's Day. Reportedly, the French novelist Victor Hugo wrote, "The supreme happiness of life is the conviction that we are loved." Sigmund Freud said, "Love is the first requirement of mental health." It—love—certainly holds the central place in our search for meaning. An impression is that we look for the person to take the initiative in a relationship, and it does not need to be that way. It has also been stressed that love needs to be viewed as an attitude and not an emotion. Thus, if it is an attitude, love can be chosen and learned.

After checking out your life, with its attitudes, behaviors, positive and negative approaches, and such, what is your reality?

Local student visits D.C.

On January 28, 2003, U.S. Congressman Hal Rogers, right, met with Katherine Adams, left, of Prestonsburg. Ms. Adams was in Washington participating in the Presidential Classroom Scholars Program.

Eyes

Now, you'd have to know my son to appreciate what he said next. My son, the champion of right over wrong, "Mr. Neat and Tidy," the fellow who said our Christmas tree was "mismatched," the one child in my house who never quarrels about running the vacuum cleaner, The one child whose room is never unkempt. The one who always reminds, "Reason over emotion." (Where does he get it? Don't ask me.)

Anyway, back to the scene. Wet, cold, drizzle. Stalled auto in standing, and still rising, water. A distraught woman with very wet, very cold feet and very possibly, a crazed look in her eyes.

"Elliott, what are you doing?" (my agitation was increasing). "Get out of the car." Finally - an answer.

"But, Mom," he hesitated for a moment, "my shoes. I have my new boots on."

Like I said, you'd just have to know the kid.

"Till next week, stay high and dry."

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SANBALLAT, THE HORONITE WAS A GOVERNOR IN SAMARIA WHEN NEHEMIAH CAME TO JERUSALEM TO REBUILD THE CITY'S WALLS. RENEW THE STRUCTURAL WEAKNESSES, AND STRENGTHEN THE CONVICTION OF THE PEOPLE IN THEIR OLD TRADITIONS! BOTH APPREHENSIVE AND FURIOUS, HE IMMEDIATELY STARTED PLOTTING AGAINST NEHEMIAH AND HIS PLANS. BUT NONE OF HIS MACHINATIONS SEEMED SUCCESSFUL, SO HE BROUGHT OTHERS INTO HIS PLOTS TO EITHER PREVENT THE REBUILDING OF JERUSALEM'S WALLS OR TO ASSASSINATE NEHEMIAH (NEH. 6:1-4). UNFORTUNATELY, FOR SANBALLAT, EVERY NEW DEVICE THOUGHT OF BY HIM AND HIS CO-CONSPIRATORS FAILED! THE TREMENDOUS WORK PROSPERED IN EVERY DEGREE, CULMINATING IN THE COMPLETE RESTORATION OF THE CITY OF JERUSALEM AND THE REBUILDING OF THE TEMPLE ITSELF! SANBALLAT, FOR ALL HIS DEVISIVE SCHEMINGS, EXPERIENCED IGNOMINIOUS DEFEAT!



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Praise Assembly, 1 mile S. of Prestonsburg, intersection of Rt. 80 and U.S. 23; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; J.M. Stoes, Minister.

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Betsy Layne Free Will Baptist, Betsy Layne; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tracy Patton, Minister.
Bonanza Freewill Baptist, Abbott Creek Road, Bonanza; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jimmy D. Brown, Minister.
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Calvary Southern Baptist, Betsy Layne; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Doug Lewis, Minister.
Community Freewill Baptist, Goble Roberts Addition; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Paul D. Coleman, Minister.
Cow Creek Freewill Baptist, Cow Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Nathan Lafferty, Minister.
Daniels Creek Baptist Fellowship Church of God, Banner; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.; Drift Freewill Baptist, Drift; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m.; Randy Turner, Minister.
Endicott Freewill Baptist, Buffalo; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James H. Smith, Pastor.
Faith Freewill Baptist, 1/4 mile above Worldwide Egl. on Rt. 1428; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Buddy Jones, Minister.
First Baptist, Garrett; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Randy Osborne, Minister.
First Baptist, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Sunday Evening Service, 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Greydon Howard, Minister.
First Baptist, 54 S. Front St. (Irene Cole Memorial); Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Dr. Floyd Price, Minister.
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Free United Baptist, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.;
Free United Baptist, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.
Gretzel Baptist, State Rt. 3379, (Banhams Creek Rd.); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.
Highland Avenue Freewill Baptist; Sunday School, 9:50 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; David Garrett, Minister.
Jacks Creek Baptist, Bovinsville; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jeff Barrett, Minister.
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Lackey Freewill Baptist, Lackey; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Johnny J. Collins, Minister.
Lancer Baptist Church; 71 Cooley St., Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Prayer Meeting and Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor Bobby Carpenter.
Liberty Baptist, Denver; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Merle Little, Minister.
Ligon Community Freewill Baptist, Ligon Worship Service, Sunday, 11:00 a.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.
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United Community Baptist, Hwy. 7, Huysville; Worship Service, 2 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Carlos Beverly, Minister.
Wheelwright Freewill Baptist, Wheelwright Junction; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Louise Ferrar, Minister.
Mother's Home Church, Toler Creek, Harold; 9:30 the 2nd Saturday and Sunday of every month. Moderator, Kernd Newsome.

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Cars - Buy 'em, sell 'em, fix 'em, love 'em

Go for safety over style

by TOM and RAY MAGLIOZZI
KING FEATURES SYNDICATE

Dear Tom and Ray:

Our family is engaged in the "What car should we get for our teenage son?" negotiations. We are stumped as to whether it would be better to get a "new" used car with air bags and other safety devices, or to purchase an "old" used car, circa the 1960s. The '60s Mustang is our son's car of choice. We would want it modified to have three-point seat belts, but we are concerned because it would not have air bags. It is heavier than the newer cars and thus might afford more protection to balance out what it lacks in air bags, etc. Our son is responsible, so we are more concerned about other drivers running red lights than about his occasional lapses of sanity. Any suggestions for a concerned father? — Bill



RAY:

Bill, you're the one having the lapse of sanity. Are you sure it's not you who has the hots for the Mustang?

TOM:

The 1960 Mustang was an awful car then, and it's even worse now. It was a lousy Ford Falcon with a different body. It rode terribly, handled terribly, braked terribly. So what did Ford do to improve it other than slap a racier body on it? It put a bigger engine in it!

RAY:

In general, even the cheapest new car you buy today is superior in just about every way to cars of the '60s and '70s. The only advantage the older cars have is exterior styling (in my opinion).

TOM:

I know we'll get tons of hate mail for saying this, but if you take even the most affordable cars on the market today — your Hyundai Elantras and Toyota Corollas — and compare them with a '60s Mustang, you'll find that today's cars ride better, handle better, brake better, are more comfortable, much safer, much more reliable, burn much less fuel and create much less pollution.

RAY:

So there's no question, Bill, that your son will be much better off in a newer used car, almost regardless of what it is.

TOM:

My personal preference for teenage drivers is an old Volvo DL. Not only are they tanks, but they're slow, too!

RAY:

But if the repair costs scare you away from a Volvo, a recent-vintage Toyota Camry, Honda Accord or Ford Taurus will do the trick, too, Bill. Your kid might not look as cool in one of those, but he'll be much safer than he'd be in any '60s Mustang.

Why a mechanic should adjust your headlights

Dear Tom and Ray:

I just put new headlights in and was wondering how to adjust them. My car manual tells you where the adjusting screws are, but it does not tell you how far to turn them. I know that I could go to a mechanic to have them adjusted, but is the chart that mechanics use top-secret, or do they have a deal going with Detroit to not release the chart? I would hate to pay \$15 every time I need them adjusted. My car, by the way, is a 1988 Toyota Celica GT with the cute pop-up headlights. Thanks. — Andy

RAY:

Well, here's what my brother does. He adjusts both headlights up and to the left as far as they can go. Then, every day he moves them a quarter turn down and to the right. And when people in oncoming vehicles stop giving him the finger and cursing at him as they pass, he figures he's getting pretty close.

TOM:

Actually, if all you did was change the bulbs, you shouldn't have to readjust the headlights at all. The adjustment screws are totally separate from the installation hardware, and you don't have to touch them when you put a bulb in. So unless you already turned the wrong screws, Andy, the headlights should still be fine.

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TEST DRIVE by Greg Zyla



HUMMER H2

This week we test drive the new 2003 Hummer H2, an evolution of the famed H1 military vehicle. The H2 is a more street-tailored version that comes loaded with conveniences, but don't be misled. All Hummers are more than ready to smash through 20-inch-deep frozen streams or climb over 16-inch rocks.

The H2 caused more comments and commotion than all of the other cars and trucks we've test driven since we started in 1994. We couldn't get out of area food or department stores without answering literally hun-

dreds of "How's that Hummer?" questions from men, women, teens and children.

Although smaller in width and lighter than big brother H1, Hummer H2 is actually taller and longer than its sibling. The 122.8-inch wheelbase is 6.9-inches longer than a Chevy Tahoe, but it's only 2 inches wider. This is probably the most deceiving thing about the H2: Everyone thinks it too wide to drive in comfort — until they get behind the wheel.

The Hummer's outward styling features the largest sunroof in the business, big hood

handles and tow loops, huge steel bumpers and the signature louvered chrome grille with off-road tow treatment. Our H2 had the \$2,215 Adventure Series Air Suspension Package, which added an on-board air compressor and hose, and air springs for raising the body and front-end brush guards. If you are serious about off-road, get this option.

The spacious cabin was fitted with a \$500 optional third-row seat. Though basic, H2's interior is well-designed, with all gauges

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RAY:
 Oh, you DID turn the wrong screws? You knucklehead. Well, in that case, your headlights will need to be adjusted. And unfortunately, there's really no way to adjust them accurately without the chart and the perfectly flat floor that many service stations have.

away, on a perfectly flat floor, your low beams should point slightly below and to the right of those marks. So, if your marks on the garage door make crosses, the most intense part of the beams should be just inside the lower right quadrants. You want to err on the side of NOT blinding oncoming drivers.

even do it for free during your annual inspection or another service visit.

TOM:
 Having them checked once a year and adjusted, if necessary, is a good idea. They can go out of adjustment over time, due to road vibrations or just the aging of the car's suspension system. And can't we all benefit from seeing better at night?

TOM:
 You can do an approximate job by taking two measurements. First, measure the distance from the ground to your headlights. Then measure the distance between the headlights (always measure from the center of the bulb). Next, measure and mark the same spots on a wall or garage door with two pieces of electrical tape. From 25 feet

RAY:
 But as we said, that's only an approximation. The real chart is designed to set your low beams so that you can see about 100 feet from your car, which gives you just about enough time to react to something in the road. And we recommend that you let a mechanic set the lights for you. It's inexpensive, it takes five minutes, and some guys will

Test

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easy to read and the center console big and useful. The automatic shift lever necessitates pressing in a button for all lower and rear gear selections, and its large design makes finding the lever easy when shifting while off-road.

wheel and heated outside mirrors. To access the cabin, you've really got to step up to get in, so be ready.

The H2 comes standard with a Bose speaker-equipped AM/FM/single-disc CD player and cassette deck. There are six-power outlets, several storage compartments, rear cargo tie-downs, leather-wrapped steering

An independent front suspension with torsion bars works in tandem with a rear coil setup and a three-piece ladder-type frame. Heavy-duty skid plates and an undershield help protect the engine and suspension from the elements. A chassis-mounted steel rocker-panel protector gives added protection. The H2 offers 35-inch tires on beautiful 17-inch wheels, the

largest of any production regular-duty truck in the General Motors line.

Under the hood you'll find GM's Vortec 6.0-liter V-8 that delivers 316 horsepower at 5,200 rpm and 360 pound-feet of torque at 4,000 rpm. Mated to a four-speed automatic transmission and a new, driver-selectable electrically controlled full-time four-wheel-drive system, H2 is ready to go with authority. Expect mileage similar to a Chevy Suburban in the 12 mpg city to 15 mph highway range.

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The usual safety items are found on H2, including two-mode traction control, ABS, dual airbags, four-wheel disc brakes, battery rundown protection and On-Star communications. There is also special interior trim to reduce bumps and bruises in the event that passengers are moved around during rough rides ... like we were.

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NUMBER 836-0295 AMENDMENT NO. 1

In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Frasure Creek Mining, LLC, 1051 Main Street, Suite 100, Milton, West Virginia 25541, has applied for an amendment to a permit for a surface coal mining and reclamation operation, located at Craynor in Floyd County. The amendment proposes to add 74.08 acres and delete 2.52 acres of surface disturbance, and add 28.10 acres and delete 21.21 acres of auger area for total of 288.28 acres within the total permit boundary.

The proposed operation is approximately 0.5 mile southwest from KY 680's junction with KY 979, and located on Hamilton Branch of Mud Creek.
 The proposed operation is located on the McDowell USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by The Elk Horn Coal Corporation, Curt Hall Heirs, Richard P. Hall Heirs, Charles Hall, Walker Tackett et al., Robert or Marlene Howell, Frank and Ivalee McKinney, William L. Hall Heirs, and Barbara Hall. The operation will underlie land owned by Charles Hall, Walker Tackett et al., Robert or Marlene Howell, Frank and Ivalee McKinney, William L. Hall Heirs, and Barbara Hall. The operation will use the area, contour, and auger methods of surface mining.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference, must be filed with the Director of the Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. **"Final Advert-ise-ment Only):** This is the final advertisement of the application. All comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be received within 30 days of today's date.

PENALTIES
 Any person/party who places a campaign plaque upon the above-mentioned restricted property shall be responsible for removing said plaque within ten (10) days of the notice of failing to comply with the city ordinance. If said party fails to remove campaign plaque within ten (10) days, said violator shall be subject to a penalty of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) per month until compliance.
EFFECTIVE DATE
 This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its second reading, adoption and passage as required by law.

Motioned by: Commissioner Mary Murphy; Seconded by: Commissioner Terri Howell; Introduced by: Mayor Tom Murphy

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PUBLIC NOTICE

GIVEN FIRST READING AND APPROVAL AT A duly convened meeting of the Wayland City Council held on this 17th day of February, 2003

WAYLAND, KENTUCKY ORDINANCE NUMBER 03-001

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE ENACTING OF A REGULATORY RESTRICTION ON THE PLACEMENT OF CAMPAIGN PLAQUES ON CITY PROPERTY AND/OR UTILITY POLES, HIGHWAY SIGNS, AND PUBLIC BUILDINGS, WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF WAYLAND
 WHEREAS, the City of Wayland, acting by and through its City Commission, in an effort to prevent the continuing inconvenience and burden on the city for the removal and disposal of campaign plaques, the city of wayland proposes the following Ordinance:
NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY OF WAYLAND, KENTUCKY, ENACTS THE FOLLOWING REGULATORY RESTRICTION:

Effective upon the signing of this Ordinance, and continuing hereafter for every fiscal year, no campaign plaques shall be placed upon any property owned by the City of Wayland, and/or upon any utility poles or highway signs within the city limits.

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**NOTICE OF COM-
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SALE**

BY VIRTUE OF Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 13th day of January, 2003, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$35,008.45, together with interest, costs and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, 3rd Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center) to the highest bidder, at public auction on Thursday, the 20th day of February, 2003, at the hour of 9:15 a.m., the following described real estate, located in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a cement post at the Highway 979, running down with the highway to Andy Tackett line, thence turning right running straight up the hill to the top of the ridge. Thence turning right around the ridge to Herman Newsome line, thence back down the hill with Herman Newsome's line to a cement stake, thence turning right around the garden a straight line to another stake, thence turning left back to the beginning.

Being the same property conveyed to Wheeler Newsome and Kathleen Newsome, his wife, by deed dated April 10, 1980, and recorded in Deed Book 247, Page 49, in the Floyd County Court Clerk's Office. A life estate was retained by the grantor, Emery Newsome, unmarried.

Being the same property conveyed to Wheeler Newsome, unmarried, and Emery Newsome, by

deed dated March 6, 1998, and recorded in Deed Book 417, page 98, in the Floyd County Court Clerk's Office.

TERMS OF SALE:
(a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or 10% of purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days, and required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum from the date of sale until paid, having the force and effect of a Judgment.

(b) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office, and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof.

(c) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all Floyd County, Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2003, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County, Kentucky, real estate taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds.

(d) In the event the Plaintiff is the purchaser of the above described property, for an amount equal to, or less than, its first lien, it shall take a credit against said lien for the amount of the bid and no bond shall be required of the Plaintiff, and it shall only be obligated to pay court costs, the fees and costs of the Master Commissioner, and any real estate taxes assessed against the real estate.

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

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